

## Adam and Helen Hardy celebrate 10 years at Elen's Castle Hotel

On a snowy Wednesday morning in February 2007, the Hardy family drove the 6 miles from their B&B in Betws-y-Coed to start a new life in Dolwyddelan. They were very excited but at the same time wistful at leaving behind their family home.

After surviving several trials and tribulations over the years, they can look back with pride and pat themselves on the backs for their considerable achievements.

Among their many accolades . . .

- 3 star Inn status with Visit Wales
- Walkers Welcome Visit Wales Award
  & Cyclists Welcome Visit Wales Award
- Silver Award in Green Business & Greenleaders status on TripAdvisor
- Conwy Rural Business Eating Out Award for Promoting Local Produce
- TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence multiple times
- Featured in Good Housekeeping and The Times as members of The Times Eating Out Club

## The Cambrian Times, January 7th 1876

DISTRIBUTION OF COAL – Ever since the Gwydyr Estates came into the hands of Lady Willoughby D'Eresby, it has been her custom at this time of year, to distribute coal at various places among the poor. This year the same custom was observed, but with this improvement, that, instead of it being sent to the clergyman to decide who should have it – a practice that caused much dissatisfaction – a gentleman who was more likely to be impartial was appointed to give it out. The consequence is that everyone is blessing her ladyship.