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Hilary Tucker,
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WITH new technology playing a bigger part in all our lives I welcome the launch of Warrington-worldwide, linked to the town's first daily newspaper on the internet.

I have been watching closely the development of Warrington-worldwide since its launch in April and I am pleased to see it helps Warringtonians from all over the world keep in touch with what is going on.

The internet is an excellent medium for communication and helps keep us all "wired up" as a wider community.

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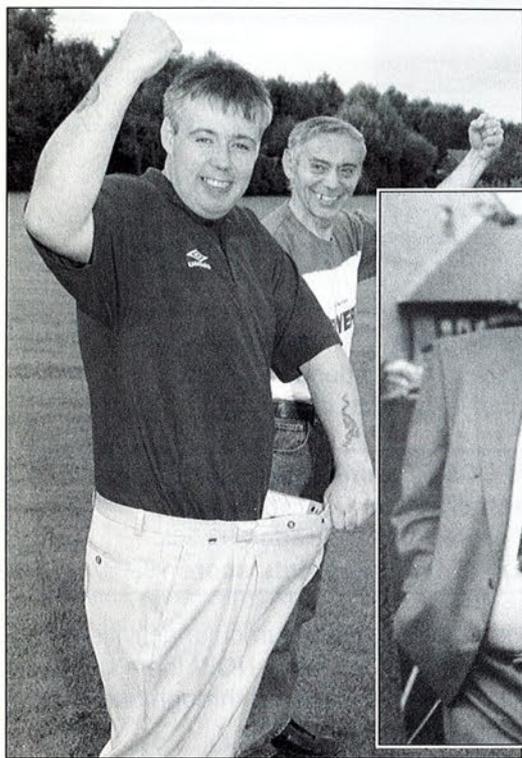
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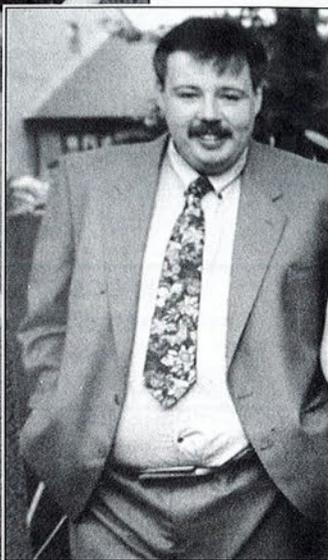
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Super slimmer Steve sheds six stones



Super slimmer Steve Oldbury (pictured left) is cheered on by his dad Norman who has also joined him on his diet plan and below Steve before his slimming efforts.



SUPER slimmer Steve Oldbury has shed a staggering six stone in as many months.

Steve, 36, who could be in line for a top slimming award in recognition of his achievement, decided to diet after ripping up his holiday snaps because he looked too fat.

Impressed

Dad Norman, 56, was so impressed with his son's efforts, he also signed up at his local slimming club, shedding two stone in as many months.

Warehouseman Steve, from Fearnhead, Warrington, has seen his weight plummet from a staggering 21st 9lb to just over 15½ stone, meaning he has had to buy a new wardrobe of clothing.

Not content with being the top slimmer at his local Slimming World class he hopes to lose another couple of stone to achieve his target weight.

"When I saw my holiday snaps I just ripped them up because I was so fat," said Steve.

"I didn't want my daughter having

fun made of her when I went to pick her up from school.

"I also like having a game of football but my knees couldn't take the weight. I was told that if I didn't lose some weight I would never play football again."

As well as sticking to his slimming plan Steve now swims on an almost daily basis.

"I feel like a new man and people who haven't seen me for a while don't recognise me."

Men only

Slimming World Consultant Serena Woolland, who has now been inspired to set up a MEN ONLY slimming club at Club lifestyle in Warrington, said: "Steve has had great determination and remained totally focused. He has the will to succeed.

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Further details from Serena
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Awarded for excellence



Joan is a 'Super Gran'!

THIS is 'Super Gran' Joan Weaver who is celebrating after winning through to the national finals of 'Grandparent of the Year.'

Nominated by her 13-year-old granddaughter Samantha Harrison, (also pictured) one of her 18 grandchildren, Joan was the North West winner of the Age Concern event.

Now she is through to the finals with six other nominations, with a chance of winning a £2,000 prize.

The nomination has come as a timely boost for the 73-year-old mother of nine from Great Sankey, Warrington, who was widowed earlier this year following the death of her husband Eric.

Samantha nominated her Gran for the award without telling anyone else in her family.

The first anyone knew was when Joan received a phone call saying she had won the North West award after the judges were impressed by Samantha's letter.

"It came as a complete surprise," said Joan. "I couldn't believe it. But it was a very nice surprise."

Samantha "stops over" with her gran every Saturday night when they share a joke and a chat and practice some old time dance routines.



Sam with her 'Supergran' Joan Weaver.

Joan also goes swimming every week and her hobbies include darts and collecting pig ornaments.

Samantha said: "I nominated my Gran because she is really special to me. She's not like a Grandma, she's more like a best friend. She has taught me to live life to the full and always look on the bright side of things."

"She was very brave when

granddad died and was supportive for the whole family. She does so much for other people she deserves to get something back."

Joan will attend the star-studded award ceremony on September 23rd at London Zoo. The presentation of the main award will coincide with Grandparents Day on September 25th.

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New high-tech investment at Collegiate

WARRINGTON Collegiate Institute has invested £250,000 in 270 Compaq computers as part of a rolling programme of IT investment - to take the college into the 21st century.

An Area-wide Network, linking the Padgate and Winwick Road sites with Beamont High School, has also been updated to the latest high speed information highway.

Plans are also in the pipeline to link up with the Museum Street Campus in October, as well as bringing the Sankey Street Education Centre "on line."

The new multi-media set up will allow internet access to be delivered to more than 500 desktop computers.

The Collegiate and Compaq computers are also holding further talks on using the Institute as a 'case study' for IT in education and looking at further ways of enhancing IT provision at the college.

Principal and Chief Executive Hilary Tucker said: "We have made a firm commitment to ensure the Collegiate is at the cutting edge of new technology.

"We aim to deliver the best possible equipment for our students. The new equipment will add to our existing high-tech media suite and further improve our community links."



Tastes good to me! Ashley with Stockton Heath pupils Chris Wright and Lauren Le Breton.

Street star goes back to school!

CORONATION Street star Steve Arnold, alias butcher's boy Ashley Peacock, took time off from the Street to go back to school.

During a trip to Warrington Collegiate Institute's annual 'Primary College' event at Winwick Road Campus, he teamed up with youngsters from six primary schools across the town, who were enjoying a taste of college life.

The Warrington based actor was invited to sample scones made in a cookery lesson, try his hand at pizza making, dancing and rounders.

He was rewarded with a haircut and a relaxing facial.

More than 200 youngsters from Evelyn Street, Long Lane, Penketh, St Margaret's, St Stephen's and Stockton Heath primary schools, got a chance to meet Ashley.

Nipper calls it a day

A DOG'S life has been a high life for a Jack Russell from Warrington - but all good things must come to an end.

Nipper, the 10-year-old pet of Dave and Mary Leigh, is retiring from a job that has taken him all over the country and enabled him to rub shoulders - well, ankles! - with the stars.

Paul McCartney, Bob Geldof, Simply Red and the cast of Coronation Street are just a few of the celebrities he has shared the limelight with.

Nipper has been the dog featured in the His Master's Voice music company logo for some years, helping promote HMV products nationwide.

Owner Dave, a Manweb meter reader said: "We've been the length and breadth of the country with Nipper, meeting the stars and staying at the best hotels. One even relaxed its 'No Dogs' rule so we could stay.

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'Cybercop' in line for top award



Nominated for a top award - Community Police Sgt. Mike Jones with youngsters (L-R) Aaron Taylor, Patrick Carey and Michael Carey.

A 'CYBERCOP' has been nominated for a top award in recognition of his outstanding community work.

Sgt Mike Jones, the South Warrington community police officer, is representing Cheshire in the national Community Police Officer of the Year awards.

If he wins he will get the chance of a dream trip to visit community police officers in action abroad - who he has already been meeting, via the internet.

Mike, who has been actively involved in various community projects throughout the south of the borough, including a new £300,000 community park at Latchford, was nominated for the award by his Chief Inspector Tim Jackson.

"It would be a dream come true if

I got the chance to visit a force abroad," said Mike, who is based at Stockton Heath Police Station.

"I have already visited the websites of forces in America and Canada and established contact, so it would be great if I got the chance to travel out there."

As well as his normal duties Mike sits on the Westy Park Committee, giving advice on security and policing issues. He also writes community safety articles in local magazines, including Lymn Life.

He will now travel down to London in November when the award winner will be announced.

Pond litter

MEMBERS of Great Sankey Parish Council are investigating ways of solving the problem of litter at Whittle Hall Pond.

Pub sold

THE former Kingsway pub at Latchford - which has stood empty for nearly two years - has been sold to a car dealer who plans to re-develop the site as showrooms.

Skills shortage

A SKILLS survey in Warrington has indicated there is a shortage of suitable recruits for management, clerical and sales posts in the town.

The Westbrook Skills Survey, commissioned by the Warrington Needs Analysis Forum, showed employers in the area consider management and administration, clerical and secretaries and sales as the most important occupations for business success.

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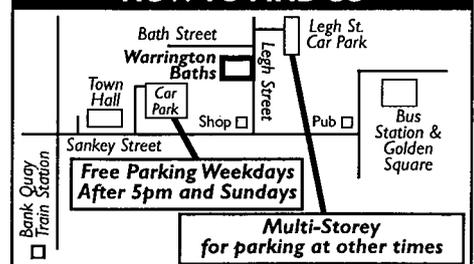
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Double boost for peace centre



Ian Judge and friends. (l-r) Mark Gartside, John Broadbent, Nick Taylor and Raymond Chan.

WARRINGTON'S flagship peace centre being built in memory of two young IRA bomb victims has received a double boost.

A group of friends, including cerebral palsy victim Ian Judge, raised nearly £3,000 by walking coast to coast.

Meanwhile fundraisers helping to raise £2.5m for the international peace centre at Warrington, in memory of Tim Parry and Johnathan Ball, have been further boosted by the arrival of a new campaign director - thanks to backers United Utilities.

Nick Taylor, a Communications Manager with United Utilities, has been seconded to the charity for 12 months, to help co-ordinate fund-raising activities.

One of his first tasks was to receive a cheque for nearly £3,000 from 24-year-old Ian and his friends Mark Gartside, Raymond Chan and John Broadbent, who walked from St Bedes to Robin Hood Bay, covering the 190 miles in 14 days.

Ian took part in his wheelchair and the group received a message of good luck from Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam, who has been supporting the peace centre.

Work is well under way on the peace centre which will be officially opened on March 20th next year - the seventh anniversary of the bombing.

Anyone wishing to make a donation can visit the Children for Peace website at www.childrenforpeace.org

What price democracy?

AN opinion survey carried out in Warrington has revealed most people place democracy at the bottom of their list of priorities.

They believe their own health and well-being is the most important issue the borough council should be tackling.

The survey, organised by the council, involved members of The Warrington 1,000 - a randomly chosen group of residents who have agreed to help the council by responding to periodic surveys.

They were asked to place in order of priority seven pledges the council has made as part of its community plan, Future Warrington, which covers the period up to 2002.

Respondents placed the pledges in the following

order: 1, Health and well being; 2, Community safety; 3, Education and life long learning; 4, Environment; 5, Economic prosperity; 6, Value for money; 7, Democracy.

Leader of the council John Gartside said: "I am disappointed democracy comes low in people's list of priorities but not surprised. At the moment public interest in local affairs is fairly minimal and I suppose the council must accept some responsibility for this.

"It is now our role to revitalise interest which is why it is one of our seven pledges. But all seven pledges are important."

THE earliest documented evidence for the holding of a market in Warrington is dated October 20, 1255, when the population of the town was no more than 700 people.

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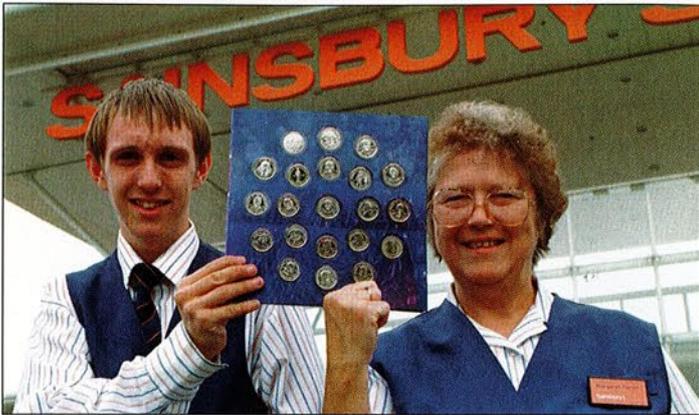
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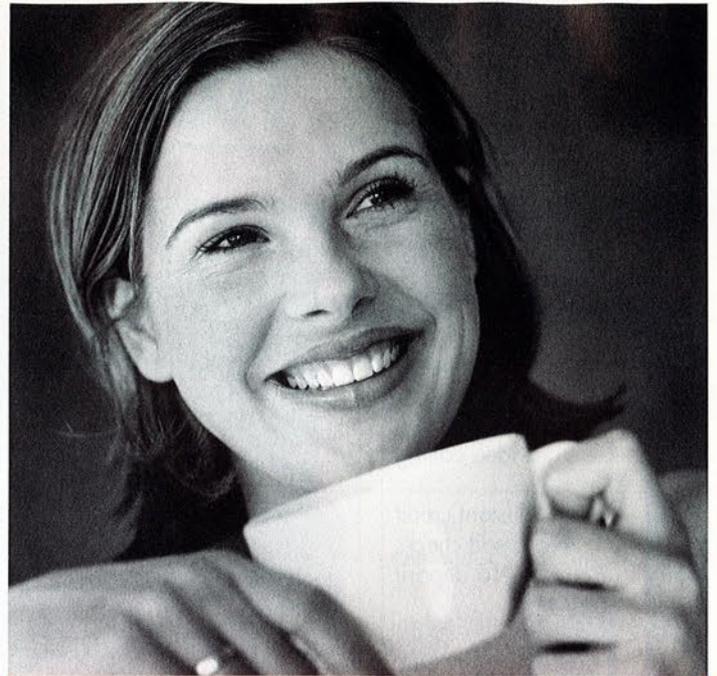


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What's up your nose petal?



Hannah Louise and the offending flower.

PLAYING 'pretty bridesmaids' was something not be sniffed at for three-year-old Hannah Louise.

It ended up with a trip to the doctors - with a flower firmly stuck up her nose!

The lively youngster from Whittle Hall, Great Sankey, Warrington, was bouncing around her garden sniffing a bunch of flowers in her hand playing at being a bridesmaid, when the unfortunate accident happened.

But she came up smelling of roses after a trip to the doctors, where the offending object was removed with special forceps.

Mum Janet said: "I couldn't believe it when she came and said she had a flower stuck up her nose.

"I looked up and was horrified to see it right at the back of her nose. I told her to blow it out but she sniffed it up further with just the stem peeping out at the back.

"I thought it was going to be a hospital job. The district nurse took one look at it and was worried it would go down into her lung.

"Fortunately Hannah remained calm and took it all in her stride. She kept still and didn't make a sound while the doctor used a special instrument to pull it out.

"I think she has learned her lesson the hard way and will be a bit more careful when smelling flowers from now on," added Janet. "We've got three weddings coming up so I will be keeping her away from the flowers!"

Hannah was praised by staff at the Westbrook Medical Centre for her bravery.

JOHN FLANAGAN

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'CITY FOR PEACE'

WARRINGTON'S bid for 'City Status' has now been submitted and campaigners are confident it is unique.

With the bid raising considerable interest and excitement throughout the town and beyond, the team who put together the bid, are now hoping their hard work will bear fruit early next year.

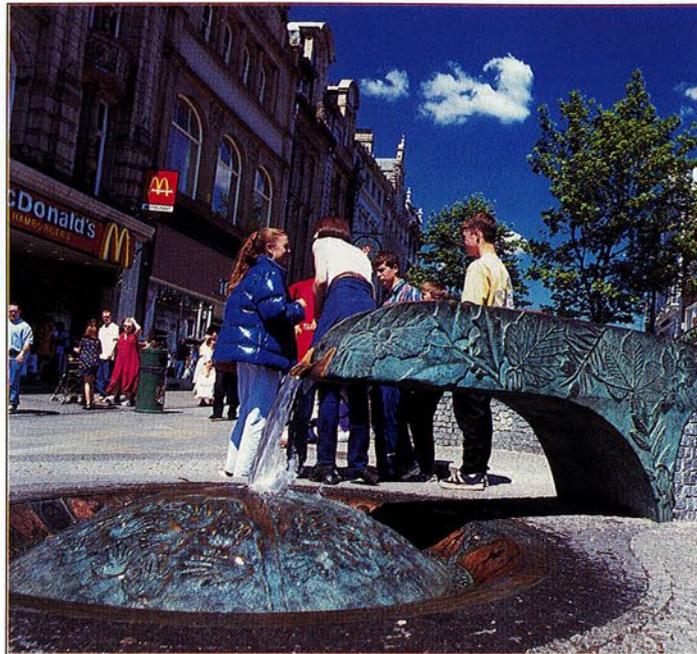
Council Leader John Gartside said: "At the end of a century when conflict has returned to Europe, the granting of City Status to Warrington would send a powerful message around the world, of the need to build prosperity on a solid foundation of peace and partnership."

"Should the Queen see fit to grant us the honour of City Status, the Year 2000, would without doubt, be the greatest year in Warrington's long and dynamic history."

Chief Executive Steven Broomhead added: "The 'City for Peace' bid has aroused considerable interest, excitement and enthusiasm around the town - and beyond."

"Warrington has achieved a great deal, not least the ability to stand strong through adversity and foster an atmosphere of harmony between people. In recent times we have demonstrated this, by building excellent relationships in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland."

Head of Communications Bob Williams, who is leading



The River of Life – Bridge Street.

the bid team, said: "We wanted ours to be much more than just a bid for city status, the new city for the millennium, which is why we came up with

the unique theme of a 'city for peace'.

"We have, in my opinion, put together a very unique and original bid."

"The Council is receiving tremendous backing from both the public and private sectors, in fact from right across the whole community."

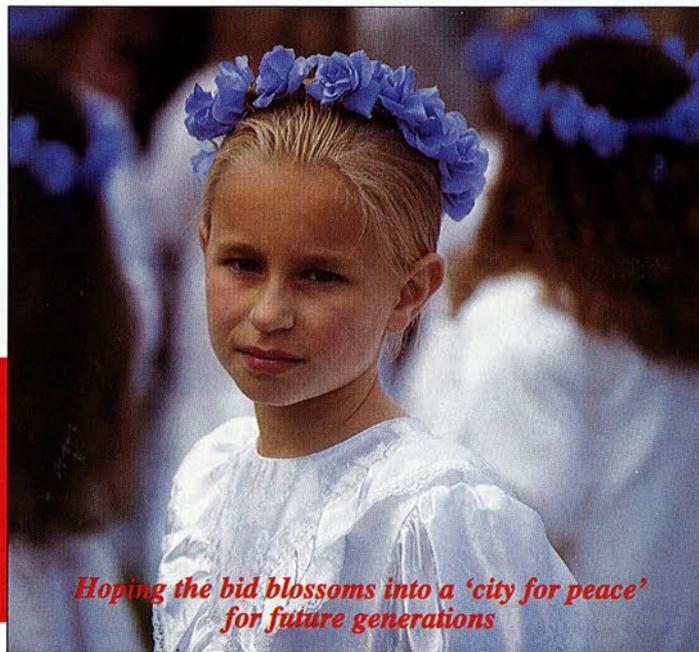
The bid submission, which was recently delivered to the Home Office in London, also included a specially recorded CD by Warrington Male Voice Choir, inspired by the River of Life in Bridge Street.

The bid document states: "A City is not defined by its bricks and mortar, but rather by the spirit of its people and the quality of its institutions."

"Warrington, with its deep-rooted sense of place, has always had the resilience and the confidence to accept the opportunities and absorb the stresses of economic and social change."

"The people of Warrington are open-minded, accept new ideas and are tolerant in the face of adversity."

Bob Williams added: "Although our bid is in, the campaign will continue right up to decision day, and I urge everyone to speak of Warrington as 'city for peace'."



Hoping the bid blossoms into a 'city for peace' for future generations

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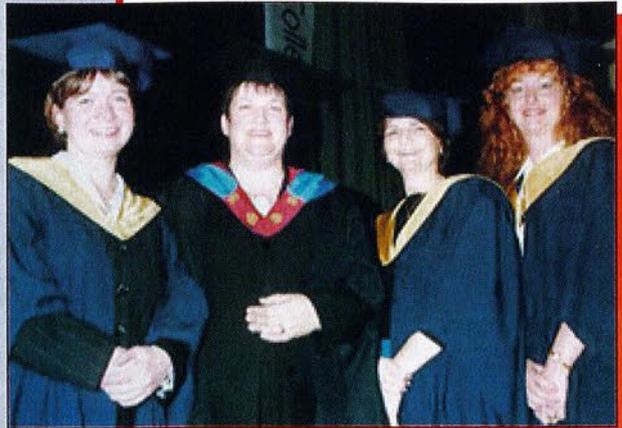


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Bike ride in memory of tragic pals

TWO pals have turned to pedal power to help raise funds for research into a killer disease.

Colin Gandar and Kevin Addison, both aged 36, have embarked on a cycling marathon in memory of two friends who tragically died from leukaemia.

They hope to raise thousands of pounds by cycling from Warrington to Lands End this month.

All money raised will be donated to leukaemia Research in memory of their school friend Kevin Hopkins, who died from the disease when he was just 33 and another friend's wife Yvonne Parker, who lost her battle with the disease last year.

Colin, a roadside mechanic from Fearnhead Lane, and Kevin, a green keeper, from Royston Avenue, Paddington, both Warrington, are cycling 360 miles to Lands End.

Both men were devastated when Kevin died from the disease and couldn't believe it when Yvonne also developed the illness.

"When Yvonne died we decided we had to do something to help fund research," said Colin.

"The ride will be a fitting memorial to them both and hopefully raise thousands of pounds for research," he added.



Wheelie great - cyclists Colin Gandar (L) with Kevin Addison who are raising funds in memory of two pals who died from leukaemia.

Nuisance youths

BRITISH Transport Police and Railtrack are investigating a number of late night disturbances involving gangs of youths adjoining the railway near industrial premises in Liverpool Road, Great Sankey.

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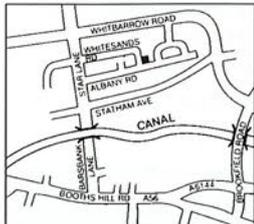
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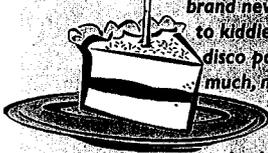
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- **Meeting Lane CC** Meeting Lane: Friday 10.00 - 11.00am
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Welfare to Green work

THE Mersey Forest, in partnership with the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers and Red Rose Forest, has launched its first "Welfare to Green Work" initiative.



Warrington MP's Helen Jones (R) and Helen Southworth are pictured with Warrington trainee Darrell Meakin.

Backed by Warrington's MP's Helen Jones and Helen Southworth, the aim of the project is to teach 20 young people a wide range of skills, enabling them to succeed in the woodland industry.

These include training in woodland management, habitat management, felling, use of chainsaws and pesticides, conservation and woodland crafts.

Funding has been provided from Europe's Single Regeneration Budget, while North West Water are

providing premises for the project.

Nina West, the Mersey Forest's Resource Officer said: "We are keen to talk to potential trainees who must be 25 or under, be unemployed and live in the Cheshire part of the Mersey Forest.

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It would require an area of 10 acres - and eight possible sites have been identified within the borough.

Research has shown that older people wish to be cared for in their own homes rather than move to residential or nursing home care. However, they want to be safe and many feel lonely and isolated - especially if they are housebound.

If the village was built, each resident would have their own tenancy, their own front door with bathroom, bedroom, lounge and kitchen and a variety of communal facilities.

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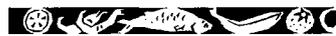
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Before - Hilary Major.

Welcome messages

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Forefront of modern technology
Congratulations - Electronic communication is the future. I was very interested to read all the latest news from Warrington on the world wide web. It is excellent to see Warrington and Orbit at the forefront of modern technology. I found it especially interesting to read that ex-Warringtonians from all over the world were reading news

From Mrs Major to Mrs Minor!

THE fear of being seen on holiday looking like a "beached Whale" spurred Hilary Major on to shed more than four stone in just six months.

Changing jobs and having two young children had taken their toll on 46-year-old Hilary's body.

She decided to join her local slimming club near her home in Lymm and now she has been hailed a slimming champion.

"The thought of going away on holiday and being like a beached Whale was the only spur I needed,"

said Hilary, a Senior Chemist from Adey Road.

"I like diving but found I was having to wear a man's extra large wet suit - and even that was tight, even though it was hanging off my arms and legs.

"I was fat, frumpy and forty something."

Hilary joined Slimming World based at the Spread Eagle pub and soon found the weight coming off.

"It was a lot easier than I expected. You could still eat almost anything you wanted and I never felt hungry. I just stuck to the eating plan and the weight started falling off.

"I now feel like a new person and it has changed my life," added Hilary.

"Having children and working in a job where I was wining and dining clients did my body no favours.

"Now instead of being called Hilary Major people are calling me Hilary Minor!"

and views from Warrington on their computer screens.

Keep up the good work.

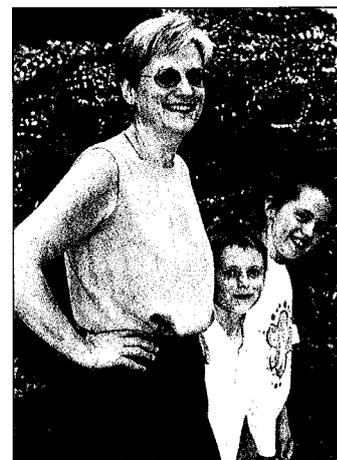
**Best wishes
Helen Southworth MP**

I welcome the news of Warrington Worldwide soon to be on the streets in Warrington, in a magazine format. This follows the success with Warrington Worldwide web site daily newspaper and Lymm News.

Anything that promotes and publicises Warrington must be welcomed.

I am sure existing coverage should not feel threatened but Warrington clearly needs more than one news coverage, which will be healthy and competitive. I wish you every success with your new venture.

**Best wishes.
Mike Hannon
Councillor M Hannon (Deputy
Leader WBC)
Chair, Community Services &
Housing Committee.**



Now - New Look Hilary with her children Gregory and Laura.

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Wide-ranging site which puts Warrington on map

I have been watching the growth of your site with interest ever since you first went on-line. I have to say that I am very impressed by its quality.

In such a short space of time you have developed an extremely informative and wide ranging site which really puts Warrington on the map!

The recent link to Sky News is a simple way of accessing wider national and international news. What's more, your site is user-friendly and navigating around it is easy, which is more than can be said for some sites I have visited! I look forward to its ongoing development.

Regards,
Councillor Ian Marks

Helping keep ex-pats in touch

Congratulations on this site! It really helps us ex-pats keep in touch! I left Great Sankey in 1973 for the States. I have lived here ever since, but still miss "home". My family still live there and visit us often. I miss the pasties, fish and chips, chocolate and meat and potato pies! Thanks for the hard work!

Pam Harwood (Rimmer)
PHarwood@ix.netcom.com@

Fond memories of good times in Warrington

What a great surprise when my husband found Warrington on the Internet. I left there in 1951 and still have very fond memories of my childhood. I attended Sacred Heart School on Liverpool Road and I fondly remember all the good times I had with my school friends. Would love to hear from any of them. My maiden name was Norah Laff, now Mrs. Franklin Fass. We live in Ohio and hope to return to Warrington for a visit.

Thanks again for this wonderful paper. We love to hear about Warrington.

Norah Fass e-mail
norfran@prodigy.net

Internet newspaper an important step forward

I am delighted that Orbit News are now providing an internet newspaper for Warrington. With the way that new technology is becoming increasing accessible, it is a very important step forward.

The web site is well presented and very easy to use. It is a real bonus, for anyone with an interest in Warrington, to be able to access local news from anywhere in the world, at anytime of the day or night.

Congratulations to all those involved in getting the web site up and running, may you go from strength to strength.

Yours sincerely
Helen Jones MP
Representing Warrington North

A Warrington site - at last!

At last I have found a Warrington site. Been looking for one for ages but the one I first found just wasn't letting me in.

This is terrific and I hope to be able to catch up with people from long ago.

I was from Howley originally before moving to Poplars Avenue in 1953, then marrying and having 2 sons and a daughter.

For the past 34 years we have been living in Western Australia, south of Perth at a place called Safety Bay, a suburb of Rockingham, the home of the ship that rescued Tony Bullimore from the Southern Ocean. We are 2 mins walk from the Indian Ocean.

I have been back to Warrington 9 times over the years and still refer to it as 'home'. Noted the many many changes during my time away, most for the better I must add. It was lovely to be able to shop at places like the British Home Stores and C&A Modes, which were only in Liverpool

and Manchester when we lived in Warrington.

Keep up the good work and if there is anyone out there who remembers me - having worked at the Atomic Energy Authority at Risley prior to emigrating, would love to hear from them, or anyone who cares to email. I am also on ICQ Chat and my number is 13391559 so anyone who uses that, please leave me a message.

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Sports Forum honours town's sporting greats

WARRINGTON Sports Forum has honoured the town's sporting greats with two prestigious awards - including the first ever Junior Sports Personality of the Year.

Donna Maclean, aged 13, won the junior award after showing unstoppable determination to reach the top level of her sport after battling back from epilepsy and now aims to achieve Commonwealth and Olympic recognition.

The youngster from Warrington Gym Club, who lives in Padgate and attends Birchwood High School, was presented with her award by the town's Mayor Tom Swift and Derek Clarke, Chairman of the Warrington Rugby League Club's Past Players Association, who sponsored the event.

Runner up was another gymnast, 12-year-old Kylie McGonagle, who is competing in the World Championships in South Africa at tumbling.

Three other youngsters with

sporting talent received grants from the Sports Forum to help them with their careers. They are

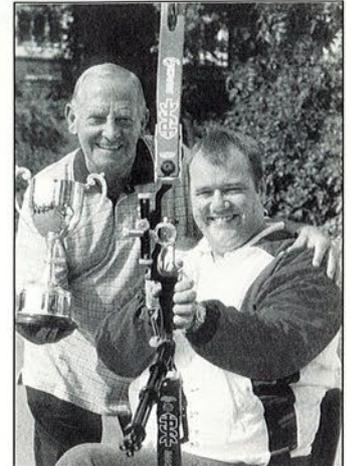
10-year-old Daniel Toone, (£200) who has been at the Crewe Alexandra Soccer Academy for three years, Jesse Lingard, (£200) who has started at the Liverpool FC Academy at the age of just six and 13-year-old Warrington Athletics Club hurdler Emma Makin, (£500) who is ranked third in Britain in the 75m hurdles.

Hot on the heels of the Junior awards came the senior event, which for the first time was awarded jointly, to Great Britain archer John Stubbs of Old Hall and Derek Clarke from Paddington in recognition of his services to sport.

The former Warrington Rugby League Club stalwart was on the coaching staff when the club last



Donna shows off her award.



Derek Clarke and archer John Stubbs with the Senior trophy

won the challenge cup. Meanwhile John hopes to become the first disabled person to compete against able-bodied people at the Olympic Games.

The awards were presented by the Mayor of Warrington during a special event at the Buckley Suite, Padgate Campus, sponsored by Warrington Collegiate Institute.

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S P O R T

The caffeine kid!

After watching the career of Warrington Wolves star Mark Forster over the past 20 years, Gary Skentelbery discovers the secret of his success – coffee!

IF Mark Forster steps out for Warrington Wolves next season he will set an incredible Rugby League record in the modern era – his 20th season with one club.

It is a record unlikely to ever be beaten for the living legend, who has already gone down in history as the club's third highest try scoring player. (He is the only player still in the game who scored a three point try!)

Nearly 10 years on from his first testimonial, "Fozzie" is now keeping his fingers crossed he will qualify for a second testimonial.

Now taking each day as it comes, the thought of retirement is still only at the back of his mind – although he has started a successful sports business, based in Latchford village, with his wife Gaynor, as preparation for the day when he finally decides to hang up his boots for the last time.

During his career Mark has tasted all the highs and lows of the game – the biggest high, scoring the winning try in the 1989-90 Challenge Cup semi-final over Oldham which took Warrington to Wembley; and the biggest low – never making it on to a Great Britain tour, despite winning two caps in the 1980's.

His honours include several



Lancashire Cup and Regal Trophy/John Player winners and losers medals and of course a Wembley losers medal. Not getting a winners medal is obviously a disappointment. But with many great players never getting a chance to tread the hallowed turf it was still a memorable experience playing there.

The secret to his longevity could be coffee, as Mark freely admits to being a "caffeine addict." On match days he drinks at least six cups of coffee before kick off – he even bought an automatic car so he could drink coffee while driving.

"If you tested positive for caffeine I would be in big trouble," said Mark, who first started playing rugby as a pupil at the former Richard Fairclough School. His two favourite subjects were rugby and woodwork.

"I remember taking home a school report which said my two best subjects were rugby and woodwork – but I would never make a living from them. I went on to sign professional terms with Warrington at the age of 17 and started my own joinery business!"

He has played with some of the games greats including Bob Eccles, Les Boyd, Kevin Tamati and Andy Gregory and was once crowned the fastest man in Rugby League.

He has a few superstitions which include eating beans and tuna on toast before games (not popular when away on camp!) and never putting his shirt on until he comes out of the changing room."

Over the years he has come close to leaving Warrington and was once even half way up the M6 to Workington to sign for the club at the start of Super League. But he got stuck in a traffic jam, changed his mind and worked out a new deal with Warrington.

Now with 20 years loyal service under his belt if anyone deserved a second testimonial, for loyalty alone, it should be Mark Forster.

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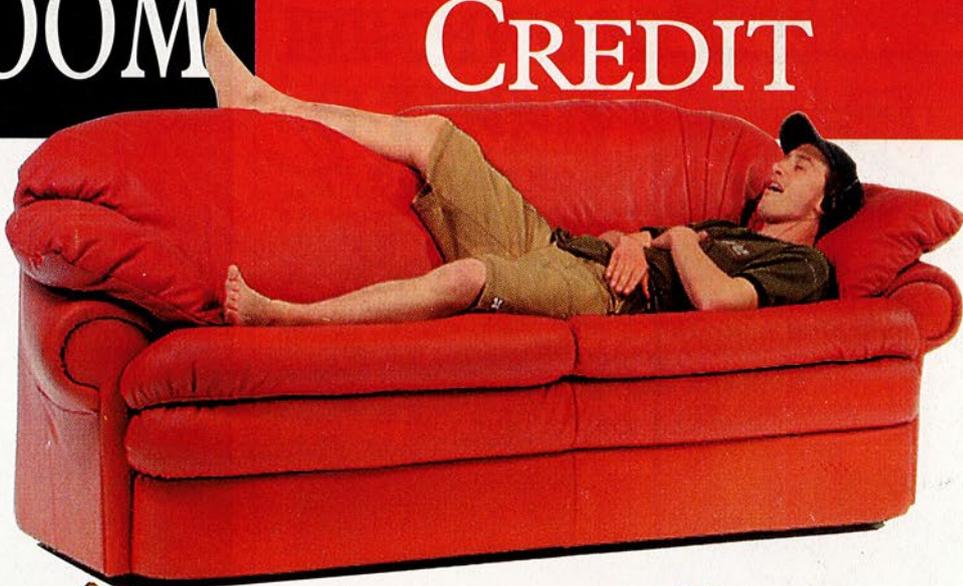
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