



Mine of Information

Bringing together:

- Archives, pamphlets and other materials
- Universities, local authorities, national institutions
- A rich range of resources for South Wales history

Improving World-wide access to sources for the South Wales Coalfield

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The Mine of Information (MOI) project improves access to research resources on the history of the South Wales Coalfield. The project has created an on-line catalogue of resources in the major collections on the Coalfield in Wales and England. You can now search this catalogue via the Internet. Mine of Information is a cross-sectoral project managed by the University of Wales Swansea (UWS) and funded by the Research Support Libraries Programme (RSLP).

Benefits for the Researcher

- A unique resource for researchers in all sectors interested in the South Wales Coalfield, enabling quick and easy identification and location of relevant material.
- The ability to browse and cross-search detailed on-line catalogue records for research resources located in UWS and partner institutions, from anywhere in the world with access to the Internet.
- Mapping of relevant material held outside partner institutions, including museum collections.
- Links to scholarly articles on a variety of historical topics, relating the collections to the wider context of the development of the coal mining industry in the 19th and 20th centuries.

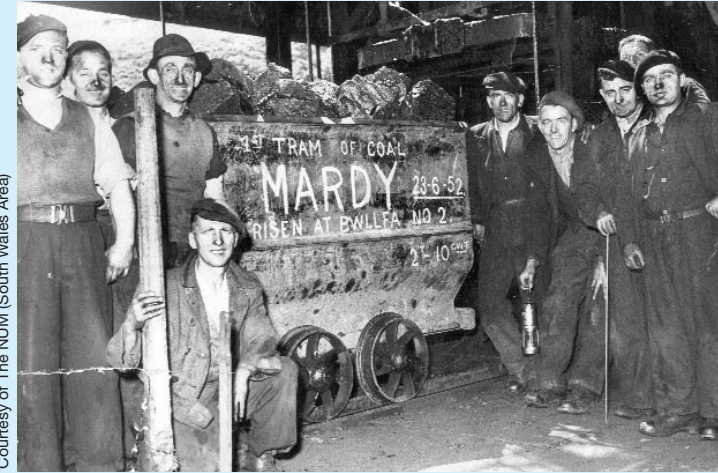
Partners

University of Wales Swansea

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University of Nottingham
University of Warwick
National Library of Wales
Public Record Office
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Project Background

The University of Wales Swansea and partner sites across England and Wales hold a wide variety of printed and archival sources relating to the South Wales Coalfield. These collections are spread over a wide geographical area and few have electronic catalogues, so it can be difficult for researchers to identify and access the material. Perhaps as a result of this, certain areas of the history of the South Wales Coalfield have remained relatively neglected in terms of detailed study. The MOI Project will raise awareness of the resources available and hopefully stimulate an increase in research.

The collections held at UWS and partner institutions demonstrate the diversity of the social, cultural, educational, religious and economic aspects of the South Wales coalfield community. They include significant collections of colliery and trade union records, National Coal Board (NCB) research reports and the records of governmental departments. Records and publications of individual trade-unionists, politicians, colliery owners and ordinary miners are included, as well as records of local political parties, miners' institutes and welfare halls.

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Gwybodaeth am y Glofeydd

Yn dod ag:

- Archifau, pamffledi a deunydd eraill
- Prifysgolion, awdurdodau lleol, sefydliadau cenedlaethol
- Amrediad eang o adnoddau am hanes De Cymru at ei gilydd

**Gwella mynediad byd-eang
i ffynonellau ar gyfer Maes Glo De Cymru**

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Mae'r prosiect Gwybodaeth am y Glofeydd (GG) yn gwella mynediad i adnoddau ymchwil ar hanes Maes Glo De Cymru. Mae'r prosiect wedi creu catalog ar-lein o adnoddau yn y prif gasgliadau ar y Maes Glo yng Nghymru a Lloegr. Gallwch nawr chwilio drwy'r catalog hwn ar y Rhyngrwyd. Mae Gwybodaeth am y Glofeydd yn brosiect traws-sector a reolir gan Brifysgol Cymru Abertawe (PCA) ac a ariannir gan y Rhaglen Llyfrgelloedd Cefnogi Ymchwil (RhLICy).

Buddiannau i'r Ymchwilydd

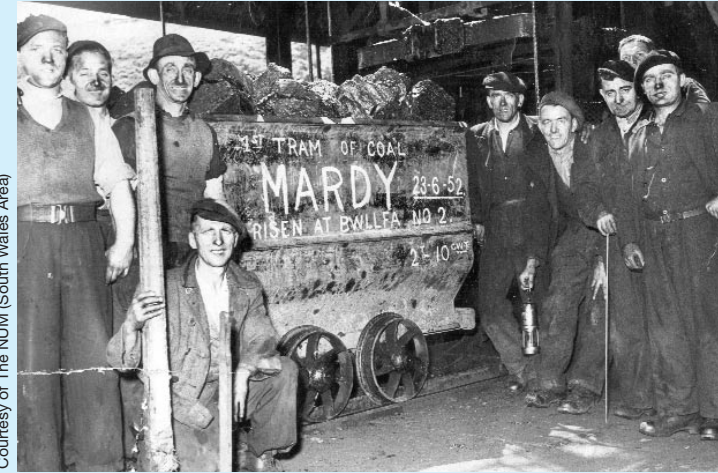
- Adnodd unigryw i ymchwilwyr ym mhob sector sydd â diddordeb ym Maes Glo De Cymru, gan eu galluogi i adnabod a lleoli deunydd perthnasol yn hawdd ac yn gyflym.
- Y gallu i bori a thraws-chwilio cofnodion catalog manwl ar-lein ar gyfer adnoddau ymchwil a leolir ym PCA a sefydliadau partner, o unrhyw le yn y byd sydd â mynediad i'r Rhyngrwyd.
- Mapio deunydd perthnasol a gedwir y tu allan i sefydliadau partner, gan gynnwys casgliadau amgueddfeydd.
- Cysylltiadau i erthyglau ysgolheigaidd ar amrywiaeth o destunau hanesyddol, mewn perthynas â chyd-destun ehangach datblygiad y diwydiant glofaol yn y 19eg a'r 20fed ganrif.

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Cefndir y Prosiect

Mae gan Brifysgol Cymru Abertawe a safleoedd partner ar draws Cymru a Lloegr amrywiaeth eang o ffynonellau argraffedig ac archifol mewn perthynas â Maes Glo De Cymru. Mae'r casgliadau hyn wedi eu gwasgaru dros ardal ddaearyddol fawr ac nid oes gan lawer ohonynt gatalogau electronig, felly gall fod yn anodd i ymchwilwyr adnabod a chael mynediad i'r deunydd. O ganlyniad i hyn o bosibl, mae rhai meysydd o hanes Maes Glo De Cymru wedi eu diystyru i ryw raddau o ran astudiaeth fanwl. Bydd y prosiect GG yn codi ymwybyddiaeth ynglŷn â'r adnoddau sydd ar gael a bydd gobeithio yn symbylu cynnydd mewn ymchwil.

Mae'r casgliadau a gedwir yn PCA a sefydliadau partner yn dangos amrywiaeth yr agweddau cymdeithasol, diwylliannol, addysgiadol, crefyddol ac economaidd yng nghymuned lofaol De Cymru. Maent yn cynnwys casgliadau arwyddocaol o gofnodion glofeydd ac undebau llafur, adroddiadau ymchwil y Bwrdd Glo Cenedlaethol (BGC/NCB) a chofnodion adrannau'r llywodraeth. Ceir ynddynt adroddiadau a chyhoeddiadau undebwyr llafur unigol, gwleidyddion, perchnogion glofeydd a glowyr cyffredin, ynghyd â chofnodion pleidiau gwleidyddol lleol, sefydliadau glowyr a neuaddau lles.

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