



Coetir Mynydd
COMPANY NUMBER 04918475

To October 31st 2014

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BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Fixed Assets

We are a community group, which owns 23 acres of woodland, including a lake and a dam. This is not a sellable asset, as witness the fact that the previous owner, Penrhyn Estate, donated us £25,000 to cover maintenance expenses (most still remaining in our savings account) when we bought it from them for £1 in 2004.

Current Net Assets

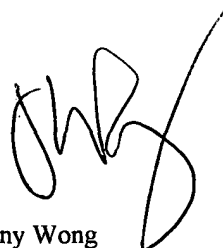
All figures below are in pounds sterling:

Current Account	3,239.98
Petty Cash	0.00
Current Liabilities	0.00
14 day savings account	21,221.85
Total:	24,461.83

We have no liabilities. Please see the separate sheet for the breakdown of income and expenditure.

For the year ended October 31st, 2014, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006, because the company's turnover was less than £1 million, and the balance sheet total is less than £1.4 million. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors acknowledge their responsibility for: (i) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and (ii) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the Board of Directors

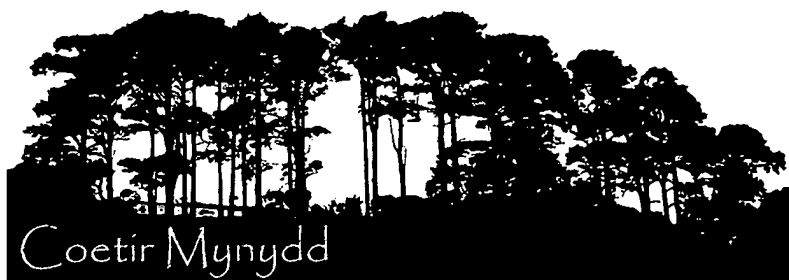

Jenny Wong
Secretary and Director

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ANNUAL REPORT

February 2015

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This is the 11th annual report of Coetir Mynydd and covers the period 1 December 2013 to 31 January 2015.

During the period of this report the business of the company was directed by the Board which comprised: Tim Radford (Chair), Jenny Wong (Secretary), Martin Daws, Bryan Dickinson, Gwen Griffith, Sharon Sweeny, Gabe Wyn and Mike Vitkovitch assisted by two officers, Mike Yates (Treasurer) and Bryn Williams.

Routine maintenance

Routine maintenance continued through the year. This is funded from the woodland management grant which is now administered directly by the Welsh Government since the Forestry Commission closed. The work is mostly done by volunteers with grant income used for purchases or to fund work that can't be done by volunteers.

Beyond the woodland, Coetir Mynydd volunteers did a sweep of the village to clear Himalayan balsam. There is now very little of this left.

Biodiversity

Several events exploring the biodiversity of the woods were held this year:

Walk Easter Monday 22nd April

Bat walk 3 June

Bird walk 10 June

Fungi foray Sat 6th September with Charles Aron – we found over 51 species including *Russula brunneoviolacea* which is rare for the area.

Big Garden Bird Watch 24-25th January – several members have submitted their records for the RSPB Big Garden Bird count to Bryan for the past seven years and there was a meeting in the Neuadd Goffa on the 12 February to review these data.

Bird ringing project – Numerous birds were ringed with special color coded plastic rings back in 2010 and many of these birds are still being seen. If you notice any ringed birds, please record the colours & position on leg (upper/lower, left/right) and send them to Coetirmynydd@aol.com.
THANKS!

Mountain bikes

The use of the path through Parc yr Ocar by mountain bikes has been steadily increasing which raises two concerns:

- Safety of walkers using the footpath
- Erosion to the path and damage to the recently installed steps

Much of the path is a Public Footpath which is solely for pedestrian use. Discussions with local bikers suggested two courses of action – the first was to remove the listing for the route through the woods from STRAVA a mountain biking website site. The second was to ensure there were prominent signs indicating the path was not for use by bikes. The first was easily done – the second took a little more effort. Funding for footpath signage was included in the woodland management plan and this was used to commission two sets of signs from the forestry signs workshop in Coed y Brenin: "mileposts" for the entrances and "waymarkers" for the permissive part of the footpath (which is a condition of the grant funding). Both sets of signs turned out to be larger than anticipated! Two signs, one at the Rynys entrance and one below the turnoff to St Ann's were erected by volunteers on the 26th August as a trial.

Bike usage has been lower since the signs went in then but recently is again becoming more evident. Please remind any bikers you know that people but not bikes are welcome to use the footpath.

Micro-hydro

Keith Jones (National Trust) who has been facilitating the development of community hydro schemes in Aber, Bethesda and Llanberis requested a meeting with the Coetir Mynydd Board in November. He explained the current situation concerning the funding and support available for community hydro and encouraged the Board to re-consider the development of a micro-hydro on the Galedffrwd. Having rejected the scheme that arose from previous feasibility studies the Board decided to commission a feasibility study to consider a wider range of schemes. Funding for this was obtained from Ynni'r Fro and the study commenced in January. The report arising from this study is due in the next few months.

Llais y Goedwig

Jenny, Tim and Bryan represented Coetir Mynydd at two Llais y Goedwig events to learn more about developments in community woodlands across Wales. The meetings attended were the Annual Gathering at Plas Newydd in April, and the October workshop in Llanrwst to discuss emerging issues in relation to the use of public forest by local communities.

Board meetings

Two meetings were held in 2014; Issues discussed included: woodland maintenance, membership, micro-hydro, involvement in Parc y Bwlch and village events.

Membership

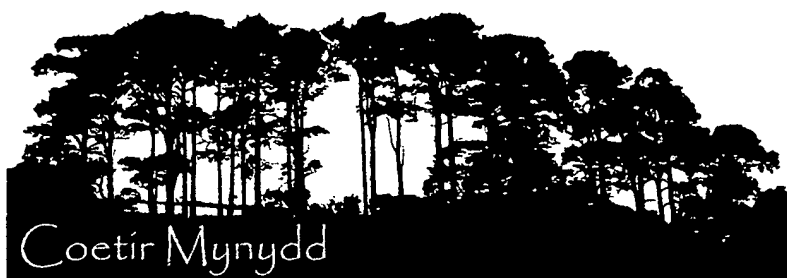
For the last few years we have not collected membership fees. During this time quite a few new people have come to live in the village who will not be aware of who we are. There is a need to reinstate active membership and to publicise Coetir Mynydd in the village.

Website

We have a website for Coetir Mynydd which currently needs updating,

<http://www.coetirmynydd.co.uk>

We can also have a FACEBOOK community page, under "Coetir Mynydd" Please join us!



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1. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (THROUGH CURRENT ACCOUNT)

INCOME

Forestry Commission Wales	477.96	Management Plan
Cooperative Bank	3.93	Interest
TOTAL	481.89	

EXPENDITURE

Plas Nant	120.00	2 years' Internet Hosting
Sign Workshop Ltd.	789.60	New signs for the woodland
Rural Arbor Products	170.00	Annual Public Liability Insurance
TOTAL	1,079.60	

RECONCILIATION

TURNOVER	481.89	See above	
EXPENDITURE	1,079.60	See above	
BALANCE	-597.71		
BANK - OPENING BALANCE	3,837.69	current account 01.11.2013	
BANK - CLOSING BALANCE		current account 31.10.2014	3,239.98
TOTAL	3,239.98		3,239.98

2. 14-DAY SAVINGS ACCOUNT

OPENING BALANCE	21,205.98	30.10.2013
Interest Tax Paid	15.87	Cooperative Bank
CLOSING BALANCE	21,221.85	31.10.2014