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DURING these tough economic times it is pleasing to know that the special business feature we ran last month worked well.

It would appear that many of our readers took up our challenge to support local businesses, so we can preserve our unique community.

Hardly a day passes without news of people losing their jobs, businesses closing down or another banking crisis!

Who would have thought that high street brands like Woolworths, TJ Hughes and MFI to name but a few, would have all ended up in administration and in many instances closing down.

It is now more important than ever that communities like Lymm pull together.

Here at **Lymm Life** we believe we have a great vehicle for promoting everything which is good about Lymm.

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Dear **Lymm Life**

I thought you might like an update on how the local business feature has worked out for us.

We did an editorial pointing out all the features of the business that we thought the local community didn't realise we had, and we have had an amazing response.

We are certainly here to help in any way we can and enjoy a great working relationship with many local businesses and community groups. Together we will stay strong.

The local community now realise that we have suits for hire and specialise in post operative bras. All of which is really hard to promote in one advert.

Please let me know when you are doing the next local business feature.

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He says the development would add unnecessarily to an over-supply of housing land in Warrington.

The applicant had appealed against the refusal by the borough council to grant permission for the scheme and had offered to de-convert two flats he owned elsewhere in Lymm into one dwelling to offset the new dwelling.

But the inspector ruled that the appeal site, in Heatley, and the property to be de-converted were not in the same locality and linking proposals in this way could lead to increased pressure on already high demand areas.

He believed the proposal would be unworkable in practice and could weaken the council's position in the future.

Talented teenagers' Olympic dream

LONDON 2012 will come too soon for three talented teenagers who won medals at the recent British Rowing Championships at Nottingham.

Lymm High School student Beth Laidlaw won gold in the Women Junior 16 double scull alongside team mate Emiley Ford, also 16 who attends The Grange, while fellow Lymm student Holly McMullen, aged 15, won a silver medal in the



Women Junior 15 single scull.

All three girls compete for Warrington Rowing Club based on the River Mersey near Latchford and all are hoping to have GB trials next year.

As well as doing their studies all three girls do around 15 hours training a week to ensure they can

compete at the peak of their sport.

While they will all be too young to compete at the London 2012 Olympics they are all hopeful of representing Great Britain at a future games.

"It would be a dream come true if we could represent Great Britain at the Olympics one day," said Beth.

Fun run

THE annual Oughtrington Community Centre Fun Run will take place on Sunday, September 18, starting at 11.30 from Spud Wood (Stage Lane end).

Warrington Wolves' mascot Wolfie will be starting the race.

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 'Recent Acquisitions at the Record Office' -
 Johnathan Pepler.
 Lymm Village Hall, 8pm.
 Visitors always welcome
 More info Lynne Smith 01925 756776

October 11
LYMM PARISH COUNCIL
 Lymm Parish Hall 7.30pm

LYMM LIONS GROUP
 Meet: Bridgewater Club, Lymm
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. 8pm
 Contact: 0845 833 5729

LYMM THURSDAY EVENING BRIDGE CLUB
 Lymm Village Hall every Thursday 7pm

MAPLE LODGE ART GROUP
 Meet each Wednesday 9.30am - 12.30pm
 Maple Lodge Guide HQ, Pepper St, Lymm
 Details: 01925 755126

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 Every Wednesday at Statham Lodge Hotel
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 Knitting for charity at Lymm Methodist Church,
 2nd and 4th Thursday each month.
 1.30pm - 3pm. Details: 01925 823614

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 Eagle Brow Methodist Church
 3rd Thursday in the month
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 Lymm Baptist Church, Higher Lane. 7.30pm
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 Third Monday of the month (except August)
 at 7.30pm

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Centre needs your support

OUGHTRINGTON community centre is looking for support from the public as it bids to win £6,000 worth of funding from a bank

The centre is making a bid to the Nat West bank project Community Force, whereby local charities and projects stand to win an award of £6,000 each, with the winners decided by public vote. The centre has registered and is hoping to win an award to make access to the community centre safer for pedestrians, particularly its more vulnerable users, babies and toddlers, the elderly and the infirm, by adding a sleeping policeman and pathway to the driveway at the side of the centre.

Voting opens on Monday, September 26. Anyone can vote, and votes aren't restricted to just your local area, so please ask relatives, friends, work colleagues, anyone you can think of, from anywhere in the country or world, to vote. Just go to the website www.communityforce.natwest.com on, or soon after September 26, and vote for Oughtrington Community Centre, WA13 9JD, in the Public / Community Benefit Category.

If you are unable to access the online site to vote, contact the Community Force helpline on 0800 2100 246. Customers with hearing and speech impairments can contact them by Minicom number 0800 0155 545.

Discover Christianity

THE internationally renowned Alpha Course is coming back to Lymm and those who would like to find out more are invited to a FREE launch dinner at Lymm Baptist Church on Saturday, September 24.

The Alpha course is open to everyone interested in discovering what Christianity is about, especially those who are not churchgoers. It's a place where people can come and relax, eat, share thoughts and explore the meaning of life.

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The romance of the deep

A ROMANTIC scuba-diving couple from Lymm are 'taking the plunge' again to mark their first wedding anniversary.

Jamie Heptonstall popped the question to his wife, Sophie, using sign language 60 feet underwater.

Now the couple have come up with the perfect way to mark their anniversary. They will spend the day submerged in the vast waters of Scapa Flow in the Orkney Islands.

The couple, who met through their membership of the British Sub Aqua

Club (BSAC), will dive among the huge number of wrecks that litter one of the world's finest but most remote natural harbours.

Jamie, 34, said: "We've been friends for quite a long time and after we both became single our relationship blossomed.

"I actually proposed under water, in Capenway Quarry, near Lancaster. I didn't have a ring because it was a spur of the moment thing."

Jamie, who works for construction

company Bomer and Kirkland, and Sophie, 31, a marketing manager, are both qualified diving instructors. Sophie is also a volunteer board member of BSAC which is based at Ellesmere Port.

Jamie said: "Our garage is literally crammed with diving equipment - we've had to decide whether two people really need 27 air cylinders. We both prepared for our national diving instructor exam together and that was part of our wedding planning."

The wedding took place on "dry land" in Knutsford and was conventional - apart from the "best

man" being a woman!


Jamie said: "There is definitely something about diving that seems to lead to romance because the number of people we know who have got together through the sport is amazing.

"It does bring people together. You have to get up at six in the morning and push a boat out so we are very motivated and focused people and we're all driven by this same passion for their sport."

Jamie and Sophie have been active in charity work through their diving and instead of wedding presents they asked for donations to the RNLI and Cancer Research and raised more than £4,000.



Rapture of the deep...Sophie and Jamie Heptonstall



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Picture from left, Keri-Lee Dobson, Sophie Wailes, customer Robyn Jackson, owner Elizabeth Pritchard and Kate Pritchard.

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£235,000



3 Laburnum Court, Lymm

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4a Pepper Street, Lymm

A well presented first floor apartment situated in the centre of Lymm village comprising of living/dining room, high quality fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, two double bedrooms and two modern bathrooms, gas central heating, allocated parking. Viewing recommended

£210,000



10 Cyril Bell Close, Lymm

A two bedroom end mews property which has central location to Lymm Village. Briefly comprises of entrance hallway, downstairs W/C, fitted kitchen/ breakfast room, lounge with sliding patio doors onto the rear garden. Two bedrooms and a family bathroom. Enclosed rear garden and detached garage and off road parking

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£189,950



15 The Farthings, Lymm

A modern mews property 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. Viewing Recommended.

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Within another year they were celebrating the birth of son Gary.

While Birmingham born David gave up a career in newspapers to start his own freelance news agency, Liverpool born Patricia opened her own arts and gifts shop, the Art Centre in Warrington town centre - but they were never far apart - with David running his news business upstairs at the shop - often helping out serving behind the counter, while also doing much of the DIY work on shop fittings.

Meanwhile son Gary, when not at school, became a "business adviser" telling his mum what items were most

popular with teenagers to sell in the shop, before joining his dad in the news agency. They all still work together on Lymm Life!

When not at work Patricia and David enjoy walking breaks in Derbyshire as well as making annual trips to their favourite holiday destination Cornwall.

Keen

They are both keen gardeners and enjoy photography and dining out at the various hostellers in the Lymm and surrounding area, as well as being proud grandparents to Amy and Hannah.

They are also both still active on the sporting front, with David playing cricket on the Wirral while Patricia is an active member at Stockton Heath Tennis Club.

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Service of thanksgiving

A SERVICE of thanksgiving for the life of the late Walter Pritchard is to be held at St Mary's Church, Lymm on October 2 at 11.45am.

Mr Pritchard, formerly of Boothshill Road, Lymm, died in hospital at Sheffield in July. He had moved to Sheffield nearly two years ago and his funeral was reported in last month's Lymm Life.

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Book inspired by 9/11 tragedy



A FREELANCE journalist who grew up in Lymm and was inspired by teachers at two local schools has written a book based on the 9/11 attacks.

Catherine Bruton (nee Price) 38, whose family and friends still live in Lymm, is a former pupil of Cherry Tree Primary School and Lymm High School and now works as a teacher.

"We Can Be Heroes" was inspired by an article she wrote for The Times in 2008 about children who had lost a parent in 9/11 attacks.

"As we mark the 10th anniversary of September 11 attacks this year, my novel takes a look at what it means to be a kid growing up in Britain shaped by the events of that day," she said.

The book tells of Ben, 12, whose father died in the attacks in New York. He meets Priti, 10, a Muslim girl who is convinced her brother is a suicide bomber.

Catherine said: "The pair decide to turn detective to try and foil the bomb plot with hilarious - and explosive - consequences. Is there a terrorist living next door? The bomb is

ticking (or is it?) Can they catch him before it goes off?"

She said it is aimed at readers from 11 to adult and she hopes it will make people think, and also laugh at the youngsters' antics.

After leaving Lymm High, Catherine went to Oxford University where she studied English. She taught in Africa and at schools throughout the country, before taking her current post at King Edward School in Bath two years ago.

She is married to Jonny and has two children Joe (eight) and Elsie (six). In her spare time she works as a freelance journalist writing for publications such as the Times, The Guardian and parenting magazines.

"Most of my characters are inspired by people I know so, yes, my old school friends and the odd Lymm face or two make an appearance in the book, although most characters are a mixture of a few different people and, of course, names have been changed to protect the innocent," she said.

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Ancient tradition lives on



Thelwall Morrismen prepare for the event.

AN ancient tradition dating back to mediaeval times was kept alive in Lymm at the annual Rushbearing ceremony.

The festival originates from ancient times when carts of rushes made their way to the church for use as floor covering.

Bullrushes and garlands were paraded through the village as part of the festival.

The event included Thelwall Morrismen who were joined by members of Lymm Parish Council and other community groups.

Rushbearing symbolised a procedure of changing rushes used on the church floors just before harvest to symbolise a healthy crop.

At one time, Rushbearing Day was virtually a Bank Holiday in Lymm, with shops and offices closing.

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High school hosts FA skills festival

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Fourteen local teams were in attendance with more than 100 children enjoying the event.

It was a festival like no other, with the Skills coaches bringing back street-style football and creative small sided games, all centred on players taking ownership of their learning and development.

The day celebrated everything we love about the beautiful game...with players having the opportunity to simply enjoy their football. The importance of such an experience was a vital one claims the Skills team leader, Clare Daniels:

"It was brilliant to see so many different teams from across such a big county come together and partake in this festival. The coaches worked to give the game back to the kids so they could just play and let the game be the teacher."

The FA Tesco Skills Coaches, with assistance from Cheshire FA Staff along with volunteers who attended the recent young leader's events run by Cheshire FA, also delivered some skills sessions and small sided games, all of which were open for the 20 plus club coaches to observe.

The sessions were all based around The FA's revolutionary philosophy, where players are developed holistically and have maximum opportunity to get more touches on the ball, be creative and

develop their problem solving and decision making skills.

The festival is set to be the first of many as The FA Tesco Skills Programme continues to be delivered across the county for the next 3 years for children aged 5-11 year olds. The team will also be continuing to work with Lymm High School as their Skills Centre session, for aspiring goalkeepers, begins in September. Places are available costing just £1 per week for players to attend, where they will receive specialist goalkeeper coaching to improve their skills.

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Partners aim to take the lead in

VOLVO and electrical giants Siemens are bidding to take the lead in the development of electric cars through extensive strategic co-operation.

The focus is on the joint development of electrical drive technology, power electronics and charging technology as well as the integration of those systems into Volvo C30 Electric vehicles.

The first electric cars of this model fitted with Siemens electric motors will be on the test tracks as early as the end of this year. Late next year, the

Swedish carmaker will deliver a test series of up to 200 vehicles to Siemens, which will then be tested and validated under real-life conditions as part of a Siemens internal test fleet.

The two companies' goals and core competencies in electric mobility are perfectly matched.

The partnership gives Siemens the chance to extend its industrial leadership in electric drive technology into the automotive market together with a top vehicle manufacturer.

Volvo will be relying on proven and

efficient Siemens technology for the electrification of its future vehicles.

Stefan Jacoby, president and chief executive officer of Volvo said: "We are very happy to have Siemens as a partner. Their world-leading knowledge and experience will bring the technology in our electric cars up to an entirely new level."

"We are moving ahead quickly in this area. Our aim is to be first with the latest technology within electrification. The partnership reinforces our aim to pursue the fast-growing market for electric cars."

Electric powertrain, battery

management and charging technology are regarded as key technologies in the development and production of electric cars and Siemens see co-operation with Volvo as an important milestone in the development of top-quality components and systems for electric cars subsequently intended for series production.

Volvo starts small-scale production of the Volvo C30 Electric this year, and next year the company will start selling the Volvo V60 Plug-in Hybrid.



Eye-catching concept coupe

THE Alfa Romeo 4C Concept only made its public debut at the Geneva Motor Show in April but by the time its special "fluid metal" version appeared at the Frankfurt Motor Show last month the eye-catching coupe had been refined and enriched.

Fluid metal refers to the exterior colour, which dynamically enhances the smooth lines of the car.

But the refinements do not stop there. Since April, Alfa engineers have been busy enhancing the technical contents to match the car's sinuous lines. Vehicle weight is confirmed at around 850kg, the engine delivering more than 200bhp and a power to weight ratio less than 4kg per hp - bringing it into super car territory.

The car showcases the formula of the two-seater, rear-wheel drive coupé with central engine, a length of approximately four meters and a wheelbase of less than 2.4 meters. These dimensions on the one hand emphasize the Alfa 4C Concept's compact attributes, while on the other accentuate its agility.

The Alfa 4C Concept uses technology and materials derived from the 8C Competizione - carbon, aluminum, rear-wheel drive - and technology from Alfa Romeo models currently on sale: the 1750 turbo petrol engine with direct injection, the ALFA TCT twin dry clutch transmission; and all the best of Alfa's DNA technology, obviously including the Alfa DNA dynamic control selector.



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A "WELL-being boat" visited Lymm and offered visitors fun sessions including painting, massage and the chance to relax on comfortable sofas. More than 70 people visited the brightly-coloured boat when it moored in the centre of Lymm.

The boat has recently been renovated for use as a learning space along the waterways in the region. It moored outside the Youth and Community Centre and the organisers provided publicity and materials for a range of activities.

Local amateur artist Helena Edwards ran art sessions on the narrowboat, and people of all ages enjoyed decorating wooden spoons, plant pots and paper plates. Others enjoyed a neck and shoulder massage or just relaxed on board.

A volunteer from the Department of Health provided information on health issues and sources of support. One of the day organisers Masoud Sanii said: "The wellbeing boat crew received a warm welcome from the community in Lymm.

"Local people were keen to access our art and wellbeing sessions, largely due to high levels of confidence in the wide range of support on offer at the Lymm Youth and Community Centre."

Local author's tale of betrayal

A BOOK that tells a tale of betrayal and blackmail involving a chase across England and France has been penned by a Lymm woman.

Gaynor Kay, of Rushgreen Road, has written "Pebble in the Grass" a romantic novel set in the 1930s.

It tells the tale of a young woman, who after losing her mother, goes on a journey to London to seek out her father who abandoned her when she was 10.

Gaynor said: "In London, she discovers a new life from the country set and a new beginning. She faces the dilemma of motherhood, betrayal and blackmail, a frantic chase across England and France, leading ultimately to murder. The book is based on a stage play I wrote for a theatre group I ran at the time. Inspiration for many of the rural locations come from Lymm, where I now live along with stories of my gran's trips to London in the 1930's and her life in Cheshire as a young woman." The book is on sale at several shops in Lymm and Warrington.

Gaynor was born in Manchester in 1975 and has been writing since childhood. She emigrated with her family to Australia when she was eight and studied journalism, before returning to the UK in 1992.

She now works as a lawyer in Manchester with a major law firm, and is working on the sequel of her book, which is set in World War 2 France.

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Obituaries



Mrs Ivy Ward

THE funeral has taken place of Mrs Ivy Ward (nee Rutter) of Hopefield Road, Sandy Lane, who died from pneumonia at Warrington Hospital aged 78 on August 1.

She leaves her husband Peter, sister Betty, nieces and nephews.

She was cremated at Altrincham Crematorium.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, Lymm.

Stanley Hardy

THE funeral has taken place of Mr Stanley Hardy, of The Crescent, Lymm, who died at home on July 5 aged 86.

Mr Hardy was a warehouse manager and a lorry driver. He served in the Army in Singapore and was a Sgt in RASC Regiment. In his spare time he enjoyed baking cakes and DIY.

He leaves his wife Olive, a son, two daughters, a sister, a stepdaughter, a stepson, nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral was at Sion Independent Methodist Church, Cherry Lane. The Revs Ken Irwin and Ron Percival officiated.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, Lymm.



Mrs Audrey Harris

THE funeral has taken place of Mrs Audrey Harris, of Albany Road, Lymm, who died peacefully at home on August 12 aged 84.

She was the wife of the late Ernie Harris, is mother of Lynn, Paul and Neill, and grandmother of Lauren, Oliver and Sean.

She was born in Barrow in Furness and moved to Lymm with her family in 1963. She was a nurse at Thelwall Grange and then became Head of Care at Cotebrook.

She had many interests and hobbies and particularly enjoyed attending local sewing and knitting classes, where she made many friends.

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