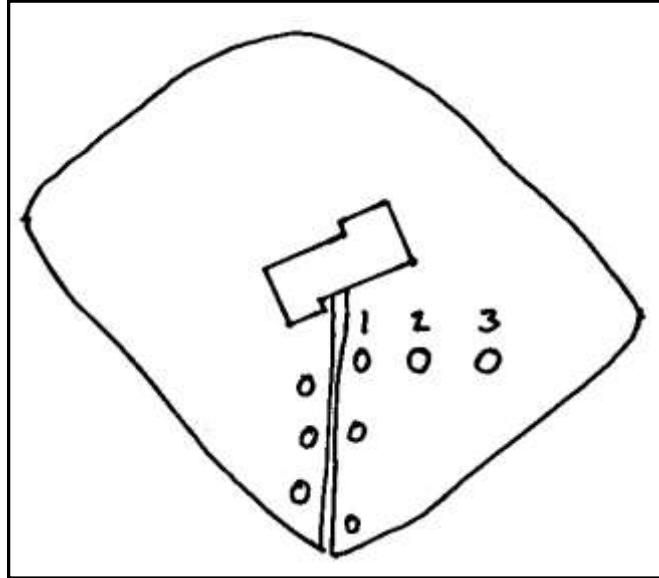


The 1970 Brecon Survey considered two yews here to be worthy of mention, with girths of 17' and 16'.

In 1995 the Clwyd/Powys Archaeological Trust reported 'yews form both sides of an avenue running from the porch to the south gate with a few more by the grass path leading eastwards'.

The three numbered yews are noteworthy.



Tree 1 is a hollow male with a twisted bole, inside which are many internal stems. Its main growth is carried on three large branches. In 2000 I recorded girths of 13' 10" at 1' and 16' 3" at 5' and in 2006 a girth of 15' 0" at 2' 6".

In 2016 Paul Wood measured at 2' 6", which seemed to be the narrowest part of the tree and recorded a girth of 15' 4" (4.67m).

2006 TH



2016 PW





Tree 1 - 2016 - Paul Wood



Tree 2, also veteran, is seen below left in 2000, much affected by ivy. In a decaying section could be seen internal growth connected to the main branch. Girths of 16' 8" at 1' and 17' 4" at 3' were recorded. In 2006 a girth of 16' 11" at 1' was recorded. At this time a pile of drying grasses filled the space beneath the tree.

2016 Paul Wood: The piles of grass and other ground rubbish had been cleared from the tree (below right). Its bole was almost clear of ivy. He described it as a three faced bole with a spine of dead and dying wood on the east side. When this decays the tree will have a horseshoe hollow shape. Its south and west faces were fluted and the north side very smooth. Measured at 1' as in 2000 a girth of 16' 9" (5.11m) was recorded.





2016 Paul Wood: Llanfrynach's notable yew grows SE of the church, furthest from the avenue. During my visit I found it to be 95% covered in a thin layer of Ivy. Though it is a tree free of any large low branches, the ivy covered bole meant no real assessment could be undertaken. I measured at 3' and recorded a girth of 12' 7" (3.84m).

