



YPC

The Young People's Committee.

Spring 2021 Newsletter

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter.

To paraphrase the Bard. Now is the Winter of our discontent made glorious Summer by this vaccination.

A message from Roger Tinker YPC Chairman

A Return to Normality?

We hope that you are all well and have been able to keep safe during the past year of restrictions and lockdowns. It has been a period of concern and frustration to all of us. The restrictions on travel and social gathering also impeded our ability to support you during the last year. Hopefully better things are on the way. and we can all look forward to a more normal life later this year.



Following the Government's recent announcements regarding the COVID roadmap the YPC have been reviewing how and when we should resume our activities.

The "roadmap" sets out key dates when restrictions will be eased. The key date for us is 21st June, the predicted date when all restrictions on social contact will be lifted. The Government's statement says the dates in the "roadmap" are the earliest dates that these changes to the current regulations will be enacted.

The YPC have decided to err on the side of caution before restarting our events. Bearing in mind that the vaccination programme is going well, and the latest reports indicate that the fight against the virus is steadily going in the right direction, we are planning to hold our first event in August.



Our initial thoughts for our first meeting post lockdown are to organise an event, possibly a barbeque or buffet style meal with

some entertainment / activities, where we can meet reflect upon the past eighteen months and chat about the types of events the committee should be considering in the future. Discuss what events work for you, theatre, funfair, challenges etc. and how the YPC can assist you in the future. We would also welcome your thoughts on how we have, or have not, supported you during the pandemic.

The committee members are looking forward to organising a range of future events which, with your help and support, we are sure will bring you laughter, enjoyment and a sense of achievement.

Please let us have your thoughts on whether you feel that having a relaxed social event to kick start our support for you is the best way forward.



Other Upcoming Events

In the previous newsletter we said that we were hoping to run the activities planned for 2020 in 2021. Our optimism was short lived. The lockdown announced in January and the “Roadmap” dates make it impossible for us to hold the events this year. We are looking at availability and planning to slot the activities into our 2022 programme.

To refresh your memory the events we had to cancel last year were:

A visit to the Salle Angelo Fencing Club to try our hands at various types of Fencing, Laser Pistol shooting plus other activities.

A screening of the sing-along version of the Greatest Showman at the Playhouse 2 Theatre,



Shaw. This looked like being a popular activity and the sale of the excess seats would improve our coffers.

It may be possible to hold this event later this year, dependent on Theatre availability. so watch this space.

A trip to Cowm reservoir Water Sports Centre, Whitworth, for an introduction to water skiing and wake boarding, fun rides on the inflatables, followed by a BBQ. This likely to take place in May 2022.

Our planned summer outing to Harry Potter World (background cheers and whoops) could be rescheduled to August 2022.



After the huge success of the sponsored abseil in July 2018, thank you again for your support on the day, the ELMC Fund Raising Committee have asked if we could assist in planning a sponsored walk. The planning is at initial stage of organising a 13-mile sponsored walk in 2021. The route will start from Hewlett Court then onto Burrs Country Park then follow the River Irwell through Summerseat to Ramsbottom before turning towards Holcombe Hill and returning to Hewlett Court. We are looking at shorter walk options for participants who would not be able to cover the full route.

If you and your family members would like to take part in this please let us know. It is a wonderful opportunity to raise some money for a cause which is close to all our hearts.



We are currently looking at planning an event for Christmas 2021. Two events we will be looking at are “The Lion, the Witch and The Wardrobe” at the Lowry and “Aladdin” on the Opera House. We would welcome your suggestions on how we should celebrate Christmas this year.