

**From previous articles regarding Police Cadet training, it's appears that some Police Cadets had a very cushy time compared with my days as a Cadet!!!!**



**Roger as a young Cadet**



**The 'new' Llanelli Police Station**

When I joined the Carmarthenshire & Constabulary as a 15 ½ year old Cadet in September 1960, I was posted to the old station in Market Street, Llanelli where I replaced Geoff Davies (207) who reached the rank of Chief Superintendent. I began my duties with Roger Butler (206) who reached the rank of Superintendent, I don't know what happened to me! (However, I do read books on coin collecting and others).

The new Cadet (me) was based downstairs in the Police Station in Market Street and Roger Butler went upstairs to help in the Administration Department where he worked under Inspector Sid Willmett, Sergeant Williams (144) known as 'Lanky' as he was nearly 7ft tall, together with Vernon Jones (26), Les Hughes (159) and Arthur Anthony (129).

My duties consisted of operating the telephone switchboard and keeping three coal fires burning during the winter months which meant going down to a dark and dingy cellar to get the coal and lo and behold if any of the fires went out.

I worked with four station Sergeants, namely David Evans (153) Tal Rees (32) 'Mock' Morgan (133) and John Edwards (107) known as 'Tojo'. The Inspectors at the time were SGS Chapman (Ken Chapman's father), Ernest Camber Thomas, whose son was a scene of crime officer, Byron Tucker, and Doug Davies (CID).

In 1963, we moved into the new Police Station (above) in Waun Lan Yr Afon when the Traffic Sergeant was John Edwards (20) the father of Clive, Mark, Phil and Andy, the Administration Inspector was David (Cap) Phillips, father of Bob Phillips (38) and John Owen Evans came down to Llanelli from Aberystwyth as a Sergeant.

Great days, I could go on and on.

Finally, when I was a Traffic officer stationed at Aberystwyth, I drove Cadets to the Outward-Bound School at Aberdovey including the late Ian Miles, but I cannot remember the names of the others.

Should any member reading this wish to ask any questions, please ask, also remember as the Web Master frequently says, 'Let's keep the website going'.

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