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I can't believe how fast this year has flown! Bonfire night is almost here and Christmas seems to be racing towards us!

Check out the What's On page for the Council Firework Displays. Please also spare a thought for our furry friends who

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As Christmas approaches, we start worrying about presents!

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- 1. The blobfish is actually a normal looking fish, it just decompresses when you take it out of extreme depths.
- 2. The deadliest James Bond was Pierce Brosnan, who killed an average of 33.8 people per movie.
- 3. Sony makes more money as an insurance company in Japan than selling electronics.
- 4. If a potato is exposed to light while growing, it will turn green and become poisonous.
- 5. The Netherlands surrendered to Nazi Germany after just 5 days.
- 6. The U.S. Secret Service has its own flag.
- 7. Frogs find their way back to their breeding grounds by following the smell of the pond's algae.
- 8. Plants can suffer from sexually transmitted diseases.
- 9. Harry Houdini could pick up pins with his eyelashes and thread a needle with his toes.
- 10. A leech can take up to 200 days to digest a meal.



- 11. Lobsters don't scream in pain when you cook them. The noise you hear is air that has been trapped in the stomach and forced through the mouth.
- 12. River snails and a parasite prevented a Chinese invasion of Taiwan in 1949.
- 13. "Placenta" comes from Latin, meaning "cake."
- 14. Benjamin Franklin left the cities of Boston and Philadelphia \$2,000 in his will, but they could not draw the full balance for 200 years. In 1990, the cities received \$6.5 million.



- 15. It's unsafe for travellers to rely on 'St Christopher' any more: he was removed from the calendar of saints in 1969.
- 16. Before they reached international stardom, The Beatles auditioned for Decca Records, who rejected them saying they had "no future in show business."
- 17. Before he was Wolverine on "X-Men" or a Broadway star, actor Hugh Jackman got fired from his cashier job at 7-Eleven.



## YOU KNOW

- **18.** An investor in the initial public offering of Microsoft would have seen a return of 30,207%
- 19. The first time comedian Jerry Seinfeld walked on stage at a comedy club he froze and was booed off stage.
- **20.** Unit 684 was a South Korean black-ops team of 31 convicted criminals whose mission was to kill North Korea's premier Kim II-sung. They mutinied, hijacked a bus, and were shot by the army or committed suicide.
- **21.** The Queen is the legal owner of one-sixth of the Earth's land surface.
- 22. In the UK, all horses, ponies and donkeys must have a horse passport.
- 23. In London, it is illegal to die in the Houses of Parliament.
- 24. Slavery was not made a statutory offense in the UK until April 6, 2010.
- 25. The Queen Mary of Scotland became gueen when she was only six days old.
- 26. 1.3 million Farths could fit inside the sun, an average-sized star.
- 27. It takes 8 minutes and 20 seconds for light to travel from the sun to the earth.
- 28. There are more living organisms in a teaspoonful of soil than there are people on earth.
- 29. Before trees were common, the Earth was covered with giant mushrooms.
- **30.** In 5,000 years of human history, only one disease has been eradicated: smallpox.
- 31. When Columbus "discovered" the Americas, the continent was already inhabited by 90 million people which was a third of the world's population.
- **31.** The eruption of Krakatoa in 1883 was the loudest sound in recorded history, heard 3,000 miles (4800 KM) away.
- 32. Ice Age Britons used human skulls as cups.
- 33. The first car accident occurred in 1891, in Ohio.



34. The Aztecs sacrificed 1% of their population every year, or about 250,000 people.







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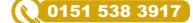
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# TOREVIEW by Tony Yates

Keeping you motoring

Mazda 3 - 2.2 150ps Sport Nav Diesel



The new 2017 Mazda3 has been recently updated with a revised grille with a stronger three-dimensional look, a new front fog light bezel and the availability of LED headlamp technology across both body styles, along with revised door mirrors featuring wraparound turn indicators, while hatchback versions feature a newly redesigned rear bumper.

The interior has also had a makeover to help it feel more driver-oriented. You will also find a host of updates that include higher-quality switch panels and handle bezels on the doors, and a newly designed dashboard trim insert and the adoption of an electric parking brake creates space for a more practical centre console.

### **Power and Efficiency**

My test car was fitted with a 150PS, 2,191cc common-rail diesel engine which has a low-friction and lightweight all-alloy construction which all helps to keep it as efficient as possible. The engine also has a Twin-turbo layout which helps minimise turbo lag and you can feel that working its magic as soon as you press the pedal - that of course also helps improve mid-range punch between gear changes and when overtaking is a must.

Fuel economy is also very good and I achieved 58.5mpg on the combined cycle. The engine also easily meets stringent EU Stage 6 emission levels without the need for any expensive after-treatment systems which is good news for the owner, 0 to 62 also arrives in 8.1 sec and a will reach a top speed of 130 mph.

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#### On the Road

I like the way the Mazda3 handles the road – it feels very well balanced. Also, when the road gets twisty – it is more than capable of holding its own. The steering also feels light and agile – and you get enormous feedback from the front wheels as to what the road surface is doing below. Also, when you hook all this up to its fantastic 6 speed gearbox – you can't really go wrong – It's no exaggeration for me to say that I think the Mazda3 has a lot of manufacturers a little bit worried right about now.

### **Safety and Technology**

Some of the standard features on the Mazda3 include; ABS with Electronic Brakeforce Distribution (EBD) and Brake Assist (EBA), Dynamic Stability Control (DSC), a Traction Control System (TCS), an Emergency Stop Signalling System (ESS), Hill Launch Assist (HLA), and a Tyre Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS). It is also fitted with six airbags – dual front, side airbags and full-length curtain, while ISOFIX rear seats and five three-point seatbelts with pre-tensioners complete the standard safety package.

#### To Sum Up

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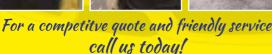
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## Here's a Garden-To-Do List for the windy month of November:

### In the garden

- There's still time to plant daffodil bulbs and other spring flowering bulbs for a magnificent start to next years display.
- Plant tulip bulbs now to prevent Tulip Fire infection.
- Plant up a terracotta pot of hyacinth bulbs for a simple but stunning display next spring.
- Plant out spring bedding displays of pansies, violas and primulas.
- Start to plant bare-root roses they can be planted any time between now and March.
- Plant heathers, grasses and trailing ivy in pots for winter colour.
- Now is the ideal time to plant a magnolia tree for a beautiful spring display.
- Gather up fallen leaves from around the base of rose bushes which suffered from blackspot or rust this summer, to reduce the chance of infection next year.

 Continue to lift dahlia tubers, begonias and gladiolus corms to store dry over the winter months. Remove the dead foliage before storing.

### Looking after your lawn

- If you haven't already aerated your lawn, there's still time to do it before winter sets in. You can use either a lawn aerator or simply insert a garden fork at regular intervals and lean it back slightly to let air in.
- Continue to clear fallen leaves off the lawn to keep it healthy.
- Remember to set your lawn mower to a higher cut-height for winter.
- Now your beds are clear, try edging your lawn. Lawn edging creates a neat and tidy appearance and makes maintenance easier.
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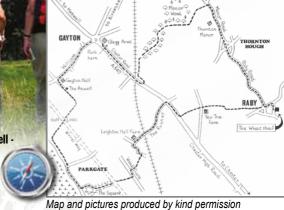
From the Glegg Arms, go to the left along the Chester Road walking for about 15 minutes, shortly after the road has passed over the Birkenhead - Wrexham railway, you will see two signposts on the left, one heading towards Bebington and the other in the direction for Brimstage. Go over the nearby stile and turn left to follow a grassy path along the edge of a field with the railway on your left. Soon the path bears right, into the trees and, for the next 10 minutes, becomes a winding track leading you through a delightful stretch of woodland. A one-step stile brings you to a well-trodden path leading along the edge of Manor Wood. In time, the path broadens as it runs between high, wooden hoardings. Shortly after passing under two ornamental bridges, the path brings you to Manor Road. Now turn to the right.

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Pass the farm and turn left into a winding lane. Not far ahead, on the right of the lane, you reach a bachelor gate leading into a field. Go straight across the field to a further bachelor gate. This brings you into a narrow path which quickly becomes



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a short lane, leading into Wood Lame. Here you need to turn left and 100 yards ahead turn right into a fieldpaths running alongside a bridle-path. Go forward, passing under a wooden footbridge, along Brookland Road, and so into The Square at Parkgate.

From The Square, turn right and make your way along the sea-front to the Boathouse Restaurant. DO NOT follow the road to the right, but keep past the restaurant to arrive at the Country Park picnic area - the site of the old open air swimming baths. Keep forward until you reach a sandstone wall, climb the steps leading to the top of the sea wall. Now continue ahead with the Dee shore on your left and the smooth greens of Heswall Golf Links on your right.

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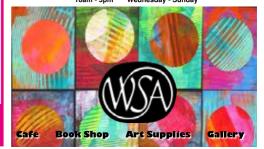
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  13. Quickly aroused to anger (9)
- 15. Implied (5)
- 17. Marsh plant (5)
- 19. Citation (9)
- 22. Any 10-limbed crustacean (7)
- 25. Bitterweed (7)

#### Quick Crossword Puzzle

#### Down

- 1. Put into print (7)
- 2. Compelled (9)
- 3. Accord (7)
- 4. Give up (9)
- 5. Criminal (5)
- 6. Implore (7)
- 7. Small Asian goat antelope (5)
- 8. Public transport (7)
- 14. Postponement (9)
- 16. Linked (9)
- 17. A repairer of horse equipment (7)
- 18. Make amends for (7)
- 20. Boat races (7)
- 21. Approve of (7)
- 23. Stubble (5)
- 24. Measured amounts of medication (5)
  - 26. Andean animal (5)
  - 27. One who watches (9)
  - 28. Sloping roof beams (7)
  - 29. Prattle (7)

#### Across

- 1. Affirm (7)
- 5. Cargo (7)
- 9. Having two sides or parts (9)
- 10. The Earth (5)
- 11. An artless innocent young girl (7)

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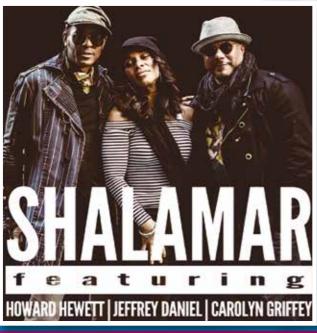
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The Club was formed in 1961 and Rotarians provide transport if needed, to the swimming baths and also to the annual Rotary games held at MBNA Bank. Another highlight for both Club members, their families and Rotarians, is a visit annually to the Floral Pavilion Festive Pantomime.



#### **Memories of Lord Leverhulme**

The late Lord Leverhulme was very special being the third and final Viscount, the view given by Jean Keller, who spoke warmly of the Lord of the Manor during a recent Rotary evening meeting.

Jean is pictured left, accompanied by Birkenhead Rotary President Tom Meade and Rotarian Barbara Sinclair, whose guest Jean was. Jean said she was privileged to have known Lord Leverhulme for 30 years, along with his chauffeur Ron Hutchinson, whilst she worked at Thornton Hough Primary School. Jean served as the School's Headteacher and witnessed first-hand the generosity of Lord Leverhulme in support of the school, its pupils and Port Sunlight's residents. This included the annual picnic within the grounds of the Thornton Manor.

The children regularly waved flags when they were alerted to the presence of a Royal visitor and one very special visitor was HRH Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

On one occasion a staff member, who also worked in the primary school, called down with an envelope from Lord Leverhulme. On opening it, Jean was amazed to see a cheque for £100,000 – to fund inside toilets at the school.

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## Wirral's iconic Christmas fair to provide early festive cheer for North West Cancer Research

The Wirral Bazaar, which has gone from strength to strength over the past 27 years, will open its doors once again this November, in a bid to raise thousands of pounds for North West Cancer Research.

Taking place on Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd November at Thornton Manor, the annual shopping spectacular features a collection of more than 70 carefully selected stalls offering a variety of unique and beautiful Christmas gifts, which cannot be found on the high street. The wide variety of stalls means that Christmas shopping can be done in one day, saving time and no waiting in for deliveries.

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The Bazaar is organized by a volunteer committee, their wonderful army of friends and family, and supported by corporate sponsors - The Mitchell Group, Cammel Laird, Investec, Harris Opticians, Guy Layton Williams and Thornton Manor, whose help has ensured the continuing success of the fair.

This year's Wirral Bazaar will take place in the Walled Garden Marquee at Thornton Manor on Wednesday 1st November from 3pm till 9pm and on Thursday 2nd November from 9.30am till 3pm.

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Above: Although posted in 1942, this postcard was printed before war broke out as it shows the Cresent West Kirby was still two-way traffic (it became one-way in 1938) there was no shortage of garments in Jones'

window on the right. The Christian Institute is the tall half-timbered building in the distance which fronted onto Grange Road and the Blenheim Cafe was to the right which later became Blenheim Fruiterers.



Above: 1950. The New Inn is seen in Greasby Road, Greasby. This Birkenhead Brewery pub was replaced with the Red Cat in 1964. There was a gap in the wall on the right which led to the Cross Gardens. The here was widened in 1967.



Above: 1953. Teapot Row in the distance, where Greasby Road bends to the left, was demolished in the first road-widening in this part of Greasby in 1960.

The Coach and Horses Inn, extreme left, is still there today but the buildings to the right, Hugh Rowe's Saddler's shop and the smithy were demolished in the second road-widening scheme in 1967.

Right: 1949. Looking along Greasby Road, Greasby towards Upton with a notable lack of vehicles on the road.





Above: 1919. The Station Master; staff and dog pose for a photograph on the platform of **Meols** Station. The slope on the left led up to Birkenhead Road.



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- Roasted Garlic
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- 6 tablespoons maple syrup
- 4 teaspoons soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons, plus 2 teaspoons, olive oil
- 4 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 8 chicken thighs
- 4 cups fresh cauliflower, riced (use grater or food processer so cauliflower resembles rice)
- 1 1/2 cups fresh scallions, sliced
- 2 cups fresh sugar snap peas
- 3 sprigs fresh cilantro, for garnish

Heat oven or grill to 375 F.

In large bowl, mix together vinegar, gochujang, maple syrup, soy sauce, olive oil, mustard, salt and pepper to form marinade. Dip chicken in marinade and toss lightly until coated.

Lightly oil foil pouch and layer base of pouch with cauliflower. Add scallions and sugar snap peas then place chicken on top. Carefully pour remaining marinade over pouch contents (ensuring that liquid stays inside foil).

Seal foil packet and bake or grill 30 minutes. Open foil to create 2-inch long vent then bake or grill another 15 minutes, or until completely cooked. Garnish with cilantro before serving.

**Chef's tip:** For best results and added flavour, marinate chicken 30 minutes before preparing pouches.

**Substitutions:** In place of gochujang, red pepper flake paste can be made by mixing 1 tablespoon red pepper flakes with a few dashes soy sauce and 1 dash sugar. Alternatively, substitute 2 teaspoons sriracha for gochujang.

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#### There three age groups:

Junior 7 to 10 years old Intermediate 11 to 13 years old Senior 14 to 17 years old

With the age qualifying date of 31st August 2017, it should be noted that some junior entrants may be 11, intermediate entrants may be 14 and some senior entrants may be 18 at the time of some or all the stage competitions i.e. a competitor may be 17 on 31st August but turns 18 on 1st September is allowed to enter. Competitors must include their date of birth on the application form.

#### www.BirkenheadRotary.org

## West Kirby Methodist Church presents Liverpool Harmonic Gospel Choir

The Liverpool Harmonic Gospel Choir will be singing at West Kirby Methodist Church on Saturday, November 25th starting at 7.30 pm. This will be an evening full of lively music including some with a Christmas feel. Tickets cost £5 (£2 for under 18s) and will be available from the church office, on the night or can be reserved by calling Dirk on 07847 739 533 or 0151 625 3224. All are very welcome.

The choir grew from a Community Education Project run by the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Society in 1994. The project aimed to develop the social and artistic talents of the inner city communities of Liverpool. Since its inception, the choir has sung at the opening Ceremony to celebrate Liverpool's Capital of Culture 2008 and the Slavery Remembrance Day at the Anglican Cathedral, as well as supporting Nina Simone and Ladysmith Black Mambazo. The choir delivers exciting and moving performances through a mix of traditional and contemporary gospel and inspirational music.

West Kirby Methodist Church aims to serve the community of West Kirby. The church is on Westbourne Road in West Kirby, CH48 4DQ, within walking distance from the station and town centre bus stops. Further details about the church's current activities and heritage and are available on the church website.

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### **Hillyer McKeown wins National Conveyancing Award**



Caroline Jones, Hillyer McKeown Partner and Head of Commercial Property, receives the Best Direct Conveyancing Firm Award.

Leading North West law firm Hillyer McKeown has won a national award for the quality of its conveyancing work.

Hillyer McKeown has been named Best Direct Conveyancing Firm in the Law Firm Services' Premier Conveyancing Awards 2017.

The judges praised Hillyer McKeown's "proactive" approach and "progression and integration of technology for the benefit of the client".

The rigorous judging process saw shortlisted firms assessed for their commitment to providing excellent service. innovation, training and development for its people and customer protection against fraud.

Conveyancing client surveys reveal that 97 per cent of Hillyer McKeown clients would recommend the firm to others.

Caroline Jones, Partner and Head of Commercial Property at Hillver McKeown, said: "We are delighted to win such

a prestigious industry award against some really tough competition across the UK.

"We are continually looking for ways to improve our service and this award reflects the commitment and hard work our teams put into making each transaction as smooth as possible.

"We are particularly pleased that client testimonials played an important part in the judging process."

Richard Mathias, of Law Firm Services, said: "To win an LFS Conveyancing Award is becoming harder each year as more and more firms enter. I congratulate all of the winners on providing the British home mover with an exemplary

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## RECRUITMENT DRIVE AT WIRRAL CARE HOME



A local recruitment campaign has been launched by a Wirral care home as it continues to grow in popularity.

The Hazelwell in Oldfield Road, Heswall which opened last July is currently recruiting for experienced night and day nurses and carers. The care home sits on the former site of the Cleaver Hospital and offers all-inclusive, residential, nursing, palliative and respite care.

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In April, The Hazelwell scored 9.9 out of ten in the 'Top 20 Recommended Care Homes in the North West for 2017' by leading UK care home website, carehome.co.uk and was rated 'good' by the Care Quality Commission in May after less than 12 months of opening.

Liza Millington, care home manager at The Hazelwell, said: "Since opening our doors to the public last year, we have been met with an overwhelming response and the care home is extremely popular hence our new recruitment drive.

"We believe investing in the local area will benefit the community by creating new jobs locally. We're looking for nurses and carers who are passionate about working in care and will help to support our residents' individual needs.

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