## **Wyre Wildlife Wonders:**

Did you know that Wyre is, or was home to examples of:

1. The oldest non-colonial animal in the world. Quahog (Icelandic Cyprine) *Arctica islandica* "One living off Iceland was 507 years old".

www.museum.wales

The shells of these clams can be found off Rossall.

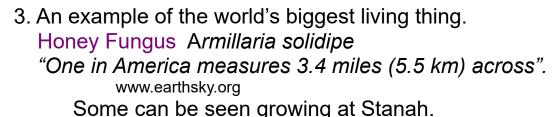


One of the family growing in the arctic is estimated to be 8600 years old. Map Lichen can be found growing near Brock.

www.bootroutes.com

Map Lichen

Rhizocarpon geographicum



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4. Examples of "the world's longest migrating bird-flight".

www.livescience.com

Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa Iapponica* They can be seen at Fluke Hall.

5. Off the coast can be seen
Basking Sharks Cetorhinus maximus
"the second largest shark in the world".

The Shark Trust.

6. The remains of Horace The Elk.

www.theharris.org.uk

Found in Poulton. Lived 13,500 years ago.









