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Editor's Comment

TRADERS' fears that the main road into the village was to be dug up before Christmas were totally unfounded – and the work to replace a gas main is now scheduled to take place early in the New Year – hopefully in January.

I know for a fact at least one new business put off opening in the village centre in the run up to Christmas fearing a substantial loss of trade from road works which we are still waiting to happen. It would appear that the letter sent

out to tarders stating that the works were to be carried out in November was a clerical error!

Road works on Eagle Brow have a devastating impact on the local business community which has been going through tough economic times. Lets hope all the hard work which has been done to encourage people to shop in the village centre with the

free car parking scheme is not now wasted as a result of ongoing

roadworks.

It is essential these works to replace gas mains are completed as quickly as possible.

While health and safety is clearly a



top priority it is essential that there is as little disruption as possible.

Meanwhile I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our readers and adverisers a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

ReBuild Mexico Youth Concert

A SPECIAL ReBuild Mexico Youth Concert takes place at Lymm Baptist Church

at 7.30pm on Feb 6 This is a fundraiser for a group of 13 young people who are spending 10 days in Mexico building a house for a family that doesn't have one! Tickets are available from Mark Instone on 01925 755942. Adults £6 adults

and £4 for U14s. There will be a variety of music featuring soloists, flute choir, ensembles a string quartet and local band too, something for all tastes!!



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Veterans race to victory

TWO Lymm residents, with a combined age of 124, ran to victory in the Veteran's section of an annual mountain marathon in Elan Valley, Wales.

Stuart Baird and Barry Clayton took part in the Original Mountain Marathon, which was founded 40 years ago, and previous entrants have included Sir Ranuph Fiennes.

The two men admit their combined ages but Barry's wife Ann said "noone's admitting how the figure is



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Stuart Baird and Barry Clayton pictured at the finishing line

arrived at!" They surged to victory by a margin of seven minutes.

The event was founded as a two day mountain, orienteering event, incorporating two consecutive marathons of 26 miles over height

Puppy walkers wanted

'GUIDE Dogs' is looking for volunteers in Lymm to care for puppies until they are ready to begin specialised training. Volunteer puppy walkers, as they are known, are needed for the full time care and education of guide dog pups from six weeks until 12 to 14 months of age, when they can begin their specialised training.

Jane Hill, Guide Dogs' puppy walking supervisor said: "We're looking for enthusiastic and dedicated volunteers who can care for the pups full time because at the end of the day, if we don't have puppy walkers we don't have guide dogs. Puppy walking is challenging and it's a real commitment to take a puppy in to your home for a year, but with the support of Guide Dogs staff, our volunteers find it extremely rewarding and worthwhile." A young guide dog puppy is a full time companion for its temporary owners.

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Agency boost for Adventure Farm

LYMM based Mood Design Solutions, a design and marketing agency has carefully chosen The Children's Adventure Farm Trust (CAFT) in Millington as their charity for 2010.

CAFT offers free adventure breaks and activities to children who are disadvantaged by illness, disability and poverty, from all over the Northwest.

Sharon Charteress Director of Mood Design Solutions comments "We have chosen to support CAFT as we believe the work that they do is incredible. We were completely taken aback by the friendliness of the staff, the facilities on offer and the variety of children the charity helps."

Mood are hoping to help to raise the profile of the charity in order to gain further supporters and increase the awareness of their valuable services. They plan to offer their full services to the charity free of charge



CAFT patron and double gold medalist Sarah Storey MBE, Creative Director of Mood Sharon Charteress, Marketing Director of Mood Stephanie Jones and CAFT patron and double gold medalist Barney Storey OBE.

including logo and web refinement, brochure and newsletter design to writing press releases and help with event management. In the New Year Mood will present a cheque to CAFT for the proceeds generated from the sales of their bespoke Christmas cards, a service that Mood introduced earlier this year.

WI pianist retires

Frances was presented with a bouquet in thanks for her efforts over the

The business of the evening was kept to a minimum. Details were announced of the March council meeting, the county quiz and the Cheshire Show.

Emily Peach, who sang a selection of show music and

rounded it off with the ever popular White Christmas.

Three members of the committee had members in stitches performing a short sketch written by Maralyn Barlow. After the raffle with plenty of prizes for all members enjoyed mince pies and tea served by the committee.



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MEMBERS of Lymm Women's Institute sang Jerusalem to a recorded accompaniment because pianist Frances Hancock has decided to retire after many years of tinkling the keys. Unfortunately there is no-one to take over from her, so members have had to fall back on a

January 2010 www.lymmlife.co.uk Alien invader tackled at Lymm Dam

THE BATTLE to keep a pretty but invasive plant at bay at a lymm beauty spot has been won – for now at least...

A community payback team has spent the last six months fighting a crop of Himalayan Balsam, which had sprung up at Lymm Dam. The persistent plant is a horticultural pest which spreads fast. It blocks out the woodland floor and stops native wild flowers flourishing.

wild flowers flourishing. Warrington Mayor Brian Axcell called in Cheshire Probation Area's team to help out, naming it as one of

Village roads to be closed

SIX busy village centre roads - plus Lymm Bridge - are to be affected by temporary traffic bans for approximately six months while old

gas mains are renewed. Work is expected to start on Monday, January 11 and will be carried out in phases to try to minimise disruption.

Roads affected are Whitbarrow Road, Bridgewater Street, Eagle Brow, The Cross, New Road, Rectory Lane and, of course, Lymm Bridge. The work, being carried out for National Grid, will also require the temporary suspension of waiting restrictions in Eagle Brow and The Cross.

Notices will be displayed when restrictions are in force and routes alternative will be signposted.

his Mayoral Projects in 2009

He said: "Something needed to be done. I've seen this plant growing wild in other places and it wasn't difficult to imagine what it would do if it was left to grow here " it was left to grow here.

Himolayan Balsam was introduced to Britain in 1839 and grown in ornamental gardens before escaping and rampaging through the British countryside.

Area Ranger Tim Baker said: "We've been doing a lot of work here over the last few years to manage the woodland and get good native species diversity with native trees and woodland wildflowers. We were having some success with that then this stuff came along. "The benefit for us from the

community payback team has been having lots of hands on deck. We just show the lads what the plant looks like and let them get on with it."

The Community Payback team had to remove the invader from woodlands and steep slopes as well as the water's edge. Mark Tinwell, the probation service's Community Payback Supervisor was out in all weather supervising the team. He said: "It's been quite tough at times, but worthwhile. Pretty much all

times, but worthwhile. Pretty much all you could see when we first got here was Himalayan Balsam and it can grow to ten feet tall." "We've been working in thick undergrowth and ferrying it back and forth is hard work. Some of the team have been very tired because they



Tim Maher and Michael Harris on the Community Payback Scheme show Mayor and Mayoress of Warrington, councillor Brian and Irina Axcell the offending Himalayan Balsam plant at Lymm Dam with Interventions district Manager Dave Skyner with Ranger Elaine Moss looking on.

have full time jobs too but they've got on with it." Mayor Brian Axcell said: "The

work the team have done here is superb. This area was all covered and now they have cleared it but

there will be more to do next year. "Community Payback is really useful on both sides. It gets something" done for the community that really needs to be done and the people who have been ordered to do something useful as part of their sentence to see that they can really achieve something.



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formation and concurrent blood borne infection of the kidneys, heart, lungs and liver.

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preventative dental care available for our pets such as tooth brushes and dental chews but most of the time, animals need to be given a short general anaesthetic and have the tartar removed from their teeth. The tartar removal is



done with an ultrasonic scaler. The teeth are then polished with an electric polisher- like a dental hygienist would use. Lymm Veterinary Surgery has state of the art dental facilities on

site so if you are concerned about your pets' oral health and would like a dental check up, pop them down to the surgery and we'll take a look and get to the bottom of the problem.



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Record breaking Art in the Garden

A SUNNY day and a growing reputation meant that a record 1,447 people attended the open garden event at Leckonby Cottagė, Lymm.

It was organised by Su Williams for the Lymm Festival Art in the Garden event, which was officially opened by Lymm Life editor Gary Skentelbery (pictured below).



She said: "It is wonderful that an event that brings such pleasure at the time and can also have a positive effect on the lives of others. A range of charities benefitted from

the money raised. In the April edition of Lymm Life there was an appeal for tights and this generated a full tea-chest, so £184 was used to send them to the Fistula Hospital in Addis Ababa were they are used to help bandage women with damage after childbirth.

A barrel full of second-And clothes and books went off to a school in Sierra Leone for another £150, while £200 was donated to a struggling artist in Ghana whose work had previously been shown in the garden, to help him set up a studio. This still enabled Su to

donate £700 to the Festival which increasingly has to be self-sufficient.

Amnesty International volunteers Harold and Evelyn Kinsella raised £500 during the week by selling teas and cakes and holding a plant sale and Manchester raised £170 College raised £170 through the sale of pictures and ceramics.



Su Williams with Junissa Kpekawa sending the barrel to Sierra Leone with agent Mr Lewis.



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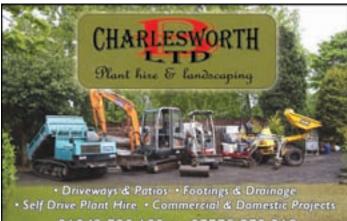
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Portsmouth Fan gets his teeth into Everton!

Lymm Dentist, Gavin Laidlaw was recently invited to Everton's Training Ground

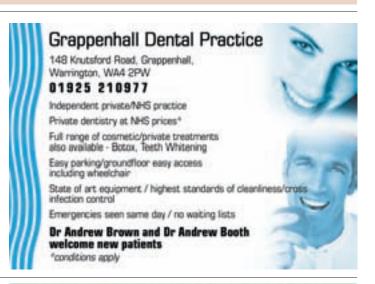
Lymm Dentist, Gavin Laidlaw was recently invited to Everton's Training Ground at Finch Farm to screen the first team squad's teeth. Commented Gavin, a keen Portsmouth supporter and manager of Lymm Rovers under 12 team: "I have been treating a number of Premier League footballers and was delighted to be asked to screen the Everton players for their dental health." He added: "I'm particularly keen to make sportsmen, women and children aware of potential dental erosion caused by certain hydrating sports drinks. We offer special sports drink advice sheets to all our patients old and new which are freely available at the Practice."



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Balloon grounded by bad weather

PUPILS were left feeling a little deflated when poor weather meant a hot air balloon couldn't take to the skies. The balloon was visiting Little Bollington C of E Primary school so pupils could be given an insight into how it worked. Richard Turnbull of the Redrow Balloon Team is pictured showing pupils the



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Children helped design super new park

YOUNGSTERS in Lymm helped with the design and choice of play equipment for a £78,000 improvement package at Ridgway Grundy Park.

They took part in a survey organised by local parent Steve Towndrow, who volunteered to get input from the children.

He believes the scheme will add to the "prosperity and standing of the village" and minimise disturbance, as play equipment is sited away from nearby houses. Warrington Borough Council is

funding work including a PlayScape Adventure Zone for eight to 13-yearolds, with money it received from Play England to upgrade borough borough

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Council and the borough council and used in the tender issued to contractors. An artist's impression of the new look park was displayed at on what is already there. The plans keep the play equipment in the centre of the park, away from houses bordering the park, and make good use of an area which is currently not much used for anything."

Funds must be spent during the current financial year and work is expected to be completed by the end of March. The existing toddler equipment is also expected to be refurbished.

Mr Towndrow said: "PlayScape will be a wonderful addition to our community, unite kids and families and draw people into the village from neighbouring areas thus increasing the prosperity and standing of Lymm. Details of its grand opening will be released nearer the date."

Burns night

LYMM Roundtable are holding their annual Burns night charity event on Friday January 22 (7.00 pm to 7.30 pm) at Statham Lodge Hotel, Lymm. The Traditional Burns Night Supper will include "Scottish Wine" Tasting. Guest speaker is Alfie Moore, who appears to be the first policeman to have realised that life on the beat provides perfect fodder for stand-up. Alfie is a standup comedian and serving sergeant with Humberside Police. He brings a wealth of insights and comedy moments from his sixteen years on the beat, where a keen sense of humour has been key to his success and survival! The event will be compared by comedian Bill Woolland Tickets are priced £30.00 are available by calling Kevin Yates on 07980716610.

Cotebrook helping the Heroes

Cotebrook House Day Care Centre, Lymm held an Open Day with raffle stalls, music and refreshments with all proceeds going to Help the Heroes. Pictured are staff day residents and visitors at the Open Day.



Mr Towndrow was helped by Sure Start play development officer Tina Cross and local councillor Sheila

He researched play equipment, pught advice from specialist sought advice from specialist organisations and devised an online survey completed by pupils at the four

Results were passed to Lymm Parish

Lymm Library and local schools. Kieran Walshe, Ridgway Grundy Residents' Park Association chairman said: "It will be a huge improvement

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Traffic planning lags 40 years behind

TRAFFIC planning in Lymm is 40 years behind housing development, according to residents campaigning for a safer A56 Higher Lane.

Housing schemes feeding onto the A56, such as Woodlands Avenue, Woodlands Drive, Scholar's Green, Foxley Close, The Chestnuts, Bellsfield Close, Crouchley Hall Mews and The Seasons, have not been accompanied by the sort of traffic mitigation common in other parts of

Warrington, they say. The "Safer Higher Lane" group set up by local resident Chris Wakefield met with the parish council and borough council highways officers to

Advertiser's announcement

Make do and mend

THE downturn in the economy has been good for one local firm as householders adopt a "make do and mend" approach instead of buying new. Professional oven-valeting firm Ovenu is achieving record trading figures as people decide to put off buying new white goods and instead give their existing appliances a new lease of life. Ovenu's Paul Clark said: "We have seen an increase in bookings from

householders keen to get their hard working oven looking good as new. We are seeing a knock on effect from a shift towards a 'make do and mend' attitude, as householders are putting off buying in new white goods and instead turning to us to help preserve and prolong the life of their existing appliances."



put the case for shifting the balance of priority for use of the A56 more in favour of pedestrians and cyclists.

A recent speed survey has shown that about 450 vehicles a day pass the junction with Woodlands Avenue

at speeds in excess of 30mph. During any hour of the day or night, a vehicle will pass at speeds faster than 45mph.

Pedestrians using footpaths only 1.2m wide feel intimidated by such speeding vehicles but no speeding fines have been imposed in the last two vears.

Residents suggested that the road should be seen as belonging to the

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people of Lymm rather than a highway between Warrington and Altrincham, effectively cutting off The Dam and St Mary's Church from the village centre.

Other ideas suggested were a series of speed tables, similar to the Eagle Brow/ Brookfield Road Eagle Brow/ Brookfield iunction but without the min

roundabout, road narrowings and raised table pedestrian crossings. Work on improving Higher Lane will not start until the second half of the year because the diversions will be needed in connection with gas main work in the village centre. The Higher Lane residents have a

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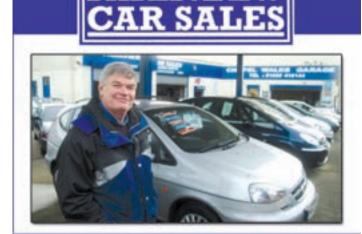


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LYMM resident Liz Armstrong managed to keep her hair on when she made her TV debut on BBCs 'The One Show'.

The 36-year-old mum of two is a business 'Wigs up North!" and was helping the show out with a feature about the history of hair – from

Elizabethan times to present day. She worked closely with the programme's resident hairdresser, Michael Douglas and filmed at Temple Newsam House in Leeds and Newby Hall, near Harrogate for the shows. Liz graduated from the London College of Fashion in 1994 and was

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Protection Scheme - absolutely nee - which covers then deposit, advance payments, work-in-progress and a 6-year warranty. Added David: "Customers can see more about Schuller - and our other fabulous kitchen ranges - at our brand new website, www.jdkitchens.co.uk. They can also discover why we have been awarded membership of The Kitchen Bathroom Bedroom Specialists Association, accredited as a Trust/Mark supplier and granted Neff MasterPartner status."

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head of wigs on national tours of top musicals such as The Phantom of the Opera, Les Miser-ables, Saturday Night Eover and Miss Saigon. She helped set up

Wigs Up North! in 2004 to fill a gap in the theatrical wig-making market in the north of England. Its sister company, The Make-up Space, was launched the following year. The business supplies wigs and make-up for both strage and screen and also has a both stage and screen and also has a growing list of private clients from those with hair loss to impersonators of

famous people. Liz said: "They wanted someone to help achieve the style needed while it was explained what was involved.

"It was very interesting and they were a lovely team of people to work with. But it felt a bit strange to be in front of camera because I have set so much of my working life backstage.



ROYAL British Legion veteran Ray Massey's search for a "missing" piece of local history is over.

A brass plaque commemorating local soldiers who served in the South African War (1900-1902) is not missing at all. It is prominently displayed in the Rainbow Day Nursery in Booths Hill Road. Ray appealed in last month's *Lymm Life* for information about the whereabouts of the plaque, which was originally unveiled in 1903 to bongur men who served in "H" 1903 to honour men who served in "H" (Lymm) Company of the 3rd Volunteer Battery of the Cheshire Regiment.

Battery of the Cheshire Regiment. As the nursery stands on the site of the old drill hall where the plaque was originally unveiled, it hasn't moved at all in more than 100 years! Ray would like to see it moved to St Mary's Church, alongside other plaques from the two World Wars. But because the day surgeousies on the

But because the day nursery is on the foundations of the old drill hall, the owners believe it more appropriate that it remain where it is

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Golf day lift for disabled

TWENTY five teams competed in Lymm Rugby Football Club's Golf Day at Lymm Golf Club to raise funds to install a disabled lift at the rugby club. Frank Maycock, sponsor is pictured left, with Barry McGuigan, Andy Phillips organiser, Gerry McGerty of sponsor Bulls Head and Philip Byrne, Lymm Golf Club captain.

Co-op boost for school project

Pupils at Cherry Tree Primary, School are celebration after receiving £2,000 following a successful bid for funding from the Co-op. The money will be used to produce a multi media art display to brighten up the outside of the school. Pictured with the cheque from left, Josh Sodhi, school arts co-ordinator Jackie Parker, Paige Grainge, manager Co-op Cherry Lane, Lymm Wayne Hill, Elsa Rabbitt, deputy Co-op manager Marie Jackson and Jamie Reid





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harlene has the **X-tra** factor

LYMM based singer Charlene Semp is hoping to have a little more than the x-factor after helping switch on the Christmas lights in Warrington town centre.

Charlene, aged 26, (pictured right) has sung and written from an early age and has been involved in various auditions from the original fame acadamey to the x factor, and sung alongside X-Factor finalist Lucie Jones at the town centre lights switch on.

She was in a band called People in the Basement for approx four years getting a real taste for the industry

gigging all over from Manchester to Camden, London.

She creates melodies and writes

her own material – lyrics and poetry – and would love to front a band. Currently Charlene is enjoying performing alternative Fridays at Mojo Bar and Tapas – Charlene Semp live nights covering motown Semp live nights covering motown classics, soulful jazz and accoustic

New sponsor for Under 9s

LYMM Rugby Club's Under 9s are celebrating a new sposnor - the Jolly Thresher

pub. The team is pictured with their many trophies with head coach David Simpson (left) receiving new shirts from Mark Wrigley bar manager at The Jolly Thresher.

covers such as the Kooks etc

Her jazz/funk and soulful style has many influences from artists such as Dusty Springfield, Aretha Franklin, Ella Fitzgerald and current bands such as The Noisettes.

She is currently in the recording studios and hopes to have new music available from December onwards and is always looking to work with new musicians and creative people alike!!

To keep an eye on Charlene's career and music downloads check out Mojo's website at ww.mojobar andtapas.co.uk where there are alway's sepcial offers with up to 50 per cent off meals.





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All change at Heatley WI

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It's been all change at Heatley Women's Institute with popular president Ann Oakes stepping down - but staying on the committee - and former secretary Liz Wellbelove taking over as president. In addition, guest speaker Coriander Ferguson has decided she likes the institute so much she has joined as a full member. She displayed beautiful Christmas wreaths and demonstrated several interesting ways of wearing scarves. Jean Higgins was persuaded to demonstrate one of the methods using visiting group co-ordinator Linda Cram as a model. Corinander also prepared a delicious sweet chestnut soup which members sampled before leaving for home. Various charities were supported during the year. The line dancers held a

Various charities were supported during the year. The line dancers held a special event for Steps, the book table collected for Motor Neurone and raffle money went to St Rocco's.

Competition winners were Ann Malcolm and Margaret Armstrong and the highest score for the year's competitions was held by Ann Oakes, followed by Margaret Sharpe and Margaret Armstrong. Jean Beddows received the plant from the president's table and Marjory Ratcliffe gave an excellent report, followed by the secretary's annual report and

the president's address.

Poppy Appeal topped £9,000

LYMM and District Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal team raised more than £9,000 with its 2009 appeal. Formed after the retirement of Poppy Appeal organiser Ray Massey, the team is now led by new organiser Leonard Woodward and has a number of area

Poppy helpers. Mr Woodward said: "After 19 years of dedicated service, Ray was a very hard act to follow.

It is hoped to recruit more new, younger, Poppy helpers and Mr Woodward would be pleased to hear from anyone who interested. "We would like to thank everyone who gave so generously despite the current economic hardships. The people of the Lymm community showed how much they care for all those Armed Forces and their families who have suffered loss or received serious injuries in all part and present conflict." received serious injuries in all past and present conflicts

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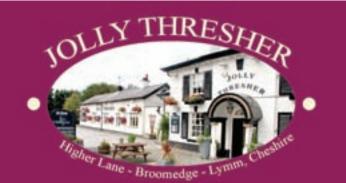


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Lymm make **County final**

Birkenhead Park Lymm14

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Credit must go to both sides as they served up a pulsating game in soggy conditions. The desire to win was clear to be seen

Winger Butler returned from injury and replaced speedster Fletcher who

joined the six others on the bench. Coach Kinsey kept faith with the team from last week to see if they could cope with opposition from a

Dave Williamson, in scintillating form at 13, scored both tries and Knowles converted. Man of the match Williamson stated what many clearly feel "if we can play like that every week we will win this league and compete well in the higher league

Assistant Coach Pickles praised the lads" a fantastic performance from all the lads, months of training and hard work paid off with our best performance of the season. However the standard has been set!" Kinsey echoed these thoughts." We demonstrated that we can compete at the next level. This game was a real benchmark in measuring our

progress." The final will be on Easter Monday, on neutral ground, against Sale Jst, Sale's formidable academy team. Lymm: 15 Knowles C, 14 Butler,

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Dennis McLoughlin

Dennis McLoughlin, of Barsbank Close, Lymm, died in Warrington Hospital on October 3, after a stroke, aged 74 years. Mr McLoughlin was a former licensee of several pubs, including the Anchor Inn at Lymm before he retired. He was keen golf player and former rugby player and was an honest and caring man.

After a service at Walton Lea Crematorium on October 14, he was interned with his late wife Beryl and his son Darren in the memory garden at St Mary's in Lymm.

Olive Newton

Miss Olive Newton of Moston Grove, Lymm, died in Warrington Hospital after a brief illness at the age of 93. Olive lived in Lymm all her life and was a central part of the family. Kind and helpful, she loved reading and enjoyed following football, especially Manchester City. She leaves sisters Dorothy and Margery. Her funeral took place on October 28 at St Peters Church, Oughtrington.

Obituaries

Herbert Drinkwater

THE funeral has taken place of Herbert Drinkwater, of Rushgreen Road, Lymm, who died at home of carcinomatosis on October 29 at the age of 90.

The funeral was at St Peter's Church, Oughtrington, followed by cremation at Altrincham Crematorium. Rev Michael

Veronica Kathleen Woolley

AN honorary life member of Lymm Golf Club, Mrs Veronica Kathleen Woolley (known as Kay), died in Warrington Hospital on November 6 at the age of 96.

Mrs Wooley, nee Cross, of Rimington Close, Culcheth, ran the Magpies Nest antiques shop in Latchford for two years and lived in the Lymm area for many years. She is survived by her daughter

She is survived by her daughter Veronica, son Guy and his wife Doris, grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The funeral service and internment was at Warburton Church. Rev Michael Burgess officiated.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, Lymm.



Burgess officiated.

Mr Drinkwater was in the 1st Airborne and Arnhem, and before that saw service in France, Italy and North Africa. He worked at Richmond Gas Stoves. Lymm-born Mr Drinkwater loved his family and had many great and great great nephews and nieces. He liked all sport and particularly football and rugby league. He enjoyed fishing, table tennis and gardening.

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