

Upper Gelli

News from the Hills

Winter 2017



Where has 2017 gone!

It has been a very busy year here at Upper Gelli. It only seems like yesterday that we were ringing in the New Year now we are only a few weeks away from Christmas! We have welcomed lots of wonderful Guests this year with visitors from far a field as the USA, South Africa and Welshpool!

It is wonderful for Gary and I to share this stunning part of Mid Wales with our return guests who are now more like dear friends and meeting new visitors who we hope to see back at Upper Gelli again in the future. We really do appreciate that you have chosen to stay with us at Upper Gelli to celebrate your special occasion or indeed for 'you time' to rest relax and recharge your batteries. Birthdays, anniversaries, mini-moons and our first two marriage proposals and engagements have all been celebrated at Upper Gelli this year.

Gary and I have celebrated our fourth year at Upper Gelli this year and we never grow tired of the stunning scenery and the beauty of the changing seasons. The hills, valleys and wildlife continue to uplift and inspire.

The local wild life is a wonderful sight at the moment. The majestic kites continue to soar in the sky. We recently saw a group of at least twenty kites swooping in the sky above us. An amazing sight. Again this season we have enjoyed some of the most beautiful sunsets. Deep oranges and dusky purple hues have been stunning to watch. Full, bright moons and star

studded skies and crisp frost mornings herald the onset of winter.

Duck Pond Update

We said last time "Watch this space!" Flo and her brood never returned but we think that they are enjoying living on the brook at the bottom of the Valley. Quacking and the sight of ducks flying over the trees are a reminder that they are still not too far away. Well, we now have three new additions to our Upper Gelli family!

Deva, a sweet but noisy Silver Appleyard, is surrogate Mum to Darcy, a beautifully elegant Runner Duck and Dara, a rather large Khaki Campbell. They definitely enjoy what they think of as their pond and they are an truly engaging sight waddling around the grounds.

Visit Wales 5 Star Gold Award Glamping.

Gary and I were thrilled when following an assessment by Visit Wales Assessors our Shepherd's Hut was the first Shepherd's Hut in Wales to be awarded 5 stars and a Gold Award in the Visit Wales new accommodation category for Glamping destinations in Wales. A special thank to Jackie Saunders from Visit Wales for all the wonderful support and guidance that she has given us over the last three years.

Visit Wales 2018 Year of the Sea.

Find your epic coastal experience! Coastlines, beaches, surfing, castles and harbours all less than one hour away! Come and enjoy.

Gary and I would like to thank all of our Guests and our wonderful local suppliers and artisans for their continued support.

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas and hope to see you back at Upper Gelli in 2018.

*Best wishes,
Ros & Gary*