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Editor's Comment



I was fortunate enough to bump into Peter (Matthew) Corbett at the official launch of Lymm Radio for one final interview as he bid a fond farewell to the village which has been his home for the past 22 years.

Peter was always a fan of Lymm Life and very supportive over the years and was clearly emotional about leaving the village, especially following his near-death experience with Coronavirus.

His final interview was broadcast live on our facebook feed and also reported on our website and viewed by many thousands of people.

He will clearly be missed by many and we wish him well in his "retirement" down south to be closer to his family.

It certainly hit home the impact of

coronavirus at a worrying time when we are seeing another increase in local cases and it is certainly not a time for complacency.

The last thing we need is another lockdown as we approach the busy time of the year.

Many businesses are still struggling and it is more important than ever to shop local.

Meanwhile, it was good to catch up with the team at Lymm Radio and we look forward to working together for the benefit of the local community.

Having been involved in fellow community radio station Radio Warrington for many years, I fully understand the benefits of having

a vibrant local community radio station.

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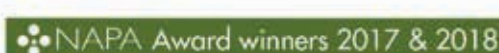
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Saviour of Rotary Club of Lymm a "phenominal success"

THE campaign to save Lymm Rotary Club has been a "phenominal success" with membership already reaching 26.

When Lymm Life broke news of the impending closure members of the community, including five former members, rallied ensuring the club, which has served the community for 84 years can carry on.

President Neville Davies explained: "It is pleasing to report the phenominal success following the announcement that Lymm Rotary Club was to close after 84 years serving the people of Lymm and Thelwall."

"A rescue bid was launched and together with five past members, a further 13 people have joined the Club including 7 ladies, taking the total membership to 26."

"The average age is now significantly reduced with most of the new members being 40-50 years-olds."

"The beneficial range of expertise within the Club has been further strengthened by the new members, who are all also very active with various voluntary groups within our area."

"One member has followed his father into the Club and another, who also followed his father, has been joined by his daughter as a member, making history for the Club by being the first three generations to become members."

Lymm Rotary Club was founded in 1936 at the Lymm Hotel, moving to the Spread Eagle in 1939. The population of Lymm was 8,500 in 1936 and it was thought that this was not sufficient inhabitants to form a successful Club.

Membership of Rotary is based on Friendship and Fellowship and they strive to ensure everyone enjoys their membership whilst giving invaluable help and support to others – the Motto of Rotary being 'Service above Self'.

This entails volunteering their time, talents, professional skills and energy towards improving lives of people in the Communities of Lymm and Thelwall.

The final move was to Statham Lodge in 1967, when it was a Casino. Members had to join the Casino to be allowed in for their meetings.

Neville added: "Owners Mr and Mrs Walker have been so generous

to the Club over many years and we are very grateful to them and their staff for making us so welcome and looking after us."

Lymm Rotary Club erected the first Christmas Tree on Lymm Cross in 1952 and are best known for their Christmas Float which has toured Lymm and Thelwall for over fifty years.

Over the past five years, this has enabled them to donate almost £50,000 to charities. They also traditionally hold the Senior Citizen's Party for 130 people, donated £500 annually to the Cyril Bell Award recipients Charities (including MacMillan Nurses, MacIntyre, Camsley Grange RDA, Childrens Adventure Farm Trust, Alzheimers and Melanoma).

Youth Awards have gone to Lymm High School Young Musician, Rotary Young Writer, District Youth Speaks Competition, Lymm Adivas and MedEquip4Kids.

The club has also donated to Contact the Elderly, Diabetes UK, Russell Trust, Porridge and Rice Kenya, Stroke Association, Lymm Youth & Community Centre, Flood Relief in the SW, Polio Plus, Jaipur Limbs and the Salvation Army.

Neville added: "We really do appreciate all the help from our collectors on the Float, who are volunteers from over 20 local groups with over 90 helpers. Whilst not wishing to put anyone off for next year, one of our collectors wore a fit-bit and clocked up 9,000 steps one night, which shows the commitment they give to support all our good causes. We do put these people into 'Friends of Rotary' category, who are people not wishing to become members, but who wish to help us fulfil our commitments."

"None of our Christmas Float collection money goes to overseas, we raise these amounts by other means."

The club also started a RotaKids Club at Little Bollington Primary School in 2017. Their first project was organising a Shoe Box collection, a Rotary scheme known to many.





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Lymm Village Hall every Thursday 7pm

MAPLE LODGE ART GROUP

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Details: 01925 755126

ROTARY CLUB OF LYMM

Meets at Statham Lodge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month for a Fellowship and a Business meeting respectively.
Contact the Secretary 01925 758398

LOVING HEARTS & HANDS

Knitting for charity at Lymm Methodist Church, 2nd and 4th Thursday each month.
1.30pm - 3pm. Details: 01925 753298

MARKET LUNCHES

Eagle Brow Methodist Church
3rd Thursday in the month
Light lunches 12 noon till 2pm. All proceeds to Youth For Christ and YMCA Room at The Inn

GARDENING CLUB

Meet Third Wednesday of the month
Lymm Baptist Church, Higher Lane. 7.30pm
Visitors welcome. £2 includes tea and cake

LYMM FLORAL ART GROUP

Lymm Village Hall
Third Monday of the month (except August and December) at 7.30pm. Visitors most welcome. Contact: 07876 176501
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LYMM WI

Every second Wednesday, 2-4pm at Lymm Youth and Community Centre. Visitors welcome.

LYMM BOOK CLUB

Second Thursday of the month 7.30pm,
Spread Eagle, Eagle Brow. Details 01925 752371

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A French visitor's postcard from Lymm – "An industrial town with a lot of smoke!"



WHILE picturesque Lymm village is seen by many as a highly desirable place to live it didn't leave much of an impression on a French visitor in 1902.

Local postcard collector Dr Mark Cottrill discovered a card posted from the village by a French visitor which translates as: "Very little of interest here. An industrial town with a lot of smoke"

The card came into the possession of Dr Cottrill who discovered it on a European website.

Dr Cottrill was born in Lymm 70+ years ago and collects Lymm related postcards and memorabilia.

He said: "It was sent by a French visitor to Lymm in 1902. The caption is interesting; my translation as follows:

"Very little of interest here. An industrial town with a lot of smoke!"

"How times have changed!" He added: "There is a companion card of Warrington Park Gates (Golden Square) written by the same gentleman which gives the 1902 date.

"Many of the old postcards of

Lymm were produced by C.E.Arden whose shop, 'The Bazaar Library' was on Eagle Brow. However, his cards were mainly produced a decade later.

"He produced a booklet on Lymm in 1913, dedicated to his mother, Mrs Wheeler, a native of Lymm who taught at the Village school.

"She led the singing in during the rebuilding of the Parish Church in the 1850s. Her father fought under the Duke of Wellington in the Peninsular War and at Waterloo!"

Fortunately the French visitors impressions of the village had little impact on Lymm's relationship with France.

Lymm Twin Town Society has "twinned" with Meung-sur-Loire in the Loire Valley in France for more than 50 years, promoting French-themed family social events and cultural exchanges.

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The Magic Passport writing competition

A local English tutor, Wendy Hulme of Just English and Lymm Heritage Centre have joined forces to promote a creative writing competition for children up to the age of fourteen.

The subject is the "Magic Passport" and has been inspired by the Centre's latest offering, The Time Traveller's Handbook.

Young authors are invited to take a leap into Lymm history for an adventure and to tell a story in up to 500 words.

You can find out all about it at lymmhic.co.uk/lth. Entries need to be in by September 30th.

There are cash and other prizes for the winning entries so don't delay.

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Lymm Runners return with socially distanced steps



LYMM Runners have just returned to the roads and trails around Lymm following the relaxation of lockdown and new guidelines from their governing Athletics bodies.

The club has a strong reputation among other running clubs in the North West for being well organised and devising a safe comeback has been no exception. The main concern is to keep everybody safe, and that of course includes strict social distancing from members of the public they may encounter as well as each other.

Numbers on a Group Run are limited and members can only join the run if they have booked beforehand via the Club website – which also means the Club has the ability to trace. Runners must also arrive with a mask or face covering to hand, in case of having need to 'mask up' where necessary: most

definitely a rule of 'no mask, no run.'

Each group run has a Run Leader who, in addition to a first aid kit, now carries hand sanitisers and gloves.

The return in this format has been greatly welcomed and members are enjoying being reunited with friends to enjoy the special spirit that is a Lymm Runners Run.

So if you see Club Runners out and about, do smile and give them a cheery wave.

Please check the website for Group Run and Track Session timings as the regular full timetable is not yet operational.

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Still plenty to smile about at Lymm High School

At Lymm High School on A* Level Results Day students came into school to collect their results while observing social distancing and wearing face masks.

Head teacher Gwyn Williams said: "Many congratulations to all our students. They have worked so hard over the past couple of years and absolutely deserve the success they have seen today."

"To say this is a strange year for exam results is an understatement and I pay tribute to the students who have had to cope with such an upheaval, first in terms of the abrupt end to their school career, and then all the added uncertainty around the process for issuing exam results. The way they have handled all of this really has been extraordinary and just serves to underline our sense that, whatever their exam results, this group of young people are going to go out there and make a big difference in the world."

"As far as the big picture is concerned, it seems inappropriate this year to provide any data in the way that we normally would. All I will say is that, in general terms, we are satisfied that the process set out by Ofqual seems to have been applied properly in our case and that the results we have been awarded are in line with the very strong results of previous years. Many congratulations go to all the students, who have worked so hard over the past couple of years

and absolutely deserve the success they have seen today. The vast majority of students have already secured places at universities or on apprenticeships of their choice for next year, and we are working really hard with everyone else to provide them with all the support they need to choose the right next steps for them."

Matthew Swann was awarded an incredible four straight A* grades, with Amber Heckstall-Smith, Lewis Hindle and Anna Turner also achieving perfection with straight A* grades in all their three subjects.

Similarly, Amelia Smith deserves a special mention for her double starred distinction in BTEC Fashion to go alongside her A* in A* level Textiles; as does Abigail Bellas for her triple starred distinction in BTEC Sport.

In addition, the following all gained at least three A or A* grades: Anna Turner, Marcus Mackay, Joe Cox, Jude Doherty, Eliot Nolan, David Rhodes, Finlay Williams, Cameron Green, Jada Moses, Emma Butterworth, Jade Carlin, David Evans, Eleanor Harle and Jordan Jones.

Meanwhile as Lymm High School students arrived at school to receive



their GCSE results, although the atmosphere was a somewhat different, with social distancing measures in place and a different process for awarding grades, there were still lots of smiles around.

Headteacher, Gwyn Williams was there to congratulate the students and he said: "If we ever needed a reminder of the grace and dignity with which these students have approached the past few months, then they provided it today. It is hard to imagine how it must have felt to be opening those envelopes in these somewhat bizarre circumstances but they seemed to take it in their stride with the good humour and resilience they have shown all year."

Now is not the time for comment on the wider situation relating to the awarding of grades this year. Instead, we are determined to

celebrate the achievements of this incredible bunch of young people who have battled away, not just with the impact of Covid, but the demands of very challenging GCSE courses over the past two years. They could not deserve these excellent results any more and it could not have come to a more decent group of young people."

He was joined by Mrs Feast, Head of Year 11 and newly appointed Assistant Headteacher, who said: "There are countless success stories right across the year group and we are so proud of all of them. We cannot wait to see most of them back for the sixth form in a couple of weeks and send all our best wishes to those who are moving on to new challenges elsewhere."

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Ashley Myburgh, Sasha Lang, Isabella Hogan, Scarlett Wright and Ciara Bennett all celebrating their GCSE results. Each of the girls achieved grades between 7 to 9 across their subjects and are looking forward to starting their sixth form studies.



Matthew Stow and Oliver Pyman had every reason to be smiling. Both boys enjoyed a incredible results with grades 8 and 9 across the board.



Holly Cottle picked up her outstanding results, achieving eight 9s and one grade 8.



Celebrating their results together, Owen Longton, Oliver Wardle and Steven Turner.



Between them, Liv Galloway-Pollard, Jessica Salmon and Jasmine Lee achieved an astonishing twenty-four grade 9s, five grade 8s and two grade 7s.



Big smiles from Victoria Hughes and Daisy Chiscoli as they celebrated their GCSE results.



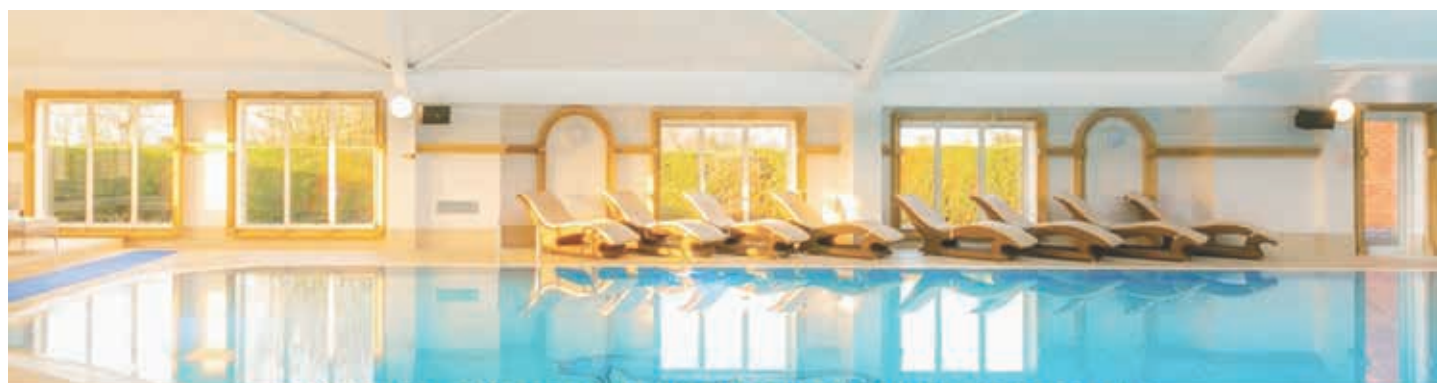
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Lymm village centre blocked as lorry gets stuck on bridge

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As a result local bus services were delayed as the bridge over the Bridgewater Canal in between the Bulls Head Pub and Golden Fleece was closed to vehicles and pedestrians for around five hours.

Local Cllr Ian Marks said "Yet again we have a problem with a vehicle being where it shouldn't be causing traffic chaos. There are signs forbidding access but some drivers choose to ignore them."

"The law must be enforced and we need to make an example of the culprits to discourage others."



"I understand that Automated Number Plate Recognition cameras are permanently installed at the gateways to Lymm but the police are reluctant to use them for enforcement. We must have



Pictures courtesy Lymm Radio

another go at changing this.

"We need action before someone is hurt or a bridge is seriously damaged."

It's the second time in less than a month a HGV has become stuck on

a bridge in the village after a HGV got stuck on the historic humpback bridge over the Bridgewater Canal at Oughtrington.

Remarkably no major damage was caused.

Historic site gets a makeover

THE theme of the National Heritage Open Day scheme this year (Sept 11-20) is "hidden natural heritage".

But one of the Heritage Centre team, Roger Hannam, realised that the historic Slitting Mill site was getting just a little too hidden.

He and a team of helpers gave up their bank holiday weekend to clean up the site of the water mill in Slitten Gorge. The vegetation was making it difficult to see what was there and tree roots were threatening the structure. Wading up to the top of their wellies and sinking into the soft mud were volunteers from the Heritage Centre, Keep Lymm Kleen and Lymm Environment Working Group. Tim Baker from the Borough Council's Ranger Service oversaw the work and Paul Urmston from the Parish Council also helped with the clean up.

In the 18th century, the mill was used to slit iron bars, (imported from Russia!) into thin rods that could be used to make nails and cask hoops. In the 19th century,

it was buried under tons of earth to create a garden feature. The remains were rediscovered by local archaeologist Barry Johnson in the 1960s and further excavated in 2005.

Lymm Heritage Centre is planning an exhibition about the slitting mill in the autumn. It is keen to see signposts to this important monument, which along

with the gorge itself is a "hidden gem". Yet it is probably the best-preserved example in Britain of what was cutting-edge technology at the beginning of the industrial revolution.

Find out more about how Lymm Heritage Centre is participating in Heritage Open Days with free printed walking trails at www.lymmhc.co.uk/hod



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Peter Corbett bids fond farewell to Lymm

Report and pictures courtesy Jamie-Cherel Morrison Lady Morrison Photography

ONE of Lymm's most famous residents, Peter (Matthew) Corbett of Sooty fame, has bid a fond farewell to the village where he lived in the most photographed house on the banks of the Bridgewater Canal.

His special leaving event was captured on camera by local photographer Jamie-Cherel Morrison who said: "We have all been so privileged to know Peter and share in his tales of TV life."

"We are sad to see him leave but wish him and his family all the best."

"This incredible event was a complete surprise to Peter, it was organised by Naz from the Lymm Spice Lounge."

As Peter's number one fan, Naz donated the evening to Peter and his friends and family."

Peter decided to sell up and move to Horsham, Sussex, to be closer to his children, following a near brush with death when he contracted coronavirus, spending 10 days in hospital.





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Sarah, aged six, is a champion handwasher!

SARAH Ali, age six from **Ravenbank Primary School** in Lymm has been crowned **national champion** of **Medicspot's primary school handwashing competition**.

She impressed the judges with a song about how to wash your hands properly.

Digital health provider Medicspot launched the initiative earlier this year in a bid to encourage households across the UK to practise proper hand hygiene.

The competition challenged primary school pupils across the country to showcase handwashing by putting their creative skills to the test.

Hundreds of primary school pupils aged 5-11 from 158 schools in the UK took part in the challenge.

The home challenge was launched as primary schools closed to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 for all but children of critical workers.

Children were encouraged to complete the challenge while at home by making a poster, filming a video, recording a song, doing a science experiment or writing a poem, to name a few.

In their entry, pupils were challenged to get creative and include some key points about proper



handwashing, including washing hands for at least 20 seconds and frequently throughout the day.

Ravenbank was one of 10 primary schools who were awarded £100 to go towards school supplies including books, software and art supplies.

Dr Johnson D'souza, medical director at Medicspot, said: "It's never been more important to practise proper handwashing. We designed this challenge for children to complete at home to help promote frequent hand washing and help prevent the spread of coronavirus."

"We hope the creativity from primary school pupils inspires households to practise handwashing regularly", said Dr D'souza.

All of the winning entries are being showcased on the Medicspot website: www.medicspot.co.uk/handwash

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Appeal launched after high value bikes stolen during burglary

POLICE are appealing for information and CCTV footage following a burglary involving the theft of high value bikes and associated equipment from the garage of a property at Lymm.

Sometime between 9.30pm on Wednesday 12 August and 8.50am on Thursday 13 August, unknown offenders are believed to have forced entry into a garage on Sandmoor Place.

Several bicycles were taken including: a lime green Canondale SuperSix racing bike; a silver coloured Sabbath September racing bike; a black Specialised

Stumpjumper; a white Genesis Day One bike; a orange Giro helmet and a black Kask Protone helmet. The bikes range in value from £900 to £5,000.

Officers are now appealing for anyone who may have captured CCTV or may have information regarding the burglary to get in touch.

Police Constable Rebecca Jubb

said: "We have been following several lines of enquiry in relation to this burglary and are doing everything we can to find those responsible."

"As part of our investigation we are keen to hear from anyone who may have CCTV or dashcam footage from the Sandmoor Place area around the time of the incident."

"Also I would urge anyone who may have seen these items or may have been offered the bikes to get in touch with us so that we can return the property to the victim."

"I would also like to urge residents to ensure that all sheds, vehicles and homes are secured

and locked to make it as difficult as possible for offenders to target your property."

Anyone with information is asked to call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 779073 or report it to us via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report>

Alternatively, information can be passed on to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or report it to <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously>

For more information on how to protect your property from burglary, visit www.cheshire.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residential-burglary/



Ancient Lymm Rushbearing tradition kept alive with socially distanced morris dancing!

THE ancient tradition of Lymm Rushbearing festival was kept alive with a mini socially distanced event on the car park of St Mary's Church in the village.

In a closely guarded secret, to ensure members of the public did not attend, a mini Rushbearing went ahead on a glorious sunny afternoon.

Lymm Morris, Parish Council Chairman Cllr Geoff Hawley and his wife Alison, Eileen Mundy representing the local history society attended with "cameraman" Rev Bev Jameson and event organiser Chris Limb.

Chris decided not to let the coronavirus pandemic bring another halt to the tradition after stopping it four years ago due to the rising cost of road closures before reviving a scaled down version in 2018.

Lymm Rushbearing was originally re-born in the early 1970's (having probably died out in the early years of the century, possibly during the

First World War) and has been held on the second Sunday in August, although it has over the years been held on other days. For many years in the twentieth century Rushbearing Monday was a local bank holiday.

Ormerod's late Victorian history of Cheshire refers to the festival taking place in many communities on or near to the feast of the parish's patron saint – hence Lymm's tradition of having the festival during the summer holiday period and close to the feast of the Assumption of Saint Mary.

Although the carrying of fresh rushes to church (normally on a horse-drawn cart) was a central feature, and the replacement of the old rushes upon the earthen church floor a very practical necessity in former days, this gathering of locals also involved festivities including not only the procession and Morris dancing but also sports, fairground stalls, and very full public houses!



Marathon effort as teenage girls raise over £1,000 for Cancer Research

LYMM High School friends Lydia Keeley and Holly Matthews both aged 15, suddenly announced to their startled parents that they planned to walk a marathon.

Without wanting to squash their enthusiasm, both sets of parents said that walking a marathon without any training whatsoever and without any walking boots was perhaps a little ambitious!

The girls would not be dissuaded... they were determined to prove them all wrong and so set off on a very rainy Saturday 18th July at 8.15am.

Their route took them to Knutsford, around the country lanes of High Legh and Lymm and ended some 26.2 miles and 9 hours 22 mins later in Grapenhall.

They had lots of fun along the way in spite of the weather (it rained all day) but did admit to the last three or four miles being tough.

However, the constant text

updates to tell them how much money they were raising for Cancer Research kept them going. To date, the girls have raised over £1000 with gift aid and the total is still going up!

Both families are immensely proud of their determination and achievement... they definitely showed their parents that you can do anything if you want to enough.



Lymm Hockey Club back in training to prepare for new season

LYMM Hockey Club is back in training after England Hockey announced it was entering phase 4 of its return to play roadmap after the easing of lockdown restrictions.

Every player must book into each training session to ensure the hockey club have a register of who attended each session for track and trace purposes.

Other procedures that have been put into place include the cleaning of equipment between each session and hand sanitiser being available on the side of the pitch.

Lymm Hockey Club are still planning for their league to start in the middle of September so the latest measures announced by England Hockey means that they have around a month to prepare for the new season.

Lymm Hockey Club have

training sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday nights at Lymm High School for their various male and female teams, if you are interested in joining a friendly, sociable club then please contact info@lymmhockey.com



Lockdown radio station set to become permanent

DUE to the unprecedented response and support received in just a few short weeks – plans have rapidly developed to secure the future of Lymm Radio and to make the service available on a permanent basis.

The initial plan was to run Lymm Radio for 3 months. But, due to the incredible feedback, it quickly became clear that there was huge support for a local radio service in the village.

The station received positive support from Warrington Borough Council and Lymm Parish Council and in the meantime listeners donated funds via a crowdfunding page to help build a studio facility and community hub in the centre of the village. The station is now officially a social enterprise Community Interest Company.

Station Manager Paul Smith explained: "This means we are a legal entity, registered at Companies House. CIC status is only granted to organisations who commit to using profits generated for the good of the company and community."

"We believe we are in a great position to make a brilliant success of Lymm Community Radio CIC."

Paul is heading the company with Ian James – who together, have many years of experience working in the UK broadcasting industry, both as presenters and in management.

Other team members include Phil Roberts, Catherine Collier, Paul Fairclough and Rob & Steph Tucker. The station is based at 15b The Cross

Paul added: "Our main line-up of presenters are seasoned professionals and will (hopefully!) ensure that the programmes we broadcast will be engaging and enjoyable for you to listen to."

"Our main output will also be enhanced by members of the local community – we will be encouraging people from our village to get involved, to present features – and to anchor programmes."

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Obituaries

Anita Christine Rushman

THE death has occurred of Anita Christine Rushman, aged 68, of Parkwood Close, Lymm – formerly a long-standing teacher at Ravenbank Primary School.

After graduating from Edge Hill college of Education in Ormskirk, Anita got a job teaching the reception class at Ravenbank, where she worked for 39 years before retiring in 2011.

She was also a long-standing member of local amateur dramatic society, the Bridgewater Players, and took part in 68 plays.

Her last role was the lead in "Day of Reckoning" in which she had to know more than 600 lines and was word perfect.

She married her husband,

Andrew, in 1974 and they shared a love of the theatre, holidays in far flung places and supporting Manchester City.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons of Lymm.



Elizabeth Roberts

THE funeral has taken place of Elizabeth (Betty) Roberts, nee Isherwood, aged 90, of Wetgate Lane Farm, Heatley, Lymm, who died at Brampton Lodge, Appleton, on July 31.

Betty died peacefully in her sleep, surrounded by her family. She enjoyed 63-years of marriage to her late husband, Alan and they had three daughters and a son, Susan, Pamela, Lesley and Andrew. They also had eight grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

Betty was an active person, helping on the farm but also a dinner lady at Little Bollington School. Her hobbies included gardening, knitting and being with her family. She will be sadly missed

by her family and friends.

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