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Dear Friends,
The end of the school year again!

The children will be excited already starting their holidays, I hope the parents are enjoying the break too with them!

Summer is finally here, we certainly had a glorious May, June and July with the lovely weather. There is lots going on in and around Wirral - see our **What's on Guide** for some great ideas, so check them out!

There is something for everyone, many of the events are free events too!

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2. Catholics in Nicaragua, who observe Lent by abstaining from meat, make meals of armadillo or iguana instead.
3. The record for the most Wimbledon titles is held by Professor Bernard Neal: he was croquet champion 38 times.



4. Self-driving cars play Grand Theft Auto to learn how to drive better.
5. More than four tons of old U.S. paper money is mulched into compost every day.
6. You can get a Stand-up comedy master's degree at the University of Kent.

7. US\$1 million will only get you 16 square metres of prime property in Monaco, 22 square metres in Hong Kong, and 25 square metres in New York.



8. Alexander the Great's army conquered the world while wearing armor made of linen that could stop any arrow made at the time.
9. The oldest D20 dice was uncovered in Egypt and dates back around 30 BC.
10. Slovenian-speaking babies learn the number 2 sooner than English-speaking ones.
11. Humans are 50% heavier and four inches taller in the past 100 years than they have been throughout most of human history.



12. In 5,000 years of human history, only one disease has been eradicated: smallpox.
13. When Columbus "discovered" the Americas, the continent was already inhabited by 90 million people which was a third of the world's population.
14. Leif Erikson is regarded as the first European to land in North America, nearly 500 years before Columbus.
15. We Are Living In The Most Peaceful Time In Human History.



16. 600,000 hacking attempts are made to Facebook accounts every day.
17. You can change your language on Facebook to "Pirate."



18. Global warming could drive to extinction as many as 1 in 6 animal and plant species.



19. August 2014 was the warmest August ever recorded globally.
20. Cows emit more methane than the oil industry and are a huge factor in global warming.
21. About 24,000 people are killed by lightning strikes around the world each year.
22. Ounce by ounce, Nutritious food costs up to 10 times more than junk food.
23. Google hired a camel to create the Street View of a desert.



24. If a Formula One driver puts on 11 lb in weight, it can add 0.2 seconds to their lap time.
25. Isaac Newton lost the equivalent of US\$3 million in today's money on stock market in 1720.
26. Alexander Graham Bell invented several flying machines, but his attempts at flying flopped.
27. There are 328 people named "Abcde" in the U.S.



28. Arthur Guinness, founder of Guinness Brewery, had 21 children with just one wife.
29. Soccer player Edson Arantes do Nascimento, most known as Pelé, was named after Thomas Edison.
30. In 1898, Nikola Tesla predicted drone warfare.
31. Pablo Escobar offered to pay the whole of Colombia's national debt in an attempt to avoid extradition to the U.S.





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The city is full of culture and wonderful architecture such as Gaudi's masterpiece, Sagrada Familia church. Here you're sure to visit all the main attractions and night life with its great restaurants and bars.

You will be staying for 3 nights in Italy's major city to visit which is my favourite - **Rome**. You will be staying at the fantastic **Rimini Hotel**, full of charm and character.

Rome is the capital of Italy and of the Lazio region. With 2.9 million residents in 1,285 km² (496.1 sq mi).

Rome's history spans more than two and a half thousand years. While Roman mythology dates the founding of Rome at only around 753 BC, the site has been inhabited for much longer, making it one of the oldest continuously occupied sites in Europe.

The city is located in the central-western portion of the Italian Peninsula, within Lazio (Latium), along the shores of Tiber river. The Vatican City is an independent country geographically located within the city boundaries of Rome, the only existing example of a country within a city: for this reason Rome has been often defined as capital of two states.

Monuments and museums such as the Vatican Museums and the Colosseum are among the world's most visited tourist destinations with both locations receiving millions of tourists a year. Rome also hosted the 1960 Summer Olympics.

Rome has earned its ancient nickname of The Eternal City - no matter how many places in Italy vie for our attention, there's no city that can compare to Rome. Here you can walk the same streets that Caesar once walked, set foot in the smallest independent nation on earth, and see the handiwork of some of the world's greatest artists. Then you can turn a corner to see how modern Romans live alongside all that historic splendor.

Stroll through the one-time epicenter of the Roman Empire, gaze over the largest Roman amphitheater, see the Pope give his weekly address in St. Peter's Square, test your resolve at the Mouth of Truth, learn to fight like a gladiator, and find out what makes Roman pizza different from the stuff you'll eat in Naples. Few cities can entertain and overwhelm as quickly as Rome, so plan to take your time - and take plenty of breaks to sample the city's famous coffee and gelato. And don't forget to throw a coin in the Trevi Fountain to make sure you get a return trip to this most fascinating of cities.

You will then sail away to visit **Marseille** which is the second largest city in France after Paris.

Marseille was historically the most important trade centre in the

region and functioned as the main trade port of the French Empire. Marseille is France's largest city on the Mediterranean coast and largest commercial port as well as a leading cruise and freight port.

You will then sail away to visit **Barcelona**, prepare to be wowed by the creative genius of Gaudi, take time out along the stunning harbour, and get to know these sandy shorelines by the shimmering Mediterranean. Bars, beaches, boutiques and more...

You again set sail for the beautiful island of **Mallorca** one of Spain's Balearic Islands in the Mediterranean. It's known for beach resorts, sheltered coves, limestone mountains and Roman and Moorish remains. Capital Palma has nightlife, the Moorish Almudaina royal palace and 13th-century Santa Maria Cathedral.

Palermo in Italy is your next port of call before returning once again to Rome. Palermo is the capital of the Italian island of Sicily. Enjoy yourself if you book this holiday.

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AutoReview

by **Tony Yates**

Keeping you motoring

Skoda Citigo Colour Edition – 1.0 Mpi 60PS



Skoda has always put value for money at the forefront in everything they do, and in keeping with that, the Skoda Citigo is a small, value for money, city-friendly hatchback that is actually more sophisticated than most of its rivals and at a price that most of us looking for a small family car can easily afford.

Power and Efficiency

The Citigo I had on test had been fitted with a 1.0 MPI 60PS engine and is one of the best non turbo units I have come across in recent years. Fuel consumption is around the 60mpg if you drive it without pushing too hard, and flat out you can expect to achieve a max speed of around 100mph and 0-62 time of around 14sec.

I know what you are all thinking though – is it slow? Well actually it nips around really well and it does not feel underpowered at all even with only 60PS.

On the Road

The little Citigo is a scream – it's easy to drive and feels brilliant for such a small car, but you do need to remember this is not a race car; it's an eco warrior that was designed to save you money as well as look good and trendy. As for the handling - I would give it five stars because it's as good as the competition when the road gets twisty. Also, it's actually very quiet and quite refined, whilst the ride is a little bouncy, it's pretty decent really thanks mainly to Skoda doing a pretty good job on the suspension setup.

Safety and Technology

The safety side of the Citigo is impressive too – with standard equipment like: ABS (Anti-lock Braking System), Driver's and front passenger's airbags and ESC (Electronic Stability Control).

As with all Skoda's the interior is a little bland - but functional, but I like the body coloured dash panel and the centre Speedo which gives it a better feel all round. The seats are very good and hold you firm, but I do think they could have been a little better.

There is also an array of kit such as; 15" Auriga Black

alloy wheels, electric front windows, front fog lamps, manual air-conditioning, AM/FM radio including colour display with aux-in and SD card, USB ports, six speakers and Bluetooth, rear seat backrest split 60/40, remote central locking and sunset glass.

To Sum Up

The little Citigo - it's a great little car for doing the school run and for all the times when you need to nip into town to do a little retail therapy. There is no doubt in my mind that Citigo will live with you for a very long time and you will instantly replace it with another when the time is right. To be honest it's like your secret little friend that will make you feel happy every time you turn the key to go off on another little adventure.

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This is a lovely walk passing 2 impressive mansions, 2 quiet villages and beautiful views of the Dee Estuary.

Parking at Royden Park, turn left into the driveway leading to "Hill Bark". Ignore the path leading off left to Thursast Common, continuing forward towards the gates of the Hall for a further 30 yards.

Now turn left into the trees, following the broad path into a picnic area. Go straight across into the trees opposite and drop down into a wide grassland. Crossing this area you will have a lovely view of the mansion on your right.

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Walking diagonally left (towards the trees) you will arrive at a tumbledown sandstone wall, do not cross but keep it on your left until you reach a wooden bachelor gate. Pass through, turn to the right and a short walk will bring you to Montgomery Hill. Go straight across the road and enter the broad sandy track opposite. This will take you through fields to the West Kirby-Heswall Road, where you turn right. Follow the road for a quarter of a mile, until you reach Grange Cross Lane, go straight across and follow the road uphill for 200 yards. Cross the road to a gap in the wall and flight of stone steps, this is the way into Stapledon Woods.

As you enter the woods, take the left fork of the path. Keep the old stone wall (what is left of it) on your left as you go forward. After about 10 minutes, you will arrive at steps which take you down to a path passing behind some houses. You very soon reach a wooden bachelor gate which brings you into Caldby Road. Here, your way is to the right following the windy road through Caldby Village.

Caldby, mentioned in the Doomesday Book as Calders, was described in the early part of the 19th Century as being "one of the most villages in Wirral, consisting of a few fishermen's huts and miserable hovels." Fortunately, R W Barton changed all this when he bought the village and either rebuilt or renovated every house! What a beautiful village it is today!

Following Caldby Road as it bears to the right at the church, look out for a stone memorial in front of the church. Now cross the road to enter a path facing the



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memorial. This path narrows to become a sandy track winding its way down to Croft Drive. Here you need to turn right, crossing Croft Drive West and carry on forward to reach the remains of a demolished railway bridge. Turn right here into Wirral Country Park. Follow the Wirral Way for 3/4 of a mile with the Dee on your left. Look ahead for a bridge and climb the steps on the right when you reach it, leading into York Avenue.

Now go forward into the old village of West Kirby, passing 2 Inns, the Moby Dick and the Ring O'Bells, following the road as it climbs towards Grange Beacon, a popular viewing beacon. To reach the Beacon, look right for some stone steps as you near the top of the road. Climb the steps and they take you to the column. There is a lovely view of West Kirby and Hilbre Island, then turn left along Columm Road. When you reach the crossroads, turn right down Blackhorse Hill to reach the Viking with a great selection of bar food at reasonable costs to enjoy.

From The Viking, turn left and at the bottom of the hill cross into Saughall Massie Road. You will pass a school and then the lane winds its way between fields to meet a lane signposted "Frankby". Turn right here and, when you reach China Farm on the left of the road, pass this farmhouse and turn left into the field. Cross diagonally right over the field, ignoring the farm track which follows the left hedge. Walk towards a small group of trees, you are now on your way to Larton. After you have crossed a two-bar stile, continue forward over a step-stile and a small stone footbridge until, after leaving the trees, you reach Larton Stables. The path now becomes a wide track following a straight line to reach Frankby Road.

Carry on straight ahead through a bachelor gate, following a well-trodden pathway that rises as it passes close to Frankby Hall. This building was built in 1846 by Sir Thomas Royden. 80 years ago the Hall and it's 61 acre estate was offered to Hoylake Council for £8,000! As they weren't interested, Wallasey Corporation bought the estate for use as a cemetery and the Hall is now a chapel.

The path passes the Hall, carrying on straight ahead to end at the bachelor gate where it meets Montgomery Hill. Turn right, follow the road for about 100 yards and then turn left into a broad tree lined road that will take you back to the car park.



August in the Garden



For many gardeners the month of August begins the downhill slide into off season. Warm climate gardeners have a second chance, but some don't have a second wind after summer's heat. Your garden is harder than you think and there are plenty of gardening tasks for August that will keep your flower and vegetable gardens going longer, as well as opportunities to get a head start on next year's garden plans.

Here's a Garden-To-Do List for the sultry month of August:

- Seed a fall crop of peas and spinach and keep harvesting. There's always something to make with zucchini.
- Pick herbs for fresh use and for drying. Harvesting will keep them growing longer.
- Order spring bulbs for planting and forcing.
- Check that your mulch hasn't decomposed and add more as needed.
- Spread a mid-season layer of compost or manure.
- Keep deadheading and harvesting.
- Leave some annual seeds to self-sow.
- Start saving seeds and taking cuttings.
- Remove any diseased foliage now, so it doesn't get lost in the fall leaves.
- Cut back the foliage of early bloomers

- like Brunnera and hardy geraniums, to revitalize the plants.
- Prune summer flowering shrubs as the flowers fade.
- Trim and feed hanging baskets to prolong their beauty.
- Take pictures of your garden at peak.
- Pot up perennial divisions for spring plant swaps. Sink the pots into the ground this fall and they'll be one less chore in the spring.
- Plant trees, shrubs and perennials now, so they can take root, and keep them well watered.
- Get your fall-blooming crocus and colchicum planted so they'll bloom on time.
- Start moving houseplants back indoors, so they get used to the limited sun exposure and humidity. Maybe bring some outdoor plants inside, to over winter, too.
- Begin planting for the winter vegetable garden.
- Plant a spring crop of garlic.
- Order spring flowering bulbs for pre-chilling.
- Feed citrus trees after harvest.



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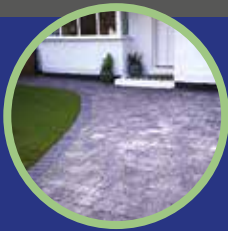
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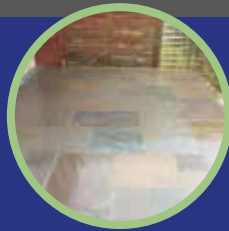
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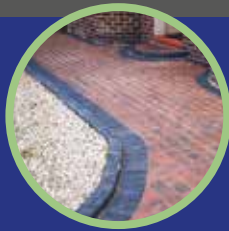
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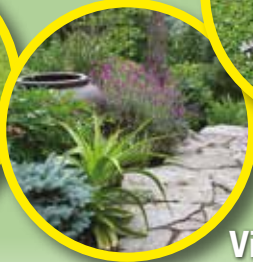
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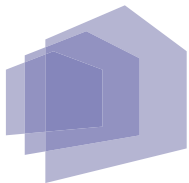
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From our sponsor, bradshaw, farnham & lea, to the shops who sold advance tickets, to the cafes, shops & garden centres who donated brilliant raffle prizes, tickets for which were sold by 19 staff and volunteers from Hoylake Cottage. There was an owl display, local artisans showcasing their work, Caldy church & church hall opened their doors & gardens, plus there was a delicious range of cakes, cookies, ice cream, barbecue sausages and drinks, attracting over 1,500 adult visitors and lots of children.

Most exciting of all is that all the monies raised will enable Hoylake Cottage Dementia Day Care Centre to proceed with the next stage in their creation of a Reminiscence Village. This is a ground breaking initiative in dementia care, the first of its kind in the country, which will benefit dementia sufferers, their families and the wider community.

As Sarah Cliffe, Dementia Day Care Manager says:-

"We were delighted when Caldy Open Gardens chose us as their charity for 2018. The target for our fundraising appeal is £100,000, so £20,000 is an incredible boost which will enable us to complete the next phase in the development of the Reminiscence Village. We're all passionate about bringing this vision to life. Our mission is to be a lifeline

for all local people living with dementia, their families and carers by creating new, exciting, innovative ways of delivering dementia care."

Rachel & Tony Summers, co-ordinators of Caldy Open Gardens, want to thank everyone who played a role in helping raise such a fantastic amount. The next Caldy Open Gardens will be in 2020 with some brand new gardens and initiatives, so watch this space!

Details of people in cheque presentation photo, from left to right, are:-

Hoylake Cottage
Renate Collins, Therapeutic Support Worker
Janet Roper, Therapeutic Support Worker
Gill Beesley (in blue), General Manager
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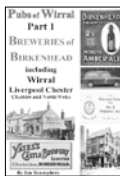
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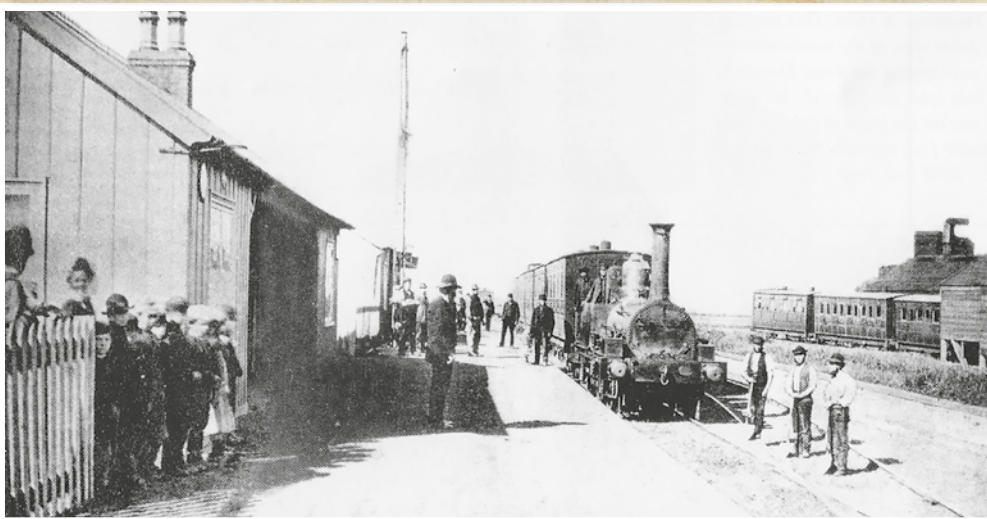
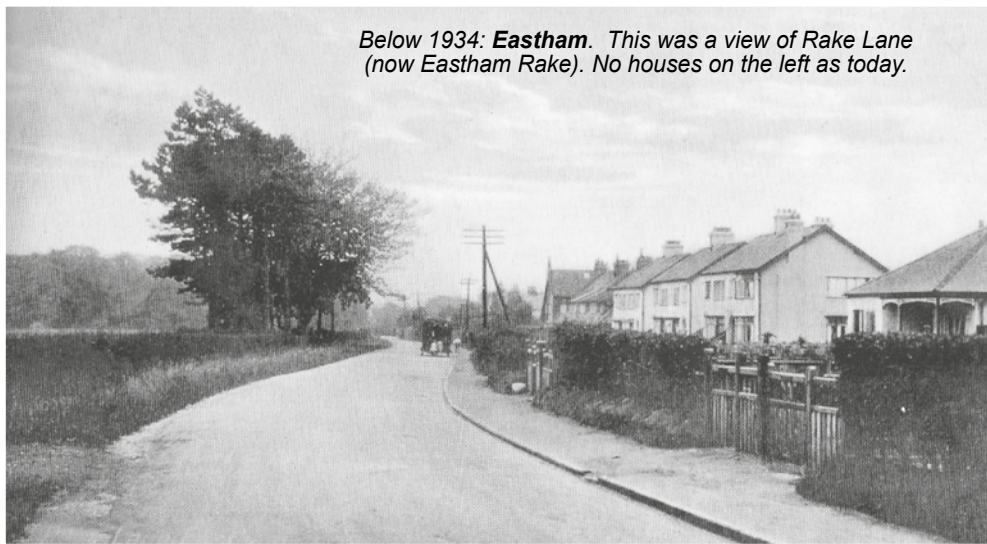
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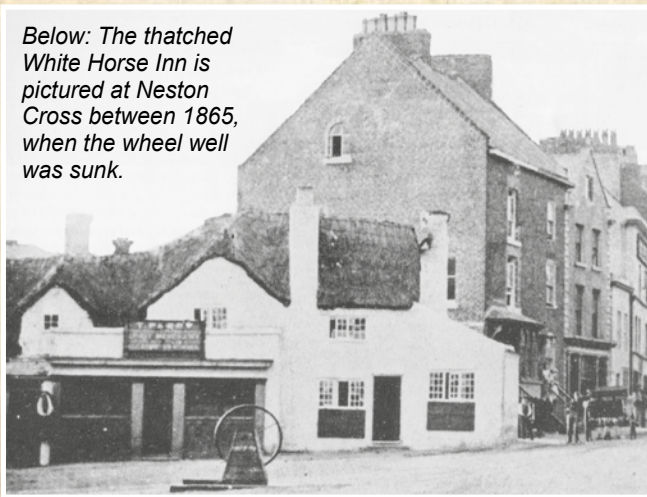


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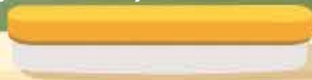
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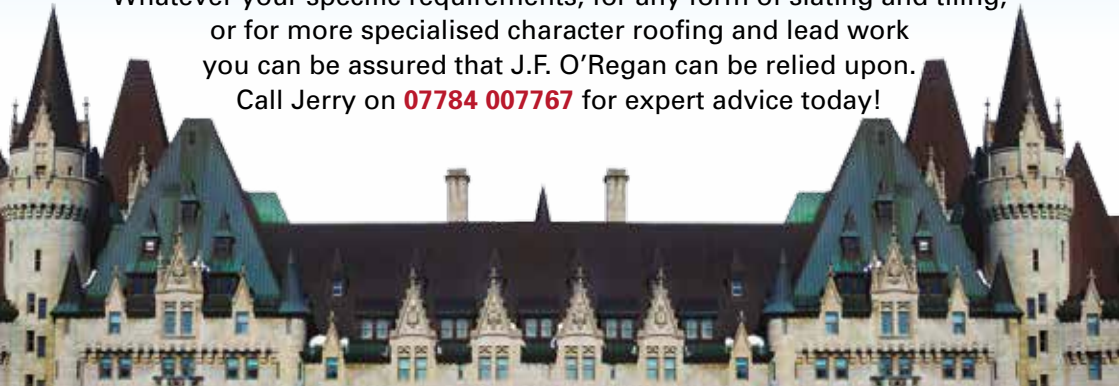
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That's why LOVEmyBEACH have developed a beach friendly checklist for business owners, offering advice on how improvements can be made to prevent pollution.

Simple steps such as disposing of kitchen fats in the bin rather than down the sink, putting stickers on your toilets asking people to put disposable products in the bin and not the toilet, or becoming a ReFILL station to cut back on the requirement for single-use water bottles, can all help make a difference.

Kate Shane, Head of Merlin Entertainments' Blackpool Cluster has recently signed up to be a LOVEmyBEACH business and as a

result is promoted the '3Ps' initiative in all of the venues toilet facilities in order to avoid environmentally-damaging items ending up in marine waters or washed up on the beach.

She added: "This is an incredibly important campaign. When people flush the wrong things down the toilet it significantly increases the risk of sewage and unflushable items leaking into the sea which can cause problems for wildlife and also make people ill if they are swimming or paddling."

The checklist is a simple A4 sheet which a business owner or manager could complete in less than half an hour. It also includes an employee pledge sheet; encouraging businesses to speak to their teams about the actions which individuals can take at work and at home to protect our coastline.

The business checklist can be found on the LOVEmyBEACH website. The site also contains information about beach clean events across the North West coast for those businesses who want to go the extra mile.

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Glyn takes on the Stelvio Pass for Maggie's



Wirral man Glyn Salmon has just returned having completed the Stelvio Pass in Italy with his friend Graham Hanna on behalf of Maggie's Merseyside, raising close to £4,000 for the cancer caring Centre located next to The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre.

Glyn and Graham completed the 21km Stelvio pass, which is 21km long with an average gradient of 7% with the summit approx. 10,000 ft above sea level. Glyn said "I have had two bouts of cancer. The first time 4 years ago I had a small operation followed by chemotherapy and radiotherapy, sadly two years later the cancer returned and I had an 11 hour operation followed by a six hour operation four months later. The operations have left me with a permanent soma and rare condition called Pudendal Neuropathy / neve entrapment – leaving me with chronic pain and the inability to sit down. The disease prevents me from doing the thing I loved best (once the football went) cycling, so I have adapted and for the past year I have been riding my recumbent trike. This is not a message of pity but a message of hope for people who have to or are dealing with this terrible disease, please just keep going, find ways of adapting and draw on the tremendous love that your beautiful family and friends give you."

Glyn and Graham have raised close to £4,000 for the Maggie's Centre, following the support Glyn received there. Glyn now volunteers at the Centre, welcoming Centre visitors as they call in for support.

He continued, "The love and support I got from my family and friends helped me to get back on my feet, but life was never going to be the same and the mental side of my cancer

and my operations was becoming a block in recovering to lead a decent life again. My doctor asked me to go to Maggie's and see the counsellor.

I walked into this beautiful building by the side of the cancer unit at Clatterbridge hospital, to welcome of warmth and understanding. Kathy and her wonderful team offer any amount of help and advice, with a wonderful smile.

It is here in Maggie's you feel someone is listening to the pain you are in. It is a place where you can open your heart, you can cry, you do laugh and you do make friends".

Kathy Wright Centre Head at Maggie's said "We're all blown away by what Glyn and Graham have done for our Centre, and are completely humbled and inspired. Congratulations! Not only have they taken on an incredible challenge, having overcome countless barriers to making it up the pass, but they've raised such a huge amount of money. Every penny will help me and my team be here for people affected by cancer when they need it most. Thank you to Glyn and Graham, and everyone that sponsored and supported them, for your generosity and kindness. Glyn is a true gent and our Maggie's hero!".

To sponsor Glyn and Graham visit their JustGiving page:

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3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1 tablespoon lemon juice

Heat oven to 425°F. Place 1 pie crust in ungreased 9-inch glass pie plate. Press firmly against side and bottom.

In large bowl, gently mix filling ingredients; spoon into crust-lined pie plate. Top with second crust. Wrap excess top crust under bottom crust edge, pressing edges together to seal; flute. Cut slits or shapes in several places in top crust.

Bake 40 to 45 minutes or until apples are tender and crust is golden brown. Cover edge of crust with 2- to 3-inch-wide strips of foil after first 15 to 20 minutes of baking to prevent excessive browning. Cool on cooling rack at least 2 hours before serving.



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8 servings

Prep time: 15 minutes

Start to finish: 2 hours 55 minutes

Crust

1 Pillsbury refrigerated pie crust (from 14.1-ounce box), softened as directed on box

Filling

1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened

1/3 cup sugar

1 tablespoon orange-flavored liqueur or orange juice

4 cups assorted fresh whole berries (small strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, and/or blackberries)

1/3 cup red currant jelly, melted

Heat oven to 450°F. Prepare pie crust as directed on package for one-crust baked shell using 9-inch tart pan with removable bottom. Bake for 9 to 11 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely.

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'One Wirral' Festival returns to Birkenhead Park on Saturday 18th August 2018



A crowd-funding campaign to bring back 'One Wirral Festival' was successful after the Wirral Chamber of Commerce and The Lauries both pledged £2500 to ensure the event could go ahead for a second year. The FREE event took place for the first time last summer and drew in over 2000 visitors despite poor weather. It is now set to take place again on **Saturday 18th August from 11am till 4pm**.

'One Wirral' is organised by local learning disability charities Wirral Mencap and Options for Supported Living and is a celebration of Wirral and ALL who live here, promoting the diversity in our community and bringing everyone together for a fully inclusive fun-filled day in Birkenhead Park. As well as highlighting the talents and contributions of people with a disability, the organisers involve a wide range of groups and individuals to showcase talent and opportunities from across the community. Activities are set across 7 zones which include a Community Zone, Active Zone, Cultural Zone and Stage. To ensure everyone can enjoy the event the organisers make reasonable adjustments which include having sign language interpreters in the workshops and Changing Places facilities on site (specialist toilets for people with complex disabilities).

Wirral Chamber of Commerce and The Lauries join a raft of pledgers, big and small, who have made One Wirral Festival 2018 a reality. Paula Basnett, CEO at Wirral Chamber of Commerce spoke on behalf of both the Chamber of Commerce and The Lauries, she said, "It

is important that events such as the One Wirral Festival continue, offering great opportunities to promote the achievements and important contributions made by people with and without disabilities in making our community stronger. Both Wirral Chamber of Commerce and The Lauries are very much community minded about our businesses and our people, so we were delighted to show our support for the One Wirral Festival."

Wirral Change, a charity that supports Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Communities in Wirral also pledged £500 to see the festival go ahead this year. Sharon Munroe, (Community Liaison Officer) said, "Wirral Change is supporting this fantastic festival because we love bringing the community together and we love celebrating cultural diversity. This year we will be hosting the Cultural Zone celebrating the diverse communities that reside in Wirral: there will be food from across the globe and an exhibition of different cultural traditions."

Wirral Mencap's event lead, Sharon Nicholson said, "We've had individual pledges from members of the public, volunteers, staff, family and friends of Wirral Mencap and Options and from local 3rd sector organisations and Wirral businesses. It has been a real community effort to raise the funds. A huge thank you to everyone who gave One Wirral 2018 their support. Join us on the 18th August for a fantastic fun-filled FREE day out for all the family!"

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SURVIVAL IN CAPTIVITY

Speaker Meg Parkes (centre) Hon. Research Fellow Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, is pictured with on the left Ro Murphy and Jill Mackeen following her presentation on "The Art of Survival in Far East Captivity 1942-45".

Rotarians were both moved and amazed to hear what was just a glimpse at what prisoners had to endure, especially those who had been injured or developed myriad illnesses due to the conditions of their imprisonment. At great risk, some prisoners used an array of means to record the conditions, while skilled craftsmen among them made medical instruments and equipment used to treat the survivors.

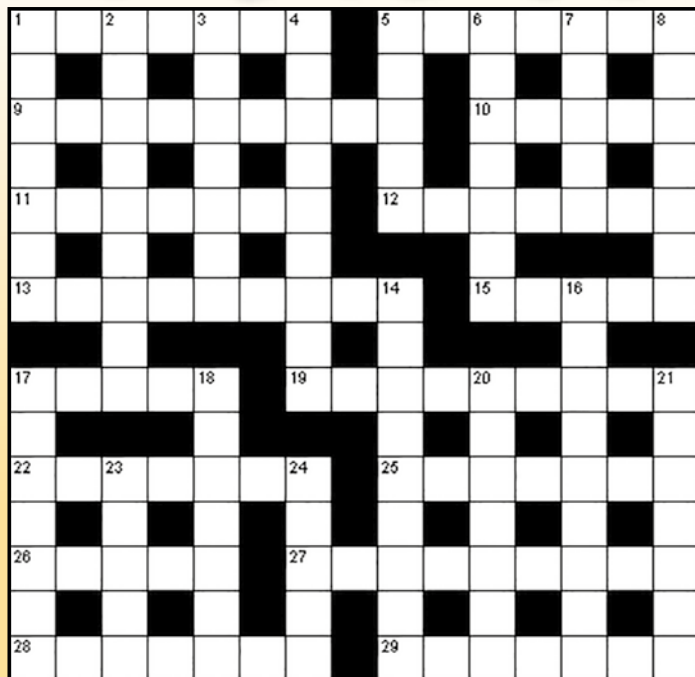
The subject will inspire a major art exhibition in 2019 headed up by The Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, in partnership with the University of Liverpool. It will be held at the Victoria Gallery & Museum, Brownlow Hill, Liverpool, from October 2019 to June 2020.

Meg, whose Father Captain AA Duncan was himself a Japanese prisoner of war, has written a number of books and carried out extensive research, including recording the memories of 67 Far East prisoners of war. These men's stories had remained largely unheard – until this important project was undertaken.

The sketch featured was drawn by Meg's Father Captain Duncan and is a view from his bedspace, Zentsuji 1944.



PUZZLE CORNER



Down

1. Speediest (7)
2. Eradicate (9)
3. Hanging platform (7)
4. Hence (9)
5. Gambits (5)
6. Martyrs (7)
7. Tropical vine (5)
8. Profane (7)
14. Inordinate (9)
16. Artificial moon (9)
17. Custodian (7)
18. Grow worse (7)
20. Oblivious (7)
21. Withdraw (7)
23. Malfunctions (5)
24. Scrimp (5)

Across

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| 5. Spin (7) | 15. Impudent (5) | 27. Pseudo (9) |
| 9. Quietude (9) | 17. Place (5) | 28. After dinner treat (7) |
| 10. Seat (5) | 19. Meet (9) | 29. Any simple chemical (7) |
| 11. A part of a broadcast serial (7) | 22. Outcomes (7) | |
| 12. What Popeye ate (7) | 25. Red (7) | |

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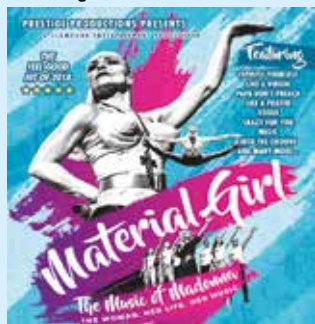
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A care home in the Wirral has become the first to host a new local toddler group activity morning as part of a fun intergenerational activity.

Staff from The Hazelwell, a residential, nursing, palliative and respite care home in Heswall, responded to an invitation from community playgroup, The Residents Rainbows.

Aimee Sadler set up the group after she had her first baby, Amelia, in July, 2016 after realising the positive impact her daughter had on her grandfather when she took her to visit him in a hospice last year.

Aimee took 18 children, ranging from 0 - 4 years old accompanied by parents and grandparents to The Hazelwell – which opened almost two years ago and has been rated as ‘good’ by the Care Quality Commission, the independent regulator of health and social services in England - for The Residents Rainbows first-ever playgroup last month.

The morning started with some free play which allows the children to play with a huge range of toys and gives the parents and guardians time to interact with the residents by introducing their little ones.

The group then got together to sing well-known nursery rhymes with Aimee providing a giant rainbow-coloured parachute for parents to hold as the children ran underneath and watched the colours move around.

Aimee finished the session with a hot drink for the adults and a snack for the children who then sat on a mat with a final story.

The Hazelwell care home manager Kathryn McGuinness said: “We work very hard to make The Hazelwell a wonderful place to live at for our residents and we are always looking for activities and events that improve their overall happiness and well-being.

“We were delighted that The Residents Rainbows got in touch with us and are proud to be the first care home in the Wirral to trial this fantastic project which bridges the aim between the young and the elderly. Our residents had a wonderful time and many of them have not stopped talking about it.”

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