

Tardis Times

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Chirpy Easter 2018 Edition



this
morning

Tardis fitters land themselves in hot water with A big client...

As part of Friday's work load for our Tardis Fitters, Joel and Sam, it was an early start at ITV in London, to set up some hot tubs with water for a feature on This Morning with Eamonn and Ruth.



After the feature had aired, treat the water so it was safe for disposal and on to the next job or so they thought...

Someone took a shine to our studly fellows and before you could say where's the soap, the lads had been stripped, issued with shorts and plunged into a £ 17,500 hot tub ready for the feature on live television.

Of course, we at Tardis towers, tuned in and made a recording.

Earlier in the segment, they'd featured some other tubs and had put three muscle bunnies in for effect, professional models.

One thing we all noticed was they were all shivering and the moment the camera was off them, they were out of the tub and into a dressing gown.

Not our stalwart lads. Despite the cold water (because those things take a while to heat up), not a shiver of a goose bump from Sam or Joel or indeed the lady they'd thrown in with them to illustrate just what fun a hot tub can be on a cold March morning on the banks of the Thames.



Eamonn, Sam, Ruth and Joel

After the feature, we received pics that had been taken of the lads with Eamonn Holmes and his co-presenter and wife, Ruth Langsford outside the tub rather than in it.

Andy Warhol said everyone will be famous for fifteen minutes. Our lads have a few minutes to spare if anyone else wants them for TV or film work.



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Tardis gets the gloves on for charity boxing



Shannon Tarleton goes ringside

“Saturday night’s alright for fighting” especially if it’s for charity.



The gloves were on Saturday 31st March at Featherstone Community Centre.

Featherstone Kickboxing Club hosted a night of charity boxing for the Addison’s Disease Self Help

Group, a condition that sadly took the life of former Tardis employee Sam ‘Pieface’ Birch at the age of 24.

Addison’s disease is a condition which affects the endocrine system, where the adrenal glands fail to produce the correct amount of hormones, namely cortisol and aldosterone.



Plant Manager and slugger Joel Bradley

As the event made us literally hold the front page, we were unable to feature here, the professionally made video of the proceedings. This will be on our You Tube channel week ending April 6th.



It’s all about the money raised for a good cause

The total raised from the night so far is a fantastic £2770; with donations still coming in at the time this newsletter was published.

After 12 weeks of intensive training provided by the club and Tardis Electrician / fitter **Sam Beasley**, it all came down to three, 2 minute rounds.



Coach Sam Beasley

The night featured 9 bouts all between a bunch of good pals, with Tardis’ star of the show Joel Bradley, third on the bill. winning by technical knock out in the first round.

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Never get caught short again with our fab new app

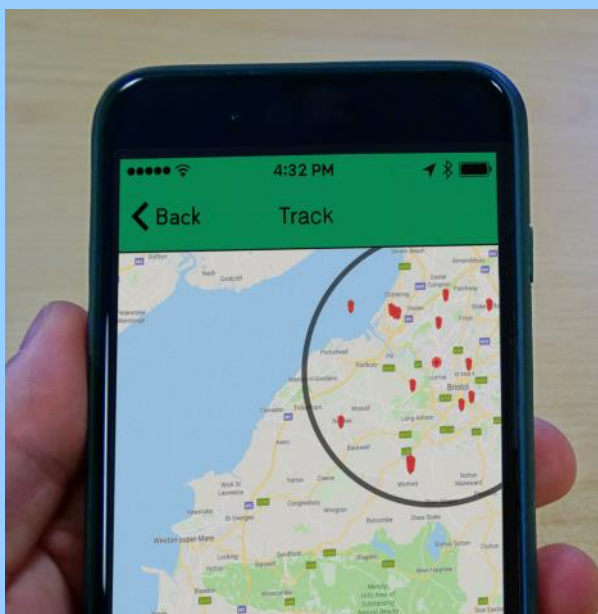


Technology takes the lead with the Tardis Toilet Finder app

Tardis announces portable toilet locator app.

Tardis Environmental, a company not known for letting the grass grow under their feet have done it again.

Ever the early adopters of technology, there is now an app available on Android, IOS and Windows which will indicate your nearest available Tardis portable toilet.



Head of Tardis wearable tech, **I.B. Fuller -Flannel** said earlier today “ we’ve noticed that some of these sites we deliver toilet units to are vast and getting caught short with ne’r a loo on the horizon can be quite distressing”.

The handy Tardis Tracker using GPS location and a small finder device fitted to all Tardis portable toilets, will flag up any operational toilets within a 3 mile radius of the person trying to track one down.

The arrival of the app comes only after negotiations with NASA who only in recent years have opened up geo location to commercial operators, mainly to provide location advice on fast food restaurants, Pokemon Go hot spots and instant win scratch card retailers.

The introduction of a toilet locator for “urgent need” brings usefulness to a vertical market. “We like to think that we’re offering instant relief” said an upbeat Flannel.

Users can “fave” their nearest toilet for return visits and the app has instant win prizes which appear on screen as a visitor enters random units, adding a fun element to spending a penny

After extensive testing in the field, the locator service is now fully operational nationwide and the free app is available for download from:: [here](#)



The app is also compatible with most smart watches making finding your favourite Tardis loo as easy as a walk in the park.

In fact you’ll find Tardis portable toilets at many event locations as well as construction sites, so you really could well be in the park when your app shows you the way.

Finally, your voice can be heard from inside the Tardis which is wi fi 4G connected. Once you lock the door, your app screen will change to a rating system to send a one to four star feedback to Tardis HQ.

Cleanliness, operational satisfaction ,even if there’s a loo roll or fresh hand towels needed, we want to know.

To read further on the development of this amazing app, click on the button to visit our tech page.



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Tardis Films Latest Releases



Out with the Tardis Film Crew



Our first video this issue covers a subject a lot of people aren't aware we do. **Domestic septic tank empties**. Well indeed we do and here's a short video taken on a cold day at a local stables.

Alerted to the fact the tank was getting a little full, the customer called and said "my septic tank's very smelly" We sent the "Bumble Bee" and Tanker Captain Nick to sort things out.



No, we've not taken to the high seas as our video capture above suggests, but we do deliver water to some unusual locations, so satisfy your curiosity and take a look where we were with our 26 tonne rear wheel steer tanker.



Create the perfect storm, our engineer clients said. This involved flooding a car park under controlled conditions. A specially laid surface acts as a soak away.



Tardis Fitters are a talented lot. Commercial electrics and plumbers rolled into one. The perfect combination for kitting out water and waste pipework for admin and welfare cabins as we did here in Sunbury on Thames.



Who needs Thunderbird 1? We arrived at the scene of a genuine emergency, providing drinking water to the people of Durant's Park Estate in Enfield who'd been without water for eight days.



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Emergency Water Deliveries by



Tardis H2O steps up to the plate

Our days delivering drinking water often begin the same way. Early morning, our tankers are specially prepared to carry drinking water, as are any vessels we're sending to accept a specially prepared payload. There's a strict protocol we follow to the letter.



We were off to Enfield in Middlesex to meet up with one of our delivery vehicles carrying two large static water tanks. Our assignment, to fill those tanks with quality assured drinking water.



What we didn't know until we arrived, were the circumstances surrounding the requirement. A housing estate that had no mains water for eight days

The moment our shiny H2O tanker arrived, curtains began twitching and shortly after, people started coming up to us, asking if this water was for them. Imagine having no water to wash yourself, your clothes, cook your vegetables and of course, flush your toilet.

We heard people on their phones, calling other residents of the estate "there's water here", genuine delight.

A man told us he'd just returned from the leisure centre where he paid for his kids and himself just to use the showers and get clean.



We set about filling their small containers, in advance of the people who were now hearing about the delivery on the grapevine.



Shortly afterwards, the two static tanks arrived and were quickly deployed and filled so the residents would help themselves. No surprises that we returned to refill the vessels two days later.

We've learned as Tardis Times went to press, that the water supply has now been restored to the estate.

For EMERGENCY water, count on



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Spring heralds new tanker arrivals for the Tardis fleet



With the oncoming of spring, our thoughts turn to new tankers, three in the last month in fact with more to follow.

These are being distributed to our depots to strengthen our waste services around the country.

Perhaps you'll spot them when you're out and about?



This one will be cruising the highways and byways of the north east, with other vehicles being distributed among some of our southern depots, including our new Oxford depot, which is in the process of being set up.

We're expecting a busy summer season, so are putting in plant and vehicle orders to cater for increased demand.



More new toilets to cope with the 2018 event season



March saw us take delivery of more than a hundred new portable toilets to cope with a busy events season.

This time, we didn't just take delivery of basic models. We've purchased mains connected toilets too.

If you're not familiar, these are the closest thing to the toilet you've got at home, with a cistern flush.

It's called a mains toilet, because it has to be plumbed in to a water inlet supply, a waste outlet to a conventional sewer pipe and wired in to an electricity supply for the water heater.

These are intended generally for long term hire on construction projects.



Rather like our new tanker arrivals, these toilets too, are being distributed around the country to meet regional demands.

Each year we invest in our transport and plant, with 2018 being no exception.

To book any type of toilet, event, construction, hot wash, disabled or mains, it's the one familiar number:

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A soak away with a difference



“We want to create the perfect storm”, said our client.

The idea behind this was to test the soak away abilities of a newly laid car parking area which in previous times had become badly flooded after a rain storm.



We despatched two of our rear wheel steer 26 tonne water tankers to meet with the client’s engineers who would be overseeing the test, giving us our orders etc.

The design of the car park was nothing out of the ordinary to the untrained eye however, closer inspection revealed the brick areas round the tarmac was of a special design to allow collected water to drain rapidly (or so it was hoped).



The exercise had a gentle start. One tanker and flow set to a low number of litres per minute, as agreed with the lads holding the clip boards.

Soak away in all areas satisfactory.

As we progressed through the morning, we moved round the parking area and the flow rate from the tankers was varied.

The brick design seemed to be working.

After several tests, it was indeed, time to recreate the perfect storm, both tankers in use with outlets fully open, water everywhere.

From our less than expect observations, both areas under scrutiny, performed well. The more central area drained in less than two minutes.



A corner area on a slight dip, caught water draining down the slope, yet that too drained within ten minutes of being flooded.



Bear witness to the fact our perfect storm and our client’s engineering were a success.

Tanker Captain here we come...

We salute Jez Hall



Jez Hall is one of our hard working service drivers. He's been with us something over two years and we are pleased to announce he's passed his **HGV class II**, so is now licenced to drive rigid tankers.

Jez has starred in several of our training and external films showing how he services portable toilets on his daily route.



Once he progresses to a full sized tanker over service vehicles, he'll be visiting site looking after welfare cabins, toilet blocks and waste tanks. He'll also be doing water top ups for toilet flushing and hand washing.



Congratulations Jezza

Tardis are now FORS Silver standard operators



You may well remember us featuring a piece on FORS compliance some time back, referring to the bronze level of attainment.

FORS or Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme is a combination of equipment fitted to vehicles and training for drivers, to elevate the awareness of vulnerable road users (mainly cyclists) with the aim of vastly improving road safety.

For example, all HGV and service drivers in the company, have completed what is called a SUDS course (Safe Urban Driving). This included putting individuals on bikes, in the city, to give them a cyclists eye view of how HGVs appear to them and how cyclists appear or indeed don't appear to an HGV driver.

Switching to the cab interior, much has been done to cut down on problems caused by blind spots and increase awareness to all parties of road hazards.

Silver standard vehicles, feature a proximity alert activated by a vulnerable road user (often a cyclist) approaching the vehicle in it's nearside. This activates an audible alarm inside the cab and activates the nearside view camera.

As for cameras, each silver standard vehicle features five.

Four covering the outside of the vehicle, front, rear and side views and on internal cab cam. Data is recorded onto a secure system, accessible by management. Vehicles also feature the under run bars and livery relevant to safety, found on the bronze standard vehicles and the audible left turn and vehicle reversing announcements.

Achieving FORS silver represents a considerable investment both financial and human resource. Tardis aims to maintain this high standard and then engage on the program to attain the gold standard

FORS Silver

Tardis Environmental UK

has been assessed and has met the silver level requirements of the Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS).

Multi Operating Centre Accreditation is limited to locations listed on subsequent pages of this certificate.

This certificate is valid from 11/03/2018 to 10/03/2019 and remains valid as long as FORS requirements continue to be maintained.

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Towing water bowzers.

Stuff you should *know*



Whilst towable bowzers may have wheels and a tow hitch on them, it won't necessarily be legal to take **on the highway** with a payload inside.

There are safety considerations and so, we have published some guidelines you should heed before hitching up and driving away.

A site towable bowser

May not be towed legally on the highway with any payload on board.



A highway towable bowser



Differs in design part of which, is a break away system to halt the bowser should it become unhitched from the towing vehicle whilst in motion.

There is a steel cable under tension. Which if the unthinkable happens, breaks away from the fixing mechanism, releasing the tension and applying the brakes on the bowser, bringing it to a halt.

Towing vehicles

A 2000 litre bowser when full weighs in excess of 2600 kilos. To establish if your towing vehicle is powerful enough to pull this as a trailer, you need to engage in a little mathematics and detective work.

Either in the vehicle handbook, or definitely some place on the vehicle (usually the engine bay), there is something known as a VIN plate. See the example below.



In the plate amongst other things relative to the vehicle, you will find the maximum authorised mass and the Gross train weight.

The latter is the max towing weight of the towing vehicle and the gross weight of the item being towed, (with payload), which gives the gross train weight.

We've already mentioned that a 2000 litre bowser has a loaded weight of 2600 kilos. Add this to the max authorised weight shown on the vehicle weight and you have your gross train weight.

So, using the random VIN plate in this article and our bowser example, the calculation will be in excess of the Gross train weight for that vehicle.

4 x 4 vehicles by design will have a better towing capacity than say the average family car. To stay on the right side of the law, you should be aware of these figures before you tow on the highway.

Finally, the driver's licence.

The driver must hold a valid licence with the =E entitlement either by taking a trailer test or, holding class 1 licence. Also, there may be an entitlement under what are called inherited grandfather rights. Those are when the licence was issued before the introduction of the new clause(s).

Additionally, a valid CPC or tachograph card is an entitlement.

Anyone in doubt as to their licence validity, should seek advice from the DVLA.

