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Party! Party! Party!

by Joanne Kember



As winners of the North Wales Calor Village of the Year 2007 Overton has been awarded prize money to hold a village party!

This will be held on **Sunday October 7th, 4pm to 8pm** at St Mary's School & grounds. Presentation of prizes as winners of 'Business' and 'People' sections will be made. The party is open to all residents and participators in our winning entries; there will be **FREE FOOD & FREE ENTERTAINMENT**.

Please come and join in, this is a day like the fete, on which we can join together and celebrate our community!

4.00 to 6.00pm (approx) Presentation & Press coverage. Teas with home made cakes & scones, string quartet and other musical entertainment for the adults. Circus entertainers, Face Painting, children's disco and games, Beat the Goalie, Football penalty shootout competitions, Ice cream available.

6.00 to 8.00pm Hot potatoes and 'fillings' and hot-dogs, bar available, Disco.

Invitations will be coming through the door within the next 2 weeks, for all households, clubs and businesses.

So come and celebrate with your fellow villagers. The village 'spirit' has been recognised and rewarded, come and celebrate it at your FREE party!

Offers of help gladly accepted!

Wanted - Cake and scone makers or 'filling' cooks and entertainers.

Contact Community Council Clerk - Katrina Chalk on 710055

Fete Coordinator - Joanne Kember 710624 or School Coordinator, Kay Lawrenson.



Thousands of homes in Wrexham will soon be much warmer thanks to the Bringing Warm Homes to Wrexham scheme. Your local council, npower and National Grid together with the Welsh Assembly Government have put together this groundbreaking scheme which means that many homes will qualify for this special FREE service. Warm Wales will be running the scheme on behalf of these organisations.

If you qualify, your home could benefit from improvements like cavity wall and loft insulation. You may even qualify for improved heating. Every home will be offered free energy efficiency and benefits advice. This could save you money and add more money to your household budget. One of the assessors will call at your home and fill in a short questionnaire to see what grants and help you may be entitled to. All the Assessors will wear distinctive red and black uniforms and carry an identity card showing the Warm Wales logo and their photograph. Always ask to see the identity card before you answer any questions at the door. And telephone Warm Wales on 0845 0261135 if you have any doubts.

It will only take a few minutes to talk to the assessor and could mean a much warmer home for you in a very short time. Everyone who completes and signs the form will be given free low energy light bulbs courtesy of npower.

Ramblings From the Rectory

by David Lewis

Dear friends,

There is a lovely Celtic prayer entitled 'Tides and Seasons':



Creator of the tides, give to me
 Space for stillness
 Room for repentance
 Place for prayer
 Home for happiness
 Ways to walk in
 Paths with a purpose

Creator of the Seasons, give to me
 Minutes of meditation
 Hours of holiness
 Days of discipline
 Weeks of worship
 Years for you
 Life for love
 Eons of eternity
 Amen.

I like that prayer because it encapsulates everything that is needed for a happy and fulfilled life. We all need space in our lives to think and contemplate. We all need secure homes and people who love us. We all need purposes in life, whether it is in our work or personal lives.

But the prayer also tells us that for a happy life our spiritual side needs to be fed. Without attending to spiritual things our lives become out of balance. God wants to be a part of our life. He wants us to know his love and joy in our lives.

By repeating the words of the prayer quietly and slowly, we can open our hearts to our creator God. And then we will know for ourselves his wonder and his beauty.

Your friend and Rector
 David

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 removed from the online edition

COUNTRY BEAT

by Constable Luke Hughes
 Community Beat Manager

You may have read or indeed seen in the news this week that North Wales Police are one of five pilot forces to issue the 50,000 volt Taser to front line / non-firearm trained officers, at this time my role dictates that I'm not to receive one just yet; however a number of my colleagues in Rhos have been issued with the Tasers and will carry them when on duty during the twelve month evaluation period.

North Wales Police have made some dramatic changes in respect of uniform and equipment over the last few years, with the introduction of the more practical uniform, including base ball caps... and now Tasers, which I believe all front line officers will be routinely issued with within the next five years, or sooner. Personally I welcome the new uniform and would happily carry a Taser; although I recognise that opinion is divided.

Below is a link to the North Wales Police website and it should take you directly to a video clip of Chief Constable Richard Brunstrom explaining a little more about Taser, interestingly the Chief Constable decided to feel the effects of the device himself, not that I take any satisfaction from this!!! but I have to admit to viewing this clip a significant amount of times...

www.north-wales.police.uk/portal/blogs/cc/archive/2007/09/05/an-interesting-experience.aspx

I am sad to report this month that our area has seen a slight rise in the number of thefts / burglaries, I'm sure you're all aware we live and work in an area that has very little crime and when incidents like this occur it is very upsetting and worrying for all those involved and living in the same community. Unfortunately we have been the victims of our own success in many respects as it appears that a significant number of residents are not taking the simple steps to prevent themselves becoming the victim of opportunist criminals, as a number of the recent thefts have occurred from unsecure vehicles and unlocked houses.

As mentioned previously please take the time to secure your vehicles and property, never leave valuable items on display, and always report suspicious activity to the police control room as soon as possible, your help in this matter is much appreciated. Officers at Overton also offer a range of services to help keep your home, vehicle and property safe, this includes FREE Cycle Marking, FREE Sat Nav Marking Kits, FREE home or business security assessments and general crime prevention advice. Telephone: 0845 607 1002

Overton crime figures for month of August

Crime = 2 Incidents,
 Anti Social Behaviour = 5 Incidents,
 Collisions = 1 Incident

KID'S PAGE !

Hi guys, hope you are all enjoying school! This month we will be celebrating Halloween! I'd like to say a very happy birthday to the following people:

Lewis Simon, Rebecca Overthrow, Lucy England and Claire Hendry have a great day!

Jen's Reviews

Hi this month I will be reviewing the book 'Noughts and Crosses' by Malorie Blackman. It is focused mainly on the difference of race, the colour of skin! In this book the white people are rich with big houses. It is about two friends, Sephy (a Cross - a white person) and Callum (a nought - a dark person) and their flight to remain close as their families and backgrounds continue to separate.

I would advise anyone who enjoys reading challenging novels to read this book, because though it does not have every adventurous text, it requires the reader to think about the differences between people today!

A very good book with twists and turns in every chapter

Rating 9/10 - a great read!

by the Overinions and our mascot Lucy!



Agony Aunt

Q: my friend has recently told me she is moving far away. I don't know what to do. I will miss her so much.

A: it won't be easy when she moves, but if you really want to stay friends then it will work. You can phone and text each other, even arrange to meet up! Hope it goes OK!

Fun Stuff with Lucy and Rbeccs

Hey everyone,

Happy Halloween! SPOOKY!

Joke:

Q: Why didn't the skeleton go to the dance?

A: Because he had *nobody* to go with!

Celeb birthdays:

Happy Birthday to

- Danni Minogue - October 20th 1971
- Nicola Roberts - October 5th 1985 (Girls Aloud)
- Julia Roberts - October 28th 1967

Riddle:

Romeo & Juliet are found dead in a house. There is a train track close by to the house. There is a shelf in the room and no one is around. They are covered in water and broken glass. How did they die?

Last months answer was: **Post Office**

My trip to Denmark

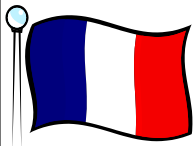
by Charlotte Cusworth

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to sending me to Denmark. I had a truly amazing time there. We had an International camp for 8 days near Aarhus in the north. We met Girl Guides and Scouts from all over the world and celebrated the 100th year of scouting with a sunrise ceremony.

Princess Benedikte attended and I carried the Welsh flag. The event was massive 3,200 girls in total and despite the obvious language barriers everyone had a great time. We then travelled to the capital Copenhagen. We stayed in a hostel and went sightseeing around the city, including Tivoli Gardens and the National Museum.



Twining news - The 2007 visit to La Murette by Catherine Starkey & Cedric Bellan



This year we had our return trip to Overton's twinned village of La Murette, travelling by planes, trains and automobiles. Eleven of us set off in the last week in July. The welcome we received as we met up with our old friends and many new ones was as ever jovial with lots of cheek kissing, good food and wine in abundance. The activities they had planned were kept a



secret till we arrived when we were all given a Quicksilver rucksack containing the brochures for the week's entertainment, a hat, small bottle of aperitif, pen, paper and a magazine of our weeks itinerary including, as ever a varied selection of days out, evening buffets and even a day off!! We visited abbeys, castles, and a wonderful cruise at Aix-le-Bain, a town similar to Bath with a therapeutic health spa, casino and an amazing underground car park with murals on all the walls—a sight to behold. After a picnic we took a cruise across the lake down the river to a tiny artisan village where we were able to buy a selection of cheeses and sit outside the bakery with fresh bread, mouth-watering cakes and coffee galore, a feast fit for the Welsh.

We visited mountain areas in Savoire with a walk through a gorge, an incredible sight called 'the secret garden' which looked like a derelict old farm on the back road to nowhere, but once through the gates, opened up to the most beautifully restored farmhouse complete with indoor pool, Moroccan lounge, Austrian bedroom and Apothecary room, as well as a number of intimate gardens all designed by the family who still lived on site. The evenings were spent at home with the family or in groups of 6 or 8, a mix of French and Welsh. A BBQ was held at the tennis courts one evening and about 70 of the locals turned up, and a meal in a restaurant brought out a selection of the village too, some of whom had hosted families over the last 12 years. Some who just liked to join in with their twinned village. All the shops had Welcome Welsh posters in the windows and the 3 mini buses hired had Welsh flags on their windows and tooted the horn at every exit and entry to the village. This year was the first visit for my father, Cliffy. He stayed with a family who had visited here last year but he didn't know and he was in awe of not only the scenery as we drove down south but with the food and hospitality shown by our French families.

We are now starting to fundraise in anticipation for the visit in 2008 when up to 25 French will visit us here in Overton. If you are interested in being part of the Twining and perhaps visiting France in 2009 with us, look out for our forthcoming events or speak to someone from the committee. Glynis Farley 01978710455, Cath Starkey 710322, Kay Lawrenson 710537 or Geoff Mason 710486. The visits are open to all from the village and you are not expected to host. Many, many villagers over the years have visited La Murette but there are still many who haven't!

Cedric Bellan, Chairman of the La Murette Twining Association said

Dear Friends, We are delighted to welcome our friends from Overton-on-Dee in our village. Last summer, a group of citizens from La Murette spent a wonderful week in Wales. It was so exciting that when Jocelyne Mouchet decided to resign, I naturally offer to be a candidate for the position of President besides me being new to the association and my poor English.

A great friendship has been developing for several years. We now need to maintain the relation and make it grow. The city has prevailed in keeping this relation alive and I would like to thank the mayor and his collaborators. Beyond the summer festivities, we need to develop other relations all through the year. I would like to thank Glynis and Kay for their proposal on a school exchange. As soon as the new scholar year starts, I will meet with the director of the elementary school Mr Pitet. Jocelyne Mouchet who is the newly appointed director of the kindergarten already agreed to establish some form of exchange with her Welsh counterparts. The exchanges could be emails, mails, webcams or maybe even trips.

It is essential that our children start interacting when they are young: they will develop a spirit of exchange and will be the foundation of tomorrow exchanges. These exchanges should only represent a first step. I have a dream - where elementary school would end with a trip to Overton and where we could meet during winter at the Foulee blanche (cross-country skiing in the Vercors) or at the Stade de France or at the Millennium stadium to watch a game of the Six Nations tournament. We need to lead the way to have anybody and everybody involved and in all fields. I would like to conclude by thanking all our hosts for coming and also the group of volunteers who work all year long to make this week a privileged event.

WELCOME

Welcome to Katrina Chalk the new **Clerk to Overton Community Council**. Katrina has lived in Overton for 5 years, is married with 3 children and is looking forward to this new challenge. She can be contacted on 710055 or clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk

Welcome to Sam and Andrew Nikolic, the new managers of the re-opened White Horse pub.



The Maelor Youth Club

The Maelor Youth Club has now been open for nearly 5 months. It meets every Tuesday in the Overton Scout Hut 6.30 till 9pm and welcomes all young people aged 11 and over. We have enjoyed games of rounders, quizzes, music nights, dancing and discussions on The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (**UNCRC**) and the **Welsh Assembly Government's Extending Entitlement**, which led us to write a letter to the Community Council regarding the Basket ball hoop.

We have also been ice-skating, shopping at Cheshire Oaks, and bowling. Currently we are planning a trip to Manley Mere, and an

outdoor pursuits residential visit for next year. Some of our members are interested in visiting a youth project in Gunjur in the Gambia. We have also attended a conference in the Ramada Hotel where the www.youngwrexham.co.uk website was launched, we learned more about the National Participation Standards, Funky Dragon and the proposed Youth Parliament for Wrexham. If you are interested in helping at the Youth Club please contact Helen on hfernee1-help@yahoo.co.uk or call 710701. Some interesting websites you can find out more about the above are: <http://www.unicef.org.uk/tz/rights/convention.asp> or <http://www.funkydragon.org>



Members of the Maelor Youth Club

Neighbourhood Watch

by PCSO 2876 Emily Williams

I am trying to encourage getting the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme back up and running in the Overton area. Neighbourhood Watch is the largest voluntary organisation in the UK. Over a quarter of homes across the country are members, and they work with each other and the police to reduce crime and increase community safety.

Neighbourhood Watch consists of Street Co-ordinators - there should be one for each street, unless the road is quite long and then two, or even three people from different parts of that street should work together as Co-coordinators to reduce the opportunity for crime in that area. I am aware that there are still a number of people who are street coordinators in Overton and I will be making contact with them soon.

An application form has to be completed to become a Co-ordinator, and once this is returned to me, I can then arrange to get the Neighbourhood Watch packs for all the households in the scheme - these will be sent to the Co-ordinator, who in turn will disseminate the packs to each household in his/her street.

If anyone is interested in becoming a street co-ordinator or even an area co-ordinator (First point of contact for all street Co-ordinators) then please get in touch with me and I can go through the scheme in more depth and give out the relevant forms that will need to be filled in. You can contact me by phone - 07854 400812 or e mail Emily.Williams2@nthwales.pnn.police.uk.

Anyone can join this Scheme and everyone can play a part in its achievements.

OVERTON MEDICAL PRACTICE

Flu Clinics start on 8th October. Over 65 years of age and those at risk automatically qualify. There

is still the one off Pneumonia Injection for 65+ but if you need any further information just ask at reception.

The problem of non-attendance for appointments has the effect of empty appointment slots, patients having to wait longer, frustration for all concerned and a waste of resources. From 1st September 2007, the following policy will apply:-

Each month a register of patients who have failed to attend an appointment during the month will be extracted from the system by the Practice Manager.

If a patient fails to attend a 2nd appointment within the next 2 months, i.e. they will have missed 2 appointments in 3 months, a list will be provided to the relevant doctor. The doctor will review the list and an initial letter of concern will be sent to those patients. The letter will advise the patient that they have missed 2 appointments within the previous 3 months and will inform them that a further occurrence could risk removal from the Practice's list. They will also be reminded to "Keep It or Cancel It!". If the patient fails to attend another appointment within the next 3 months, i.e. they will have missed 3 appointments in 6 months, the matter will be discussed at a meeting involving all the Doctors.

A formal warning letter will be sent by the Practice Manager confirming a further probation period of 6 months and the risk of removal from the Practice list. Removal from the Practice list will only be implemented after full discussion and review of each individual's circumstances with the Doctors and the Local Health Board.

We hope this shows how much importance is placed on missed appointments and the feeling from staff and patients alike that this problem needs to be looked at in detail.

The Maelor Tapestry by Josie Ralphs

The Maelor Tapestry project is now complete and has been framed. It is at the moment residing at the home of Mrs Corrine Evans who is guarding it until November, when it will be transported to the Maelor School as part of their Golden Anniversary celebrations.

It will be available for viewing on Saturday November 10th which will be the Official Open Day when anyone interested to see what is going on will be welcomed. The Tapestry is due to be put up on the wall in the School Hall above the entrance doors on Sunday 11th and there it will remain.

We all owe Corinne a big debt of gratitude for guiding us in this project and for doing the lion's share of the work. Also many thanks to all the other stitchers.



The Overton village panel

View from the Village Vets.



biting insects and mosquitoes. One unfortunate side effect has been an increase in the number of cases of myxomatosis in pet rabbits. Whilst certain parts of the country – Norfolk in particular - have been affected more severely, there has been a huge increase in the number of reported cases of this disease and only tonight we had to put a pet rabbit to sleep when it was found to be suffering from the disease.

Myxomatosis is a viral disease of rabbits which originated in Sth America, but found it's way to Britain accidentally from France in the 1950's when around 99% of wild rabbits were killed. The disease is spread by fleas and mosquitoes and can be spread from wild rabbits to pet rabbits either by direct contact e.g. wild rabbits coming into the garden near pet rabbit cages or runs, or by fleas picked up from wild rabbits by dogs or hedgehogs and then spread to pets.

Myxomatosis leads to a range of agonising conditions before causing death. There is no cure. However, a vaccine is available which will protect against the disease and make any symptoms treatable. Only about 1 in 10 of Britain's pet rabbits are currently vaccinated. Tips to keep your pet rabbit myxomatosis free:

1. Vaccinate against the disease – a single dose of vaccine gives up to 12 months protection.
2. Treat your pet dog and cat regularly for fleas so that it cannot bring infected fleas home to your garden.
3. Use fly screens around rabbit cages, remove bowls of standing water which attract mosquitoes (use drinkers instead) and fence your garden to stop wild rabbits from entering it.

If you have ever seen a wild rabbit suffering from myxomatosis you will know just how awful the symptoms can be. Make sure that you do everything possible to keep your child's pet rabbit healthy!

Mark Spurdens, Maelor Vet Centre. 01978 711975.

Mosquitoes and Myxomatosis

The wet summer has resulted in much larger numbers of

Overton Village Open Produce Show

The 35th Annual Show held in the Village Hall on Saturday 1 Sept.

THE WINNERS

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| British Legion Cup (Exhibitor with the most points) | Sue Foulkes |
| Tradesmen's Cup (Runner-up) | Victor Roberts |
| Lowther Cup (Overton WI member with most points) | Sue Foulkes |
| Fitzhugh Goblet (Best in Class 8 - 1 cucumber (indoor)) | B Crockford |
| Trotting Mare Cup (Best in Class 16 - Any vegetable not listed) | Sue Foulkes |
| Farmers' Cup (Best in Vegetable Section, Classes 1 – 17 Class 9 – Three leeks) | Sue Foulkes |
| WI Cup (Best in Fruit Section Classes 18 to 23. Class 19 – Cooking apples) | Amelia Lloyd |
| Healey Salver (Best in Blooms Section Classes 24 to 35, Class 24 – 3 cactus dahlias) | J Thomas |
| Pam Upton Memorial Bowl (Best in Class 33 - Specimen rose) | Elizabeth Glynn Jones |
| Rosselli Cup (Best in Pot Plant Section Classes 36 to 38, Class 37 – Pot Plant) | Peter Ralphes |
| Kath Hamlington Memorial Trophy (Best in Flower Arranging Classes 39 to 44, Class 41 Arrangement of 5 Blooms in suitable container) | Sue Foulkes |
| Mrs Wright's Cup (Best in Class 45 - Flower Arrangement, 'Let Colour Run Riot') | Josie Ralphs |
| Mrs Bransby's Cup (Best in Class 46 - Flowers/Novice) | Sue Foulkes |
| Mrs Sumsion's Tray (Best in Cookery Section Classes 47 to 54, Class 12 – Ginger cake) | Claire Rosselli |
| Mrs Woodhouse's Bowl (Best in Preserves Section, Classes 55 to 61, Class 58 – Strawberry jam) | Victor Roberts |
| Haynes' Wine Cooler (Best in Wine Section Classes 62 to 68, Class 67 – Bottle of red wine) | Phil Edwards |
| Mrs Roberts' Shield (Best in Class 69 - Painting/drawing, 5 yrs and under) | Charlotte Done |
| Mrs Watts' Shield (Best in Class 70 - Painting/drawing, 6 to 9 yrs) | Sasha Duchnowski |
| Mrs Price Jones' Shield (Best in Class 71 - Face on a paper plate) | Sasha Duchnowski & Amelia Lloyd |
| Mrs Wason's Shield (Best in Class 72 - Decorated egg, 7 yrs and under) | Eliza Rosselli |
| 21st Anniversary Shield (Best in Class 73 – Decorated egg, 8 to 13 yrs) | Luke Williams |
| Handicraft Show Winners: Must Points in Show - Jean Hughes, Runner-up - Enid Thompson | |
| Salver Class 1-11 - Sue Foulkes, Salver Class 14-20 - Jean Hughes, Art Trophy - Helen Rennie | |
| Next year's Show is 6th September 2008 | |

Overton Amateur Dramatic Society

"he's behind you"
"oh no he isn't" "oh yes he is"

Yes, we are getting into PANTO mode again. Am Drams are planning to perform a version of the old favourite **Dick Whittington** in January 2008.

It is some 15 years since this particular panto was staged in the Village Hall. The cast in 1993 included 2 members who are no longer with us – Sue Williams and Kelvin Davies. Can anyone remember how much Kelvin loved the little rats !!!!!

Many of the cast of the chorus & rats are now in their mid-twenties and if I remember correctly this was the first ever Pantomime delivered by the society and we have endeavoured to perform a variety of scripts since then.

If any one out there fancies putting their talents on the stage (or off the stage) we would welcome you to come and join us in what promises to be an exciting and fun experience – till the producer throws a tantrum. If you would like to get involved contact Sue or James on 01978 710413

WHAT'S ON**October Diary for St Mary's Services**

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|------------------------|--|
| Sunday 7th Oct | 11:30 am Holy Eucharist |
| Sunday 14th Oct | 6:00 pm Evensong |
| Sunday 21st Oct | 11:30 am Holy Eucharist |
| Sunday 28th Oct | 11:30 am Family Eucharist and Baptism. |

St Mary's School will join us at St Mary's for their school service on Tuesday October 9th at 2:30pm.

Sunday Crew meets every Sunday in the Parish Room at 11:15am. Please join us. On the fourth Sunday we meet at St Mary's for the Family Eucharist.

11th, 12th 13th October "These Ghoulish Things" - a ghostly comedy by Sam Bate. Performances at the Village Hall.

Thurs 18th October Overton WI Meeting in the Parish Room. "Civil Registration" by Ruth Cooke. Competition "A Letter Opener"

Friday 19th October 7.30pm Drama Quiz in Overton Village Hall. For more information contact Cynthia Davies on 710658

Saturday 20th October St Mary's Autumn Faye 2pm in the Village Hall.

Saturday 10th November Maelor Tapestry Official Open Day, Maelor School Hall.

WANTED

TREASURER FOR OVERTON VILLAGE HALL
(Voluntary Position)

Do you have a couple of hours to spare each week? Are you able to use a simple computer programme?

The role includes simple accounting, payment of invoices and attendance at a few meetings each year.

Don't let the title "Treasurer" put you off. The software "Quicken" is used for the accounts and it really is extremely user-friendly and easy to handle.

If you would like to learn more, please call

Alison Matthews on 710320

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FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Clarice Grace Macdonald-Brown on your baptism on 28th October.



Congratulations to Ian John Burke & Lucy Jayne Hughes who will be married in St Mary's on Saturday October 27th, to Andrew Perrin and Amy Evans who married on 22nd September, and to Helen & Duncan Rennie on celebrating their Ruby Wedding.

Happy October Birthdays to Flora Williams, Kathleen Dorey, Thomas Dorey 6yrs, Charlotte Clarke 8yrs and Barbara Watkin. Belated September Happy Birthday to Sue Walker & Val Stevenson and a Very Happy 18th Birthday to Ross Morrison & to Charlotte Eve of Salop Road, 18 on 3rd Sept.

Very belated August Happy 6th Birthday to Chloe Malam. Love for Mummy, Daddy, Melaina & Leanne. Congratulations to John Eve for winning the Welsh National Veterans Clay Court Doubles Championship held in Swansea.

Condolences to Mrs Cryer and her family on the death of her husband Eric.

THANK YOU

Richard Jones would like to thank everyone that joined in the **Walking Treasure Hunt** around Overton village and particularly those behind the scenes for all their help.

Congratulations to the Parkin family of Worthenbury who won the event with a magnificent 56 points from possible 59, pipping the Lawrensons of Overton into 2nd place. The sum raised was a superb **£1,490**. Well done to everyone and thanks again for support, a new idea beckoning for a repeat next year!

Every month we print our thanks to the distributors in the box below, but occasionally we need to say a special thank you. Our special thanks go to Marjorie Moraghan who has delivered to residents of Parkside every month since we started in Jan 1999 up to the July issue this year, a total of 2695 copies of the Oracle! Sadly Marjorie has been forced to give up due to knee problems.

During August and September Lillian Edge stepped into the breach, but now we need a permanent distributor to deliver to the 49 homes on Parkside. If anyone can help, please contact the Oracle (See the box on the left). Thanks Marjorie and we hope you will continue to enjoy your copy of the Oracle for many years to come and thanks to Lillian who is helping out in the short term.

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