

Our News Our Views

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Special points of interest:

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Did you know, 13th November is Odd Socks day for anti bullying?



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Sponsored walk and static bike challenges - By Lisa Perkins

On the 31st August Lisa did a static bike ride at Halo leisure centre and cycled continuously for an hour. Lisa thought it was brilliant. She did a great job with just a drink at the halfway point. Lisa cycled 10 miles!

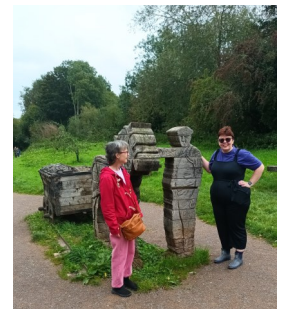


On the 28th September Adrian, Peter and Tracy did a sponsored walk along the Brecon to Monmouthshire canal. Mary (support worker and Lisa came along as support).

Our personal budgets pay for the support worker and room but we must raise funds every year for printing, postage, any equipment we need, reporting costs and refreshments.



We started at the Brecon theatre which is quite a long way from Hereford and set off along the canal. The pathway was nice and flat with tunnels, locks a viaduct and a sculpture and information boards about history. It was very scenic. People walking along the canal and on the canal boats were very friendly.

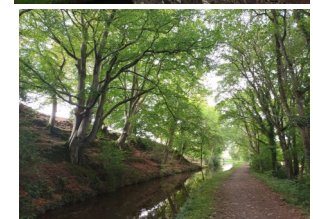


Afterwards we had lunch at the theatre which was tasty but pricey and a member of the public overheard us talking and sponsored us which we thought was lovely.



We walked just over 6 miles and were tired and very stiff the next day! We raised nearly £500 so were very pleased.

Thank you to everyone that supported us.



Update from the editors



November edition has arrived! Thank you to all our sponsors we had a lovely day along the canal and very achy legs afterwards! If you would still like to sponsor us please use this link:

<https://fundraising.echoherefordshire.org.uk/fund.../ONOV...>

In this edition:

Our News Our Views Editorial Team.

- November Happenings,
- More history and find out about a historic speech and history of cars
- Continuing adventures of Beefy
 - Puzzles and jokes.

Enjoy! See you in December — deadline November 15th.

The Adventures of Beefy - By Tracy Roberts

Beefy has been back to Weymouth to stay with his Great Auntie Elsie, he took her some flowers and chocolates to thank her for letting him stay.



Beefy was heading to the harbour when the Town Bridge across the harbour opened, this happens every two hours, six times a day, to let the tall masted ships go out from the inner harbour into Weymouth Bay and then the English Channel. Beefy loved watching it open and close.



In the outer harbour Beefy saw the RNLI Lifeboat. There has been a lifeboat in Weymouth since 1869 based on the Nothe Parade. Just behind the lifeboat is the Nothe Fort Weymouth's number one museum and heritage attraction.

Beefy stopped for a drink along the Quay side and ordered a Gin and Tonic but the waiter said he was too young and so he had a coke instead.



Beefy has lots of adventures, more next month.

Oklahoma the musical - By Tracy Roberts

The musical is based on Lynn Riggs 1931 play called Green Grow The Lilacs. Oklahoma opened on Broadway on March 31st 1943. Oklahoma music is by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein.

The musical's main focus is on a cowboy named Curly and the girl he wants to marry, who's named Laurey. Their burgeoning relationship drives the entire show.

But someone else wants to marry Laurey, too. Jud Fry is a coarse fellow who lives in a smokehouse.

He doesn't stand a chance with Laurey, but he's got his heart set on her, and there's pretty much nothing he won't do to claim her.

A subplot involves a boy-crazy woman named Ado Annie. She's engaged to one man, who doesn't want to marry her, while another man, Will Parker, desperately wants her to be his bride.

Everything comes to a head at a big party in town. An auction for a picnic basket of food prepared by Laurey becomes an aggressive showdown between Curly and Jud.

Ultimately love wins out, and Curly and Laurey get married. Jud shows up, wanting to kill Curly, but instead falls onto his own blade and dies after a brief struggle with his enemy.

An unofficial trial follows, and Curly is exonerated. The show ends with the song "Oklahoma!" — which would later become the state's official song.

This year Oklahoma is 80 year old.



History of cars - By Peter Crum

Working cars

Some vehicles are designed to do specific jobs from police cars and ambulances, to taxis/ vans/ and pickups.



American cars

The big, gas-guzzling American cars of the 1950s were unlike any made before or since.



Puzzle Corner - (Answer page 7)

Muddled words from November happenings (page 5). Can you untangle the words?

Fillyjesh

Lawidi

Cosk

Tallbe

Ohell

Thingon

Eret

Bamtun

Poxshano

Brancememer



Numbat, Saxophone, Remembrance
Jellyfish, Diwali, Socks, Ballet, Hello, Nothing, Tree,

Answers

November Happenings - By e parenting.

- 31st Oct to 2nd Nov 2023 The Day of the Dead
- 1st Nov 2023 World Ballet Day
- 3rd Nov 2023 World Jellyfish Day
- 5th Nov 2023 Guy Fawkes Night
- 6th Nov 2023 National Saxophone Day
- 6th Nov 2023 World Numbat Day
- 11th Nov 2023 Remembrance Day
- 11th Nov 2023 Singles Day
- 12th Nov 2023 Diwali
- 12th Nov 2023 Remembrance Sunday
- 13th Nov to 17th Nov 2023 Anti Bullying Week
- 13th Nov 2023 World Kindness Day
- 13th Nov 2023 Odd Socks Day
- 15th Nov 2023 Steve Irwin Day
- 17th Nov 2023 World Prematurity Day
- 17th Nov 2023 World Philosophy Day
- 19th Nov to 25th Nov 2023 Road Safety Week
- 20th Nov 2023 Universal Children's Day
- 20th Nov 2023 World Children's Day
- 21st Nov 2023 World Hello Day
- 21st Nov 2023 World Television Day
- 23rd Nov 2023 Doctor Who Day
- 23rd Nov to 24th Nov 2023 Thanksgiving
- 24th Nov 2023 Buy Nothing Day
- 26th Nov to 3rd Dec 2023 National Tree Week
- 30th Nov 2023 St. Andrew's Day



Happy Diwali



Did you hear the one about....

What do you call a dancing sheep? A baaa-lerina.
 What is a monkey's favourite ballet move? The banana split.
 What do you call a chicken doing ballet? Poultry in motion.
 I thought my ballet-themed body art was unique. But then I saw someone who had a tutu tattoo, too.
 What was the pig's favourite ballet? Swine Lake.



What causes Christmas trees to have difficulty sewing? They can't seem to stop dropping their needles!
 What do trees do when they get vandalised. Call special branch.
 How does a tree get on the internet? They log on!
 Why do you never see hippos hiding in trees? Because they're good at it!



“The Battle Of France Is Over...”

Two weeks after the evacuation of British troops from Dunkirk on the 18th June, 1940, there are still about 50,000 members of the British Expeditionary Force fighting in France alongside the French Army. However, defeat in the Battle of France was by now almost inevitable and troops were being pulled back. The French would have to seek terms for surrender a week later and with France in German hands, the British Isles would be under direct threat. Churchill outlined to the House of Commons why and how he was convinced that the army, navy and air force would be able to repel invasion and concluded:



“What General Weygand called the Battle of France is over. I expect that the Battle of Britain is about to begin. Upon this battle depends the survival of Christian civilization. Upon it depends our own British life, and the long continuity of our institutions and our Empire. The whole fury and might of the enemy must very soon be turned on us. Hitler knows he will have to break us in this Island or lose the war. If we can stand up to him, all Europe may move forward into broad, sunlit uplands. But if we fail, then the whole world, including the United States, including all that we have known and cared for, will sink into the abyss of a new Dark Age made more sinister, and perhaps more protracted, by the lights of perverted science. Let us therefore brace ourselves to our duties, and so bear ourselves that, if the British Empire and its Commonwealth last for a thousand years, men will still say, “This was their finest hour...”



Short stories - By P. Crum

Farmer Sam

A farmer called Sam went to town for a meal at a pub. He had fish and chips and mushy peas for lunch and for pudding sticky toffee pudding and ice cream. Sam the farmer went home to have a rest.



Ted a short story

Ted went to town for a look around the shops. He thought about what shops to go into. He decided to go into M&S and he bought a pair of trousers and went to the pub for a drink and something to eat.



Ted went home to have a rest and watch tv then went to bed .

Tina Turner - Tracy Roberts



Tina Turner (born Anna Mae Bullock; November 26, 1939 – May 24, 2023) was an American-born and naturalized Swiss singer, dancer, actress, and author. Widely referred to as the "Queen of Rock 'n' Roll".

Tina Turner began her career with Ike Turner's Kings of Rhythm in 1957. Under the name Little Ann, she appeared on her first record, "Boxtop", in 1958. In 1960, she debuted as Tina Turner with the hit duet single "A Fool in Love". The duo Ike & Tina Turner became "one of the most formidable live acts in history". They released hits such as "It's Gonna Work Out Fine", "River Deep – Mountain High", "Proud Mary", and "Nutbush City Limits", before breaking up in 1976.

In the 1980s, Tina Turner launched "one of the greatest comebacks in music history". Her 1984 multi-platinum (mega hit) album *Private Dancer* contained the hit song "What's Love Got to Do with It", which won the Grammy Award for Record of the Year. Her chart success continued with "Better Be Good to Me", "Private Dancer", "We Don't Need Another Hero (Thunderdome)", "Typical Male", "The Best", "I Don't Wanna Fight", and "Golden Eye". During her Break Every Rule World Tour in 1988, she set a then-Guinness World Record for the largest paying audience (180,000) for a solo performer.



Turner also acted in the films *Tommy* (1975) and *Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome* (1985). In 1993, *What's Love Got to Do with It*, a biographical film adapted from her autobiography *I, Tina: My Life Story*, was released. In 2009, Turner retired after completing her Tina!: 50th Anniversary Tour, which is the 15th highest-grossing tour of the 2000s. In 2018, she became the subject of the jukebox musical *Tina*.



Having sold over 100 million records worldwide, Turner is one of the best-selling recording artists of all time. She received 12 Grammy Awards, which include eight competitive awards, three Grammy Hall of Fame awards and a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award. She was the first black artist and first woman to be on the cover of *Rolling Stone*. *Rolling Stone* ranked her among the 100 Greatest Artists of All Time and the 100 Greatest Singers of All Time. Turner had a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and she was twice inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, with Ike Turner in 1991 and as a solo artist in 2021. Tina Turner died following a long illness on May 24, 2023, at the age of 83.

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