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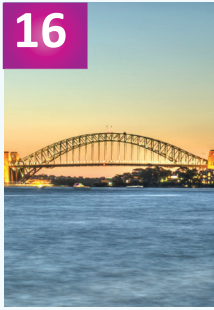


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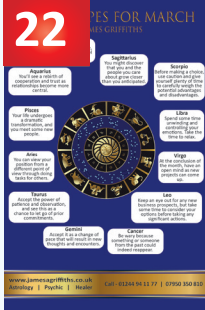
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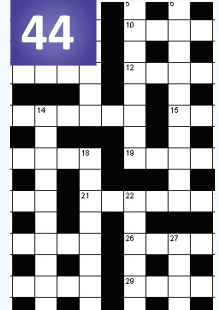
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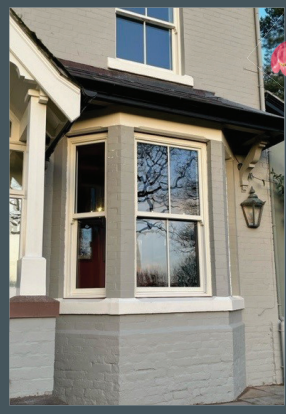
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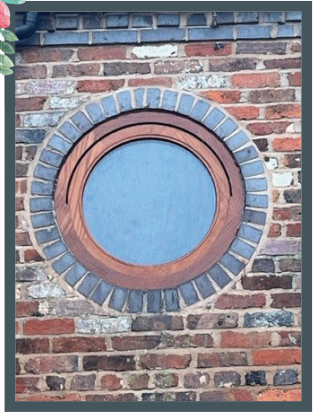


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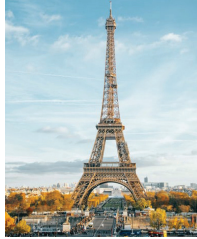
DO YOU KNOW?

1. About 90% of the world's earthquakes occur along the Ring of Fire, an area in the basin of the Pacific Ocean.

2. Harry Potter and author JK Rowling share the same birthday.

3. Instant Coffee was invented by a man called George Washington around 1910.

4. Widely regarded as one of the most notorious con artists of his time, Victor Lustig met with scrap metal dealers and convinced them that the French government wished to sell the tower for scrap. After one of them agreed to pay Lustig a large bribe to secure ownership of the tower, the con man took his bribe and fled to Austria.



5. In the Netherlands, there are dozens of public facilities where you can bring recreational drugs including marijuana, cocaine and ecstasy to test if they are safe.

6. The Amazon rainforest encompasses an area of 5,500,000 sq kilometres (2,100,000 sq mi), two times the size of Argentina.

7. Bill Gates aimed to become a millionaire by the age of 30. However, he became a billionaire by 31.

8. If the human eye was a digital camera it would have 576 megapixels.

9. There's a nude beach under the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.

10. Despite its "Sunshine State" nickname, Florida is not the sunniest U.S. state. Arizona is, closely followed by Nevada.

11. Headless cockroaches are capable of living for weeks. They die from starvation.



12. On average, people who complain live longer. Releasing the tension increases immunity and boosts their health.

13. The 9/11 attacks also destroyed US\$100 million in art including work from Pablo Picasso.

14. Life expectancy in Ancient Rome was from 20 to 30 years.

15. The wars between Romans and Persians lasted about 721 years, the longest conflict in human history.

16. Antarctica was once as warm as modern-day California.

17. Air pollution in China increases snowfall in California.

18. Dolphins Recognize and Admire Themselves in Mirrors.



19. There's only one STOP sign in the entire city of Paris.

20. Hawaii, Vermont, Alaska, and Maine have all banned billboards.

21. India's Hindu calendar has 6 seasons: spring, summer, monsoon, autumn, winter and prevernal.

22. Police officers in one state in India are given a slight pay upgrade for having a moustache.

23. Children's Day is celebrated in India on November 14th, 9 months after Valentine's Day.

24. Israel is the only country in the world to draft women into Military service.

25. South Africa is called the "Rainbow Nation" because it has 11 official languages.

26. 350 million people of all ages around the world suffer from depression.



27. Left-handed people have an increased cognitive flexibility, switching quickly between thinking about two concepts.

28. Global warming 'solved' a land dispute between India and Bangladesh - the island in dispute disappeared.

29. In 2012, divers discovered a 2,000-year-old Roman shipwreck that was so well preserved even the food was intact in its storage jars.



30. Cenosillicaphobia is the fear of an empty beer glass.



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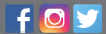
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2nd March 1965

The Sound of Music was released in the United States, initially as a limited road-show theatrical release. Although initial critical response to the film was mixed, it was a major commercial success, becoming the number one box office film after four weeks, and the highest-grossing film of 1965.

By November 1966, The Sound of Music had become the highest-grossing film of all-time—surpassing Gone with the Wind—and held that distinction for five years. The film was just as popular throughout the world, breaking previous box-office records in twenty-nine countries. Following an initial theatrical release that lasted four and a half years, and two successful re-releases, the film sold 283 million admissions worldwide and earned a total worldwide gross of \$286 million.



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15th March 1964

Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton married for the first time.

The couple met in 1963 filming Cleopatra. Elizabeth was on her 4th marriage to Eddie Fisher at the time. Elizabeth and Richard's affair caused worldwide scandal at the time and was condemned by the Vatican.

They were married for 10 years before divorcing, they famously remarried in 1975 for a short time.

Elizabeth's wedding ring was later overshadowed by the so-called Taylor-Burton diamond which he gifted her in 1969 - it was valued at one million dollars!



Elizabeth Taylor late 1950's

17th March 1949

The first car with a Porsche badge was shown at the International Automobile show in Geneva.

Hand-built in an old Austrian sawmill, the 356 had modest poke from its Volkswagen derived air-cooled flat four which was offset by exceptional traction and handling. Within two years the 356 would be lining up at Le Mans, and these very early cars are now among the most highly prized among serious Porsche collectors.

The Porsche 356/2 with a price tag of £3,000 (now worth around £800,000).



19th March 1932

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Sagittarius

You might discover that you and the people you care about grow closer than you anticipated.

Scorpio

Before making a choice, use caution and give yourself plenty of time to carefully weigh the potential advantages and disadvantages.

Pisces

Your life undergoes a dramatic transformation, and you meet some new people.

Libra

Spend some time unwinding and controlling your emotions. Take the time to relax.

Aries

You can view your position from a different point of view through doing tasks for others.

Virgo

At the conclusion of the month, have an open mind as new projects can come up.

Taurus

Accept the power of patience and observation, and see this as a chance to let go of prior commitments.

Leo

Keep an eye out for any new business prospects, but take some time to consider your options before taking any significant actions.

Gemini

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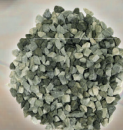
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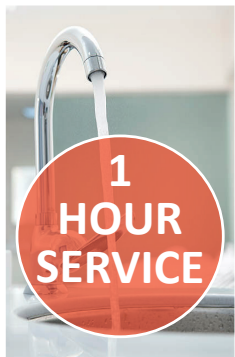
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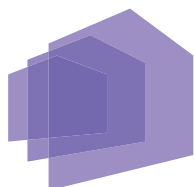
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This year, following a gap due to the pandemic, three teams competed – two from Birkenhead School and one from Wirral Grammar School for Boys.

The format was that each team of three would present a topic of their own choosing - a Chair to manage the presentation and a Proposer and Opposer to present their views on the subject matter, each section qualifying for marks towards the final winning total.

A wide range of subjects were presented– *'Why Social Media is ruining our Generation'*, *'There is no room for handwriting in our tech savvy world'* and *'Every Citizen has the right to violently resist their Government'*. Each team had 15 minutes to make their presentation followed by answering a question from the floor.

The three Judges were held enthralled and highly impressed by the passion, clarity of presentation and evidence of a great deal of work and research into the subjects. Birkenhead School and their presentation of the role of handwriting in a tech savvy world were the winning team.

The winning Birkenhead School team of Amelia, Tara and Zack, go forward to the District Round of the competition and they will visit Birkenhead Rotary to give their presentation.

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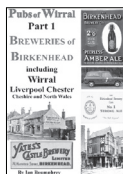


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Taken around 1949 - These prefabs were in Molyneux Road on the Upton/Greasby border sited between Greasby Road and Arrows Park Road. The buildings survived much longer than anticipated with many people not wanting to leave, some people had lived there for 30 years. Frankby Road and Molyneux Close occupy this area today.



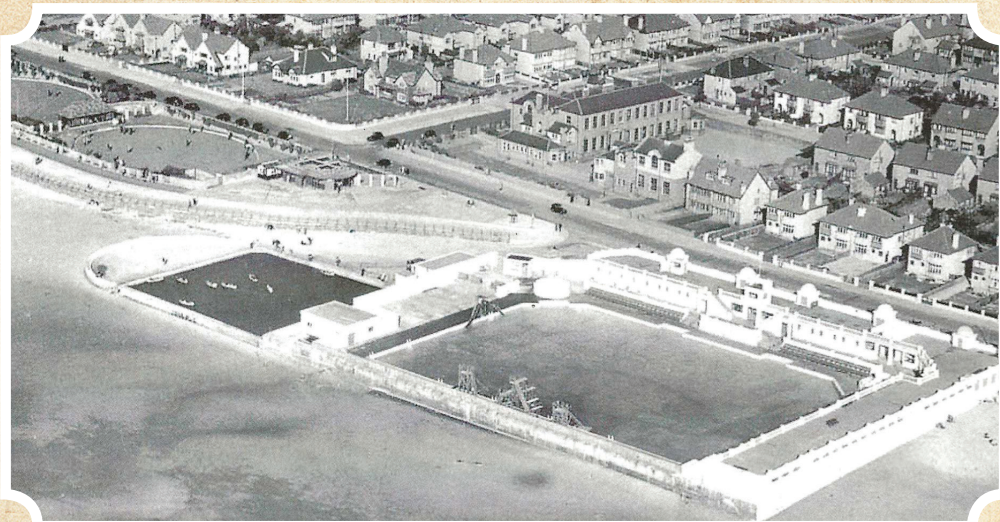
Pictured here in 1949 is the start of the building of Birkenhead Technical College on Borough Road, Birkenhead. Work began on 29th September 1949 and the foundation stone was laid by Queen Elizabeth on the 3rd May 1950.



Design was by Willink and Dod and the building was estimated to be completed in three years at a cost of £633,000.

The top photograph shows the shell with the completed college below (which opened in 1955).

The Queen launched the new aircraft-carrier *Ark Royal* at Cammell Laird on the same day.



Hoylake Baths and the promenade can be seen here in this aerial photograph from 1952. The baths were originally opened in June 1913 and rebuilt in 1931. Many English Championships were held here in the 1930's. With the outbreak of war the baths were closed and the ARP stationed here. They were taken over in 1976 by the Hoylake Pool & Community Trust, the baths were demolished in 1984.

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The First Half

Author - Gabby Logan

Publisher - Piatkus

In recent years an increasing number of people of all ages have had time to retreat to their thoughts for reflection on memories, both high and low, which have impacted on their life.

Gabby Logan "The First Half", reflects on individual events and turning points in her life that have impacted upon the routes she has taken both in her career and personal life.

In an absorbing, inspiring, humorous and at times emotionally challenging, free flowing style, Gabby takes the reader on a vivid and candid self appraisal of the key experiences which have been driving forces in her life. Gabby discusses her enjoyment of tennis and competing for Wales as a rhythmic gymnast at the Commonwealth Games in Auckland 1990. Unfortunately her sister Louise who was expecting to be chosen, was left out. I am certain that readers can empathise with the dilemma of Gabby's parents to be delighted for Gabby but trying to console her sister and compensate for her disappointment. **She recalls her selection as a life changing moment**, particularly the celebration party organised by her friends prior to her departure. **Her mother said "what you have with your pals is so important", emphasising how important it was to have a group of girls who weren't jealous or possessive about what she did"**. As Gabby highlights, that conversation has stayed with her, although at the time she didn't realise how lucky she was.

Throughout the compelling text, Gabby pens up on the personal desire, determination and tenacity which drove her forward "to confront barriers", come to terms with tragedies and keep going. As a result she has achieved recognition as an outstanding presenter of rugby, football, athletics and other key sporting events covered by the television channels. In addition, she was awarded the MBE for services to women's sport and charity, and the proud mother of twin boys. **Throughout the text Gabby recounts the individuals, events and interactions that have "shaped her" in terms of family, love, personal loss and the opportunities that opened up as a result of her Dad's sporting career.**

Gabby reflects on the impact on all members of her family and community by the tragic death of her brother Daniel at the age of fifteen. Daniel was a promising footballer for Leeds United and whilst playing in the garden at home with his Dad and younger brother Jordan he collapsed and died of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. I am sure that Gabby's vivid thoughts on **"how death weighs you down"** can be shared by readers as she emotionally reflects, "I loved him so much".

Gabby's Dad, Terry Yorath, was an outstanding player with Coventry City, Tottenham Hotspurs, Leeds United, Vancouver, Wales and manager of Wales and Bradford City in the days before players in the Premier league were paid the current "astronomical wages". **The author discusses how the transient or nomadic life of footballers can impact on family life.** He was a fervent Welshman, famous for his action prior to the kick off in the game between England and Wales at Wembley in May 1977. The FA refused to play the Welsh National anthem "Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau" after "God Save the Queen" before the game. The Wales team stood their ground, led by Terry Yorath, John Mahoney and Dai Davies. **They then sang "Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau" with tenacity and fervour without the band.**

Daniel's death had a significant and long term impact on her father, as he started to drink more heavily. The fire in a stand at Bradford City during a game became a "disaster" as a result of which 56 people died and many more were left with life changing physical and mental conditions. Terry was Bradford City's manager and the tragedy impacted upon his mental health, contributing to his mood swings and heavier drinking. **Readers may well find the details of Terry's demise and drift into alcoholism emotionally challenging.** When he was national team coach in war torn Lebanon, he was alone "with his thoughts" and there was no brake on his drinking. On his return her Mum and Dad split up and following



a period of detoxification and living with the Logans to help Terry build a life they have drifted apart. **I am sure that some readers may resonate with the issues created by alcohol and drug addiction and Gabby saying about her Dad, "In spite of everything he does love us".**

Readers will gain from the incidental motivational comments within the text which have been determinants of her self confidence and determination to progress and achieve. This is reflected in her realisation that it isn't enough to be clever and have good grades, you need to have a packed CV and "life experiences" to make you stand out. **Gabby comes across as a strong willed and confident individual who is forthright in her condemnation of certain situations or individuals.** This is evident when she recounts comments she had to endure as a female, particularly from Richard Keys and Andy Gray. Her response was as tenacious of the tackling of her dad

A key feature of this outstanding motivational reflection is the open honesty of the author as she discusses personal issues linked to her husband Kenny's dyslexia and problems with reading in addition her problems associated with getting pregnant. She emphasises how the "power of sport" in terms of determination and team spirit have held them together. **As Gabby highlights, the things in life that really matter are your family, your friends and your health. Well worth reading to promote personal tenacity to cope more effectively with the highs and lows of life.**

Kicking Back

Author - Nedum Onuoha

Publisher - Biteback Publishing

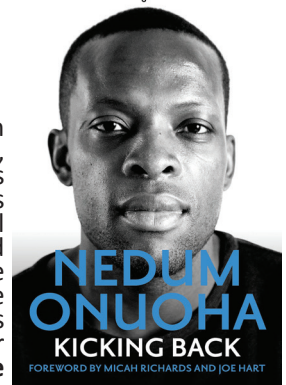
In an insightful, challenging and at times disturbing reflection on his search for identity as a person and footballer in England, **Nedum Onuoha "Kicking Back"** pulls no punches as he unravels and exposes, in a forthright manner, the highs and lows of his professional career. Nedum reflects in depth on the personal and family implications of the move from Nigeria to extend opportunities alongside the difficulties of "integration". He highlights the importance of education for all members of the family in order to promote personal potential and address barriers to fulfill ambitions. He highlights the experience of his mother who gained a PhD in environmental studies. **As Dr Onuoha she was labelled "overqualified for jobs" which in reality was a "smokescreen" to overcome the stigma of her being "firstly a woman and secondly a foreigner".**

He talks about his initial home in Miles Platting Manchester, a poverty stricken area with considerable low level crime. **He highlights how he admired his father** who stood up to the "bullying" of gangs of children in the community by showing them aggression by "fight not flight", and they wanted none of it. **Readers will gain from the discourse throughout the text of Nedum's "long journey" to discover the strength to face up to and confront bullying and stand up for himself.** He highlights his pride in his name "Chinedum" which in the culture of the Igbo, Nigerian, means "God guides Me" where faith and family mean everything. His three children all have Igbo middle names to attach them to their history.

For Nedum, the crucial time in his life was when "a lightbulb" was lit and his footballing skills were recognised and he joined the academy at Manchester City at the age of nine. He highlights the importance of education to the family and how his parents sacrificed and took additional work to meet the costs of Nedum and his three sisters going to private schools. The emphasis was on "school work" and no socialising was allowed on school nights. **Parents of "aspiring young footballers" on "academy ladders" will gain from the author's reflections on the importance of education as an essential option for "potential stars" since a "career in football" is not guaranteed.** For Nedum, football was an "enjoyable hobby" but he did A levels as an "insurance policy", emphasising that **players and parents have little or no control over their "career step ups", because "you can't select yourself".**

He emphasises that being at the "whim of a manager's ego" is a tough position for players. The vast majority of players change clubs during their careers which Nedum calls the career journey.

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A key factor is the ability of the manager to create a positive environment particularly with large squads. He notes that Sven-Goran Eriksson created a positive atmosphere, whilst Mark Hughes made sure that when everyone came to work we felt good. However, **the next manager, Roberto Mancini was “not a man with a sense of humour” and poor communication skills. In fact he made players, including Nedum, outcasts from the first team squad by sending them to train with the Under 21 or academy squads.** Readers will gain insight into the psychological and emotional impact **that this “rejection” had on Nedum and others.** **As he points out it was heartbreaking emotionally and Mancini’s treatment and attitude “dismantled” my self esteem.**

For any young footballer there needs to be a supportive system to safeguard against the “bully in the club”. Nedum highlights the support of Shaun Wright-Phillips as a chaperone/mentor when he first made the Manchester City squad. **In contrast, he condemns the attitude and behaviour of Joey Barton. Many readers may well be shocked and extremely disturbed as Nedum describes the atrocious bullying and physical violence perpetrated by Joey Barton.** As Nedum comments, **“he knew who to target and always backed out of arguments with people he couldn’t physically dominate.** As the author highlights, age wasn’t a barrier to Barton escalating a situation and causing physical harm was. **Unfortunately the manager at Manchester City at the time, Stuart Pearce, not only turned a blind eye to Joey’s behaviour but allowed himself to be “manipulated” by it.** He notes how Barton has his “own perception” on his misdemeanours and violent altercations.

This is an outstanding and honest insight into the beliefs, strengths and determination of a highly articulate professional footballer to address and challenge key issues that impact upon young players. Recommended reading for all football supporters.

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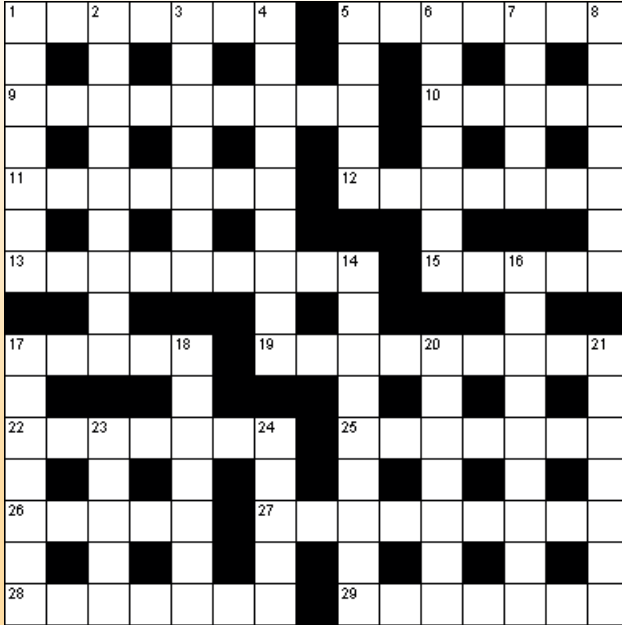
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- 6 Female (7)
- 7 Poet T.S. _____ (5)
- 8 Searchers (7)
- 14 Frisky or flirtatious (9)
- 16 Not reproductions (9)
- 17 Asserts (7)
- 18 Pretentious talk (7)
- 20 Strange or rare objects (7)
- 21 Suppositions (7)
- 23 Caterwauls (5)
- 24 Strikes with the feet (5)

Across

- 1 Shackles (7)
- 5 Without ceasing (7)
- 9 Trademark or signature (9)
- 10 Long metal nail (5)
- 11 Tedious (7)
- 12 City in Washington state (7)
- 13 Estimate (9)
- 15 Whips (5)
- 17 A small picture inserted within another (5)
- 19 Unsteady in gait (9)
- 22 Frolic (7)
- 25 Affective (7)
- 26 Stitched (5)
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- 28 Female siblings (7)
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Difficulty level: Medium.

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Wirral Wonderers' are a group formed by Scaffold and Tiswas legend John Gorman and local storyteller Sue Povall and friends.

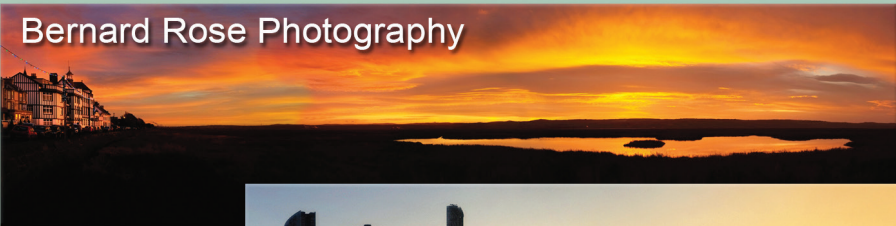
Each month they present a highly entertaining afternoon of stories, songs and comedy at the Williamson Art Gallery, Birkenhead.

The next performance is at 2pm on Saturday 18th March.

Entrance payable at the door is just £5 with all proceeds being donated to the Claire House Children's Hospice.

Subsequent performance dates are 15th April; 20th May; 17th June (all at the Williamson, all starting at 2pm)

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This month Love Wirral received a lovely email from Audrey Bates who had been reading about Birkenhead Rotary's clean-up, in an area behind the Central Hotel in Birkenhead, in our February edition.

Pictured left is her granddaughter Heather Byrne (aged 8 years) who is also concerned about the environment.

Heather has recently taken her grandmother with her so she could do some litter picking in the local park near her home.

We think Heather is a very special young lady and we are very proud to be able to tell you about her good work!

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SPRING

Poem by John Fowler

I FOUND A FROG IN MY GRID,
TOLD HIM TO HOP IT, AND SO HE DID.
A ROBIN FLEW CLOSE, THE OTHER DAY,
I SAID HELLO, THEN HE FLEW AWAY.
A MAGPIE CAME; WHAT A FUNNY BIRD
LIKES BRIGHT JEWELLERY; HOW ABSURD.
THE GARDEN'S FLOODED, THE TREES ARE BARE,
IT'LL SOON BE SPRING, SO I DON'T CARE.
IT WILL GET WARMER, AND THE GRASS WILL GROW
UNLESS NEXT MONTH, WE GET LATE SNOW,
DAYS ARE LONGER, SPRING IS NEAR,
DON'T YOU THINK, BEST TIME OF YEAR.



SIGNS - by John Fowler

“Oh what a beautiful day, my Old Hardbelly, the sun is shining, the birds are singing, spring is in the air. It’s the sort of day to go walking in the park hand in hand.”

“It would be even better if we were with our wives, your Handsomeness.”

“Those doggy dos are still causing a problem outside. What are you going to do about it, Flubber Chops?”

“I blame the owners, Darling.”

“No Dopey, it is definitely the dogs, and that’s another thing, I notice you have started calling me “Darling” lately and people are beginning to notice. I think people are misinterpreting our little get-togethers, Sugarplum. Even my wife said I was becoming more effeminate.”

“Not you, Boy Pablo!”

“The other evening, Mrs Pablo and I were getting ready to go out for dinner, and I said “that black slinky dress is rather sexy.”

“Well that’s rather macho and complimentary. What did she say to that?”

“She said “it will probably look better on her. Anyway, back to business, I gave you the task of thinking up some motivational sayings we could put up on the dressing room walls. Most clubs do this now so I think we should. We want something that will inspire the players before the match. What have you come up with, old Slobber Chops?”

“Well I have come up with an original idea, why don’t we put a sign up in the dressing room area---“WE ARE ROVERS”

“But we are not.”

“Exactly, this will cause confusion for the away side, They will think they have come to the wrong ground. And---another thing put a huge sign just over the tunnel entrance---“THIS IS WEMBLEY, or WELCOME TO THE SAN SIRO. “

“I would imagine the away side will fall about laughing.”

“Yeah, and they will lose all concentration. your Handsomeness.”

“What about sayings for the walls?”

“I’ve come up with a few, ---“THOSE WHO DON’T LISTEN, DON’T HEAR” ---“THROW THE BALL IN, BUT NEVER THE TOWEL.”

“Yeah, not bad, carry on.”

“THE NOSE OF THE LION”

“What’s that about?”

“You know, “EYE OF THE TIGER”, mind you I never knew what that meant. “WINNERS DON’T GET RED CARDS” and “NOT ONLY BUDGIES SUCCEED.”

“Some good ones there to consider. Well done. Scumbag.”

“I tell you what though, Big Boss Man, the only sign our lot would understand.”

“What’s that?”

“TOILETS, THIS WAY”





FUNDRAISING FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CHILDREN LONDON MARATHON 2023



We are tremendously grateful to Ben and Tony Williams who are going to run the London Marathon on April 23rd 2023.

In doing so, they hope to raise funds to help the visually and sensory impaired students at St Vincent's school for the blind. As you can see, lots of the activities that we can participate in are only possible because of the generosity of the local community.

Please find it in your heart to support Ben and Tony with their fundraising efforts by donating whatever you can spare. More information is available using the Just-Giving link or QR code below.

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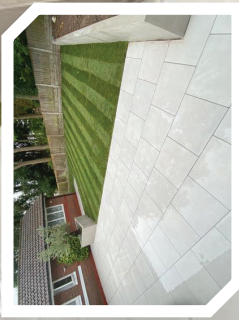
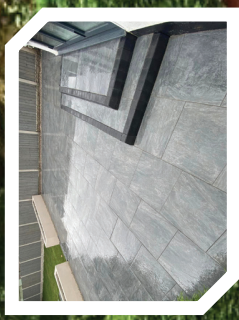
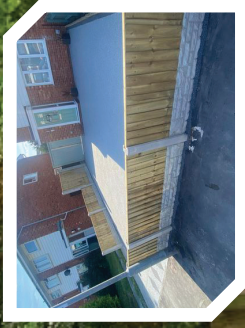
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