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## The Lord Mayor, the Simply Dylan-playing Musician...



What do the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, a top Liverpool musician and an England Football World Cup player have in common? They all grew up in Everton, and were members of the Shewsey Youth Club. The Lord Mayor Peter Brennan, Labour Councillor now for Old Swan, is pictured above with Michael Duffy and Paul Edwards at the Shewsey Summer Fair on **Saturday June 22nd**, a great community event which also featured John O'Connell (*above right*) playing to the crowds many of his favourite songs, including some from his "Simply Dylan" concerts that have been so successful country-wide. And to the politician Peter from Langsdale Street and the musician John from Field Street add from Upper Bute Street...



## ...and the World Cup player

Toni Duggan is pictured left showing great self-control after being spat on (maybe accidentally) by an opposition player during the World Cup in France in June. More on Toni on the back page.

# Welcome to Transport Boxing Club



A big welcome to the Transport Boxing Club, newly arrived but now well settled into our West Everton Community. Transport Boxing club have been going since the 1950s with many different homes and since April they have making the old China Street playcentre their new home. For many years the playcentre has been empty after its **long service to our community's children. Now after excellent co-ordination** and hard work Transport Boxing are transforming the building under the leadership of Chris Edmunds, Tony Ditchfield, Harry Currie, Tony Mather, Mikey Talon and James Mellor, all qualified coaches with DBS child protection certification. There has been great liaison **with the Salisbury "Solly" Boxing Club which continues to give brilliant service to our community** (feature in next issue) and the Transport Boxing club is open Mon, Wed, Fri 5.30-8pm and Tue and Thurs for new starters, with 25 young boxers already involved.

## Parking problems continuing on William Henry Street



Pictured left are the problems that residents on William Henry St and all streets from Islington to Everton Brow are facing: cars parked up on kerbs, in front of houses, causing serious problems for residents. The City Council have now finished their surveys on the parking problems and are now working on getting funding for a **Residents' Parking scheme. The sooner it is implemented the better and the safer for our area.**



# “Nothing without us, about us, is for us”

West Everton Community Council (WECC) will be celebrating 50 years of service to this community on Saturday September 14th from 1pm to 6pm. Everyone is very welcome to the WECC building and grounds by Everton Brow and Bute Street, just by the old Friary Church.

There will be live music, interviews with people looking back over the 50 years, drama

workshops, displays, old pictures, stalls, bar and bar-b-q, fun and games for all ages.

And what has WECC done over the 50 years? It has given local residents a vital say in what happens in our community. The days of 17 tower blocks going up in West Everton and residents being told they had to move to Speke, Kirkby, Netherley with no say in the matter: those days have gone thanks to WECC and to other local partners and friends with the motto **“Nothing about us, without us, is for us”!** So local campaigns over the years have won the day, from toilets at the Great Homer Street market, to the saving of the Langrove houses and the transformation of the William Henry St-Islington housing, to saving a Primary School for the area, battling for shops and a supermarket for Great Homer Street, to the new Health Centre on Everton Road...to name a few! WECC with their partners and friends and supporters have helped keep our West Everton community one in which generally (not alas always eg the recent Fox Street developments, opposed by WECC) local wisdom and concerns are listened to, respected, and acted on.

**“Do come along if you can on September 14th”,** says WECC Chair Adam Byrne, **“and share your photos and memories and if you are new to the area come and find out some of our history and be part of our future.”** And meanwhile WECC continues to serve our community and the Citizens Advice (CAB) session is now on a Wednesday 1pm to 4 pm for any advice needed on benefits, utility issues, debt advice, etc.



## Faith Primary School Awards

Many congratulations to Faith Primary School for winning the Primary School of the Year award for 2019 from the Liverpool Echo, for an **“Outstanding” RE Inspection** in June, for a Church-School Partnership award from Liverpool Diocese, and for the Inclusion award from the Archdiocese for teacher Jo Costello. And there was a recent celebration in the Cathedral that Faith played a great part in. What a great way for Executive Head Alan Williams (*born off Great Homer St and pictured right with Faith pupils, on a slope!*) to sign off after **his year at Faith: “It has been wonderful to be part of such an inspirational and hard-working group of people for whom I have the greatest respect. I have loved it!”**



*“Trouble knocked at the door but hearing laughter hurried away” (Benjamin Franklin, politician, scientist, author 1706-1790)*



# Summer

at the Shewsy



*The joys of the cake stall*

## Sporting Wordsearch

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Can you find these words?

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| NETBALL  | TENNIS     |
| CRICKET  | WORLD CUP  |
| FOOTBALL | ASHES      |
| GOLF     | HEPTATHLON |

## Quiz Time

*Lovely healthy produce brought over from the Faith plot (above) and some skilful craft and recycling (below), both stalls in the nature garden.*



- Which Liverpool actor won a Bafta this year and said she learnt to speak different accents from her father who is a masseur at Everton?
- Where did Stormzy perform "Blinded by your grace" this June, a place where you are said to be "ever only 8 feet from a Scouser"?**
- What do Ayrton Senna, Amy Winehouse and Diego Maradona have in common?
- Which former Liverpool player is **pictured on the cover of the Beatles' Sergeant Pepper's album?**
- He was born in New Zealand and he helped win a World Cup for England against New Zealand with the luckiest of deflections... Who is this cricketer?

Quiz answers at the foot of page 5



# Fun

## Summer Fair



Great work on the bar-b-q (above) and the face-painting (below)



And a police dog keeping an eye (below)



Plenty of socialising, catching up with old and new friends (above and below)



And the sun shone all day with few clouds in the way (below)



Quiz answers: 1. Jodie Comer 2. Glastonbury 3. They have all been subjects of critically acclaimed films by Asif Kapadia 4. Albert Stubbins: the only footballer on the cover, he played for Liverpool from 1947-1953 scoring 83 goals in 178 games and was chosen because John Lennon liked the sound of his name! 5. Ben Stokes.



# Shewsy News

The club is flying at the moment and this is reflected in the numbers attending both Junior and Senior Club sessions. Everywhere I go lately people are amazed at the numbers we are engaging with and the work that is going on. We had 67 young people in Senior Club one evening, and 41 in Junior Club. And congratulations to the 6-a-side Under 14s team from the Shewsy that represented Everton in the Community in a national cup and lost narrowly in the final against Tottenham.

## Summer Fair

The recent Summer Fair on Saturday June 22nd was a fantastic day, with fine weather, a great line-up of musicians topped by ex Shewsy member John **O'Connell** (see front page). It felt like the whole community and beyond was there and I spoke to people from Huyton, Garston, Dingle as well as from our area. Some Junior Club parents supplied a cultural food stall with tasters free of charge and I would like to thank everyone who helped out on the day and especially



*Jake Riley in fine voice at the Summer Fair*

2 ex members, Damien Cummings and Stuart Dennett, who never look for praise but who provide the stage and the food for the Bar-b-q.

## EI YF course

The Early Intervention Youth Fund course at the club has been a great success, with very positive feedback from the police and Notre Dame School. The

Home Office have been in touch about extending the funding into 2020.

Lord Mayor back in discussion group

Peter Brennan, ex member and then Team leader at the Shewsy, was back in the club on Tuesday July 16th for our discussion group, answering questions about being Lord Mayor, about his time at the Shewsy, about the importance of politics, and sharing the advice of his Nin



**Mrs Kennedy "Be nice... and don't be soft!" and then staying on to chat with club members (pictured above).**

## Shrewsbury School links

It was a pleasure to host younger groups from Shewsy School during their outdoor week after exams in June as well as the last of the 5 Social Studies Courses during the year. We also have 2 football fixtures against the school arranged for the coming term, home in October and at the school in December.

## Staff team news

It has been great to welcome Nicola Coker to our staff team and she has settled in well. Congratulations to Thomas Butler on gaining a 1st class honours degree in History alongside his helping in the club and completing an NVQ level 2 in youth work, and to Sharon Dolby on her Level 3 Youth work qualification. The staff team is working really well together and a staff training residential is booked in for August 7-9th in Ingleton.

For any more information do ring 0151 207 0725 or [www.shrewsburyhouse.org.uk](http://www.shrewsburyhouse.org.uk) or twitter @the shewsy.

All the best John Dumbell (Team leader)

# Churches' News

From San Salvador to Liverpool  
Wednesday September 25th is the first anniversary of the death of Fr Kevin Kelly

(pictured right) priest in Vauxhall for many years, lecturer at Hope, author and great supporter of local campaigns here in Everton.

At 6.45pm there will be a talk by David McLoughlin from Newman University in Birmingham in the Cornerstone building at Hope at Everton entitled **"Trajectories of Hope from San Salvador to Liverpool: a celebration of the ministries of Oscar Romero, Austin Smith, Kevin Kelly, and Tom Cullinan."**



and then time up at Shrewsbury School, including the legendary tug-of-war between the Blues and the Reds, won by the Blues 2-1 (pictured below) following



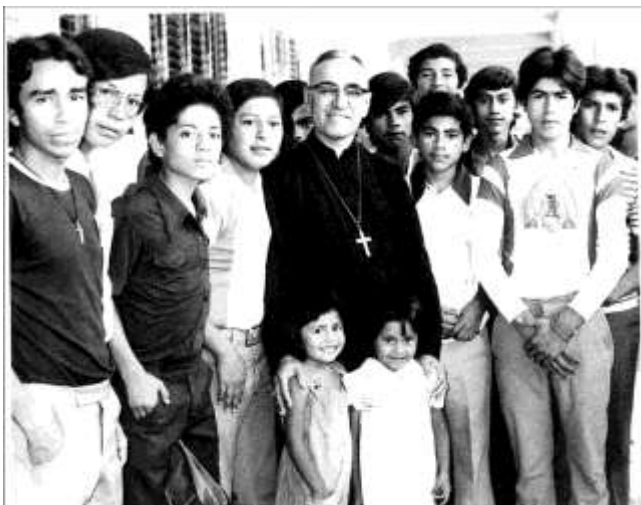
**a shout "Come on, Everton have got to win something!" And they did!**

A View of life that makes sense and inspires ?

There will be a free course open to all of whatever faith or none over 3 Wednesdays 7.30-9pm October 23rd, **30th, November 6th, in St Peter's Church, Langrove Street, L5 3PE.** Henry Corbett is running the course with film clips, input and discussion. Everyone has a view about life, however provisional and partial, and the course will engage with the great questions we all have deep down about whether there is a God, what about the problem of suffering, the discoveries of science, the phenomenon of many religions, what is the evidence for some of the great religious leaders, and how reliable is the evidence of religious experience: plenty to look at in an unembarrassing, unpressured, relaxed, enjoyable way. More details from Henry at 0151 207 1948 or e mail [henry.corbett@btinternet.com](mailto:henry.corbett@btinternet.com) .

## **Sunday evenings at St Peter's**

The informal Sunday evening services at 6.30pm for an hour in St Peter's take a break over August but in September we will be looking at lessons from the world of sport, at climate change initiatives, at highlights from the Greenbelt festival, and other subjects the group may choose. All welcome.



Oscar Romero (pictured above) was Archbishop of San Salvador in the 1970s and spoke up for those being persecuted by an oppressive cruel government. The talk will be preceded by a Mass in SFX at 5.45 celebrated by Bishop John Rawsthorne, and after there will be drinks to toast the prophetic witness of those 4 courageous Christians willing to speak out for justice. Everyone welcome.

Day out to Shrewsbury

A great day out was had by a coach load of 45 people of all ages on Saturday June 15th with time in Shrewsbury town

*"There are many things that can only be seen through eyes that have cried." (Oscar Romero 1917-1980)*

# Community News

Frances Harrison steps down

After 10 years as Headteacher of Notre Dame Catholic College Frances Harrison is stepping down: Frances has **overseen both the School's move from Everton Valley to its new building on Great Homer Street and also the School becoming co-educational, two hugely helpful moves for our community.** And 36 pupils from Notre Dame visited Rome for the 50th anniversary of the canonisation of St Julie Billiart, the founder of the Notre Dame sisters: **two of Julie's sayings are "to do small things with great love" and "how good is the good God", and many thanks, Frances,** for all the love and good and hard work you have given to this community.

Everton Community Faith Plot

**"Everyone is very welcome to join the Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon gatherings at the Faith plot on Prince Edwin Street", writes John Hutchison. "You can stroll around the flower garden, or help weed, plant and harvest: the strawberry harvest has been amazing and Sophie the intern from John Moores is doing a great job."** Details and pictures on Friends of Everton Park social media platforms @foep on Twitter, @friendsofevertonpark on Instagram.

**"Heart of Everton's Badge" play**

Local playwright Kenny O'Connell's play **"The Heart of Everton's Badge to the Grand Old Lady"** is back on at the Epstein Theatre in Liverpool 29th-31st August. The play tells great stories from **Everton's past, from Molly Bushell to Dixie Dean, Prince Rupert to Bessie Braddock.** Tickets through the Epstein theatre website or ring 0844 888 4411.

Fox Street developments

The Fox Street developments continue to cause serious concern for the City Council with the prime issue of safety for any residents, as well as broken promises over an underground car park and funds for parking issues

nearby. A sad tale, and so unfair on residents both in the development and beside the development.

Stephen Davismoon at Lunch club

Professor Stephen Davismoon Associate Dean at Hope at Everton spoke at the West Everton Lunch Club on Wednesday June 26th, sharing his own story of how music gripped him and took him into an academic as well as a composing career and also of his appreciation of the Everton community and of fostering good links between Hope students and staff and the community: **"Arts should be connected to community, not elitist or inaccessible".**

## Sports News

**It's not often that a local resident's picture is up on a huge wall**

by Bold Street but pictured below is

Toni Duggan of Upper Bute Street, part of a campaign to heighten awareness of the **Women's Football World Cup in June in France.**

Toni very unfortunately was injured and

not at top fitness but still showed fine character (*see page 1*) and support for the England team as they finished 4th.

Congratulations to Jazza Dickens on defeating Nathaniel May for the IBF European featherweight title on July 12th. World title next year?

And big Red Billy T says best wishes to Liverpool and Everton and Tranmere for the football season ahead. **That's the Merseyside spirit!**

