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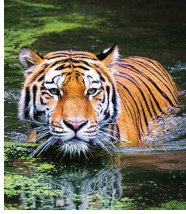
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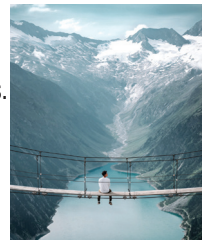
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DO YOU KNOW?

1. Contrary to popular belief, there are no wild tigers in Africa. Only in Asia.
2. The richest man in Asia, Sir Ka-shing Li, dropped out of school at the age of 15. As of 2019 he is the 30th richest person in the world.
3. Alexander the Great was simultaneously the King of Macedonia, Pharaoh of Egypt, King of Persia, and King of Asia.
4. Tap water has a shelf-life of 6 months, after which chlorine dissipates and bacteria starts to grow.
5. New bacteria grows on a kitchen sponge every 20 minutes.
6. Some cats have survived falls from over 32 stories (105 metres) onto concrete, due largely to their "righting reflex."
7. Fidel Castro led Cuba for five decades and was the world's third longest-serving head of state, after Britain's Queen Elizabeth and the King of Thailand.
8. Elephants can get sunburned so they protect themselves with sand.
9. Every three days a human stomach gets a new lining.
10. Humans are born with 300 bones in their body, however when a person reaches adulthood they only have 206 bones. This occurs because many of them join together to make a single bone.
11. A chicken with red earlobes will produce brown eggs, and a chicken with white earlobes will produce white eggs.
12. The abbreviation Xmas for the word Christmas is of Greek origin. Since the word for Christ in the Greek language is Xristos, which starts with the letter "X", they started putting the X in place of Christ and came up with the short form for the word Christmas.



13. Dipsomania refers to an insatiable craving for alcoholic beverages.
14. The shortest war in history was between Zanzibar and England in 1896. Zanzibar surrendered after 38 minutes.
15. Tomato ketchup is a good conditioner for the hair. It also helps get the greenish tinge that some blonde haired people get after swimming in water with chlorine in it.
16. The more a person struggles to get out of quicksand the faster they will sink. Staying still, and being calm will actually make the body float in the quicksand because the body is less dense than the quicksand is.
17. The fastest moving land snake is the Black Mamba, which can move up to 7 miles per hour.
18. In Spain, it is common to pour chocolate milk or cafe au lait on cereal for breakfast.
19. About 10% of the 100,000 thunderstorms that occur in the USA every year are classified as severe.
20. The highest bridge in the world is located in the Himalyan mountains. It was built by the Indian Army, in 1982, and is about 5,600 metres above sea level.
21. Clans of long ago that wanted to get rid of their unwanted people without killing them used to burn their houses down - hence the expression "to get fired."
22. The word Spain means "the land of rabbits."
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THIS DAY IN HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF JULY



JULY 12th 1910

British pilot Charles Stewart Rolls, 33, died after his French built biplane crashed at a flying competition in Bournemouth, Dorset. He was a partner in the Rolls-Royce car manufacturing company. Charles studied engineering at Railway works in Crewe, Cheshire.

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JULY 20th 1969

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JULY 26th 1978

The worlds first IVF baby was born in Oldham General Hospital near Manchester. Gynecologist Patrick Steptoe and physiologist Dr Robert Edwards are credited with this pioneering work.



JULY 30th 1966

England win the Jules Rimet trophy, Association Football's World Cup, at Wembley Stadium in London after beating Germany 4-2 in extra time.

1st - Diana, Princess of Wales (1961-1997) affectionately remembered as the Queen of Hearts, mother of Princes William and Harry. Diana's activism and glamour made her an international icon and earned her enduring popularity, she will never be forgotten.

7th - Ringo Starr, (1940) drummer with the legendary Liverpool pop group The Beatles, and more significantly, the voice of Thomas the Tank Engine.

14th - Emmeline Pankhurst (1858 - 1928) Manchester born suffragette who was imprisoned in her efforts to gain the vote for British women.

28th - Beatrix Potter (1866 - 1943) author and illustrator, the characters that she created remain classics of children's literature ...Peter Rabbit, Samuel Whiskers, Squirrel Nutkin, and friends.

30th - Emily Brontë (1818 - 1848) novelist, one of the three Bronte sisters, her only novel Wuthering Heights tells a tale of love and revenge set in the remote wilds of her native Yorkshire.

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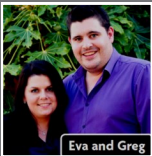


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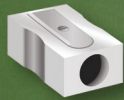
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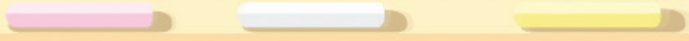
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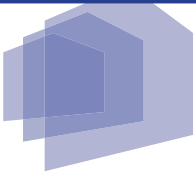


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The summer event kicks off on 18th July at Crosby Coastal Park, where walkers can take on a 3 Mile, 5 Mile or 10 Mile challenge and can enjoy views across the Irish Sea from Crosby Beach. One such supporter who will be taking part in Lead The Way: Crosby is Bob Stone, who has taken part in the event for the last two years.

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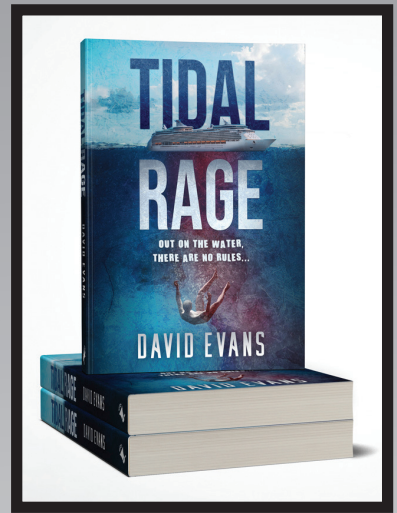
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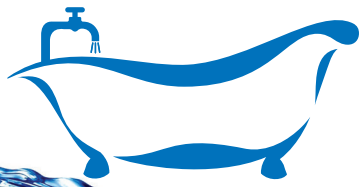


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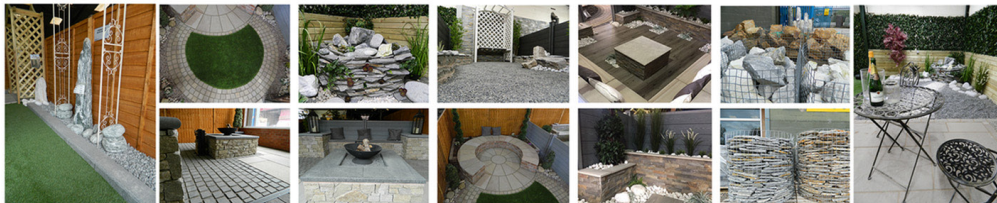


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AutoReview by Tony Yates

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SEAT Leon FR e-HYBRID



This month's review of the SEAT FR took me into parts of Yorkshire where the grass is green, and the roads are twisty. The perfect setting for the new Leon FR e-HYBRID. I think we are all pretty much feeling like we need to buy a HYBRID now and I agree, which is why the pub chatter with my friends is no longer about MPG, it's now all about with a 6-speed DSG gearbox how many miles did you get out of one full charge. Anyway, let's move this on.

Power & efficiency

The Leon FR I had on test was powered by a 1.4-litre TSi petrol engine with a 6-speed DSG gearbox

all backed up by an electric motor with a Lithium-ion battery. Capacity 12.8 kWh (usable) This gives you a total power output of 204PS and 330Nm of torque. The Leon FR will also complete 0-62 mph in just 7.5 seconds and will max out at 137mph. For those of you who wish to know about the Leon green specifications; CO2 (WLTP) emissions are as little as 27g/km. Fuel economy (mpg) (WLTP) 217.3 - 235.4mpg. Electric consumption (kWh/100km) 18.1-19. Electric range (WLTP) 36 - 40 miles.

On the road

As you would expect from a SEAT, the handling is poised thanks to SEAT's ability to get the suspension setup just right. For some, the ride can be quite harsh, especially for those of you who wanted a softer approach; although the Leon FR is a car you buy because you want it to do all things a normal hatchback can't, such as having SEAT drive profile selection options and superb sports suspension, which in turn will help improve your high-speed cornering response by keeping you firmly on the road ahead.

Design & technology

The Leon FR also comes with a large amount of tech and extras that you wouldn't normally find in a family hatchback. Below is just a small amount of what you can expect to find; 17" Dynamic bi-spoke alloy wheels with 225/45 R17 91W tyres, Electrically-adjusted and heated door mirrors with fold function, LED Headlights with dynamic turn signals and high beam assist, Rain sensing wipers, Daytime running light with automatic headlight control and Coming Home feature, Wireless phone charger, Leather flat bottomed, perforated steering (with red stitching and FR logo)

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To sum up

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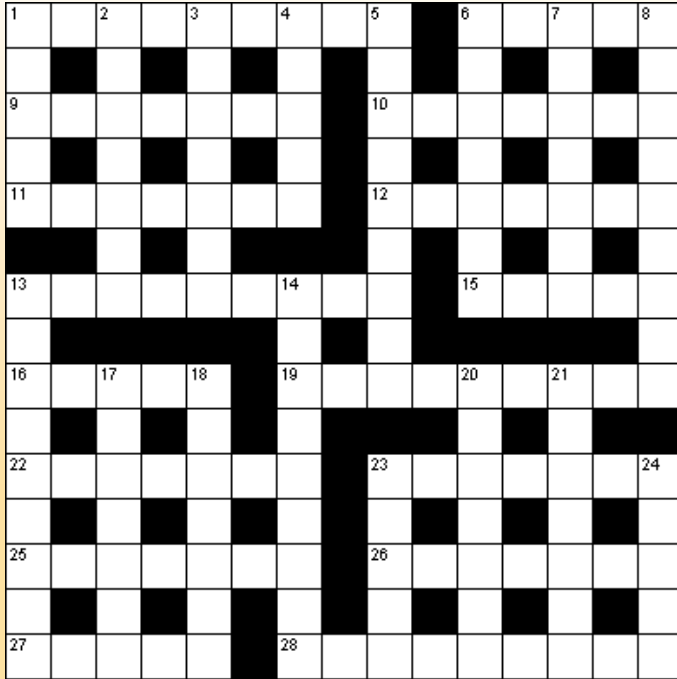
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- 7 Tie together (7)
- 8 Differs (9)
- 13 Coordinates (9)
- 14 Makes larger (9)
- 17 Female singing range (7)
- 18 Old Scottish for "Salmon" (7)
- 20 Use (7)
- 21 Burbot or guffer (7)
- 23 Worries (5)
- 24 Fearful anticipation (5)

Across

- 1 Paces (9)
- 6 Not behind (5)
- 9 A hydrocarbon gas (7)
- 10 Leaves (7)
- 11 Pious (7)
- 12 Fitting inside one another (7)
- 13 In another manner (9)
- 15 Vista (5)
- 16 Vapors (5)
- 19 Buyers (9)
- 22 8th planet of the solar system (7)

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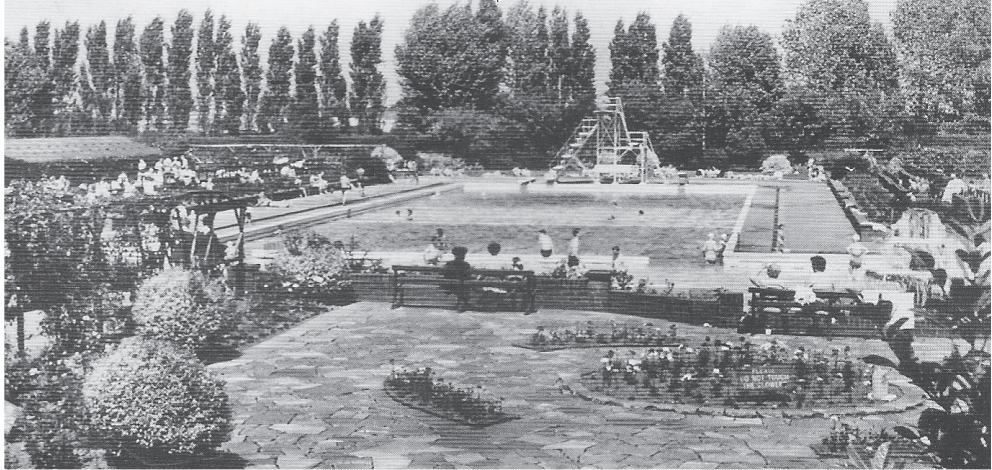
Right: Looking up **Bebington Village** from Heath Road in the 1920's, the **Rose & Crown Inn** is seen this side of the clock tower. The cross marked above the car on this postcard denotes the 'puzzle stones' set in the wall by the eccentric **Thomas Francis**. All the buildings this side of the **Rose & Crown** have been demolished with the 'puzzle stones' being set into a wall in **Mayer Park**.



Left: The building on the right with the clock tower housed the library, which opened in 1870 at the expense of **Joseph Mayer**. It was he who had initiated the first library in 1865 in the former house of **Thomas Francis**. The library moved to its present location in the **Bebington Civic Centre** in July 1971. The stone gates on the right lead to **Mayer Park**, where the famous 'puzzle stones' are set into the wall.



Above: The sign on the left is for **Bromborough Station**. The train is standing on the lines which were the result of the quadrupling in 1907/08; the near ticket office was opened at that time. The original station building is the tall building on the right, in the distance, it housed the ticket office and waiting room on the ground floor, with the **Station Master's** accommodation on the two upper floors.



Above: **Rivacre Valley** Swimming Pool was opened in Ellesmere Port in 1934. This pool closed in the 1980's.

Right: Ferry Road, Eastham in 1901.

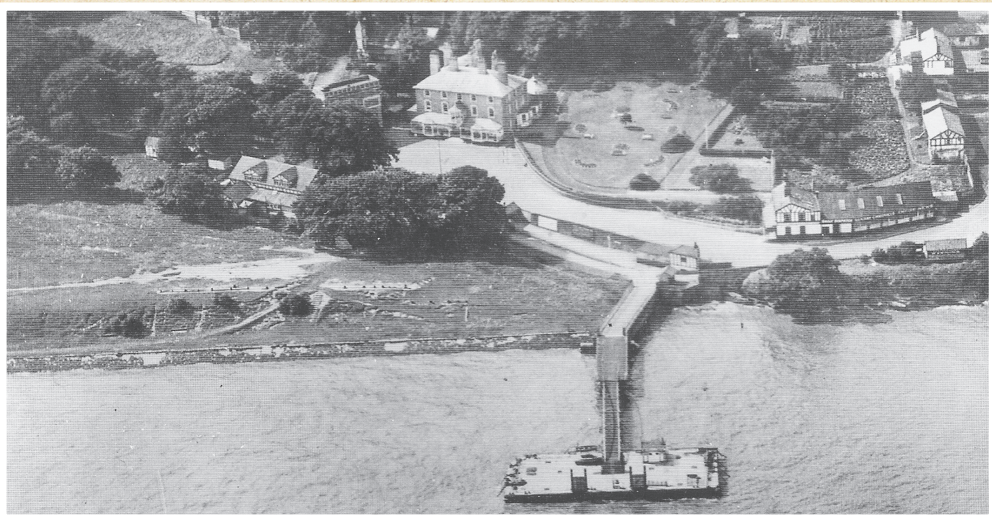
These stallholders are posing ready for customers getting off the ferry from Liverpool to sell them their goods. Donkey rides were also available in Ferry Road and the tea rooms can just be seen in the background.



Below: This aerial view of **Eastham Ferry** shows the road and path leading to the floating landing stage. The ferry service to Liverpool ceased in 1929 with the pier and landing stage being dismantled in 1935.

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