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# Editor's Comment



NEXT Year is a landmark year for Warrington Disability Partnership – an organisation I have worked alongside from its inception 25 years ago – and indeed I am honoured to be a trustee.

It is amazing to see how the organisation has grown from a small charity run by a handful of volunteers, to one now employing full-time staff and running a successful trading business.

In December WDP is launching a legacy appeal – inviting 1,000 people to raise £25 each and 25 businesses to raise £2,500 each during the charities 25th anniversary year.

The aim of this fund-raising appeal is to help get young disabled people into meaningful employment.

It looks set to be a fantastic silver jubilee year for the charity which is full of inspirational people and stories – none more so than founder Dave Thompson MBE (pictured below) and more recently

former soldier Tom Coleridge, who have both bounced back from life changing disabilities with a positive attitude.

The work going on around the charity which promotes a positive “can do” mentality is truly outstanding and I would urge people to help support Dave and his team during what will be a special anniversary year.

I have added my name to the challenge and hope others will follow suit.

Warrington Disability Partnership

is now a leading light across not just Warrington and the UK but across the globe, helping raise awareness on disability issues, with the landmark Disability Awareness day now being replicated in other countries.

For more information on how to make a pledge visit the website [www.disabilitypartnership.org.uk](http://www.disabilitypartnership.org.uk)

Meanwhile look out for the charities annual newsletter in our January edition.



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## Record breaking Oktoberfest for Rotary

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WARRINGTON Rotary club held another record-breaking Oktoberfest raising an estimated £16,000 for charities and good causes. Attendances and income were up on last year and there was a record number of sponsors as well.

This year's charity beneficiaries will be: Warrington Open Door at Christmas (WODAC) for the homeless; Guide dogs – Warrington Branch; CODY's – Warrington youth arts organisation;

Women's Aid Warrington and Cheshire Search & Rescue (CSAR).

Two International Charities: Lend With Care (small loans to poor entrepreneurs in emerging nations) and Village water in Zambia will also benefit.

The monies will be presented to the charity representatives at the forthcoming Warrington Rotary Club annual Charter Night (birthday celebration) dinner at the Firgrove Hotel on Friday November 20.



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However, evidence shows that a range of interventions can benefit both employers and employees and that by investing in these interventions employers can make a significant contribution to reducing levels of illness and disease.

With that in mind it is timely that Warrington & Co. are supporting a 'Health in Business' Summit on 29th January 2016.

The summit - that will be delivered by Warrington Borough Council Public Health team - is to be held from 9.30am - 3.30pm at the Halliwell Jones Stadium and will not only provide a good opportunity to network but aims to leave delegates with an understanding of a range of things that they can do make their businesses and employees working lives healthier, including:

- how to invest in effective health interventions

- how to assess the health profile of your workforce
- How to track key metrics about workforce health, such as levels of sickness absence, health and general well-being
- How to improve the quality of work and employee job satisfaction as well as more traditional workplace health interventions

Look out for further details as to how to register soon

Moving on from a concept of employee health = business health to the health of our local economy...

I was delighted to attend The Growth Hub for Cheshire and Warrington that was launched last month at Warrington's Village Hotel, of which Warrington & Co. are a partner.

The Government-backed Cheshire and Warrington Growth Hub has been established to drive business expansion across the region and will be a first stop for businesses of all kinds to easily access a wide range of advice, expertise and funding to accelerate their growth and with aid of the Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership's (LEP's) ambition to make Cheshire and Warrington a £35bn economy by

2030.

The Growth Hub also expects to provide grants to 250 businesses that show growth potential and an initial grant funding pot of £600,000 will be become available early next year.

The Growth Hub will support and advise businesses in areas including access to finance including grants and loan, skills, training and employment, exporting and new markets, growth mentoring and coaching and finding the right location.

What we now need is businesses to get in touch to discuss their advice needs and I strongly urge you to get in contact to find out how The Growth Hub can help assist you to find out from our advisors how to get the right support to enable you to unleash your business's potential.

To find out more about the Growth Hub please call 03300 245007 or email support@candwgrowthhub.co.uk.

Both of these fantastic initiatives - the Health Summit and the Growth Hub - can assist local businesses in improving their futures and in having a positive start to the New Year, so make sure that you sign up and find out how you and your business can benefit.

That just leaves me to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

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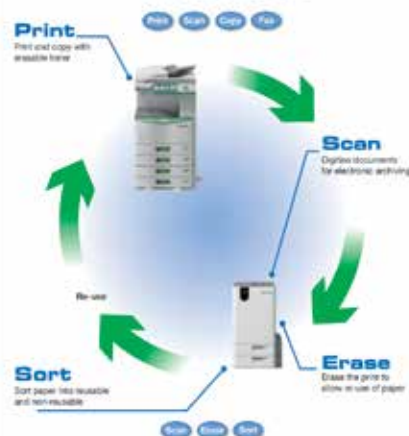
The Princess Royal was met by Eddie Stobart Executive Chairman, William Stobart, for the opening of the company's flagship depot that houses 200 employees from across the business, and facilities including the unique Eddie Stobart Training Academy, fleet operations, IT, HR, business systems and administration.

Attending in her capacity as Patron of Transaid, The Princess Royal welcomed Eddie Stobart as a new corporate member of the charity, which aims to improve road safety and access to healthcare in Africa through the implementation of transport solutions and driver training programmes.

Executive Chairman William Stobart said: "We are delighted to welcome the Royal Patron of Transaid, a charity we are close to at Eddie Stobart. We're very grateful to our guest for her support in opening the all-new Service Support Centre, which has been in the making since January 2014, and we are extremely proud of the facilities the new centre offers. The Eddie Stobart team here in Warrington, as always, has done us proud."

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# Golden Gates Housing toasts five successful years

GOLDEN Gates Housing Trust (GGHT) has marked its milestone 5th birthday by celebrating the completion of its 'Investing in Neighbourhoods' programme.

The housing association, which is the largest in Warrington, has invested £105million in the town over the past five years – that's around £400,000 every week since the company was formed.

GGHT Managing Director, Peter Fitzhenry, reflects on the GGHT journey; "Five years ago 92% of customers voted in favour of the Warrington Borough Council housing stock being transferred to GGHT. In return an ambitious

range of promises was put on the table. As an organisation we have worked incredibly closely with our customers and partners to improve homes and neighbourhoods. I'm really proud of my team who work incredibly hard every day to make a real difference to the lives of the people we serve and would like to thank our customers and partners for their contribution to our achievements and ongoing support."

Promises delivered include a £74.5million investment in home improvements including new windows, doors, bathroom, kitchen and central heating upgrades.

Estates have been made cleaner and greener thanks to a £2.5million spend on environmental improvements. Six hundred local people have been helped into work and hundreds more supported to become work ready. At the point of transfer customers were particularly keen on GGHT taking a harder line on anti-social behaviour (ASB). As a result extra staff were brought in and ASB has reduced by 24%.

Orford Resident Mr Verdon aged 91, said "I have been a tenant for 20 years. The concern GGHT has shown me has been greatly appreciated and the improvements they have made are wonderful."

Leader of the council, Cllr Terry O'Neill, praised GGHT on its achievements by saying; "Congratulations to Golden Gates Housing Trust on five successful years. The council has maintained strong links with GGHT through the work of the Warrington Partnership

and our community initiatives have improved housing and quality of life for local people."

In April 2015 GGHT joined forces with St Helens based Helena Partnerships to form a new housing group called Torus.

Rob Young, Torus Group Chief Executive, explains what the future holds for GGHT and Torus; "GGHT should be very proud of its achievements which have undoubtedly touched the lives of thousands of people and brought much needed investment to homes and neighbourhoods. Being part of Torus will enable GGHT to continue to invest in the town. As a group our priority is to address the shortfall of affordable homes in the region by building more homes for sale and rent. This in turn will boost the local economy and the prosperity of local communities."

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If a Warrington resident who smokes 20 cigarettes a day at £8.50 a packet was to quit smoking, he or she would save £59.50 a week – or £3,094 a year!

About 19,000 households in the town include an adult smoker – and 5,300 of them are living below the poverty line, according to figures from Action on Smoke and Health (ASH).

An estimated 2,061 households – comprising 3,830 people, including 925 children and 588 pensioners – could be lifted out of poverty if the smokers in them quit.

A total of £89 million is spent on tobacco in the borough.

The figures have been published alongside a health inequalities toolkit advising local authorities and the NHS on how to reduce smoking rates among those experiencing health inequalities.

## Tackling injuries with Alba Chiropractic!

THE 2015 Rugby World Cup has focused the world's attention on a sport where injury is the norm. Some teams have played games that are just four days apart and, because of the intensity of the action, injuries become part and parcel.

Many situations around the rugby field particularly increase the chance of injury occurring, such as tackling and scrummaging. Injuries don't just occur with contact; as with any physical activity muscular injuries can also occur when running and kicking.

As with many sports, rugby injuries fall into two categories: traumatic and overuse. Traumatic injuries usually result from tackles or collisions with other players and are often unavoidable, even during training. Concussions, ligament damage and fractures do occur on the pitch although the impact and severity of these traumatic injuries can be reduced by maintaining good technique at all times as well as wearing gum shields, headgear and shoulder pads.

Overuse injuries build over time and are the result of the combined negative effects of a mildly traumatic

action that's repeated over and over again. Shin splints that result from regular training and practicing are an example of overuse or chronic injury. The injury usually starts as a niggling discomfort with increasing pain developing over time.

Rapid stopping, starting and changing direction also places stress onto the knees and ankles. The structure of the knee means a ligament injury is most common, with anterior cruciate ligament (ACL), posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) and medial collateral ligament (MCL) strains, ruptures and tears, the most common.

Often, subtle differences in the way we move can place more stress on the joints of our body. The best way to minimise the chances of an injury taking place is to ensure your body is working optimally. A chiropractor will be able to assess how your joints are working, and identify any areas that could potentially lead to an injury. They will then help to address the problem and to strengthen the area, working with you to ensure your body is functioning as required



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# Model railway exhibition success

Picture Paul Jackson



WARRINGTON Model Railway Club's 41st exhibition proved to be a great success at Warrington Collegiate.

Twenty top class model railway layouts from as far afield as Dorset, North Wales, East Midlands and Yorkshire were on display.

The hobby has a big following across the UK and the annual event attracts many hundreds of enthusiasts to the town in addition to local families young and old.

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# Bikers show support for Poppy Appeal

MEMBERS of the North West branch of the British Legion Riders arrived in Warrington to show their support for the annual Poppy Appeal as the borough council pledged a commitment to maintaining the Bridgefoot cenotaph.

A special service took place on the cenotaph at Bridgefoot, thanks to local Campaigners Julie Francis and Steve Peacock, who have successfully campaigned for improved access to the town's main war memorial.

They were joined by the Mayor and Mayoress of Warrington Cllr. Geoff and Mrs Jean Settle, for a service led by Borough Minister

Rev. Stephen Kingsnorth.

The British Legion Riders Branch is for anyone who has an interest in motorcycling and now in the second decade of activity, they have a well deserved reputation in community repatriation ceremonies.

They have more than 5000 members from Cornwall to Scotland, as well as Canada, France, Spain, Germany, Switzerland, Australia and the USA – all brought together by their enthusiasm for motorcycling and willingness to support the charitable aims of the Royal British Legion.

Meanwhile a structural survey has been carried out on the

Cenotaph as part of the borough council's continuing investment in the memorial.

The results of the survey are now being collated – but in the meantime the council has worked with partners, including members of the Friends of the Cenotaph group to carry out improvements.

Agreement has been reached with the Friends to ensure the Union flag is flown correctly at the site. The agreement is on a trial basis until July next year.

Since the structural survey an interim pedestrian crossing has been installed near to Knutsford Road.

Deputy leader of the council and chairman of the Armed Forces/ World War 1 Commemoration task group, Cllr Mike Hannon said: "The council is committed to maintaining the Cenotaph in a respectful manner. We have been working with interested partners including the Friends of Warrington Cenotaph and liaised with veteran organisations as we develop plans to do this.

"We are investing in the Cenotaph and I am pleased that improvements have been made and we will continue to do this with the help of our partners."



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Chris said: "We are set to celebrate our 40th anniversary next March and have invested heavily in bringing our business fully into the 21st century.

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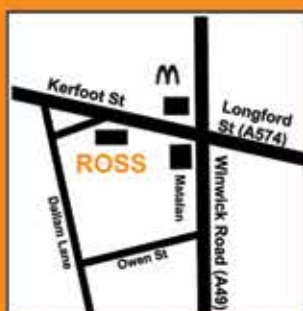


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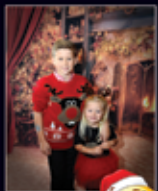




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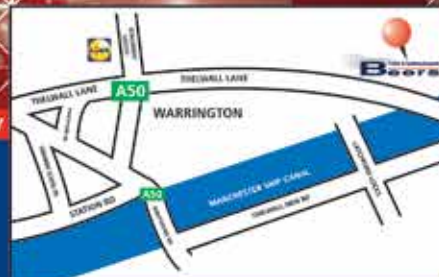
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In 1970, Roy teamed up with fellow Birmingham songwriter Jeff Lynne, who joined The Move for their final two albums. The final single recorded by The Move during this period was "California Man", which reached the chart position of No. 10. In 1971 Roy and Jeff went on to form ELO.

A year later having left ELO, Roy moved on again to form Wizzard in 1972 leading to a string of hit singles, Ball Park Incident, See My



Baby Jive, Angel Fingers, and of course one of the biggest Christmas anthems of all time, "I Wish It Could Be Christmas Every Day".

Having written more than 30 chart singles Roy Wood is without doubt a true British song writing legend, he has won many awards, including the Ivor Novello Award for Most Outstanding Song Collection. More recently a Kerrang Songwriter Award, Rock Radio's Classic Songwriter Award and Mojo Honours List, Classic Songwriter Award.

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This is illustrated by actual examples of how women in Further Education had to deal with both gender discrimination and unsolicited patronage, which often meant having to turn a blind eye to

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The central story line is a fictional one, centring around the 30-year friendship of four women dealing with many personal issues including adultery, addiction and domestic violence as well as betrayal and murder.

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Pat's novel is available from [www.lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com) or on [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) for Kindle readers – see also her website [www.patkittowriting.com](http://www.patkittowriting.com)



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### Christmas cheer

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From 6th April 2016 the tax credit is totally abolished. Instead, each taxpayer will have a dividend allowance of £5,000 and will, therefore, be entitled to receive the first £5,000 of dividend income completely tax-free. However, all dividends above this level will be taxed on the recipient. If the taxpayer is subject only to tax at basic rate then the dividend income will be taxed at 7.5%. However, a higher rate taxpayer will pay tax of 32.5% on dividends, with additional rate taxpayers paying 42.5%.

If you are a typical small business operating through a limited company and paying yourself mainly by means of dividends then you will be hit particularly hard by this change. For instance, a company making a profit of £50,000 a year and which pays the owner a small salary of about £8,000 with the balance paid out as dividends will find its overall annual tax bill increasing from about £11,000 to about £13,000. If the profits were £70,000 then the additional tax payable will be nearly £3,000!

So where does the Christmas cheer appear? Well, anyone receiving dividend income of £5,000 or below each year will be no worse off, and higher rate taxpayers will actually save the 25% tax currently payable on their dividends. Someone receiving dividends of £4,000 will, if those dividends are all taxable at higher rate, be £1,000 better off.

And even some high-earners with substantial dividend income will find themselves better off. For instance, someone earning about £75,000 a year through their PAYE employment, such as a typical Member of Parliament, and who is also receiving dividend income of about £30,000 will find themselves about £600 better off each year!

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David Watkinson and Margaret Black

## Young swimmers tipped for Paralympic success

TWO teenagers from Warriors of Warrington swim club who train at LiveWire's swimming pools have been selected to join the British Para-Swimming Potential Programme as the sport enters its final stretch for Rio.

Coral Farrell and Adele Maguire, both 14, are two of only 44 young athletes nationwide who have been tipped to compete for Great Britain at the 2020 Paralympics in Tokyo.

They were selected to the programme after demonstrating they have the ability to be able to return medals in future Paralympic games and have made positive steps to support the team to become the best performing at future events.

The two junior swimmers are cramming in 20 hours of training a week around their school work.

They also compete in regional



and national galas around the country and Coral even represented Britain at the International German Swimming Champions of People with Disabilities in Berlin this summer.

The pair have been swimming since they were four-years-old and use the centres in Orford, Sankey, Woolston and Broomfields to compete.

## Warrington Youth Awards

CHILDREN Young People, Parents, Carers, and representatives of the business and charity sectors gathered for the 2015 Warrington Youth Awards, organised by Warrington Youth Club

The Warrington Youth Awards recognised the achievements of children and young people from across Warrington and celebrated the people and organisations that support young people. Winners received trophies and certificates and even a Vimto hamper!

More than 150 people of all ages were in attendance at the afternoon tea event hosted at the Gateway, Sankey Street. The ceremony itself was hosted by two local young people, Zak & Kyle. The winners were:

Young Entrepreneur: Patrick Taylor for his invention, 'Quicktea', a teabag that makes the perfect cuppa without adding milk & sugar.

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Art: Natalie White, for her photography portfolio depicting life in Warrington.

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Above and Beyond: Lauren O'Shea, for her volunteering with Warrington Youth Club and Cheshire Search & Rescue.

Real Life: Joshua Morris, for being positive in the face of personal challenges

Environment Champion: Michael Johnson for his dedication to the Walton Lea project.

Young Volunteer of the Year: Joe Sullivan for his passionate commitment to volunteering for Warrington Youth Club, his local Scout Group, and his upcoming trip to Uganda later this year to volunteer in a school all this despite personal challenges with Aspergers.

Community Impact: Warrington Wolves Foundation Young Trustees, for having a huge impact in their local community and in the developing world.

Personal Journey: Ant Egan.

Project of the Year: VPX for connecting young people to their community and the police force in Warrington

Inspiring Young People to Achieve: Tom Coleridge, who despite being a paraplegic wheelchair user after being shot in Afghanistan has inspired many young people to be who they want to be.

Business of the Year: Vimto for their immeasurable contribution to Warrington Youth Club and their support of young people.

The ceremony ended with the Candice Roberts Award, which went to Robyn Harrison. As a result of Cerebral Palsy Robyn was told she would never walk. This year she completed a mile run in aid of the charity Stick & Step.

Dave McNicholl (pictured), Chief Executive Officer of Warrington Youth Club, commented: "This day has been a true reminder of the amazing impact young people can have on their local community. Every nominee should be incredibly proud of the difference they have made, in Warrington and further afield."





## Wolves team up with Rochdale

WARRINGTON Wolves have announced a new partnership with Rochdale Hornets for the next two seasons.

The Wolves will partner up with the Kingstone Press League One side to work together at many levels from the development side through to the first team. Warrington will provide access to the club's state-of-the-art training facilities at the University of Chester, Warrington campus, allowing the Hornets to also draw on the expertise of their medical and performance departments.

The partnership will see all Wolves' first-team squad players dual registered with Rochdale. Similarly the Hornets' players will be available for selection by the Wolves' reserve grade allowing Warrington to observe their young potential talent.

Karl Fitzpatrick (pictured), Wolves' head of rugby operations, said: "Firstly on behalf of the club I'd like to thank North Wales Crusaders for their support in 2015; it was a pleasure to work with them. We are now looking forward to building a strong partnership with Rochdale as a means of increasing opportunities for players at all levels while providing the Hornets with access to a full-time environment to learn from. We are continually looking to invest in the development of players within our game and this partnership is another example of clubs working together to achieve this."

Rochdale Hornets coach Alan Kilshaw added: "I said since arriving at the club that we would always do what's best for Rochdale Hornets and I believe linking up with the Warrington Wolves provides that opportunity. It is a partnership in every sense of the word and both clubs will be working closely together to ensure it thrives."

Wolves' chief executive Roger Draper said: "This is an exciting partnership for both clubs. Rochdale coach Alan Kilshaw already has strong connections with the Warrington club following his time as Warrington and Cheshire Rugby League development manager and has a good insight into the community game and the development of upcoming talent, and now has experience from his time coaching in Australia."



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