

# MYSTERIOUS AFAN CUDD FEASTING

In Wales the feast was the big event for the poets and their patrons, where plenty of food and drink was available. According to the Law of Hywel Dda, special feasts were held three times a year, at Christmas, Whitsun and Easter, and saints' days were also celebrated.

The giving of food was very important to the poets. Foods of all kinds are mentioned, including bread, different cuts of meat, various vegetables and fruits, as well as spices and herbs. Poets sang of gifts of gold or other things, which showed how kind the Prince was. The poet's job was to tell everyone about this wealth and spread the good name of his patron.

In the 1400's the poet Guto'r Glyn said that Rhys ap Siancyn of the Vale of Neath, gave him 'gwin a rhost lawer 'much wine and roast meat'.

Text adapted from websites:

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