Amgueddfa'r Môr PORTHMADOG Maritime Museum

News Letter - Cylchlythyr

HAF 2018 – 2018 SUMMER

The weather early this summer was very hot and the many visitors to the area enjoyed the beaches and the hills or looking for places to shelter from the heat. Being a stone building, the museum offers a cool respite with plenty to see and activities for the children.

We have been busy with various events which are described below.

The museum is a charitable trust but we work closely with STORIEL museum at Bangor and with Gwynedd Archives at Caernarfon. The Museums Department of the county council are always available for advice and support which is greatly appreciated.

Roedd y tywydd cynnar yn yr haf yn boeth iawn ac roedd y nifer o ymwelwyr i'r ardal yn mwynhau'r traethau a'r bryniau neu'n chwilio am leoedd i'w gysgodi rhag y gwres. Mae'r amgueddfa'n cynnig seibiant oerllyd gyda digon i'w weld a gweithgareddau i'r plant.

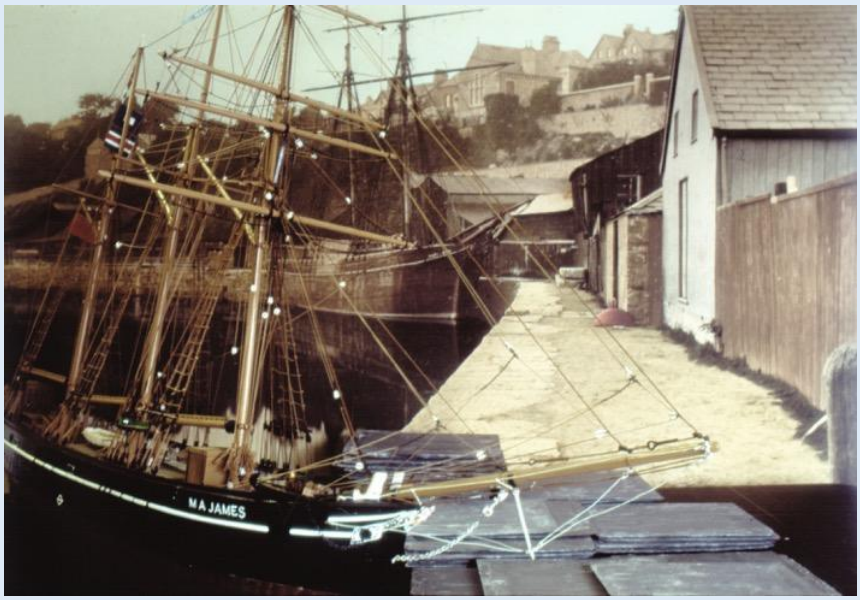
Rydym wedi bod yn brysur gyda gwahanol ddigwyddiadau a ddisgrifir isod.

Mae'r amgueddfa yn ymddiriedolaeth elusennol ond rydym yn gweithio'n agos gydag amgueddfa STORIEL ym Mangor a chyda Archifau Gwynedd yng Nghaernarfon. Mae Adran Amgueddfeydd cyngor y sir ar gael am gyngor a chymorth, sy'n cael ei werthfawrogi'n fawr.

Blwyddyn y Môr 2018 Year of the Sea

One of our contributions to the Year of the Sea was to assist artist Jackie Chettur prepare a 3d stereoscopic view of Caernarfon Harbour with our fine model of the M.A.James in the foreground. This was part of an installation displayed at the STAMP Castell "To the Sea" Exhibition held at Caernarfon during June.

This photograph does not do justice to the amazing result when viewed through the special viewer.



Digwyddiadau Diweddar - Recent Events





Cyng. Selwyn Griffiths yn agor arddangosfa llongau-U 23 Gorffennaf
Cllr. Selwyn Griffiths opening the U-Boat display 23 July

Darlith am y Rhyfel Gyntaf ar y Môr yn y Clwb Hwylio 23 Mai
WW1 at Sea Lecture at the Yacht Club 23 May



Môr-ladron y tu allan i'r amgueddfa yn ystod y Wledd Symudol ar 14 Gorffennaf !
Pirates outside the museum during the Moveable Feast on 14 July !



Ymweliad gan y gwirfoddolwyr o Ganolfan Thomas Telford
A visit from the volunteers from the Thomas Telford Centre



Galwodd CRIW CELF o STORIEL i mewn
The ART CREW from STORIEL called in

The ***U-Boat Project 1914-18*** is collaboration between the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales, Bangor University and the Nautical Archaeology Society to commemorate those who served at sea during the Great War.

Porthmadog and District's contribution can be seen at the Maritime Museum from **23rdJuly 2018 daily, 12:00-16:00, throughout the summer.**

Over 50 men from Eifionydd and Ardudwy lost their lives at sea during the war (research is ongoing). Hundreds more served; many survived enemy attacks and suffered great hardships.

Mae ***Prosiect U-Boat 1914-18*** yn gydweithrediad rhwng Comisiwn Brenhinol Henebion Cymru, Prifysgol Bangor a'r Gymdeithas Archaeoleg Forwrol i gofféu'r rhai a wasanaethodd ar y môr yn ystod y Rhyfel Mawr.

Mae cyfraniad Porthmadog a'r Cylch i'w weld yn yr Amgueddfa'r Môr o **23ain Gorffennaf 2018 bob dydd, 12:00 a 16-16, trwy 'r haf.**

Collwyd dros 50 o ddynion o Eifionydd ac Ardudwy eu bywydau ar y môr yn ystod y rhyfel (mae ymchwil yn parhau). Gwasanaethodd cannoedd fwy; Goroesodd llawer ymosodiad y gelyn a dioddefwyd caledi ofnadwy.

Collwyd - Lost



William John Edwards
Criccieth



John Hansen
Porthmadog



Robert Thomas
Llangybi



David Llewelyn Jones
Porthmadog

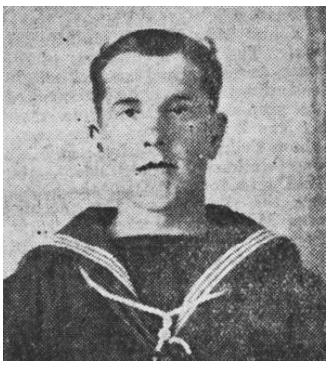
Goroeswyd - Survived



Henry Hughes
Porthmadog



T.J.Evans
Criccieth



Victor Williams
Porthmadog



John Edmunds
Porthmadog

Details and some of the stories of these men can be seen in a special folder at the museum. During the summer we are hoping that more information will be brought in.

Though this project is about the First World War, there is also great interest in WW2 and we have received some stories of local seafarers during this period. This will be featured in the Autumn newsletter

Gellir gweld manylion a rhai o straeon y dynion hyn mewn ffolder arbennig yn yr amgueddfa. Yn ystod yr haf rydym yn gobeithio derbyn mwy o wybodaeth.

Er bod y prosiect hwn yn ymwneud â'r Rhyfel Byd Cyntaf, mae diddordeb mawr hefyd yn yr Ail Ryfel ac rydym wedi derbyn rhai storïau am forwyr lleol yn ystod y cyfnod hwn. Bydd hyn yn cael ei gynnwys yng nghylchlythyr yr Hydref

Shipbuilding

It is difficult to say precisely how many ships were built in the district but it was probably over three hundred.

Adeiladu Llongau

Mae'n anodd dweud yn union faint o longau a adeiladwyd yn yr ardal ond mae'n debyg mai dros dri chant.

Caernarvon and Denbigh Herald 13th January 1849

SHIP LAUNCH. – We understand the fine ship *Anne Mellhuish* was launched from the building yard of Mr. Henry Jones, at Port Madoc, on Thursday morning, at half-past nine. There were a great number of spectators assembled, and the vessel entered the water majestically, amidst the cheers and greetings of those present. The ship is the largest ever built in the port of Port Madoc, being about 400 tons register, and the model and workmanship, we are informed, does great credit to the builder. Her spirited owners, Messrs. J. J. Mellhuish and Co., of Liverpool, entertained, at the launch dinner, a large company of the influential gentry of the port and neighbourhood, and the success of the new ship was pledged in wine of the best quality.

North Wales Chronicle 6th June 1863

PORTMADOC.

SHIP LAUNCH.—The other day, a handsome new schooner, built by Mr. Wm. Griffith, of the Borth, was launched off the slip into the river, very successfully, though the state of the weather was not very satisfactory, inasmuch as the wind blew right against the tide, and so lowered it about two feet. The schooner was named the "Jane Ellis," out of compliment to the daughter of Mr. Wm. Lloyd, draper, of this town. It is an exceedingly neat and well-built vessel, and for its size fully equals in every respect, any other ship which has hitherto been built in Portmadoc. Length of keel 66 feet 10 inches, breadth of beam, 18 feet 1½ inches. and depth of hold 9 feet 4½ inches. Her estimated burden is 140 tons. Captain Owen Jones is to be the captain; and she is intended for the slate trade.

ANOTHER SHIP LAUNCH.—On Tuesday, a fine new schooner, built by Mr. Daniel Griffith, Portmadoc, was launched in the Port, amid a large number of spectators. It was named the "Volunteer," and is of 115 tons register, and calculated to carry 220 tons. The captain is Mr Jno. Jones, late master of the schooner, "Margaret," of Portmadoc.

Rhwydwaith o Dreftadaeth Forwrol - A Network of Maritime Heritage

NEFYN

http://www.llyn-maritime-museum.co.uk/eng/index.html

BERMO - BARMOUTH

Barmouth Sailor's Institute

http://www.barsailinst.org.uk/

CAERGYBI – HOLYHEAD

Amgueddfa Arforol Caergybi
Holyhead Maritime Museum

http://www.holyheadmaritimemuseum.co.uk/

LLANDUDNO

Ship's Timbers Maritime Museum

http://shipstimbers.blogspot.com/

PORTHAETHWY – MENAI BRIDGE

Canolfan Thomas Telford
Thomas Telford Centre
https://menaibridges.co.uk/

AMLWCH

Sail Loft Heritage Centre

http://www.amlwchhistory.co.uk/sailloft.html

BANGOR

STORIEL
Has a maritime section
https://www.facebook.com/STORIELbangor/

CAERNARFON

Gwynedd Archives

Many maritime records here

https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/cy/Trigolion/Llyfrgelloedd-ac-archifau/Archifau-a-hanes-teulu/Archifau-a-hanes-teulu.aspx

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http://www.ceredigionmuseum.wales/