

# The Overton Oracle

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## Advice Surgery



Susan Elan Jones MP and Ken Skates AM will be holding an Advice Surgery at the Parish Room, Penyllan



Street, Overton on Friday 21st April 3.30pm-5.30pm. No appointments needed.

## Time to vote

Thursday May 4th 2017 is Local Government Election Day for the Wrexham County Borough Councillors and Community Councillors.

The deadline to register to vote is April 13th and the deadline to register for a postal vote is 5pm on April 18th.

## Last chance to sign

Do you oppose Wrexham County Borough Council's Local Development Plan 2 which shows all Overton's outlying fields as potential building sites? If so, please sign the petition in the Corner Shop, the chemist or the library as it will be removed soon.

## Congratulations



Congratulations to Ben Roberts from M. E. Evans, Overton's butchers, for completing his Level 4 Apprenticeship in Food Manufacturing Excellence.

## Overton Blues, Roots and Real Ale Festival

This year's festival at Overton Village Hall is on Friday May 6th 7.30pm - 11.30pm and Saturday 7th 1.00pm - 11.30pm. It is already attracting interest from all parts of the UK and tickets are selling steadily. With that in mind we are hoping that the village might get behind the event on the Friday evening which we have designated as "Village Day" and we hope that the acts booked will appeal to villagers who might like a dance!



'3 Kings' from Chester are a foot tapping blues band, Dale Storr is the UK's number 1 New Orleans and boogie piano player and headliners 'The Stumble' have rocking twin guitars, blaring saxophone and one of the UK's top soul vocalists.

We have priced the Friday at £15 which is great value for the quality of these acts and tickets are on sale at the Corner Shop. Saturday's whole day event costs £25 with 6 great acts or 2 nights tickets can be bought for £35. There will be 12+ real ales and ciders available.

Last year's event was a great success with many of local businesses supporting the event and reporting a profitable weekend. Also, some of the local groups and societies who helped received financial benefit from the profits made from the event and enabling the purchase of the defibrillator to be completed. The festival is staged for the benefit of the village so let's see some nice healthy support for the event.

## The next production

The next production of the Overton Amateur Dramatic Society will be a comedy entitled - "The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society Production of Macbeth". It will be on the 19th & 20th May in the Village Hall. Make sure you put the dates in your diary!



## 50th Anniversary Cookbook

Overton Playgroup is to produce a 50th Anniversary Cook book that they hope all people who have played a part in the Playgroup story over the 50 years will contribute to; from the founder members in the 1960s, to staff, committee members and to parents and children who have grown up and may now have children of their own using the Playgroup facilities. The final book is a high quality hard backed book which is hard wearing, with plastic covered flipover pages and will be an ideal gift for friends and family.



Send us your recipe and picture by email to: [mail@andrealawton.plus.com](mailto:mail@andrealawton.plus.com). or write the recipe down with your information, bring it in to the Playcentre and we will type it up for you. You can contribute more than 1 recipe if you like. Please send your recipe by 30th April 2017 so that it will be available for purchasing at our planned events during this year.

## Ramblings from the Reverend



### Rev'd Canon David Child writes

As we approach Good Friday and Easter I cannot but think back to the time when at the age of 16 my parents took me to see the Oberammergau Passion Play. Oberammergau is a village in Bavaria, Germany. In the time of the Bubonic Plague in 1634 the villagers there made a vow that if their village was spared that they would put on a Passion Play telling the story of the death and resurrection of Jesus, every ten years. And this is what they've done down the centuries.

There are no professional actors, musicians or stage directors they're all villagers. When you're there you might notice 'Judas' dealing with you in the Post Office or 'Mary Magdalene' serving you in the gift shop. It's become renown throughout the world and the village now has a magnificent modern auditorium.

What I remember most though is the talk I had with my father the day after we'd seen the play. He asked me what I thought of it. I must have mumbled something. And then he said to me "I found it very worrying, you know that crowd scene when there are hundreds on stage and where they are all shouting 'Crucify him, Crucify him'. Well something in me wanted me to stand up and shout 'Crucify him, Crucify him' too." I didn't say anything but I had exactly the same feeling. I too had wanted to shout 'Crucify him'.

There's that hymn isn't there, 'Were you there when they crucified my Lord?'

Good Friday, the Crucifixion is easy to understand. All it took was a mixture of religious conservatism, economic self interest and political expediency. But then there's that last verse of that hymn, 'Were you there when he rose to glorious life?'

The resurrection isn't at all easy to understand but there is more historical evidence for it than for many events in the past that we take for granted. And it does make sense. Jesus in his death on the cross shares with us everything that it means to be human and in his resurrection he shares with God everything that it means to be God so that we too can share with our loved ones in his glorious life.

Without Easter, without the hope that the resurrection of Jesus brings, without belief in the afterlife we're just like goldfish swimming around in a goldfish bowl.

Or as Shakespeare put it in Macbeth – we're just 'a tale full of sound and fury signifying nothing.'

With every blessing for a Happy Easter,  
David

### Overton Football Club Fixture List

1st April: Reserves Team - Buckley Town. Home  
8th April: 1st Team - FC Nomads. Home  
15th April: 1st Team - Llanuwchillyn. Away  
22nd April: 1st Team - Corwen. Home

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## Country Beat



### by PCSO Lynne Maurice

As the holiday season will soon be upon us I would like to remind people about the 'TUP' (Temporary Unoccupied Premises) service that we provide. If you are going away even for a short period of time you can contact us at your local police station and complete the TUP form informing us you are going away. This can also be completed online and forwarded to our Community Safety Team on email [easterncommsafety@nthwales.pnn.police.uk](mailto:easterncommsafety@nthwales.pnn.police.uk) or telephone 01978 348697 or 01352 702145.

Everyone wants peace of mind whilst they are away or in hospital for any length of time and we all want to come home to find everything as we left it. Also it is a good idea to get help from your neighbours. You could ask them to collect post, open and close curtains or blinds and so on. Maybe park their car on your driveway, anything to make the place look lived in.

On another note I'm pleased to report there has been no major crime in the village over the recent period. Hopefully this will continue but if anyone sees any suspicious persons or vehicles that seem to be hanging around the village or anything you are worried about, please do not hesitate to call the 101 number, give as much information as you can, descriptions, clothing, registrations numbers etc, and of course in an emergency the 999 number.

Regards

Lynne

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### Playgroups dates

Our **Nearly New Sale** - everything baby, toddler and child related at a great price! 1-3pm on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** at the Village Hall.

**Bags for School** fundraising collection of your unwanted adults and children's good quality clothes, any bedding, paired shoes, soft toys, hats, belts and handbags. Bags available at the Playgroup but any bag will do. Bags need to be with us by **Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>**. The more we collect the more we raise!

**Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Bingo** at the Recreational Club, 8pm fabulous prizes to be won.

**Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>, Race Night** at the White Horse, celebrating the Grand National 7.30pm start.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>** is our **Easter Party** at the Scout Hut 3-5pm. a lovely children's event, crafts, Easter bonnet competition, and of course an Easter Egg Hunt!

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** it's our **Casino Evening!** If you fancy a go on the Russian Roulette, Black Jack or maybe poker? We have something for everyone!

Many thanks to Margaret O'Neil for kindly choosing the Playcentre to be her chosen charity to receive a donation from her beautiful handmade jewellery which she sold at the Playcentre on the 18<sup>th</sup> March. Thank you to those who came along to support.

### A Hidden Treasure

Do you know that in Overton there is a fairly well hidden treasure? Not that it needs to be hidden but just because of its location. It is just that little bit remote while still being easy to reach. It is not situated so that you would walk past while using the village so I think that many of you perhaps don't know it is there for everyone to take advantage of and enjoy. Its relative isolation means that it is an oasis of peace and tranquillity whilst at the same time an area of activity and pleasure giving the users healthy exercise and an opportunity to socialise with others and to form friendships. It is not without challenges for newcomers and experienced players alike.

If you have not yet guessed what I am writing about (well done if you have!), it is of course our superb Bowling Green which is the envy of most of our visiting teams when we have League matches.

Please do take the time to visit and then hopefully take the next step to become a member. You would of course be made most welcome and offered tea or coffee and biscuits. We have bowls available for you to borrow. There will always be someone willing to give you a few tips and set you on the right road. It is a fascinating game and there will always be something for you to learn suitable for people of all ages. We have players in their early teens and others who still play in their 80's - both men and women. It is a game for pretty much anyone and even watching a game is enjoyable on sunny afternoons or balmy evenings.

So how to visit us? Walk or drive to the end of St Mary's Avenue (the road almost opposite Dark Lane beside the Church), there is a car park on your right and you will spot the green up the pathway. The sign says 'Visitors Welcome' and that is true. Do come and admire and enjoy Overton's hidden treasure.

*A Club member*



### Open Mic Night

Friday 7th April starts 7.30pm till late  
Overton Recreational Club

Mic & Amp provided  
Contact Eleanor 07565528790  
or let Kath know behind the bar

### Appeal for even more spare beds?

Thanks to those who have replied to this appeal last month but does anyone else have any more spare beds? Carol Dykes, Overton's coordinator for hospitality for the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod is this year looking for **even more** hosts in the village. She needs to find about 20 beds more than usual to accommodate the foreign visitors that Overton will be welcoming. The dates are July 3rd to 9th. Hosts will receive £15 a night and are asked to provide Bed and Breakfast plus a hot drink & piece of cake at suppertime. If you can help, please contact Carol on 01978 710794 or 07947 747530.

*email: overtonoracle@gmail.com*

Keep the date

**SATURDAY 1st JULY 7pm**

**Overton Playgroup**

**celebrates**

**50 YEARS**

at the Brow, Wrexham Rd, Overton

Live entertainment                      DJ

3 course meal                              Grand Prize Draw

Formal Dress

Tickets £35 from Overton Playcentre



### Dear Editor,

Much is being said about dog fouling in the village, but can I make a plea for dog walkers to observe the same standards of conduct when walking in the country.

The unlit lanes are often left with deposits which are trodden in or cling to the wheels of child buggies, bikes, cars etc. The grass verges are maintained by the land/home owner mainly through mowing or strimming. Allowing the dog to foul results in the mess being caught up in the mower or shot over the person doing the strimming. Today our freshly mown grass with a bank of daffodils looked lovely apart from the mound of dog muck.

When you have cleaned up the mess please do not leave the bags in the fields or hedgerows, take it home or to a bin. Livestock will munch through anything and you do not want to be the cause of them dying. Country paths are to be enjoyed by all, just please respect the countryside.

*Lesley Pugh, Lightwood Green*

### Who's who?

The "Who's Who" photo in last month's Oracle I have also put on 'Overton a lovely funny old village' Facebook page. The original belongs to Morag Cotton (nee Gunn). In the very centre of the photo is Mrs Arthur Ellis (Morag's grandmother) then Morag's aunt and uncle from Nantwich and next to them Mrs Nancy Gunn. Not sure if it is Mrs Arnold next to her on the back row. The lady next to her looks a bit like Joan Pearce but not too sure about that, then Flora Williams at the right of the photo. Far left is Mrs McDowell, Bill Evans and Lena Brown.

Centre row, far right is Connie Evans (nee Bolland), Anne Edgerton nee Bolland, the man in the white shirt is Mr Barlow, then Mrs Barlow sitting in front of him and 3 Barlow boys all with blonde hair. Other children in the front row are Susan Roberts, Denise and Shane Evans, Peter Arnold. The only other person I recognise is Mary Lewis who is far right at the front.

*Myra Worthington*

## Tom Bristow 1898 - 1917

This month is the centenary of the death of another of the Overton soldiers remembered on Overton War Memorial, of Tom Bristow who died on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1917<sup>th</sup> aged only 19.

Tom was born in 1898, the son of Thomas Bristow the local auctioneer and his wife Kate. They lived at Gwaelod House, Overton Bridge, where Tom and sister Kathleen (2 years older than Tom) were born. Also living with them in 1911 was their cook, Alice Chetwood and an apprentice auctioneer Wynn Scott.

Tom enlisted in 1915 when he said he was 18. He was a Bank Clerk and enlisted into the Montgomery Yeomanry, which was soon to be amalgamated with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He was Private 55176.

The 2nd Battalion was involved in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battle of the Scarpe, 23<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 1917, part of the Battle of Arras. On the 24<sup>th</sup> April Tom was killed and was initially buried at Fontaine Road Cemetery, Heninel along with 15 other soldiers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Royal Welsh Fusiliers. The small cemetery was created near where the deaths occurred. At the Armistice, the graves in many small cemeteries in isolated positions south-east of Arras were brought in to Wancourt British Cemetery. However the burials were unidentified as their grave markers had been destroyed in later battles over the area. His grave is probably one of those marked "A Soldier of the Great War" but his name is remembered on the Special Memorial 73 at the cemetery, and on Overton War Memorial.



*Photo taken on 24<sup>th</sup> April 1917 of an Advance Dressing Station behind the gun battery at Battle of Scarpe*

## St Mary's School News

**Biking Fun** This term has started brilliantly, as Reception class have been having sessions on balance bikes. Maisy and Ethan told our Year 6 Reporters, "We can go really far on the bikes without putting our feet down!" Maisy said, "I can balance quite well and I feel more confident on bikes now." Ethan told us, "The bikes were blue, silver, orange and bronze." It was clear the children really enjoyed the experience.

**Eisteddfod Time** All classes took part in songs, recitals and art activities to celebrate St. David's Day and our annual Eisteddfod. In Year 2 they made dragons and Tom made his out of Lego. It took about 250 pieces to make it! The children also created dragon poems. Clarrie McDonald-Brown won the overall prize for the Eisteddfod art competition with 'Pablo' (*picture right*). Clarrie told us; "I made Pablo because my dad went on a 'Bridges not Walls' strike and bought lots of sombreros. I made Pablo to bring world peace: support 'Bridges not Walls'! It's an anti-Trump model."



**World Book Day** World Book Day is a popular annual event where we all get to dress up as our favourite book characters. This year it was as much fun as ever.

In Year 1, Arthur came into school dressed in an amazing costume as the Saucepan Man from 'The Faraway Tree' by Enid Blyton. Arthur chose the character because he is funny and the Saucepan Man can't hear very well.



Nyree came as Fantastic Mr Fox, as she had chosen the book for her presentation and she thinks it's a great book. Milly in Year 3 told us; "I'm Captain America, I chose him because he is in my favourite book." Gethin said, "I came as Woody from Toy Story as I like Woody because he is a cowboy." Tomos proudly told us, "I am Willy Wonka because I like chocolate!"

In Year 4, there were a wide variety of different costumes; River told us, "I am Pinky Pie because I like the book a lot." "I chose to be Grubby Gertrude," Evie told us, "because last night Daisy came to my house and we were both reading the same book, so Daisy and I both came as Grubby Gertrude today."

Niamh, from Year 5, informed us, "I am Hetty Feather by Jacqueline Wilson, because I have read Sapphire Battersea and I enjoyed it." "I'm dressed up as Carrie from Carries War because the book is really good," Amelie shared with us. In Year 6 we dressed up as a variety of characters. Harry dressed up as the BFG because he likes the big ears and he is tall character, just like Harry himself. Ellie said, "I am the Queen of Hearts from Alice in Wonderland because the character is just like me". You would never have recognised Lauren, who came top to toe as the Mad Hatter from Alice in Wonderland!



**Year 6 Roving Reporters – Zoe, Mitchell, Zara Goff, Ella Williams & Josh Williams**

## Bullseye!

The results of the Overton Recreational Club's 2017 annual Bullseye competition were as shown in the photograph, from the left: Winners - Dai (Coal) Jones and Brian Malam, and Runners-up - Tracy Leach and Mark Whittall. Congratulations to them all.

As usual there was a very good line-up of competitors, who along with the members wish to thank Joan Stant and Dilys Parkinson for arranging this very popular event.



## Bell Ringing at St Mary's Church

A modification has been made in St Marys Church with the construction of a bell rope frame in the porch to make bell ringing in Overton, safer and easier.

Anyone who is interested in finding out about or learning to bell ring please contact us by email on [mike\\_marshall25@btinternet.com](mailto:mike_marshall25@btinternet.com)



We practice every Saturday morning from 10 o'clock.

## Solution to clean streets

Overton has been plagued by dog mess and The Oracle besieged by letters. However, protestations to the Community and Borough councils finally appear to have borne fruit. A ten point plan, illustrated in the Welsh Government's 'Action for Local Community' policy has offered a glimmer of hope.

The discussions regarding the installation of a 'dog toilet facility' on the High Street in Overton have received mixed reactions. "I'll walk my dog and she'll do what comes naturally, where she see's fit" postulated one local resident. "It's political correctness gone mad" from another.

April 1<sup>st</sup> will see extensive excavations on the High Street commence and residents are being warned of disruption. Head of

Works, Abel Lution, representing the Federation Of Outdoor Latrines explains "We wanted the installation to have maximum impact with limited interruption." Other comments may be forwarded to the Federation Of Outdoor Latrines [www.fool.org.uk/tomakeyousmile](http://www.fool.org.uk/tomakeyousmile)



## Nightingale House fundraiser

A Silent Auction in aid of Nightingale House will be held at the Hanmer Arms, 6.30pm to 8.00pm on Friday April 28th. Admission is £2 per person to include light refreshments. Items will be sold to the highest bidder on the night.

## Overton Lunch Club

is on Wednesday April 12th at 12.30pm at the White Horse. The menu will be cottage pie, chips and peas followed by vanilla cheesecake and cream, all for £6.25. To book please ring Gwynneth Austin on 01978 710672



## Where do you read the Oracle?

Although we print 700 copies of the Oracle which are distributed free to every house in the parish of Overton, we also make it available in colour online - on the Overton Oracle website. We are delighted to see that the website now has over 900 hits a week from all over the world.

Recent emails from abroad have included one from the British Embassy in Washington DC, following up on one of our articles on the names on the War Memorial. Good to know in these troubled times for US politics that the British Embassy has time to read the Overton Oracle.

## Training Weekend

On the last weekend in February 32 Explorer Scouts from Wrexham District plus 10 Leaders came to Overton Scout Hut for a Duke of Edinburgh Expedition training weekend. The Explorers (including members of Overton's Bryn-y-Pys Unit) started the weekend with a short walk around Overton Bottom carrying full kit, followed by an intensive 2 days work on route-planning, kit choices, menu planning, first aid and survival skills. The Explorers camped at the lower end of the Millennium Meadow and did their own cooking on a variety of camping stoves. The D of E expeditions will take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> April between Llangollen, Corwen and Llandegla.



**Dear Editor**

My name is John McCusker and I am standing as an independent candidate for Overton district in the Wrexham Council Elections in May. The Overton district covers Overton, Penley, Hanmer and all the surrounding areas. I have lived in Overton for 24 years and am concerned about the whole area and want to make a difference helping local people with local issues. I am a retired businessman and will dedicate ALL my time to the position not as an "add-on" to my current employment. I intend to be fully hands-on attending all Council meetings to focus on scrutiny, but will try and solve smaller issues locally rather than hand them up the line.

Please vote for me as NOW IS THE TIME FOR CHANGE.

John McCusker [john.mccusker01@btinternet.com](mailto:john.mccusker01@btinternet.com)

**Welshampton charity  
Plant Fair**

**Bank Holiday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

12 noon to 3pm

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plus our usual stalls & refreshments

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**Overton Royal British Legion  
100 Club**

Results of the "100 Club" draw for March. 87 members entered and the draw was made at the White Horse on the 8th March by Diane Child.

Winners -

1st Prize £174.00 No 59 Barbara Holt  
2nd Prize £87.00 No 55 Tim Hill  
3rd Prize £43.50 No 76 Raymond Austin  
Legion Fund: £130.50

Next Draw: Wed. April 12<sup>th</sup>

A few membership places still available, open to everyone, not just RBL members.

If you wish to join please ring Dave Austin

Tel: 01978 710678

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in the on-line archived edition of the Oracle.*

*This is because the archive of the Oracle is  
available on-line going back many years  
and the adverts and contact details  
would be out of date.*



## What's On

### April Diary for St Mary's Services

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.00am Family Village Praise  
 Palm Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> 11.30am Communion, Palm Crosses, and Dramatization of the Passion  
 Maundy Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Communion & Vigil  
 Good Friday April 14<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm Stations of the Cross  
 Easter Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Family Communion with Blessing of Easter Eggs  
 Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> 11.30am Communion  
 Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Joint Communion at Erbistock  
 6.00pm Praise & Worship at Hanmer Church

### April Diary for Overton Methodist Chapel

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 6.30pm Mr David Young  
 Palm Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Mr Ebenezer Sam  
 Good Friday April 14<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Mr David Young  
 Easter Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Rev Phil Poole  
 Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.30pm Rev Phil Poole  
 Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> 11.00am All Age Worship

**Every Saturday from March 4th** 10.30am-12 noon Weekly Coffee Mornings at the Methodist Chapel

**Sunday April 2nd** 1.00-3.00pm Nearly New Sale at the Village Hall organised by the Playcentre

**Thursday April 6th** 8pm Easter Bingo at the Recreational Club in aid of the Playcentre

**Thursday April 6th** 10.30am - 2.30pm Rainbow Centre Lunch & Learn 'Easter Chicks Wooden Craft' with The Little Wood Company

**Friday April 7th** 7.30pm till late Open Mic Night at Overton Recreational Club.

**Saturday April 8th** 8pm Grand National Race Night at the White Horse in aid of Playcentre

**Tuesday April 11th** 7.30pm Overton Community Council meeting in the Parish Room. Members of the public wishing to speak 7.20pm-7.30pm.

**Wednesday April 12th** 10.30am Overton British Legion meeting at the Scout Hut. All welcome.

**Wednesday April 12th** 12.30pm Overton Lunch Club at the White Horse. Booking essential

**Wednesday April 12th** 7.15pm for 7.30pm Maelor Belles WI at the Rainbow Centre, Penley. Chris from "Little Green Flowers" will demonstrate bouquet making.

**Thursday April 13th** 7.30pm Erbistock WI at Erbistock Village Hall. Speaker: Andrew Ffoulkes - Stans Superstore, St Martins.

**Thursday April 20th** 7.30pm Overton WI meeting in the Chapel Schoolroom. Speaker: Effie Cadwallader on "Community First Response". Competition - A Fridge Magnet

**Friday April 28th** 6.30 - 8.00pm Silent Auction at the Hanmer Arms in aid of Nightingale House

Because of the rising cost of paper, Oracle advertising costs will rise from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017, to £12 per month for business adverts from within the parish, and £15 for businesses outside the parish.

## Family Announcements

**Belated congratulations** to Phil and Iris Edwards on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

**Congratulations** to Rachel and Gareth Edwards on the birth of their daughter Kate Elizabeth Joan and a granddaughter for Jean Edwards.

**A very special Happy Birthday to Gertie Osbourne who is 105 on April 24th.**

**Happy April Birthdays** to Ruby Grace Whittall, Tim Hall, Gerry Owen, Grace Johnson, Courtney Pugh, Iory Evans, Sarah Smith, Hayden Austin, Lucy Chalk Derek Edwards, Geoff Hodgson, Mervyn Haynes Mike Dorey, David Harris, Eileen Palmer, Dexter Dodwell, Wullie Drysdale, Bill Grindley, and Kelly Taylor.

Belated **1st birthday** wishes to Toby Edwards, love from Mum and Dad.

**Have a great 21st birthday** Kieron Rogers for April 19, love from Dad, Mum, Hannah, Freddie, Nanny and Grandad.

**Sincere condolences** to family and friends of Ellen Hoare who passed away in March.

**Sincere condolences** to family and friends of Freda Bailey who passed away in March.

**Sincere condolences** to family and friends of Carl Knight who passed away in March.

**Sincere condolences** to family and friends of Les Swire who passed away in March.

## For Sale

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