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Éditor's Comment

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking local Cllr. Kath Buckley for her voluntary service in the community after deciding to retire after 10 years on the Lymm May Queen organising committee - the last five as Chair.

Without people like Kath we would not have community events like Lymm May Queen - and roles like this can often be a thankless task

She took the decision to stand down with a number of other committee members, including members of the Broadsmith family, including who have supported the event for



Ideal for Christmas!

many years.

Thank you to you all for your dedicated service for the benefit of

Kath says she has left the festival in a "healthy position" and circa £7.5k in the black, with the average cost of staging the event £4,000 and that it is now time for her to move on.

I know she has many other roles in the local community, including being a parish and borough Cllr -indeed I have don't know how she had time to be involved in helping organise Lymm May Queen, with all her other hats!

I am told a new committee has now been brought together and



hopefully we will be able to provide more detail in our next edition. Meanwhile we are fast hurtling

to Lymm Dickensian Day which is set to take place on Saturday, December 10th.

Following a tough few years, many local traders will have had following COVID and the cost of living crisis, it is more important than ever we try and shop local and support local businesses.

We hope to bring more details on the event in our next issue.

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Meet the local thrifter and social media star

AN entrepreneur from Lymm has gone viral on social media, showcasing the North West's thrifting and vintage scene.

Becky Chorlton from Lymm is the owner of 'Becky's Bazaar', a second hand business reselling vintage garments.

Starting business her after Starting her business after graduating from the University of Exeter, Becky took to the site 'depop' to initially sell her own clothes. However, after returning home at the beginning of the pandemic, she realised this "wasn't just me making manay on the cide; this could be money on the side: this could be a job.

Quickly, the 24-year-old turned to Instagram, documenting the search process for her vintage garments. From car boot sales to charity shops, Becky said "people just loved seeing the behind the scenes process." It was this that spurred her move to TikTok, incorporating her business alongside viral challenges and trends. Her account now has 5.4 million likes and almost 80k followers.

Becky commented on the surge in Becky commented on the surge in popularity for second hand clothes saying: "Every piece in my wardrobe has a story and I can tell you exactly where i got it from. For me, I always wonder who had this before me? It's really cool and it's something you don't get from the high street". With her Mum by her side , Becky said that searching for items "can definitely be a challenge and takes a lot of time to rumage through piles

lot of time to rummage through piles of clothing. Some days it feels like

there's nothing here but I always try to get inspiration and look at things from a different angle."

Becky's favourite find was discovered in Warrington too. "I found a Red Bull Racing jacket from a car boot for around £40-£50.Fiorucci contacted me as they wanted to feature independent sellers and gave us all a rail in their Soho store. So I sent this jacket to Soho, London, and I just kept thinking, I found it on the floor of a car boot sale in Warrington and now it's in a designer store. designer store.

Becky's Bazaar can now be found in Vintage Viola, where she has her own stand. After collaborating with the store, Becky said "it looks incredible, it's really nice to be selling in real life".





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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 lymmfloralart.org.uk

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Lymm Radio awarded lottery grant

COMMUNITY Interest Company, Lymm Radio, broadcasting to Lymm and beyond has been awarded $\pounds 9,950$ from The National Lottery Community Fund.

The fund, which provides much-needed money for community-focused projects, allows volunteerrun companies to expand without the essential need for commercial intervention.

The National Lottery Community Fund supported Lymm Radio by awarding this money to hire their first Radio Manager to improve shows and listenership and from this for the radio station to gain new advertising and sponsorship, which generates the income needed to operate and

serve the community. This grant will also allow the station to purchase outside broadcasting equipment to allow Lymm Radio to take the digital station out into the community and broadcast from events, functions and public gatherings with improved

technology. The grant will also replace some much used, pre-owned donated equipment that and beyond its expected life which will be'replaced with brand new kit.

Lymm Radio not only broadcasts great community content but allows volunteers to be trained in audio production as well as industry experience in social media training as well as building personal kills in

experience in social media training as well as building personal skills in confidence and public speaking. Station Managing Director Paul Smith said "Lymm Radio's goal of delivering high-quality output has been given a big boost by this grant from the National Lottery. The station is going from strength to strength and is going from strength to strength and with our move to DAB at the end of the year, this funding will be vital to help us develop both on and off the air





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Library celebrates its 100th birthday

LYMM Library is celebrating its 100th anniversary – with a series of centenary activities for all ages throughout November.

It was in 1922 that Lymm Church of England School set up a library – with their first batch of books arriving on November 6.

In 1925, the then Lymm Urban District Council agreed to set up a branch library in their rate offices – and the following year it opened with a stock 500 books. In 1948 the library was relocated to a room at the Cinema Café in Church Road.

On December 23 a part-time library assistant was taken on - a position which must been a difficult one as it was 12 months later before access to the ladies toilet at the café was negotiated for her! In 1950 a children's library was

opened with a stock of 500 books and in 1955 the whole library moved back to the council offices. In 1961 2,000 extra books were purchased and the library applied for funding to build a branch library – apparently without success.

By 1966, the council wanted its room back but offered to relocate the library to the former church hall where it is today, following an extensive refurbishment in 1975 and more work done in the years since.

In 1997, Warrington Borough Council was formed, Lymm UDC Warrington Borough became a parish council and all libraries in the borough were libraries in the borough were taken over by Warrington. In 2008 Lymm Library underwent internal refurbishment and extension to refurbishment and extension to accommodate a Children's Centre and Citizens Advice Bureau.

A Community Interest Trust company, LiveWire was formed in 2012 to manage all libraries across

the borough, including Lymm. Then in March 2020, the library had to close because of the COVID pandemic and, although it opened on reduced hours for a while it was not until this year that it returned to pre-Covid opéning hours.

Events taking place during November to mark the centenary during include:

Monday to Friday, November 7-11: Peter Rabbit crafts and library hunt 2.30-4pm every day after school

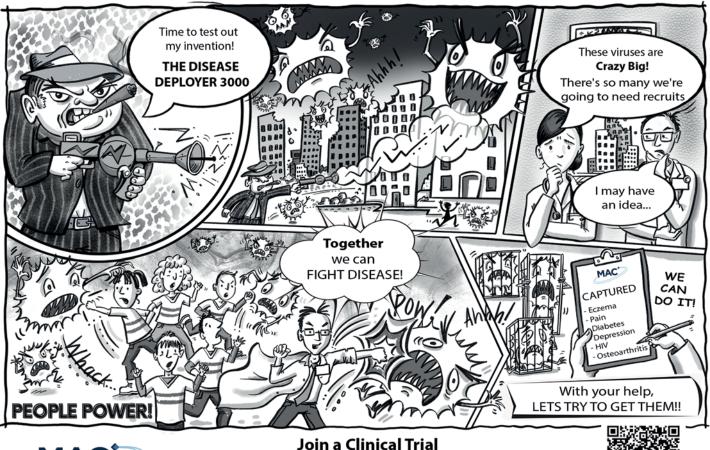
Monday to Saturday, November 14-19: Mystery book giveaway. Go

Tuesday November 15: Murder Mystery, 6.30-8pm.
 Saturday November 19 and 26: Children's craft sessions to make Corgis and Crowns for Christmas

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decorations. Tuesday November 22: An evening with David Nolan, author of "The Ballad of Hanging Lees" All November (during library opening hours) Hunt around the library to find clues and decipher the mutator word) All wingers entered in mystery word) All winners entered in free prize draw.







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Parish Council urges Local Plan Inspector to preserve Green Belt

LYMM Parish Council urged the Local Plan Inspector to preserve Lymm's Green Belt at the Public Inquiry held at the Halliwell Jones Stadium.

The Plan proposes over 300 new houses are built on two sites in Lymm. The Parish Council's case was put by Borough Councillor Ian Marks.

Borough Councillor Ian Marks. Cllr Marks said, "Local people think we have had enough new housing in Lymm in recent years and if it continues, it will damage the identity of the village. We firmly believe the total number of new homes in the Plan is too high and should be reduced with Lymm being reduced accordingly. Some housing is probably inevitable but the crying need is for genuinely affordable housing, not 4 or 5 bed executive houses.

"What is frightening is just how many developers want to develop estates on many other fields around Lymm. These developers, or their planning advisers, were present and were unhappy that the sites they are promoting were excluded from the proposals in the Plan. Thankfully they were not allowed to put their cases for development and could only say why they disagreed with the choice of the two chosen sites. But these people will not go away, so residents and councillors need to be on guard. "The Statham site for a minimum

"The Statham site for a minimum of 170 homes is in two parts. The northern half is next to Statham Lodge and the southern half is next to Statham School. These sites are very prominent when approaching Lymm from the west and perform an important function according to the guidelines for Green Belts. At school start and finish times, traffic congestion is already a serious issue. The M6 over the Thelwall Viaduct causes a lot of noise and air pollution. Statham Lodge is a Grade 2 listed building and its setting would be spoiled by the development next door."

Cllr Marks added: "The Rushgreen site is for a minimum of 136 homes and is next to the new development behind Sainsbury's. The positive aspect is that it includes a new primary, health centre and both Doctors' surgeries would relocate there. On the other hand, access is not ideal for elderly people without a car. The big negative is Rushgreen Road which is narrow with buses, HGVs and cars causing a safety hazard for pedestrians. Safety on this road is a major concern to local people and a new development would worsen this. It will be many months before we know the outcome from the Inquiry."

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LYMM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

The Parish Council reacted with great sadness to the sudden death of Her Majesty the Queen. We are very grateful to our Clerk, Kerry Duffin, and her Assistant, Rob Tucker, for arranging a complex set of village activities to mark the national loss. These were much appreciated by those able to sign the condolence books or attend the service organised by St Mary's. Planning for the planting of a memorial tree will soon start.

We are also pleased to welcome Karen Rurlander as a new Parish Councillor. Karen was co-opted to serve until elections in May 2024 to fill a casual vacancy. The Council received four good applicants and it was good to see such enthusiasm to serve the village.

Parish Councillors receive a lot of correspondence about highways issues. Safety, traffic, speeding, parking and HGV traffic all cause concern. These are taken seriously and the Parish works with Warrington Borough Council as well as the police and PCSOs to respond and act where possible and appropriate. Lymm grew before the age of the motor car and many of our roads are unsuitable for modern conditions so not every problem can be tackled. However, the Parish Council is now measuring traffic and speed on the main roads, providing an evidence base to work with Warrington Borough Council when changes and improvements are being considered.

After highways, environmental crimes, such as cutting down protected trees or hedges, in the green belt or in the conservation area, cause great concern. If the response to these incidents is not fast enough, then irreparable damage can be done in a short time. The same applies to wildlife such as badgers. A recent meeting organised by the Parish Council on the damage being done to badger setts attracted nearly forty residents.

If you believe you see protected trees or hedges being damaged, or wildlife endangered you should immediately contact the Cheshire Police Rural Crime Unit. If the act is in progress use 999. If the crime has already taken place, report the crime to the police on 101.

The replacement of the village hall roof is well under way. As the hall is in a conservation area, we need to plan too is well unter way. As the half is in a conservation area, we need to plan a similar looking replacement to ensure we receive planning permission. This is a lengthy process and there will be a period when the hall will not be available whilst the work is carried out. After the roof is complete, further improvements to the village hall will be considered. It is an important community space and such amenities are well used and in great demand in the village.

Lymm's May Queen is looking for a new Chairperson to lead the committee and ensure that the celebration takes place in 2023. If you are interested, or know someone who may be, please contact the Clerk.

Plans are also underway by the Events Committee for the festive celebrations for the village. The details will be shared when the detail has been finalised. We are always pleased to hear from residents about their concerns or ways in which they think the village may be improved. Please pass any ideas to the Clerk so that they can be considered by the Council.

Cllr Bob Barr Chairman



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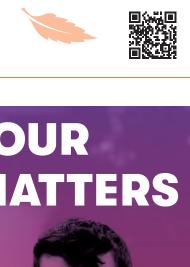
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LYMM Truckwash Ltd – the longest-standing truck wash in Europe – has provided funding to national policing unit, The National Vehicle Crime Intelligence Service (NaVCIS), to support its efforts in resolving vehicle-related crime.

The National Vehicle Crime Intelligence Service, or NaVCIS, is a non-profit initiative that works to bridge the gap between policing and the industry by helping to disrupt criminality and protect communities harmed by vehicle finance crime or organised crime. In doing so, the specialist police capability works on behalf of the UK police service to develop and share intelligence that will help them detect offences and pursue offenders.

NaVCIS also manage a UK National Cargo database, NaVCIS Freight, to receive cargo crime notifications from a number of sources such as local police forces, industry professionals, hauliers, insurers and more.

Relying entirely on industry funding, Lymm Truckwash has now pledged to support the NavCIS Freight team and its Stop Cargo Crime campaign so the unit can continue to spread awareness that will help truckers report and stop cargo crime.

Laura Cardwell, Director of Lymm Truckwash, said: "We are always looking to support our industry in every way possible and tackling driver issues such as cargo-related crime is of the utmost importance. Our support will ensure that NaVCIS can continue to work tirelessly to monitor notifications and reduce crime within our industry."

"As a business, we are keen to promote the NaVCIS Freight initiative to raise further awareness of the policing unit to the industry and hopefully create wider opportunity for funding so their work can continue."

Lymm Truckwash washes more than 60,000 trucks a year for customers throughout the UK and across Europe, ranging from ownerdrivers to major fleet operators such as DHL, Manfreight, BM Transport, Hoyer, XPO and GXO. Familyowned and managed, the business was first opened by husband-andwife team John and Anne Cardwell in 1967. In 2014, daughter Laura Cardwell became a Director of the firm, later buying the business in 2018 when her parents retired.

In October, the business celebrated its third anniversary since their relocation to a new, purpose-built site at Poplar Park, just 100 metres from its previous base at Lymm Services, near Warrington. The relocation meant Lymm Truckwash could offer an even better experience for drivers with the installation of state-of-theart equipment and point of sale system at a more convenient site. Laura added: "It's hard to believe

Laura added: "It's hard to believe three years have passed since our new site opening and we can't thank our customers enough for

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their continued support during what have been such unprecedented times. The success of our new site has helped to secure the long-term future of our company's staff and their families, as well provide drivers with a better all-around

Lymm Truckwash also celebrated National Lorry Week 2022 in October. The truck wash will be offering customers special goodie bags, delicious treats and industry advice all week.



Lymm "Future Vision" competition

LYMM Parish Council has been running a "Future Vision" competition across all the schools in the village, culminating with an exhibition running throughout November.

The Council has engaged with students welcoming their ideas on south will age centre currently serves them and their needs and what they would like to see changed and improved. Students have submitted their

ideas as models, artwork and mixed media and will culminate in an exhibition which will be hosted at Lymm Heritage Centre. The exhibition will run from November 1st until November 30th, with members of the public welcome to attend. Details of opening hours and location can be found on the Heritage Centre's website www. lymmhic.co.uk

Local professionals, Keven Lester of architects CB3, Paul Beckmann from landscape architects, Agathoclis Beckmann, and a member of Lymm's retail community will judge the entries. Lymm Parish Council would like

to thank the schools and pupils for their support and entries, Lymm Heritage Centre for hosting the exhibition and also to the judges for their time and expertise.



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Q: My dog has torn his nail – what should I do?

A: A torn nail needs to be attended to but be careful as when injured a dog will naturally try to protect itself so may not take kindly to you touching the area. Ideally you will need to remove the part of the nail that has remove the part of the hall that has torn off with clippers and wash the area with warm water. Often this type of injury leaves exposed tissue which will be sore and sensitive. Your vet may choose to bandage the area and use antibiotics or antibiotic ointment to prevent infection.

Q: We will soon be moving down South and be taking our two cats with us. The cats hate being in the car – even on the short journey to the vets. Do you know of any large cat carriers that have a litter tray and room for food and water bowls?

A: From experience we find that cats tend not to want to eat or go to the toilet when travelling. You must however provide water and there are carriers available that have clip on water bowls. If your cats are not drinking from the bowls when the car is moving, make sure you stop frequently to give them the opportunity to drink. Resist the temptation to let them out of the carrier as you risk them escaping from the car. Also be aware that if you have your car heater on, the temperature can soon become too hot for cats.

Q: I have a 4-month-old Boxer pup who hasn't shown any signs of teething. Should he be teething by now?

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A: Generally, puppies will start to get their permanent teeth between two and seven months of age but some may be later. The important thing is that all the temporary teeth are lost before the permanent ones replace them.

Q: Our rabbit has fleas. I have two questions – can she have caught them from a cat and if so, can I use the same flea treatment I use for my cat for my rabbit?

A: Rabbits can catch fleas from both cats and dogs and show the same symptoms. Flea treatments for cats and dogs can cause adverse reactions and even death in rabbits so talk to your vets about specific rabbit flea treatments.

Q: My cat has been diagnosed with diabetes and will now need a daily insulin injection for the rest of her life. Is it possible to treat the cause of diabetes rather than control the disease?

A: Nobody knows for sure what the causes of diabetes are. There are also several contributory factors such as genetics, weight, other diseases etc but not always. For whatever reason your cat is not producing enough of the hormone 'insulin' and the only way to balance this is with regular insulin injections.

Edith dies at 102 – still enjoying her life at Lymm

ONE of the area's oldest residents, Edith McHardy, has died aged 102.

For the last eight years she was a resident at The Limes, in Booths Hill Close, Lymm, where, despite being registered blind, she was an active member of the community.

A former teacher, she had previously lived in north Warrington but moved to Lymm to be near her family. But she was born at Up Holland, near Wigan – and went back there occasionally because she back there occasionally because she regarded it as "a pretty little village." She taught for 35 years, starting her career in Stockport before

moving back to teach at a school in Up Holland, where she clearly made an impression because she married the head teacher!

Her earliest memories are of being bounced on her father's knee - "he

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thought I was cuddly" she said. Edith celebrated her 100th birthday during the Covid lockdown, enjoying a socially-distanced party in the garden at The Limes

She had clear memories of World War Two but thought living through the pandemic was far worse.

Edith had a marvelous memory and a keen mind – she nearly always won quiz competitions

When asked what her recipe was

When asked what her recipe was for a long life, she replied, with a twinkle in her eye: "I enjoy a little drop of brandy going to bed." Edith really enjoyed the kindness and generosity of the Lymm and Warrington communities and her family wish to thank all those who made her last years some of the happiest of her life – the carers who looked after her, Lymm Rotary Club, the Youth Club Wednesday Lunch Team, the VIP Centre, the Independent Methodist Church and many others. many others.

The funeral took place at Walton Lea Crematorium.



Obituary

Gerald Heesom

THE funeral has taken place of Gerald Heesom of Broadheys Lane, High Legh and formerly of Fletchers Lane, Lymm. Gerald was a keen country craftsman and avid bird watcher. He passed away in hospital after a long illness aged 83, with his wife of 63 years and his son at his bedside. Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons of Lymm.



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