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This is another Overton Oracle produced in extraordinary times.

Thank you to those volunteers who have delivered a copy to your postbox
The latest Wales Government guidelines - a red, amber, green traffic light system on how restrictions on areas of life in Wales can begin to be eased - can be read on <https://gov.wales/unlocking-our-society-and-economy-wales-roadmap-published>

Remember - You can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms.



COVID-19
CORONAVIRUS

Support our local businesses

Welcome back to local businesses, Overton Supermarket, Two Doves and the Corner Shop. Please respect the measures they have put in place for their staffs', and your safety. Remember to keep supporting our local shops.

The Pop up Post Office

in the Parish Rooms is now on **Wednesdays** and is open (hopefully) between 10.00am and 12 noon



Overton Community Picnic

Due to the current circumstances the Overton Community Picnic will sadly have to be moved to next year. Thank you to everyone that offered to help out.

Crisp packet recycling

Keep recycling your crisp packets at the Cheese Machine. Smooth them flat, do not knot as that can damage the recycling machine. Another 8kg has just been sent off. Well done! Toothpaste, toothbrush & tooth floss containers can also be dropped off.

Keep in touch

For those on Facebook join these groups to keep updated on what's going on and for support in our area
'Overton-on-Dee Community'
'Covid19, Penley, Overton on Dee and local rural areas'
'overton on dee...a lovely funny old village'



Overton goes scarecrow crazy

A simple idea from Les & Jude Mouldsdales and 2 lines on the front page of last months Oracle - and who would have guessed that it would lead to Overton being invaded by well over 100 strange creations, spotted looking over garden walls, lurking behind trees or sitting on front lawns.

Celebrities, film stars, members of the Royal family, tributes to the NHS and even Colonel Tom have been spotted, Duncan Goodhew floundering in the River Dee near the weir, Winston Churchill smoking a cigar in Salop Road, Lillo Lill lounging in the High Street, just 2 doors up from the Queen, Vera Lynn with her microphone, "Farmer Cyst" outside Rowlands Pharmacy, several



fishermen, a gentleman on a toilet in Cloy Lane, tributes to the NHS, a Rambler consulting his map by the footpath sign - and so it goes on. There is no end to Overton's imagination and creativity.

News of the invasion spread as far as BBC Wales and a reporter and camera man arrived in the village to film the scarecrows and interview local residents, all shown on the BBC 'Wales Today' programmes on 12th May and on the BBC website. Since then it has been featured on news as far apart as Australia and USA!



As well as cheering up the village, and making the government recommended exercise much more interesting, entering the scarecrow competition has raised money for Hope House



Hospice, which with Gift Aid is now well over £1,500!

The Overall Winner of the 2020 Overton On Dee Scarecrow Festival is 'Farmer Cyst'. (above left) Second Place is 'Beefy Lawrenson'. (above right) And third place is 'Victor Meldrew' (left)

Most of the scarecrows can be seen on the Overton Oracle website www.overtonoracle.com

Many thanks to Les and Jude for all their work in organising it all. We may have had the Parade cancelled, but we'll remember this as the year we had the scarecrows! *More pictures on page 6*



Seeds from St Mary's with Rev'd. Peter Mackriell



What are you missing most during lockdown? I don't know what changes there might be in the coming weeks, but 'social distancing' is going to be part of our life for many months to come. I have heard many people say that they are missing hugs, with no opportunity to share physical contact with anyone outside of their household and the families of some key workers temporarily separated for their own protection. Grandparents are missing the embrace of their grandchildren; parents and grown-up children can only greet each other remotely; siblings and friends can't exchange a hug or even a handshake and can only see each other on a screen.

For those who live alone, this may not be a new experience. Maybe that is something we should remember when we finally emerge from this strange time. A kind touch, a warm embrace, a firm handshake, these can be very welcome to those who are isolated; although we must not assume that physical contact is wanted, it is something we might offer. At the moment, though, all we can give is a kind word, a welcome phone call, an offer of shopping or a baked cake. These tangible signs of care may feel like a hug themselves, especially at this time.

At the heart of the Christian story is the physical presence of God in the world. The birth, life and even death of Jesus remind us that even though we can't see God, he is with us. At Christmas we hear that one of the names Jesus is given is 'Emmanuel', which means 'God with us'. As an adult, Jesus demonstrated God's care for the world in acts of healing which often involved physical contact; his charismatic presence attracted crowds of people who came to hear his stories. Jesus ate, drank, slept, wept; he was fully human and shared the cares and concerns of his people, in a small occupied country on the edge of the Mediterranean sea. When those people turned on him, he suffered, bled and died – powerful evidence of his complete identification with those he came to serve. His resurrection from the dead was also very physical, although he said to Mary 'don't hold on to me' because the time would come when he would return to his father in heaven.

Although Jesus is no longer with us physically, he has given us the task of continuing his work. As St Teresa of Avila said,

'Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.'

May we find ways of 'being Christ' to those around us, particularly in these strange and challenging times. And let's look forward to sharing some hugs when we can!

Police recruitment from our black and minority ethnic communities



During these difficult times all aspects of policing continue, including recruitment. A significant number of our communities in the Wrexham Rural policing area are of a black and minority ethnic communities (BAME) background, whether those that live, work and play here, or visit us in better times.

I am determined that my team of officers and wider support staff properly reflect the communities we serve. Until this time I cannot lay claim to adequately delivering a policing service that recognises and understands the needs of all, hence I am personally reaching out directly to our BAME community and asking them to consider the police as a career. Policing provides a challenging and rewarding career and is not right for everyone. This is the start of what will be a concerted effort locally to overcome any barriers to recruitment experienced by members of the BAME community and find the right people to serve as police officers or police staff.

If you would like to get in touch with me I will ensure you receive the help and support you need to decide if the police is the right career for you and progress through the recruitment phases, and I ask those of you who have friends and family who may be interested to share this message and encourage them to get in touch.

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Announcing the launch of the Overton Community YouTube channel!



Overton' creativity is evident in all the scarecrows and shows that there is a lot of talent in the village. Which gave us an idea ...

We've set up an Overton Community **YouTube channel** and we're calling on all you creative types in the village to submit videos for uploading onto the channel.

These videos could be workshops to teach us new skills (gardening, cooking, sewing, meditation, how to make?) or to launch competitions (photography, who can grow the biggest courgette?) or simply just to make us laugh.

Or if your organisation would have held regular meetings with guest speakers which have had to be cancelled, why not ask them to film what they would have delivered to upload onto the YouTube channel?

These are just suggestions – we're sure you'll have better ones. It is the Overton COMMUNITY YouTube channel, so the content is up to you. If you'd like to upload content please contact volunteer@overtton-on-dee.co.uk for details. It's empty at the moment and is waiting for your creative input!

Worship with us The worship of the Christian community in Overton continues; you can join in weekly worship on YouTube. It's easy to find via our new website www.stmarysovertton-on-dee.org just navigate to 'Worship'. Come and join us! You may remember the suggestion that we all pray the Lord's Prayer at the same time every day. We have now decided that to be ONE we should all pray at ONE – and so we are saying the Lord's Prayer at 1 pm every day. As you pause for lunch, why not say a prayer with us? Let's all keep safe, stay healthy, and pray for an end to this crisis. Do contact me if I can help you in any way. Revd Peter on 710294 revpeter@maelormissionarea.uk



On behalf of our W.I. I would like to thank everyone who raised so many much needed smiles with the Scarecrow displays – they are absolutely fabulous and a real tonic, lifting the spirits of everyone who sees them. Thanks also to our wonderful butcher, ME Evans and all the staff, for providing such an incredible service to the village with a smile. We also appreciate the efforts of the Surgery and Pharmacy for their work. The Community Council must also be thanked for setting up vital lines of support and communication. Although our W.I. Members are really missing our monthly Meetings, we have still been busy keeping in touch with each other, and have embraced the opportunities that WhatsApp and Zoom can bring in terms of regular contact, often with hilarious results. In these challenging times, all we can do is stay positive and continue to look forward, and enjoy planning some great times when we can meet again. We send our best wishes to everyone – keep smiling!



Margaret O'Neil



As an older member of the community I would like to say how grateful I am for all that is being done in the village at this difficult time. I have a weekly delivery from Stan's Shop brought to me by volunteers and meat delivered from our local butcher. I was impressed to hear from a key worker whose name was put forward that Pizzas, a sweet and chocolates plus a bottle of wine was delivered to them from The Dough Station, again by volunteers. A friend of mine self isolating received a wonderful afternoon tea from The Two Doves café. Beautifully presented and quite unexpected.

On V.E.Day to accompany the meals on wheels they deliver each day The Rainbow Centre organized a singer. (photo right) She sang the old Vera Lynn war songs beautifully and she and those with her dressed for the occasion. A very nostalgic moment for those able to be there. I was also invited to a street party that day, suitably distanced of course.



This week my monthly prescription will be delivered so I don't have to worry. In the absence of social events it is very uplifting to take part in a texting chat with fellow members of our W.I. Knowing where we can get anything we need e.g. flour, yeast etc. is really useful plus if anyone has found a useful pastime e.g. hula hooping! Anything that gives us a laugh. Some of us have also enjoyed reading poetry and prose over our phones. Zooming seems to have come into its own at this time with The Parish Church having a virtual coffee chat after the recorded service. Also our monthly book club meeting and weekly W.I group meet in this way.

The Buddies in the village have played a large part in making people feel that they have a friend at hand. I think I probably echo the thoughts of many in the village who are very grateful for the kindness and support shown in these difficult times.

Margaret Evison



Overton Playcentre would like to thank the Steve Morgan Foundation for giving us a grant to continue our work during this difficult time! This grant will go towards ensuring we can continue our services during the current crisis. A Huge Thank you!!!



Thank you to Community Councillor

Overton Community Council would like to thank Pene Coles for her tremendous hard work and dedication as a Community Councillor for the past 7 years, 2 of which were spent as Chair. Pene's support and enthusiasm with the many initiatives and events she supported within the village was always appreciated.

Urgent Appeal

Due to recent resignations and retirement, Overton Village Hall is looking for new trustees to replace our long serving trustees who are leaving us.



We urgently need a trustee with some book keeping/accountancy skills, preferably a working knowledge of Quickbooks. A laptop is provided. They will keep the accounts for the Village Hall looking after income and expenditure, collating the figures supplied by the management committee and providing a financial report for the Trustees meeting.

Secondly we need someone with office management skills to look after office paperwork to ensure that we meet all our statutory obligations and renew all our licences and insurances as required.

These are important rolls that can be carried out from home and do not require you to be involved in the day to day running of the hall but do require you to work closely with the chair of governors. These two roles need to be in place by our AGM in July. If you feel that you can give the Village Hall a few hours a week please contact the Chair on overtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Making Mask Adaptors

I started making mask adaptors for hospitals some weeks ago but was overwhelmed by requests from different people so I asked for helpers and we now have about 14 of us making them. They are designed to help alleviate the sores that PPE masks can cause for nurses, doctors and care workers by wearing masks for such great lengths of time every day.

The local hospitals and care homes have welcomed them and we have now sent out at least 1,227, with a further 50 for Hope House Hospice. The people from the local communities have been very supportive, and thank you to everyone who has helped and have donated buttons.



Maggie Jones

Our Home Learning Journey Continues...

It's been 8 weeks in quarantine so far, and the children of St Mary's School are keeping busy with home learning. With tasks set online using Google Classroom and SeeSaw, and working in their books too, everyone has been kept busy.

Although this may be a strange time for some, everyone has been trying to keep their spirits up. People have been staying healthy and focusing on their wellbeing. Pupils have been keeping up with their daily exercise and Year 6 pupil Sophie sounds like she's been keeping extremely fit: "My favourite home learning lesson is P.E. because some days we do conditioning, which is mainly working on your core strength, or we will do a high intensity workout. My favourite is the advanced stretching." Many pupils continue to join Joe Wicks each day for his workout and as the weather has been so lovely, it's been perfect for playing outside and walking.

Although there may be some negatives about quarantine, mainly not being able to see friends and loved ones, there are undeniably some positives. Jessica, aged 11, says, whilst it can be boring sometimes, you can get dressed how you want, and don't have to get up as early as you do on a normal school day!

One home learning project that Year 6 pupils have worked on is VE Day; researching the history and sharing how they celebrated on Bank Holiday Friday. So even though VE day was a stay at home celebration this year, everyone still had fun in their own gardens, tuned in to the Red Arrows breathtaking air performance in London and watched the Queen's speech at 9pm. Many



children baked cakes, decorated their houses with beautiful bunting, and some even had 'socially distanced' parties with neighbours. As you can see from the photos – Jess made a 'Victory Roll' sponge, (photo right) named after the way a plane rolls to announce shooting down an enemy and the popular WW2 ladies' hairstyle. Thomas and his brother helped to create a lovely spread of WW2 themed foods. (photo left) He told us: "We made a toast saying 'to those who gave so much, we thank you'; I think this is like what we do every Thursday when we clap for the NHS and everybody else who is putting their lives at risk during the Coronavirus crisis." Oscar also showed us how he too had a celebratory 'toast' with his neighbours who sat across the road. (photo right) Thomas reminded us that the words of a very famous WW2 song have just as much meaning now in Lockdown than they did during WW2: "We'll meet again, don't know where, don't know when,



but I know we'll meet again some sunny day."

We hope everyone is well. Stay safe!



by Year 6 Home-Working Reporters Eliza Dodd, Jess Rowley and Ethan Evans and Mrs Williams, Year 6 Teacher

Help is available - Village COVID Fund

Thanks to generous donations a local fund has been established to help residents during the current crisis.

This allows grants to be payable to provide immediate financial support to alleviate hardship or provide protective equipment. The fund is being administered by a Trust and decisions will be made on a case by case basis as received until the fund is depleted and will end by 31st December 2020. Requests for grants may be made by or on behalf of any resident or family within the Overton Community Council Area. We are keen to see this money being used to help local people. Anyone requiring information should contact overtoncovidfund@gmail.com.

All contact will be treated confidentially.



Time to do some cooking

A savoury dish for lunch

Minced ham with eggs *Serves 4*

- 4 eggs
- 1 onion
- 1-2 tbsps tomato puree
- 50g butter
- 2-3 tbsps chopped parsley
- 1 stick of celery
- 150g-200g of chopped or minced ham
- Seasoning



Peel and slice the onion, and chop the celery into cubes.

Fry in the butter until soft.

Mix with the ham, and chopped parsley and tomato puree and season.

Put the mixture into individual overproof dishes, break an egg in the middle of each.

Bake in a moderate oven 180C or Gas Mark 4 until the eggs are set usually in about 10 mins.

Overton Library, message from Rebecca

Welsh Government has announced plans for libraries to consider reopening. Wrexham is working to identify the best way to achieve this in a safe and responsible way. Until then our buildings remain closed. You can still access online services on www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries Please keep your library books at home. You will not be fined and your books will automatically be renewed.

You can get temporary online membership that will give you access to all our online e-books, e-magazines and e-audio books free of charge, go to website above and select Online Services and Online Catalogue. A new audiobook to download free is *Coping with Coronavirus* with Dr Brenda Kelly helping listeners to understand and cope with the unique mental stresses of today.

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Remembering Chief Wren Cecilly Benjamin

Last month's Oracle remembered those from Overton who died in the Second World War and who are named on our War Memorial. One of those was Cecilly Benjamin whose family lived at Pendyffryn, Salop Road, Overton. She was drowned in 1941 along with 21 other WRNSs when the ship S.S. "Aguila" that they were travelling to Gibraltar on, was torpedoed.

Her parents Edward and Elizabeth Benjamin must have been devastated by the news. Overton's War Memorial had been unveiled in 1921 but a new plaque was to be attached with the names of the 6 WWII Fallen. Mr Benjamin, in his daughter's honour, planted one of four flowering cherry trees adjacent to the memorial (now gone). This was enclosed by railings with a brass memorial plaque (both now removed).

Mr Benjamin was co-trustee of a fund to raise money for a lifeboat in memory of Cecilly

and the other Wrens who had died - the "Aguila Wrens Memorial Fund" set up in 1941. All serving Wrens donated a days pay but fundraising must have been also organized in Overton. £4,000 was raised towards the building of a new lifeboat, the balance being donated by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution as a memorial to the 22 girls. The Liverpool class lifeboat 'Aguila Wren' was named at a ceremony in Aberystwyth on 28 June 1952. (left)

She served at Aberystwyth Lifeboat Station between 1951 and 1964 where she saved 14 lives, and then at Redcar, Nth Yorkshire between 1965 and 1972 where she saved another 28 lives. In 1973 she was sold to Scunthorpe Sea Cadets to become a training ship. After some 20 years, Aguila Wren was sold again and became a diving vessel at Tyne Dock. In 2004, she was purchased and put into storage with a view to restoration.

Aguila Wren is now registered as a National Historic Ship and is presently in Northern Ireland being restored. Her original port and starboard navigation lights and her steaming light were tracked down to an owner in New Zealand; they were subsequently reacquired by Aguila Wren's present owner and have been refitted to the boat. It is hoped she will become a memorial to the 22 WRNS killed on Aguila in 1941, and will attend regattas and exhibitions to raise funds for the RNLI. There is also a memorial to the girls (a sculpture of a wren bird) at the National Memorial Arboretum.

But the name is still remembered in Aberystwyth. In 2019 their new small Arancia class Inshore Rescue Boat, was named IRB 'WREN' in memory of the WRNS who lost their lives on SS Aguila. 'IRB WREN' is a small, fast inflatable Arancia class rescue boat specifically designed for inshore work especially in surf. She has also been used on many occasions on the the Rivers Ystwyth and Rheidol both of which flow into Aberystwyth Harbour where the lifeboat station is situated, and out to sea.

So if you are in Aberystwyth in the future when the lifeboat station is open, pop in for a look at the photos and documents they have on display, and remember that one of those girls came from Overton.



Cecilly is centre front



Overton Wildlife Group

Meadow Test Plot Update - Since scattering the seeds on the meadow test plot in the Millenium Meadow not much has appeared but dandelions, dock and meadow foxtail, perfectly normal at this early stage as the wildflower seeds take time to get going, and weeds take advantage of the open ground. For now we are not controlling the weeds as they will help to break up the compacted soil and provide protection for the young seedings from potential predators. However in the last few weeks a few of the wildflower seeds have started to show themselves, with wild carrot seeming to be the first to make an appearance.

Himalayan Balsam Volunteer Group - On the River Dee Himalayan balsam is a huge problem, and many of the banks surrounding Overton are already infested with it. Eradication is impossible but we would like to set up annual balsam pulling volunteer days to prevent the spread of this damaging species into some of the river, woodlands and grasslands around the village. If lockdown is eased before the balsam blooms we plan to carry out several volunteer days. If you would like to join please email Katharine.piercy@googlemail.com to be added to a mailing list so you can be informed when dates are confirmed.

Wildflowers to look out for this month - In June look out for - Meadowsweet (sweet scented feathery cluster of creamy flowers), Common knapweed (thistle like with purple flower), Ivy-leaved toadflax (small purple flowers like miniature snapdragons), Spear thistle (large bulbous head and large but more spaced out spikes), Hedge bindweed (large white trumpet flowers), Dog rose (clambering through hedgerows with white to pink flowers and red rosehips), Rosebay willowherbs (long pink flowers & fluffy seeds), Honeysuckle (sweet smelling flowers in pink, orange and yellow). Colour photos of all these are available on the Oracle website - *Gallery June photos* www.overtonoracle.com so you can check what to look out for.

Update on Covid-19 Support group

Thank you to all the Buddies and Volunteers for continuing to do such a brilliant job in supporting the community during this difficult time. Our Volunteers are going to Stan's 6 days a week (not Sundays), are helping M.E.Evans with deliveries when needed, are helping the Rainbow Centre deliver Meals on Wheels plus a daily prescription pick-up service from the pharmacy in Overton, too. The Buddies are identifying who needs this help and are pointing them in the right direction to get it. You are all being absolutely wonderful – thank you. If there is anything that you need, even if it's not listed here, please contact us - phone 07960 538089 (Charlotte) or 07423 569949 (Katrina) or email: volunteer@overton-on-dee.co.uk

Adverts are not included 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.

MORE Scarecrows !



5 Ride Wales!

A team of 5 Overtonians are taking on a “virtual” bike ride of 717 miles “round the coast & border of Wales” to raise £1,000 for Overton Recreational Club and the Overton Village Hall. Both places continue to have regular outgoings despite them having no income. Paul Edwards, Dave Edwards, Brian Malam, Daniel Williams & Dave Williams will start the ride from 25th May. Donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/5ridewales?utm_term=YGvky3QPb or by contacting Paul Edwards on 07743 244727.



Overton Royal British Legion 120 Club

Results of the “120 Club” Bonus Draw for May 2020. 115 members entered and the draw was made at the Overton Scout Hut on Wed. May 13th 2020. Winning numbers were selected by the Random Number Generator.

- 1st Prize £230.00 No 59 Barbara Holt
- 2nd Prize £115.00 No 102 Avril Lawrenson
- 3rd Prize £ 57.50 No 43 Jean Edwards
- Legion Fund: £172.50

CONGRATULATIONS Next month will be a **BONUS DRAW on Wed June 10th 2020**

Membership numbers are now available. If you wish to join please ring DAVE AUSTIN on 01978 710678.

Please Note: THE RBL "120 CLUB" DRAW WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE PLACE EACH MONTH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS.

Local Services that will help**Overton Supermarket OPEN**

Mon to Sat 8.00am - 8.00pm.
Sun 9.00am - 8.00pm



The Corner Shop OPEN Monday to Saturday 8am-2pm
Sunday 8am-12pm. Please pay by card.

Two Doves Coffee Shop OPEN Friday & Saturday
10am-2pm for takeaway, look out for extra dates soon.
For Gift Shop items have a look at www.2doves.co.uk

M.E. Evans Butchers are pleased to offer a free delivery service to the Overton, Penley, Ellesmere, Bangor on Dee, Marchwiell and Wrexham areas.

Phone **01978 710342** or there's a click and collect option through our website - www.meevans.co.uk
Many thanks for your understanding and support in this difficult time, Mike, Nigel, Ben & The Team

Knolton Market Garden & Cheese Machine Open 24/7.
A safe way to buy cheese, butter, eggs, seasonal fruit & vegetables. Now offering **Vermulen's bread** £1.50 small tin, brown or white.

Milk (and more) to your door from Edwards Dairy

We have extended our delivery service to those who are in need and have been advised to stay in doors; we are able to deliver a wide variety of products to doorsteps within our delivery areas so please get in touch if you think we could be of assistance.

M. Edwards & Son of Edwards Dairy, Chirk
Tel: 01691 778266 or website www.edwardsdairies.co.uk

Rainbow Meals on Wheels (Monday to Friday)

Two course dinner and teatime pack
Tel: 01948 830730 to order.

Stans Superstore has a delivery service available within a 5 mile radius of the store. (yes that's Overton) Please ring **01691 772348**. T's & C's apply. or your order can be delivered by Overton volunteers. See page 1.

Home Farm Overton offers home delivery to local postcodes on selected days.

As well as their usual produce - sausages, bacon, eggs, meat, pies, sausage rolls, cooked meats etc they can also offer daily staples such as milk, cheese, bread, potatoes and other vegetables and salad where available. Tel: us 01978 710141

Lewis' Farm Shop are offering a delivery service to Eyton, Bangor-on-Dee, Overton, Cross Lanes to customers who are self isolating or concerned about contact with others. Contact 01978 780852, Facebook messages or email: hello@lewisfarmshop.com.

Pen Y Lan Pork Delivery Service. We are offering a door to door service, lots of sausage varieties, meatballs, and bacon (all can be frozen for 6 mths). Ring Mike on 07809 419348 or email mikeford01@googlemail.com. Orders received by Wednesday for delivery Friday/Saturday

Family Announcements

Happy June Birthdays to Heugo Heard, Marlene Williams, Katharine Crockford, Jill Burton, Ken Roberts, Andrew Brookfield, Graham Manley, Colin Bamber, Nicole Netzband-Piggott, Andy Myers, Rosie Myers, Stephen Perrin, Tracy and Kayleigh Leech, Ron Towers, Kate Best, Claire Hellingman, Brenda Lewis, Jenny Horton, Neil Evison, Sara Williams & Matthew Tombs.

Sincere condolences to the family and friends of Gay Mosytn from Erbistock who passed away in April.

Sincere condolences to the family and friends of Arthur Griffiths who passed away in May.

Overton Community Council meeting

The next meeting will be held remotely via 'GoToMeeting' on 9th June 2020 from 6:50pm.

If members of the public would like to "attend" they should contact Katrina Chalk on

clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk for log in details.

Mixed memories reminder!

In last month's Oracle we mentioned sending in your thoughts about your experiences in lockdown. These could be prose or poetry, photos, drawings etc.

We also asked if anyone could share their memories of VE celebrations. If you have an entry please send it to sengland@overton-on-dee.co.uk. We look forward to compiling a book of your contributions in the future!

Wanted**Dustbin Days**

Thursday June 4th *Garden Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday June 11th *General Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday June 18th *Garden Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday June 25th *General Waste & Recycling / food*

Wrexham Recycling Centres are open, rules apply.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Copy deadline is 20th of the previous month.

Get your events & news to us early to avoid disappointment

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Leave your contributions & announcements at the Corner Shop or email overtonoracle@gmail.com

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