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# Editor's Comment



**THE plan to build a supermarket on the site of the former Rushgreen Road filling station has sparked some controversy - but may be not enough for it to be refused.**

Planning officers have recommended the development is given the green light and the local parish council have not objected - but members of the committee are going to visit the site before making a decision.

There are certainly mixed opinions on whether it would be a good thing or a bad thing for the village.

Personally I think it was very sad that a former long-standing family business had to close down due to a lack of business - with many local motorists driving out of the area for "cheaper fuel."

While the new store may stop people visiting the village, it may also stop people leaving the

village, with more than 80 per cent doing their main shop outside the area.

There are pros and cons for the new supermarket - but I suspect it is going to be something we have to live with, whether we want it or not.

Meanwhile I would like to wish Su and Alan Williams all the best with their ambitious plans for a heritage centre for the village.

This is something which has been talked about in the past but has never materialised.

Finding a venue and the funding required to make it sustainable will be a big challenge - but if two people can help achieve it, Alan and Su are those two people.

Hardly an issue of **Lymm Life**

passes without us reporting on some community project, one or both of them are involved in.

They have done so much good work in our local community over the years they deserve success in their latest community project and hopefully they will receive the support and backing they deserve.

Finally I would like to congratulate all students at Lymm High School on their exam successes. As the school say themselves they have been through some turbulent times.

Hopefully these well documented problems can be laid to rest - although the question of accountability may still not have been answered to everyone's satisfaction.

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# Su seeks support for heritage centre campaign

**WHEN Su and Alan Williams took a short holiday to Scotland and the North of England this Summer they noticed almost every community they visited had either a small museum or heritage centre, where visitors could learn about the area as well as picking up general tourist information.**

Su from Whitbarrow Road, Lymm, commented: "These places added so much to our visits and we learnt a lot as well as meeting interesting people along the way.

"It made us both realise that a village with such a rich heritage as Lymm really deserves to have something similar. At the moment Lymm likes to think of itself as a visitor destination but doesn't even have an information point.

"The heritage trail is certainly an asset but we really need one location where everything can be brought together and where we can show off the fascinating history of the village; its trades, its transport and its traditions as well as showing how home life has changed for all of us over the years.

"I believe that an initiative like this provides a positive opportunity to help increase visitor numbers,

building on the success of all the other one off events like May Queen, Dickensian and Transport Day. It all contributes to creating a thriving community with a sense of local pride".

This would just be the latest in a long line of village projects that Su has either initiated or been heavily involved including the Foodfest, Art in the Garden and most recently working with the footpath wardens to produce guided walks for visitors.

"Over the past couple of years Alan and I have also been to a number of vintage events as part of Alan's research for Transport Day" added Su, "It is fantastic to see the enthusiasm that people have for their local history and the amount of artefacts and material that is out there".

The search is now on for a suitable location to house a centre as well as

a general call for potential exhibits – ideally connected with Lymm's history.

Su currently has a couple of possible sites in mind. But of course any project like this needs popular support both in terms of time and money.

This is an opportunity to get in at the beginning of a great new village project that will add to the prosperity of Lymm as well as potentially providing a valuable resource for local schools, colleges and general visitors.

So if you have something donate, would like to give a little of your time or perhaps are just willing to make a donation to the start-up fund give Su a call on 01925-754080 or 07967-657397.



Su with just a few of the items waiting to find a home in Lymm's Heritage Centre.

## Golf ladies' charity day

LYMM Golf Club's annual Ladies Charity Day competition takes place on Wednesday, September 17.

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Lymm Village Hall, 8pm  
Visitors always welcome  
More info Lynne Smith 01925 756776

### October 14

#### LYMM PARISH COUNCIL

Lymm Parish Hall 7.30pm

#### LYMM THURSDAY EVENING BRIDGE CLUB

Lymm Village Hall every Thursday 7pm

#### MAPLE LODGE ART GROUP

Meet each Wednesday 9.30am - 12.30pm  
Oughtlington Community Centre, Lymm  
Details: 01925 755126

#### ROTARY CLUB OF LYMM

Every Wednesday at Statham Lodge Hotel  
7.15pm for 7.30pm  
Contact the secretary 01925 650189

#### LOVING HEARTS & HANDS

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

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Eagle Brow Methodist Church  
3rd Thursday in the month  
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Youth For Christ and YMCA Room at The Inn

#### LYMM SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB

St Mary's Church Hall  
Second and fourth Fridays (Sept - May)  
7.30pm. Details: 753853

#### 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)  
at 7.30pm

#### LYMM ORNITHOLOGY GROUP

Lymm Village Hall, 7.45pm for 8pm,  
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Lymm Parish Hall 7.30pm



## Guide achieves highest award

**EMILY Norman from 2nd Lymm Guides was presented with her Baden Powell Challenge badge at a special celebration held for her.**

Emily, aged 15 from Lymm, has worked on the challenge over two years to complete this award. Guides must do 10 challenges from 5 'zones' including healthy lifestyles, global awareness, discovery, skills and relationships, and celebrating diversity.

Emily has developed skills and increased her knowledge in all these areas. She also went on a special "Baden Powell Challenge Adventure" weekend which involves trying something completely new and is designed to explore a Guide's readiness to do her best at all times, building on the basis of the guide programme.

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# Planners to inspect site of proposed supermarket

**PLANNING** chiefs have put off a decision on a controversial proposal for a new supermarket on the site of a former petrol filling station at Lymm.

Members of the borough council's planning committee decided to defer consideration of plans for the site of the former Rushgreen Service Station, in Rushgreen Road, after local councillor Sheila Woodyatt called for a site visit.

The committee is now expected to consider the proposal around the middle of September – after they have inspected the site.

Cllr Woodyatt said there is serious local concern about the likely detrimental effect of the scheme on the rural character of the area, likely increases in traffic and the potential to damage the viability of Lymm village centre.

Objections have been received from 16 nearby residents, but there is no objection from Lymm Parish Council, on the understanding the proposal is not extended to Green

Belt land behind the existing site.

The objectors say the store would have a very large footprint – equating to around 20 per cent of the entire retail floorspace in Lymm. Its modern appearance would be out-of-keeping with the local area and its parking allocation would exceed that of the main Lymm car park.

They warn the impact of the new store could damage the viability of the village centre, with many local businesses threatened, including chemists, opticians, florists, newsgents and post offices.

But although the new store would be larger than existing convenience stores in and around the village, it would not be big enough to prevent the significant outflow of expenditure to Warrington, Stockton Heath and Altrincham.

It is estimated that some 86 per cent of Lymm people currently carry out their main food shop of the week outside the village.

Officers say the proposals are acceptable in principle and, as the existing buildings on the site have no aesthetic merit, could improve the character and appearance of Rushgreen Road. The equivalent of

35 full-time jobs would be created.

A reduction in car travel to shopping locations in Stockton Heath and Warrington town centre would have a positive impact on sustainable travel patterns.

They recommend the scheme be approved, subject to conditions to safeguard the amenities of nearby residents.

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There are also regular Artisan foodie talks and the popular Great British Cake off.

The festival offers a great

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*An artist's impression of the supermarket*





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## Graeme's epic journey set to raise £20,000

A LYMM man who lost an eye while battling a rare form of cancer for three years has completed an 800-mile epic journey to thank the medics who have fought to keep him alive – and hopes to raise £20,000.

Graeme Heward, aged 53 and his two sons, Elliot and Sam, cycled between and then climbed the highest peaks of each of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

They completed the epic journey in 11 days and arrived back at The Christie in Manchester half an hour ahead of schedule.

The event, 'Facing Challenges Together', has raised £14,500 so far with the amount being split equally between The Christie and MacMillan Cancer Support. The team climbed a height greater than that of Mount Everest during the trip despite the disappointment of being unable to reach the summit of Snowdon due to adverse weather conditions. They hope to raise a total of £20,000.

The team were joined for the initial 80 miles of the trip by Professor Jarrod Homer, consultant head and neck surgeon at Manchester Royal Infirmary and The Christie, Graeme's main consultant throughout the three years.

Graeme said "The hills were as steep as any I have cycled anywhere, including the Alps. It was a real struggle at times. In the first few days, the weather was against us, but it did improve.

"I know lots of people who are fighting cancer as I am and when it was difficult on the hills, I thought about them and it kept me going. There were times when I was exhausted and cold, but I battled through it. There was no way I was going to give up.

"The most spectacular cycling was along the lochs in Scotland and in the Lake District. It was beautiful. It is something the three of us can look back on and will talk about for years to come."

Graeme, who will soon undergo further surgery, added: "My challenge now is not to accept any more challenges. I'm extremely grateful for all the support we have received and would like to thank all the people who donated."



Graeme and his sons on his travels

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## Ex-Lymm High pupil visits Facebook - literally!

**A FORMER Lymm High School pupil was one of three local students who were able to pitch an idea for a new app when they visited Facebook's London headquarters and met industry experts.**

Elliot Grey (pictured below) is now studying at Priestley College, Warrington and with two other students, made it through to the finals of the Apps for Good competition with their concept Sweg Messenger.

During their time in London they were guided around Facebook's offices and saw its staff sleeping pods, sweet shop and talked to staff.

They also visited the offices of Unruly, the leading global platform for social video marketing.

The main purpose of their visit, though, was to present their idea for an app to the judges in a competition designed to celebrate the next generation of problem solvers and digital creators.

They also pitched their idea for more than an hour to countless industry figures, which was a highlight of the trip for Elliot.

He said: "We made the pitch to about 250 people from the industry so it was a pretty fantastic experience."

"All these people seemed interested in our app and liked our presentation skills."

The Apps for Good judges were leading names from TalkTalk, Ogilvyone and another who had helped develop Spotify.

Priestley ICT tutor Tom Heaton said: "You couldn't buy this exposure. The Apps for Good course has encouraged our students to explore technology as a tool for improving and benefitting society as a whole."

"The course enables us to bring a creative learning programme to college that unlocks the confidence and talents of our students."

Although they didn't win the competition, the Priestley team received genuine interest from several app developers and some sound advice.

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All Your Choice and Solar Choice home improvement solutions can be seen and discussed at the new showroom, which is open seven days a week.

## Care home patio

A NEW patio area has been provided at Lymm's Cotebrook care home in Oughtrington Lane.

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If your investments are in shares for example, it is important to know where they are invested. Are they in the UK, Europe, the US, the Far East, or the Emerging Markets? Similarly if your cash is invested in fixed income – sometimes better known as bonds or stocks. But is this invested in Gilts, or overseas debt, or maybe corporate bonds. The reason we diversify our portfolios is because very often these asset classes are all behaving differently to one another, at any one time. And therefore a portfolio of all different assets should provide steady growth over a period of time. The alternative is to invest all into UK shares for example. If the UK market does well, you will do well. But what if it doesn't? Do you want to gamble or diversify?

I will cover our fund selection process in future issues, so watch this space!

### The Wolf of Wall Street

I recently watched this film expecting to be quite shocked (for several reasons). However I found myself feeling quite saddened by it. Simply because as someone who has worked in financial services for almost 30 years, I found it a little 'too close to the bone'. This is because there are people out there like Jordan Belfort and companies like the one he ran. Luckily they are not usually around for very long, but they can often have a devastating effect on people and their finances. So only transfer anything if you have fully investigated the merits of doing so, and of course always look at the downside. And remember the old saying – If it sounds too good to be true it probably is.



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# Reproductive Health Group offer free and discounted IVF cycles

**The Reproductive Health Group opened the UK's first integrated fertility hospital, the Centre for Reproductive Health, at Daresbury Park earlier this year and feedback from patients and visitors has been highly positive.**

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quality of fertility care they deliver.

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in the UK to offer such a scheme.

More information on the scheme and on the services, care and support offered to anyone seeking IVF treatment will be available at RHG's free to attend IVF Information Evening, to be held on Wednesday October 1, 6pm – 8.30pm, at the Centre for Reproductive Health. To reserve your places please email Annette Eckersley at [education@reproductivehealthgroup.co.uk](mailto:education@reproductivehealthgroup.co.uk) or book online at [www.reproductivehealthgroup.co.uk](http://www.reproductivehealthgroup.co.uk)



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## MP slams HS2 proposals

WARRINGTON South MP David Mowat hit out at the proposals for the HS2 high speed railway line as they affect Lymm during a debate in the House of Commons.

He joined with Warrington North MP Helen Jones to criticise the route of a proposed spur line that would skirt Lymm and run through Warburton, Hollins Green, Rixton, Glazebrook and Culcheth.

Mr Mowat said: "I am not

here as a nimby and nor is Helen Jones.

"If there was a purpose in the line scything through our constituencies, hers in particular, we could have a more balanced discussion.

"However, try as I might, I cannot find the benefit of that spur to Warrington or anywhere else in the country."

Transport minister Robert Goodwill stressed that no final decisions had been made on the final route of the line.



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# Transport Day back on the road for 2015

**WHEN the Lymm Transport Day group met recently to discuss the outcome of the 2014 event almost the first item on the agenda was "will it be on again next year?".**

It was a pretty easy decision to make following the enormous success of this year's event and the group were unanimous in deciding to go ahead again next year on Sunday June 28.

Event Director Alan Williams explained: "It was a huge amount of work for all concerned but a lot of it is a learning curve and an investment in the future. In theory it should get simpler every year but as the event grows we also need to come up with new ways to ensure things run smoothly and that everyone, including exhibitors, traders, residents and visitors all have a positive experience".

Helped by the weather the event attracted over 7,000 visitors and

while most aspects went smoothly there will be areas where the team will still looking to make improvements. Most importantly there is a recognition of the need to strengthen and grow the volunteer team, not just on the day itself but for the many jobs that spread out from September onwards that contribute toward everything being as good as it can be on the day.

"We hear and read a lot about ways of ensuring that the village continues to thrive and we believe that as an event this has an important and very positive effect," added Project Manager Deb Willacy. "Many of the thousands of people who passed through the village on the day were on

a first visit and had nothing but enthusiastic feedback about what a great place it is for a day visit."

So if you want to make a positive difference to your community and get involved in helping to organise a great event now is the time to act. The team will be meeting regularly

over the coming year starting on September 25. This first session will focus on coming up with new ideas to keep the event fresh and exciting. To find out more contact Alan Williams on 01925 754080 or [alanlymm@gmail.com](mailto:alanlymm@gmail.com)



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# Urban celebrate 10 years of building success

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The business is owned and run by husband and wife, Carl and Nicky Palmer from Hatton.

Carl said: "It's difficult to believe that it was ten years since Nicky and I set up the business but we are delighted to celebrate our anniversary and look forward to the future."

The company's fundamental values of trust, reliability, excellence and innovation have been instrumental in helping to establish a reputation that is second to none.

As well as an enviable and renowned reputation in the residential market, they have also worked with clients in the retail, education, health,

leisure, commercial, industrial and public sectors. Their corporate clients include Golden Gates Housing Trust, Cheshire Fire Service, Priestley College and Langtree.

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Upholding their mission statement 'to deliver a high standard of

building work at competitive prices and give complete client satisfaction every time' is still as strong as ever and Urban are on a set and steady course to go from strength to strength.

The Mayor of Warrington Cllr Ted Finnegan and Warrington Wolves' mascot Wolfie are pictured helping the team celebrate their 10th anniversary.



## Sophie was a star performer

LYMM student Sophie Foreman was among Withington Girls' School's A-Level star performers.

She achieved an A\* grade in Maths and As in Chemistry and Biology.

Among the vast majority of Withington girls heading to their first choice university, Sophie is going to Manchester University to study Dentistry. Sophie, who has attended Withington since she was in Junior School, is an exceptionally talented pianist and violinist and was leader of the school orchestra.

Throughout her time at Withington, she travelled to and from school by a dedicated bus service which traverses Warrington, Grappenhall, Grappenhall Heys, Stockton Heath and Lymm.

Destinations for Withington girls

this year include Oxford (5) and Cambridge (3), as well as Imperial, LSE, UCL, KCL, Durham, Bristol, Warwick, Nottingham, Manchester and Leeds.

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## We are extremely proud of our Sixth Form students who achieved some amazing results this year.

We have had a high number of students accepted to study Medicine and other highly competitive courses and are really pleased that all their hard work and commitment to Post-16 study at Lymm High School Sixth Form paid off.

This is a really exciting time at Lymm High Sixth Form with the introduction of a super curricular programme along with many other initiatives to ensure our students stand out from the crowd.



*80% of our students have gone on to secure university places, with a quarter of these attending a Russell Group University.*

## We have a limited number of places available in our Sixth Form, please see the website for further details.

[www.lymmhigh.org.uk](http://www.lymmhigh.org.uk)

We will be holding an Open Evening on Thursday 6th November for potential applicants for September 2015.





# LYMM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

There have been some good moves forward in Lymm in the last few months although there are still a lot of improvements that need to be made, especially with regard to bins and general tidiness in the area. In particular, there have been complaints about the untidy state of Ridgeway Grundy Park. By the time that this newsletter is published, I hope to have met with those responsible for the maintenance of grounds and refuse collection in Warrington Borough Council, in order to clarify the situation and to enable the Parish to move forward in a positive manner.

Wendy Booth and Tony Elbra our footpath wardens, will be ensuring that the folder of their walks will be in local pubs, eating establishments and of course Lymm library, so that as many people as possible can take advantage of them.

The filming of 'After Hours' has now finished in Lymm and the film crew and cast would like to thank the residents of Lymm for their kindness and patience with regard to any disturbance that filming has caused. It is nice to know that



Lymm will be seen in a very positive way – the series will be out on Sky 1 next year and for those who do not have Sky, the company is hoping to organise DVDs that can be viewed at local venues.

It was lovely to see the Signing Choir around the Cross – they also were bowled over by the generosity of Lymm people and were especially taken with our Town Crier, Cllr Peter Powell.

Thanks to the hard work of the Parish Clerk, Amanda Riley and the Allotment Committees, the village's allotments are in a very good state. In many cases newly allocated allotments have been made into smaller more manageable units resulting in virtually no waiting list. If you are interested in becoming an owner of allotment please contact Amanda Riley on: 07585952445.



The Parish website has now gone past the initial design phase and I hope that it will be up and running by early autumn. It will be for the community with a 'What's On' section that will enable local events to be published well in advance.

The Parish Council has been made aware of the threat to close Sandy Lane Community Recycling Centre. This closure has hopefully been stayed as on behalf of the Parish I have written to the Executive Board to ask them to agree to a six week public consultation to seek a positive solution to the issue.

Finally, good news with regard to parking on Brookfield Road, Warrington Borough Council has completed a review on the situation and the double yellow lines are now in place. This will be monitored by Warrington Borough council on an on going basis.

**Cllr Kath Buckley Chair of Lymm Parish Council**

## Caretaker/Cleaner required

We currently have a vacancy for a Caretaker/Cleaner at the Village Hall. If you would be interested in applying please email our Clerk on the details below.

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# Students achieve good outcomes following turbulent period

**FOLLOWING a turbulent period of time at Lymm High School, there is real stability and a sense of purpose within the school community. The recent examination results were encouraging and many students caught up on lost time to achieve some very good outcomes.**

At 'A' level the majority of students gained places at their chosen university. For those who had a different career path they had good successes with training courses, apprenticeships and full time employment.

Top performers were:  
•Jasmine Virk – 4 A\*

•Adam Jagiela – 1 A\*, 3 A  
•Holly Rowbottom – 1 A\*, 3A  
•Sean Davenport – 2 A\*, 1 A  
•Thomas McCahery – 1 A\*, 2 A  
•Conn Talbot – 1 A\*, 2 A  
•Samantha Wernham – 2 A\*, 1A

Lymm has also attracted more students from other schools into the Sixth Form than in previous years,

which is testament to the work of the new Director of Sixth Form, Mrs Ryles-Dean. The majority of those in Year 11 wishing to attend the Sixth Form gained a place following their GCSE results in August. Like many other schools they experienced some turbulence to the examinations, however over all results were creditable and have allowed students to move on to the next stage of their careers.

It was also fantastic to see so many students gain the very best grades at GCSE. Some of the top

performers are listed below:

•Alexandra Dobozy – 10A\*, 1A^  
•Isabel Troth – 10 A\*  
•Ciara McEvoy – 9 A\*, 1 A^  
•Charlotte Day – 7 A\*, 2 A, 1 B  
•Lucy Stanhope – 6 A\*, 4 A  
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# Green Belt fire station approved

**A NEW 24-hour fire station at Lymm has been given the go-ahead by planning bosses – despite the site being in the Green Belt.**

But the borough council's development management committee are to impose strict conditions.

Existing trees on the site must be protected – and there must be additional planting to screen the site from a nearby farm.

The plans were put forward by Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service and involve the former lorry park and petrol filling station site at Poplar Park, Cliff Lane, Lymm.

Planners admit the proposals represent a significant departure from the borough's development plan and are inappropriate for a Green Belt site.

But the need for a modern fire station and training centre is such that it is considered a special reason to allow the development to take place.

Fire Service chiefs want to build a 24-hour fire station and safety centre which would have seven full-time staff on site during each shift up to five vehicles could be kept there.

The safety centre would provide a training facility to be used by specialist personnel by Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service personnel and could also be used by school children and groups from across Cheshire and the wider community as part of

a statutory duty to deliver education against fire risk.

The safety centre would have five full time staff, occasional staff and volunteers.

Planners say the M6/M56 interchange, which is close by, has been identified as a hot spot for life risk road traffic collisions. It is not within the new fire service response

time of 10 minutes.

In addition to this, it will provide a high quality training environment for firefighters as a whole and the special crews to be based at the fire station.

The scheme is still subject to approval by the National Planning Casework Unit – but this is expected to be a formality.



## Not the first Lymm fire station

ALTHOUGH the new Lymm Fire Station's main purpose will be to deal with motorway incidents, the village will benefit from having a fire station on its doorstep.

But it will not be the first Lymm Fire Station.

The building now used by the Brookfield Surgery, adjoining the old Lymm Urban Council offices, in Whitbarrow Road, was once a fire station serving the village.

In the brickwork above what used to be the main entrance to the building are the words "Fire Engine."

The old Lymm Fire Station was built in 1901 when fire engines were still horse-drawn.

According to Joe Griffiths, of Lymm Historical Society, the horses were kept in Pepper Street and were so well-trained that when the fire bell rang they would move to the field gate to be ready for when a couple of local boys – also alerted by the bell – would arrive and ride them bare-back to the fire station.

During the war, the Lymm fire engine was sometimes sent to Liverpool to help deal with fires caused by the blitz.

The fire station was last used some time in the late 1940s. It was preceded by an earlier fire station off Pepper Street, near where Domville Close now is.



*The original Lymm fire station*

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# Care home commemorates World War One centenary

**A SPECIAL service took place at Cheshire Grange Care Home in Lymm to commemorate 100 years since the start of World War I.**

Following the service local historian Cllr Joe Griffiths unveiled a plaque with Gail Griffiths to officially open a special Celebration Orchard.

Cllr Griffiths opened the home, along with Irene Rowley in the Summer of 2012.

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# Record number of runners enter marathon

**More than 25 members of Lymm Runners are preparing to tackle the Chester Marathon.**

This is the highest number of runners the club has ever entered into a marathon, and for many it will be the first time they have tackled 26.2 miles.

The race takes place on Sunday, October 5, and many of the runners have been training throughout summer for the event.

Lymm Runners meet at Lymm Leisure Centre every Tuesday and Thursday at 7pm, and every Sunday at 8am and 9am.

The club, which formed in 2010 and is the only running club in the village, recently lowered its membership age to 16.

For more information visit: [www.lymmrunners.org.uk](http://www.lymmrunners.org.uk)



*Some of the 25 Lymm Runners who will tackle Chester Marathon*

## Toys and coffee for sale at new nursery

A HUGE sale of toys and play equipment takes place in Lymm on Saturday, September 27 – with the money going to MacMillan Cancer Support.

The event – part of MacMillan's annual "World's Biggest Coffee Morning" initiative – will also offer parents to see what is on offer at the Holly Grange Montessori Nursery in Oughtrington Lane, next door to Lymm High School.

The nursery will be the first Montessori early years setting in

the Warrington area but the third to be opened by Trudie Walker, a Lymm resident, Lymm High School governor and Ofsted Early Years inspector.

The other two are in Cuddington and Stockport and both are Ofsted "outstanding" and Montessori accredited.

The Lymm site has been undergoing extensive refurbishment – and part of this involves the disposal of a large quantity of toys and play equipment used by the

previous nursery on the site.

There are slides, climbing frames, rockers, bikes, sand/water trays, chairs, tables, book boxes, benches, etc.

Trudie said: "They are mostly made of plastic which are not in keeping with the new nursery which will be equipped with high quality natural resources."

"But they are too good to throw away so I thought it would be a

good idea to sell them for a good cause."

Sealed bids will be invited for each item – and Holly Grange will be able to arrange local delivery.

There will also be a Jo-Jingles music and movement session, a Muddy Hands workshop and children will be asked to help name the nursery's new chickens.

The event takes place from 10am to 12pm.

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The club will be set out in cabaret style with a full bar available – but seating is limited.

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The vocal group is supported by the Stepping Out Band.

Later this year they will present Stepping Out in Festive Spirit – their annual Christmas concerts – once again at Lymm Golf Club on December 2-3.

They will appear at Tatton Hall on December 7 before presenting a very special evening at Arley Hall on December 16 in aid of Warrington's St Rocco's Hospice.

More details can be found by visiting the website [www.steppingout.org.uk](http://www.steppingout.org.uk) and tickets may be booked by calling 01925 502192 or emailing [stepping\\_out@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stepping_out@hotmail.co.uk)

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# Villagers dodge the showers for ancient festival

**VILLAGERS managed to dodge the showers for the annual Lymm Rushbearing Festival – a ceremony believed to date back almost 200 years.**

Deputy Mayor of Warrington Cllr Geoff Settle, joined villagers, local community groups and Morris Dancers, to parade through the village carrying rushes, to St Mary's Parish Church, where a special service took place.

The event stems from a local "wakes week", including the Rushbearing ceremony, which took

place in Lymm as early as 1817 when Morris dancing was part of the tradition. But it is possible the festival dates back even further.

The rushes were used to carpet the floors of the church and were changed on "Rushbearing Sunday." The ceremony is believed to be unique to Lymm.



Eileen Mundy of Lymm Local History Society with her Rushbearing work of art



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# Busy bee adventure

**A LYMM family experienced a real busy bee adventure during the school holidays when they discovered a swarm of bees had nested in their garden.**

Lizzy Clarke noticed the nest under a tree so she went online to the British Beekeepers Association website ([www.bbka.org.uk](http://www.bbka.org.uk))

The website provided pictures and descriptions of the type of bees in Britain, and she narrowed it down to honeybees.

"The website provided a list of local Bee collectors and Frank Hilton who also lives in Lymm came round and had a look. He confirmed they were Honeybees, asked us how long they had been with us, which gave him an idea on what stage of swarming they were at. He told us that they were currently looking for a new site in which to settle, this one being only temporary, as it wasn't ideal.

"If we left them there could be the risk they would swarm into our house and settle there, making it very difficult to get rid of them due to the bee protection laws."

Frank popped home, came back with all the items needed, including a Bee Suit for Lizzy and her 6-year old daughter Jessica, who was delighted at the opportunity to get close to the bees.

Frank laid down a cloth, weighted it down with a few stones, etc from the garden and then took a box and held it under the Swarm, using a heavy cosh he hit the tree a couple of times, with force and the nest fell into the box...the aim was to get the Queen Bee, which was achieved.

The box was then turned upside down on the sheet, with an inch high opening for the bees to get into the box. They were then left until the evening, to make sure that the bees out foraging throughout the day had come back and followed the Pheromones of the swarm to the new site, the box! At about 9pm Frank wrapped the box up safely in the sheet and took them to their new home.

Lizzy added: "Frank was so knowledgeable and it was educational and fascinating to

watch how the bees worked. Frank has hives in his garden and so he has taken them back there to provide them with a safe home.

"As Frank said, some people would use inhumane methods to get rid of Bees but it is so easy to call an expert and move them on in the right way with minimal damage. We are hoping that one day the bees make honey as my daughter would love to put some on her toast!"



## Sports festival plan for young people

A SPORTS festival involving young people from Lymm, French twin town Meung-sur-loire and two other towns in Germany and Poland could take place next summer.

The idea has come from Meung-sur-loire and is being considered by Lymm's town twinning society.

The idea is for an exchange between youngsters aged 10-14 involved in sport in Lymm, Meung and two similar towns in Germany and Poland which are also twinned with Meung.

The festival would take place in Meung at the beginning of July next year but, as a first step, the French are suggesting sending parties of young people from Meung to each of the other towns with the aim of meeting up with similar youngsters over a period of three or four days.

These exchange visits could take place during the February half-term and/or the Easter holidays.

Peter Birchall, of the Lymm Town Twinning Society, is keen to find out which sports clubs and schools in Lymm would be interested in getting involved with the idea.

Anyone interested, or with any ideas to contribute should email Peter at [pnnb@uwclub.net](mailto:pnnb@uwclub.net)



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# Lymm shaping up well for new season

**LYMM Rugby Union's new Head Coach, Adam Fletcher is pleased with some great new signings and the overall depth and quality of the squad for the forthcoming season.**

"We have retained the vast majority of last season's squad, only losing Matthew Barnes-Smith to job relocation. I'm really happy with the quality of the new players we have gained; already they have given the squad a huge boost.

To be competitive at the top end of this league you need strength in depth. We proved last season that with a healthy squad we could beat any team, but with a few injuries we struggled. We are definitely a

stronger squad going into the new season."

The new signings so far are: Mike Auden – Prop forward, ex Morley and Ashton on Mersey who represented Cheshire at U20's.

Alex Kahui – 2nd Row/Back row, Alex has England School Boy honours and has played for Halifax, Sandal and Leeds Met.

Ross White – Hooker, ex Darlington Mowden Park. Ross has also played for Sheffield Tigers,

York and represented Scottish Exiles.

Mark Wells – Winger, who joins from Bowdon Alex Reay – An experienced National League prop who returns to Lymm from Sandbach.

Jake Ashall – Open-side flanker, who is welcomed back following a 2 year stint at Warrington RUFC.

Tom Syddell and Dave Howard are both utility forwards and have moved into the area. Both have settled in quickly and have been impressing at training.

Ex colts George Boaden (scrum-half) and Aaron Rasheed (back-

row) return after a year's travelling, both will be looking to make an impact with the senior squad. Also James Boaden (centre) is back in the squad after finishing his studies at Plymouth University. James will add real competition to the back line as he covers a number of positions.

This will be Lymm's 5th season at RFU Level 5- National League 3. Last season Lymm were level transferred to National League 3 Midlands, where they finished in 7th position. This season they return to National 3 North.

## ...and rewarded with Cheshire Cup Semi Final

Lymm 20 Macclesfield 7

LYMM'S journey through the Cheshire Cup has not been a long one in recent seasons but a 20-7 victory against Macclesfield secured at least a semi-final and, on the face of this performance, an ability to take on all-comers this season.

Macclesfield, who won promotion to National One are effectively two divisions above Lymm, put out a developmental side in what was anticipated to be quite a test and tough encounter - so it proved.

New coach Adam Fletcher, despite being without five first team players due to injury or holidays, was still able to select from a talented squad due to new additions and the inclusion of emerging players from the junior ranks. He had emphasised the need for great pre-season training and this seemed evident today.

He must have been particularly pleased with the performance of Jake Ashall who has returned from

two seasons with neighbouring Warrington. His work rate in the tackle area and penetration from open side was a feature of the match and gave the opposition real problems.

Adam Bray at Number 8 was also back to his abrasive best, following a knee injury scare two weeks ago. Joe Knowles at fly half orchestrated his back division superbly, spreading the ball wide then punching up the middle with accuracy and speed.

This was rewarded with an unconverted try by centre Tom Bray following slick inter-play between forwards and backs, 5-0. A penalty shortly afterwards from full back Cormac Nolan gave the home side an 8-0 lead.

Captain and second row Sion Williams put in a forceful shift alongside his engine room partner Tom Darbyshire who both had the edge over their younger counterparts.

The handling was mesmerising at times, as Lymm played with intensity and determination to keep the ball alive.

Williams was rewarded for his efforts early in the second half when he went over for an unconverted team try for a 13-0 lead, after great build-up, much to the delight of the swelling home support.

In a rare foray into the Lymm 22 the visitors eventually got the reward they were looking for with a well taken converted try but this proved the only time they were to breach an otherwise solid Lymm defence, 13-7.

Nolan, who has over a 70% success rate with his kicking uncharacteristically missed a further

two relatively easy penalty kicks to put daylight between the teams. However, Adam Bray eventually crossed the line in the last action of the match much to the relief of the home supporters, which Nolan duly converted to loud cheers from the crowd and players alike.

Lymm will be in the semi-final draw along with Sandbach, Sale and Caley, with the next round scheduled for February.

Team: Reay, White, Ashton, Williams (C), Darbyshire, Mullarkey, Ashall, A Bray, Baker, Knowles, Wells, Boaden, T Bray, McEvoy, Nolan. Reserves: Yates, Williams, G Boaden, J Cooper, C Harris.



Lymm's captain and try scorer Sion Williams in line-out action against Macclesfield

## Reader's letters

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Lymm High School

Peter Birchall, of Lymm

I was greatly distressed to read your report of the sorry state of affairs at Lymm High School, an institution where I served for 37 years and which I had the honour of leading in my final year.

I sincerely hope that the individuals who have contributed to this undermining of an outstandingly successful school will, where possible, be held to account, and that the Governing Body will spare no effort to appoint a Headteacher with appropriate levels of experience, vision and integrity, capable of restoring the school its former outstanding reputation.

Litter in Lymm

Tom O'Connor, of Lymm

I'd like to try and drive up some interest in this issue, it feels like there needs to be a proper campaign or something.

I've lived in Lymm for nearly a year and I'm shocked at the amount of litter in and around the village. As well as overflowing bins, the main issue for me seems to be the country lanes and roads which are full of empty drinks cans, fast food bags and wrappers and just generally lots of litter that must be thrown from the car windows of motorists passing through.

Even walking along Rushgreen Road, the gutters and bus stops are littered. I think as a community we need to pull together.

What would it take for everyone to simply look right outside their home, and then that little bit further and pick up litter on their doorstep rather than leave it blowing around spoiling the area.

As a country, something needs to be done. I do believe that the majority of litter comes from passing cars and people just throwing stuff out of their windows.

Then there is the issue of the council having inadequate collections and emptying of bins.

Good samaritans

Stan and Eileen Frost, of Chesterfield

MANY thanks to the nameless couple who sympathised and led us by car to the correct road when we were lost in Lymm on Saturday afternoon. Good Samaritans indeed!

## Wedding Announcement

### Reece Forrest and Leanne McKee

Heather and Stephen McKee would like to announce the wedding of their daughter Leanne McKee to Reece Forrest on July 19, 2014, at St Wilfrid's Church Grappenhall.

The Reverend Jane Proudfoot conducted the ceremony, best man was Louis Forrest, the bridegroom's brother, bridesmaids were Sarah Bartolo, Emily Clare, Hannah Jackson and Ellie Forrest, the bridegroom's sister. Flower girls were Ava Lee, the bride's niece, Daisy Forrest, the bridegroom's sister and Mia Lilly Forrest, the bride and bridegroom's daughter. The reception was held at the Park Royal Hotel in Stretton and the couple spent their honeymoon in Cape Verdi.





## Obituaries

### Ron Stanhope

THE funeral has taken place of Ron Stanhope, aged 81, who died peacefully at Cheshire Grange Care Home on June 29.

Ron was born and brought up at Top Farm, Lymm and attended Oughtrington Parish School until he was 15. He then worked on the family farm, milking by hand and growing potatoes.

On June 26, 1955, Ron married Mavis Worsley and they set up home at Broomedge Farm, Lymm and began a mixed farming business which focussed on a dairy enterprise.

Over the years he enjoyed horse racing at Haydock, Aintree and Cheltenham and was a keen supporter of Manchester United, Wigan Warriors and Yorkshire cricket.

Ron was a proud family man and had four children, Janet, Carole, Nigel and Sally and eight grandchildren, Barry, Jack, Joe,

Lucy, Molly, Ella, Josh and Lucas.

The funeral service was at Altrincham Crematorium on July 14, the Rev Michael Burgess officiating.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, of Lymm.



### Michael John Cook

THE funeral has taken place of Michael John Cook, aged 72, of Danebank Road, Lymm, who died at home on June 5. The funeral took place at Altrincham Crematorium on June 11.

Mr Cook, a keen gardener and

snooker player is survived by his wife, Jackie, two children, Martin and Zoe and two grandchildren, Joshua, aged six and Amelia, aged 4.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and sons of Lymm.

### Mary Robinson

THE funeral has taken place of Mary Robinson, nee Costello, aged 82, of Keate House, Brookfield Road, Lymm, who died on June 10.

Mary formerly lived at The Square, Lymm and was the wife of the late Fred Robinson. She died

after a long illness.

The funeral service was at Altrincham Crematorium on June 26.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons, of Lymm.

### Maureen Hewitt

THE funeral has taken place of Maureen Hewitt, aged 73, of Star Lane, Lymm who died on June 20 at Brampton Lodge.

Maureen was a housewife, but her main hobby was her garden

where she grew all her own plants and sunflowers.

She is survived by three children.

Funeral arrangements were by John Burrows and Sons of Lymm.

### Barbara Thomason

THE funeral has taken place of Barbara Thomason, wife of former borough councillor Dennis Thomason.

Born in Eccles, Barbara had lived in Lymm for more than 50 years, celebrating her Golden Wedding with husband Dennis last year.

She completed her secretarial training at Metropolitan Vickers and worked for various organisations finishing her career as a health and safety officer.

Barbara had many interests as a member of the Soroptimists, Elizabeth Finn Care Charity, Lymm Clothing Charity and Warrington South Conservative Association to name but a few.

She also enjoyed baking and sewing and helping her

grandchildren in any way possible. She was devoted to her family and was happiest when entertaining family and friends.

She died peacefully in Warrington Hospital, surrounded by her family.

Barbara is survived by husband Dennis, three children Jane, Sarah and Daniel, five grandchildren Matthew, Becky, Joe, Eloise and Annabella, daughter-in-law Lauren and sons-in-law Andrew and Ahmed and her brother Tom.

The funeral took place at Altrincham Crematorium and funeral services were by John Burrows and Sons.

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