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Editor's Comment

THE new pay and display parking at the Pepper Street car park, which allows two free hours parking for shoppers, is being hailed a great success.

Ancient tradition lives on

VILLAGERS kept alive the annual Rushbearing Festival, a local tradition which

I am delighted it seems to have provided a much needed boost for traders in the village centre who have suffered for many years from the lack of adequate car parking in the village

I am also obviously delighted that

dates back to medieval times.

the traders have chosen Lymm Life as the vehicle to help promote the new parking situation.

Over the coming months Lymm Life will be delivered door to door throughout the area by a professional distribution company'- the aim is to reach every single person who lives in Lymm, so they know what the village centre has got to offer.

The village centre is the lifeblood of the local community and is what

helps make our community so special.

Unfortunately you will see elsewhere in the magazine that our criminal element are still up to their antics - this time stealing paving slabs from outside the home of one of our better known residents, who is brave enough to speak his mind.

Surely now is the time for the village to invest in a proper CCTV system, so we can hopefully eradicate the mindless minority from our streets.

It was a real family affair for sisters Holly, Niamh and Sacha Wynne, pictured below, while our front cover picture shows Geoff Bibby from Thelwall Morris

The event is organised each year by local barrister Christopher Limb. For more pictures from the event check out www.lymmlife.co.uk



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Original Calendar Girls boost funds

THREE of the original 'Calendar Girls', – Angela Baker, Trisha Stewart and Beryl Stewart – helped at a fundraising event for Lymm charity The Children's Adventure Farm Trust. They were guests at a Calendar Girls themed Ladies Lunch, attended by 280 women, for the children's charity at Mere Golf and Country Club.

It raised £15,000 - £5,500 more that was raised last year by the annual lunch. There was a range of auction prizes on offer including lunch at Bodysgallen Hall via a twin engine helicopter.

Guests enjoyed a champagne drinks reception and shopping at the 18 stalls. Penny Mac entertained during the reception with vocals and

MC Ian Parrott welcomed guests including the Mayoress of Wirral and charity's patrons Jennifer James and Sarah Storey. There was then a lunch, singing from Cole Page and a fashion show styled by Martine Alexander, with clothes provided by Moo Boutique

Butlers in the Buff helped with a chocolate box raffle - with first prize of a VIP trip to see Calendar Girls in London. There was also a Victoria Sandwich cake raffle which had a prize of a Dublin break.

Highlight was a talk by the Calendar Girls, who told of their adventures since the calendar was launched 10 years ago and signed copies of their calendar.

Farm fundraiser Julie Gray said: "The Calendar Girls were fantastic so inspirational and fun. They helped us to raise an astounding amount of money for disabled, terminally ill and disadvantaged children from all over the North West.'



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Above: Adventure farm staff with the Calendar Girls (left to right, back) Helen Crowther, Tricia Stewart, Angela Baker, Beryl Bamforth, Liz Cooper, Julie Gray and Marie Molnar, (front) Rachel Robinson and Pippa Watton. Right: The Calendar Girls (left to right) Tricia Stewart, Angela Baker and Beryl Bamforth.



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Eight dads tackle three peaks



The dads with mascot Oinky the Pig – who is a favourite with youngsters at Oughtrington Primary School - who accompanied them up all three peaks.

Open evening

LYMM based Soroptimist International of Warrington, an international organisation of business and professional women, are holding an open evening at Statham Lodge on Tuesday, September 8 to recruit new

They volunteer their talents and energy to giving women and girls the resources to create positive changes for themselves, their families and

Starting at 7pm light refreshments will be served. For further information telephone Joan - 01925 711523 or E-mail Chris at woody4989@msn.com

after a few pints!

led to an energetic challenge for a group of eight dads from Lymm.

The men decided to tackle the Three Peaks Challenge, which involves climbing Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowdon in just 24 hours. Paul Lockett, co-owner of The Venue Bar in Lymm, said: "The plan was hatched over a few pints of Black Sheen bitter in The Venue

Black Sheep bitter in The Venue.

"Training on various peaks took place over the following months and a team was formed and named The Lymm Shepherds."

The training paid off and the men completed the challenge in 23 hours and 37 minutes - raising more than £3,100 for Spina Bifida.

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The other dads who joined Paul on the challenge were lan Gordon, Mike Smith, Paul Wadsworth, Paul Shuffleton, Richard Napier-Hemy, Shuffleton, Richard Napier-Hemy Simon Meadows and Ric Rurlander.





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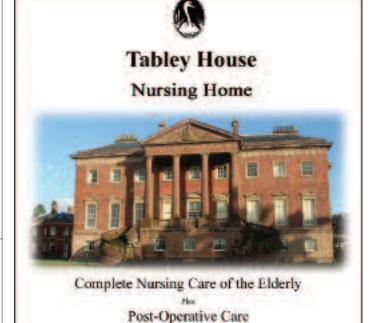
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Jack's catch of the day

A LYMM High School pupil picked up a handsome trophy and a £500 prize when he came first in the junior section of the national Fish O Mania angling competition in Staffordshire.

Jack Swindells, aged 15 won the contest with a catch of 8.750kg, ahead of second placed Joe Cartwright, from Manchester, with 8.710kg.
Jack, from Latchford, has been angling since he was seven and is a member of Warrington Anglers as well as the Tameside Fox Match junior angling club who he was representing in the competition.

Hugh celebrates 100 years

MR Hugh Davies, a resident of Keate House residential home in Lymm has

celebrated his 100th birthday. Welsh-born Mr Davies has been a resident at Keate House since November 2006.

He joined the Royal Navy at the ge of 14, later working in age of 14, later welectronics in submarines.

He then worked as a civil engineer and helped to build Risley Prison before moving to office work prior to retirement.

He has a family consisting of two daughters, four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

On his special day he went to his daughter's house for dinner with the family and then returned to Keate House for a tea party, attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Warrington, Coun and Mrs Brian Axcell. There was music and a buffet tea.

Mr Davies is pictured with his two great grandchildren and the Mayor.





£78,000 boost for play areas

LYMM is to benefit from a £78,000 boost to improve play areas in the village.

The money will come from the Government's Playbuilder Project which aims to improve facilities for 8-13 year-olds. Work will be carried out at the Sandy Lane playing field and Ridgway Grundy Park - hopefully starting next March.

Coun Sheila Woodyatt said: "This is wonderful news because, surprising as it may seem to some people, Lymm is a deprived area when it comes to play equipment.

"We will be talking to young people first to find out exactly what they would like because it is important that we use the money wisely and provide what the children want."

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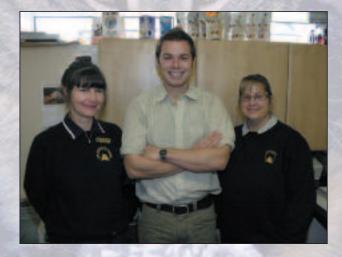
Dealing with arthritis

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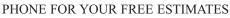
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It has been an eventful Summer break, with Steven Adcott, proprietor of Adcott Opticians in Lymm centre, being invested as Provincial Grand Master over the Craft Lodges and Grand Superintendant over the Royal Arch Chapters in Cheshire, at a spectacular ceremony in the Floral Pavilion at New Brighton on the Wirral.



Afternoon tea à la Betty's!

AFTERNOON tea was served "Betty's of Harrogate" style when Lymm WI held a fundraising afternoon in a member's garden.

Committee members, looking very smart in black and white waitress uniform, made and served tea with dainty sand white waitress and cakes.

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The weather stayed fine, there was a good turnout and a raffle and bring-and-buy table added to the atmosphere.

The WI's next meeting will be at Lymm Village Hall on Wednesday September 2 at 7.30 pm, when Mrs Helen Savraam will give a talk entitled "Hip, Hip Hurray, from pain to pirouettes."

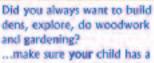
There will also be a jumble sale on Saturday, September 26 at 10 pm against hump Village Hall when tog god deffect will be served.

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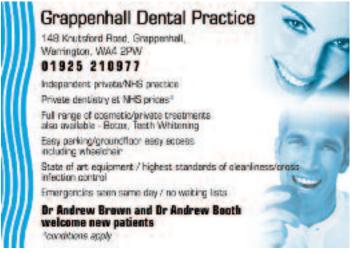
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Sunday, September 13 at 2.30pm
Gill Kenchington was a member of the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain during which time she was awarded a Foundation Scholarship to the Royal College of Music. She has given several BBC recitals and is a devotee of the wooden flute playing a handmade Rudall Carte instrument dating from 1925.
William Kenchington began

William Kenchington began playing the clarinet at the age of 15 and has played at various times with the BBC Welsh Orchestra, City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, BBC Midland Light Orchestra and the Scottish National Orchestra. In 1979 he became Professor of Clarinet at the School of Music of the Royal Marines.

Tickets and further details are available from Margaret and Michael Sharp on 01925

Lee swings into action

TOP golfer Lee Westwood was on hand to help launch a three day golfing academy for youngsters at High Legh Park Golf and Country Club.

The Ryder Cup regular, who took up the game aged 13, flew in by helicopter and then gave demonstrations for youngsters aged 7-16 at the special event.

He won his first amateur event in 1990 and turned Pro three years later after winning the British Youth Championship.

During his successful career he has won 18 events on the European tour and his official world ranking peaked at 4 in 2000 when he won seven tournaments worldwide and was ranked first on the European Order of Merit, ending Colin Montgomerie's long run of European Tour dominance.

Lee enjoyed a spectacular return to form in 2007, winning the Calle Romano Open and the Quinn Direct Britsh Masters. He is one of the few golfers who has won tournaments on every continent.

He continues to be one of most consistent players on the European tour re-establishing himself in the top 10 world rankings.

10 world rankings.

Most recently he tied for third place in the Open Championship.

Lee is pictured (top) giving a demonstration and (right) with the golf club's General Manager Derek Vaughan.







Works of art inspired



Left to right: Ann Scales, Peter Clark church warden, Marie Clowes designer, Jean Hynd, Maralyn Barlow, Sheila Vincent, Joyce Gill, Isabel Roberts, Dorothy White, Anne Young, Annette Wright, Audrey Brierley, Georgina Turner, Sylvia Rowles and Joan Statham.

TWO works of art – inspired by Hannah Scales who tragically died from a rare condition – have been created by adults and children in Lymm.

Pupils and staff at the school Hannah attended, Little Bollington C of E Primary, have created a Kabuki Garden in her memory. The garden, themed Take a Closer

Look, was on display at the RHS Flower Show at Tatton Park.

Children grew some of the featured plants and helped design the garden under the guidance of head teacher Caroline Johnstone.

The sensory garden is to raise awareness of Kabuki genetic research and donations will be collected to

support the research programme at St. Mary's Hospital Manchester led by Professor Dian Donnai.

Hannah's mum, Anne Scales, said the garden features the senses sound, smell, touch and taste. It includes edible plants and fragrant plants such as lavender chocolate ruffles.

The design also features an eye, created out of plants with chocolate plants for eyelashes, and a rainbow. Another work of art, which was

inspired by Hannah's favourite hymn, Lord of the Dance, has also been

Lymm Churches Together Sewing Group, led by Marie Clowes, has spent three years creating a tapestry on the theme of the hymn.

The tapestry (pictured above) is hung in the children's corner at St Mary's Church, Lymm, and was recently dedicated at the Sunday School prize giving service.

Mid-summer ball raises £3,500

AN incredible £3,500 was raised at the first-ever Mid-Summer Night Ball organised by Lymm Village Hall Playgroup.

Almost 100 people attended

the sell-out event at Lymm Hotel.

Master of Ceremonies Peter Powell - the Town Crier - led the auction and raffle, and guests enjoyed dinner and dancing.

Money raised will go towards the group's next phase of development - securing a suitable outdoor play area for the children following the rejection of their original proposals for a tenced outdoor December. area

The success of the ball means the group are already planning a similar event for next year.

Pictured below are some of the organising committee at the



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Pupils learn the sounds of Africa



LEARNING to play the drums during an African Day held at Oughtrington Primary School are from left, Lucy Oldknow, Thomas McCartney, teacher Nigerian artist Au Chaba, Amy Wright and Joshua Moules.

Book entered for award

A FORMER Lymm High School pupil's first novel is being put forward for a major literary award

Andrew Duggan, 46, who now lives in Birchwood, wrote "Scars Beneath the Skin" after experiencing at first hand the terrorist bomb attack on Manchester city centre in June 1996.

He escaped without a scratch – but in trying to make sense of what had happened sat down and started to write what turned out to be a novel.

Published by Flambard Press, it has been put forward for the Costa Book Awards, and is described as a "dark, modern love story about a man whose mind is shattered by a terrorist bomb explosion and the woman who wants to turn his life around."



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The club then worked with the high school and the leisure centre to provide

the facility.

ne racility.

Club founder Raymond Chan said: "This a fantastic opportunity for people in the local community to get a real taste of climbing. For climbers, this is a great training venue and is a positive enhancement of the leisure facilities. However, this is only the start of our development and the club aims to continue fundraising and improving this wall."

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Pay and display parking hailed a great success

THE new free pay and display parking scheme in Lymm village centre is being hailed a great success by local traders who have seen an upturn in trade since the launch of the scheme.

Phil Sexton, Chairman of the Traders' Association who runs Sextons Village Bakery in the village said: "The implementation of the shoppers car park with the first two hours free has had a fantastic initial impact on the shopping situation in Lymm Village.

"Hundreds of people are now returning to the village centre now they are guaranteed a parking space at any time of the day, without having to drive round and round or risk the wrath of the traffic wardens. "The amount of positive comments we are receiving



is incredible and many of our older residents are so happy to be able to use the village centre again.

"Every business has noticed the upturn in village trade and with the help of Lymm Life Magazine being delivered door to door we are hoping to let the majority of Lymm residents know the positive changes that have taken place.

that have taken place.
"Lymm village is now the

vibrant, attractive, friendly and convenient shopping location you always wanted it to be. Lymm is far more than just a pretty village!" he added.

The pilot project of pay and display parking on Pepper Street allows two free hours for shoppers who MUST still obtain a parking ticket from the pay and display machine or risk getting a fine.



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Celebrating 40 years at Sextons village bakery

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Now run by Philip and wife Sara, the business continues to grow from strength to strength, developing with the times we now also have a strong online presence.

They make all their goods from 'scratch' using skills passed down from the previous Five Generations of the Sexton family who were all prominent in the baking industry.

They not only produce a full range of Bakery and confectionary lines for retail sales, but they

also cater for business lunches, full buffets and

aful caller of sandwiches, the butters and children's parties with a full range of sandwiches, Pies, savouries and cakes, even down to producing bespoke celebration cakes to make the occasion truly special.

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Improving market!

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B.O.G.O.F. and help Lymm traders

LYMM Life readers are being offered tea and and coffee on a Buy One Get One Free offer at Sextons Village Bakery in return for filling out a short questionnaire.

The survey will help traders gauge feedback on the new free shoppers car parking scheme on the Pepper Street car park.

Simply cut out the B.O.G.O.F. voucher and hand it in at Sextons and enjoy a complimentary cup of tea or coffee.

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Village's 30th birthday celebrations

HIGH Legh Community Association and the annual Village Show both celebrate their 30th birthday on Saturday, September 5.

The association was established by volunteers to raise funds for village issues and run the village hall - centre of the local community and used by a wide range of local groups. But the hall is in need of a bit of a

face lift and the village show, followed by a hot pot supper and auction, is one of the main fund raisers of the year.

To mark the 30th anniversary show, organiser Gail Coenen says

refurbish the hall furniture and provide

better facilities for young people.
Residents will have the opportunity to show off their fruit, flowers, vegetables, home baking, home made cards and other crafts as well as numerous children's sections.

After the hot pot supper the auction

will provide an opportunity to acquire some of the cakes, jams, flowers and vegetables left by

exhibitors. Local sponsors have also provided items to auction to raise extra funds.

Prizes will be presented by Lord

Advertiser's announcement

Affordable Excellence at JD Kitchens

LOCAL kitchen retailer, JD Kitchens, embodies excellence at affordable prices.

Manager, David Charlton, said: "As an independent retailer in a very competitive market, we cannot afford to offer customers anything less than excellent service - and that includes excellent products and excellent planning, design and installation skills. There is absolutely no need for us to give anyone "the hard sall" "

It's a fact that's been recognised by many industry experts. Neff, the highly regarded manufacturer of cutting-edge appliances, has awarded JD Kitchens its prestigious Neff MasterPartner status based on showroom quality, product knowledge and all-round project management. JD Kitchens is the only supplier in the Warrington area to have received this accolade. Similarly, they are the only local member of The Kitchen Bathroom Bedroom Specialists Association, a national trade body dedicated to upholding the highest standards of professionalism. Added to which they are a TrustMark approved supplier, a Government backed programme that is part of its 'anti-cowboy' legislation.

But excellence is only half the JD Kitchens's story. They also offer premium brands like Neff, Miele and Blanco at very competitive prices.

David added: "Along with a huge range of British-made 'mix & match' kitchens, worktops and accessories, we are Warrington's exclusive supplier of Schüller kitchens - ergonomically designed, quality German kitchens at amazing prices They are renowned for their precision engineering, detailed, innovative styling and beautiful craftsmanship."

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Blooming great tea party

A CHARITY tea party at the Spread Eagle pub organised by local financial adviser Flora Maudsley-

Barton raised nearly £300 for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Mary's "lemon drizzle cake" was very popular, and the scones didn't hang around for very long . . . Two visitors swapped their cup of tea for a glass of beer – and who could blame them on such a sunny Friday afternoon!!!

The raffle was a success, thanks to the support of local businesses. The prize winners were - Barbara Smith was the first winner, and picked a massage at Cross Clinic, Mrs Booth Cross Clinic, Mrs Booth won a pension audit from Parsonage, Mrs Gleave from the Halifax won a meal voucher, Sadie from Cheshire Housing was delighted with a Sony Ericsson phone, Gill Heyes won Parsonage's tea set while Helen from Bridgford's won a Cheshire Set Manicure.

Kirsty James of KJB Solutions guessed the closing FT-SE on the day, so she won a great bottle of bubbly,

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Hospital governor wants local people's views

LYMM'S first-ever hospital public governor is looking for the views of local people to help improve services across Warrington Hospital and Halton General Hospital.

Since December, local people have been able become members of the hospitals for the first time and 356 people from Lymm, Grappenhall and Thelwall have done so - having a bigger say on their NHS services and

electing hospital governors.

They have elected Peter Cotton as one of 16 public governors.

Represent

Peter, 62, has lived in Lymm for 28 years and over the next three years his role is to represent local members at the governors' meetings with senior managers and staff and partner governors of the hospital.

Views

He is now in the process of arranging local meetings for hospital members to learn their views on the hospitals

Peter said: "My role is not to raise specific complaints or issues of individual members in the area but to seek to represent the full range of interests and opinions in the

constituency.
"I can present these to the trust board with the intention of influencing future strategy and making sure the hospitals are accountable to local people. In addition I hope to be able to relay information about the trust, its vision and its performance to local members.

Peter would like more residents of Lymm to become members of the

He said: "If you're not involved you

can't have your say. We've seen a lot of improvements in recent years at the hospitals but people's ideás will help make further changes that can benefit evervone.

Anyone interested in joining the trust or contacting Peter can call the members office on 01925 664222, email him at foundation@whh.nhs.uk or visit the web site www.warrington andhaltonhospitals.nhs.uk to find out and. Membership is free.

Round Table recognised for growth in membership

LYMM & District Round Table has been officially recognised by the National organization due to its exceptional growth in member numbers over the last year.

Members from Lymm were invited to a regional conference to share their ideas about how to retain members in the current climate where time pressures and misconceptions about the Round Table have been contributing to a decline in membership nationally

According to Dave Openshaw of Lymm RT, the secret in Lymm is informality. He said: "There are no stuffy traditions or dodgy handshakes, just a group of lads having fun and raising a few quid for charity.

Anyone interested in joining can visit the website www.lymmroundtable.co.uk The next Round Table charity event is Bonfire Night at Lymm Rugby Club on Saturday November 7

After problems with rain last year, several changes have been made and an order placed for good weather! So please put the date in your diary and support a local charity.

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New President for Lymm Lions

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LYMM resident Kath Buckley is the new President of Lymm Lions. Ken Scully and Linda Monk, who

have been Joint Presidents for the last two years, handed over officially to Kath at the club's Birthday Celebration at The Terrace Café and Bistro.

Outgoing Presidents, Ken and Linda, paid tribute to the kindness and generosity of club members' friends and families who have tremendously supportive of the club and have helped with a wide range of activities including manning stalls, serving teas, delivering leaflets, helping with the Christmas Tinning Appeal and assisting with the monthly Bingo sessions the club hold in the Village Hall.

To all those who have continuously supported their events and to the local businesses who have provided sponsorship and prizes, Lymm Lions

would also like to say a very big thank you.

During the last 12 months, the group has distributed ted over £5,000 to a variety of organisations' and charities including St. Rocco's, Hope



House Hospice and Claire House Hospice for Children, Riding for the Disabled at Rixton, Oughtrington Community Association, The Lymm Wednesday Afternoon Group, The Luncheon Club at Oughtrington, STEPS, Harry and Jock's appeal at Wythenshawe Hospital , Kabuki Research and many more.

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'Bring your own bag' campaign

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The aim is to make Lymm completely plastic bag free – as achieved by the village of Modbury, in Ďorset.

Low Carbon Lymm distributed leaflets and other literature giving advice on energy saving and greener living at the May Queen festival.

The group has also launched a website at www.lowcarbonlymm.org.uk where

more information is available on recycling, etc.

A spokesman for the group said: "Ideally, with support from Warrington Borough Council, we would like to make Lymm plastic bag free. It's quite simple - you just have to think before you set off for the shops."

School's second gold award

LYMM'S Oughtrington Primary School has been invited to a special ceremony to receive its second Artsmark Gold Award.

The ceremony and evening reception will be at the Brindley Arts Centre, Runcorn on September 21.

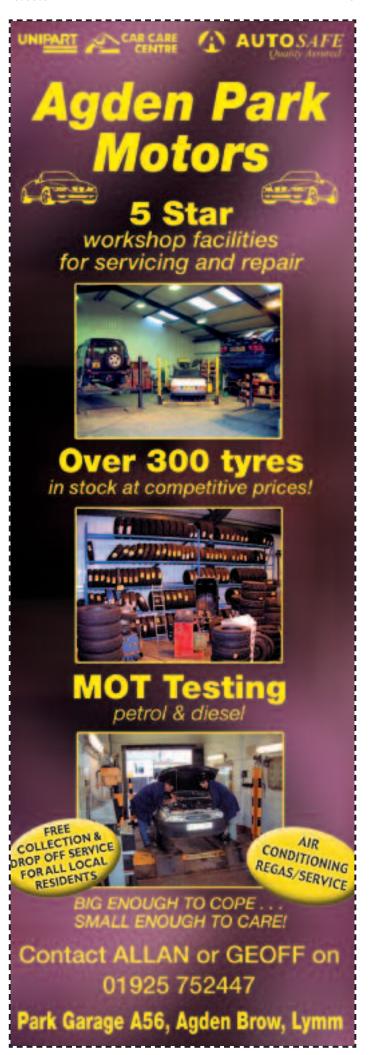
Head teacher Gill Marsland said: "I'm delighted that the Arts Council England has recognised Oughtrington's dynamic arts education programme for a second time, in recognition of the schools commitment to, and excellence in arts

Our recent Multi Cultural Arts Festival is further testament to the diverse and high quality, artistic experiences we provide for our children.'

Alan Davey, chief executive, Art Council England said: "We are committed to great art for everyone and we believe that the earlier children are creatively inspired, the more likely they are to have a lifelong engagement with art.

'Artsmark sets the standard for an outstanding arts offer in schools and it's great to see so many new schools attaining Artsmark award this year. The award recognises for the second time Oughtrington's passion for the arts and belief in the power of creativity".





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Lymm Parish Council Annual Report 2008 / 2009

- 1. The precept for the year was £130,000 and £24018 was brought forward from the previous year. The total income for the year was £178512. The expenditure for the year comprised £25926 for administration, £17064 for the Village Hall, £1538 for the allotments and £93096 for miscellaneous items. The miscellaneous expenditure included Grant Aid totalling £29800 of which £8200 was to Lymm CAB, £4900 to **Oughtrington Community** Association, £6000 to Lymm Festival for the 2008 and 2009 Festivals and £3000 to Lymm Dickensian Christmas. The total expenditure for the year was £137264
- **2.** During the year the following matters were either discussed, carried out or supported:
- a. The Parish Council worked with Warrington Borough Council and the Lymm Traders to improve the short term car parking provision in Lymm. Pay and display car parking has now been introduced on the Pepper Street Car Park.
- b. The Parish Council assisted **Oughtrington Community** Centre with the costs for the heating system, kitchen equipment and decorating at the Centre.
- c. Lymm Duck Race, Lymm May Queen Festival and Lymm Dickensian Day were all very enjoyable events during the year organised by local volunteers.
- d. The Parish Council has supported the Churches Together who have been organising monthly litter picks in Lymm during the summer months. These litter picks have greatly improved the cleanliness in the village centre
- e. Churches Together planted 500 daffodil bulbs, provided by Lymm Parish Council, in Slitten Gorge

- f. Warrington Borough Council introduced Neighbourhood Working throughout the Borough and a member of Lymm Parish Council sits on the Board for South Warrington. Neighbourhood working enables local communities to have a say about local needs and priorities.
- g. The Parish Council has continued to work as part of the Lymm Environment and Heritage Group to oversee the projects being funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund Grant. The Group submitted a successful application for Green Flag status at Lymm Dam in 2008 and the Green Flag was retained for 2009/2010.
- h. The Parish Council has continued to support the Youth Club during the year. The Parish Council paid for the electrical work required at the Youth Club to ensure that the building could be used for Dickensian Day and by the Youth Club. Lymm Rotary Club and Churches Together are keen to be involved to maximise the use of the building.
- i. To prevent notices being attached to the trees and railings in Lymm the Parish Council has provided a further notice board outside the Village Hall.
- j. At the request of the Parish Council two cycle racks have been installed on Pepper Street
- k. A third Lymm Community Fair was held in the Village Hall for local groups to advertise their activities and recruit new members.
- 1. Lymm Festival: This event took place for the tenth year and was very successful. Honor Giles continues as the Festival Director.

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Twilight Walk raises over £2650 for Christies

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Walkers followed a circular route to the village and back along the Bridgewater Canal to the school fields.

Belinda Morley and Alison Morton organised the walk which was a huge

Many families and friends in the community, who have been touched by cancer, enjoyed the walk and BBQ afterwards.

The walk was part of the school's Founders Day activities held in July.

The school and the PTA organised the evening which included a cricket match and tennis match between staff and parents.

With the help of the school staff, students, the PTA and the local community it proved to be a very successful event.

Many thanks to everyone who supported it.



Open evening

LYMM based Gavin Laidlaw Dental Solutions are holding an open evening on Thursday September 3 offering free no obligation consultations with their resident orthodontist Beatrice Luciola BDS MSc MOrth

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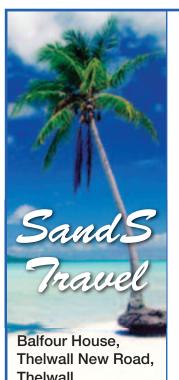
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Obituaries

Ruth Roberts



THE funeral has taken place of lifelong Lymm resident Ruth Roberts, aged 92, who died in the Three

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known in the village.
For 50 years, Ruth worked for plastics firm Rotolac at Timperley, as an accountant and director of the company, only retiring when she was

70.
She enjoyed bingo, holidays and watching football. She leaves

watching football. She leaves nephews and nieces. The funeral took place at Dunham Crematorium and arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, of Lymm.

Beryl Gadd

The funeral has taken place at Walton Lea Crematorium of Beryl Maisie Gadd, aged 80, of Canal Bank, Yeald Brow, Lymm who died in St Roccos Hospice, Warrington on May 12.

Beryl, nee Rushman, was a leading member of Bridgewater Players Amateur Dramatic Society as secretary and actress.

Before her retirement she worked in

the outpatients department Altrincham General Hospital.

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From bad . . . to worse!

Peter Corbett, Lymm

THE letter I wrote about the petty vandalism I catalogued in Lymm over one weekend was published in *Lymm Life* last

I have to say I was astounded at the reaction I personally got from people stopping me in the street to a) sympathise and b) congratulate me on the courage they perceived I took to metaphorically stick my head above the parapet' and allow myself to be identified . . . Didn't I fear retribution? This reaction is both a testament to the power of a local magazine such as Lymm Life (it seems that everyone reads it!) and to the feeling that plainly everyone shares about the mindless violence that periodically happens. Of course there are no hard and fast answers but one very senior citizen did feel strongly that we should form a vigilante group who would patrol at all times of darkness and be prepared to give a short sharp lesson to any offenders they found . . . maybe a little extreme\$\$\$

Anyway, the purpose of this, subsequent missive is to let anyone that's interested know that I have just suffered a further incident which I think you will all agree is head and shoulders more impressive than merely ripping up a few flowers or trying to roll a barrel into the canal or even kicking canal side lights to

destruction.

When I went to sleep one evening last week I owned a garage which had outside it a patio area where one could wash cars or park an extra car. The area was paved with York stone slabs approximately 4 foot by 2 foot and about 2 inches deep. When I woke the next morning my drive had been stolen! Yes, in the middle of the night, villains arrived with crowbars, picks and shovels and presumably a substantial flat bed lorry and they lifted and drove off with my drive. I was left with a patch of soil!

Isn't that just jaw droppingly amazing? What a nerve, what if anyone had driven by and seen three (I assume) guys lifting slabs at 3am? No-one could imagine this was legal activity therefore the bad guys must have been prepared to deal with anyone disturbing them . . . Thank goodness I didn't return home late and find them 'at it'!

If it weren't so serious it would be funny. Obviously I rang the police but they elected not to come to the scene since there was 'nothing to see except the lack of slabs'. A couple of people asked did I think this was retribution for my forthright letter in *Lymm Life* but I can't see this since this action is for money as opposed to the previous actions which were simply for the 'thrill'.

I am enclosing a photo of the 'after' situation (I don't have a 'before' photoWhy would 1? Who would take a photo of huge slabs of stone in case one day they got stolen?) All I would say is, if anyone is offered any York stone paving at very good prices from dodgy looking guysDo let me know. Thanks







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