



Up, up and away

JJP Weddings and Events opened in September, business has increased so much that owner Sharon Percival has opened JJP Fancy Dress next door. Sharon has brought a new dimension with her balloon artistry and is creating designs for all occasions – never before seen in Widnes – at incredible prices. And she offers a free balloon delivery service throughout the Halton area. ● JJP Weddings and Events is situated at 81 Albert Road, Widnes, while JJP Fancy Dress is based at 83 Albert Road.



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How to marry on a shoestring

The average wedding in the UK these days costs around £16,000 – so it's no surprise that couples find the prospect of planning their wedding more than a little scary. Not only is there the constant worry over keeping to the budget, but there's a host of other concerns too.

Should you hold the reception at a hotel or in a marquee? Where can you find a good band? Which readings should you choose? Will you lose enough weight to fit into the dress you want? Will your divorced parents have a public row if you sit them both on the top table? Can you afford three bridesmaids?

Organising a wedding is a major exercise in project management. Yet few couples are trained or experienced at project managing when they launch into the planning for their big day. And it's



not only the planning; it's the budgeting too.

Laura Bloom managed to organise her wedding with plenty of style but for less than half the average cost. She kept a journal of the whole process, starting eight months before the wedding day.

In it she recounts all the emotional and financial stresses she

encountered, from rows with her fiancé; to her inability to find a suitable and affordable dress as the big day loomed closer.

Not only that, in *The Wedding Diaries – How to get married in style without breaking the bank*, Laura also sets out everything she learnt along the way, from the options available for venues, music, flowers and so on, to the cost of everything from her tiara to her wedding cake.

Packed with tips and useful information, *The Wedding Diaries* will help anyone planning a wedding to get to grips with both the budget and the organisational challenge, as well as keeping their stress levels down as the big day approaches.

Leejay entertainment is tops

IF YOU'RE looking for entertainment for any kind of event, then Leejay Leisure can fulfil your needs. Based in Runcorn, the agency can provide all kinds of top class entertainment – from local artistes to top bands and celebrities.

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