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CROESO I CROSSKEYS

Mae'n debyg y daw'r enw o'r dafarn gyntaf a agorwyd yn yr ardal, y Crosskeys Inn, a elwir bellach yn Crosskeys Hotel. Cyn i'r Dafarn gael ei hadeiladu, gelwid yr ardal yn Pontycymer.

Datblygodd y Crosskeys yn bentref yn ystod blynyddoedd olaf y 19eg ganrif gyda dyfodiad glofeydd amrywiol i'r ardal gyfagos. Ymfudodd miloedd o weithwyr o Orllewin Cymru a Gorllewin Lloegr i weithio yn y pyllau. Canfuwyd bod gwythïen gyfagos y Gwythien Du' yn llawn nwyon peryglus, ac fe gafwyd nifer o ffrwydradau mawr yno yn ystod y gwaith cloddio.

A wyddech chi?
Mae Afon Ebwy ac Afon Sirhywi yn uno yn Crosskeys ar ymyl ddeheuol Parc Waunfawr.

WELCOME TO CROSSKEYS

The name probably comes from the first inn to be opened in the area, the Crosskeys Inn, which is now the Crosskeys Hotel. Prior to the Inn being built the area was known as Pontycymer.

Crosskeys developed into a village during the later part of the 19th Century, due to the various working collieries in the vicinity. These collieries resulted in thousands of workers immigrating into the area from both West Wales and the West of England. The nearby rich 'Blackvein' seam was found to be extremely gassy and there were a number of major explosions during its time in operation.

Did you know?
The confluence of the River Ebbw and River Sirhowy occurs at Crosskeys, on the southern edge of Waunfawr Park.

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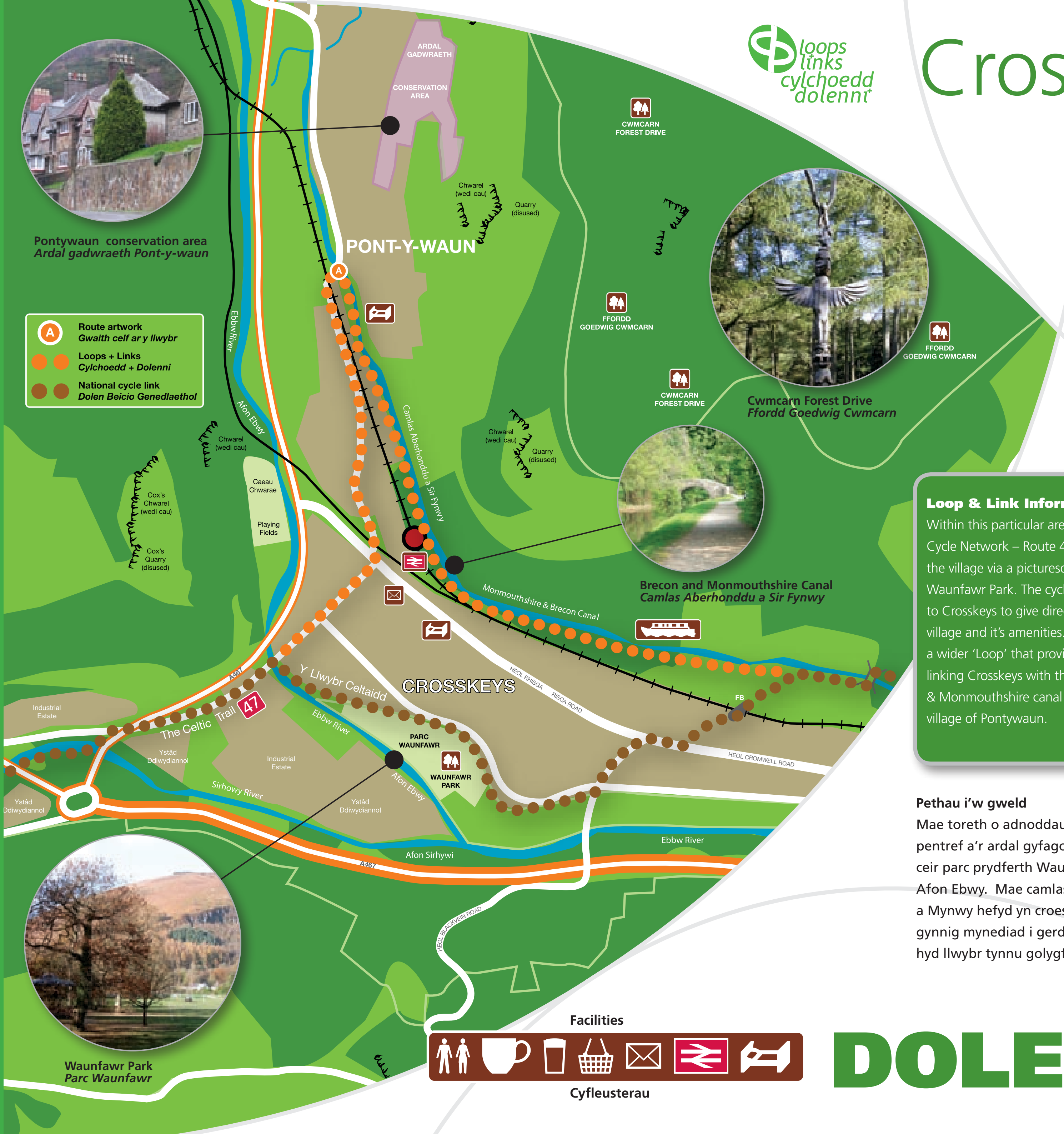

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What to see

There is a conglomeration of recreational resources within the village and in close proximity. Within the village there is the picturesque park of Waunfawr, with the River Ebbw running alongside. Another watercourse also navigates through the village in the form of the Brecon and Monmouthshire canal, which offers cycle/walking access along the scenic towpath.

Nearby there is the Cwmcarn Forest Drive, which is a 7-mile scenic route through the rolling hills and green mountains of one of the country's largest urban forests. Also the scenic Sirhowy Valley Country Park, which is a great base for walking or cycling.

Loop & Link Information

Within this particular area the National Cycle Network – Route 47 runs through the village via a picturesque route within Waunfawr Park. The cycleway is linked to Crosskeys to give direct access to the village and it's amenities. There is also a wider 'Loop' that provides a route linking Crosskeys with the scenic Brecon & Monmouthshire canal and the nearby village of Pontywaun.

Gwybodaeth am Gylchoedd a Dolenni

Yn yr ardal hon, mae'r Rhwydwaith Beicio Cenedlaethol – Llwybr 47 yn rhedeg drwy'r pentref ar hyd llwybr hardd ym Mharc Waunfawr. Mae'r llwybr beicio'n gysylltiedig â Crosskeys gan roi mynediad uniongyrchol i'r pentref a'i gyfleusterau. Ceir hefyd ddolen ehangach sy'n darparu llwybr i gysylltu Crosskeys â chamlas brydferth Aberhonddu a Mynwy a phentref cyfagos Pont-y-waun.

Pethau i'w gweld

Mae toreth o adnoddau hamdden yn y pentref a'r ardal gyfagos. Yn y pentref, ceir parc prydferth Waunfawr ar lannau Afon Ebwy. Mae camlas Aberhonddu a Mynwy hefyd yn croesi'r pentref, gan gynnig mynediad i gerddwyr a seiclwyr ar hyd llwybr tynnu golygfaol.

Ceir Ffordd Goedwig Cwmcarn gerllaw, sef llwybr 7 milltir golygfaol drwy fryniau tonnog a mynyddoedd gleision un o goedwigoedd trefol mwyaf y wlad. Mae Parc Gwledig Cwm Sirhywi hefyd wrthlaw, sy'n ganolfan wych i gerddwyr a seiclwyr.

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