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#### January 2022



IT was cold, it was wet and we are still midst pandemic - but it was fantastic to see community spirit alive and kicking at the annual Lymm Dickensian Day.

Hats off to all those who braved the elements to take part in the parade and to organisers for ensuring the event went ahead in such difficult times.

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normality as Lymm Runners headed the parade with their Santa Dash through the village.

The event happened just as we were going to press with our January issue, so a picture feature will appear in next month's issue. Meanwhile there are plenty of pictures and video coverage on our

pictures and video coverage on our website and social media channels. Finally I would like to take this opportunity of wishing you all the best for the year ahead, whatever that might bring. During these testing times my philosophy has been to focus on what I can do, not what I can't! what I can't!

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## Lymm Poppy Appeal raises over £21,500

THE annual Lymm Poppy Appeal raised a staggering  $\pounds21,595$  as the village was given a splash of colour thanks to new displays of Lamp Post Poppies.

During this Centenary year of the Royal British Legion and The Poppy Appeal, the Lymm the Poppy Appeal team set out to raise as much as possible for those exservice personnel and their families who need help and support.

Speaking on behalf of the Lymm Poppy Appeal Team co-ordinator Neville Davies said: "We're delighted to be able to report that thanks to the amazing generosity of those in our community a total £21,595.20 has been raised for the Poppy Appeal.

"New this year were the Lamp Post Poppies which so many of our shops and businesses supported resulting in a wonderful window display of bright red poppies around the village.

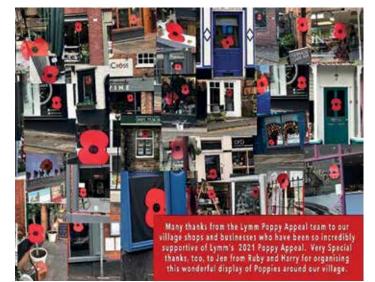
snops and businesses supported resulting in a wonderful window display of bright red poppies around the village. "The A56 also had lamp post poppies along it and many thanks go to those who sponsored them, amongst whom were Adele Thatcher, The Coopers, Banners Estate Agents, Heatley Accounting Services, Jim Allen, Paul and Agnes Bidston, Catherine and John Bower, the residents of Lymmhay, The Perry and Fey Family, and Joyce, Joe and Ian Penlington. "So many people have

"So many people have contributed to the success of the Appeal, it's impossible to thank everybody, but special mention must go to our two Sainsbury's who looked after our volunteer collectors so very well, to the management of Lymm Services, to High Legh Garden Centre, to our schools and to our churches, to the members of Lymm Rotary and Inner Wheel clubs, as well as to the Parish Council for helping us to put the Poppies up along the A56 and to Lymm Radio for all the coverage they gave us.

"Thanks, too, to Jen at Ruby and Harry for all the work she did liaising with local businesses. But, most of all our thanks go to our collectors and to the people of Lymm who contributed so generously. We are immensely grateful to you all for helping the Poppy Appeal Team raise such a wonderful amount for the work of the Royal British Legion." Neville added: "The work of the

Neville added: "The work of the Royal British Legion never stops. In an average year they can receive some 80,000 welfare calls asking for help, support or advice. Whether it's financial, physical, mental health, housing, bereavement, employment, or training issues or those related to short-term crises, or whether it's advice and guidance that is needed, the RBL is there to provide it."

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Lymm Village Hall every Thursday 7pm

MAPLE LODGE ART GROUP Meet each Wednesday 9.00am - 11.30pm Oughtrington Community Centre, Lymm Details: 01925 755126

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#### MARKET LUNCHES

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

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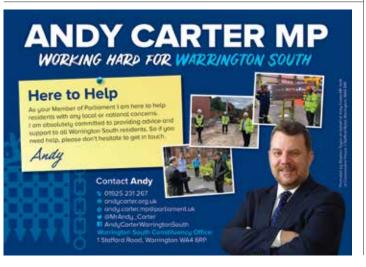
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# Popular Lymm Runners Beginners' course is back!



REGISTRATION is now open for the popular Lymm Runners 2022 Beginners' Course, starting on January 4 next year - but be quick as places are limited!

After a break of one year – the very popular, and often transformative – Lymm Runners Beginners' Course, which this year will include training for those who may have lost their mojo during Covid and wish to return to running. The course starts at 7.00pm on

Tuesday January 4th at Victoria Park in Warrington, lasts 8 weeks and is open to runners and would-be runners of all abilities.

There are two sessions a week lasting 1 hour each: on Tuesdays, a structured coaching session at the running track which is then put into practice on a Thursday evening with confidence-building group These run/walks around Lymm. These leave at 7.00pm from the High School are designed to build up pace and distance over the weeks.

Sounds a bit scary? There's no need to worry. Lymm Runners are considered one of the friendliest and most supportive running clubs in the region, so participants can expect plenty of encouragement as well as structured coaching by qualified leaders in separate training groups – so no one gets left behind.

The Course is free but they do ask participants to join Lymm Runners and England Athletics for the start of the Course. Membership of both costs just £36.00 a year

So if this sounds like the sort of experience you're seeking right now and you'd like to know more, go to www.lymmrunners.org/ running/beginners.course/ But hurry – places are limited and they fill up fast.

Lymm Runners meet four times a week. There is are runs of various distances including a Power walk group on Thursdays at 7pm, leaving from the English Yard behind the High School, Sundays at 08.30am from outside the Library and Wednesdays at 9.15am for a coffee run.

On Tuesdays there is a choice of meeting in the English Yard at the High School at 7.00pm for the 4 mile Social Whistle Run or 7.00pm at the Track at Victoria Park, Warrington in the Winter and High School playing fields in summer for the Track Training Session The Club was formed in 2010

and now has more than 350 members. It is the only running club in the village.

For more information visit www. lymrunners.org.uk

#### "Historic Lymm in Colour" book proving hugely popular

THE latest book from Lymm Heritage Centre, "Historic Lymm In Colour" certainly seems to have caught the

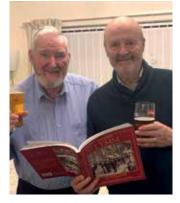
local imagination. The glossy, hardback, luxury version has already gone to reprint after less than three weeks.

Meanwhile, the softback edition has already been selling in its hundreds. And it's hardly surprising. Over the past few years the Centre's books have far exceeded the quality and finish of what one might normally expect

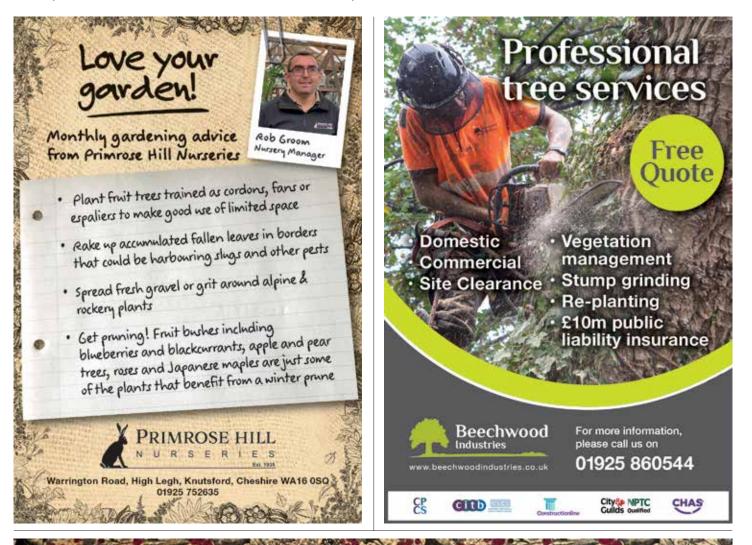
from a local history publication. And this latest book tops them all with nearly 300 colourised photographs of old Lymm, each accompanied by its own intriguing story.

The book, created by Alan Taylor and Alan Williams, is

available at Lymm Post Office, Lymm Heritage Centre and Ruby & Harry's in the village; also online at lymmheritageshop.co.uk



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complimentary services. During 2021 our work with our community partners plus NHS Charities Together has made it possible to deliver legacy projects which will continue to have a positive impact on patients for many years to come. We have created a

We have created a Remembrance Garden at Warrington Hospital which provides a calm place for people to reflect, relax and remember their loved ones. It features flowers, trellises and seating areas with wooden benches and a lovely stone birdbath at its centre which was donated in memory of one of our patients.

The charity and corporate partner also made it possible to create a new therapy garden just outside our Stroke Ward at Warrington Hospital. This provides a calm and quiet outdoor space where patients who have experienced a stroke can socialise, receive visits from children and pets or participate in group therapy sessions – all of which are known to provide psychological and physical benefits for patients and aid recovery. WHH Charity funding was supplemented by a grant from Sellafield Ltd and a £500 donation from Warrington Lions.

Our Community Hub at Warrington Hospital continues to support the experience of our patients while in hospital through providing Boredom Busters to keep patients occupied during long days in hospital. We also provide 'new clothing and toiletries' for patients in need whilst in our care. Located in a portacabin off Kendrick wing, but external to the main hospital, the Community Hub

Located in a portacabin off Kendrick wing, but external to the main hospital, the Community Hub is open Monday to Friday, 8am to 4pm, please call the charity team 01925 662666 to further discuss any kind offer of donations. Head of Fundraising at WHH Charity, Helen Higginson, said: "There is so much we can do to support our patients, their families and even our staff, but we can only continue this important work with the support and generosity of our local communities.

"During 2022 we want to create as many different ways as possible to forge new partnerships with organisations, other charitable bodies and, of course, our local residents.

"We aim to make it as easy as possible to get involved and all support is welcomed. Whether it



to corporate fundraising or even a one-off donation – there are so many ways for individuals and organisations to get involved. Every single gesture of support, no matter how big or small, is greatly appreciated and makes a huge difference."

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## Lane End Group creates elevated experience for children's charity

#### THE Children's Adventure Farm Trust (CAFT) near Lymm, is now benefiting from an incredible new viewing platform, complete with winding woodland pathway, sensory lighting and a sleek glass balustrade, courtesy of local construction firm Lane End Group.

Completed during the COVID-19 pandemic, the project was Lane End's biggest community charity project to date, helping give young people and their families most in need across the North West, support and guidance they so desperately missed due to COVID restrictions.

CAFT, based close to Lane End's Head Office in Thelwall, provides a variety of free programmes for terminally ill, disabled and disadvantaged children from all over the North West of all abilities aged 17 and under, who through no fault of their own miss out on the normalities of childhood.

over the North West of all abilities aged 17 and under, who through no fault of their own miss out on the normalities of childhood. The needs of the children visiting the farm are complex and range from severe physical and learning disabilities, sensory impairments and terminal illnesses through to children who act as carers for a family member, have already faced bereavement or have witnessed and been victims of abuse. For these children, a visit to CAFT provides a much-needed opportunity to have fun and laughter and to simply enjoy being children.

enjoy being children. The new viewing platform and sensory pathway allows everyone that visits the facilities to enjoy the awe-inspiring view over the Cheshire countryside, regardless of their physical ability, and is a welcome addition to the experiences available to the farm's visitors.

CAFT prides itself on treating all children as individuals, recognising their own strengths, likes and dislikes. Disability is never seen as a barrier to participation and children from social and ethnic groups are warmly welcomed by Activity Play Specialists who are trained to provide fun, safe and engaging activities that suit the interests and needs of every child who visits.

who visits. Lane End are committed to giving back to the communities in which they build, and recognising the brilliant work CAFT do, worked hard to create a truly unique project for the charity that will benefit visitors to the farm for many years to come.

The team managed and financed the project from start to completion, utilising their experienced supply chain to ensure a perfect finish, planning, designing and building the beautiful viewing platform, complete with winding woodland pathway, sensory lighting and a sleek glass balustrade to allow everyone to access this inspiring view across the Cheshire plains

view across the Cheshire plains. "The view from the farm, over the Cheshire countryside is one that should be accessible to everyone, we wanted to elevate guests so that children of all ages, disabilities and their families could enjoy the vista together. It's a flexible space that has hosted bands, workshops and games and is much more than a viewing point," explained Richard Harrison, Managing Director of Lane End Group.

Harrison, Managing Director of Lane End Group. Ian Eccles, CEO of CAFT added: "We'd like to say a massive thank you to Lane End and all the people involved in creating our amazing new viewing platform. The viewing platform and path is a fantastic addition to our facilities and gives the children an exciting and independent way to explore our woodland area and get a glimpse of the world outside the tarm hedges. It has been really well received by the children, families and groups visiting, and is already becoming a firm favourite."

The project is one of a number undertaken by The Lane End Group as part of their Social Enterprise, New Beginnings. The Group formed its social value arm over four years ago as their way of giving back to the communities in which they build and have contributed to over 65 social projects over the last 12 months.





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## World's largest Willy Wonka collection is based in Lymm!



THE World's largest Willy Wonka collection is based in Lymm – and owned by super fan Nicholas Anderton-Franklin, as the iconic film celebrates its 50th anniversary.

iconic film celebrates its 50th of Nicholas, aged 43, has been collecting for more than 20 years and is triends with some of the original 1971 cast members including Julie Dawn Cole who played Veruca Salt. Julie sold him her last remaining screen used Wonka Bar prop. He met her at Comic-Con at the NEC in 2014

in 2014.

In 2014. Nicholas said: "As I walked over to her she said 'Are you the guy whose got everything Wonka?!' He also owns Gene Wilder's handprints and on-set chair back, which he lists as appearing the set.

which he lists as special items in his collection worth an estimated

£100,000. Nicholas got r Castle married at Peckforton in early September this year to his partner Donnie and was originally going to USA for a mini-moon. But as travel was restricted they had to make last minute plans..... a six stop European trip to Paris, Copenhagen, Berlin, Prague, Amsterdam and Munich – Munich was where they filmed the original Willy Wonka – so 50 years to the day he visited the Munich Gas Works which was the exterior Works which was the exterior location for Wonka's Factory – and then to Munich Film Studios. "It was

incredible!" he said. Now his 'Wonka Room' in Lymm has become the 'Wonka Wing!' with his collection growing and growing!

Nicholas who works as an operations director at Chester Zoo said:"I loved the hand made nature of the 1971 film. Pre CGI – it's just so creative as the technology just wasn't there. Gene Wilder's performance and the whole piece is soocoo kooky! Julie Dawn Cole blasting out 'I Want it now' – was the only child in the film that got to have their own song. She made it iconic. I think there was pure magic created on that set at the Munich Film Studio soundstage- and there is still much talk about the longevity of the piece – and that is down to Dahl, Wilder – but there will always be that group of bratty kids in every classroom in every generation – so it will live on and inspire again and just so creative as the technology

again. Magic. "The art director Harper Goff was the genius set designer and was the genus set designer and inspired me from a very young age to be an art director myself. I trained at Mid Cheshire college studying a B-Tec National Diploma in Spatial Design gaining a distinction and then onto the University Of Central England to study Theatre Design

gaining a 1st. "I became Lawrence Llewelyn

"I became Lawrence Llewelyn Bowen's design assistant on the BBC'S Changing Rooms, then worked on Grange Hill and other TV shows. I changed direction to work on designing for live projects and events at Legoland Manchester, The Science Museum Group and now I work at Chester Zoo as an Operations Coordinator – currently spending late nights on The 10th year of Lanterns there. "My prized Wonka prop is Julie Dawn Cole's 1971 screen used prop Wonka Bar given to her by the film's director Mel Stuart on her 13th Birthday – the day she filmed the iconic 'I Want It Now!' And got sent down the garbage

And got sent down the garbage chute! Julie sold it to me the week Wilder passed and said 'If you sell this prop while I'm alive – I'll hunt you down and chop your Willy Wonka off!' That was me told! She invited Donnie and me to her home to collect the prop and baked us heavenly Choccie Brownies!"

Nichólas has over 850 items in the collection and was featured on Channel 5's "The Wonderful World of Chocolate" tv show in April this year.

His collection started after watching the 2004 Johnny Depp film as he thought it would be a good investment to obtain Wonka props from that film but he never thought he would own anything from the original film. Now he plans to catch up with some of the Wonka cast at Appendents Compile Can be build any

Manchester Comic-Con on July 30-

Manchester Comic-Con on July 30-31 next year including: Peter Ostrum – CHARLIE Michael Böllner – AUGUSTUS Paris Themmen – MIKE TV Julie Dawn Cole – Veruca Salt Rusty Goffe – OOMPA LOOMPA

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#### **By Anthony Josephson**

January has always been a strange month for us. Like many businesses the post-Christmas lull in spending has a knock-on effect on us. However, we always appreciate that there are others out there who need support regardless of the time of year.

This January we're supporting Child Bereavement UK, who help support those who've lost a child (of any age). Donations can be made in store or by calling us up.

The dark winter months are often the times when our eyes struggle the most.

On a sunny winter day the sun is lower in the sky than in the summer. This makes driving, or even walking towards the sun, rather uncomfortable. Many people avoid buying sunglasses in the winter because they associate them as a summer accessory. In reality a low winter sun often calls for a good pair of sunglasses even more than the summer months.

Whilst not everyone's cup of tea photochromic lenses (react to light) are far more advanced than they used to be. They change into tinted lenses quicker than before, change back to clear lenses quicker than before and go darker than before too. There are also new technologies that allow these lenses to be made in a range of more vibrant colours (and even with a mirror finish!) for those who want something a little more trendy. The latest, hugely impressive, technology also allows for these lenses to be manufactured with a polarised lens, further reducing glare when driving (day or night) and offer improved clarity all day long.

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# Getting creative and making an impression with Monet

STAFF and residents at Lymm's Cheshire Grange care home got creative celebrating the birthday of one of the greatest impressionist artists of all time, Claude Monet. Oscar-Claude Monet was born flair into the mix, discovering some

Oscar-Claude Monet was born 1840 and he painted some

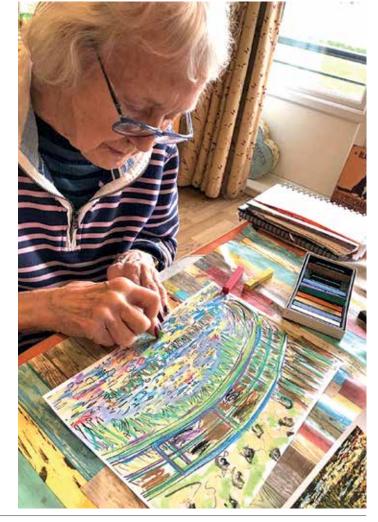
in 1840 and he painted some of the most famous landscapes in the world - as well as creating a fabulous garden which is still visited by millions of people today. One of the founders of the Impressionism movement, along with his friends Renoir, Sisley and Bazille, Monet rejected the traditional approach to landscape painting and instead of copying old masters, he began learning from his friends and from nature itself. Monet observed variations of colour and light caused by the daily colour and light caused by the daily or seasonal changes and recreated them in his works.

them in his works. Staff and residents spent the week learning about Monet's life and his distinct style of painting, virtually visiting galleries to look at his art and virtually visiting his garden where a great deal of his inspiration came from. Then the real fun began as the residents tried their hand at recreating some his artworks while adding their own creative

General manager Dawn Holsgrove-Smith said: "We have had a fascinating time finding out all about Monet, he was such a talent and created some absolutely gorgeous paintings. Many of our residents love to paint and they really enjoyed discussing their favourités amongst his works and trying to recreate his techniques."

Beryl, a resident, said: "We have had such a lovely time looking at Monet's stunning paintings. I've always loved painting and it was fun to recreate his work using pastels for a change."

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Topics will include energy efficiency, green energy supply, heat pumps, solar panels and carbon footprint measurement. Information on the new boiler upgrade grants and other financial support will also be provided.

The energy events are part of the national Big Energy Savings Network programme and are delivered locally by Lymm Community Energy.

The energy event launches a series of environmental support events organised by LEAF –



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## Your pet questions answered

By Dr Diane Wilshaw Lymm Veterinary Surgery

#### Q: How often will a dog need to visit a vet in their lifetime?

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and senior stages of their life. A puppy may be more likely to pick up illnesses due to having an immature immune system as well as eating anything in sight!! If your dog has an underlying condition, they will need medication reviews which need to be done approximately every 6 months. Even if your dog is healthy and has no underlying health issues, you should have an annual check-up and vaccination each year, to make sure they are fit and healthy.

#### Q: How do I make sure my cat is eating a balanced diet? I find it overwhelming finding suitable food for her because there is so much choice in the supermarket.

A: When choosing pet food, you should use a reputable brand and you can contact your vets who will be able to advise you. If your cat has an underlying condition that needs a special prescription diet, your vet will be able to give you advice on the most suitable food for your pet's condition

#### Q: How often should I give my rabbit a bath?

A: The short answer is, as little as possible. If you bathe your bunny regularly you are stripping their coat of its natural oils which help to keep them warm and clean. Rabbits are also susceptible to pneumonia and other life-threatening diseases which could be triggered by being cold after a bath, so it is best to give them a spot clean and only if they really need it!



Q: My horse was playing in the field and slipped on a bit of mud. He is slightly lame, what should I do?

A: In a lot of cases lameness from playing in the field is harmless and will be resolved with rest, but in some cases more permanent damage may be caused. An equine vet will be able to decide on the best course of action to help them recover or whether they need to refer your horse for further investigation with a specialist.

## Q: I'm getting a kitten! What is the first thing I should do when I bring her home?

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## Twin Town Society celebrate a taste of France with Beaujolais Nouveau wine tasting event

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In the 80s and 90s there were numerous races to be the first to bring back the new Beaujolais to the UK. The official release day is the third Thursday of November and the

Lymm Twin Town Society was quick

to enjoy celebrating the tradition. About 40 members met at the Spread Eagle to taste the new wine as well as to taste a couple of other slightly more mature vintages, while also enjoying a meal of Boeuf Bourguinon.

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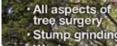


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