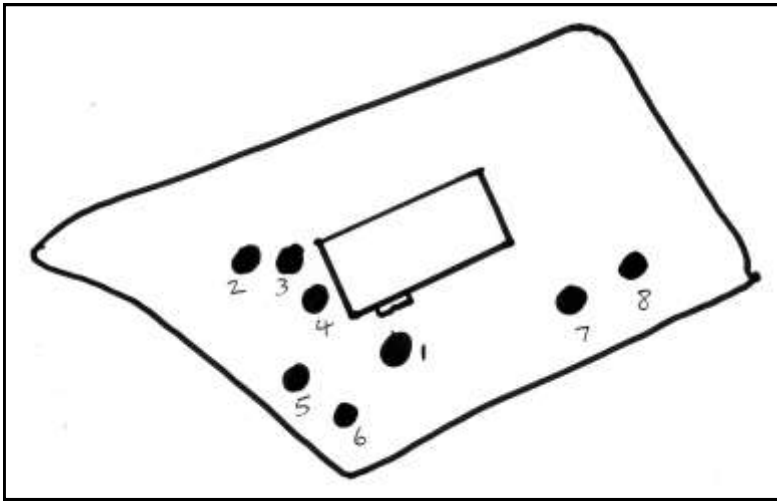


Trelystan's half timbered church is reached along a 200m gated track accessible by car.

The yews here were first recorded by the Clwyd/Powys Archaeological Trust, who in 1996 noted that 'six yews of considerable age encircle the west side of the church; the largest being by the south porch. Two yews located along with a holly tree near the south-east gate and a third yew felled'.

I visited in September 2004 and April 2015. Photos are all from 2015.

Tree 1 is a veteran male growing close to the church's south porch. It consists of a series of young looking branches around the edges of and in the centre of a bole with a height of 2'²/₃'. Girth was recorded as 19' 10" at its narrowest point close to the ground in 2004. New twiggy growth prevented meaningful measurement in 2015.



Trees 7 and 8 grow 3 metres apart SE of the church.

Tree 8, female, had a girth of 12' 3" at 3' in 2004 and 12' 8½" at the same height in 2015. The tree is classified as veteran because of its condition, with half of its circumference comprising dead wood.



Tree 7 is male with a girth of 12' 6" at 3' in 2004 and 12' 11" at the same height in 2015.

Tree 2 (below) is the first yew seen on entering the churchyard. It is female, with a girth of about 12' 6" at the ground in 2015, though twiggy growth hindered accurate measurement. The bole swells above a height of 4'. A hollow space is seen at the base of the tree.



Tree 3, 4, 5 and 6 are smaller girthed yews - notable and veteran yews of the future.

Girths in 2015 as follows:

Tree 3: 8' 8" at 3'

Tree 4: 7' 10½" at 3' - male

Tree 5: exactly 10' between the ground and 1' - male

Tree 6: exactly 10' above root bulges and below limb development - female

