

Apparently time machines do exist, although maybe not as you imagine them.

Click [HERE](#) to listen to a 16<sup>th</sup> century concert and read about how it was created!



Pieces of Eight and all that! I grew up on a diet of Treasure Island and other tales of skulduggery, so imagine my excitement when I read that a pirate could have been tracked down!

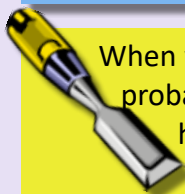
Click [HERE](#) to read the article.

Everybody remembers Windows XP, even if you were/are an Apple user. It ran many homes and business offices for many years, in fact I know that there are still some businesses using it now!

Do you remember the XP default wallpaper! Click [HERE](#) to watch a video about a group of Americans attempting to recreate it.



Remember when the BBC used to make Public Service Broadcasts? Click [HERE](#) to watch one from the archives.



When we think about Japanese traditions we probably consider Samurai and Geisha, but have you ever heard of 'Sashimono'? It is a form of woodworking which uses no nails or screws. Some of the joints are works of art and there is one which is called 'The Impossible Joint'.

Click [HERE](#) to read an article about this skillful craft. If you have 15 minutes to spare you can watch one of the 'impossible joints' being made.

As we grow up we are taught that parasites are awful things, but what if that were not always the case? Click [HERE](#) to read an article about why we should make sure there are always parasites on Earth.



If you have a shellfish allergy you may not agree that mussels are extremely tasty, especially when cooked in white wine and garlic. Even so, you can still enjoy watching how they are sustainably farmed. Click [HERE](#) for the video.





Walking Group 1 were back in business this week, led by our intrepid Group Leaders - Mary and Ilush. Our dedicated two have spent hours and hours during the lockdown, out walking the town and country around Southport exploring (and getting lost at times!!) new routes for us to try out when the Covid restrictions are lifted.

We were blessed with a glorious sunny, if cold, day. The trees were blooming, the bulbs were glowing as we went off exploring - of course in socially distanced groups of six!!

So they now have a whole portfolio of new routes where we



can enjoy the sights and spend a pleasant couple of hours in good company. Of course, they have made sure that there is always a cafe/pub at some point along the way to let us rest our weary bones and get refreshed.



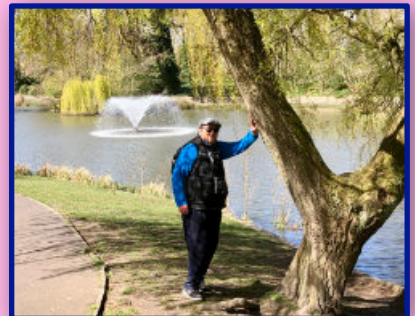
We then meandered around Churchtown through quite streets and narrow lanes until we reached the Botanic Gardens. It has to be said that the volunteers here have done a lovely job laying out the beds with colourful spring flowers. Here we were able to stop, admire the flowers and have a chat.

They decided to break us in gently this week with a five mile walk around the Churchtown area, taking in Hesketh Park and the Botanic Gardens along the way.

We then made our way through the Botanic Gardens and by some circuitous route known only to Mary and Ilush we found ourselves back at the cafe in Hesketh Park for a coffee and another chance to chat.



Then it was back to the Imperial to pick up our cars. A very nice day - and a great start to the Group again. Well done to our intrepid leaders!!





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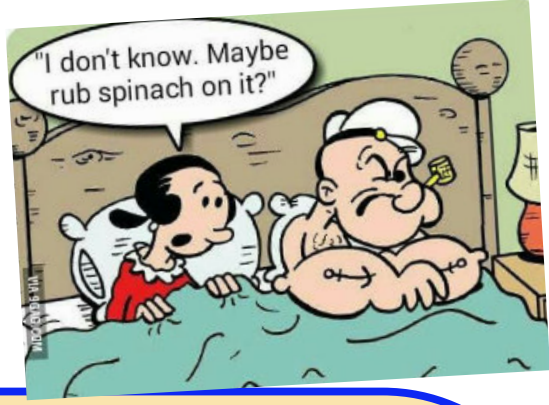


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A little of nostalgia for you, supplied by Colin Weir. Click [HERE](#) to watch the short video.



## ZOOM TALKS AT HOME

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<p><b>Thur 22nd April</b> at 2pm <i>Wrecks of the Coast Southport</i></p>	<p><b>Thur 6th May</b> at 2pm <i>Rivington Terraced Gardens</i></p>	<p><b>Thur 20th May</b> at 2pm <i>Apitourism - travelling for bees</i></p>	<p><b>Thur 3 June</b> at 2pm <i>John Dempsey, on the Sefton Coast</i></p>
<p><b>Thur 17th June</b> at 10.30 <i>Telling time over the Centuries</i></p>	<p><b>Thur 1st July</b> at 10.30 <i>The Seven Ancient &amp; Modern Wonders of the World</i></p>	<p><b>Thur 15th July</b> at 10.30 <i>Life of Sir Henry Segrave &amp; the Land Speed Record attempt on Ainsdale Beach</i></p>	<p><b>Next meeting TBC</b></p>

**Friday 9th April 2021**

Fulham v Wolves  
20:00 BT Sport

**Saturday 10th April 2021**

Man City v Leeds United  
12:30 BT Sport

Liverpool v Aston Villa  
15:00 Sky Sports

Crystal Palace v Chelsea  
17:30 Sky Sports

**Sunday 11th April 2021**

Burnley v Newcastle United  
12:00 Sky Sports

West Ham United v Leicester City  
14:05 Sky Sports

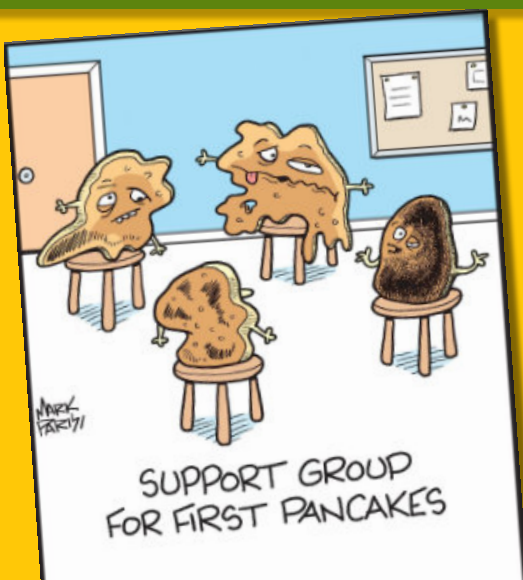
Tottenham Hotspur v Man Utd  
16:30 Sky Sports

Sheffield United v Arsenal  
19:00 BT Sport

**Monday 12th April 2021**

West Brom v Southampton  
18:00 Sky Sports

Brighton & Hove Albion v Everton  
20:15 Sky Sports



**Things  
to watch  
this  
weekend!**

learn,  
laugh,  
live

If you are interested in a little bit of culture take a look at these shows:

[Julius Caesar](#) (available from 7pm for 7 days)

[Rocky Horror Show](#)

[Frankenstein](#)

- I can't believe I got fired from the calendar factory. All I did was take a day off!
- I went to see the doctor about my short-term memory problems — the first thing he did was make me pay in advance.
- You have two parts of the brain, "left" and "right". On the left side, there's nothing right and on the right side, there's nothing left.
- Why do bees hum? They don't remember the lyrics!
- I have a dog to provide me with unconditional love, but I also have a cat to remind me that I don't deserve it. It's all about balance.
- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool. I gave him a glass of water.
- Most people are shocked when they find out how bad I am as an electrician.
- There's a new restaurant called Karma. There's no menu. You get what you deserve.
- Did you hear about the guy whose whole left side got amputated? He's all right now.
- Thanks for explaining the word "many" to me, it means a lot.

