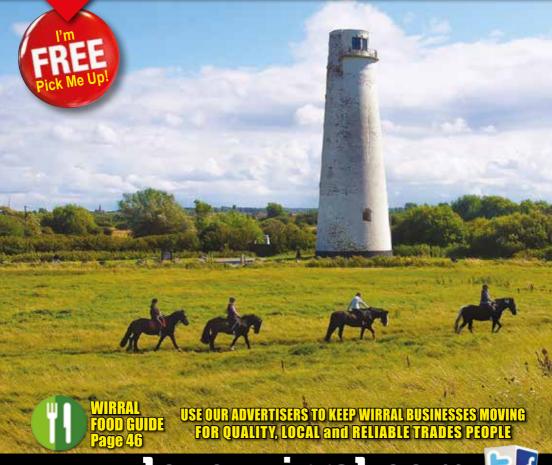


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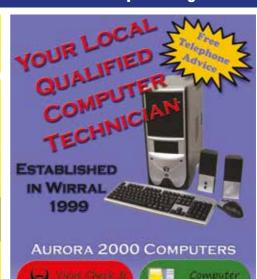
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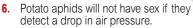
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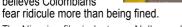
- 1. The average ocean depth is 2.5 miles (4 km).
- The two factories of the Jelly Belly Candy Company produces approximately 100,000 pounds of jelly beans a day. this amounts to about 1,250,000 jelly beans an hour.



- On average, the Japanese sleep two hours a night less than the Chinese.
- When the U.S. half-cent was discontinued in 1857 for not having enough buying power, it was worth about the same as a modern U.S. dime.
- 85 million years before butterflies existed, there was another insect that looked and acted exactly like a butterfly.

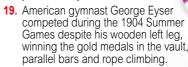


- A church in Italy, destroyed by an earthquake in 1976, was rebuilt using most of its original cataloged stones that were placed in the exact same positions they were in before it fell.
- 8. Warren Buffet won a ten-year bet about index funds outperforming hedge funds.
- Prior to 1868, eating meat from four legged animals had been prohibited in Japan for more than a thousand years.
- The winner of the first modern Olympic Marathon stopped at a tavern mid-race for a glass of wine.
- Most Americans can buy an AR-15 rifle before they can legally buy a beer.
- 12. The Mayor of Bogotá, Colombia, once hired 420 mimes artists to make fun of traffic violators because he believes Colombians fear ridicule more than

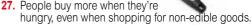


- The Nigerian film industry, or Nollywood, is the second largest in the world in terms of numbers of films produced.
- **14.** In 1996, Australia enacted strict gun laws. It had no mass shooting since.
- 15. In Sweden, up to 63,000 people, mostly women, were sterilised under a racial purity programme approved by the state until 1976.
- 16. Farmers are encouraged to test soil quality by burying their underpants and digging them up two months later. In good soil they are eaten by microbes; in poor soil untouched.
- Throughout his life, JFK had four spinal surgeries, two of them nearly resulting in his death.
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18. In Norse, the name Siri means "a beautiful woman that leads you to victory."



- **20.** When you snap your finger, your finger moves at about 20 mph.
- Medical students in 18th-century Scotland could pay their tuition fees in corpses.
- Some deep-sea skates lay their eggs close to hydrothermal vents using the hot water to incubate their eggs.
- The first non-white NBA player was Japanese and joined the NBA the same year Jackie Robinson broke the racial barrier in baseball.
- **24.** The painting of George Washington used for the dollar bill was never finished.
- 25. Married women were banned from watching or even attending the ancient Olympic games. The penalty for any married woman caught sneaking a peek was execution.
- The can opener was not invented until 50 years after the invention of canned food.



 Despite being a small and densely populated country, The Netherlands is the world's second biggest exporter of food.



- **29.** Newsweek magazine was sold by the Washington Post Co. for \$1 in 2010.
- **30.** The original Pac-Man has a safe spot where the ghosts will never get you.
- 31. Ancient Romans running for office wore a distinctive toga called the "toga candida." Hence the word "candidate."
- **32.** Leonardo DiCaprio's haircut from Titanic was once outlawed by the Taliban.
- **33.** Spongebob Squarepants' birthday is July 14, 1986. He's well over 30 years old.
- **34.** In 1719, prisoners in Paris were offered freedom if they married prostitutes and moved to Louisiana







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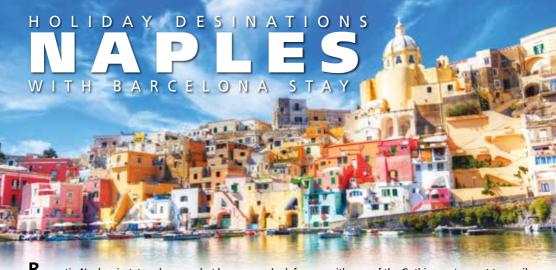
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Visiting a city such as Naples means, of course, a diverse schedule of sightseeing; exploring its museums, art galleries, and nicest streets for strolling. While a week would do this phenomenal city more justice, one day is still enough to get lost in the alleys of its Spanish quarters (and observe the genuine life of the Neapolitans), enjoy a fantastic pizza, and relax in a prestigious coffee spot such as Gambrinus. Be prepared to get up very early and put on your running shoes!

Naples has very good public transportation and lots of traffic problems so it's best to avoid having a car. The city has a large but crowded bus network, trams, a subway, funiculars, and a suburban train line, the Ferrovia Circumvesuviana, that will get you to Herculaneum, Pompeii, and Sorrento.

Pizza, one of Italy's most famous foods, originated in Naples and pizza is taken very seriously here. You'll find lots of great pizza places but be sure you look for one with a wood-burning oven!

Eggplant Parmesan originated in Naples and spaghetti also became popular in Naples, try it with clams or mussels. Seafood is abundant and very good in Naples.

Naples gets guite hot in summer so spring and fall are probably the best times to visit. Since Naples is near the coast, it's more temperate in winter than interior cities of

As you are only in Naples for 1 whole day from the ship, enjoy the other great places such as your stay in Barcelona.

See the best of Barcelona on a private sightseeing tour, which offers a comprehensive view of this exquisite Catalan city and includes skip-the-line access at La Sagrada Familia, a popular attraction that often has long lines. Perfect for first-time visitors, the tour will show you the city's most iconic sights and allow you to discover some of Barcelona's best-kept secrets. You'll also visit the hill of Montjuïc and the Gothic Quarter, and you can upgrade to the fullday tour to include visits to Park Guell and La Pedrera. Accompanied by your own private guide, you'll enjoy personalized attention on this special private tour.

Barcelona's architectural treasures span 2000-plus years. Towering temple columns, ancient city walls and subterranean stone corridors provide a window into Roman-era Barcino. Fast forward a thousand years to the Middle Ages by taking a stroll through the shadowy lanes

of the Gothic quarter, past tranquil plazas and soaring 14th-century cathedrals. In other parts of town bloom the sculptural masterpieces of Modernisme, a mix of ingenious and whimsical creations by Gaudí Catalan architectural and his contemporaries. Barcelona has also long inspired artists, including Salvador Dalí, Pablo Picasso and Joan Miró, whose works are in bold display in the city's myriad museums.

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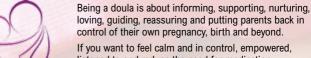
The group is for all women and their partners who would like to come along and chat through all things pregnancy and childbirth in a safe and confidential environment. Occasionally attended by local midwives there will be focused talks from local businesses, books, DVD's and journals to read and borrow. Check the website for details of meetings and useful links www.wirralhomebirth.co.uk Contact Sally at sally@confidentbirths.co.uk 07879 773152 or find us on Facebook.



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Evidence shows having doula support can:

- shorten labour by up to two hours
- reduce the need for medication by creating a trusting environment
- decrease the risk of postnatal depression
- reduce the likelihood of having a caesarean section by 50%!

Hypnobirthing is increasing in popularity. Helping you:

- stay calm and in control of your labour
- reduce fear and create a calm and peaceful environment
- reduce adrenaline
- increase oxytocin and endorphins
- reduce discomfort, leading to a less painful birthing experience.

With this power, a labouring woman will rise to the challenge that is childbirth.

I have been working with women and their families for over 25 years as a community nursery nurse, midwife and health visitor, hearing and being involved in positive, loving stories about birth and beyond, but more often than that I hear the other side. The "failure to progress," the "emergency caesarean," and the "I wasn't allowed." I often feel frustrated on talking to women who have had their baby and hear the words....."I wish I had been more prepared" "I wish I had known I could have done that" "I felt out of control" "No one seemed to listen to us" "I didn't think it would be like this after I had the baby!"

As a doula and hypnobirthing practitioner I seek out strategies, am trained in comfort measures and skilled in helping women find their own movement and positions in birth. I understand the importance of the love hormone oxytocin and will do everything in my power to ensure it flows. Enhancing the production of oxytocin means fear and anxiety are reduced and endorphins are simply allowed to build to match the intensity of the sensations experienced in childbirth. I have a wealth of knowledge, information and links to help you and your partner's confidence throughout the whole birthing experience.

I would love to hear from you.













Review by Tony

Keeping you motoring

Suzuki Ignis 1.2 SHVS SZ5



I'm going to start by saying 'why is it still snowing'. We are now into March, but its still freezing. And, as I write, the snow is still falling faster than I can remove it from my footpath.

Of course, I have children, so the snow is a good thing for them because of the fun factor. For me though, I'm very happy sitting in the warm watching them play until I hear. 'dad, come and have a snowball fight'. That's when it all goes a bit fuzzy, because I know I will be the one getting pounded with snowballs just for fun!. Saying that this weeks review of the Suzuki Ignis is right on target because its a 4x4, meaning the snow can come down as hard as it likes and the Ignis will just keep plodding on.

So if it's snowing by you right now, then I suggest vou nip down to your local Suzuki dealer and ask for a demo.

Talk about being in the right car at the right time.

Power and Efficiency:

The Ignis is powered by a four-cylinder Dualjet petrol engine that produces 90ps at 6000rpm and 120Nm at 4400rpm. 0 to 62 mph is dealt with in 11.5 seconds - moving onto a top speed of around 103 mph.

The official fuel economy figures from Suzuki are: 60.1 mpg (combined) with a CO2 rating of 106 g/km - although the best I could get was around 50mpg, but then I was not really trying to get near what Suzuki had said was possible.

On the road:

I like the way the little Ignis handles - but I do feel the suspension is a little bouncy - saying that, when the road gets twisty – it is more than capable of holding its own thanks to a good balance of chassis and suspension. When you think about it, it actually performs rather well and I was really impressed by this. Of course, this

means it gives you a lot of confidence into the corners, which in turn makes it quite the drive. Also, when the road gets twisty – you have that wonderful Suzuki ALLGRIP 4-wheel drive system keeping you formally in check. Yes, you heard that correctly, a 4-wheel drive system that does a very nice job indeed of keeping you glued to the tarmac with no muddy fields involved whatsoever.

Design & Technology:

My test car was fitted with decent seating and clever interior accents, which lifts even the most boring of interiors – Not that the inside is boring, but you do sense that the Ignis was set out to be more practical than luxurious. Saying that it's quite plush and all the dials and controls are easy to use. But, and its a small one, some of the plastics on the inside could have been better quality.

Space – well let's just say for a small car it has bags of it – along with a decent driving position and plenty of room in the back for most adults to sit in reasonable comfort. The boot is also pretty good, with max luggage capacity coming in around 1,086 litres.

Some of the standard features fitted to my test

vehicle included; LED daytime running lights, LED projector headlamps, ALLGRIP 4-wheel drive system, DAB digital radio with 4 speakers, USB, Bluetooth and iPod, driver and passenger front, side and curtain airbags, ABS with EBD, Electronic Stability Program, Hill Hold Control and Hill Descent, automatic headlights, automatic air conditioning, 16" alloy wheels, cruise control with speed limiter and rear parking camera.

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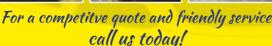


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Leaving the car park, cross Thingwall Road, turn right and after 50 yards you will see a signpost to Lower Pensby. The footpath leads you past Yew Tree Farm to a step-stile. Cross over and bear left along a grassy track, keeping the hedge on your left, to cross 2 fields. Go through an iron gate and down sandstone steps turning left at the bottom into a woodland valley through which runs a small stream. This is Harrock Wood, a National Trust property. There is a well trodden track which winds it's way through the trees to meet Thingwall Road. Cross this road diagonally right to reach the entrance to an ancient bridle pathway called Limbo Lane - this once separated the parishes of Woodchurch and Thurstaston but belonged to neither! The lane continues in almost a straight line for about a mile, ending at Arrowe Brook Lane. Here you need to turn left and shortly you will arrive at Irbymill Hill.

The area takes its name from this mill, which was demolished in 1898 as it was in a dangerous condition. The view from this point is far reaching all around! You need to travel to the right, along Mill Lane, for about 15 minutes until you arrive at Greasby crossroads. The Greave Dunning Inn is reached by crossing Greasby Road.

There is an iron cross standing on the roadside near the cross roads, this replaced an ancient stone cross which stood on the village green. The remains of the old cross were cleared away and the iron one erected by Lord of the Manor, John L Shaw - his initials and date of 1862 are still visible. The cross is not in its original position now, but during the last century was used as a 'hiring cross'. Labourers requiring work would gather at the cross on a day in April, to be employed for the following year by local farmers. Wages would be agreed and the bargain sealed by the labourer accepting a shilling (5p) and a pint of beer!

The Greave Dunning is a modern inn built in the Georgian style inside the shell of an old farmhouse and barn. The name evokes the memory of Dunning, who was Greasby's overlord 900 years ago.

Leave the inn by the front door and turn right into Greasby Road.



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You will pass Frankby Road, keep going forward for a few minutes and you reach Frankby Village. The village - grouped around The Green has an old post office and some well preserved 18th century houses and farms. When you arrive at the entrance gates to Frankby Cemetery, turn left into Hill Bark Road and walk for about 1/4 mile, this brings you to the crossroads and the entrance to Royden Park. Walk forward into the drive, reaching the car park and continuing on a straight course along the drive leading to Hill Bark, about 50 yards after the car park area, turn left and join the path which leads to Thurstaston Common.

This path takes you along the right side of the camping field, bringing you to a sandstone wall. Go over the steps in the wall - or round to the end - and continue straight ahead, along a sandy track through the trees. Shortly you come to a wooden gate and stile and here you continue across Thurstaston Common. Pass Benty Farm and keep forward for about 100 yards. At this point, leave the broad farm-track and bear right to reach a narrow footpath which leads you through the trees to a wooden step-stile where you reach the end of School Lane. Go straight across and reach a sandy track which passes to the right of Dawpool School and leads you to the busy A540. Here you go to the left and beyond the Cottage Loaf Restaurant, you reach the crossroads. Cross Thurstaston Road to Hill Farm. Here a signpost directs you through the farm buildings and across the fields to Irby.



Summer - the time for recreation and holidays. But before you leave for your summer holidays, we have a couple of tips on what to do in your midsummer garden.

CUTTING STRONG GROWING HEDGES

To make sure that hedges grow densely and evenly, they should be cut several times a year. After the main breeding period of birds from March to late July, you can start cutting your hedges again.

SHAPE YOUR BOXWOODS

To preserve the details of boxwood trees or bushes which were cut in shape, you should now cut back your boxwoods and other evergreens. For perfect shapes you can create templates from cardboard.

PRUNING LAVENDER

When lavender has mostly finished flowering, the shoots should be reduced approximately by one third. This prevents the lavender plants from investing too much energy into seed production. The following year, your lavender will be back with a strong bloom.

REMOVE DEAD FLOWERS

Removing wilted flowers is not only done for aesthetic reasons, but also supports the formation of new flowering shoots. The plant can concentrate its power to the fresh flowers. Moreover, the dead flowers will not become a breeding ground for pests or fungi. Some summer shrubs like larkspur, produce flowers a second time in autumn, when they are cut back after the main flowering.

FIRST AID FOR SUNFLOWERS

If your sunflowers did not come through the latest summer storm, the final chapter has not yet been written. With first aid for sunflowers, you can save even turned down stems. Put the fracture in a splint made of bamboo sticks and fix it with duct tape. This way the water supply is guaranteed.



In August the gardening year is almost over. Some vegetables, however, can still be sown without any problems at the now-vacated patches. These include Radishes, Lettuce, Rocket, Winter Onions and Spinach.



DIVIDE SHRUBS

Should the flowering of your shrubs get weaker or should the blossoms get bald inside, it's time to give your summer shrubs a rejuvenating cure by dividing them. August is a good month for dividing spring and summer flowering shrubs. Dig the shrubs out with a spade or a fork and divide the plants into parts. The single parts should be at least as big as a fist. Remove sick and withered root parts as well as bald spots. Planted at suitable locations the shrubs will return in full blossom.

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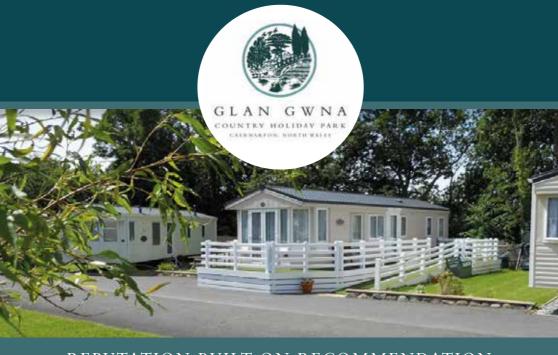
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Right:

Bromborough

Village with two men sitting on a bench under the lampost on the right - above them is a Crosville timetable as this was the picking up and dropping off point for their bus service. The half-timbered building is the Church Institute and Hallam's radio shop occupied the old converted barn from Tellett's Farm.





Left 1905. Leasowe was a popular site for camping with the tents in front of Leasowe Lighthouse. It was not only popular with the general public but also the military in the form of the territorials who also used this area. However, the pond in the foreground is an indication that this was a low lying area and prone to flooding.

Right 1907. Members of the Wirral Archers photographed in **Birkenhead** Park in 1907. From the left John Keyworth; Osmond Alan Keyworth (his son) and Margaret Keyworth (his wife).





Left 1913. A pianist is playing to the audience in this photograph of the Bandstand in Victoria Gardens, New Brighton which opened 3 May 1913 as an open-air summer theatre. In 1925 a glass structure enclosed the theatre and it then became the Floral Pavillion.



Above 1917. The Auxiliary Military Hospital opened at Bromborough Golf Club house in early 1915. This was mainly due to the efforts of Lady Carter who was the Hon. Commandant of the Cheshire Red Cross and became Office-in-Charge here. The establishment, pictured here in 1917, was fitted up by voluntary donations with

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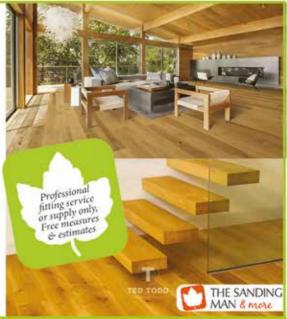
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SNAP UP 'QUALITY BYGONES' AT HOYLAKE COFFEE MORNING

Two new specialist stalls plus lively attractions for children will be among the enticements at a coffee morning at St Hildeburgh's Church Centre, Hoylake, on Saturday, June 2, from 10.30am-12noon.

The new QUALITY BYGONES stall will offer all kinds of vintage valuables – decorative china and glass, genuine curios and collectibles of many kinds. The stall-holder will be Gary Challinor, former proprietor of Mansell's Antiques in Hoylake.

There will also be a new PLANTS AND GARDENS stall selling flower, vegetable and herb plants, tools and various horticultural aids. The stall-holder will be another expert in his field, Peter Surridge, gardening writer and broadcaster.

Both Gary and Peter will be available to answer customers' questions about antiques and horticulture respectively.

The fun-and-friendly coffee morning will be made even livelier by a display of paintings by Hoylake Holy Trinity Primary School children.

The event will also feature homemade cakes, jams and preserves, toiletries and gifts, face-painting for children (of any age!), a prize draw and many other attractions. Admission will cost £2, to include unlimited tea, coffee and biscuits. Accompanied kids go free.

St Hildeburgh's is on the corner of The King's Gap and Stanley Road, opposite the Green Lodge.

Money raised by the coffee morning will help pay for flowers for the church Guild's spectacular floral arrangements at Harvest, Christmas and Easter.

New research reveals nature's beauty increases happiness

For the month of June, Cheshire Wildlife Trust is inspiring people to take the time to celebrate nature each day – through the national 30 Days Wild campaign. Research carried out over recent years of the campaign has proved that noticing natural beauty makes people happier and want to care for it.

"Signing up to the challenge is now open," said Charlotte Harris, Chief Executive Officer at Cheshire Wildlife Trust. "We'd love everyone in our region to give this a go. The challenges can be as simple or as complicated as someone wants to get – from appreciating a flower they pass on the way to work, or eating lunch outside and listening to bird song, through to learning how to identify wildflowers or insects. No matter how small the action, it all counts!"

Once people sign-up they will be sent a free pack containing a booklet of inspirational ideas for Random Acts of Wildness, wildflower seeded paper to sow, a wall chart to record their activities and wild stickers. There are special packs for schools with outdoor lesson plans and giant Random Acts of Wildness cards and businesses can join in too, with tailored packs to download which will bring the 'wild' to the work place.

Academics at the University of Derby who have monitored the challenge since it began in 2015 have discovered that spending time in nature makes us feel good. 30 Days Wild encourages people to notice nature on their doorsteps every single day and gives them a multitude of exciting and fun ways of doing it.

Dr Miles Richardson, Director of Psychology, University of Derby explained: "Over the past three years we've repeatedly found that taking part in 30 Days Wild improves health and happiness. We respond to beauty - it restores us and balances our emotions. This, in turn, encourages people to do more to help wildlife and take action for nature."

The latest set of results from the study of 30 Days Wild also confirms that the benefits of the challenge last well after the month has ended. There are indications that the beneficial impact of taking part could last an entire year.

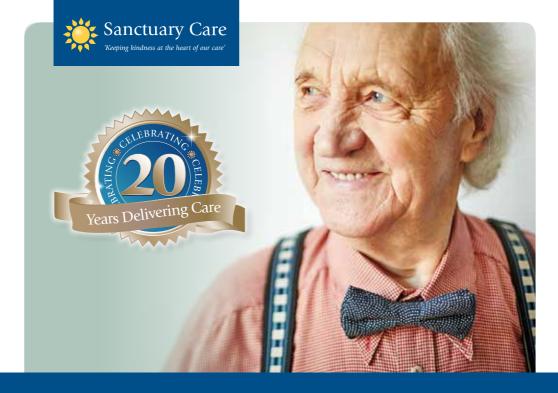
This year's theme is all about helping wildlife in neighbourhoods and the pack has inspiring ideas for sharing the challenge locally including creating hedgehog holes in fences, putting up bird and bat boxes and carrying out litter picks.

As part of the campaign, Cheshire Wildlife Trust will be hosting a fun day out at Marbury Country Park on Sunday 17th June, where people can take part in a variety of wildlife-themed activities. The Trust will also be celebrating the campaign on their social media - encouraging everyone to share their activities and what they love about wildlife.

People can join the challenge by signing up at www.cheshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/30days.







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Wirral Kayak Challenge

Our annual Coastal Kayak Event is fast approaching and
we are expecting participant numbers to soar.
The Kayak event will take place on
Sunday 24th June departing from Harrison Drive, New Brighton
and finishing at Thursaston.

Weekly meetings will be held at The Ship Pub, Hoylake every Wednesday evening from 2nd May until 20th June where par-ticipants can register. There will be a small registration fee pf £25 per person to cover insurance and administration costs.

For more information please visit our facebook page https://www.facebook.com/wirralkayakchallenge/or contact Mike 07791 104 428



The Rotary Club of Birkenhead

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ROTARIANS AWARDED FOR THEIR SERVICE BOTH TO THEIR COMMUNITIES AND CLUB

The award in Memory of Sam Larmour, a Past President of Birkenhead Rotary Club, has been presented to Rotarian Peter Davis OBE, who has worked for a number of years in support of youth projects. Peter is pictured right with Club President Tom Meade and Sam's widow Elizabeth Larmour, who attended a meeting to assist with the presentation.





The Club's Honorary Secretary Rotarian Cath Hayes is pictured with President Tom receiving the Dave Faulkner Award. This is presented annually in memory of Past President Dave, who, whilst always bringing fun and fellowship at Club events and meetings, also contributed many hours supporting all the Club's projects. Which is exactly what Cath Hayes has contributed over a number of years in her role, in fact members all look forward to her many amusing comments that brighten their day.

The third presentation was the John Pyke award, which went for the second time to Rotarian Simon Tomlinson for the tremendous contribution he makes for the annual sleigh community visits and collections. President Tom also praised the support that Sue Tomlinson has made throughout the year.



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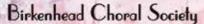
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CYCLE THE 20TH WIRRAL BIKEATHON FOR BLOODWISE AND HELP BEAT BLOOD CANCER

This is a fun-filled family event, a ride not a race, with all kinds of cycles taking part; we have seen reclining bikes, hand bikes, unicycles, a wheelchair and range of tandems and trailer bikes.





Our great local cycling legend, Chris Boardman, has been our patron and a huge supporter of the event over these many years together with members of his family. The ride is a figure of eight loop around the Wirral with start, midpoint and finish in Arrowe Country Park. It takes in north Wirral through Caldy and the Wirral Way to West Kirby and Moreton. The second section goes from the park to Thornton Hough, Storeton and Landican. There is musical entertainment in the park with hot and cold refreshments and light refreshments at two checkpoints on the route which is 28 miles in all but for those wanting a shorter ride a section of only 14 miles is possible. Each participant gets a T-shirt and a medal is presented at the end of the ride.

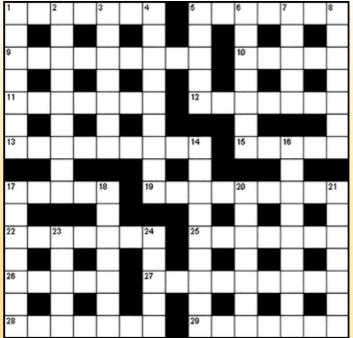
More than ever this year we are relying on your support to help us reach our target of £1 million for the charity Bloodwise. Since we started the event in 1999 you have helped us raise the magnificent sum of £920,000.

Cyclists can sign up online from 1 March 2018 at www.wirralbikeathon.com or download an entry form. The entrance fee for adults is £15.00 (£25.00 on the day) and for those aged 15 & under it is £5.00 (£5.00 on the day). All those taking part on the day are entered in a draw to win a Boardman Bike generously donated by Chris.

COME ALONG AND JOIN US!







Down

- 1 Small stones (7)
- 2 Pierce (9)
- 3 Moved down (7)
- 4 Steadily (9)
- 5 Small and insignificant (5)
- 6 Contracts (7)
- 7 Useful (5)
- 8 Bloom (7)
- 14 Comes across (9)
- 16 A message via wireless telegraphy (9)
- 17 Vigilant (7)
- 18 Ball-shaped (7)
- 20 Utmost (7)
- 21 Ceded (7)
- 23 The topping on a cake (5)
- 24 Dismay (5)

Across

- 1 Commonly liked (7)
- 5 Annoy (7)
- 9 A movement that attracts growing support (9)
- 10 Horned animal (5)
- 11 Not figurative (7)

- 12 One of New York's baseball teams (7)
- 13 Libelled (9)
- 15 Play a guitar (5)
- 17 Cries (5)
- 19 Before today (9)

- 22 An avatar of Vishnu (7)
- 25 Exceed (7)
- 26 A mendicant preacher (5)
- 27 Favoured (9)
- 28 Rational (7)
- 29 Grew out of (7)

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7th June 2018 Mermaid Trail

Various locations in New Brighton CH45 2HZ

New Brighton's new tourist trail to be launched on 7th June

There will be six identical mermaid statues sculpted by a local artist and decorated by local schools groups. The first five statues below will be unveiled with a small celebration event; the sixth (decorated by the sculptor) will be unveiled by the Mayor.

11.00am Statue 1 – Kings Parade 11.45am Statue 2 – Atherton Street/ Victoria Road

12.30pm Statue 3 – Seabank Road

1.15pm Statue 4 – Vale Park 2.00pm Statue 5 – Marine Promenade

2.45pm Statue 6 – Victoria Parade
The Trail will be walked to reach the next statue for unveiling.

Arrival time will be approx. 30mins earlier than the start time for unveiling of each statue



3rd June 2018 & 17th June Leasowe Lighthouse Open Days

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10th June 2018 The Wirral Bikeathon

Arrowe Country Park, Upton Wirral, Merseyside CH49 5LW Tel: 0151 327 3129

The Wirral Bikeathon is a charity bike ride which raises funds for Bloodwise www.bloodwise.org. uk (formerly Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research). It is the largest charity supporting patients suffering from blood cancers and those caring for them by funding research and providing information and advice. Last year more than 1000 riders – young and old – raised over £42,000 bringing the total donated to the charity in the last 18 years to more than £880,000. This year will be their 19th event, please help them to achieve their aim to reach the £1 million mark by 2019!



17th June 2018 Port Sunlight 10K, 5k & 1k

Port Sunlight, Wirral CH62 5DX

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For full race details see the website http://www.btrliverpool.com/#!port-sunlight-5k10k/cee5

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There will also be a 1k kids fun run



24th June 2018 Wirral Coastal Charity Walk

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A Wirral care home opened its doors to the public for celebrations to mark a national open day focused on creating community relationships.

The Hazelwell, a residential, nursing, palliative and respite care home in Heswall, joined thousands of other care homes around the UK taking part in Care Home Open Day in April.

The 55-bed care home opened in July, 2016 and has been rated as 'good' by the Care Quality Commission, the independent regulator of health and social services in England.

The idea behind Care Home Open Day, now in its sixth year, is to encourage local people to visit care homes in the community and work together to build long lasting relationships.

The suggested theme in 2018 for Care Home Open Day was 'linking communities' so The Hazelwell is inviting the general public to visit

the home for a special buffet lunch. Visitors also got the chance to meet new care home manager Kathryn McGuiness.

Kathryn said: "As the new care home manager of The Hazelwell, it was wonderful meeting members of the community from Heswall for this special Care Home Open Day.

"These are exactly the type of events we want to be involved in as a home as they are fantastic for building relationships with the local community and bringing generations together.

"Our residents really enjoyed it and there was a real buzz around the home about it. It was certainly Care Home Open Day a day to remember."

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