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# Editor's Comment



IT would appear that Lymm is all set to embrace the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations if the parish council's proposals are anything to go by.

I fully expect to see Lymm bedecked in right white and blue from the beginning of June.

Included in the proposals are some permanent memorials including an inscription at the village's historic cross and a jubilee fountain in the lower dam.

I just hope these memorials can stand the test of time and don't become an easy target for vandals.

Vandalism in the village centre has

been a problem on and off for a long

time and while we can not let mindless idiots stop us celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee we need to ensure whatever is created - is pretty much vandal proof.

I also hope the Jubilee celebrations can help give a big boost to community spirit which can then kick on into the annual May Queen Festival and of course the annual Lymm Festival.

I also hope the Lymm village traders and local businesses fully

embrace all the celebrations and recognise the hard work done by the volunteers within our unique community.

Let's make sure the Diamond Jubilee is something we can all enjoy and remember as it will be a long time before we have another one!

Full details of all the memorials and activities being planned for the village can be found elsewhere in this edition of Lymm Life.

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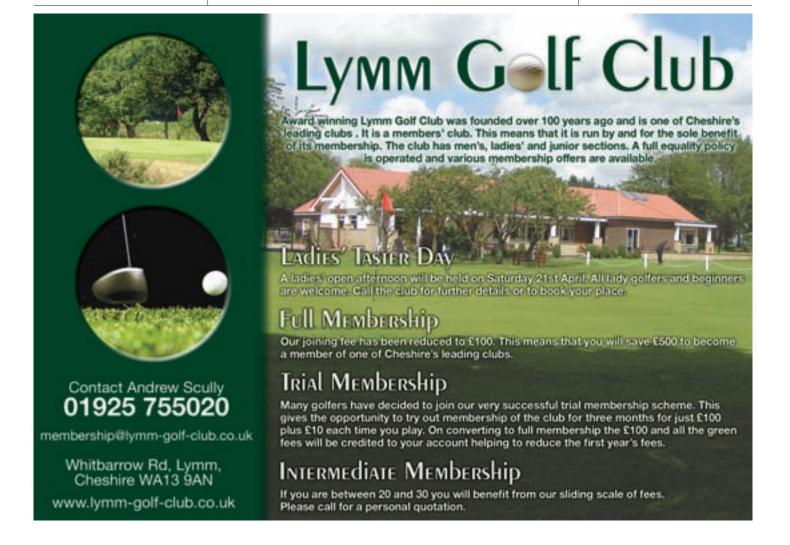
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### Meera in tune for the top!

YOUNG musician Meera Maharaj has been awarded a place in the prestigious National Youth Wind Orchestra at the age of 16.

It is one of many achievements the young solo flautist from Lymm High School has achieved since starting lessons at Ravenbank Primary School

Meera is currently in the Lower 6th at Lymm High School and for the past five years she has also studied on Saturdays at the prestigious junior department of the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. She hopes to study music performance after school.

Meera has been awarded a place in the National Youth Wind Orchestra of Great Britain for 2012, an under 21's orchestra. This entails two residential courses at Easter and in the Summer holidays followed by concerts at The Royal Academy of Music in London at Easter and then at The Royal Albert Hall as part of the BBC Proms on the closing day of the

She was Principal Flute in the National Children's Wind Orchestra

in 2010 and was a member of the main orchestra of the National Children's Orchestra of Great Britain in 2009. She is also currently Principal Flute in the Liverpool Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, a position she has held since 2010 and she also plays first flute in the JRNCM Symphony Orchestra. As a soloist, Meera has won the

British Flute Society's Performance Plus fór Competition school performers at two levels as well as

enjoying successes in various music festivals in the NW region. Meera began flute lessons at Ravenbank Primary School, with local flautist Nicola Gerrard, who has been tremendously encouraging over the years. She has received two Arts Grants from Warrington Borough Council to assist with attending

Scotland. Lymm High School'have also given great support, because at times, juggling all her various commitments becomes challenging!

In 2010 Meera was invited Lymm Rotary Club to be one of the soloists in their gala concert at the Bridgewater Hall in aid of The Christie Hospital. This was a fantastic performance experience, and she was sponsored by her local club in this year's RIBI Young Musician Competition.

Meanwhile Meera has recently got through to the finals of the Upper Division of the Warrington Young Musician 2012 Competition, organised by WACIDOM.

The final is to be held at Arley Hall on March 25.

Meera is modest of her achievements saying: "I just love playing the flute and music is a big part of my life."



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### Become a 'good egg!'

LYMM Village Hall Playgroup is launching a 'Good Eggs of Lymm' Competition to raise much needed funds for the charity which is hugely reliant on fundraising.

The essence of the competition is that local traders, businesses, clubs and individuals will buy a Good Egg from the Playgroup and decorate it in their own distinctive branding. Schools, pre-schools and churches will be a single sector of the competition. will be given eggs free to reinforce a wish that this initiative will bring the community together.

In the run up to Easter, the participants will be encouraged to display their Eggs in their shops and businesses villagers encouraged to view them

In the final week, all of the Good Eggs will be displayed in Sainsbury's for people to vote for their favourite 'Good Egg of Lymm'. A trophy will be awarded to the Good Egg with the most votes and will be presented on Good Friday in the village.

Eggs will start to be displayed from

March 19 so keep your eyes open!
To become a "good egg" contact
Catherine Birkett on 01925 752899 / catherinebirkett@gmail.com or Clare McKenna on 07808989520 / mckennaclan@tiscali.co.uk

### Car boot sale

LYMM Rotary Club's annual Car Boot Sale will be held on Bent Field,

Lymm on Sunday May 13.

Spaces can be booked by phoning Rtn. Don Smith, 01925 754108.

Pre bookings £8, on the day £10.

### Calling all golfers

LYMM and District Lions are holding their 26th Charity Golf Day on July

Teams of four are invited to enter men, women or mixed teams- to play 18 holes of Golf on the Championship level course in the picturesque village of Lymm.

The day will conclude with a three course dinner and entertainment.

The cost is £240 for a team ( only \$60 per person). For further information contact: Maggie on 0192575 3414 or email at maggie.attewell@btinternet.com





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### Quacks away! All set for duck race!

IT'S 'quacks away' for the annual Lymm Duck Race once again on Easter Monday (April 9th) thanks to the Round Table.



The popular event takes place in Lymm village, with the race beginning at 12.30pm.

A wide range of food stalls and children's entertainment will be open from 10.30am.

Organiser and Round Table member John Edwards said: "We broke all records last year by raising over £5,000 for charity and local causes so

"We're hoping some good weather will bring out the crowds again in support of this great community event. We're particularly keen this year to hear from businesses who may wish to get their name out there in front of hundreds of local folk, either as one of the main sponsors or by buying a corporate or

super duck."

Racing duck tickets can be bought online at www.lymmduckrace.co.uk -

normal duck tickets are priced at £1, with corporate ducks £30 and super ducks £60. The first duck over the line receives £100, second place £50 and third £25.

Alternatively, tickets are on sale near The Cross, Lymm, on the four Saturdays preceding Easter Monday and they can also be bought on the day.

Anyone interested in sponsorship or with an idea for running a stall, should contact John on 07772 235235 or john@235 consulting.com

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### Preparing for Spring - ovens deserve some special care

WITH the lighter nights approaching, households everywhere will be preparing for spring cleaning sessions to get homes in order for the summer months.

Paul Clark, from professional oven valeters Ovenu, is reminding people that after a long, hard winter, ovens deserve some special care during the spring cleaning season.

For even the most enthusiastic spring cleaners, donning rubber gloves and tackling the oven is still one of the most loathed household chores. If people

are not thorough with their oven cleaning, fat and food can cause future problems, which could result in an oven fire

Paul said: "It's really important to not forget the oven when spring cleaning – behind its door will be a build up of dirt and grease from continual use throughout the winter that will not only affect its efficiency, but could be a potential fire hazard!

"As outside temperatures plummeted during the winter many people turned to their ovens for hot wholesome meals, but the more you use your oven the more debris and grease can start to build up and this can affect its officiency."

efficiency."

The Ovenu valeting process involves dismantling key components of an oven such as the door, interior panels, fan and shelves and placing them into design-registered equipment, which uses non-caustic products to clean the

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Paul adds: "Taking the time to get your house in order can be a very satisfying experience, but when it comes to cleaning the oven, most people would rather close the door and put it to the back of their minds!

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### **Pudding Club** Spring event

LYMM Pudding Club - buoyed up by the success of their Christmas themed evening in December - are

themed evening in December - are to hold another event on Friday, May 11 at Lymm Village Hall.

The 7.30pm event will feature five late Spring/early Summer themed puddings, all home-made by members of the club.

Guests will be invited to vote for their favorurite and on the night with

their favourite pud on the night, with the outright winner taking away the "Pud of the Club" award. Guests should take their own tipple to help celebrate the traditional pud through the course of the evening.

Pudding Club events are proving extremely popular so it is advisable to book early by calling Sue Walton on 01925 756520, Jo Young on 01925 759919 or Vanessa Lees on 01925 757471 or via Rushgreen Green Service Station.

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### Use the power of the sun!

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### Pop not their cup of tea!

LYMM WI's monthly meeting opened with a welcome for two new members and a visitor and the announcement that the quiz team were runners up at the County

Unfortunately the pop music category was not their cup of tea but as the highest scoring loser they will be going through to the final.

Spring is in the air as the gardening group are off to the garden centre for inspiration for spring hanging baskets and the rambling group off to Higher Whitley. A film night has been arranged for the showing of Gosford Park including choc ices, tea and biscuits. Mr Willie Sarson was the speaker for the night on the topic of crystal days inc. dowsing.

This was a great success as members all managed to learn the basics and had great fun.

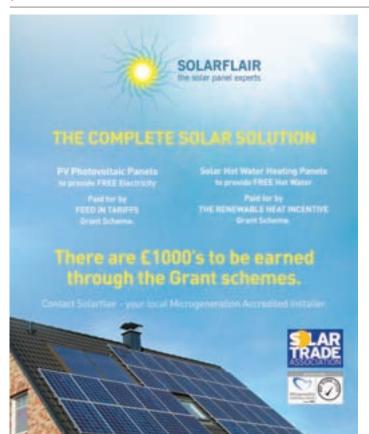
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### Top honour for Rotarian Don

ROTARIAN Don Smith has been presented with Rotary's highest award in recognition of his community service.

Don has given many years of "Service before Self" to the Rotary Club of Lymm and has always been keen to work for the local community.

One of his "specialities" is to MC the Rotary club's Senior Citizens' Party so it was fitting that at this year's party Rotary Club President, John Beard, recognised Don's service by presenting him with a Paul Harris Fellowship. Apart from the party Don

served on the club's Community Service committee for many years.

He spent a lot of time maintaining the old Christmas float and trailer. When the trailer failed its MOT after 36 years' service he was part of a small team which spent

three months transfixing the old float onto the new trailer.

Outside of Rotary he was involved with the small group of volunteers who, for more than two years, completely gutted and refurbished the Lymm Community Centre and Youth Club. On a Thursday, together with his wife, Joyce, he provides breakfasts for the Market Traders and shoppers at the community centre where they also organise a monthly social for senior citizens, including a tea - and all free of charge.

For many years' Don was a local Scout Leader.





### Farm appeal is upheld

A PLANNING inspector has upheld an appeal against the refusal of planning permission for a change of use of an agricultural building at Camsley Grange

Farm, Camsley, Lymm.

He has ruled the building can be used for window manufacturing, as a base for a building firm and for the storage of ice cream vans.

Borough council planners originally refused permission for the change, against

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Alison Hawley, President of the Inner Wheel club, welcomed all the guests and John Beard, President of the Rotary club added his welcome and thanked Alison and all the Inner Wheel ladies for their part in the organisation of the party.

He went on to add that the Rotary club was celebrating its 75th birthday and so far as he could detect this party has been a regular event for 73 of those years.

The trio of Sandy and Geoff Clough and Brian Roberts, a Folk Singing/Musical Singing/Musical group from Warrington called "Sixpenny Cut" - $\mathsf{from}\,$ the name comes from a pathway that split the old Ryland's wire plant in two

got the afternoon's entertainment of -got the atternoon's entertainment off to a great start. The group give all their proceeds to the Warrington Community Care Group to help people with mental health problems. They were followed by the tradition of types of bings and then a

superb afternoon tea prepared by the Inner Wheel club members.

The afternoon closed with Swing Singer, Wayne Allen, giving an accomplished show called "Sounds of the Crooners" who performed the songs of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and songs from the 1950's and 60's which got the whole audience singing and swinging.

All the party-goers left with the gift of a potted primrose.



Pictured back from left, Brian Roberts, Sandy Clough and Geoff Clough with senior citizens from left, Audrey Mottershead, Brenda Corrie, Gladys Derbyshire and Cynthia Lane.



### Fisherman turns hobby into business

FISHERMAN Rick Keating has turned his hobby into his business opening Bridgewater Tackle in the heart of Lymm village.

Rick said: "I have been fishing most of my life, from float fishing on the Bridgewater Canal with my dad when I was knee high to a grass hopper, through to taking up carp fishing when I was at school

"I try to go fishing once a week, but since planning the shop this has been somewhat limited! Annually I fish with my fishing partner in the British Carp Angling Championships and this year in June we will be hoping to go far in the competition. Our best position to date is the Semifinals, but hopefully we can reach the final this year!"

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### 15 The Farthing, Lymm

A modern mews property in a popular location. Briefly comprises, entrance hall, large living/dining room with bay window and a door opening into rear garden, fitted kitchen, downstairs w/c, two good sized bedrooms and family bathroom. Off road parking for two cars and well presented garden to the rear. £184,950



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# Council outlines plans for Diamond Jubilee celebrations

FOLLOWING a public consultation held in Lymm Village Hall the Parish Council has decided to lend its support to a number of ideas to celebrate and commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee this year.

Parish Council Chairman David Openshaw, who organised the consultation, would like to thank the many people who attended the meeting for their enthusiasm and creativity in proposing such a wide range of interesting and imaginative ideas.

To commemorate the year, the council is backing four permanent memorials in the village.

Firstly the Parish Council will be

funding an improvement to the area around The Cross in the village centre, including a re-paying of the area around the flag-pole. It is their intention to include engraved stonework commemorating the Jubilee.

They have also approved funding for a decorative Jubilee Fountain in the Lower Dam. This was a suggestion by one of the Deputy Lieutenants of Cheshire, Geoff

The council has also agreed to support the designation of a Jubilee Walk from the Upper Dam, through The Dingle to the Village Centre. This still involve adding the finishing The Dingle to the Village Centre. This will involve adding the finishing touches to the Jubilee Arch (pictured) at the top of the Dingle in the form of a Crown and Jubilee year, refurbishing the railings around the arch and improving the pathway through to the village.

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Finally, the council intend to support tree planting in Ridgway Grundy Park. It is hoped that this will also include a Jubilee Oak.

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Jubilee Weekend itself starting on Saturday June 2, the Parish Council will be supporting the lighting on the Monday evening of a beacon in a prominent village location in order to include Lymm in the National Chain of beacons.

Although the council won't be organising an official firework display over the weekend, they are sure many. Lymm residents will want displays of their own which they hope could all

be co-ordinated.

The Queen is due to light her beacon on the Monday June 4 at 10:30pm and this would be an ideal time for everyone to commence their

private displays.

Benjamin Selwood has volunteered to set up a Lymm in Bloom Committee, which will be co-ordinating with the other flower organisations in Lymm to ensure that the weekend is celebrated in Bloom. The Parish Council has agreed to

The Parish Council has agreed to provide funding.

A great idea from Roger Spurling of Lymm Photographic Society involves creating a "Dawn to Dusk" photographic record of the day and publishing this as a book or calendar. In a similar vein Lynn Shaw will be organising a Kids Jubilee Art and Photo competition with a view to Photographic and display at the May Queen holding a display at the May Queen Festival the week after. The Parish Council fully support these initiatives.

Finally the council is aware that many Lymm residents will be thinking of holding street parties over the weekend, but may be put off by the thought of the large amounts of regulation and "red tape" often involved in the organisation of such

Government is actively encouraging a reduction in red tape for the Jubilee, and that smaller street parties involving residents and neighbours are able to be held without special insurance, formal risk assessments, licences or lengthy applications for contractor run road

closures. Further details of how to organise a street party and guidance on regulations can be found on the Communities and Local Government website: www.communities.gov.uk /publications/communities/streetpart

The Parish Council will also be pleased to help with any queries or "red tape" problems that you may encounter in the arrangement of your

street party.



### Katy is inspired to tackle first marathon

LYMM woman Katy O'Connor is taking part in the iconic Virgin London Marathon as part of a unique charity running team to raise awareness and funds for the most common cancers in men and

First time marathon runner Katy, aged 49 of The Crescent, was inspired to join TeamPB – a team of runners that has pledged to raise vital money for The Prostate Cancer money for The Prostate Cancer Charity and Breast Cancer Care -and take on the epic 26.2 mile race across London on Sunday April 22

after deciding to complete a marathon before her 50th birthday. Katy has been personally affected by both prostate cancer and breast cancer. "My mother died of breast cancer when she was only 69 and my brother has been living with terminal prostate cancer for the past two years, so TeamPB seemed to be the perfect charity to run for."

She said: "I started running last

year and I've had a couple of injuries that have slowed me down but I'm back on track and my training's going really well. This is going to be the toughest challenge of my life but I'm aiming for a time around 4.5 hours. I've pledged to raise £2,012 and friends and family have been really generous, but any additional support would be really appreciated." Donations can be made through

Katy's fundraising page: www.JustGiving.com/katyoconnor.
More than 640 people have so far pledged to take on the 26.2 mile run as part of TeamPB, to support people facted by prostate and breast affected by prostate and breast cancer and raise more than £1 million

for the challenge.

The two charities – which are working to improve the lives of the 750,000 people living with the most common cancers in men and women in the UK – were chosen as the first joint official partner of Virgin London Marathon to raise awareness of these diseases, as well as vital funds for support services and research.

Also limbering up to take on the Virgin London Marathon, Owen Virgin London Marathon, Owen Sharp, Chief Executive of The Prostate Cancer Charity, said: "It's great that Katy has decided to take on this iconic race in support of TeamPB and pound the streets of London to raise vital funds for the 750,000 people living with prostate and breast cancer in the LIK. It is a hung challenge to in the UK. It is a huge challenge to complete a marathon, but I hope that by knowing she is running alongside more than 600 hundred other TeamPB runners, it will make crossing that finish line just that little bit easier for

Katy."
Samia al Qadhi, Chief Executive of Breast Cancer Care, added: "We're extremely grateful to Katy for all the hard work she has put into her training and fundraising so far. Every penny raised will make a huge difference to the lives of people affected by breast and prostate cancer and allow us to be there for more and more people.

We wish Katy lots of luck and we'll be cheering her on along the route!

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# Survey reveals potential for energy savings

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The survey is being carried out by "green" group Low Carbon Lymm, funded by the Government's Local Energy Assessment Fund (LEAF).

Energy Assessine III to ILLAI, Energy assessor Nick Ormesher said: "In typical 1960s semi-detached bungalows, for example, we have identified savings of between £200 and £400 per year through measures such as better insulation, more efficient boilers and low energy lighting.

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"We are also finding examples of properties which have already achieved high standards of energy efficiency and can be used as examples to others".

Exchiples to officials.

LEAF project manager Richard Pearce said: "You can request your free energy survey by calling 01925 754480 or by emailing us at info@lowcarbonlymm.org.uk and you will also receive a free Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) worth up to £90 which is valid for 10 years and is required if you sell or let your home.

"We have to complete the surveys by the end of March so please get in touch as soon as possible."

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Also under the LEAF project, a
"walk round survey" has been
undertaken by Low Carbon Lymm

volunteers to identify the different house types, ages and locations of more than 5,000 properties in Lymm and to provide the basis for an energy savings map of the village. This will be on view at a Low Carbon Lymm event on Saturday March 24 at the Lymm Youth and Community Centre between 1.30pm and 4pm.

#### Efficient

The free event will include information and advice on how to achieve energy savings and there will be a free prize draw for a wide range of energy efficient appliances such as an LED TV and eco-kettle. There will also be a range of activities for children including a competition to design an energy efficiency house and badge making.

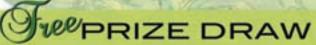
Anyone interested in finding out more about the group, or with questions on energy saving, local food, recycling or other low carbon topics can email info@lowcarbonlymm.org.uk or check out the website www.lowcarbonlymm.org.uk





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Calling on 35 years of collective experience in the financial services industry, Alistair Burns and Robert Shaw formed TailorMade Financial Solutions in 2003. The company was set up to provide Clients with trusted advice in all areas of traditional financial planning.

TailorMade Group was
later formed to
incorporate the
connected companies,
which currently include
TailorMade SIPP Ltd and
TailorMade Alternative
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TailorMade Financial
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Collectively the group employs a focused and professional team of over 20 people who provide a wealth of experience within the financial services sector. Our team provide a first class service to Clients and over 100 Industry Partners.

We pride ourselves on providing Clients and Industry Partners with a comprehensive range of products and services in a professional and transparent manner.



### Our Company Objective

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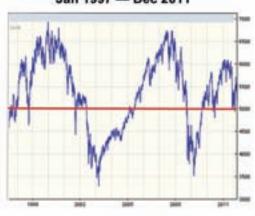
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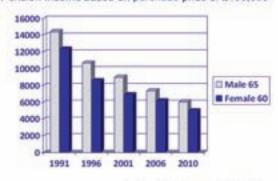


**UK Inflation Rate** 

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opportunity to purchase a long-leasehold (min 250yrs) on a storage unit from Store First Limited. With low minimum investment levels and guaranteed returns of 8% for the first 2 years, this is a low cost, hassle free investment.



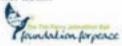


"The world's population is rising" Argentina has an established agricultural economy and is one of the top three agricultural exporters globally. It has ideal growing conditions and produces two crops every year. With a growing global population there is a huge demand for food and agriculture has been identified as a key investment. theme for the future. Investors can purchase farmland, with the land being re-purchased in 5 years or 10 years, as the Investor chooses. The 5 year investment offers fixed returns with the original investment plus 5% being returned at the end of the 5 year period.

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### Golf club gets in the swing of fundraising!

GOLFERS from High Legh Park clubbed together to raise an impressive £11,500 for local children's charity, The Children's Adventure Farm Trust.

Men's Captain John Caslin and Lady Captain Carol Robinson, both chose the children's charity to benefit from their year in charge.

Throughout the year they worked tirelessly to fundraise and support the local charity, staging several amazing fundraising events at the club. These included two fantastic fashion shows, a Ladies Night and the annual Captains Charity Day, which raised a massive £4,500! An Auction of Promises also raised £4,500 which saw 32 fantastic lots going under the hammer, ranging from Christmas cakes to Villas in Portugal.

All funds raised by the golfers will

benefit terminally ill disabled and disadvantaged children from all over the North West. The charity will use the donation to provide holidays, respite breaks and daytrips to children

in desperate need of a break at their beautiful 10 acre Cheshire site. Julie Gray, Community Fundraiser at CAFT said: "We are so grateful to both the Captain and Lady Captain and everyone at High Legh Park Golf Club for their amazing support. They have worked so hard to raise such a fantastic amount of money which will change the lives of so many children, we really can't thank everyone

Gavin Beddow, Director of Golf at

High Legh Park added: "High Legh Park is proud to be involved with helping Carol and John raise such a fantastic amount of money for an amazing Charity. They have been very proactive in organising fund raising functions and events at High Legh, with unwavering energy and commitment. This has resulted in great participation. attendance and

commitment. This has resulted in great participation, attendance and enjoyment in all the events held.

Both Carol and John have said that they were overwhelmed by the support that they had been given during their year as Captains and would like to thank everyone for their hind denations for this worthwhile. kind donations for this worthwhile

local children's charity."



Carol Robinson, Lady Captain, presents CAFT fundraiser Julie Gray with a cheque for £11,500 during a recent visit to the Adventure Farm.

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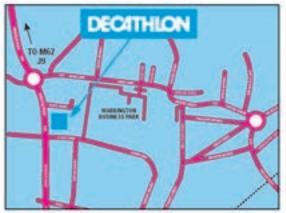




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### Win a free photo collage competition

LYMM artist Richard Cowley is offering Lymm Life readers the opportunity of winning one of his unique collage works of art.

Richard, who created the London-Lymm exhitibition at last year's Lymm Festival has started a new photo collaging venture.

Explaining his new Lymm Photo Art business Richard said: "Many of us will have countless collections of cherished, unseen photographs which we would love to put on the walls, however often only one image is chosen from 80 holiday snaps.

"You no longer have to make such difficult choices as at lymm Photo Art

difficult choices, as at Lymm Photo Art we will take all 80 images and skillfully hand blend them into a surreal crafted piece of unique photo collaged canvas art specifically based around your photos and your theme. We offer a more sophisticated approach to multi-picture canvas printing by creating one off canvas art

Richard added: "As an art based studio, its quite exciting, you never know what collections of photos will turn up next. Each collection naturally has an aesthetic theme i.e. family shots on holiday, a birthday, favourite football team, hen nights, even a whole wedding which had 450 images over a 5 metre long split

"Initially I never truly know what the final collage will look like until I have spent a few hours absorbing myself into the patterns, images, expressions

and characters of the images.
"Once we have a real appreciation for the clients requests, themes and their images, the collaging process can begin and we have alot of fun and energy invested into creating against the collaging process." into creating each one.

He recently had a request consisting of 30 Facebook sized images of a wedding in Las Vagas which was themed in the style of Elvis.

"The first thing to do was pop on "Viva Las Vagas" on the sound system and get into the spirit of the collage which finally became an A2 sized print with lots of fun shots of their great

day."
This was followed by BCM-Planet Dance DJ Jon Besant with some really funky images of him playing the many great nights in Majorca at one of the World's largest night clubs. Examples of work can be seen at the website www.lymmphotoart.com

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### Sarah's World Cup dream comes true

VETERAN hockey star Sarah Impey, who last year achieved her ambition of representing her country after 34 years in the sport, has seen another dream

come true.

She has been chosen for the

She has been chosen for the 20-strong England squad for the Masters World Cup, to be played in Canterbury in August. Sarah, from Lymm, said: "It took me 34 years to get selected for England - albeit the Over 45s team."

"Now in less than a year I have played in four internationals and been selected for the World Cup squad."

Last year, Sarah played against Wales - scoring the only goal in a 1-0 victory - Ireland and Scotland. She also played for the England Lionesses - a team of Over 45s and Over 50s.

This year she because to play for

This year she hopes to play for the Over 45s England team again, in June in addition to the World Cup - and of course she'll be turning out for Timperley in the Cheshire Women's League

Sarah has to meet all her own saran has to meet all her own expenses to play for her country and is sponsored by her dad, Lymm Royal British Legion veteran Ray Massey, and local councillors Sheila and Neville Woodyatt.
But she would like more sponsors and anyone who can help out should call her on 07811 907750.





### Residents call for traffic calming

calming, or a Pelican crossing, in High Legh Road, Lymm.

Householders in High Legh Road nd adjacent Park Road say speeding traffic is a major road safety hazard.

Petition organiser Paul Thompson said that in view of the borough council's decision to establish 20mph zones in residential roads around the borough, he was intrigued as to why High Legh Road, at its Broomedge end, has a 40mph limit. He said: "The area is residential on

one side of the road."

Mr Thompson has raised the issue with Lymm Parish Council and with the borough council.

He said many children and elderly residents were 'afraid to cross High Legh Road, near the Costcutter shop, because of the traffic speeds.

"In an extreme case, 'there is an 80plus resident who has lived in the area for the last 60 years, who feels the road is no longer safe enough for her to cross it to collect her pension from the post office.

"Essentially, the borough council will not consider changing the speed limit as there have been no reported accidents in the last three years.

'This is worrying as'it clearly indicates that until someone is injured or killed no preventative actions can be taken

"Local residents have expressed concerns that the speed of drivers on High Legh Road. Many drivers do not even observe the 40mph limit! Many family pets have been killed on the road including my own.

Mr Thompson said the borough council had told him the design of the road would require altering to provide a layout suitable for a 30mph limit and the council was not in a position to fund this in the present climate.

"I understand this to mean that Warrington Borough Council is unwilling or unable to allocate funding to place speed controls along the residential stretch of High Legh

"In the event of someone being injured or killed, would the council therefore have to answer a case of wreckless irresponsibilty?"



Busy High Legh Road at Broomedge

### Hazel puts her life in pictures

LYMM resident Hazel Hughes celebrates the daily challenge of taking 365 consecutive pictures on life sharing social media platform www.blipfoto.com.

She first heard about blipfoto through friends who had attached the blipfoto app to their Facebook wall. Hazel had a look at the site, liked what she saw and decided to sign

That was 365 days ago and she

hasn't missed a day since!
Hazel said, "I saw links to my
good friends blipfoto journal popping up on my newsfeed on facebook, and was just so moved to see how

beautifully and honestly she was capturing the daily goings on of her little family, from the mundane to the spectacular - giving importance to the little details that would so often be forgotten. Being a new mother myself, I felt totally inspired by the concept."

"I am an artist but since becoming a Mum I have struggled to find the time to express my creative side. The idea of 'one photó a day' seemed just about do-able, and I loved the fact that I would be expressing my creativity whilst simultaneously creativity whilst simultaneously building up a journal of these precious years while my little boy is

brectors years written thy fillie boy is so young and changing so fast."
"I actually started this daily pursuit during a period of illness. It was nothing life-threatening, but for around 5 months it was bad enough to make everyday life with a small child very challenging. During March of last year, my health started to pick up just á little bít , and I started using the time that my son was in nursery to pull myself out of bed and look for things to photograph. When he came home in the afternoon I'd capture a little precious moment to summarise our

"The Daily Photo became a huge motivator; actually, it was an answer to prayer. Just one daily photo - that was the general idea, and that simple motivation alone was enough to pull me out of the pit and fill me with optimism again. As I started to feel better and better, I took great joy in being able to sling my camera over my shoulder and snap away every day, capturing all of the little adventures that I shared with my son each day. I've always liked to keep a journal but have never managed to do it consistently. The beauty of journaling photographically is that I can fit it in to whatever time I have.

"I didn't take a daily photograph before joining bliptoto. I have had phases of writing every day or sketching every day, but have never

managed to keep it up consistently for a whole year! This is a real achievement for me, this 365 daysworth of photographs, and it has shown me that I am capable of being shown me man an capacite of being disciplined with my creativity in a way that I never believed I could."
"For me, using blipfoto has been a springly captivating and addictive

magical, captivating and addictive magical, captivating and addictive way of documenting a whole year of our family's journey. Taking 365 photographs has shown me new ways to look, and it's given me a reason - permission if you like - to do something a little bit creative every single day."

single day."

Blipfoto invites anyone to join a community of thousands who document and share their daily lives with others around the globe.

Started in 2004 as the personal online photo journal of Edinburgh photographer and designer Joe Tree, Blipfoto.com has grown steadily – through word of mouth alone - into a worldwide phenomenon connects people from all walks of life.

The simple and addictive concept is based on uploading just one new photo - taken that very day - to your journal. Some people do this every day and others as often as they can. Contributors are now spread across 160 countries, and the website receives more than 13million page views per month from 160,000 visitors.

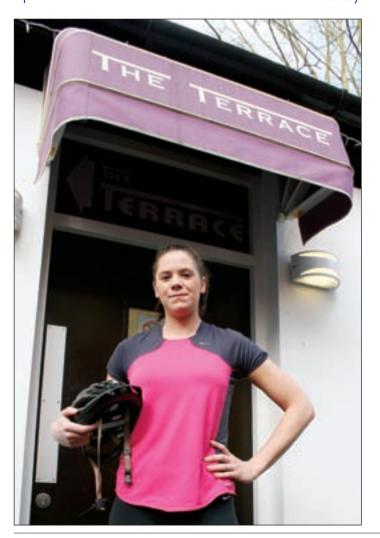
Says Joe Tree, founder and CEO, Blipfoto, "Blipfoto is social media for people that don't know they're engaging in social media. It's a unique community where people share their lives through pictures and words with online friends from all over the world."

Blippers include photography

enthusiasts, students, young mums, retirees, sea captains, chefs, foodies, birders, journal keepers, singers, authors, media correspondents charity workers, politicians and creatives.







# Sophie gets on her bike for charity

SOPHIE Hopkinson, who spends most of her time running The Terrace restaurant in Lymm with her Mum, Joanne, will be taking a four-day break in June - to cycle 310-miles from London to Paris.

Her aim is to raise at least £1,600 for the British Heart Foundation and she is doing the ride in memory of her Grandma, Peggy Hopkinson, who died from a heart condition.

She will be doing the ride with Claire Clayton, also from Lymm.

Sophie, aged 25, is already in training for the tip, cycling up to 35.

training for the trip, cycling up to 35 miles a day four times a week and also building up her strength at Pele's Gym in Altrincham, where she already trains as a Thai boxer.

It will be the first time she has taken part in a cycle marathon, although she has done a couple of Moon Walks in London, with her Mum, to raise money for breast cancer research.

Sophie can be sponsored at The Terrace where she is also putting on a special evening on Saturday, April 21 to raise money for the charity. There will be a hog roast, sangria and a "boogie" from 7pm until late. Again, tickets are available at The



### Celebrating Arts Week

PUPILS at Cherry Tree Primary School, Lymm got busy with paints and brushes to celebrate 'Arts Week.

Every child in the school was involved in the project which resulted in nine colourful pictures which are now on display in the

Various parts of school life were reflected in the pictures, which have won praise from parents and other visitors to the school

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The Oughtrington team

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### Successful

This qualified them to enter the Ihis qualitied them to enter the Warrington primary schools finals held at Warrington Town in November, where they were again successful winning through on a penalty shootout to qualify them for the regional finals, along with Barrow Hall Primary from Great Sankey.

The regional finals were held at Crewe Alexander football academy when the boys played against all the

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They then won the semi final 1-0 to

play Barrow Hall in the final.
The two Warrington teams had,
between them, beaten all the other Cheshire teams

It was a close final, with Barrow Hall winning 1-0, despite excellent play by the Oughtrington youngsters. The team consisted of Elliott Baines

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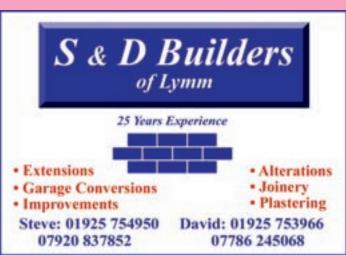
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### **Obituary**

### Joan Trunks

THE funeral has taken place of Joan Trunks, aged 88, of Keate House, Lymm, who died at home on January 30.

Joan is survived by her daughters, Kath, Chris and Jacky and her son Trevor.

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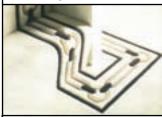
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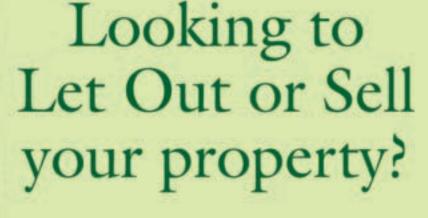












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