

many years, for the short seven or eight years that I have been here I have become increasingly aware of just how many people of this town valued him so much.

It is just so very tragic that someone who expressed sentiments of having lived a happy and fulfilled life, loved by parents, grandparents, sister and family, died so very tragically.

I count myself as being extremely fortunate to have been called "friend" by Edmond. This gift was given to me by my brother-in-law and sister Brian and Muriel Jones - such true and consistent friends to Edmond over more than 45 years - who, once I moved to Clitheroe always invited me to share the lovely, happy Sunday roasts with Edmond and themselves, as well as to join them on many other family occasions.

Little could we have imagined that, on Sun-

being, to my mind and, on such a proud

God bless you and keep you in His care, Edmond. Be at peace at last. Love always.

MRS DOREEN JEFFREY,
Whiteacre Lane,
Barrow

Our bus service is wonderful

AS A newcomer to Clitheroe, I should like to congratulate the town on its wonderful bus service.

Not only does it pass my house three times an hour, but in addition the bus drivers are cheerful, helpful and considerate to the older

would have been a more apt description that even the majority of CA members did not bother to turn up.

And those that did sign the declaration committing themselves to break the law once hunting is illegal did so in the full knowledge that their names would not be given out or recorded anywhere.

However, it is still highly regrettable that the CA allowed children to sign the declaration - they are not old enough to fully understand the full implication of the declaration.

Neither the police nor politicians took the hunters claims of law breaking seriously, as they saw it for what it was - a cheap publicity stunt.

Before seat-belt legislation, lots of people threatened to break the law and now few do, and almost everyone agrees that those who do

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Government minister's visit to broadband project

A HIGH-TECH enterprise in Whalley got the Government seal of approval when e-Commerce Minister Stephen Timms paid a visit.

The Minister visited the Broadband eLaboratory project set up by local businessman and information technology expert Mr Anthony Capstick.

It aims to champion broadband computer links by demonstrating the many benefits to small and medium-sized businesses throughout the North-West.

The idea was conceived by Mr Capstick, who had already built up a successful computer business, Instant Search, from his offices in Whalley.

After winning financial backing from the North West Broadband Fund, the new Broadband eLaboratory project was launched in June this year and is proving very successful.

Instead of trying to explain the benefits of broadband to business people - who might have a poor grasp of technology or even a fear of it - Mr Capstick can bring them to the eLaboratory and show them how it could work for them in practice.

He is a firm believer that businesses can only compete and survive if they adapt and progress, embracing changes in technology that could bring good returns.

The facility at Whalley can demonstrate the different types of broadband connections, its many business applications and other technological advances such as video conferencing.

Mr Capstick is an acclaimed expert on the subject, having written books and been interviewed regularly on the radio. In fact, he can now broadcast direct from his Whalley base using his own state-of-the-art ISDN mixing desk.

Several local businesses have already benefited from his expertise and representatives of some of them were able to meet Mr Timms during his visit.

Our picture shows Mr Capstick (left) with Mr Timms MP (seated) and local business people (from the left) Hilary Shepherd, Caroline James and Craig Nicholls. (G271103/4)



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