

LLANGORS LOG BOAT CENTENARY 1925-2025 event

Llyn Syfaddan History Group and the Brecknock Society invite you to join us to celebrate the discovery, and subsequent acquisition of the log boat by the Brecknock Museum, on Friday 19th September at Llangors Youth and Community Centre.

The event begins at 6.30 with a key note talk by Dr Mervyn Bramley who will describe the fascinating story of the boat's discovery and how it was instrumental in the formation of the Brecknock Museum. Mervyn will also highlight many of the eminent people of the time who are associated with the boat and crannog. This includes the visit to the lake by Tony Robinson and the Time Team whose programme (The Fortress on the Lake) first aired on 6th February 1994. During filming, a full-scale replica log boat was created at Ty Mawr. This was launched on the lake and will be on show thanks to Nigel Gervis who was involved in making the boat.

Following Mervyn's presentation, Bob Hansel will share some of his precious memories of the finder of the boat, Llangors resident Thomas Jenkins. Bob is related to Thomas through marriage to a descendent of Thomas.

There will be displays and the launch of a specially produced book with the support of the Brecknock History Forum giving historical information about the lake, produced by Alison Noble and Elaine Starling. They have said about the book

"For thousands of years influential people have visited this magical place. 1188 - Gerald of Wales; c1530— John Leland; 1586—William Camden; 1870—Francis Kilvert; 1993—Channel 4 Time Team; 2012—Prince Charles (now King Charles III). And in the last 150 years some of the secrets of the Lake's early history have come to light through archaeological digs.

This short account of the history, stories and myths of Llangors Lake explores some of the secrets from the Mesolithic through to the modern day. Along the way we look at a royal palace, a court case, a unique piece of fabric and the Lake as a special place for the wildlife of Wales.

This book is produced in 2025 as part of the celebrations to mark the centenary of the finding of the Log Boat in the Lake."

The book will be on sale for £5 in addition to other items from the Llyn Syfaddan History Group.

Free refreshments and a finger buffet will be available following the presentations. Donations will be welcome.

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