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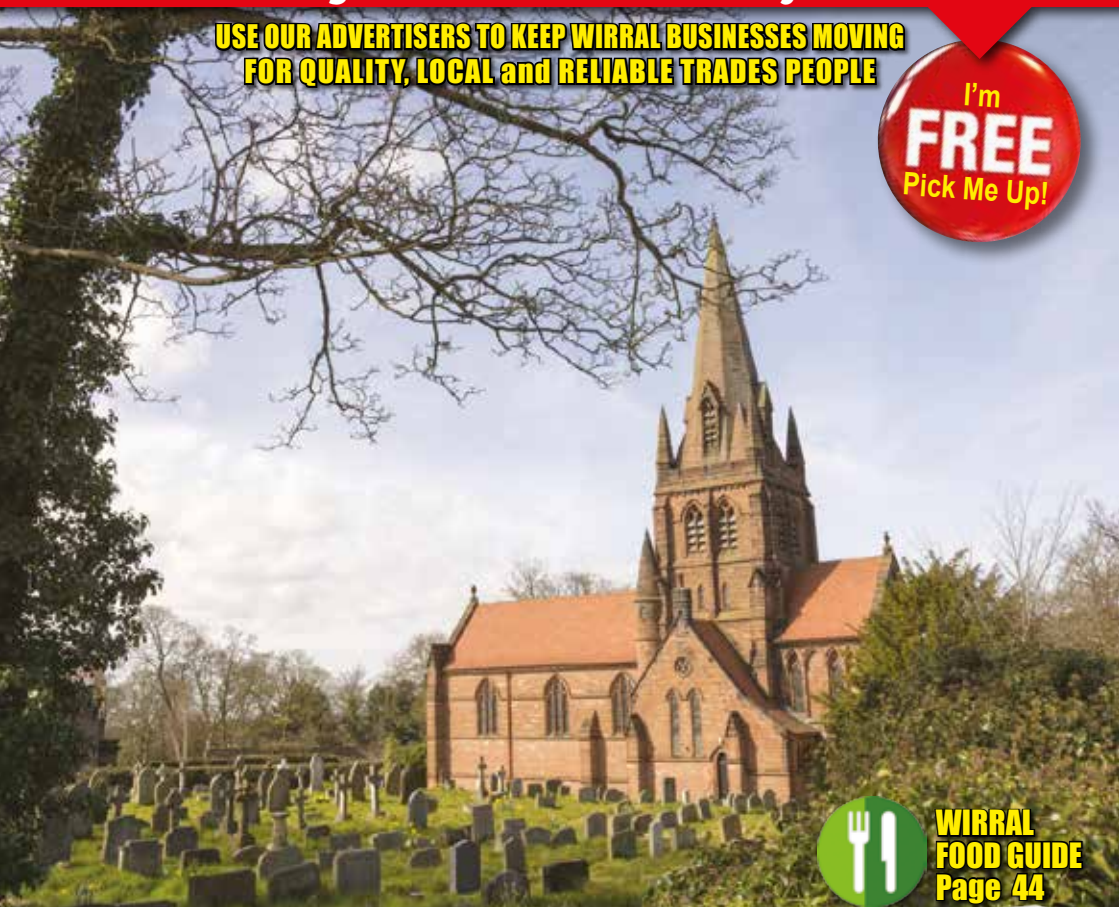


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 It's official, **Spring** is in the air! The nights are getting lighter, the sun is shining, birds are singing (getting ready to make their nests), everyone is happier at this time of year.

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4. A newborn panda weighs less than an iPhone.



5. Men who drink 6 or more cups of coffee daily decrease their risk of developing prostate cancer by 20%, a study found.
6. Drug companies spend 24% of revenue on marketing and just 13% on research and development.
7. The dress worn by Marilyn Monroe during filming of *The Misfits* sold for US\$66,000.
8. In 2015, a German man celebrated his birthday for 46 hours, the longest birthday ever, by travelling across time zones.
9. Unlike most fish, seahorses are covered in bony plates instead of scales.
10. It takes about 0.2 seconds for your brain to recognize something touching your hand or foot.
11. In 2004, a woman tried to use a fake million dollar bill to buy US\$1,675 worth of merchandise at Wal-Mart and expected US\$998,325 in change.
12. The surname Beethoven meant "beet garden" in Dutch.
13. There's a book called "Everything Men Know About Women" that is just 120 blank pages.
14. Houdini drew on his arsenal of magician's tricks to provide special instructions to American troops during WWI.
15. In 1945, an airplane crashed into the Empire State Building. When rescuers attempted to rescue an elevator operator, the cable snapped, plunging her 75 stories down. She survived and still holds the record for longest survived elevator fall.
16. A Pythagorean cup will automatically empty itself if you fill it too much.



17. Jack Kerouac typed his novel "On the Road" on a 120-foot roll of paper in 3 weeks.
18. In 2014, Hawaii attempted to combat homelessness by providing one way tickets back to the mainland for any homeless person who wanted one.
19. In 1949, a flock of starlings perched on the minute hand of Big Ben, slowing it by 4.5 minutes.



20. Walruses have the longest total gestation period of any seal: up to 16 months.
21. An artificial intelligence system developed by Google and the University of Oxford can lip read better than humans.
22. The special forces unit that rescued Captain Phillips was the same unit that killed Osama Bin Laden two years later.
23. "Stranger Things" was rejected 15 to 20 times by different networks before Netflix picked it up.
24. An unclaimed land between Serbia and Croatia is home to one man's libertarian dream, Liberland, a country with no compulsory taxes, no gun control and Bitcoins as currency.
25. When Christopher Columbus needed a place to store his loot, he went to the Banco di San Giorgio in Genoa, Italy, the world's first public modern bank.
26. Spiders can tune the strings in their webs to transmit specific messages.
27. The greenest, safest and most productive buildings in the U.S. are airports, followed by government offices and hospitals.
28. In Japan, there's a museum of rocks that look like faces.
29. Phoenix, Arizona, used to be named Pumpkinville.
30. No sitting U.S. president has visited Antarctica.
31. In 2012, a Hong Kong business tycoon offered a US\$65 million reward for any man who can woo and marry his lesbian daughter.
32. Firefighters in Dubai use jetpacks to tackle blazes in high-rise buildings.
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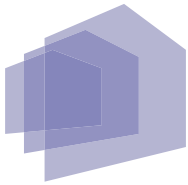


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Not only is Dubrovnik an ancient walled city of incredible beauty but it is also bang up to date as a destination. It will be recognizable to many as the film set for the hit series the Game of Thrones.

It is nearly impossible to picture just how pure the sparkling, clear water is that surrounds Dubrovnik. The old city juts out on a small peninsula into the cool Adriatic Sea and this is an integral part of its charm.

But for Game of Thrones fans, Dubrovnik is King's Landing. If you are a devotee you could be forgiven for thinking that the enormous city walls and rugged fortresses of King's Landing are all a huge Hollywood back lot stage. The truth is that Dubrovnik, in its ancient past a city state that held both the Venetians and Ottomans at bay, is as spectacular as any virtual or real set that you would see in a film. Stand at the bridge to the Pile Gate which spans the enormous moat (nowadays a grassy park) and you will be spellbound before you even enter the city.

The perfectly preserved baroque UNESCO World Heritage listed old walled city is surrounded by cliffs and hillsides behind it and beaches to its side. It is considered one of the top ten surviving walled cities in the world. As it has the Adriatic Sea on three sides, it is nearly impenetrable to invaders, which is why the old city survives today virtually unchanged since the 7th century. The exception, of course, was in the 1970s when it was under siege for seven months by the Yugoslav People's Army and sustained significant mortar damage, still in evidence today. The latest archaeological evidence suggests that there may have been a port and a settlement here during the heyday of Greek explorations several hundred years before Christ, so the city is older than previously thought.

As a port of call, it has become particularly popular with cruise lines because of its historic significance and truly striking appearance. In fact, Lord Byron once called Dubrovnik the 'Pearl of the Adriatic'.

As well as loads of activities in and around the city, the old town of Dubrovnik has much to offer with much to keep visitors entertained and engaged.

TAKING IN THE CITY

First and foremost, there are guided tours available that to take fans to all the Game of Thrones hot spots. This includes Lovrijenac Fortress - the

daunting eleventh century castle tower that is known as the Red Keep - which is just outside the city walls.

Visitors can also walk the city walls on their own using an audio guide and get acquainted with the history of the old Republic of Ragusa. Atop the city walls, visitors are afforded spectacular views of the inside of the city as well as of the Adriatic Sea that surrounds it.

The best place to see the walled city is from Mount Sr by cable car. The old Napoleonic-era fort built in 1812, Fort Imperial, stares down from the top of the mountain offering incredible views. This bastion proved critical to the survival of the city in the early 1990s when war with neighbouring countries had broken out. A glitzy cable car now whizzes cruise ship passengers up to the cafe at the top where you can sip on a coffee or imbibe one of the local brews.

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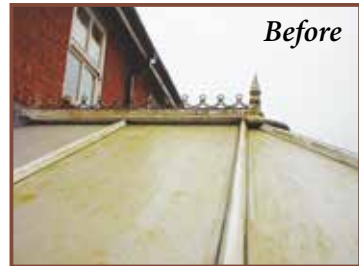
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AutoReview

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Keeping you motoring

Subaru XV 2.0D SE Manual



The Subaru XV 2.0D SE Manual is a handsome looking SUV which has enough of Subaru's design language behind it to make it different and interesting whilst still providing a link to the rest of the Subaru range. Indeed, it's clear association with the Forester provides a strong clue as to the XV's capabilities on and off-road along with its elevated driving position, and one of the highest ground clearances in its class making it a very purposeful package.

Power and Efficiency

The XV was equipped with a powerful and efficient 2.0-litre DOHC Subaru Boxer Diesel engine - a unit that provides you with a maximum power of 147 PS and a torque figure of 350NM. The XV also achieved 52.3mpg on the combined cycle which is quite impressive. Maximum speed comes in at around 123mph and a 0-62mph of 9.3s. This is also an engine that provides more than enough power on the road - whilst it's statement Boxer horizontally-opposed pistons provide a smoothness that are exceptional for a Diesel engine.

On the Road

One of the benefits of the Boxer engine configuration is that it helps to lower the centre of gravity compared to the opposition as the engine block's flatter profile allows it to sit lower in the chassis, with an end result that the XV is very stable and balanced and noticeably resistant to side-to-side motion whilst driving. The Subaru is a willing companion in the bends and yet is comfortable when travelling further afield; the suspension also does a great job of isolating you from the worst that our roads can offer.

Design and Technology

The Subaru XV offers plenty of standard equipment including, Auto HID headlamps with auto leveller, 17-inch aluminium alloy wheels, Leather wrapped steering wheel and gearshift knob, Front seat heaters, Dual-zone automatic air-conditioning system, Automatic rain-sensing windshield wipers, Heated door mirrors, Dual USB ports and auxiliary audio input jack, Rear Vision Camera System and Symmetrical All Wheel Drive.

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On the inside there is plenty of room for five adults to travel in comfort whilst the boot is capable of swallowing up to 1270 litres of luggage capacity and 60/40 folding seats meaning it's extremely practical for a large family.

To Sum Up

The Subaru XV 2.0D SE Manual is an impressive performer amongst the growing SUV competition and deserves to do well, but more needs to be done on the styling inside the cabin.

Saying that, Subaru's extensive All Wheel Drive experience is impressive and it's off road potential and on road manners are something that stands out. If you're in the market for a mid sized crossover it's definitely worth a look.

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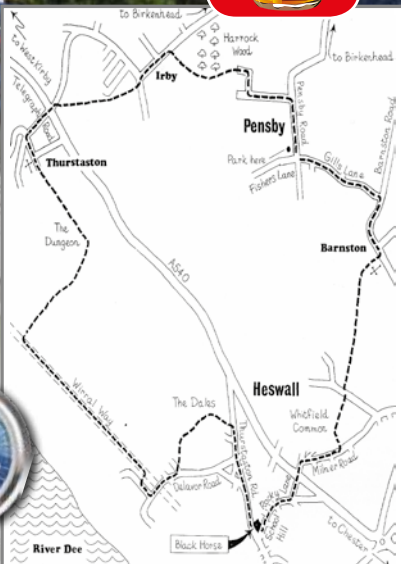
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Park the car in a lay-by opposite Gills Lane, Pensby.

Pensby was, for centuries, just a small farming community. The Glegg family were the principle landowners (one member of the family was named Birkenhead Glegg!) there was a population of 30 residents in Pensby in 1871, the village consisting of just a few houses in and around Gills Lane, with just one shop, not even a church or school! Begin the walk by crossing Pensby Road to enter Gills Lane, which hasn't changed much over the years! 10 minutes walk along this lane brings you to Barnston Road, where the way is right, follow this road as it drops down through trees and crosses a stream and then climb between rocks to reach the village of Barnston.

Little has changed in Barnston over the last 100 years or so, the village green has become a car park and a few more houses have been built, but the farms, church, the inn and the post office stand together. A granite boulder from the ice age, known as the 'barn stone' used to be by the side of the village bus stop but, due to being an obstruction, was moved to its current resting place outside Beech Farm.

Turn right at the post office and follow the pathway running alongside the stone wall. Go over a stone step-stile and cut across the corner of the churchyard to reach another stile. You are now in open country and here you maintain a straight course for about half a mile until you reach the outskirts of Heswall at Whitfield Lane. Cross this lane to reach Whitfield Common and, as you cross the open space, bear slightly to the left, to reach a path bringing you into Milner Road. Here the way is right and, shortly after passing the Sandon Arms Hotel, turn left into Downham Road South. Walk the few yards to Telegraph Road and go straight across into Rocky Lane. This pleasant tree-shaded lane drops downhill to reach the War Memorial. Go between the posts to the right of the memorial to drop down into School Hill, here you turn left and continue downhill. When you reach the bottom of the lane, you will see the Black Horse Hotel on the right. This is an attractive Victorian building retaining its beams and wall timbers – a good selection of hot and cold snacks are available.

From the Black Horse, turn right along Thurcaston Road, straight across the crossroads, passing Queens Drive, after a few more yards turn left to enter a path running alongside a sandstone wall. This is your way into Heswall Dales, a pleasant open area with bracken and heather, where there is a fine view of the Dee and the Welsh Hills beyond. There are many paths zigzagging across the Dales but, if you would keep to the left as you descend towards the Dee, you will soon

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find yourself in Pipers Lane. Here you turn left into Delavor Road and then go to the right in the direction of the river. Follow the road over the old railway bridge and then turn right. At the foot of the hill, turn right to enter the Wirral Way. Here the way is to the left, in the direction of Thurcaston.

For the next 20 minutes, you will not need any directions but, after this time, look for a path dropping down on your right. Follow this path as it runs between hedge and wire to reach 'The Dungeon', a wooded hollow with a small stream and a waterfall. Cross the stream using the wooden foot bridge and then climb up to the left of the cave. Above the cave, where the path divides, take the right fork. When you reach a set of wooden steps on the right, pass these and continue to follow the track through the trees until you meet a crossing path. Here your way is to the left and, after passing a small pond and climbing over several stiles, you arrive at Thurcaston Village.

Beyond the church, turn right into Station Road and you shortly arrive at the main crossroads. Cross Telegraph Road and, as you enter the lane ahead, look right for a signpost by Hill Farm. This directs you to a well-defined fieldpath which skirts Dawlish Road and then runs by the hedge to Irby. From the bachelor gate, go straight across into Thingwall Road. Beyond the shops, look right for a signpost pointing the way to Lower Pensby – this is your way. Cross a step stile into open country and bear left, keeping the hedge on your left. Cross two fields to reach an iron gate and stone steps descending into the next field. Go forward, passing to the right of Harrock Wood and continue to follow the left hedge. The path climbs gently and, if you look back at the top of the rise, there is a good view of the Welsh Hills. The fieldpath ends at a wooden stile and here the way leads right, into Exmoor Close. Turn left on reaching Cornelius Drive and walk straight ahead into Pensby Road. Here you turn right and walk the short distance leading back to the start.

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Spring into your garden

The sun is shining, birds are singing and it's time for your garden to come back from the winter weather. Your garden needs some help getting back in shape, though, so it's time to get the supplies from the garden centres, pull out the tools from the shed and get to work.

Here are some tips for your getting your spring garden green and beautiful by the time the season reaches its peak:

Clean out the garden

It's time to clean your garden and remove all the debris (leaves, leftover branches, etc.) Get rid of weeds, making sure that you get the roots so they won't grow back. This is also a good time to sharpen your garden tools, if needed, because you're going to require them for plant maintenance and soil care.

Revitalise the soil

Because your soil is likely dried out and packed after winter, it's time to add moisture. Add organic material like compost or manure. You might need to test the soil to see what nutrients it needs, so you give it the right mixture. You might also need to add more fertilizer to increase the health of the soil and increase the life of your plants.



Add mulch

In addition to fertilizers and organic materials, you should think about adding mulch to your flower beds and garden. One to three inches of mulch helps to prevent weeds and diseases. It also keeps the moisture in the garden and maintains the temperature. The rule of thumb is to keep the mulch a few inches from the plant stems to prevent roots from rotting.

Plant new flowers and shrubs

Once you've gotten the garden in shape and handled all of the old plants, it's time to turn your attention to new plants. Some recommendations for good spring plants include:

- Pansies, Snapdragons, Redbuds, Lilacs, Tulips
- Vegetables like lettuce, peas and arugula - (rocket)
- Transplanting tomato plants from indoor pots to outside

You should lean towards planting more perennials rather than annuals, because annuals have to be replaced every year. This means you're making an investment in plants that will die every year and require replacement. Perennials, on the other hand, last for two to three years and usually survive winter frosts.

What to do for the rest of Spring

Once your spring garden is up and running again, it's time to look to the future and decide what to do with your garden next. It will need some care so it stays colourful and beautiful throughout the season. Here are some quick tips for garden maintenance throughout the rest of the season:

Mid-Spring:

Consider new flower beds.
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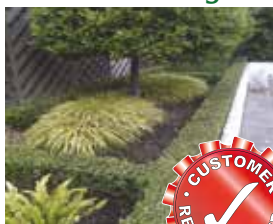
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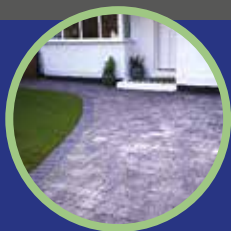
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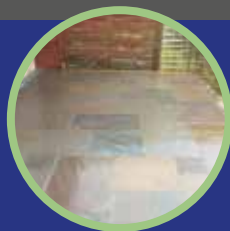
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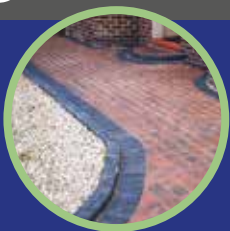
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Add the curry paste and lime zest and stir well. Reduce the heat and simmer for 10 minutes.

Add the fish sauce, salt, sugar and remaining 200ml of the coconut milk and the stock. Simmer for 5 minutes.

Add the prawns and tomatoes and simmer for a further 8 - 10 minutes until the prawns are pink and cooked through and the tomatoes are softened. Add the coriander.

Sprinkle with the lime juice and serve with rice and Naan bread or poppadoms.

Ingredients

400ml can coconut milk
200ml hot vegetable stock
30ml yellow curry paste
Grated zest of 1 lime
1 tablespoon fish sauce
1/2 tablespoon salt
1 tablespoon sugar
450g raw king prawns, shelled and deveined
225g cherry tomatoes
1 - 2 tablespoon fresh chopped coriander
Juice of 1 lime

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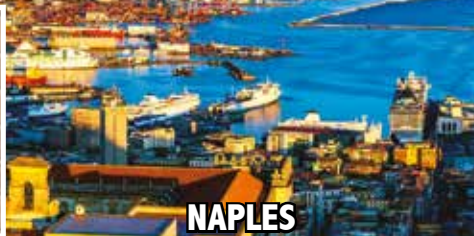
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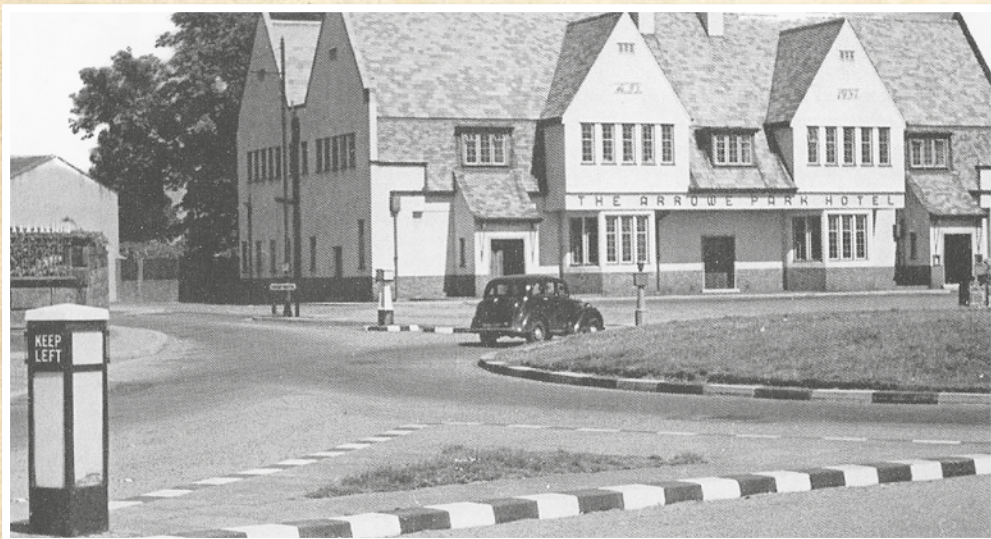
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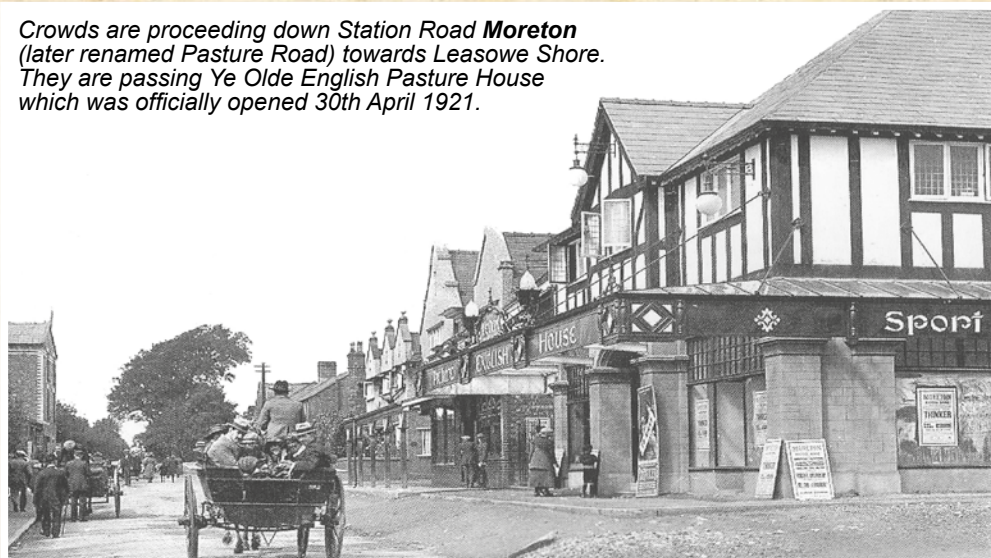
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Above: 1937 The Arrows Park Hotel which replaced the Horse & Jockey Inn at the junction of Upton Road and Church Lane, Woodchurch.

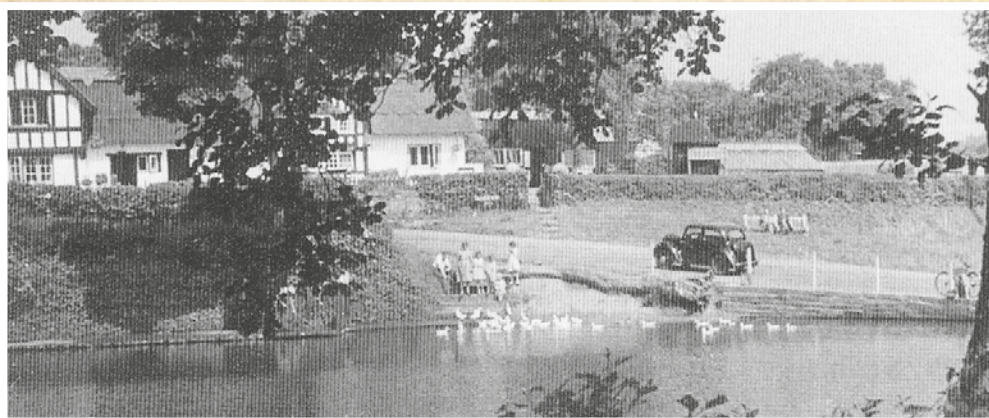
Crowds are proceeding down Station Road Moreton (later renamed Pasture Road) towards Leasowe Shore. They are passing Ye Olde English Pasture House which was officially opened 30th April 1921.





Above: **West Kirby** Marine Lake is pictured in 1930. In February 1931 the local council borrowed £2,450 for construction of

the baths in West Kirby Lake and the bathing facilities improved.



Above: 1959. An idyllic scene at **Raby Mere** shows the car parked by the mere and the children feeding the ducks. Not much has changed in all those years. The thatched

Bank Cottage can be seen on the left - but was later to lose its thatch through a fire around 1959.

Right: Visitors enjoying a relaxing time by the boat house in the grounds of Thornton Manor, **Thornton Hough** in 1908.



Flaybrick Memorial Gardens

Birkenhead Cemetery was opened in 1864 at Flaybrick Hill.

The site was designed by the Superintendent of Birkenhead Park Edward Kemp & Town Surveyor Edward Mills. Architects Charles Lucy & Charles Littler along with Edward Kemp are all laid to rest in Flaybrick with over 100,000 others. The area covers 26 acres and ceased to function as a main cemetery in 1975, becoming a Memorial Garden in 1996. 2017 saw the part-restoration of the Chapels completed.

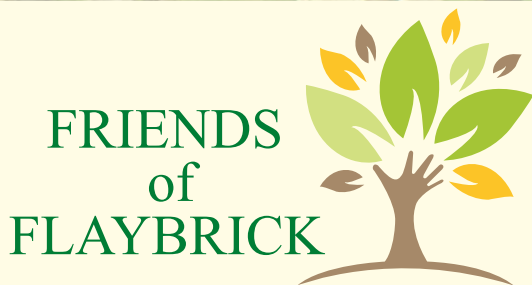
The Friends of Flaybrick was set up in 1993 & gained registered Charity status in 2005. Friends & Volunteers work to maintain and promote **Flaybrick Memorial Gardens**...it's History and it's future.

This years guided walks take place on the following Saturdays...

April 14th, May 12th, June 9th, July 14th, Aug 11th & Sept 8th.

*Why not come along & learn about it's history and of the lives of just some of those resting there. **We meet at Tam O'Shanter Farm 10.45am, £2 per person.***

For further info see our Friends of Flaybrick fb page or email flaybrick.m.garden@ntlworld.com



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Flaybrick Memorial Gardens, Tollemache Road, Birkenhead CH41 0DG

The Rotary Club of Birkenhead

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PUPILS LAUNCH A ROTAKIDS GROUP

Prenton Primary School has launched a Rotakids Club, with support from Birkenhead Rotarian Barbara Sinclair, pictured above with Head Boy Daniel Woods and Head Girl Ava McIntyre, proudly displaying their certificates.

The aim of Rotakids Clubs is to provide young people aged 12 and under with the opportunities to participate in active citizenship to improve the quality of life for their school, local and international causes, deciding themselves what to support and raising funds. The new Club is called **Prenton Primary 6R Rotakids Club**, standing for **Rotary/ Resiliant/ Responsible/Reliable/ Resourceful/ Remarkable**.



CLUB'S CELEBRATION DINNER FOR 89 YEARS

The "Service Above Self" Rotary moto certainly came into its own when the current President of The Rotary Club of Birkenhead Tom Meade, pictured fourth from the left, stood in for the planned speaker who was ill. Rather than everyone else undertaking duties to ensure that the Club's annual dinner was a success, Tom ended up giving a very interesting and amusing presentation linked to the time he spent in the Royal Army Medical Corps, but in particular duties caring for Field Marshal Montgomery, 1st Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, who served in both the First and Second World Wars.



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Get around the Kitchen Table for Maggie's

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Maggie's will hold their own Kitchen Table Day within their centre at Clatterbridge Friday 23rd March 1pm – 3pm and all are welcome.

Neil Eaton and the Phoenix Masonic Lodge held their own Kitchen Table Day in May 2017 raising an outstanding amount of £1,800. Neil says 'we were first introduced to Maggie's, when two of our Lodge members, had need of Maggie's services at Clatterbridge Hospital, and were very appreciative of the support service that they provided, both for them, and their families.

We as a fraternity are very keen to support our local charities when we can, especially those who do good work in and to help the community, and as such were happy to support this year's Kitchen Table Day, we are keen to match or hopefully better last year's total.'

Centre Head Kathy Wright said 'We are extremely grateful to Neil and everyone else who took part in last year's Kitchen Table Day. Their efforts and fundraising achievements allowed us to support people affected by cancer. We would love to have more people, workplaces and groups on board to ensure we continue to be there for people who need us.'

Maggie's and the Steve Morgan Foundation are joining forces to build two vital new Maggie's Centres at Clatterbridge and the Royal Liverpool Hospital in the City Centre.

Subject to planning permission, work on the new permanent Maggie's centre is set to get underway within the coming months. A new

'Million for Maggie's' appeal has now been launched calling on the community to get behind Maggie's, and help fund running costs to ensure that thousands of people with cancer in the local area can have access to the new Centre.

Holding your own Kitchen Table Day will help us on our way to raising that crucial 'Million for Maggie's.' Register now and receive your Kitchen Table Day pack at www.maggiescentres.org/campaigns/kitchen-table-day/ or contact Fundraising Organiser Sasha on 01513344301 sasha.mathias@maggiescentres.org

For further information about Maggie's at Clatterbridge please go to

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This year's benefitting charities are: Birkenhead Woodcraft Folk, Sundowns, The Vikes Youth Club and The Oxton Society.

Tickets on sale from Tuesday 3 April from a number of local Oxton Village outlets, Lingham's Bookshop Heswall and Brennan Ayre O'Neill Estate agent Wirral offices. Information and tickets will also be available on-line at www.oxtonsociety.org.uk. Free parking, free minibus from the car park, disabled parking and nearby bus stops give easy access.

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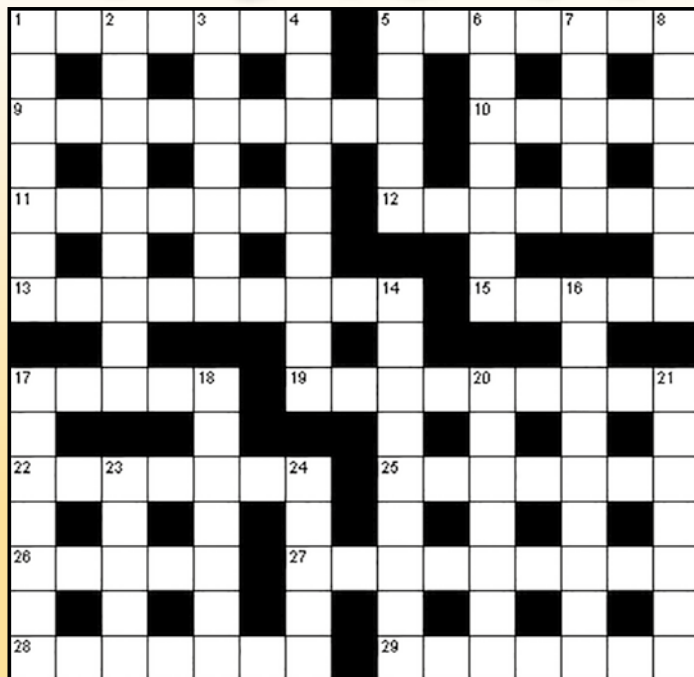
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2. Pragmatic (9)
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4. Very short biscuit dough (9)
5. Pincer (5)
6. Deny (7)
7. Wood fasteners (8)
8. Loses validity (7)
14. Child (9)
16. A capsule filled with water-soluble dye (9)
17. Dear (7)
18. Perturb (7)
20. Skill (7)
21. Convent (7)
23. Poisonous (5)
24. Groin (5)

Across

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| 1. Instill (7) | 13. Writing table (9) | 26. Temptress (5) |
| 5. Poetic rhythm (7) | 15. Rubs (5) | 27. Elaborate (9) |
| 9. Highly offensive (9) | 17. Accumulated (5) | 28. Duke's wife (7) |
| 10. Supply sparingly (5) | 19. Instruction (9) | 29. Royal house (7) |
| 11. Dead (7) | 22. Sidelong (7) | |
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30th Mar 2018 - 2nd Apr 2018

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WIRRAL CARE HOME RESIDENTS CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



Residents from a Wirral care home celebrated International Women's Day last week with a range of activities to highlight the success of women.

International Women's Day is annually held on March 8 to recognise women's achievements throughout history and across nations.

The Hazelwell, a residential, nursing, palliative and respite care home in Oldfield Road, Heswall, hosted an afternoon tea for its residents where the women talked about what they had achieved in their lives.

One resident Lilian Smith, 93, joined the Women's Royal Naval Service (or Wrens as they were popularly known) in 1940 during the Second World War and was stationed in Liverpool. Her first posting was to Scotland on the front line defending the piers against the German submarines. Lilian also volunteered to go to Germany after the war to help look after the orphans in the refugee camps.

Another resident from The Hazelwell, Margy Pugh, 72, got her first job working for The Little Sisters of the Poor in Liverpool where she cared for the elderly before she trained to become a nurse. Margy was married for 56 years and ran pubs on the Wirral including the Horse & Jockey in Arrowepark Road, Upton and The Imperial in Whitfield Street, Birkenhead.

The afternoon was followed by a screening of the 2015 British period drama film *Suffragette* in The Hazelwell's impressive cinema room. The care home's fabulous facilities also include a salon and nail bar, gym, library and a stunning rooftop terrace with views over the River Dee.

International Women's Day, which has been held every year since 1909, is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, and is a collective day calling for gender parity.

The Hazelwell care home manager Liza Millington said: "We all enjoy celebrating different calendar events at The Hazelwell, and International Women's Day is a very special one to us. Our women residents have done so much in their lives and it's great to focus on that.

"They really enjoyed reliving their great achievements and sharing in past successes. It was wonderful for us all to hear the stories and get a sense of their triumphs, often in a time of adversity."

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