

## MORGAN, GRIFFITH ('Guto Nyth-brân '; 1700 - 1737), a fabulous cross-country runner

**Name:** Griffith Morgan  
**Pseudonym:** Guto Nyth-brân  
**Date of birth:** 1700  
**Date of death:** 1737  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** cross-country runner  
**Area of activity:** Sports and Leisure Pursuits  
**Author:** Robert Thomas Jenkins

of Llanwynno, Glamorganshire. The few definite facts known of him, together with a mass of fable, will be found in the entertaining book *Plwy Llanwynno*, by [William Glanffrwd Thomas](#). He is there said to have been born in 1700 at Llwynceilyn, on the southern edge of Llanwynno, above Hafod (near Pontypridd), but his family soon moved to the adjoining Nyth-brân. He died in 1737 - dropping dead after covering the twelve miles from Newport, Monmouth, to Bedwas church in fifty-three minutes. There is a memorial on his grave at Llanwynno.

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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