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### Dear Friends,

Hello and welcome to our 100th August edition of Love Wirral magazine.

We've heard of so many heroes over the last few months on the media and we would also like to say a **BIG THANKYOU** to people on the frontline, our advertisers and family and friends.

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Affected vehicles include VW, Mercedes, Renault and Nissan with more being investigated.

Our Director Alisha Butler is involved in the VW Group Litigation as a consultant and she states that: "Owners / previous owners may have claim similar to that of the VW group litigation claimants.

These large manufacturers should not be deceiving the public with these cheat devices. People often buy their cars based on claims made by the manufacturers such as "environmentally friendly" or "Cleanest Diesel Cars Ever" but these vehicles have been shown to

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3. Between 40% and 80% of the population of Classical Athens were slaves.
4. China has treatment camps for Internet addicts.
5. There's high-speed Internet on the way up to Mount Everest.
6. In 1986, a volcanic lake in Cameroon, Africa burped a CO2 gas cloud that killed 1,746 people in minutes.

7. The weird bright dots you see floating when you look at the sky are your white blood cells.

8. **Being hit by lightning causes weird skin designs called "Lichtenberg figures."**



9. A cat has been the mayor of Talkeetna, Alaska for 15 years.
10. Dead people can get goose bumps.
11. You have Taste receptors in the stomach, intestines, pancreas, lungs, anus, testicles and the brain.
12. Viagra can keep cut flowers standing up straight for up to a week longer than normal.

13. **Anatidaephobia is the weird fear that somewhere, somehow, a duck is watching you.**



14. In 1945, a rooster named Mike, lived 18 months without a head.
15. **Leeches have 32 brains.**



16. A snail has about 25,600 "teeth".
17. **Humans can inflate balloons with their ears.**



18. If you inhale a pea, it can sprout and grow in your lungs.
19. During the 18th century, you could pay your admission ticket to the zoo in London by bringing a cat or a dog to feed the lions.

20. **A baby was born in 2005 with a conjoined head that had no body. The head could blink and smile.**



21. Sound waves can be used to make objects levitate.
22. Like all living things, humans are bioluminescent: We glow.
23. **"Rain of fish" is an annual weather event in which hundreds of fish rain from the sky onto the city Yoro in Honduras.**
24. There are beers made out of fossils.
25. Many expensive Perfumes contain whale poop.
26. **Snakes can have two heads and fight each other for food.**



27. Diabetics' urine can be made into whiskey because of the urine's high sugar content.
28. Galileo's middle finger is on display at a museum in Florence, Italy.
29. A slug's anus is on its head.
30. Capuchin Male Monkeys urinate on themselves to attract a mate.
31. In 1971, Evita Peron's body was exhumed and flown to Spain, where Argentina's Ex-President Juan Peron and his new wife kept the corpse in their dining room.
32. Dogs Poop in Alignment with Earth's Magnetic Field.
33. Human saliva contains a painkiller called opiorphin that is six times more powerful than morphine.
34. As soon as tiger shark embryos develop teeth, they attack and eat each other in the womb.
35. In older versions of Little Red Riding Hood, the girl and the wolf eat grandma together.
36. The boomslang snake's venom causes you to bleed from all holes of your body.
37. Flamingos are pink because they eat shrimp.



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## Bridge Community Farms sees demand for its veg boxes surge during Coronavirus



The charity Bridge Community Farm in Ellesmere Port is seeing demand for its vegetable boxes surge during Coronavirus.

The charity, which has been working flat out to meet the demands of people affected by the pandemic, has taken on an extra 350 customers in the past few weeks.

Clair Johnson, General Manager of Bridge Community Farm, said: "Most of our new customers have come to us because they are in self-isolation, can't get to the shops and don't know of a local support group to shop for them.

"Some are elderly, some are living alone and most are anxious about how to get healthy fresh food into their homes.

"We're delighted to be providing a much-needed service to our community. Our customers are immensely grateful for contact from us, a cheery e-mail or Facebook message, a chatty phone call and the excitement of a vegetable, salad or fruit box delivery once a week or once a fortnight.

"All express their heart-felt gratitude to our 20 valiant volunteer delivery drivers when they drop off their boxes and then, of course, retreat 10 metres to have a little chat."

Bridge Community Farm is based in Ellesmere Port and supports those coping with mental health and learning difficulties in the therapeutic environment of their 10-acre farm. They also create jobs for the long term unemployed growing fresh vegetables, salads, herbs and fruit in their fields and poly tunnels.

### The Farm is currently closed to the public.

For more information or if you can volunteer as a grower, veg box packer or delivery driver please visit <https://bwgardens.co.uk/> or call 07446 699995.

How to sign up to the veg box scheme

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Click 'sign up now' link, this takes you on to the order page.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

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## Bridge Community Wellness Gardens welcomes four new trustees on board



**The Ellesmere Port based charity Bridge Community Wellness Gardens has appointed four new trustees.**

To help support its growth, a new chair has been appointed as well as four other trustees. The charity is also looking for another trustee with senior finance experience in the charity sector to join the team.

New Chair Anne Davies MBE, a Deputy Lieutenant of Cheshire, said: "We are delighted to announce the appointment of four new Trustees, all highly experienced professionals who are excited to join the board during this period of growth."

Joining the team of trustees is Clare Roberts, who for the last four years has worked for Cheshire West and Chester Council, co-ordinating the Poverty Truth Commission. She has worked extensively to support people with a lived experience of poverty in the local community and is passionate about believing in people to reach their full potential.

Daniel Rogers, interim CEO of Chapter, a Mental Health Charity in Ellesmere Port, is also welcomed as a new Trustee to Bridge Wellness Gardens.

He said: "I've worked with mental health for the past eight years and I'm a firm believer that mental ill-health should not be a barrier to opportunity. I'm delighted to have joined the board to represent the mental health needs of our local communities."

With a wealth of commercial and business knowledge, supporting the charity as a new trustee is John Loney,

a company, commercial, and real estate partner at Knights plc.

Mick Slater, who joined the Royal Navy as a Hydrographic Surveyor aged 16 and was awarded the MBE in 2008 for his services, is the fourth trustee for the charity. Mick, who served in the Falklands War, was previously Operations Director and Interim CEO for Bibby HydroMap.

Bridge Wellness Gardens provides training and life skills to those with learning disabilities and mental health issues. It is set in an outdoor farming environment and champions sustainable farming practices with fresh local produce delivered to customers' doors on a weekly or fortnightly basis. The charity oversees Bridge Community Farms which has been working flat out in recent months to deliver weekly and fortnightly vegetable, salad and fruit boxes to its rapidly growing number of customers across Cheshire and Wirral.

The farm is currently closed to the public but if you are interested in ordering a regular veg box please visit <https://bwgardens.co.uk/> or call 07446 699995.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the trustee position for someone with senior finance experience in the charity sector can contact Bridge Wellness Gardens by e-mailing [bridgevegbox@gmail.com](mailto:bridgevegbox@gmail.com)



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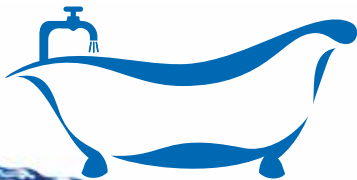
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*Ford Fiesta ST200 - a Tweaked ST, but still fun to drive in any version.*

*As a child I used to spend most of my weekends watching Bodie & Doyle strut their stuff on TV, whilst also watching them messing about doing handbrake turns and smoking the tyres around the streets of London in a selection of cars from the likes of British Leyland and Ford to name but a few.*

*Of course as you get older - reality slips in and you realise it was all fake and just for the purpose of TV entertainment - but as a young boy, it didn't stop me spending many hours in my garden acting out scenes from the latest episode where I was the good guy in my Ford Fiesta XR2 chasing the baddies.*

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*Even now 30 years on, Ford's ST200 has started to ignite all my senses and prove once again why Ford continues to dominate the 'Hot Hatch' arena.*

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Powered by an 1.6 litre Eco Boost turbocharged petrol engine with 290Nm of Torque - 200PS of Ford Power, a 0-62 time of around 6.7 seconds and a top speed of around 142mph.

I also expected the little Fiesta to sound a little wheezy - but to be honest - I was wrong about that too. Because instead what you do get is something that sounds like the Knights Templars are having their own conquest right under your seat. Take it from me; it really is the most wonderful noise you can hear bellowing from that Eco Boost engine.

## On the Road

As with all of Ford's hot hatches – it changes direction like it's on rails and it holds the road like a F1 car on super sticky slicks. Don't get me wrong, it does have its faults. But when it comes down to getting it on – nothing on the road as small as the ST200 can even get close to how it handles on the twisty stuff.

Plus, Ford has also stiffened up the suspension and updated the front anti-roll bar, meaning the ST200 now feels more solid than a standard ST – which also helps improve the ride without the need for back surgery every few weeks.

## Safety and Technology

On the inside you get Recaro seating and branded ST interior details – but I found the Sat-Nav/Radio far too complex. I am not joking either – I actually think it's more complex than a Rubik's Cube. But then again I am not that tech savvy – so maybe I need to take in some training or read the handbook.

Also, as its the ST200 you also get a lot of additional features such as; cruise control, privacy glass, Thatcham Cat1 alarm, full ST bodystyling kit, unique ST200 badges, rain sensing wipers, auto headlights, puddle lamps, Mykey technology, 17" matt black alloys, Sony DAB radio, and a whole host of sophisticated systems including Electronic Torque Vectoring Control.

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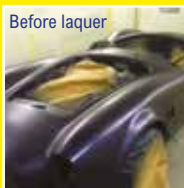
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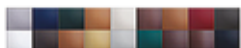
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## How to Wipe Out Ocean Plastic - even when on lock down!

We can all do our bit for the environment, even if we are on lock down and that is why LOVEmyBEACH is launching a new campaign to Wipe Out Ocean Plastic - or WOOP!

Aimed at young people, and young women in particular, the campaign seeks to raise awareness of the fact that many of the products they most commonly use such as wet wipes and period care products contain plastic and when disposed of incorrectly can end up in our oceans, on our beaches and harm wildlife.

Around 11 billion wet wipes are used in the UK each year and are the cause of 80 per cent of sewer blockages, costing £100 million a year. In addition, 1.5 billion period care products are flushed every year in the UK. Sadly, plastic waste kills around one million seabirds and 100,000 mammals every year.

Zephie Begolo, LOVEmyBEACH campaign manager said: "The vast majority of wet wipes and period care products are made of plastic that don't break down in sewers. This can harm the environment in two ways: firstly, by causing sewer blockages and 'fatbergs' which can lead to sewer systems being overwhelmed and overflowing during times of increased rainfall, which can also lead to floods. And secondly, if they end up on beaches and in the ocean, they can cause serious harm to the environment and to wildlife.

"The good news is that we can all play a big part in protecting our oceans and wildlife by making some simple changes in our day-to-day lives."

The WOOP! (Wipe Out Ocean Plastic) campaign encourages people to only throw single use items containing plastic in the bin and to never

flush them down the loo. LOVEmyBEACH is also encouraging young women to look for alternatives on the market that won't do as much damage to the environment, such as menstrual cups, 'fine to flush' wet wipes and period products that do not contain plastic.

"People might be wondering what they can do to help the environment while they are on lock down and spending a lot of time at home. In fact, there are lots of things we can do to protect our oceans and wildlife, even if we are nowhere near the coast," Zephie commented.

You can help to protect the environment from the comfort of your own home by taking these three easy steps:

- 1. Never flush wet wipes, period products or anything else down the loo, unless it's one of the 3 P's - Pee, Poo and Paper!**
- 2. Always dispose of these unflushable items in a bin. It's so easy and has a big impact.**
- 3. Look out for sustainable products that don't contain plastic, such as reusable make up wipes, biodegradable pads and tampons or menstrual cups.**

People can get involved in the campaign by sharing their pictures of how they are helping to **Wipe Out Ocean Plastic** and using the hashtag #WOOP!

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During Children's Hospice Week, Play Specialist Lawren shines a light on the importance of children's hospices, dressing up in fancy dress every day for two weeks to walk 100km.



When lockdown was announced Lawren Harris, Play Specialist at Claire House Children's Hospice, along with her colleagues, adapted the way they work so they could continue to be there for the families the charity supports, with many of these families having to self-isolate.

Speaking on the Play team's new way of working, Lawren said: *"We haven't let Covid-19 beat us and by welcoming technology with open arms, we have still had fun delivering play sessions and connecting with families during this particularly difficult period."*

*"Whilst we still do sessions in the hospice, for those who cannot make it, the Play team have been showcasing our skills and story voices in videos which parents and children can watch."*

*"We have been able to provide story times, Makaton sessions, nursery rhyme singing, arts and crafts sessions, like a how to make gloop, and offer some great links to positive, fun ideas to help families with sick children during these unprecedented times."*

As well as helping in her usual role, Lawren has also set herself the challenge to complete the charity's 100ks of Summer.

This virtual challenge requires participants to run, walk, cycle or ramble 100 kilometres during the 100 days of Summer for their local children's hospice. There is no registration fee and Claire House only ask for a minimum of £100 to be raised.

Lawren wanted to do something to not only commemorate Children's Hospice Week, but raise vital funds for Claire House. Setting herself the task of not only completing the distance in

two weeks around the Claire House gardens, Lawren will also be dressed up in a different fancy dress costume each day.

Speaking on the challenge, Lawren said: "I am taking on the 100ks of Summer because I know every penny that gets donated makes a huge impact to the children and families that Claire House supports.

*"I wanted to bring play into it with some fancy dress and doing a lot of my laps in the Claire House garden, as that's where we love to have fun and create lovely memories with the children and families."*

*"Hopefully the fancy dress can also help people smile, as at this moment, I think we could all benefit from a little chuckle."*

You can support Lawren by visiting her JustGiving page - [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Lawren-Harris](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Lawren-Harris)

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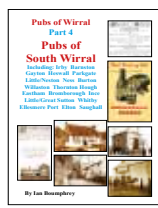
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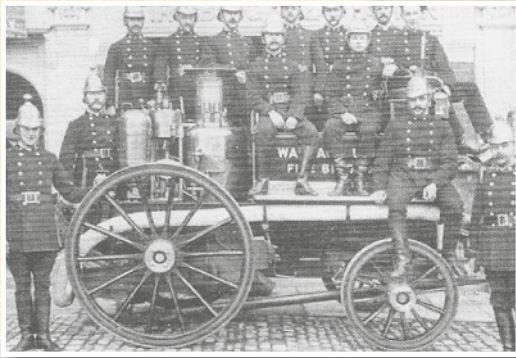


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Left: 1896. The horse and cart has just crossed the bridge over Wallasey Pool, connecting **Birkenhead and Wallasey**. Originally known as the 'Half-penny Bridge' due to the cost of the toll from when it opened in 1843, it became known as the Penny Bridge when the toll was increased in 1896. A new swing bridge replaced the old one.

Right: 1898. The Bandstand is seen in Marine Park **New Brighton**, which was opened in 1897. Popular concerts were performed here twice a week in the season. The property seen on the right is at the bottom of Rowson Street.



Left: 1899. This Merryweather Steamer, which would be hauled by either two or four horses, was purchased for the **Wallasey Fire Brigade**. Sperintendent John Howarth is seen on the right.

Below: 1902. The beach at New Brighton was a popular place to be seen, wearing hat and dark clothes.





Left 1901. The boys are using the entrance to the Liscard Battery entrance as a goal. The battery was built in 1858 but never fired a shot in anger. The magazines were located nearby from the late 1700s when visiting ships to the Mersey would have to deposit any gunpowder while in port. Much to the relief of the local residents, from 1851 gunpowder was transferred to magazine ships moored off New Ferry. Note the barrel of a discarded canon on the right.

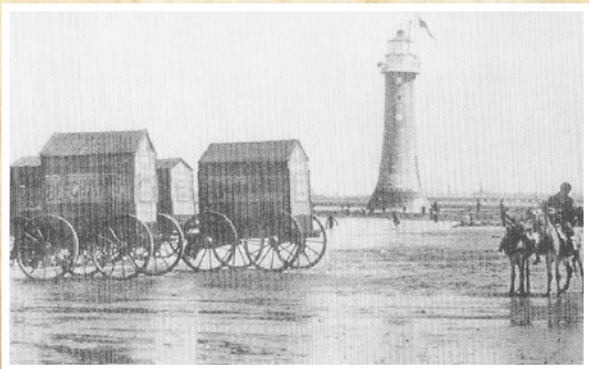
Below 1901. A view of Central Park Liscard with people enjoying the views and other more strenuous ones rowing on the lake.



Above 1902. Work on building **New Brighton Tower** commenced June 1896 with the grounds being opened at Whitsun 1897 and the tower in 1900. As New Brighton was competing with Blackpool for the Lancashire and Midlands town holiday trade, at 621 feet high their tower was over 50feet higher than Blackpool's.



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Left 1896. **New Brighton Lighthouse** can be seen to the right of the bathing machines on wheels. These machines were required by the local by-laws to be used when bathing. Fines were imposed if not used. There were separate bathing huts for men and women - horses would take them into the water.

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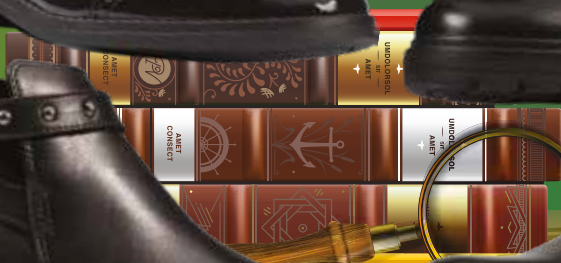
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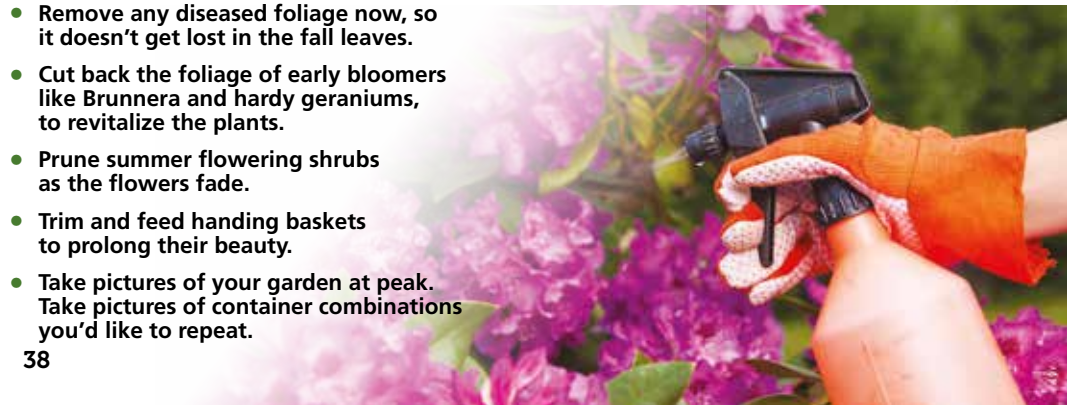
## Here's a Garden-To-Do List for the sultry month of August:

- 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. Take pictures of container combinations you'd like to repeat.

- Begin dividing perennials. Start with the bearded iris.
- 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 fall/winter vegetable garden.
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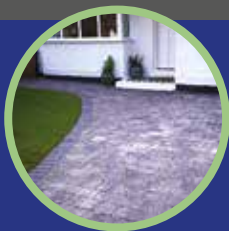
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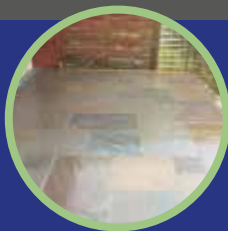
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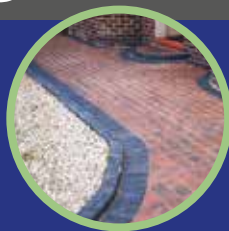
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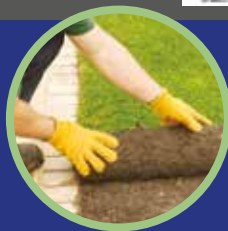
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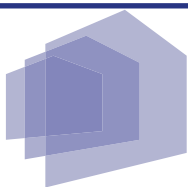
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## ARMED FORCES CHARITIES TEAM UP TO SUPPORT DISABLED WIRRAL YOUNGSTER

A disabled youngster in Wirral has a new lease of life after armed forces charities teamed up to provide him with a purpose-built trike.

Graham and Leanne Wells from New Brighton contacted the Royal British Legion in a bid to raise almost £12,000 for the trike and a specialist bed to allow six-year-old Jamie to go on holiday and spend time with his grandparents.

Army veteran Graham served for almost a decade with the Royal Signals and now works as an electrician. Leanne, who studies occupational therapy at Liverpool University, said: *"We were keen to give Jamie a better quality of life, and had been looking at ways we could raise the money. My Nan suggested ringing the Legion, and that single phone call has changed our lives."*

Leanne spoke to Legion Case Officer Colette Hitchmough who then reached out to other military charities including ABF The Soldiers' Charity, the Kyte Charitable Trust and the Royal Signals Charity. Together, the four organisations were able to provide the funds required.

Leanne said: *"We've previously raised money on our own to adapt our home for Jamie, but the Legion has taken it to another level. I speak to Colette regularly now and to see Jamie out on his trike with his brother Leo (nine) is just incredible."*

Jamie has faced major health setbacks throughout his short life, and is not yet able to talk or walk. He was born with Down's syndrome, but at eight months he developed a devastating form of epilepsy, infantile spasms, which left him confined to hospital for long periods and unable to swallow – even today he is tube fed.

On top of this, he was diagnosed with a bowel condition called Hirsprungs disease and now has a stoma bag. Leanne said: *"Jamie has been super brave and makes us proud every single day."*

Royal British Legion Case Officer Colette Hitchmough said: *"The Legion is delighted to have been able to coordinate this effort to provide the funds needed to improve Jamie's quality of life."*

*"The support from ABF The Soldiers' Charity, Kyte and the Signals has been brilliant and has allowed us to put this support in place. Jamie has demonstrated incredible bravery and resilience and it's the least he deserves."*

The Legion has also supported the family by purchasing a new washer-dryer for them.

Colette added: *"This is a tangible example of how your donations at the Poppy Appeal every November are used to support our armed forces community throughout the rest of the year."*



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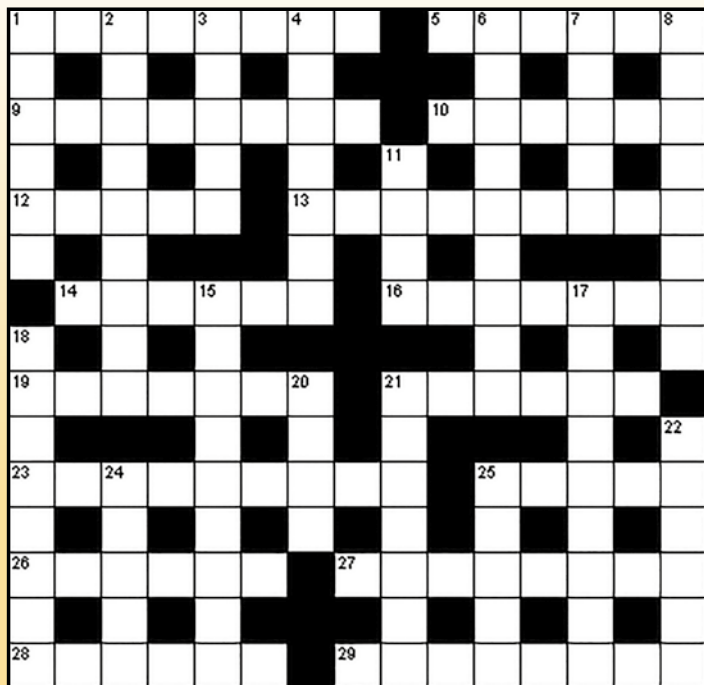
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2. Extremely funny (9)
3. Suite (5)
4. Temporary housing (7)
6. Scenery (9)
7. Desert plants (5)
8. On tenterhooks (8)
11. At peace (4)
15. Attaché case (9)
17. Profitable (9)
18. Counsel (8)
20. A girl's toy (4)
21. Ask someone to marry you (7)
22. Canadian two dollar coin (6)
24. Reddish (5)
25. Ruler or chieftain (5)

### Across

- |                             |                                  |                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. A short pithy saying (8) | 14. Terrorist (6)                | 26. Vampires (6)         |
| 5. Locations (6)            | 16. A childhood disease (7)      | 27. Funny guy (8)        |
| 9. Sacred (8)               | 19. Annul (7)                    | 28. An armless couch (6) |
| 10. Noshes (6)              | 21. Sermonize (6)                | 29. Backside (8)         |
| 12. Geeks (5)               | 23. A large, flat, thin case (9) |                          |
| 13. Occur (9)               | 25. San Antonio fort (5)         |                          |

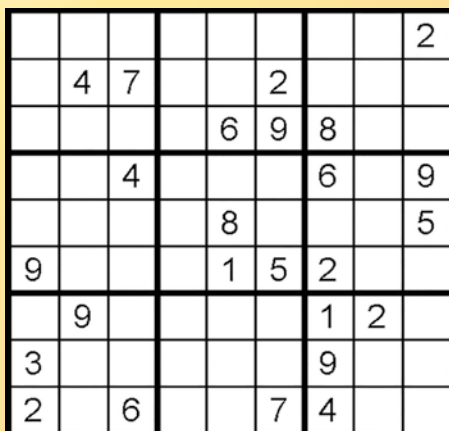
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## KEEPING IN TOUCH & FUNDRAISING

Birkenhead's Rotarians have been keeping in touch with each other during lockdown via a weekly newsletter and a weekly video interview or presentation, both released on their normal meeting day.

Unable to meet as a group, the club has found other ways of raising funds and enjoying the company of members via **ZOOM** meetings and

regular telephone calls. These included link ups with a past Rotary Scholar Sam Kramer, pictured centre from the United States and a Rotarian from Amsterdam, who previously stayed in Wirral during a Rotary Club link up in 2010. Early on an appeal amongst members raised £1,700 and together with other funds, this has enabled support to be given out to community organisations in need.



July saw the changeover of Presidents and the Club welcomed its third lady president in its 91 year history.

Cath Hayes, pictured left took over from Steve Lander. President Steve made two donations as he left the presidency, to Claire House Children's Hospice and the Community shop Make it Happen in Birkenhead.



# CARE HOME THANKS HESWALL BUSINESSES



A Heswall care home has thanked businesses in Heswall for their generosity over the past few weeks whilst in lockdown due to the coronavirus outbreak.

The Hazelwell provides residential, residential dementia, nursing, palliative and respite care in Oldfield Road and staff have been 'totally overwhelmed' by donations from companies in the town.

Staff received pizzas from Domino's Pizza in Heswall, hand gel from JPL Flavour Technology in Neston, and face visors from Calday Grange Grammar School, The Liverpool International Coaching Academy and Costa Coffee.

The Hazelwell closed its doors in mid-March to non-essential visitors before the lockdown was announced but are accepting new admissions for residential, dementia residential and nursing care.

The home, which opened in 2016, is set to open a brand-new dementia friendly floor which has been specially designed to help cater for those living with the condition soon.

The Hazelwell care home manager Sue Alexander said: "We would like to thank all the businesses who have donated food and items to us. We have been totally overwhelmed by their generosity.

"We really appreciated it when all the pizzas arrived from Domino's. It was just what the staff needed! Also, the hand gel and face visors were well received and have helped contribute to our stock levels of PPE.

"We are keeping things as normal as possible for our residents during this time and the staff have been absolutely amazing. The Wirral was gifted with some beautiful weather again this week so residents were able to sit outside and enjoy a refreshing drink on our fabulous terrace which was lovely.

"They are missing having visitors but we are setting up video calls and doing all we can so they get to see and speak to their loved ones as much as possible, and that's making a real difference to their overall wellbeing. The Hazelwell is currently Covid-free and we are accepting new admissions so anyone interested can contact us via telephone or email to find out more."

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The Hazelwell Care Home would like to extend our thanks to our residents, their families, our team and members of the local community for their love and support in these challenging times. Special thanks go to JPL Flavour Technologies for their kind donation of hand sanitiser and Domino's Pizza for donating pizzas for residents and staff to enjoy!

We think it's really important, especially when times are tougher than normal, to keep spirits lifted and spread some happiness. From celebrating International Nurses Day to taking part weekly in Clap for our Carers, it's these little moments of joy that make all the difference to our residents at The Hazelwell. We are extremely grateful for all of the donations, gifts, letters, drawings and paintings received from the local community.

**Providing care of the highest standard continues to be our top priority at The Hazelwell. We have processes and procedures in place to safely admit residents into their new home, and welcome all enquiries.**

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