

MBS Listings

Exhibitors who attended our Newtown event on 17th April 2010.

Alan Jefferies. Artwork & books.
URL: www.whitecranetaichi.co.uk

Barbara Clooney. Hand made greetings cards.
Contact via TSC

Crystal Gardens. Crystals, crystal products & singing bowls.
Tel. 01299404157

Fairy Realms. Faerie illustrations cards & figurines.
URL: www.fairyrealms.co.uk

Forever Living. Aloe Vera natural healthcare products.
Email: aloerobert@googlemail.com

The Healing Garden. Taster zone massage therapies plus gift stall.
Mob: 07873187320

Hocus Pocus. Maggie Moreton & Eunice Doyle Tarot readers.
Email: morticiahocuspocus@sky.com

Marjorie Jones: Herbal products and oils.
Contact via TSC

Mercurius press. Magical cards, prints, watercolours & books
Email: f.m.nottingham@aol.com

Penycoed Healing Centre. Digeridoo sound healing and products & Reiki.
URL: www.didgeridoohealing.co.uk

Purple Sapphire. Aura photography, colour & crystal therapist.
Email: lorna.start@tiscali.co.uk

Suzanne Horobin. Reiki therapy & Indian Head Massage.
Email: horobinsuzanne@yahoo.com

Time for You. Taster massage treatments.
URL: www.timeforyou88.co.uk

Trina Buchan. Tarot Readings, Herb cushions and other crafts
Email: trina.buchan@btinternet.com

And of course *The Simmering Cauldron*

NB the above are independent practitioners and are in no way connected with TSC

Our Diary for April, May & June

During this period we will be attending our regular market stalls in Welshpool and Newtown on Mondays and Tuesdays respectively **except between 10th and 23rd June.** Additional events, are listed below.

Sunday 2nd May	MBS Fair, Memorial Hall, Oswestry
Saturday 8th May	PF Spring Conference, Leek, Staffordshire
Saturday 15th May	Spirit of the Seasons Fair, Northwich, Cheshire
Sunday 16th May	MBS Fair, Ellesmere, Cheshire
Saturday 29th May	Esoteric Conference, Assembly Rooms, Ludlow
10th - 23rd June	Travelling - France
Saturday 26th June	MBS Festival, Civic Hall, Crosby, Merseyside
Sunday 27th June	MBS Fair, Glyndwr University, Wrexham



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The Simmering Cauldron Newsletter

Great events in Mid Wales and the borders

This year there seems to be a bumper crop of events coming up in the area ranging from traditional MBS fairs to thought provoking conferences. The first event is **Oswestry MBS Fair** on 2nd May in the Memorial Hall. This smallish event has a good line up of exhibitors and is Free to visitors. Another event without an admission charge (charity donations appreciated) is the small **Ellesmere MBS Fair** in the Ellesmere Hotel on 16th May. ffi contact The Simmering Cauldron.

At the end of May (29th) Myddle Earth are holding the **Ludlow Esoteric Conference** in the Assembly Rooms with a great set of talks and workshops as well as trade stalls. ffi <http://www.myddle-earth.info/2010/01/ludlow-esoteric-conference.html>.

In the northern reaches of the area there are going to be two significant MBS Fairs. The first is at Glyndwr University in **Wrexham** on 27th June. ffi <http://www.energyevents.biz>

Secondly on August 21st & 22nd there is the **Llangollen Light Holistic Festival** in the Town Hall. ffi http://www.llangollenlight.com/llangollen_light_2010/welcome.html

On 11th September there is going to be a exciting new occult conference taking place in **Clun** to be hosted by Mercurius Press. ffi <http://grimoiregathering2010.yolasite.com>

Lastly there are our own events, The **Welshpool MBS Fair** on 18th September and the return of Mystic Alley in **Montgomery** on 12th December.

These are the events we are aware of - if you know of more do let us know!



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Five Years on!

The Simmering Cauldron celebrated it's 5th anniversary this spring. We had planned a bit of a 'splurge' but other things got in the way so it passed almost unnoticed.

Not surprisingly a number of changes have taken place over the years, not least what we sell. Our initial lines back in February 2005 included home made jams and chutneys, second hand books, essential oils and bath bombs! Our first stalls were in Bishops Castle Town Hall shortly followed by Welshpool Market on Saturdays. It was some time before we started attending events and subsequently running our own, the first being Newtown MBS Fair in May 2007

In those early days we spent some time clarifying what we were aiming for and introduced the byline of 'a stall for wisdom & well-being'. This enabled us to pursue our two prime areas of interest, spiritual enlightenment and natural healing, which very loosely matched the work of a traditional 'Wisewoman'.

In recent weeks we have been reviewing what we do and asking ourselves where we go next. Areas we

Advance Diary dates
Welshpool Mind Body Spirit Fair
Saturday 18th September
Mystic Alley, Montgomery
Sunday 12th December

want to develop include publications, events and services to like minded people. Several ideas and plans are afoot! A small, but significant, change will be our byline which we are changing to 'a mystical and magical resource'. Most of all we want to make more use of the myriad skills we acquired in our previous employment.

However, despite the new ideas, we do not want to change our regular attendance at local markets, which although at times they can be cold and lonely experiences, do provide an invaluable 'point of contact' with friends and customers. We will also continue to attend a diverse range of events locally and nationally. By way of a change this year we have applied (to be confirmed) to exhibit at the Welshpool Country and Western Music Festival and Ludlow Medieval Christmas Fayre.

So keep an eye on what we are up to and if there is any way we can be of service to you - let us know.

Advertorial?

If any complementary businesses would like to place an advertorial (promotional article) in the newsletter please contact Tony.
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Mayday in Wales

In Wales, May Day marks the summer half of the year, Galan Haf and traditionally it was a time of hiring farm servants for a fixed period, giving rise to 'hiring fairs'. May Day often marked the end of house and farm tenancies. It seems to me that the key word for this time of year is *Potential*. We are on the brink of summer, with all that it promises and the anticipation is somehow always more charged with excitement than the realisation!

Those pastimes which took place throughout the summer often began in May. In Montgomeryshire, the village green, or twmpath chwarae was ceremonially opened on May Day, and the activities begun. There was much dancing, often to a harp or sometimes a fiddle. There were also sports; wrestling, throwing a stone or beam, often presided over by the local veteran.

It was also the custom in parts of Wales to decorate the front of the house with flowers and greenery, particularly rowan and birch twigs and whitethorn blossom. This was no doubt to herald the coming of a new

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season of growth and the custom probably originated in the worship of the pagan Goddess of the Earth, of Nature and Fertility.

Today, fairs and gatherings carry on this tradition, so however you are celebrating May Day, Spring blessings to you all.

Our Newtown Mind Body Spirit Fair

took place at The Monty Club on Saturday 17th April. Once again a great day at what proved to one of our most enjoyable events. Thanks everybody who was there for helping to make it special. **Photos and programme from the Newtown Mind Body Spirit Fair** now on <http://www.thesimmeringcauldron.co.uk/mbs.html>

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