

The Overton Oracle

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Have your say !

The County Borough of Wrexham (Various Roads)
(Speed Limits) Order 2013.

Wrexham County Borough Council propose to make an Order under Section 84(1), 84(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be that no person shall drive any motor vehicle at speeds exceeding thirty, forty and fifty miles per hour on the lengths of road specified.

A copy of the proposed Order, together with maps showing the lengths of road to which the proposed Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined at the Guildhall, Wrexham and Environment Department, or Abbey Road Depot, Abbey Road South Wrexham Industrial Estate, Wrexham, during normal office hours.

Listed are those areas that are within or close to Overton parish

30 mph Speed Limit

A528 Wrexham Road
Overton

From a point 100 metres west of its junction with Argoed Lane to the present 30 mph sign.

40 mph Speed Limit

A528 Overton Road
Erbistock

From a point 225metres south of its junction with A539 in a southerly direction to a point 75 metres east of its junction with the lane leading to Asney Park Farm.

A539
Overton

From a point 133 metres west of its junction leading to Little Overton in an easterly direction to a point 65 metres east of the junction leading to Bryn Aber Farm.

50 mph Speed Limit

A528 Plassey
To Erbistock

From a point 310 metres south of its junction with Eyton Grange in a southerly direction to a point 225 metres south of its junction with A539

A528 Overton
To Shropshire

From a point 100 metres south of its junction with Musley Lane in a southerly direction to the Wrexham County Borough/Shropshire County boundary.



You are invited to put forward your comments and if you wish to do so then this should be done in writing by no later than **October 11th 2013**. to John Bradbury, Head of Environment WCBC, Abbey Road Depot, Abbey Road South, Wrexham Industrial Estate, Wrexham LL13 9PW

The maps can also be seen at Overton Community Council office at the Village Hall. Ring 01978 710055 to arrange a convenient time with the Clerk.

Dates for the Diary



The next production of the Overton Amateur Dramatic Society will be "The Happiest Days of your Life", a 3 act Farce by John Dighton, to be directed by Clive Hellingman and David Hughes. It will take place on 29th and 30th November at the village hall.

More details in next months Oracle.



Ramblings From the Reverend **by Rev'd David Child**



When I was working in the Maelor I helped to arrange a seminar for visiting French doctors, public health specialists. The Speakers were the Chief Medical Officer for Wales, the Chief Medical Officer for Clwyd and the Chief Executive Officer for the N.E.Wales Trust. The speakers gave their talks and then there was time for questions. There was a pause no-one likes to ask the first question. But then a French Professor got up and with a smile on his face asked, 'How is it that you are all women!?'

September 12th was a red letter day because on that day the Church in Wales voted by a majority of 4-1 for the ordination of women bishops. It's been a long time coming. That evening I sat down to write my Sunday sermon. The Gospel Reading for that Sunday included the parables of the Shepherd and the Lost Sheep and the Woman and the Lost Coin. The shepherd in the first story is a symbol of God. That idea was quite a common one in the Old Testament but here Jesus also likens God to a woman. That must have been really shocking to the listening Pharisees, who presided over a male dominated society. Today, in our society we are quite accustomed to women holding positions that were in the past only held by men. We are all familiar with the idea that God is a Spirit and that God having no body, has no gender. God after all shows many of the characteristics of women: tenderness to the weak, toughness & loyalty, patience & persistence in searching for the lost. In these ways God resembles the woman in the story. But what a coincidence it was to have that Sunday's gospel reading.

Things are also beginning to move with our Roman Catholic friends. Pope Francis recently wrote 'The mercy of God has no limits; the Christian God forgives those who do not believe and do not seek faith. The question for those who do not believe in God is to follow their own conscience. To listen and follow your conscience means that you understand the difference between good and evil.' Meanwhile Archbishop Pietro Parolin who has become the Pope's deputy, said that celibacy among clergy was a tradition rather than 'church dogma' and should be open to discussion.

Things are moving – Churches are drawing closer together and are becoming more and more inclusive. By the time you read this our 3 Churches – Methodist, Anglican and Roman Catholic will have celebrated Harvest together in St. Mary's. That after all is how Jesus wanted it – no barriers whatever – everyone welcomed.

With every blessing,

COUNTRY BEAT

by PCSO Phil Jones



Hello and welcome to this month's beat report.

I am very pleased to report that an offender has been arrested and charged for the repeat burglary on Willow Street.

These incidents are rare in Overton and I'm very happy that the offender has been taken off the streets. This has been a combined effort from neighbouring police forces; we work together closely to make sure these offenders are dealt with quickly. But even with this good news please do not let your guards down; please continue to secure your homes and property.

Please see the following key facts about where not to park.

1. Near a school entrance (think about the safety of children), or parking up outside residents homes restricting them from exiting their property.
2. Anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services.
3. At or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank.
4. On the approach to a level crossing or tramway crossing.
5. Opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a road junction, except in an authorised parking space. This can be an obstruction of view as drivers cannot see past vehicles that are parked too close to the junction.
6. Near the brow of a hill or hump bridge.
7. Opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle.
8. Where you would force other traffic to enter a tram lane. (no chance of this in Overton)
9. Where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles.
10. In front of an entrance/drive to a property.
11. On a bend.
12. Where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities (cycle-path).
13. On a pavement where a double children's buggy or mobility scooter can't pass safely.
14. With your vehicle facing in the opposite direction of the traffic. (night time offence)
15. On council appointed "H" Bars.
16. On Double Yellow lines unless otherwise marked but are still restricted to the 5 minute ruling.
17. Disabled parking is allowed on double yellow lines with a valid blue badge displayed on the dashboard, however please ensure that the vehicle is safely parked and not causing an obstruction.

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Non urgent calls 101 or in emergency call 999

Overton Police Station - covering area's Overton, Penley, Hanmer, Bettisfield & Horseman's Green.

Annual FLU Clinics
October 2013

If you are one of our patients and have

HEART or RESPIRATORY problems
KIDNEY or LIVER Disease
Lowered IMMUNITY due to disease or treatment
Had a STROKE or TIA
A Neurological condition (e.g. MS)
DIABETES

If you are aged 65 or over, or a Carer
If you are PREGNANT

Arrange your appointment NOW at
Overton Medical Practice 01978 710666

Invitation for over 50s

Residents over the age of 50 are invited to the forthcoming Rural Roadshow on Monday 14th October from 12 noon to 3pm at the Overton Village Hall. It's a free event, there will be partner agencies including victim support, AVOV, age concern, Wrexham Care and Repair who you will be free to have a chat with and gain some interesting information. And with the late nights rolling in Trading Standards will also be doing a talk on doorstep crime (cold calling). We also have Wrexham Community Safety coming along. There will be a presentation by the Overton Policing Team followed by a questions and answers session, some music by PCSO Phil Jones on the flute, then a bingo session. So It would be great to see you all there. Teas, Coffee, Drinks and biscuits provided.

Playgroup News

Lots going on this coming month, we have our Nearly New Sale on October 19th. If you want to have a clear out before Christmas, sign up to sell with us! To request a pack or for further information find us on Facebook by searching for Overton Playcentre and check out our events page. Or, email us on overtonmns@hotmail.co.uk. There will be lots of bargains to be had on the day so do come along and see what you can find! We are collecting old clothes and fabric for our recycle fundraiser, 'bags 2 school'. Bags will be available from the playcentre from the 7th October, collection day will be November 7th. Our Halloween party will be on Sat 26th October with prizes for the best outfit; there will be lots of party games and a disco too, so don't miss out on our spooktacular party!!! Look out for posters round the village for more events these coming months!! Thank you all for your continued support.

Lunch Club



The Overton Lunch Club is on Wednesday 9th October at 12.30pm at the White Horse.

The menu will be beef hotpot and carrots followed by rice pudding and jam sauce.

To book please ring Gwynneth Austin on 710672.

Kids Kolumn

by **Kate Jenkinson,**
Robyn Rehbock and
Charley Middleton



Hello everybody!

It's October and that
means its Halloween!

Find the words in the Halloween word search

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- GHOULS SWEETS EGGS VAMPIRES
PUMPKINS MONSTERS CATS FLOUR
SKELETON HALLOWEEN BLOOD SPIDERS

Here is a recipe for toffee apples!

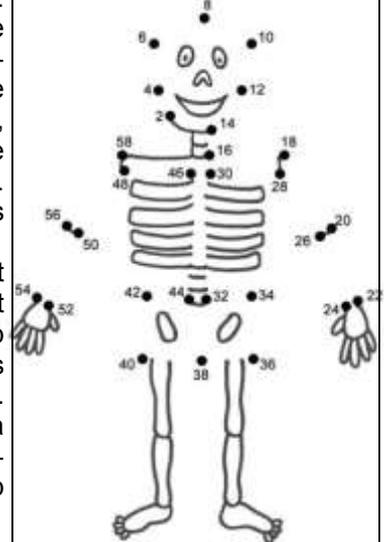
Ingredients: 225 g demerara sugar, 110 ml water, 0.5 tsp vinegar, 2 tbsp golden syrup, 25 g butter



Method

Dissolve the sugar in the water over a moderate heat. When it has dissolved, stir in the vinegar, syrup and butter. Bring to a boil and cook without stirring until it reaches hard-crack stage (138C) or hardens into a ball when dropped in a jug of cold water. This should take around 10 mins boiling time. While the syrup is cooking, pierce each apple with a wooden stick. Once the toffee is ready, dip each apple into the hot toffee, turning it around in the syrup so that each one is fully coated. Leave to harden on a lightly oiled tray before serving. Wrap apples in cellophane.

Connect the dots



OVERTON 2013 PRODUCE SHOW

At the 41st Annual Show held in the Village Hall 37 adults and 7 children entered the various classes. There were nearly 300 exhibits in the Adult Sections and 15 in the Children's Sections – an increase on last year's figures. The Show attracted entries from loyal supporters over the years with some new names appearing on the prize cards. It was a pleasure to see more entries from the children this year showing the up and coming talent we have in the Village. The Judges were very impressed with the high standard of the exhibits submitted. Their task is not an easy one and the Committee are very appreciative of the time and care in the selection of prize winners. Thanks to all who supported the show by entering and coming along in the afternoon.

CUP/TROPHY	AWARDED TO	CATEGORY
British Legion Cup	Vic Roberts	Exhibitor with Most Points
Tradesmen's Cup	Mary Lewis	Runner-up
Lowther Cup	Mary Lewis	Overton WI Member with most points
Trotting Mare Cup	Susan Thomas	Best in Class 5 – Three Beetroot
Fitzhugh Goblet	Phil Edwards	Best in Class 14 – Cabbage with root
Farmer's Cup	John Armstrong	Best in Veg Section – Classes 1 to 17
W I Cup	Susan Thomas	Best in Fruit section 18 - 23
Healey Salver	David Harrison	Best in Blooms Section 24 - 35
Pam Upton Memorial Bowl	Vic Roberts	Best in Class 33 - Specimen Rose
Rosselli Cup	Vic Roberts	Best in Pot Plant Section 36 - 38
Kath Hamlington Trophy	Josie Ralphs	Best in Flower Arranging 39 - 44
September Plate	B & S Wilson	Best in Class 37 Foliage Pot Plant
Mrs Wrights Cup	Josie Ralphs	Best in class 45 Flower Arrangement
Mrs Bransbys Cup	Barbara Palmer	Best in Class 46 - Flowers (Novice)
Mrs Sumsions' Tray	Susan Thomas	Best in Cookery Section 47 - 54
Mrs Woodhouse's Bowl	Doreen Walker	Best in Preserves Section 55 - 61
Haynes Wine Cooler	Phil Edwards	Best in Wine Section 62 - 68
Mrs Watts Shield	Lydia Evison	Best in Class 70 (6 to 9yrs)
Mrs Price Jones's Shield	Lydia Evison	Best in Class 71 (6 to 9yrs)
Mrs Wason's Shield	Hâf Edwards	Best in Class 72 (9 to 12 yrs)
21st Anniversary Shield	Archie Lea	Best in Class 73 (under 16 yrs)

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David is canonised

On September 30th, St.Mary's Vicar, David Child was "canonised" at a ceremony in St.Asaph cathedral. What exactly is "canonisation"? In the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches, "canonisation" refers to the elevation to sainthood of a deceased person. Now David is not deceased and is not a saint (after all he supports Wrexham football club and not many saints are football fans). In the Church of Wales it is an honorary title bestowed on a person who has made a significant contribution to the promotion of the Christian message. So "what do we call him now?" - his official title now is "Reverend Canon Doctor". I suspect we will still call him simply David. Congratulations, David, on this well-deserved recognition of all the hard work that you do for the Christian faith.

Your Letters...

Dear Editor,

Jim Glover is right about the parking on High Street. For days at a time, someone had left their van parked so close to Dark Lane that it made it dangerous to enter onto or exit from the High Street.

I don't understand why he thinks that has anything to do with the Corner Shop, our van is parked out of the way on Willow Street.

Mick Pinder

Dear Editor,

Re last months letter, flower beds in the road in the High Street are not the answer. Look at the signs added to obstructions in the road by the mere in Ellesmere. Each flower bed would have to have large roadsigns/arrows, full size road sign would have to go up warning of obstructions ahead, more and more street furniture - ruining the look of our High Street, a conservation area.

If a couple of motorists, out of the 1000s that use Dark Lane, find it difficult to see when turning into the High Street, they have an alternative to use Penyllan Street or Turning Street? Come back common sense!

Name & Address supplied

Harvey Evans, son of Gladys Evans of Parkside, has recently been appointed a member of the bodyguard to the Mayor of the City of Durham.

Harvey, a Falklands Campaign veteran who survived the attack on the Sir Galahad, will take part in ceremonial duties. The 15 bodyguards dressed in black coats & Tudor hats are armed with halberds and the role has existed for 410 years. Originally their duties included collecting taxes for the Civic Treasury.



Jill Williams (Darlington) was delighted to recently receive a letter from Canada and photo of Franz Koschorke. She was put in touch with her old Overton World War II friend after an article in the January and February editions of the Oracle.



Fishing for charity

have joined forces in order to raise money for Nightingale House. This year saw 2 matches taking place, the 1st competition was in August on Acton Community Angling Association waters, Westminster Park. Bryn y Pys Angling Association narrowly won by a margin of 3 lbs – helped significantly by Allen Smith who had an individual weight of 15 lbs. The return leg was held on Bryn y Pys waters on the river Dee. Conditions were difficult for both teams with low water level and bright sunshine making fishing difficult. The visitors from Acton proved to be the victors with a combined team weight of 20 lbs proving to be too much for Bryn y Pys's 12 lbs. Acton's Dave Edge had the best individual weight of 8½lbs. A total of £120 was raised by both teams for Nightingale House.

Bryn y Pys Angling Association controls approximately 4½ miles of the river Dee between Overton Bridge and Bangor on Dee Bridge and offers fishing for brown trout, grayling and coarse fishing. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the club can contact either Chris on 07800862244 or Adrian on 07901696475 or by visiting the club's website bryn-y-pys.webs.com



St Mary's Church
Autumn Fayre
Saturday October 12th
2pm to 4pm in the Village Hall
Admission 50p including tea and biscuits
All funds raised will go to St Mary's church.

Craft Class News

After another successful year of stitching and crafting the Overton Crafters based in the Chapel School-room every Tuesday afternoon, have decided to hold an Exhibition of our years work on Friday 1st, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd November. Please look out for posters regarding times etc. Please give us your support and look forward to seeing you all. Josie Ralphs and Beattie Roberts.

Fron Choir - "Voices of the Valley"

at St. Dunawd's Church, Bangor on Dee
 Saturday 12th October at 7.30p.m.
 Tickets £10 from Jane Johnson, Johnsons Basket shop, Station Road, Bangor on Dee, 01978 780417/01978 780697, or Brian Neale, church warden, 01978 780735.

The Overton Medical Practice welcomes back Dr Amy Stevenson who is back at work at the end of September after her Maternity Leave.

Thank you

Nadine and Martin Robinson would like to express their sincere thanks for good wishes, cards and gifts received upon the birth of their son James who arrived safely 23rd July 2013(7lb 4oz, 22 1/2 inches long) - "such kindness is truly appreciated, we and James are fortunate to have such lovely folk around us."



Paul Edwards & Nicola Evans would like to say a big thank you to everyone for their cards, gifts and best wishes following the birth of their son Jac Lloyd



Drop-in

Overton Community Council invites you to 'drop in' on Saturday October 19th 10.00 - 11.00am in the Parish Room for tea and chat - an opportunity for Overton residents to come along and speak directly to Councillors about any issues or concerns you may have about your village, or to discuss an idea or project you would like to suggest

Your local PCSOs as well as your County Councillor Lloyd Kenyon and 2 Community Councillors will be available for you to meet and discuss any local matters. Come and meet the people who are your voice.

Nearly New Sale

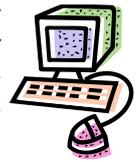
Overton Playcentre's Nearly New Sale is on Saturday 19th October 1 - 3pm at the Village Hall, £1 per adult / children free. For more details or to sell goods contact us on : overtonnns@hotmail.co.uk or [01978710688](tel:01978710688)

Sellers - Don't throw away your unwanted or outgrown clothes, toys or equipment. As long as your items are in good condition sell them at our nearly new sale. Register as a seller and you will receive a pack with everything you need. Then just bring your items along on the day and we will sell them for you (30% of total will be donated to Overton Playcentre Charity no 701478).

Buyers - Come and grab yourselves a BARGAIN! Baby, children & maternity clothes, nursery equipment, toys

Computer Taster Sessions

Overton Library are running computer taster sessions from the end of October in the Library. If you are interested in joining, can you ring the library, (01978 710557), with your details and we can arrange some dates.



Young Farmers are 70!

1943-2013 Maelor Young Farmers are "70". Come and help us celebrate on Saturday 19th October at The Racecourse, Bangor-on-Dee 7.30pm
3 Course meal and Dance. Black Tie. Tickets £30.00 from 07810376520 or 07970509725 and 01978 710863. Also wanted - do you have Y.F.C Memorabilia from the past 70 years!

Overton Film Club



The last film in the 2012-2013 season is on Tuesday October 8th 7.30pm in the Village Hall and will be "Untouchable" the hugely successful French comedy of 2012: 'hilarious' and 'heartwarming' was the general verdict.
The 2013-14 season (our 5th!), depends - as usual - on getting the magic number of 50 members to pay up Bring your subscription on the 8th or leave at the Corner Shop. It's the usual deal: £20 for 5 films (£15 for OAPs) - or £5 on the door on the night.

More pictures from the 41st Overton Produce Show



WHAT'S ON

October Diary for St Mary's Services

Sunday October 6th 10.00am Family Village Praise
Sunday October 13th 11:30am Holy Communion
Sunday October 20th 10.00am Family Communion
Sunday October 27th 11.30am Holy Communion

Harvest Weekend at the Methodist Chapel

Friday October 4th 7.00pm with Mrs Meryl Thomas
Sunday October 6th 6.30pm with Rev Richard Sharples
Monday October 7th 6.30pm Methodist Chapel Harvest Supper in the Schoolroom
Other Sunday evening services 6.30pm

Thursday October 3rd 10.30 - 2.30pm Penley Rainbow Lunch & Learn - Mexican Tin Work

Tuesday October 8th 7.30pm Overton Community Council meeting in the Parish Room. Members of the public wishing to speak can do so between 7.20 – 7.30pm.

Tuesday October 8th 7.30pm Overton Film Club at the Village Hall presents "Untouchable"

Wednesday October 9th 12.30pm Overton Lunch Club at the White Horse. Booking required.

Saturday October 12th 2.00-4.00pm St Mary's Autumn Fair in the Village Hall. 50p incl tea & biscuits.

Monday October 14th 10.30am Overton British Legion meeting for coffee at Woodlands Deli

Tuesday October 15th 7.00 for 7.30pm Bingo at Penley Rainbow Centre. Tea & Coffee available or bring own alcohol

Wednesday October 16th 7.30pm Maelor Music Society at Penley School Hall "The Lancashire Lad & his Ukelele" Jonathan Baddeley

Thursday October 17th 7.30pm Overton WI meeting in the Parish Room. Speaker will be Martin Carruthers on "The Intrigue of Diamonds" Competition - A glass ornament

Saturday October 19th 10.00 - 11.00pm Overton

Get-well wishes

We send get well soon wishes to Mary Hilton-Jones who reads the Oracle in Bicester. Mary has recently broken her arm. She says she will always miss Overton and sends best wishes to everyone.

FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Natalie & Steven on the birth of baby Eve, a first granddaughter for Euan and Val Stevenson.

Congratulations to Den Owen on becoming a Great Great Grandfather to baby Keiran James Owen

Congratulations to Paul Edwards & Nicola Evans on the birth of son Jack, a brother for Maisey and a grandson for Pearl & Derek Edwards and a great grandson for Jack Edwards.

Congratulations to Peter Edwards & Laura Burrell on their recent Wedding on 21st September.



Congratulations to Barry & Sarah Glover married on 7th September at Abode, Chester.

Your adventure has just begun!

Love, best wishes and our thanks for a beautiful day from Mum & Dad, Roger, James, Kay, Rob and boys x



Congratulations to Alec & Heather Williams of Caedyah Lane on their Silver Wedding on 28th Sept from Fiona, Sara, Katy and all the family.

Congratulations to Myra and Vince Worthington on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on the 5th Oct.

Happy October Birthdays to Kathleen Dorey, Thomas Dorey, Charlotte Clarke, Barbara Watkin, Clare Edwards, Mary Perrin, Rebecca Overthrow, Jean Edwards, Gary Wyn Jones, Brian Done and Stephen Sorfleet

Happy 40th birthday to Mark Whittall

Belated 18th Birthday Wishes to Amy Leech from Mary, Nanna Overton, Andrew and Amy Perrin.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Joanna Dimelow of Llangoed, Overton, who is commencing a degree in Dentistry at the University of Birmingham. Wishing you all the very best in your future, love Stuart, Barbara, Rachel and Emma.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Copy deadline 20th of the month. Get your events & news to us early to avoid disappointment
THIS INCLUDES ADVERTISEMENTS

Leave your contributions, & announcements at the Corner Shop.

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