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Let's light up the Lock Up... and have a play written about it



The famous Everton lock up at the top of Everton Brow (*pictured above right*) will finally be lit up on Tuesday February 4th at 6 pm. The launch event will be attended by Mayor Joe Anderson and senior officials from Everton Football Club. The Friends of Everton Park have long had this hope (the LULU plan: light up the lock up) and Everton FC have made a great donation to help this finally happen.

To go with the lighting of the lock up **local resident Kenny O'Connell** (*pictured above left*) has written a play about the lock up, **"The Heart of Everton's Badge"**. Inspired by the Everton Park Heritage trail the play tells the story of the lock up and introduces great Everton legends from Prince Rupert to Dixie Dean. The play will premiere at the Capstone Theatre on Shaw Street opposite the Collegiate on the evening of the lighting up of the lock up and there will be performances in North Liverpool Academy on Thursday Feb 6th and in the People's Club Lounge, Goodison Park on the Friday. "I am very proud to have written a play about a great piece of Everton history" says Kenny, once of Field Street and now of Cresswell Street off Everton Road, an outstanding musician, singer and author of the novel "The Hoodie and the High Rip Gang."

The Lock up was built in 1787 "to house drunks and unruly revellers overnight." It has been called "The Stone Jug" and also "Prince Rupert's Castle" but it was built years after Prince Rupert had gone. It has long deserved a lighting up and a play.

International Award for local social enterprise Liverpool Adult ADHD — Ladders of Life

Local Social enterprise Liverpool Adult ADHD-Ladders of Life have won a prestigious award from international charity ADDISS (Attention Deficit Disorder Information and Support Services) for the success of their education and employment programme for adults with ADHD, Autism and Asperger's syndrome. Based at WECC's Friary centre, ADHD Works is a course developed in partnership with the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) and with Everton Development Trust



Pictured above, from left to right, Kay Bone, after whose son Sean the award is named, Shirley Hand (director of LOL), Teresa Fitzgerald (founder and director of LOL) and Andrea Bilbow (Chief Executive of ADDISS).

(EDT) to provide adults with the understanding of their condition and the personal and employment skills and confidence that will enable them to seek and secure employment, and by doing so take control of their lives and make a positive contribution to their families and communities. With an employment success rate of over 80% DWP Secretary Sir Robert Devereux described their work as **"hugely impressive"** and on presenting their ADDISS International award for innovation and excellence in ADHD Services Chief Executive Andrea Bilbow paid tribute to their **"pioneering work and outstanding commitment to making a difference."** Ladders of Life have now received invitations to share their work in Europe and in America as their course is the only one with such a proven track record of success.

Great Homer Street Regeneration

Paul Batho, projects director at St Modwen, writes: "Work on Great Homer Street is on track to begin in Spring 2014. Following an initial phase of site preparation works, it is expected that **development of the Sainsbury's store will begin in Spring 2015 and open early in 2016**, with the entire scheme due to complete in Autumn 2016. We are pleased that the regeneration of the Great Homer Street area is moving forward and remain committed to delivering this important scheme."

Friendly Fridays still on in WECC

Every Friday from 12 to 2.30 pm at West Everton Community Council on Bute Street off Everton Brow a Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) worker is present to help with debt management, energy bills, benefit advice, the bedroom tax, any money matters. There is also lunch and a cuppa provided, a sharing of skills from cooking to sewing, good conversation and the opportunity to meet new people. These are difficult and worrying times for many in our community: help and advice is on offer.

There is also the family Bingo in WECC every Wednesday 7.30-9pm, with prizes and good fun, and the Pensioners Lunch Group every Tuesday 10am-2pm with bingo, lunch, trips out. A pick up can be arranged for anyone who has mobility problems or who would find it difficult to get to WECC. Do ring WECC 0151 282 0303.

WECC has also co-ordinated a campaign to stop a 24 hour off licence on William Henry Street, something raised as a major concern by local residents.

Bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote.

The Sheriff rides into Faith Primary School



The High Sheriff of Merseyside Ian Meadows visited Faith Primary School on Friday November 29th and met with the School Council (*pictured above*), governors and staff, and then visited each class and saw the West Everton Children's Orchestra in action in the Friary Church. He much enjoyed the visit and seemed willing to pass on the **Sheriff's role to a younger successor** (*picture right*)!

And who is the real Sheriff?!

Meanwhile Millstead Special School for primary age children is due to open in Sept 2014 and Faith Primary School is looking forward to building a mutually beneficial partnership with Millstead on the Prince Edwin Street site.

In Harmony Pride of Merseyside Award
Congratulations to the West Everton "In Harmony" team for picking up the Arts Award at the Liverpool Echo Pride of Merseyside awards evening on Friday November 22. Date for 2014: March 18 1 pm in the Philharmonic Hall, Hope Street,
Concert by the West Everton Children's Orchestra, celebrating 5 years of the In Harmony project. Here's to the next 5 years!

Friends of Everton Park news

Adam Graham from the Wildlife Trust works in the Nature Garden by Dorrington Gardens every Thursday morning 10-12.30 and anyone is welcome to join him, to work or to stroll. Consultation has been going on about a possible wheeled sports park activity in the China Street area, with BMX track and skate park.

For anyone interested in planting or growing, a group meets every Tuesday 10 -12noon and Friday 12-4pm on the Faith plot on Prince Edwin Street and every Thursday 10-12.30 in the Nature Garden.

At the time of going to print there is not yet news on the **"Sky Pier"**, the building hoped for at the top of Everton Park with the view, cafe, space for groups and visitors, and with local jobs. All details on website www.friendsofevertonpark.org.uk or contact via WECC on Bute Street off Fox Street, tel 0151 282 0303.



"He's the kind of person who picks his friends — to pieces." (Mae West of some sad man!)

Christmas



FAMILY



Wordsearch



N	C	J	X	S	S	H	B	P	S
R	O	M	H	D	N	S	G	A	T
S	I	E	R	O	T	O	N	V	O
L	N	A	L	F	L	T	W	J	C
O	C	E	I	Q	A	L	Y	D	K
R	K	G	Y	U	F	Z	Y	V	I
A	R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R	N
C	G	Z	L	A	I	P	U	L	G

Can you find these words?

HOLLY
IVY
GIFTS
CAROLS
SNOW

SANTA
STOCKING
NOEL
REINDEER
CARDS

What are the small rivers that
run into the Nile called?

Juveniles



Why does Luke have shepherds, Matthew wise men and Mark and John not bother with either?!

Good question! Luke is concerned to show that Jesus the Messiah and Saviour of the world is for everyone, not just the religious or the so-called high and mighty. So his gospel is full of **Jesus' encounters with people on the edge or having a hard time**. So he tells us that it was shepherds, night workers, looked down on by some, who were the first visitors to see the new born baby Jesus. Matthew is keen to show that Jesus is for Jewish people and also for Gentiles, and so he tells us of the visit from the Magi, wise men (and women maybe) or star-gazers who followed the star to Bethlehem from the East.

And why do Mark and John not bother with telling us **about Jesus' birth? Because space is limited on their gospel scrolls and they want to focus in on what they see as most important: Jesus' life, character, teaching, claims and then his death to save us and resurrection to show he really did defeat death and evil and can offer forgiveness and real hope.**



FUN



PUZZLING QUIZ

for all ages and all temperaments..

1. **A car is on an island. It wasn't made there, brought** in by boat or flown in. There is and never has been a **bridge to the island. You couldn't drive a car** through or under the water to the island. So how did the car get there?
2. My house number is a 2 digit number. If you multiply the 2 digits together and increase each digit number by one in the answer you now have then you will have my house number. So what number house do I live at? (Not a trick question, just one for the lovers of logical maths.)
3. Rearrange the letters PALE ACTOR to make the name of a famous, flawed Queen. (For the lovers of crosswords.)
4. Cabbage is the clue to what is the next number in this sequence: 3 1 2 2 1 7 _ ?
5. What year was it when Christmas Day and New **Year's Day fell in the same year?** (Answers below)



LOCAL HISTORY CORNER: 4 from the 1960s, Jenny Sainsbury, Adrian Struve, Eddie Cartwright and Roger Sainsbury meeting up again at the Shewsy 110th anniversary celebrations in November.



Quiz answers: 1. Across the frozen ice in winter 2. 29. $2 \times 9 = 18$, add 1 to each digit, 29.3. Cleopatra 4. Next number is 5. 3 is first letter of cabbage C, 3rd letter of the alphabet, 1 for A, 1st letter, 2 for B, 2nd letter, and so 5 for E. 5. Every year has a January 1st and a December 25th. Obviously.

Shewsy News

"We have been told time and time again that the Youth Service is "dying on its feet" or "out on a limb." No Service can do its best work in such an **atmosphere.**" This statement was from the Ministry of Education in 1960. 53 years later Youth Services across the country are being decimated and Youth clubs have to justify their existence in this age of Governmental cuts and austerity. Despite this rather bleak outlook, Shrewsbury House continues to serve the Everton community and beyond. The team of dedicated workers, volunteers and members of the Board toil to provide quality provision to the youth of our city. The Shewsy celebrated 110 years of continuous Youth Service this year. It has survived so long, in part, because of its ability to adapt. Up until the mid-1960s, membership of the club was



To remember the Shewsy's 110th anniversary, helper Alex Barnes and Junior Club member Pattie are dressed in 1903 style.

restricted to Protestant lads. The Shewsy responded to the needs of the

young people of the day and brought about the changes necessary to 'include' everyone and not 'exclude'.

We carry on that culture today by giving our members unique learning opportunities that are often life-changing and eye-opening. This past year club members have taken part in trips to Yorkshire, Shrewsbury, Llandudno and Ireland. The trip to Ireland was particularly memorable as it was the first of a tri-lateral exchange between the Shewsy and groups from Dublin and Belfast. The groups will visit



Nathan Stanton, artist, West Everton Xavier footballer, working on his brilliant mural in the club.

Liverpool in February followed by the final residential in Northern Ireland in April. The junior club family day out to Llandudno in the summer was also memorable and we hope to repeat the event in 2014. The Shewsy would like to say thank you to all our supporters for their contributions (financial or otherwise) this past year. The club would not survive without its volunteers who give up their time to contribute to the success of the club. Since 1903 volunteers have been adding value to **what the club has to offer and this year's 110th Birthday** celebrations typified the altruistic culture inherent in Shrewsbury House. On behalf of all at the Shewsy have a joyous Christmas and a peaceful, prosperous 2014.

Dave "Breo" Brereton, Team leader

"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way it which it treats its children" (Nelson Mandela)

Churches' News

Final trip to Loyola Hall

The Newsham and West Everton Churches had a Sunday afternoon out together at Loyola Hall, Rainhill, in September. **Fr Gerry O'Mahony** gave some thought-provoking reflections and there was time for enjoying for the last time the grounds and peace and quiet of Loyola Hall which is sadly being sold.

Bishop Roger and Jenny visit

Bishop Roger and Jenny Sainsbury were back in Everton for the Shewsy 110th anniversary and the Remembrance Day service at St Peter's. They also enjoyed the Shewsy Cake festival and are pictured (*above right*) with Fran Croft, Joan Southern, Bobbi Willis and Angie Roberts with their winnings on the day. Roger preached very movingly on the importance of forgiveness from the Lord's prayer: "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us." We often need God's help to forgive.

"A Faith that Makes Sense" course

Henry Corbett held his annual 4 week "A Faith that Makes Sense" course in WECC. The course started with the opening scenes from the film **"The Place Beyond the Pines"**. The film starts by putting us in the footsteps of the Ryan Gosling character, and poses the question whether his view of life makes sense. The course went on to look at some of the big questions many ask about life and faith, from suffering to science, to what evidence is there for God, for Jesus, to how should we live in a way that will really make sense, and other films used included **"Up in the Air"**, **"Life is Beautiful"**, **"Shooting Dogs"** and **"The Miracle Maker"**.

St Anthony's Festival

Advance notice of the St Anthony's inaugural Cider Festival from Friday March 28 7pm to Saturday March 29 at



11 pm. There will be 15 ciders with cheese and 5 real ales with good old pork pies. Over 18s only, and details from Fr Graeme Dunne 0151 207 0177.

The Greatest Story

Coming up on February 10-14th in **St George's Hall is The Greatest Story Ever Told**, a snapshot of the entire Bible from the In Another Place team that brought "The Narnia Experience".

*Jesus and our child within Christmas is the time of year to turn our thoughts towards a child, the child Jesus and what his life has brought to us. However it is said that we all carry a child within our self, our inner child. But sometimes our child within can be a crying child, perhaps crying out for love and attention. If we turn our thoughts back to Jesus, although He must have experienced the normal feelings of a child, He not only had Mary and Joseph to comfort Him when needed; He also **had God's love and attention** then and throughout His life. Not just Jesus' childhood but His entire life acts as a link between ourselves and God. So if your child within is crying out for the comfort that cannot be found in the attractions and distractions that we are surrounded by, especially at this time of year, then turn to Jesus and admit your need of **God's love and attention**.*

With best wishes for Christmas and 2014
Mike Sedgwick

"Give me neither poverty nor riches... Otherwise I may have too much and say "Who is the Lord?" or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonour the name of my God." (Proverbs 30verses 8-9)

Community News

Credit Union help

If in money difficulties you can join Partners Credit Union on Dale Street who will offer savings advice and loans **for Liverpool residents. Don't suffer alone:** there is help and advice around.

Whitechapel Christmas Opening

The Centre won the Lord Mayor's award for its work at the Echo's Pride of Merseyside awards evening in November. The Centre on Langsdale Street will be open as usual this Christmas. Do contact 0151 207 7617 for details or call in for a clear programme of events.

Library on Bright St

At 7 Bright Street there is a free, community library in the front garden. Just take a book, put a book in, spread the word. Thanks and appreciation to Gary and Lena.

Tony Ellison gardening winner

Tony Ellison, winner of the Everton Telegraph gardening competition this summer has also won the Liverpool **Housing Associations' best individual garden for 2013.** Congratulations, Tony.

New Police Inspector

Paddy Kelly is our new Police Neighbourhood Inspector, taking over from Georgina Minnery, and both spoke at the West Everton Lunch Club in November. Paddy spoke of his respect for a previous inspector of our area Jerry Harris, and Georgina was sad to leave after only a brief time in post.

Adam Byrne at the Casa

Congratulations to Adam Byrne of **Shaw Street for his acting role in "The Poisoner's Progress" at the Casa, Hope Street, from November 29 to December 2, a play written and directed by Mikyla Jane Durkan: "a surreal take on the dangers of sugar" as Adam put it.**

Congratulations, Dr Andrew Jones

Andrew Jones of Abram Street was awarded a Ph D, Doctor of Philosophy, from Liverpool University for his work on the psychology of addiction.

SPORTS NEWS

Alan Ball award for John Hutchison

John Hutchison was awarded the Alan Ball award at the Health through Sport fund-raising dinner at the



Devonshire Hotel on Friday November 29. John is pictured (*centre*) with former Everton winger Ronny Goodlass and Mayor Joe Anderson. The award **was given for John's 40 years of commitment to young people in Everton.**

Toni Duggan's hat-trick for England

Toni Duggan scored a hat-trick for **England Women's Football team in an 8-0 win over Turkey in September.** Toni has also moved from Everton to **Manchester City for the new season.** "It was hard leaving Everton. They have done so much for me and I wish them all the very best. This move gives me **the chance to move to the next level.**"

West Everton Xaviers

Our local football team the West Everton Xaviers are in mid table of the Liverpool County FA Premier League and best wishes to Michael Duffy for a recovery from a serious shoulder injury.

Boxing News

Congratulations to young Vaughn Gates of Netherfield Road on a win in his fight for the Salisbury Boxing Club aged just 11, with retired boxer Paul Edwards of Dorrington Gardens in **Vaughn's corner as his trainer.**