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Cymru a'r Môr  
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*Maritime Wales 2015:  
Commemoration, Contemplation,  
Celebration*

***Prifysgol Cymru Y Drindod Dewi Sant  
University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Lampeter  
Dydd Sadwrn Hydref 31 / Saturday October 31st, 2015***

**Mynediad am Ddim – Croeso Cynnes i Bawb  
Free Admission – All Welcome**

***Trefnwyr y Gynhadledd / Conference Organisers:***

Cysylltwch I archebu lle/Contact to book:

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An Anchor Outside The Caernarfon Maritime Museum - Wales. By Jim Linwood is licensed under CC by 2.0

# CBA Wales is seeking a new Treasurer

At our AGM in October it will be time to hand over to a new treasurer after seven very enjoyable years keeping CBA Wales/Cymru accounts in order. This is not a difficult task, but requires a level of organisation and attention to detail at regular intervals throughout the financial year. Should anyone out there be interested in joining the committee and taking on this role please do get in touch for more information.

Kathy Laws

CBA Wales/Cymru Hon. Treasurer

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## Late Bronze Age Shell Midden

During 2013 a new shell midden was discovered on Hir Ynys, a former island within the Traeth Mawr, Gwynedd. The shell midden, predominantly made of oyster shells, has produced a Late Bronze Age radiocarbon date of 1006 - 843 cal BC. Small scale excavations of the midden were carried out over the summer by the Glaslyn Prehistory Group and a full account of this work will be reported in the next newsletter and future editions of Archaeology in Wales. For further information contact: Clive Hudson ([cliveshan2@gmail.com](mailto:cliveshan2@gmail.com))



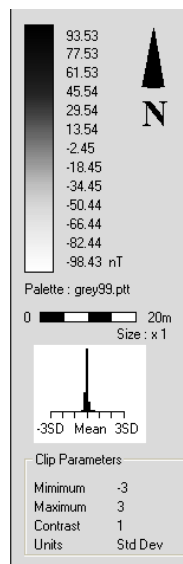
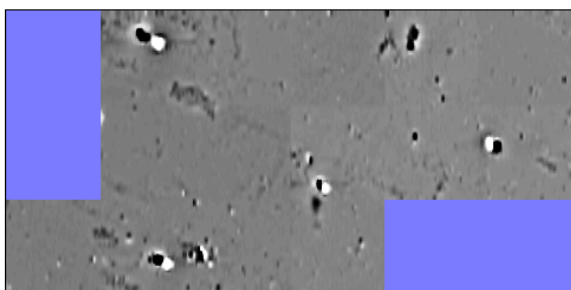
# Frongoch and the Easter Rising

In 1916, some 1700 Irish men were interned at Frongoch, North Wales, in the aftermath of the Easter Rising. Dubbed the 'university of revolution', Frongoch holds a key place in Irish nationalist narratives of the road to independence. Although long the subject of historical research, archaeological approaches have yet to be employed on the Rising. This project will carry out archaeological survey and excavation at Frongoch to explore the materialities of internment. It will examine how internees, guards and the local community engaged with objects, buildings and landscapes to sustain and transform particular forms of social identity and cultural value. In addition, it will consider how and why the physical experience of internment had such a profound impact on those involved in the subsequent war of independence. A century on, as we revisit anew the legacy of the first world war, this project will provide fresh perspectives on this other conflict located at the heart of empire.

During June 2015 geophysical surveys were carried out on the site of the internment camp revealing pathways and the standings of the wooden huts, used to house prisoners. Further work is planned for 2016. A full report of work at Frongoch will appear in a future edition of Archaeology in Wales.

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Part of a geophysical survey plot out from Frongoch showing the footings of huts and pathways



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# FRONGOCH...

... a tiny village, but a huge part of modern Welsh history.

On the site of Ysgol Bro Tryweryn once stood: Wales' first whisky distillery; a German PoW camp; an internment camp for Irish prisoners after the 1916 Easter Rising, and workers' accommodation for the Llyn Celyn dam.



Share your part of the story  
**OPEN DAY - Saturday 10 October**  
**Ysgol Bro Tryweryn, Frongoch, Bala LL23 7NT**  
**11.00am – 4.30pm**



With a talk by local historian **Lyn Ebenezer**  
(author of *Fron-Goch Camp 1916*)  
at **3.00pm** introduced by **Dafydd Elis-Thomas AM**  
Talk in Welsh with simultaneous translation

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust would like to scan the photographs and documents you own, and record your family's stories, so they can be included in the Regional Historic Environment Record (HER). By including this information in the HER collections, and by ensuring that it can be properly archived, your family's history can be preserved. There will also be an exhibition about Frongoch's history.

For more information email: [WWI@heneb.co.uk](mailto:WWI@heneb.co.uk) or  
phone: 01248 366959 or go to: [www.heneb.co.uk/ww1](http://www.heneb.co.uk/ww1)



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# ANGLESEY IN WWI



**Share your story**  
**Wednesday 4th November**

**Anglesey Archives,**  
**Bryn Cefni Industrial Estate, Llangefni, LL77 7JA**  
**10.00am – 4.00pm**

**Was your family involved in manufacturing for the war effort? Do you know about the Llangefni Airship Station? Where was the Marconi wireless station at Amlwch?**

**If you have any answers or are just interested in the Home Front during the First World War Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) is holding a road-show to gather information.**

The day will include:

- an exhibition on airships and other aircraft on Anglesey.
- training in how to find out about archaeological sites across Wales using *Archwilio* from your own computer or mobile device.



GAT will be collecting information about manufacturing and research and development sites on Anglesey. If you have any documents and photographs to share we would be pleased to scan them. Anglesey Archives welcome any donations of any important documents or interesting photographs.

For more information email: [WWI@heneb.co.uk](mailto:WWI@heneb.co.uk) or phone: 01248 366959 or go to: [www.heneb.co.uk/ww1](http://www.heneb.co.uk/ww1)



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# Conflict Archaeology in Wales and the Wider World

One day seminar

**Council Chamber, National Library of Wales, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

CfA Cymru/Wales Group in collaboration with the Welsh Conflict Archaeology Advisory Panel.

The Welsh Conflict Archaeology Advisory Panel (WelCAAP) is pleased to announce a one day seminar introducing the concepts, themes and current projects concerned with conflict archaeology in Wales and the wider world.

Originating in the Cadw Twentieth Century Military Sites Working Group, and with representatives from Cadw, the Royal Commission, the four Welsh Archaeological Trusts, Historic England, the Defence Infrastructure Organisation and other agencies and national bodies, WelCAAP exists to raise the profile of recent conflict archaeology in Wales and the impacts on the communities and landscapes of Wales, as well as to disseminate best practice pertaining to the identification, research, protection, conservation, interpretation and presentation of eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth century conflict sites across the historic environment sector in Wales.

This one day seminar will introduce delegates to current UK (and wider) research themes, projects and management issues, and will feature papers on a range of topics including military field archaeology, First World War themes, the Home Front in Wales, aviation archaeology and community archaeology. A keynote will be delivered by Richard Osgood, Defence Infrastructure Organisation. A full programme and registration details will be announced in September. Offers of displays or exhibitions, as well as inserts for delegate packs, are invited.

For further information please contact the WelCAAP Chair:

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For booking and delegate information please contact John Latham,  
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# ARCHAEOLOGY FOR ALL

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## CBA Wales/Cymru Annual General Meeting and Autumn Symposium 2015

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015

The Powis Suite  
The Royal Oak Hotel  
Welshpool  
Powys SY21 7DG

*Business Meeting:* 11am  
*Annual General Meeting:* 12.30am  
*Symposium:* 2.00pm - 4.30pm



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