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EDITOR'S COMMENT

We were delighted to have sponsored Burton Joyce Open Gardens by providing artwork and printing for the event. The weather was kind and it was good to see so many locals & visitors attending.

Burton Joyce has many voluntary organisations but one that needs urgent support in the village is the Scouts. Rachel Bowser has taken on the role of Group Scout Leader but a new leader for the Scout Troop is desperately needed to prevent this great organisation letting their youngsters down.

Edition 5 will display the last dog competition entries, will your's be there?

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DOG PHOTO COMPETITION



Dynamic Duo



Our rescue dog 'Dug'



Nosey me



Charlie & Molly



Bill



Warm and cosy



Mabel - always ready for a treat



Bella and Molly - looking comfy!

See all entries to our Dog Photo Competition in our **EVENTS** section on our website <https://themagazine.org.uk>

Photos judged after Edition 5 - there is a prize!

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

PUBLIC MEETING

A huge thank you to all who attended and participated in our public meeting on 20th June and to Burton Joyce Primary School for providing the venue for the 150+ attendees. If you missed it, slides of the presentation can be found on our website.



We have received extremely positive feedback, with support for the Old School Building and site to remain and be developed into the heart of our village. There was also a groundswell of support for seeking answers to our questions posed to the Old School Trustees [Vicar and Church Warden] from whom we lease the Old School Building and site, and in establishing a constructive engagement with them. As a result of this event, some progress is being made.

The assets of the Old School Trust continue to be vital to the community and the significant funds held by them also remain crucially important to our village. Having now received a reply to our open letter to them there is an acknowledgement that, despite advertising the availability of grants, there has been little take-up with the objectives as they stand. The need for reform of the trust to widen or change its trusteeship to make it more representative of community interest is clear and has been sought by the Parish Council for several years. Our key aim is to ensure the trust remains within the village with its governance representative of the community of Burton Joyce. Our call upon the Trust, in line with the Charity Commission's own guidance, is that full consultation is undertaken before any reforms to its governance and scope are instigated. Whilst some of our questions to the Trust have been addressed, others remain unanswered and further clarity is required, so this will be followed up.

The Parish Council held a positive and constructive meeting on 12th July with Assura (the medical facilities provider) and Ivy Medical Group's representatives. In this meeting all parties agreed on a clear public statement being made that the Old School Building and site will remain secure. We now look forward to working with them regarding medical facility provision for our village.

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Any practical suggestions for alternative sites can be submitted by Tuesday 25 July 2023 and directed to the Parish Council via the Clerk or to Ivy Medical Group's PPG via tracy.madge@nhs.net, these will be passed onto Assura. Requirements for the site, following technical guidance on number of patients served in the community, have identified that a site for a 700-800m² building with parking facilities is required, totalling approximately ½ - 1 acre of land, depending on location. It was agreed that the 3 parties – Assura, The Parish Council and Ivy Medical Group representatives would reconvene in August to review the re-assessment of all potential sites. Ivy Medical Group's representatives have reiterated that they are sorry for any upset or distress caused to Windmill Kindergarten, following the letter issued by Ivy Medical Group on 15 June 2023, as this was not their intention. The nursery has hired the Main Hall and side room in the Old School Building since the Parish Council signed the first lease in 2017. Please be assured that the Windmill Kindergarten's thriving nursery is here to stay and is fully supported by the Parish Council.

LIBRARY RE-LAUNCH

The Parish Council has been delighted to be involved in the consultation process for the re-design of our village library and were pleased to attend the re-launch on 8th July. If you haven't already, please call in to see the fantastic transformation and continue to use this incredible facility we are so fortunate to have in our village.



BURTON JOYCE OPEN GARDENS

The Burton Joyce Open Gardens event was held on Sunday 9th July. The sun shone in the village and some incredibly beautiful gardens were opened to the public through the generous support of members of our community.

We were pleased to be able to assist with this event at the Old School Building and our thanks go out to Roxanne and Steve Hickling and all the volunteers for the tremendous effort they put into organising such a successful event.

We are very grateful that 50% of the proceeds will be invested in the Old School Building's community garden.



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OLD SCHOOL BUILDING COMMUNITY GARDEN

We recently met with design consultants 'Influence' to produce some visuals and plans, ready for consultation on how the new garden can be developed into a wonderful open space in the centre of the village. In the meantime, to enable this space to be used by the community whilst this process is underway, we have invested in new picnic benches for you to use, due for delivery shortly. Perhaps you can eat your fish and chips, enjoy a take-away drink and cake from one of our fabulous independent coffee shops, or just sit, enjoy the space and meet people!



PICNIC IN THE PARK

Don't forget the annual 'Picnic in the Park' will be taking place at The Grove off Willow Wong on **Saturday 16th September** from 1pm – bring along your own drinks and picnic – more details to follow. We look forward to this opportunity to see Burton Joyce Community Brass play again.



NEW COUNCILLOR

We welcome Susan Cohen to the Parish Council, who was co-opted at our July meeting. Susan moved to Burton Joyce in 2016 and has a background in Social Care and Further Education. She volunteers at the Nottinghamshire Hospice shop and is an active member of a variety of village groups.

A full report of the Annual Parish Meeting can be found on pages 28 to 35



The Windmill Kindergarten CIC Preschool

The Windmill Kindergarten CIC has been established within the village of Burton Joyce for 49 years and in that time has had 3 homes within the village. We have 7 staff and 25 children on roll, most of whom make use of the government's 30 hour education funding. We have seen many changes over the years but are established enough to now be seeing the third generations of families attending our group.

In 2017, we had to move out of our previous premises on Chesterfield Drive in Burton Joyce but after approaching the local Parish Council were offered a new space within the Old School Building (OSB). Since September 2017 the OSB has been our new home. During that time we have been continually well supported by the Parish Council.

The Parish Council gave us a great deal of support with any adaptations the inside/outside facilities before we moved, helping us apply for grants etc and ensuring that all guidelines were met and safety procedures were in place. Since our move, we have enjoyed a fantastic relationship with the Parish Council and the shared facilities within the OSB. As we use the main room during the day, the Parish Council keep us up to date with dates, times etc of groups that use the facilities in the evenings or weekends and inform us of village activities which enable us and the Parish Council to play a part in the wider community



**FOR FORTHCOMING EVENTS
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE
<https://themagazine.org.uk>**

Notts Historic Churches Trust

Ride and Stride 2023

Saturday 9th September 11- 6pm

<https://nottshistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/2023/02/ride-stride-2023/>



TRIBUTE TO GEOFF SKELLINGTON

“Geoff Skellington passed away suddenly on 25th March after a short period of ill health. Geoff was born in Gedling on 20th July 1931, the second son of Arthur Skellington the well known hairdresser, and had lived in Burton Joyce from the time of his marriage in 1957. He and Brenda spent many happy years in the village and both worshipped at St Helen's Church, Geoff acting as Warden for 15 years. He was a lifelong supporter of Notts County and until recent years attended most home matches.



Thank you to all who were able to attend St Helen's Church on Tuesday 9th May for the service to celebrate Geoff's life, conducted by the lovely Anna. It was good to reminisce with you all afterwards in the Church Centre.

Contributions of £323 will be gratefully received by St Helen's and the Royal British Legion.

Thank you all so much -

Jennifer Clarke, sister in law and Jenny Davies, niece.”

Burton Joyce & Bulcote Local History Society

Following our withdrawal from the Carnarvon Room you will be pleased to note that our future evening meetings will be held in the newly refurbished village library on Meadow Lane.

The first meeting of our new season of visiting speakers will be on Wednesday September 13th at 7.00pm for 7.30pm when Roger Merryweather will be giving a talk entitled 'The Bramley Apple'.

During the summer our large archive has been dispersed to various locations. All the documents and photographs have been transferred to Inspire who run the County Archives and County Library services. Enquiries regarding these resources can be directed to their website at inspireculture.org.uk

Many of our artefacts have been retained in Burton Joyce by the village school for the benefit of the children there. We heartily thank the staff at the school who have made the efforts to retain and display these local items for current and future generations.

Further information on the activities of the Society can be found on our website at <http://bjblhs.uk>

Steve Wright, Chairman

Update to Local Bus Services in Burton Joyce

There have been a number of changes to services in Burton Joyce, and these are:

Local Bus Service L75

(now to be renumbered 775)

This revised service, running from Burton Joyce to Victoria Retail Park (near Morrisons) is to operate from Monday, 31st July, and there is some good news. The service is to be maintained, under a contract with Notts County Council, as before, with a new additional stop on the Rivendell Estate, and there will be 6 daily trips instead of 3 as at present. The new service is to be operated by Nottingham Minibus & Coach.

On behalf of Burton Joyce Village Society, a request was made for this revised bus service to stop additionally at the main bus stop in Burton Joyce on the Main Street (outside the Co-op), but at the time of writing, no response to this request had been received. If the bus stopped outside the Co-op, this would considerably raise the profile of the new 775 bus service in the Burton Joyce community.

NCT Bus no 26

As many residents will realise, the Fare Zone Boundary for Nottingham City Transport has been revised so that Burton Joyce and Lowdham are no longer in the NCT City Zone and both are now in the NCT Outer Zone. Initially, this means a fare increase for many, if not most, residents.

This fare increase due to fare zone boundary changes is hidden, or obscured, because of the current government cap on single bus fares (£2.00 until 31/10/23 and then £2.50 until 30/11/24). What this means is that when these fare caps are removed, as they will be, most fare-paying passengers will be liable for a huge fare increase.

Despite protests from residents and local councillors, Nottingham City Transport was unwilling to consider going back to the previous Fare Zone Boundaries.

John Flynn

At the Village Society Annual General Meeting in June the following were elected:

Chair, Helen Metcalfe; Vice-Chair, John Flynn; Treasurer, Martin Roe; Secretary, Richard Fife; Membership and Communications Secretary, Hazel Doyle; Research and records Officer, David Prime; other Executive Committee members: Susan Cohen, Laurence King, Brian O'Neill, Steve Wright, David Yates.

Keep in touch. See Burton Joyce Village Society on our Facebook page, or the website <https://burtonjoycevillagesociety.org> and on our notice board on Main Street, or other notices e.g. in the Co-Op. Contact us (including paying the 2023 subscription) on the website or by email burtonjoycevillagesociety@yahoo.co.uk or in writing, postal or hand delivered c/o Old School Building Main Street Burton Joyce NG14 5DB.

Richard Fife



Burton Joyce Football Club Presentation Weekend



BJFC held their annual end of season presentation over the weekend 1st and 2nd July, for all those involved in the football club. The weekend meant all players, coaches, volunteers and their families, could come together and celebrate all their achievements on the pitch over the season.

During the weekend a number of games are played that compete for various cups or trophies. All matches are played in a fun and friendly manner with the winners getting a trophy to keep for the year



Jed Riley Trophy : 22/23 winners = BJFC U7
Green



Holly Fowler Cup : 22/23 winners = U13 Girls



U7 - Green



U12 - Girls

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Burton Joyce Football Club Presentation Weekend (Continued)



U8 - Green



BJFC Young Player of the
Year : 22/23 winner =
Daniel Price

Amanda Cooper Cup : 22/23 winners = BJFC U16 Blue

BJPC Community Cup : 22/23 winners = U11 Blue

Bob Rose Shield : 22/23 winners = U9 Green

BJFC Coop Champion Community Award : 22/23 Winner = Rob Jovanovic

Dave Wright Trophy Winner : 22/23 winner = Louise Putnar

Thank you to all the members and their families, coaches, volunteers and sponsors for your continued support of BJFC, we look forward to the 23/24 season.

Get great discounts and prizes when you combat climate change.

Green Rewards is designed to make it easy for residents to decrease their carbon footprint and benefit the local community.

Users are rewarded 'Green points' for logging actions which reduce their carbon footprint - these are logged via the Green Rewards app or web platform and can then be exchanged for vouchers. There is also a leaderboard, which participants can use to monitor how Gedling is performing.

As part of Green Rewards, Gedling Borough Council is promoting small changes that residents can make to make a big difference.

How can you make a difference?

In similar fashion to rewards points at retailers, all residents need to do is log their day to day activities that highlight how they are decreasing the amount of carbon they create, such as:

Walking to work or school instead of taking the car

Cycling or using public transport

Putting your recycling bin out with all the correct recyclables

Switching off a light or switch at home

Taking a shower of four minutes or less and many, many more!

What are the rewards?

There's £20 worth of vouchers for the top two residents in each council area who earn the most points each month, to claim at local businesses, donate to worthwhile causes or projects and in some districts and Boroughs there's prizes too for the top points earning wards. The vouchers to choose from include:

Boobalou voucher

National Garden Gift voucher

Marks & Spencer voucher

John Lewis voucher

National Book Token

In regards to the biodiversity prizes that are gifted, every six months a ward is selected and they will be able to choose an exciting green project to take part in from the following:

Wildflower annuals

Hedge Planting

Tree Planting

Bulb Planting

A full list of how you can redeem points is available on the app or on the website.

How to join

You can sign up by visiting the Nottingham Green Rewards website (Opens in a New Window) and following 'Activate Account' on the homepage. All you need to do is enter your postcode and email address. You can also download the mobile app through the Apple store or Google Play Store – search for 'Notts; Green Rewards'.

THE Lincs & NOTTS AIR AMBULANCE DELIVERING LIFE-SAVING TREATMENT DAY AND NIGHT

At a time when every second counts, the arrival of the iconic yellow helicopter of the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance (LNAA) really can mean the difference between life and death.



Covering both Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, last year the LNAA team were called to 1,610 potentially life-saving missions. And this year is set to be equally as busy with the crew responding to 147 missions in April alone.

The crew are called to the most serious incidents ranging from road traffic accidents to agricultural, horse-riding and other sporting incidents. The doctor-paramedic team are highly trained, able to administer advanced pain relief, carry out enhanced life-saving medical procedures and give blood transfusions. This level of care and the speed at which the pilots can get to patients and get them to hospital is crucial.



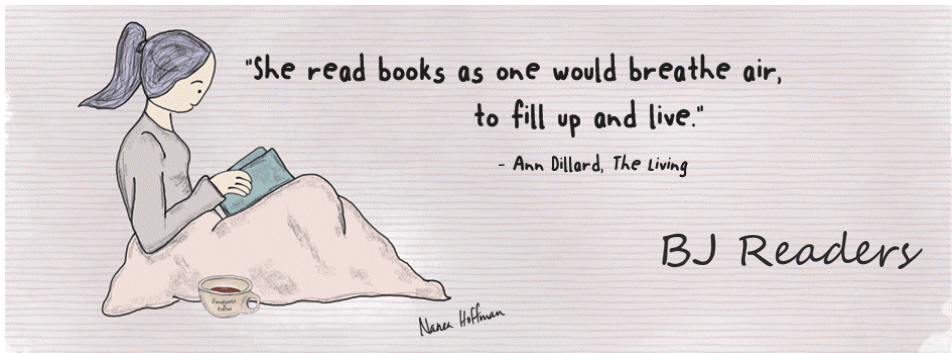
This is especially so when patients need to be taken to a Major Trauma Centre, the nearest being either at Nottingham or Hull. In some cases, this really can make the difference between life and death.

LNAA operates a 24/7 service with the helicopter able to take to the skies from 7am until 2am the following morning. After 2am, the critical care car takes over, ensuring that the equivalent of an A&E department can be brought to an incident whatever the time of day.

But this amazing service comes at a price. For each mission costs on average £4,000. As a charity, the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance receives no direct government funding and is not part of the National Health Service. It relies solely on the generosity of the hundreds of volunteers, supporters and public donations to keep its helicopters flying and Critical Care Cars on the roads.

For more information on the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and to discover how you can play your part in helping keep this treasured emergency service operational, why not take a look at their website: ambuicopter.org.uk





Six of the Best

This month I have dispensed with my usual fondness for themes. Instead, I am sharing with you the best six books I have read this year. This eclectic selection stretches from black comedy to an apocalypse, with a road trip, a war and the occasional dysfunctional family thrown in for good measure. The only common thread is that these are guaranteed hugely enjoyable, addictive reads. Something for absolutely everyone in the following line up.

Celia Dale's *A Helping Hand* [1964] opens in the brilliant sunshine of an Italian resort in the early days of package holidays when the British holidaymaker struggled to understand the absence of Yorkshire pudding and corned beef on the trattoria menu. Josh and Maisie, a jovial middle aged couple, team up in this continental idyll with an elderly aunt who is holidaying with her reluctant niece. Wind forward 6 months and the elderly aunt is installed in Josh and Masie's suburban bungalow, and holiday fun is but a distant memory. This is a bleakly brilliant observation of what might lurk behind spotless lace curtains and underneath benign garden gnomes. A lightly dark novel that reminds us that true crime does not have to involve bloody murder.

Hitherto I have never counted myself a fan of apocalyptic literature, but *Station 11* by Emily St John Mandel [2014] has managed to convert me to an evangelist of this genre. This is a complex, multilayered novel that takes you through many unexpected doors. But don't let its structural complexity put you off, it is not a difficult novel to read. The tale begins with an actor dying from a heart attack on stage playing King Lear. Two weeks later the world is wiped out by a deadly virus. The few survivors wrest a new civilisation from the ruins, living in airports and derelict Walmart stores. So far, so classic, but the stories of the survivors, their connections, recollections, fears and desires, combine to create a novel that is disarming and tender in equal parts.

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This year's classic Road Trip novel surely has to be Amor Towles' *The Lincoln Highway* [2021]. Sitting somewhere between the tragedy of *Grapes of Wrath* and the youthful angst of Cather in *The Rye*, this is the tale of two brothers who plan to travel down the Lincoln Highway from Nebraska to San Francisco to find their mother, but plans get derailed from the outset. As with his previous novel, *A Gentleman in Moscow*, Towles has a gift for creating misfits on the cusp of reality and putting them into strange situations, then allowing incredible tales to unfold.

And your summer reading would not be complete without a dose of the dysfunctional family. Rebecca Wait's *'I'm sorry you feel that way'* is resonant of that famous Tolstoy quote in *Anna Karenina* that 'every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way'. Perceptive and extremely witty, this novel (which has unmistakable echoes of Meg Mason's *Sorrow and Bliss*, but is certainly not a rip off) deals with some big issues. Bullying, psychotic episodes, sibling estrangement are all in there. By turns gut wrenchingly sad but also laugh out loud funny. We may not like it, but we are all in this novel somewhere.

Like most of us, I wish I'd read more of the classics, but so many exciting contemporary authors got in the way. Worry no more, Barbara Kingsolver has come up with the perfect solution for the lazy classics reader. *Demon Copperhead* (Winner of the 2023 Women's Prize for Fiction) is an inspired retelling of *David Copperfield*. Set in Appalachian mountains in the 1990s when opiate addiction was almost twice the rate of the rest of the States, this is the story of a boy born to a teenaged drug addicted single mother in a trailer. But the copper haired Demon has charm, a caustic wit, and a strong instinct for survival. A compelling tour de force through modern times with characters and storylines of Dickensian proportions.

And finally I would recommend Michael Morpurgo's *Private Peaceful* [2003]. I read this young adult novel on the way to Ypres when my husband and I went to visit the war graves. Two brothers, swept off their feet by the irresistible lure of serving God and Country, set off to the Front and, as the say, the rest is history. This is a war story of gargantuan tragedy told in a simple, accessible, and heart wrenching tale. If you want to get back to basics, then young adult fiction is often the place to find it.

Abandon the mower, ignore the weeds, get out your deckchair and enjoy the rest of your summer with one of the above.

Jo McCarthy

BJ Readers

Health Insights – Number Three – Mental Health Awareness

It has recently been **Mental Health Awareness Week**, so it is perhaps appropriate that some information in this regard is offered here.

We all have life events that challenge us and at times they may impact significantly on our mental health. We cannot guarantee good mental health for the whole of our lives, no matter who we are. With this thought, what follows are some possible resources to help when the going gets tough, but is not an exhaustive list.

Feeling Low - For the low times, family, friends and/or neighbours may be sufficient help to get us through these times. There are a plethora of self-help books or online resources such as YouTube or Ted talks. You will find topics such as dealing with anxiety, panic attacks, suggestions for coping with depression, meditation sessions, self-hypnosis and much more online (usually free of charge) and they may be effective in lifting your mood. Useful starting points for these topics could be the websites of **MIND** <https://www.mind.org.uk> **Rethink** <https://www.rethink.org> and **Every Mind Matters** <https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters> Discussion with your doctor may also offer possible ways forward.

Counselling - If counselling seems like an appropriate action, the **Nottingham Counselling Service** offers counselling to individuals and couples' - payment is based on what you can afford <https://www.nottinghamcounsellingcentre.org.uk> **Talking Therapies** can also be accessed via the NHS - this is a free service and people can self-refer. The website is www.nottstalk.co.uk There are also counsellors and therapists in the private sector, some of whom are experienced in working with mental health issues. **Shout** is a free and confidential 24/7 text support service for anyone struggling to cope. To contact them text the word "SHOUT" to 285258.

Feeling Suicidal or like harming yourself - If you or someone you know feel suicidal there are resources available to give support at these times. In Nottingham there is a **Crisis Line** which is 0808 1963779 for those struggling to keep themselves safe.

The Samaritans offer 24-hour service 365 days a year. If you ring 116123 it is free from any telephone or an e-mail can be sent to jo@samaritans.org

Harmless is a Nottingham based organisation for people who have, or are feeling like harming themselves or feels suicidal. They also offer support to people who have been bereaved by suicide. Their telephone number is 0115 880-0280.

There are organisations that are specifically for young people. **Papyrus** is a charity to help people under the age of 35 who have suicidal thoughts. They also support families and friends. Their telephone number is 0800 0684141.

The Mix gives support on a range of mental health issues for those aged under 25 - they are available from 4-11 PM every day. Their telephone number is 0808 808499.

The **Nottinghamshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)** can be contacted on 0115 8542299 or referrals for young people can be made online by parents or guardians. They have a crisis line the telephone number is 0115 8440560. It is staffed Monday to Friday 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM and at the weekends and bank holidays it is staffed 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Casy is a counselling service for people aged 6 to 25. They are based in Newark - their fees are on a sliding scale, dependent on the household income. The maximum charge is 20 pounds per session. Their telephone number is 01636 704620.

For family and friends supporting people with mental health issues there are carers support groups.

SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP

Part 2

by Richard Berry

Our return to Winter's End found DI Meads struggling to adjust to early retirement from the East Midlands Police Service. To broaden his interests, his wife Sarah, took Meads to the launch of 'Seven Ages of Sheep,' an exhibition by renowned sculptor and Winter's Ender, Ivan Eiffel. Next morning Eiffel was horrified to discover that his work had been stolen...

'Only you could make an exhibition of yourself at an exhibition!' sniffed Sarah Meads, as she loaded the toaster with two slices of gluten-free, multi-seed bread. 'Do you mean 'you,' as in me, or 'E.W.E' as in the man who thinks he's a sheep?' said Meads, tucking his plaid work shirt into his jeans.

'Ewe,' is Ivan's preferred pronoun.'

'You think he's a sheep as well?'

'Doesn't matter what I think! You heard him. After a year living on a Welsh hillside away from humans, he's developed an empathy for our woolly friends. If you'd taken an interest, you'd know that the exhibition was about that journey,' Sarah added, eyeing Meads.

'Hogwash! Modern artists use marketing gimmicks to flog their work rather than bothering to create real art.' Meads picked up his phone and opened a message from DCI Rumbletum headed 'URGENT.'

'You just don't like art.'

'I do!' said Meads, digesting the message from his former commanding officer.

'Go on then,' pressed Sarah, folding her arms, 'name me an artist you like?'

'Easy, John Constable. He knew how to paint a tree. A tree looked like a tree. He didn't paint a purple octopus playing tennis, give it a daft name and pretend it was a tree.'

'It's only *abstract* art you don't like?'

'I'm allowed an opinion?'

'I knew it was a mistake taking you out,' said Sarah, firmly closing the cutlery draw.

'I'm not a dog?'

'Clearly; dogs are better behaved.' Two slices of toast shot up. 'Do you want bread putting in?'

Meads slipped the mobile into his back pocket: 'Er...I'll forgo thanks; thought I'd try this new-fangled, fasting malarkey you suggested.'

'The 16:8 diet?' queried Sarah.

Meads shovelled his feet into his boots. 'That's the one. Long as I can pig out at dinner, then sixteen hours fasting will be well worth it. Think I'll skip breakfast, get straight down the allotment, start digging and burn off some of my fat reserve.'

Sarah looked concerned: 'You feeling okay?'

'Never better.'

'Alright, well it's good to see you taking your health seriously, for a change but don't overdo it.'

'Err...before I go, I'd like to get one thing clear.'

'Yes?'

'Just because I'm putting a fleece on, that doesn't make me a sheep.'

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SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP *(continued)*

Detective Chief Inspector Rumbletum, stirred a fourth spoon of white sugar into his white mug of white tea. The eponymous proprietor, 'Fried Eddy,' had just delivered two 'Diet Busters,' to his only customers and returned to his counter to study the Racing Post.

'Thank you, Meads, for agreeing to see me at such short notice,' said Rumbletum, his voice so gravelly Meads thought it should be commandeered to mend the cavernous potholes in Winter's End.

'Since retiring, it's becoming increasingly difficult to sneak haute cuisine like this, under the radar of Mrs Meads,' said Meads, lancing the bright orange yolk of his fried egg. 'But with respect to Fried Eddy, this rendezvous is a bit 'cloak and dagger,' isn't it sir?' Rumbletum lowered his voice: 'In the circumstances, I thought it more discrete to meet away from the station.'

Rumbletum loosened his tie and stuck a napkin into his collar. 'I'll cut to the chase Meads. We're in the midst of the worst staffing crisis I've known during my time. If things get any worse, I might have to get back on the beat myself.'

'And we couldn't have that sir,' said Meads enjoying the image of senior officers dragged, kicking and screaming from behind their desks to do some proper policing. 'Truth is Meads, we're so desperate, we're having to tempt back officers that retired too early.'

Meads scooped up a forkful of beans: 'If that's a reference to me sir, I'm just getting used to being retired.'

'It'd only be a few hours on a case-by-case basis.'

'That wouldn't make much of a dent in the crime stats?'

Rumbletum dabbed his lips with the napkin: 'Hmm... have to hand it to you Meads; you're sharper than what people say. I confess, I have another motive.'

'Oh?' said Meads, bisecting a sausage.

Rumbletum looked around the café. Fried Eddy, was perusing the starting line-up for the two o' clock at Kempton, red pen poised like a bomb squad operative clutching pliers, wondering which wire to snip. 'Truth is, between you me and the proverbial, it's DC Dawson.'

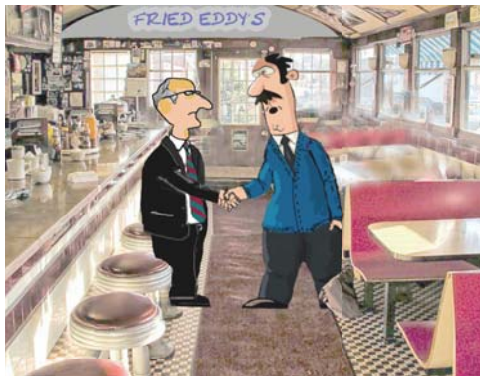
'Dawson? What about him?'

'I know he played a key role in bringing that 'Cabbage Patch' chappy to book, but I'm not sure he's the sharpest tool in the box. Catch my drift?'

'Give him time sir. It was his first murder case,' reasoned Meads.

'Nevertheless, I think he'd benefit from a guiding hand; your hand Meads. A potentially high-profile case came in overnight that needs an SIO.

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Meads meets DCI Rumbletum

SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP (continued)

DS Randall is off dealing with...well we won't get into that, so I'm left with no alternative but to let Dawson take the lead on the ground. But I'd like him to report to you and for you to act as a sounding board; mentor if you like.'

Meads pushed a hash brown to the side of his plate, considering that it had no place in the post Brexit traditional Full English. 'Sir, I might be persuaded to return if terms can be agreed and I appreciate your sensitivity in the way you propose to handle Dawson's career development, but I wonder, with respect, if my presence might undermine his confidence?'

'Ah.'

'Ah?'

'Time for me to 'fess up Meads.' Rumbletum lowered his voice: 'You see, DC Dawson let slip that when he last saw you, he felt, well... sorry for you; said you seemed a bit lost, were struggling to make friends...'

Meads bayonetted another sausage: 'Did he now?'

'Dawson had this plan about asking you back as a consultant; to give you something to do; thoughtful of the fellow don't you think?'

'Not the word that immediately springs to mind sir.'

'If you could pretend, that you, helping him, is really *him* doing you a favour, that would be top banana.'

'You want me to *lie*, sir?' grumped Meads.

Rumbletum gnashed, then swallowed, half a rasher of fatty bacon: 'Determined to drive a hard bargain are you, Meads? We can put you on a part time civilian contract for one day a week; at 15% per cent more pro rata than you were getting as a DI. More than generous considering the amount you're being asked to do. Does such remuneration help *salve* your conscience?'

Meads looked hurt: 'Real remuneration lies in once again being of service but the pay is generous sir, thank you.'

'Good,' said Rumbletum.

Meads dabbed his lips with a napkin: 'Presumably my role does not necessitate attending pointless meetings, compile meaningless data or generally do anything that gets in the way of actual detecting?'

'Always were a bit of an anarchist weren't you Meads?' sneered Rumbletum. 'Ever consider that aspect of your personality held your career back?'

'I was happy in the trenches sir.'

'Okay Meads, have it your way but I need convincing swiftly that Dawson is cut out for the job otherwise he'll return to uniform and your return will be short-lived and your retirement very permanent. Do I make myself clear?'

'As my conscience, sir,' said Meads.

The pair shook hands and Rumbletum cautioned: 'Remember, 'mum's the word,' when it comes to the real reason for drafting you back in.'

'Sir, I like to think I have the subtlety of a David Gower cover drive,' said Meads, before fitting a whole, thick slice of black pudding into his mouth.

'Tell you what Meads, let's finish with a brace of Fried Eddy's iced buns and you can accompany me back to the station to give Dawson the good news.'

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SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP (continued)

Dawson rubbed the back of his neck as if it were causing him pain: 'So, guv. if you're now, "Mr' Meads' instead of DI, do I still call you 'guv'? or am I 'guv'?'

'You're the lead on the ground, Dawson. Just keep me in the loop as to what you're doing and feel free to ask me anything. And by the way, you can call me Jimmy.'

'That wouldn't feel right. Think I'll still call you guv, guv.'

'If that's what you're comfortable with.'

'And I can ask you absolutely anything?'

Meads nodded.

'Okay, so what's the capital of Bikini Faso?' asked Dawson.

'I think you mean 'Burkina' Faso Dawson and it's Ougadougou,' answered Meads.

'Wow! You're good you are! I knew there was something we missed about you.'

'But what's Ougadougou got to do with this new case?'

'Oh nothing, it came up in my pub quiz last week. If we'd answered correctly we wouldn't have come last, again. No, case just in is a theft of sheeps.' Dawson handed Meads a thin blue document wallet.

'Rustling? Bit unusual for Winter's End, they get more of that sort of thing over in Badger's Bottom.' Meads took out A4 sized prints of the stolen items and as he studied each one, his smile grew.

Meads dabbed the speaker phone button on his mobile: 'Guess what, darling, fragrant wife?'

'You're drunk?' said Sarah.

'Only on life, my sweet. To quote Manfred Mann's Earth Band's greatest song, 'I bring joy.'"

'Jimmy, assuming you are indeed sober, are you calling to say there's no need to cook because you've booked a table at that new Italian?'

'Gnocchi Knees?' No need; they could never compete with your culinary fingers my little Fanny Craddock.'

'If you're trying to flatter me, you'll have to do better than that. What are you *dying* to tell me?'

'The Seven Ages of Sheep exhibits have been stolen!'

'How? We were only with them last night?'

'Seems when the exhibition finished, Eiffel herded the sheep back to his parents' house on High Street, left the sheep in the front room, went to bed and next morning, they were gone.'

'That's awful.'

'I know. If they'd been nicked a day earlier, it would've saved us having to attend the opening night.'

'Don't be mean. I feel sorry for Ivan.'

'No need because...actually, I'll save the rest of my news for dinner. What are we having by the way? I'm ravenous what with all that fasting and digging.'

'Broad bean risotto.'

'Oh?' sighed Meads, 'might go well with a steak and kidney pud... I'll grab a bottle of Blue Nun and our night will be complete.'

'Great and you can tell me how you got on at the allotment.'

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SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP (continued)

The front door to 23 High Street, Winter's End was slowly opened. Dawson straightened his back, fiddled with his tie and announced: 'Mr Eiffel? I'm Detective Constable Dawson from the East Midlands Police Force.'

'It's 'Service' Dawson,' corrected Meads, who stood to the side and rear of his colleague.

'Thanks guv. I have been assigned to lead the investigation into the theft of the seven sheeps exhibit. On behalf of the East Midlands Police Force Service, I assure you, your case will be given every priority and that we have our best team on it...in fact our only team, but we've drafted in an expert.' Dawson gestured towards Meads with his hands as if he were introducing a prize on a cut price TV gameshow.

'What is *he* doing here?' said Eiffel, one hand sunk into his purple dressing gown, the other holding a limp cigarette. His tofu complexion and red eyes suggested he had not slept.

'You've met?' said Dawson.

'I've had the misfortune,' spat Eiffel. 'This man is a Philistine! I demand you assign a proper detective!'

Meads took a step forward: 'Look, Mr Eiffel, I know we got off on the wrong foot and I confess I'm no expert when it comes to modern art. Truth is, I don't know my Damien Hurst from my Geoff Hurst but I'm a good detective. Ask anyone in Winter's End.'

'Except for Mr Tidy and Mr Slater and...' said Dawson.

'Thank you, Dawson. Mr Eiffel, I promise I'll do all I can to help DC Dawson recover the sheeps...sheep.'

Eiffel sniffed: 'But you don't care whether my *babies* are returned. You clearly believe they're worthless!'

'My opinion's irrelevant. When I get my teeth into a case I'm a bloodhound that's picked up a scent of a juicy rib eye steak,' said a starry-eyed Meads.

'Nobody pulls the wool over guv's eyes,' nodded Dawson.

Eiffel reluctantly let the detectives in.

Meads stirred another sachet of sugar into his coffee: 'Okay Dawson, what are you thinking?'

'Wondering what to cook for dinner guv. Any idea what to do with a bag of lentils?' said Dawson.

'Chuck 'em in the bin and buy something edible? I was thinking more about what shifty Ivan had to say...the missing sheep?'

Dawson picked up a pink marshmallow crowning his hot chocolate: 'Oh that. I've got some ideas.'

'Go on...'

'Way I see it guv, this theft is all over the news. Chances are, if the exhibits are found, more punters will go see them and buy his models. If they stay missing, Eiffel still gets a load of publicity for his next gig, show...'

'Exhibition. You're saying there's no such thing as bad publicity?' Meads nodded approval. 'Go on.'

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SEVEN AGES OF SHEEP *(continued)*

'The people gaining the most out of that, financially, would be Eiffel, obvs and his agent, Quentin Slater.'

'Excellent deduction Dawson. I'd therefore suggest a deep dive into their finances.'

'Already done guv.' said Dawson, handing over a document wallet. 'There are copies of all his bank, building society statements, shares, government bonds, gilts, whatever they are, print outs from the Land Registry for properties he owns; residential and commercial. He's also making big payments into offshore accounts in the Cayman Islands. It'd be peng if we could look at them together?'

'Again Dawson, impressive work. We could make a detective

What happened to DS Randall?

Has Dawson finally become an ace detective?

Will the Winter's End potholes be repaired before the Seven Ages of Sheep are found?

What will Dawson do with his bag of lentils?

Can the author find any more sheep-related puns, or has he hogged them all?



Burton Joyce Players

Our next production is going to be Lord Arthur Savile's Crime, adapted by Constance Cox from a short story by Oscar Wilde.

After a palm reader convinces Lord Arthur that it is his destiny to commit murder before he can marry his fiancée, he has to decide who his victim will be, with hilarious consequences.

The play will be performed at Burton Joyce and Bulcote Village Hall on Thursday 28th to Saturday 30th September at 7.30pm. A licensed bar will be available taking cash and cards.

Tickets will be available from Monday 28th August at the cafes in the village – Rhubarbs, Nola and Willow Tree and online at ticketsource.co.uk/bjp.



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Mark has lived with Parkinson's for the past 15 years. He gave us a number of poems he's written & one is included below.

*I dream a dream of years gone by
when I can run I feel I can fly
well here I am my feet are stuck
with the rest of my body
not having too much luck*

*as I awake in the morning
I hear a shout I hear a cry from
a voice in my head telling me to take my meds
get some tablets down there neck
I hear it say if you want to get down
stairs some time today*

*you will need to take them
so you can start your mission
start your day or you will just be wishing
just sit and wait for half an hour
but its very hard to sit and wait*

*and anticipate will it be good will it be bad
hopefully better than what I have had
then my tablets take control making my body
feel as one
well here I am a one man band
well there's is no music you must understand*

*more like a puppet show my movement comes and goes
I have some more tablets in my hand
to take throughout my day to keep me going
a singing and a dancing in the best way I can*

I've got a Fitbit.



For those of you who are not aware of this device, a Fitbit is a fitness monitor (other brands are available). Essentially it tracks a person's daily steps to help them improve their health and fitness. The gold standard appears to be 10,000 steps per day, which according to the World Health Organisation improves cardiovascular health and reduces the risks of both dementia and cancer.

My wife inherited hers from her daughter about 18 months ago and today she was informed that during that time she has walked the length of the Great Barrier Reef, that's 2574 kilometres! She knocked off the length of Italy at a mere 1185 kilometres a long time ago. All of this information, along with morale boosting encouragements on almost a daily basis, comes from an app on your mobile that goes with the device.

But here's a warning. This "getting in my steps" can be quite obsessive. On my first day I felt the need to take a quick detour down Station Road and along the farm path, just to "get in" another 1500 steps! I fear I am already hooked.

Today I had a bowls match to play at the Poplars. The fact that me and my partner got hammered is incidental, it was in truth a Manchester United versus Accrington Stanley type of affair so the result was not unexpected. However, I checked my steps at the beginning and again at the end and found that in a typical match a person notches up 3,500 steps. Not bad. In a variation on the standard game called Aussie pairs, players will double that to 7,000!



Although scientific studies have confirmed that walking does indeed have health benefits, they also found that it isn't necessary to do 10,000 steps. For those aged over 60, a target of 6000 to 8000 is perfectly adequate and indeed it was found that any health benefits tend to plateau over 8000 steps.

So where did this 10,000 steps target come from? Believe it or not, the idea of walking 10,000 steps a day was invented as part of a marketing campaign for an early pedometer ahead of the 1964 Tokyo Olympics. The Japanese character for 10,000 looks rather like a person walking so the device was called the Manpo-kei or 10,000 steps meter.

But enough of this, I've only done 6,741 so far today, so I'm just popping out to get in a few more steps. Happy walking.

Patrick McDonough



STOKE BARDOLPH SCARECROW EVENT



Come and see the scarecrows around
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Holiday weekend August 26th to 28th

Maps and refreshments will be available from the
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2023 SEASON

JUNIORS

JUNIOR TRAINING GIVEN BY OUR QUALIFIED UKCC LEVEL 2 COACHES WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS FROM 5.30 – 7.00pm STARTING FROM 20th APRIL AT THE POPLARS SPORTS GROUND.

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THE VOYAGES OF MEADOW PIPIT



Up North

Part 2 of 3

After a few days in Goole, we turned back and headed for Leeds, stopping of course to see George again on our way back.



Leeds city centre

The trip to Leeds took us three days (it would have been an hour and a quarter by train) and we moored in Leeds City Centre opposite Brewery Wharf. Leeds has had some major flood defences built recently, which makes mooring a little tricky in some places; our moorings were below a flood defence wall with a ladder to climb



George

up. It was no problem for me, but Ian doesn't do ladders, so he spent 2 days confined to barracks in the boat before we moved across the river to a lower landing to avoid him going stir crazy!

Leeds has river taxis that take passengers from the train station to the Royal Armouries. Normally it is good practice to slow down when passing moored boats so that they don't get bashed about too much from the wake, and although the river taxis did slow down when they remembered we were there, more often than not they forgot, went past at speed, and we rocked violently! There was always an apology, a smile and a wave, so we forgave them.



River taxis

The lock gates at Granary Wharf (onto the Leeds Liverpool Canal) were firmly chained and padlocked, and as there was very little hope of rain we decided to abandon all hope of cruising up the Leeds Liverpool and set off for the Calder and Hebble Navigation (going through Wakefield and Brighouse to Sowerby Bridge) instead. The Rochdale Canal (which runs from Sowerby Bridge to Manchester) was also closed, but forever the optimists we decided to go as far as Sowerby Bridge in the vain hope that the Rochdale might be open by the time we got there. We particularly wanted to visit the picturesque Hebden Bridge, which is a fascinating town with lovely walks and lots going on, where we have a friend, Andrew Smith, who has a B&B (The Smithery) in a very attractive old weaver's cottage overlooking the Rochdale Canal (highly recommended if anyone is planning a trip there, and as an Old Nottinghamian himself he would be particularly delighted to welcome any readers of The Magazine to his B&B). The idea was to moor below his kitchen window for a few days – providing he didn't have B&B guests staying at the time, as climbing through his window would be the only way to get off the boat without swimming across the canal.

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The Calder and Hebble Navigation is unique in that some of the lock paddles require what is known as a “Rochdale Spike”. They are readily available in chandleries local to the area and look a bit like cricket bats. We, however, have made our own from a piece of hardwood that Ian spent a happy afternoon turning a handle for on a lathe, so ours is rather more cumbersome than most – we call it the Sword of Damocles. The other tricky feature of the Calder and Hebble is that the locks are only 57’6” – slightly awkward when your boat is longer than that (Meadow Pipit is 58’ long) – but they are wide locks, so it is possible, in theory, for boats of up to 60’ to pass through them going diagonally corner to corner. Just for good measure, the locks also have quite deep access boards running along the insides of the gates – one more hazard to get caught up on when your boat barely fits in the locks!



Rochdale spike

The technique is to drive the boat as far forward as possible pointing the nose into one corner and then open the paddles to let the water in, but watching all of the time to make sure nothing gets hooked up as the boat rises up the lock; add to this the complication of mauling the wheel paddles up with the Rochdale spike and you get an idea of what we were up against! Having said that, the Calder and Hebble is one of my favourite waterways, taking you on and off the River Calder as you travel along it, and past some of the prettiest lock cottages and old BW offices on the whole waterways system, in my view.

As we were passing the entrance to a short canal arm going into Dewsbury it began to pour with rain, so we got the sudden urge to spend some time in Savile Town Basin, which is in the former textile producing area of Dewsbury. Most of the old textile factories close to the basin now have other functions, ranging from card manufacturers to car repairers and even a multi floor superstore selling everything you could want for your children and babies; it's lovely to see that they are all still extant and being used rather than derelict or demolished. Dewsbury town centre is a short walk away up quite a steep hill (which explains why the canal basin is on the edge of town). Dewsbury became famous for two types of fabric processing called shoddy and mungo; both involved using waste rags to make yarn and cloth, frequently of high quality, and often used to make blankets or army uniforms. The word “shoddy” is, of course, still in use today, but interestingly the meaning has changed and it now means inferior or second rate; an understandable (if incorrect) mutation of its original use.

We stayed for a few days in Savile Town basin which has good facilities and a friendly pub frequented by boaters and locals. Turning a narrowboat is not easy on canals that are usually only up to 20’ wide, so you need to find a winding hole (where the canal has been widened specifically to allow boats to turn; so called because you put the bow against the bank and allow the wind to blow the boat round – in theory!) and often it can involve travelling quite a way to get to one. Normally, you would expect to be able to turn easily in a basin, but not at Dewsbury! The basin is so packed full of boats just where you want to turn that it is a very tricky manoeuvre, and to make matters worse the boats in the most vulnerable positions were made of fibreglass. Needless to say we had a few anxious faces watching our slow and careful manoeuvres, but we managed our 20 point turn without incident and set off on our way to Brighouse.

Polly concludes her account of going Up North in Edition 5.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday May 23rd 2023 at 7pm Main Hall, The Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce



DRAFT MINUTES

Present: *Burton Joyce Parish Council:* Cllrs Laurence King (Chair) Paul Hyde (Vice Chair) Richard Fife, Hazel Chadbourne-Doyle, Yvonne Greenfield, Georgina Hadjigeorgiou (from 7:30pm) Jeanette Johnson and Terry Hazard. Jessica Sherrin (Clerk) Jayne Savage (Deputy Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr David Yates.

BJ Bowls Club and U3A Pétanque: Dil Vowles, **Burton Joyce & Bulcote Local History Society / Burton Joyce Bridge Club:** Steve Wright, **BJ Football Club:** Kate Hardisty, **BJ & District U3A:** Alan Comerie and Judith Wright, **BJ Village Hall:** Mel Roberts and Paul Smith, **BJ Village Society:** Richard Fife, **BJ Women's Institute:** Katherine Forster and Marcia Hyde, **Trent Valley Singers / Burton Joyce Choral Society:** Carol Walls and Ruth Strong, **BJ Scouts:** Paul Smith, **Garden Holders' Association:** Jeanette Glover and Sharon Holler, **BJ Brownies:** Clare Leggett. 1 member of the public.

Apologies: **The Magazine:** Steve Swann, **BJ Players:** Kathy Matthews, **Community Market:** Karen Taylor, **Trent Valley Singers:** Heather Fox and **Burton Joyce Choral Society:** Mary Spencer.

1. Welcome by Chair, Burton Joyce Parish Council

Cllr Laurence King welcomed everyone to the meeting and provided the following address: Welcome everyone to the Annual Parish Meeting which gives us the opportunity to report and look back on the past year from a wider parish perspective - from the Parish Council's report and from your club, society or business perspective. It is a great opportunity to share contributions, particularly because you all play such an important part in the wellbeing of the village and the local community.

It has been an increasingly busy, and at times intense, year. We went from the sublime to the ridiculous having come out of covid lock-downs and restrictions. It is heartening to see so much effort being put in by the clubs, societies, businesses and individuals to re-establish, be successful and grow.

There are plenty of challenges and pressures out there as well, changing times, such as all the development of the west of the village as well as within it, plus economic pressures.

The Parish Council seeks to support and strengthen the village in any way it can, through the provision of its facilities, community support and by working collaboratively and collectively with all the great contributors in our community. We try to have a vision for a vibrant and attractive village beneficial to residents, clubs, societies and businesses, notably hospitality and retail, in this challenging time.

I have to thank the small team of Parish Council staff, led by the Parish Clerk, Jessica Sherrin, and the Grounds & Amenities Manager, David List, who put in an incredible shift every day. I'm sure that it is equally reflected in all your groups and activities, so many thanks to all those contributors.

We have begun to highlight the importance volunteering plays in the village and I hope we get more of an opportunity to say 'thank you' through the year.

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2. Minutes of last Annual Parish Meeting – 10th May 2022

Approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

3. Burton Joyce Parish Council Annual Report

Cllr King presented the Annual Report, highlighting some of the key issues from the year. The full report can be found on the Parish Council's Website.

<https://www.burtonjoyceparishcouncil.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Annual-Report-2023-FINAL.pdf> and will be available in hard copy in shops and cafes shortly.

4. Community Groups

BJ Bowls – Dil Vowles

Since last May our membership has numbered between 50-60. Which we regard as quite healthy. Given the age group obviously we lose members as they age or die, but we always manage to recruit more and over the past 3 years we have done that quite successfully through Open Afternoons and Taster Days. This year we had 8 prospectives turn up for open afternoon. This coming Sunday sees another Taster Afternoon which we also use to coach some of our newer players. Over the last year David List has worked tirelessly on our green due to the battle with Leather-jackets. This time last year the grass looked in a very sorry state but it is looking impressive now even though there are still some little monsters present..

We play in 3 leagues and also organise many friendly matches throughout the season. The friendlies prove a good introduction to match play for newer members. This means that we, as a club, frequently are playing matches 5 days in a week.

As well as these matches we run internal competitions with a finals weekend at the beginning of September, Rob Ringham joined us last year to present the awards. Some members also partake in the LCBC (League of County Bowling Clubs) competitions.

Our pavilion, now 5 years old continues to impress visitors and has been a tremendous asset to our club enabling a more social vibe for the members. Huge thanks to David, his team and to the Parish Council for their support of our amazing facility.

U3a Pétanque – Dil Vowles

As well as being Secretary to the Bowls Club I am also joint Group coordinator for the U3a Pétanque Group- I like throwing things! Our pétanque group has been going now for 8 years and after many years of saying we would like more pistes we have over the last 8 months done something about it!

We have raised funds for 2 more to be built, which started last week. As part of the fundraising we were asked to encourage more to play and we have also achieved that. The extra pistes will also enable us to invite other clubs to play at our base, we already play at various venues around the county and beyond.

We have 2 slots identified in the week, 12 people (our present limit) played last Friday but more wanted to, we use a WhatsApp group to limit the numbers turning up so people are not disappointed. Sometimes 2 sessions happen in one day. The pistes will enable 16 of us or even 24 to play at any one time. Our membership now numbers 30. Other sessions in the week are used on a more adhoc basis. We have 8 new players which also as it happens means that u3a have 5 new members! We really appreciate the work that will go into the new pistes over the coming weeks and as always thank the Parish Council for their significant help with our project.

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Burton Joyce Football Club – Kate Hardisty

BJFC continues to play a key part in the BJ community in 2023 and are regular users of the Poplars Sports Ground. The club is going through a period of transition, and will see handover of key chairperson, secretary and child welfare roles in the BJFC AGM in June. The new committee look forward to working with the Parish Council, continuing to partner with them as we provide local footballing opportunities for the BJ community.

In 2023 the club team population will reduce from 33 to 24. This is reflective of club's commitment to ensuring we are right sized for the facilities we have access to.

BJFC are required by the FA to have a 3-year plan in place, and we are intending to have this reviewed in Q3 2023. Work in updating an Agreement with the Parish Council will be helpful in the creation and implementation of this plan.

The discussion regarding valuing, representing and showcasing voluntary opportunities across the village is fantastic and something we would like to contribute to as a club – please keep us updated.

Burton Joyce Bridge Club – Steve Wright

The Club continues to enjoy the facilities at The Poplars Sports Ground on Tuesday afternoons. Just two weeks have been missed in the past year, one for the Club's annual bridge weekend, this year in Buxton, and one for New Year. Membership has increased to 30. The Club appreciates the help of the ground staff.

Burton Joyce & Bulcote Local History Society – Steve Wright

It is with regret that the Society has had to close the Centre for Local History at the Carnarvon Room after twenty three years, having been given six months' notice to vacate the premises by the Church Authorities. The document and photographic archives have been transferred to the Nottinghamshire County Archive. The collection of artefacts and equipment has been dispersed to the following locations:

- Burton Joyce Primary School
- Stoke Bardolph Village Hall
- Burton Joyce Parish Council
- Ruddington Framework Knitting Museum
- Bilsthorpe Museum
- Tuxford Walks Of Life Museum

We are particularly pleased that the Village School has supported the Society for the last two years and has shown a great interest in receiving some of our artefacts for display and use at the school for the benefit of local children.

The Society currently has 58 members. In addition to holding monthly talks by visiting speakers two outings take place each year in the summer. Last summer's trips were a canal boat outing on the Grantham Canal and a visit to Holme Pierrepont Church and Hall. A tour of Bulcote Farm by tractor and trailer was also organised with John Jackson of Severn Trent prior to its' handover to developers.

As from September 13th our monthly meetings will be held in the newly refurbished village library. The Society will continue to provide a service to give information regarding family or local history to enquirers, with details on our website, blblhs.uk

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BJ & District U3A – Alan Comerie

u3a is a UK-wide network of over 1,000 charities that provide the opportunity for retired or semi-retired people to come together, socialise, and learn for fun. National membership is currently over 430,000.

Burton Joyce & District u3a was founded in 2008 and currently has 360 members. We receive no subsidies of any kind from any source. All our activities are financed through members' annual subscriptions and any additional charges levied by individual Interest Groups to cover their own incidental expenses. We receive no support, financial or otherwise, from any commercial or business organisation. Membership costs just £18 per annum for an individual or £33 for two members at the same address.

We hold a monthly Speaker Meeting in Burton Joyce & Bulcote Village Hall on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:45 p.m., regularly attended by around 80 members, and we currently have over 60 individual interest groups, run by members for members.

Interest Groups provide a wide range of social and learning activities, some of the most popular being; Aerobics, Bridge and Canasta, Dining Out (3 groups), Walking and Rambling, Gardening (4 groups), Jiving, Languages (French, Italian, and Spanish), Table Tennis, Petanque, Ukulele, and Wine Tasting. We also have relationships with both Nottingham Universities, to which visits are arranged to enable members to learn about the latest advances in technology. Trips and outings are also scheduled during the year.

I believe this wide range of Interest Groups fosters a spirit of community in Burton Joyce, helps to keep retired people active, make lasting friendships, and is good for our mental health.

Our website is at <https://bju3a.co.uk> and we are also on Facebook.

BJ Village Hall – Paul Smith

This report covers from November 2022 when 2 new postholders took up their positions - Paul Smith as Chairman and Hazel Chadbourne Doyle as Booking Secretary. As the year has progressed we have appointed a Treasurer - Mel Roberts and a Secretary Robina Varley. The legal side of the Village Hall has had to be updated. We have had to revert back to the latest agreed Scheme with the Charity Commission which was dated 1968. This scheme took 7 years to go from being required to being approved. We are hopeful that any changes we make take less time than this.

We had a very full and varied Coronation Weekend. Quiz Night, a showing of the Coronation to villagers, a Children's Disco, an Adult's Disco, a singing concert by local artistes Benny and Noelle and a volunteer event. Many thanks to Karen Highfield Taylor who headed the Committee but also to the BJ Players who kindly lent equipment and paid for the Disco.

The current heating system is nearly 40 years old and in need of attention. Nowadays it is not enough to sort out the heating as there is an associated insulation matter to sort as well. Often this leads to a need to look at the electrics and therefore a complete overhaul is probably needed. Our next task is to look at a vision for the Village Hall. We will ask for feedback and ideas from the community.

We are looking forward to the Centenary of the Village Hall in 2025 and are hoping to showcase as many village organisations as possible throughout the year.

From Thursday we will be working with the Nottingham Business School with an aspiration to work more effectively. The project looks as if it will look at other village halls around and see what and how we can improve what we currently do.

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BJ Village Society – Richard Fife

The Village Centre and Jubilee Clock fund was set up by Martin Roe as a formal charity, to raise funds for the restoration of the clock on the Old School Building. The plaque to commemorate this was unveiled at the Coronation Celebrations in May. Provision of Train services is a key concern to the Society, to allay concerns regarding crossing closures and pressure for better services. The group actively opposed the reduction of green belt in Stoke Lane housing development and liaised with the Climate Action Group in their sapling planting project. A 'village opinions' survey has been set up and communication with members is now via 'The Magazine'. The AGM will be held on 21st June.

BJ Women's Institute Katherine Forster and Marcia Hyde

Like many organisations we had our set backs in Lock down and we lost members and our finances were reduced. Over the last year we feel we are now on track with new members joining and finances gaining strength as we go. We now have over 50 members.

Thank you so much to the Parish council for inviting us to do cakes at the Jubilee and Coronation celebrations. We really enjoyed being part of the those events. At first we may have been a little concerned about providing those cakes as the WI has such a reputation for cake making - however we were pleased with our efforts and feel it was a success.

Yes, there is a bit of a trend of thinking that the WI is all about making cakes and although we do make them occasionally the WI is about so much more besides. The motto of the National WI is "Inspiring Women" and to this end we have had inspiring women come and talk to us - both women who live and work in our village Community and from further afield - women who have fought in life against incredible difficulties, women who have worked hard to make a change and make difference in our society.

Our own members also share their life experiences and often teach us new skills like flower arranging, crafts and even country dancing!

As a part of the National organisation this year we have supported the campaign for "no more violence against women" and the resolution to clean up our rivers.

Besides our meetings we have a "Craft Club" for learning new skills and supporting worthwhile causes, a "Walking Group" which has taken us on sooo many buses to explore the history, geography and nature of this wonderful county and a "Walking Netball Group" that meets every Monday down at the Poplars. Yes we do occasionally gets some strange looks from dog walkers at all these women in their 60 s and 70s playing netball, but we really enjoy it and we're very grateful for the super facilities to do this.

Next month we celebrate our 59th birthday with a glass of something, a cream scone, a few rounds of bingo and some country dancing. We always enjoy a bit of fun !

So maybe next time you hear the WI mentioned, think a little less of "Jam and Jerusalem" and a bit more "inspiring Women".

Trent Valley Singers– Carol Walls

Report provided by Heather Fox, co-director and accompanist of TVSS, presented by Carol Walls. It has been a very successful year for Trent Valley singers. Since recommencing after the pandemic with our new MD Tina Hewitt, the membership has steadily increased and now we have 50 members. This includes 11 men, which is great but we could do with more, so if any of you men would lie to join us on a Thursday afternoon you would be made very welcome! We sing an eclectic mix of music and the rehearsals are always fun.

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We have sung in several concerts during the past year. These have included an informal concert for family and friends last July; a Christmas concert when £1,035 was raised for the British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal; a concert at All Hallows Church in Gedling raised £650 for church funds; and at the Spring concert this April £850 was raised for the Richard Whitehead Foundation. The choir also sang at BJ Primary School's Christmas Fair and the Christmas Lights switch-on event in the village, when mercifully although it was cold, it was not as wet as on the previous occasion!

Our term ends on 6th July with an informal concert and refreshments. Everyone is welcome. After the Summer break the new term starts again on Thursday September 7th when we look forward to another joyful year of music making.

Burton Joyce Choral Society – Carol Walls

Report provided by Mary Spencer, Chairperson, presented by Carol Walls. Burton Joyce Choral Society was founded in 1966 by a group of village people who wanted to sing together. It is still going today. We enjoy singing a varied repertoire, generally in 4-part harmony, to a good standard, led by our musical director, Nick Milburn, and more than ably assisted by Heather Fox...who has accompanied the choir for many years...!! We also value the friendliness and team spirit engendered by the choir. We love being associated with this village.

The pandemic led to the suspension of any singing together...it was classed as very risky..almost more than anything else! We finally returned to singing together in person in September 2021.

Since then we have performed concerts locally, and at Christmas events in the village....and we are looking forward to our upcoming concert on June 24th in the Village Hall.

We are however, and in common with many smaller local amateur choirs, struggling to maintain numbers. This seems to be a theme with many traditional musical organisations, but it is hard to know what the answer is, or if there is one....But we remain hopeful. So much so that we are joining with Southwell Choral Society and Ryton Choral society from Worksop to perform the Verdi Requiem in Southwell Minster in November.

We frequently make donations to charity, and at Christmas we collect two boxes of food for the Netherfield food bank. We have a trophy in our name which is presented at the Nottingham Young Musician of the Year competition which is biennial and is happening this year. Finally, we would really like to hear from anybody who thinks they would like to give us a try...we would love to welcome more folk to our ranks on a Monday evening! There are actually very few people who really cannot sing!

GHA – Jeanette Glover and Sharon Holler

The committee is newly formed and will report more fully at the next meeting. They are confident that the Association will have plenty to offer its members in the coming year.

Scouts – Paul Smith

As with many organisations in the Village there have been many changes. Our Group Scout Leader Kathy Wells is now our Group Chair and we have a new Group Scout Leader Rachel Bowser.

We have 17 Cub Scouts and 17 Beavers. We are desperate for a new Scout Leader as we have cubs ready to move up into scouts which will allow Beavers to move into cubs and allow us to take more Beavers. If anyone know of a suitable person we would really like to know.

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The Magazine – Written report from Steve Swann

Over the past 12 months we have seen a very respectable growth to both our magazine subscribers and online visits. There are new advertisers joining us each month which increases our range of professional subscribers offering their services in the area.

We are pleased that Burton Joyce Parish Council and the Village Society have taken regular pages to keep the village updated and along with the Primary School and Carlton-le-Willows Academy keep many in the villages well informed. Whilst Facebook and other chat sources are followed by many there are numerous residents wary of such media and the magazine enables this information to be shared by all. Having said that we do now have a Facebook presence!

Our thanks to Alan Comerie for his stalwart work in organising the distribution, and of course those who are kind enough to do the delivering.

Costs are our main concern this year. Whilst we wish to maintain a free magazine the printing cost has increased in part to our own success as we now have an 88 page magazine, up from 84 in January. It's pleasing to see that the Coop have introduced a donation box for those taking a copy of the mag.

We are currently running a dog photo competition which will be judged in October and the prize is a Pets at Home gift card and the dog's photo printed on our front cover.

BJ Players – Written Report from Kathy Matthews

We have had a very successful full year after COVID . The Ghost train in September, Rapunzel in January and Hoovering on the Edge in April. We are thrilled to get our audiences back and that the reviews have been so positive. We have had some offers of help with costumes, backstage and on stage which is great, but still need more, especially members interested in sound and lighting.

We gave support to the Coronation events in the Village Hall and £300 towards the Village hall fundraising. We also happily loaned our lighting equipment for one event.

We are still looking for alternative storage for our scenery and large props which have been in a Barn at Bulcote Farm for many years, but now have to move out.

Girlguiding in Burton Joyce – Clare Leggett

Covid presented Girlguiding in the village with many challenges. We managed to continue Guiding in a number of different ways, providing activity packs for the girls, meetings on zoom, having virtual sleepovers and campfires. We even did baking together but apart.

Getting back to face to face was a little more challenging as we had to move out of the venues we were previously utilising. Burton Joyce Scouting offered us space and from that moment we have teamed up to get the building back into use. Cleaning and clearing out the hall and the grounds. Fitting a new kitchen and planning lots of exciting developments to make the most of the space and keep it maintained for the groups.

We currently have three groups that all run back to back on a Monday, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides.

We are getting back taking the girls away and have adventure outings planned for all groups, a sleepover for Brownies and the Guides are going to MegaMix in Staffordshire, a festival style event for Guides and Rangers filled with adventurous activities and challenges.

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Burton Joyce Brass – Written Report Received

This report was received after the meeting so was not read out, but has been included for information.

It has been a busy and eventful year at Burton Joyce Community Brass. Things are now back to normal after the pandemic and we are as busy as ever supporting the local community and wider events.

Our beginners programme has recommenced and we are busy training a number of youngsters who are learning with the band. Two of our youngsters are performing in a special concert alongside Carlton Brass in a couple of weeks showcasing young talent which is great to see.

As a band, we are as busy as ever with a wide range of jobs that are booked throughout the year. We were at Hoveringham Tractor rally this weekend, and are pretty booked up throughout the summer season. The Coronation Celebrations in Burton Joyce went really well (despite the weather) and it was great to be a part of the community coming together to celebrate this special event. Our next event in Burton Joyce will be the opening of the refurbished library, and then our usual slot at picnic in the park in September which we always look forward to.

In addition to the many jobs we are doing, we also won a contest in Matlock where we came first in the category of Unregistered Band. We were thrilled to be recognised for all our hard work.

We are also working alongside the Co-op in Burton Joyce where we are one of their Local Community Fund Charities. We hope this will prove fruitful to our fundraising efforts for the band.

[Interlude for group photo]

5. Public Session – open to members of the public to raise questions or concerns

A request was made to enlighten those present on the dispute between the Parish Council and the Old School Trust, which is being widely discussed on Facebook and within the village. There was concern that it is dividing the community. It was noted that in response to questions being raised by residents that a Public Meeting is being held at Burton Joyce Primary School on Tuesday June 20th at 7:30pm to provide information on this subject. Also that an update has been included in the latest edition of 'The Magazine' which is available online now. It was proposed that within the format of the public meeting that there should be a forum for those who are unable to attend to make comment, which was supported as an idea.

The suggestion of the Parish Council playing a co-ordination role in bringing together volunteers was made. This was supported with the idea of having a central place to advertise any volunteer vacancies. A further suggestion was for voluntary organisations to make short, scripted podcasts to be posted onto the internet. Noted that the Parish Council is designing a new website and these suggestions could be taken on board.

All participants were thanked for their contributions to this meeting and to the wider community.



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Earlier in the year I wrote about bulbous Irises which I grow in the orchard grass and massed in pots. May and June are the main season for herbaceous species and I have been watching them closely and with the greatest pleasure. I now think the individual flower of the Iris is the most magical creation of any flower species. Some with their little 'beards' and others with streaks of yellow beautifully arranged to guide in the pollinating insects.

I considered the large bearded Irises needing sun last time. Many however like it damp and even standing in water. Our native flag Iris is wonderful in the wild particularly effective in the Scottish Islands but in the garden is rather too vigorous. The variegated form is nice in Spring but soon turns green.

Iris Laevigata which can grow in shallow water is a very pretty and easy doer. The blue flowers are large and flat facing upwards. The variegated form is excellent and I have a white variety beside it which makes an attractive pair. Like all Iris the flowering season is relatively short but I always look forward to it and enjoy two or three weeks of daily admiration in May.



Iris Laevigata

The easiest of these damp loving Iris is I. Sibirica which forms big grassy clumps and can be grown in ordinary conditions in the border. It is usually a vibrant blue but also comes in white or pink which are less vigorous. I suspect these are hybrids with other species. There is an exquisite form called quite accurately silver edge. The standard Iris Sibirica will grow in boggy grass.



Iris Sibirica

Iris chrysographes is similar and has a popular black form which is as good a black as any flower but does tend to die out if not kept on the move.

A very useful hybrid is Gerald Darby . The distinctive purple tinge to its stems caught my eye when visiting a garden;

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IN OUR GARDEN

I cadged a bit(which was happily given to us as it is very vigorous). The three foot stems have a graceful habit and its leaves turn a pleasing yellow in Autumn.

The Iris family has become very confused by the development of hybrids but these have produced some truly beautiful flowers. The pacific coast hybrids like damp acid soil and come in all shades and patterns. They seem to grow in our neutral soil but if I get a mixture of colours the white ones seem to take over after a year or two. The other acid loving group for damp areas are the Kaempferi hybrids from Japan. They also survive in my neutral soil with a little help from flowers of sulphur and have produced some of my very favourite flowers.



Pacific Coast hybrids

To leave the damp lovers don't forget the little dwarf gems for gravel or troughs. Vigorous and easy I think they have little beards when you study them carefully. I have a little yellow Iris Suaveolens which flowers twice, an asset when each lasts only ten days or so.



Iris Suaveolens

Finally in contrast to all these I have discussed which flower in the first half of the year I must repeat my recommendation of I. Ungicularis which in a dry spot under a sunny wall puts up new beautiful flowers throughout the winter in any warm spell from October to March and it's buds open to make a wonderful feature in a vase of winter flowers.

You can see all of Patrick's "In our Garden" articles by copying this link & pasting it into your browser,

<https://themagazine.org.uk/category/in-our-garden/>

Summer is in full bloom!

Our gardens are full of life and vibrancy this month. It is the perfect time of year to be entertaining al fresco or simply relaxing with a good book. It is joyous to be able to use our gardens as an extension of our homes at this time of year. Lets make the most of it whilst we can.

Let's take a look at some jobs to be doing this month;

- Harvest apples, celery, soft fruit and celery
- Water regularly, applying a liquid feed fortnightly to keep your garden looking its absolute best
- Start thinking about what bulbs you want to incorporate into your spring display. They will be available to buy at the end of this month
- Dead head annuals and perennials regularly to get the very best display and longevity of flowers
- Collect seed pods from summer flowering perennials that are coming to an end and sow elsewhere in the garden.
- Water houseplants regularly
- Take softwood cutting from plants such as penstemon, geranium and Sambucus

Looking Good This Month

This month look out for the striking flower spike of Perovskia. Also known as Russian Sage this delightful shrub creates some serious drama amongst borders. Reaching over 3ft in height and spread, it makes a fantastic alternative to lavender if you are looking for something similar yet different.



Perovskia

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Also looking good this month

Penstemon put on a glorious display of colour this month. With Penstemon, there really is a variety for all gardens. With flowers ranging from the palest of lilac and deep crimson to electric blue, there is a Penstemon for every colour palette. Plant in groups for a bold display, or nestle amongst mixed borders for a more subtle splash of colour.

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Penstemon

Enjoy the time spent in your gardens this month. Take it all in, the flowers, the foliage, even the fruits and vegetables. Make the most of this wonderful time of year.

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Once the decision has been made what next? Where do we start and how much will it all cost? Make a list of your preferences and do a few sketches/doodles, any professional designer will find these useful.

It is preferable that before you call in any builders for a quote you have a fully specified drawing describing exactly what you want.

With an accurate scaled drawing you will be able to provide a builder with details of what is required and that way you can be sure of receiving a reasonably accurate price. You may wish to approach two or three builders for a quote and with good drawings you'll obtain a like for like quote from each one.

Finding the right builder is a challenge. A recommendation is always best or ask a friend or relative if they know of someone. Be careful if you rely upon giving a verbal description of the scheme. Builders could interpret your descriptions differently and come up with a quote that doesn't meet your requirements, or, if obtaining more than one quote, incomparable prices.

Obtaining a fixed price quote for longer than one month is unlikely. If you insist on a fixed quote you are likely to get an inflated price to cover possible increases, plus a bit.

Some builders may prefer to work on a day rate and provide labour only. You provide the materials. This is not as alarming as it may sound as good builder's merchant will provide a 'Bill of quantities' which is a list of all, or most of the materials required to complete the work. That way you pay the current rate for the materials and the builder will have peace of mind knowing that he is not going to end up working for a loss.

This is just a brief description of how to get things moving. What I have not covered is getting local authority approvals such as Planning Permission, Building Regulation approval and Building Over agreements for work near or over public utilities, etc.

Planning permission is not always required but Building regulation approval will almost certainly be required but we will cover these topics in a future edition.



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Burton Joyce Climate action Group



The Climate Action Group team have been seeking opinion from local residents and businesses about the idea to make all residential streets in the village 20mph. 20's Plenty is a national campaign to make 20 mph the norm. Counties like Oxfordshire, Cornwall, Scottish Borders and Scotland and Wales have already implemented 20 mph speed limits on many residential streets. It is quite common in suburban areas in Nottingham.

We have now talked to a wide variety of people, young and old, at two community venues - the community market and the Co-Op. We asked people to put sticky spots on the statements they agreed with and if they supported the 20's Plenty Campaign for Burton Joyce. From our conversations and based on the feedback below, it is clear that support is almost unanimous for the Climate Action Group to lobby the Parish Council to seek ways to reduce the speed to 20 mph in the village.

Thank you to everyone who talked to us and who expressed support for this important measure. As a reminder there are multi benefits of reducing speeds to 20 mph, these are

- ☐ saves lives and reduce the risk and severity of injuries from collisions between vehicles and vulnerable road users
- ☐ makes streets safer for playing, walking and cycling
- ☐ encourages more people to make more sustainable travel choices
- ☐ makes places more attractive because vehicle movements do not dominate our streets
- ☐ brings physical and mental health benefits
- ☐ reduces noise pollution
- ☐ improves air quality
- ☐ is better for the environment

For more information on 20's Plenty and the evidence behind these claims see <https://www.20splenty.org>.

The 20's Plenty movement is spreading across the UK. With traffic volumes increasing so significantly and our concern to ensure that people continue to feel safe walking and cycling, the Climate Action Group will be pressing the Parish Council and the County Council to implement this measure that could transform how it feels to live in Burton Joyce.

We will provide regular updates on our progress. If you want to be a part of this please email

burtonjoyceclimateaction@gmail.com and follow us on facebook at BJCAG - Burton Joyce Climate Action Group.

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July Update

Busy summer term at Carlton le Willows

Summer is approaching with plans already being put in place for the start of autumn term. Our Year 11 and Year 13 students have finished for the term so are enjoying a long break after their exams. We are all eagerly awaiting their results in August!

For students in other year groups there has been a busy end to the school year.

Year 8 French students have enjoyed a trip to Paris, Year 12 and 13 have been witnessing the wonders of nature first hand in Iceland and A level art students are setting off to Barcelona.

In school Year 10 have been lucky enough to spend a whole day learning about different careers and options post 16 thanks to visitors from a number of organisations who came in to take part in Careers Day. Students also had a motivational assembly from Gogglebox star Baasit Siddiqui and workshops on self-confidence and employability skills.

Year 12 have also been involved in a week of careers workshops, including mock interviews and a careers speed networking day. Thank you to all the organisations who have supported the Academy and given valuable insight to all our students.

This week has also seen induction days take place for our New Year 7 students. As well as their days spent in school meeting staff, other students and getting to know what life at Carlton le Willows will look like in September, parents of our new Year 7s have also been in to school to learn a little but more about life in school. We look forward to having our new Year 7s and all our existing students back in school after a relaxing and enjoyable summer holidays.

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Monthly Meetings

Second Thursday in the month Burton Joyce Village Hall 7.00 pm start

Future Meetings

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| 5th August
Saturday | Charity Coffee Morning - Village Hall
10.00 am to 12.00 noon |
| 10th August | 'Inspiring Women' – outdoor event (cover if rain)
Old School Yard, Main Street – Faith Supper |
| 14th September | Christina Lindley – 'Flower Arranging' |
| 12th October | 'County House and 100 years of our Federation'
- Jenny Bailey |

We welcome visitors and new members to join us to learn new skills,
meet inspiring people, support our local community, make friends
and have fun!

Other Activity Groups

- Craft Club – first Tuesday of the month
- Walking Group – first Wednesday of the month
- Walking Netball – 9.30am every Monday (except Bank holidays)
at The Poplars Sports Ground

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welcome. Visit <https://bju3a.co.uk/> or follow us on Facebook.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly speaker meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month in Burton Joyce & Bulcote Village Hall, Trent Lane, Burton Joyce, at 1:30pm. Our next two meetings are:-

TUESDAY 8th AUGUST - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - followed by speaker - BRUCE FRAME - "BLETCHLEY PARK"

Usually our AGM can be held quickly as relevant information is provided to members well in advance and posted on our website at <https://bju3a.co.uk/agm/>

Bruce Frame's talk concentrates on the difficulty of the problem they were trying to solve at Bletchley, and an insight into how an Enigma machine actually worked - in (he says) fairly simple terms!

TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER - DAVE MOYLAN - "FUNNY TURNS"

Dave Moylan has been a professional entertainer for much of his long life....As a musician performing all types of music all over the UK, as well as accompanying some of the country's best-known entertainers. Then as a comedy magician, performing at some of the country's most (and least) prestigious venues, including 25 years as resident magician at Warwick Castle.

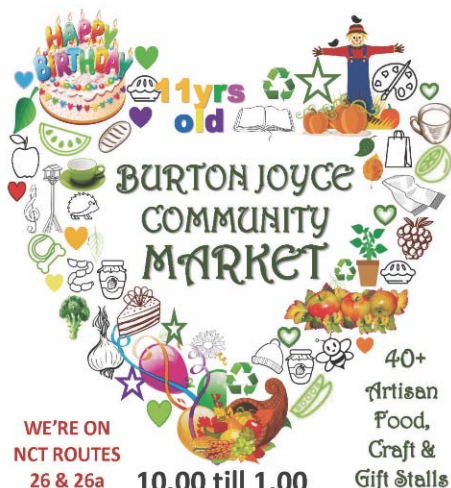


TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER - DAVID SKILLEN - "PILOTS 'N PETTICOATS - WOMEN MASTERS OF THE SKY"

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We meet on Thursdays 1.45-3.45 in Burton Joyce Village Hall.

The Autumn term starts on Thursday September 7th when we will start rehearsing for the concert on Friday December 1st, so this would be a good time to join us.

For further details contact Tina on 07742670732 or Heather 0115 8440872

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To book a place on one of the sessions at the open day please email info@hsn.org.uk by the 16th August.

If you are unable to attend the Open Day but would like to volunteer please also contact us

Please feel free to come along with a friend!

** Our next volunteer training course is starting
8th September in Arnold **

For more information please email: info@hsn.org.uk before 25th August to book a place on the September course.

CODEWORD

Codeword is the crossword puzzle with no clues. The number in each square corresponds to a letter. Work out the words in the grid using the letters provided. Fill in these known letters first, then use skill and judgement to work out the others.

**ANSWERS
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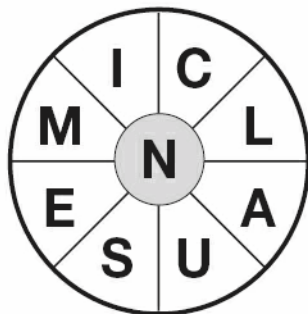
SUDOKU

Fill in the grid so that every column, row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains the digits 1-9. There is no guesswork involved, solve the puzzle using logic.

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WORDWHEEL

You have 10 minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the wheel. Each must use the hub letter and at least 3 others. Letters may be used only once. You cannot use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns. There is at least one 9-letter word to be found.



How you rate:
25, average; 35, good;
45, very good; 60 or more, excellent.

 BURTON JOYCE PARISH COUNCIL Clerk and RFO to the Parish Council: Jessica Sherrin 0115 9314084	Laurence King [C] Paul Hyde Jeanette Johnson Richard Fife Terry Hazard Yvonne Greenfield David Yates Georgina Hadjigeorgiou Hazel Chadbourne-Doyle	07768438590 07867 538548 0115 8449042 07947 045975 0115 9312472 07788 435857 01159312858 07790143645 07754 676498
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 Burton Joyce and Bulcote WI <i>A member of the Nottinghamshire Federation of Women's Institutes</i>	Burton Joyce Village Hall 7.00 pm start Other Activity Groups: Craft Club – Lunch Club – Walking Group – Walking Netball Contact: Lesley Comerie 07805 426483	
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Burton Joyce & Bulcote Village Hall Hazel Doyle 07706 005739 bookings@bjvillagehall.org.uk	For Meetings, Classes, Gatherings of all kinds including Parties. To view all the facilities https://bjvillagehall.org.uk	
 Burton Joyce Community Brass Meet in Old School Premises.	Charlotte Davenport	charlotte.davenport1@9968@gmail.com
 Burton Joyce Bowls Club Poplars Sports Ground <i>You would be most welcome.</i>	Secretary.; Dil Vowles 07879 425643 dil.vowles@talk21.com	
 Burton Joyce Choral Society Rehearsals on Mondays at 7.30pm in the Village Hall	If you would like to drop in to a meeting please call Mary on 07875 099941 for a chat.	

	The Village Climate Action and Bio Diversity Group		We are an affiliated Friends of the Earth Action Group. If this sounds of interest to you and you'd like to join us, please get in touch! Contact Julia_smith24@yahoo.co.uk
	Trent Valley Singers A friendly, fun, mixed voice choir who sing a wide variety of music.		Rehearsals are on Thursdays in Burton Joyce Village Hall at 1.45pm. For more information contact Tina on 07742 670732 or Heather on 0115 8440872
	The Burton Joyce & Bulcote Local History Society Evening meetings in the Village Library Meadow Lane		Secretary: Stafford 9312657 email: secretary@bjblhs.uk Meetings Secretary: Christine Shepherd 0115 9618840
	Burton Joyce Players We perform two plays and a panto each year.		We always welcome new members for both stage and backstage work. Contact Tracey on: 07866 417257 or email info.bjplayers@gmail.com
	Burton Joyce Village Society Find out more about us at burtonjoycevillagesociety.org		Chair: Helen Metcalfe; Vice Chair: John Flynn Secretary: Richard Fife. 0115 931 2213 , Treasurer: Martin Roe., or by email, to admin@burtonjoycevillagesociety.org
	Burton Joyce Macular Society Support Group We meet on the 3rd Thursday of January, March, May, July, September, November at 10.30am.		The meetings are open to anyone affected by central vision loss. family, friends and carers are also welcome. Please contact Angela 0115 8411756 for details
	1st Burton Joyce Scout Group For Beavers, Cubs & Scouts		Contact Rachel on 07930 271455 1stburtonjoyce@centralnotts.org.uk
	Burton Joyce Village Lunch		Come and join us at Midday every 3rd Thursday for Soup, Dessert and Tea or Coffee in the Village Hall. Just £5 per person.
	Vedic chanting An ancient Indian meditative and uplifting voice practice. A friendly group – open to anyone.		Saturday mornings / Thursday evenings in Old School Building. Try a free taster. Contact Liz: elizknott52@gmail.com or 07929 963907 to find out more.
	BJ Archers	Chris Joyce	07779 517679
	Baby & Toddler	Rev Anna Alls	07535 017591
	Bridge Club	Val & Steve Wright	9313592
	BJ Community Market	Karen Taylor	07769 708506
	NOVA	Paul Mittam	07973 872213
	Probus	Ian Wood	9119124
	Recreation Ground	Laura Smith	07803 054124
	Rotary	Mike Storr	9312751
	Saturday Singers	Dick Huskinson	9312157

Burton Joyce Library

Wow! Your lovely, sparkly, refurbished Burton Joyce Library is now open! After lots of decorating, re-styling and decluttering, your fabulous library is ready and waiting for you to come in, have a look around, browse our book collection and, of course, do lots of borrowing. There really is something for everyone, with a great selection of new titles in both the adults and children's sections.

The official re-opening event took place on Saturday 8th July and we were delighted to see so many Burton Joyce residents in attendance to celebrate and eat cake with us. We had welcome speeches from Councillor John Ogle the Chairman of the County Council, Councillor Mike Adams and Peter Gaw (Inspire CEO) before the ribbon was cut to officially open the library. We had lots of interest in the Summer Reading Challenge (more details below) and signed up lots of new library members!

The 2023 Summer Reading Challenge is now well under way for ages 4-11, with a mini challenge for those aged 3 and under. Ready, Set, Read! is produced by the Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with libraries, and the challenge is to read 6 or more library books over the summer. There are stickers and gifts to collect and the all important certificate and medal on completion. The challenge runs until 3rd September so there is plenty of time to register and read.

You may be interested in our proposed weekly **'Places of Welcome'** session due to start in the Autumn. Are you living on your own or feeling isolated, new to the area or struggling to meet people locally? Run by a friendly volunteer, our Places of Welcome group is a chance to meet new people, find things out, share your skills or just have a cuppa and a chat. Everyone welcome. All ages. All backgrounds. Always. **If you feel that you would like to volunteer to host the session**, please visit our Community Makers website at <https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer/>

There is a new craft group – 'Embroidery Craft Corner' – which is going to meet on the first Friday of the month from 10am-12 noon beginning on Friday 1st September. They are a small, friendly group who will work on their own projects whilst having a natter and a cuppa (for a nominal charge). All crafters welcome. Drop into a session to join in and find out more.

Make a note in your diary for our **summer craft event on Friday 18th August** where children and accompanying adults can drop in between 10.30am and 12.30pm to make and decorate a simple kite which you can take home for a run around in the great outdoors. **See you soon!**

OPENING TIMES

Monday	9.30 am – 1 pm	Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	9.30 am - 1 pm and 2 - 6 pm	Thursday	2 – 5 pm
Friday	9.30 am – 1 pm and 2 – 5 pm	Saturday	9.30 am – 1 pm
Sunday	CLOSED		

Burton Joyce Library, Inspire:Culture, Learning and Libraries
Meadow Lane, Burton Joyce, Nottingham NG14 5EX



Timetable details provided by John Flynn

Summary Train Timetable: THE CASTLE LINE – Burton Joyce

21st May 2023 to 9th December 2023

	From BJ to Nottingham	From BJ to Newark Castle
Mon - Fri	06.23 06.50 07.59 08.59 09.59 11.59 14.59 17.02 18.01 23.52	05.53 07.00 08.07 12.08 14.08 16.08 17.08 18.04 19.02 21.41 22.47
Sat	06.25 07.59 08.59 10.03 11.59 15.01 16.59 18.02 21.30 22.30	06.05 07.00 08.08 12.10 16.07 17.08 18.08 19.07 21.43
Sun	09.54 12.18 15.32 17.29 19.45 23.44	09.43 11.35 14.37 17.37 22.40

	From Nottingham to BJ	From Newark Castle to BJ
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Sun	09.33 11.25 14.27 17.27 22.30	09.29 11.53 15.07 17.05 19.21 23.20

PLEASE NOTE:

From BJ, all eastbound trains call at Newark (some continue to Lincoln and Cleethorpes), and all westbound trains go to Nottingham (most continue to Crewe, but some go to Leicester).

Due to frequent uncertainties in the railway industry, it is recommended that train times are checked before travel on such systems as www.nationalrail.co.uk

Information provided by John Flynn, 11/05/23.

PUZZLES SOLUTIONS

WORD WHEEL

acinus, acne, acumen, alien, amen, amine, amnesic, anile, anime, animus, anise, cane, canes, cans, casein, cinema, clan, clean, cleans, cumin, elan, incase, incus, inseam, lain, lance, lances, lane, lean, leans, leman, lens, lien, limen, limn, limns, linac, line, lines, lumen, lune, main, mane, manic, mans, manse, manus, masculine, mean, means, melanic, menial, mensal, menu, mien, mince, minces, mine,

mines, minus, muslin, nail, nails, name, names, nice, saline, sane, sanicle, scan, seminal, simnel, since, sine, slain, snail, ulna, uncial, uncle, unlance, unlaces, unseal, usance.

CODEWORD

1=Q, 2=Z, 3=I, 4=H, 5=N, 6=G, 7=U, 8=F, 9=M, 10=L, 11=K, 12=T, 13=P, 14=B, 15=C, 16=A, 17=Y, 18=W, 19=V, 20=J, 21=X, 22=D, 23=E, 24=O, 25=S, 26=R

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Useful NAMES and CONTACT DETAILS

Rev. Anna Alls	reverend.anna.alls@gmail.com	07535 017591
Benefice Administrator	Tracey Akehurst	0780 516 2088
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Cllr. Sam Smith	cllr.sam.smith@gedling.gov.uk	07939 816704
Cllr. Michael Adams	cllr.michael.adams@gedling.gov.uk	0115 7147148
Tom Randall MP	tom.randall.mp@parliament.uk	
Police	Call 101 for non emergency call Call 999 for emergency	
Ivy Medical Group	4 Wheatsheaf Court	0115 9312500
Pear Tree Dental Centre	22 Nottingham Road	0115 9312935
BJ Primary School	Padleys Lane	0115 9312373
BJ Library (Cl.Tuesday)	Meadow Lane	0115 9313360
Voluntary Car Service	Anne Swann	0115 9313671
	Alan Comerie	0115 9312221
Pathfinder Bus Info		0115 9506070
Train Information		0845 7484950
Westwolds Care Home	4 Park Avenue	0115 9313659
Carnarvon House	8 Willow Wong	0115 8440032
Red Cross Medical Loans	Phoenix Park	0115 8528029
Village Hall Hire	bookings@bjvillagehall.org.uk	07706 005739
Old Church Hall Hire	Tracey Akehurst	0115 9652114
Church Centre		
Carnarvon Rooms		
Main Hall, Old School Bldg	Jayne Savage	0115 9314084
Poplars Sports ground	David List	07957 7869096 or 9314084
Tennis Club	Heather Ankers	0115 9537137
Delights + Post Office	Nicky & Julie 53 Main Street	0115 9313487 0115 9313141

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Sheree Marshall
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