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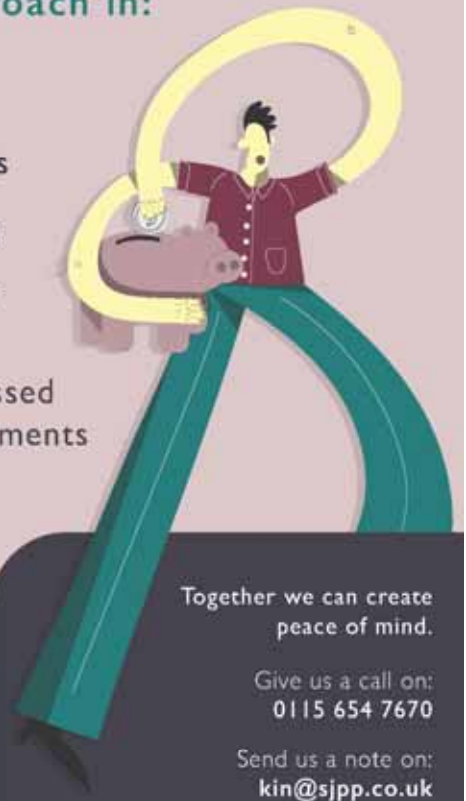


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EDITOR'S COMMENT

It's really good to see that a Pump track has been suggested for the youngsters in the village. See BJ Parish Council report.

Don't forget to look at BJFC report and our sponsored U7 & U8 teams.

Discussions are ongoing re the Local Government Reorganisation and hopefully some common sense will prevail. See BJVS report.

The Village Coffee Morning is thriving and we are pleased to have sponsored Carnarvon Room hire for another 12 months.

It's hard to believe that the Suez crisis took place 70 years ago. See David Yates' article. However there are currently 65 active state-based conflicts and major wars going on worldwide today! Worrying isn't it!

We've also included a snippet of local info about the Wheatsheaf pub & Church Road.

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BURTON JOYCE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

'PUMP TRACK' AT THE POPLARS SPORTS GROUND – APPLICATION SUBMITTED

We have recently applied for a £25,000 grant from Gedling Borough Council's *Pride in Place* programme towards funding a brand new 'Pump Track' at the Poplars Sports Ground. This exciting project aims to address the lack of suitable provision for teenagers in the village, particularly those who are now too old to use Roberts Recreation Ground, and seeks to create a positive outdoor space where young people can meet, socialise and enjoy cycling or scooting in a safer environment, away from busier areas such as the main road or the Co-op car park.





Example of a pump track and proposed location at the Poplars Sports Ground

To ensure the facility would be well used, we held a targeted consultation event on August 11th and invited young people to tell us what they wanted. Several types of track were discussed, and the most popular option was a tarmac-based pump track, similar to the example shown below.

The Poplars Sports Ground was identified as the preferred location. It is a natural fit for the project because it already has a sporting focus, along with parking and other supporting infrastructure. The proposed site also sits within a section of the Sports Ground previously identified in the Burton Joyce Neighbourhood Plan as suitable for becoming more open and accessible.







Pump track consultation event on 11th August provided useful guidance from young people

The project has the full support of the local police and Trent Valley Councillors. The Councillors have committed £1,000 from their community fund towards CCTV provision and also put us in contact with BJ Rollers, who previously raised £4,200 and have agreed to investing in this the project. We also have support in principle from landowners Severn Trent Water, as well as interest from members of the community who would like to get involved. We expect a decision imminently and hope to report a positive outcome in the next edition.

SUPPORTING LOCAL EVENTS

A number of events have taken place at our facilities over the summer months, and we are always delighted to see them being well used. Burton Joyce and Bulcote WI held their fantastic Annual Charity Fundraising Event in the Community Garden on 1st August. The event was extremely well attended and enjoyed a relaxed, cheerful atmosphere.



Burton Joyce & Bulcote WI Annual Charity Event in the Community Garden

Burton Joyce Primary School also held its end-of-year party at the Poplars Sports Ground in July. With a bouncy castle and plenty of entertainment, a good time was had by all. Burton Joyce Bowls also held their Annual Presentation Day on 5th September at the Sports Ground – a day of celebration for all involved.



Burton Joyce Primary School's End of Year Party at the Poplars Sports Ground





Burton Joyce Bowls Club's Presentation Day at the Poplars Sports Ground

THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

The new Community Garden will celebrate its first birthday in December. Our Grounds Assistant, Nicola, has done a fantastic job painting the hopscotch numbers on the slabs at the front of the Old School Building, and it was delightful to see them being used over the summer holidays.





The plaque for Dorothy Pinkett's family of deer was unveiled by close friends and family on August 10th. The plaque asks that the deer be treated with care and respect. We actively discourage children from climbing or sitting on them; however tempting this may be, they are not strong enough and were not designed for this purpose.







Dorothy Pinkett's Family and Close Friends Unveiled the Deer Plaque

Unfortunately, we continue to experience damage and mindless littering in the garden. We extend our sincere thanks to the members of the community who voluntarily clear up the mess so frequently left behind. This practical support does not go unnoticed. Our local security company, **Mercury Fire & Security**, has very kindly offered to install CCTV cameras in the garden free of charge as a contribution to community safety. We are extremely grateful for this generous offer and look forward to the installation in the coming weeks. We hope the cameras will help deter further damage or misuse.

MONTHLY POP-UP FOOD FAYRE

Our monthly Pop-Up Food Fayre will be changing hands in the coming months to be run by Natalee Thomas' 'Marketplaces'. Sharon Astill of 'Meraki Markets' has done a brilliant job running this popular event throughout the year and we wish her well in her retirement from this venture at the end of the year.

Upcoming Pop-Up Food Fayre dates are Sunday 27th September, 25th October and 22nd November.



Pop-Up Food Fayres Continue to Thrive

Other dates for your diary include the Fireworks Display at the Poplars Sports Ground on Thursday 5th November and the Christmas Lights Switch-On on Saturday 5th December.

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

We were sad to receive the resignation of Richard Rolls this month, who has left the Parish Council due to a change in his work location. Richard was a much-valued member of the team, and we extend our thanks to him for all he contributed during his time with us.

As a result of his departure, we now have a councillor vacancy. If you are interested in this rewarding voluntary role, please contact the Parish Clerk, Jessica Sherrin, on (0115) 931 4084 or email clerk@burtonjoyceparishcouncil.gov.uk.



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WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

The plan that would have added Burton Joyce – together with other Southern bits of the present Gedling Borough and parts of Rushcliffe and Broxtowe – to the City of Nottingham has now been "Paused." It was a widely unpopular plan, nowhere more so than right here in Burton Joyce. But what will be the future reorganization of Nottinghamshire?

We have to suppose there is a possibility that the new scheme which will eventually decide our form of Local Government will be different from the one now "paused." Perhaps it won't be, and the present scheme devised by the present City Council will go ahead. Or perhaps things will stay just as they are, for a few extra years or perhaps indefinitely. There is no law or logic that requires all Council areas to be a particular size, and it's quite possible to have two or more levels of local Councils with levels of power suited to local circumstances, while other areas have a single all-purpose authority. In fact this has always been the case up to now.

The Burton Joyce Village Society has just paid its annual renewal of our membership of the CPRE: the Council for the Protection of RURAL England. We are a rural village not a suburb. Whatever emerges from the exercise or Reorganization should put this area in with the other rural parts of present Nottinghamshire. The new structure, which could be something different from any plan so far, should recognise this fact.

There is no process for consultation or representations, at least yet. But it is still worth making the local voice heard. Michael Payne, MP for Gedling, is committed to opposing the plan which is now paused and has spoken in Parliament against it.

You can let him know your views and ask him to forward them to the Minister Angela Rayner:

his contact details are, michael.payne.mp@parliament.uk, local office phone no.0115 990 2670 or write to House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA, or see www.facebook.com/michaelpayne4gedling.

Alternatively contact the Department of Housing, Communities and Local Government, 2 Marsham St. London, SW1P 4DF.



September 3rd was our 10th Village Coffee Morning!

It was a busy morning and we were delighted to welcome more new visitors, as well as meeting up again with many of our regulars!

A special thank you to our team of volunteers and to everyone who bakes and donates such delicious cakes.

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Sally, Alison and Liz



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YET ANOTHER DAY OUT

By Patrick McDonough



If you ever go to Derby, and some people do, you might pop into the cathedral and encounter the tomb of Elizabeth Talbot, Countess of Shrewsbury, better known as Bess of Hardwick. It's a very impressive structure befitting a woman, frequently described by historians as the second most powerful and important non-royal woman in Elizabethan England after Queen Elizabeth I.

But Derby isn't our trip this time, it's Hardwick Hall – "more glass than wall".



Hardwick is just under 30 miles from BJ, some of it on the M1, so it's easy to get to. This is quite a compact house by stately home standards, with 46 main rooms compared to the 58 at Calke Abbey, never mind the 300+ in Chatsworth.



Bess was married four times. Through each marriage, she grew significantly wealthier and more powerful, rising from minor Derbyshire gentry to become the second richest woman in England after Queen Elizabeth. The wealth surrounding her is jaw dropping. In 1549, Bess and her second husband, William Cavendish, had the original Chatsworth House built. It was a Tudor mansion very different from the Chatsworth we know today.

When she separated from her fourth husband in 1584, she returned to the manor at Hardwick where she had been born, later remodelling this to become the first Hardwick Hall. Then in 1590 she had built the hall we see today to complement the old hall



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Hardwick Hall is an unapologetic celebration of female power, immense wealth, and architectural innovation and well worth a visit.

SUEZ October 1956

Many of the readers of this article, will have memories of the 'Suez Crisis' seventy years ago. This was an Anglo-French invasion of Egypt, resulting ultimately in the death of 22 British servicemen. My late eldest brother was serving on the aircraft carrier *HMS Eagle,* stationed off Alexandria at the time and doubtless other readers will have personal recollections of the Crisis, or have been serving military personnel -notably those stationed in Cyprus.

The events unfolded with Israel invading Egypt seeking to cause the reopening of seaways to alleviate the commercial shipping blockade imposed some months before. This Israeli action caused the British and French governments to issue an ultimatum for a ceasefire. Failure to respond to the ultimatum, resulted in Anglo-French forces invading Egypt ostensibly to protect the Suez Canal, but in essence to remove Gamal Abdel Nasser who had nationalised the canal earlier in 1956; in short, a political move rather than a strategic one.

The action by Britain and France brought about American political intervention, with its condemnation of what Britain and France had done. Cynically, it could be said that the United States having the perceived right to do so, had not been 'consulted' and that their nose had been put out of joint. Britain and France in a coalition exercise had seemingly sought to displace American diplomatic supremacy with Washington considering itself as the 'world's policeman'. However, the USA and Russia, coercing the United Nation, prompted the British forces to withdraw with Eisenhower instructing the Federal Bank to withdraw financial support in the markets.

The British Prime Minister Anthony Eden had to eat humble pie with President Eisenhower which led to a political Westminster storm eventually contributing – if not indirectly caused – the resignation of Eden in January 1957, to be succeeded by Harold MacMillan.

The key point of reminding readers of these events, is that it relates to current political relationships since those 1956 events demonstrated that Britain could no longer exercise any independent foreign policy without seeking approval from Washington. In short, America regarded itself [as it does today] of being the world's peacekeeper determining who and when nations can react to events.

Continued ...

Britain was humiliated on the world stage by Suez and America's intervention, it strengthened the position of Nasser, with the Canal remaining closed under his control until April 1957.

The reopening was mainly at the behest of Lester Pearson, the Canadian Foreign Minister, who received the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts. It is argued by leading historians that Britain's role as a 'superpower' ended in the Cold War and was a factor in Russia's invasion of Hungary, no longer fearing British or French intervention. Furthermore, the writer as a political academic historian, would argue that Harold Wilson refusing military assistance [or use of British bases] to the USA in the 1960s Vietnam War, was a reciprocal swipe at Washington, for their refusal to support Britain at Suez, rather than political pressure from his own Labour Party colleagues.

Has anything changed in the last seventy years?

David Yates (Dr.)



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Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance launches 109 Challenge to help fund second lifesaving helicopter

This September, Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance (LNAA) is inviting supporters across Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire to take on the 109 Challenge in support of Mission Possible 2, the charity's appeal to raise £500,000 needed to help bring a second helicopter to the skies.

Launched to mark Air Ambulance Week, which runs from 7 to 13 September, the 109 Challenge asks people to complete 109 of something meaningful and raise £109 or more. Whether it is walking 109 miles, knitting 109 rows, reading 109 pages a week, cycling 109 kilometres, baking 109 cakes or completing 109 acts of kindness, every challenge can help move LNAA one step closer to its fundraising target.

Funds raised through the challenge will support Mission Possible 2, LNAA's campaign to fund a second AW109 Grand New helicopter. Demand for the charity's service has grown significantly in recent years, and a second aircraft would help crews reach more patients faster, reduce missed callouts and give more people the best possible chance of survival.

Georgia Watson, Events Manager at Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, said: "Whether you're a seasoned runner, a weekend walker, a keen crafter or simply looking to make a difference, there's a 109 Challenge for everyone. Every challenge completed and every donation raised helps support our mission to fund a second helicopter, enabling us to reach more patients faster, reduce missed callouts and give more people the best possible chance of survival."

The top fundraiser will win a three-night Center Parcs break in a three-bedroom Woodland Lodge, giving supporters an extra incentive to get creative, set their own 109-themed goal and encourage friends, family and colleagues to donate.

Supporters can take part individually, as a family, with friends, through their school, workplace or community group. Participants are encouraged to choose a challenge that suits them, share their progress and help raise awareness of the lifesaving work carried out by LNAA crews every day.



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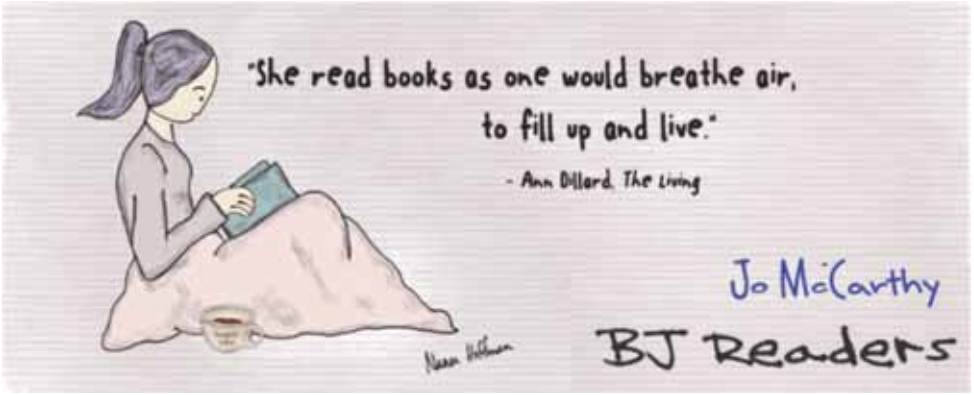
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Education, Education, Education…

Autumn has arrived. My husband pedantically insists it began on the 1st September, being the start of 'meteorological autumn', whatever that may be. Something to do with his Geography A-level, I daresay. Arguments about meteorological or astronomical aside, Autumn brings with it a brand-new year in Education. For me, there has always been something exciting about the promise of a new term. Whether it's that 'nature table' smell in the air (remember when we used to bring in leaves and berries?), or watching the five year olds come home in their comically oversized uniforms, or maybe it's those parental car conveyances stuffed to the gunnels with duvets, games consuls, and the odd teddy bear heading up and down the motorway to various universities (and the maternal tears that accompany the journey back). Whatever it is, hope hangs in the air.

Literature is awash with scholarly tales of *derring do* ranging from misspent school days to University Awakenings. The literary path of learning is littered equally with educational misdemeanour (David Nichols's *Starter for Ten)* as it is with uplifting accounts of how education can overcome life's obstacles (Tara Westover's *Educated*).

My impossible starter for ten is where to start this new term of recommended reading.

Tom Brown's Schooldays (1857, Thomas Hughes) kickstarted the Boarding School genre and will forever remain its enduring granddaddy. Boarding schools are hot houses of institutional punishment and thus provide endless material for strange, dark stories. If you enjoy a good psychopath, I recommend Sebastian Faulks *Engleby* (2007). Mike Engleby is the classic unreliable narrator, relating his story of rejection, punishment and revenge with cold and steely detachment. A working-class boy on a scholarship at a prestigious boarding school, this is a tale of the normalisation of violence.

Subjected to relentless bullying (he earns the nickname 'Toilet'), Engleby emerges from his schooldays with the survival skill of being able to completely suppress his vulnerability and lands in the adult world a fully fledged psychopath. A brilliant, but lesser-known, gem from Faulks.

Picnic at Hanging Rock (Joan Lindsey, 1967) is better known for its eerie 1975 film version, but it is also a great read, and in 2022 it was included in the 'Big Jubilee Read' list of 70 books by Commonwealth authors. Set in Victoria in 1900, a group of boarding school girls mysteriously disappear whilst on a picnic on Valentine's Day. The style of the book suggests to the reader that the story is based on fact, and gives no explanation for the disappearance, although literary rumour has it that the author provided a final unravelling chapter, but her publisher removed it to generate better sales! A truly atmospheric tale of mystery and female hysteria.

But what about the teachers? I am slightly cheating, since my next recommendation is a play. I am unabashedly passionate about *The Browning Version* by my beloved Terence Rattigan. A heartbreaking story of English repression and misplaced stoicism. Crocker-Harris ('the Crock') is a Latin Master at an English public boarding school. Deserted by his wife and despised by his students, he faces a bleak retirement. Redemption arrives when a pupil presents him with an unexpected parting gift, Browning's translation of *The Agamemnon.* The play is rarely performed these days, but there are two great film versions.

In the space of two short decades we move from the stoic Latin Master to the liberal arts teacher in the infamous guise of Miss Jean Brodie. *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* is the best known and most loved of Muriel Spark's extensive output. Published in 1963 this is the tale of the downfall of a Scottish school mistress who 'transcend(ed) morality'. Short, comedic and bittersweet. A reminder to us all to keep our friends close and enemies closer. It is exquisitely performed by Maggie Smith in the 1969 film version.

'Education' derives from the Latin verb *educere,* meaning 'to lead out', and that is exactly what education did for Tara Westover. Her controversial memoir *Educated* details the author's remarkable journey from an isolated survivalist upbringing in rural Idaho to acquiring a Cambridge PhD in history. Despite her parents' contention that the book contains no more than *'a little germ of truth',* over 4 million copies have been sold worldwide.

This brief article recommends books that are in some way connected to education, but we should never forget that books of any type are an education in themselves. In the words of the novelist George R Martin '*A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies… The man who never reads lives only one.'*

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JAPAN by Richard Berry NARA

Nara, briefly the capital of Japan from 710 to 784, is regarded as the birthplace of Japanese civilisation and nowadays one of the country's best-known tourist destinations. The city was easy to get to from our base, Suminoe, in the outskirts of Osaka. After arriving at Nara train station, we took a bus the final 1500m to the city centre. This was a wise decision as the day would require a lot of walking. Although the sites in Nara are next to each other and easily accessible there is much to see including several UNESCO heritage sites. We only scratched the surface of what was on offer during our day trip but here are the highlights: -



Free-roaming, bowing deer are considered sacred messengers of the gods

TODAI-JI

The great temple of Todai-ji was founded in 745 by Emperor Shomu. Until recently the main hall was the world's largest wooden building even though it is only two thirds the size of the original construction.



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After passing through the Great Southern Gate, you reach the Great Buddha Hall (Daibudsen) which houses (just) a big bronze Buddha; at a height of 15 metres it's the biggest statue of its type in the world.
Originally cast in 752, the statue has suffered earthquake and fire damage but has been faithfully recreated. The seated Buddha represents Vairocana and is flanked by two Bodhisattvas. Todai-ji was the head of all provincial Buddhist temples of Japan and grew so powerful that the capital was moved from Nara to reduce the temple's influence on government affairs.





These two colossal, muscular guardian deities stand inside the monumental Nandaimon Gate (the Grand South Gate) to protect the temple complex. The one depicted is Ungyō (Latent Strength): Standing on the left side, he is depicted with a tightly closed mouth. His closed mouth forms the "Un" (or "Hum") sound, symbolizing death, destruction, and the final letter of the Sanskrit alphabet.

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NARA-KOEN





The park is home to around 1300 deer which were originally seen as divine messengers of the gods.

Nara-Koen the ancient, forested parklands on the eastern side of Nara, features many historical and religious sites. There is no entrance fee to this part of Nara but there is a moral obligation to buy *shika sembei* (rice crackers) to feed the animals. But do not worry, they are not dear... It takes a little time to become accustomed to how tame and large the deer are while remembering they are still wild animals.

We passed the historic Shora Bell Tower. The bell dates to the founding of Todaji-ji in the 8th century and stands at a mighty 3.86 meters high, with a diameter of 2.71 meters. Known as "Nara Taro," it is one of Japan's three most famous, historical bells.



On New Year's Eve, in a tradition known as *Joya no kane,* it is rung 108 times to represent the casting away of human desires.



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NIGATSU-DO



We walked up the slopes of Wakakusa-yama to Nigatsu-do (The Hall of Second Month) which is a sub temple of Todai-ji and enjoyed a superb view over the city from the second-floor wooden terrace. The main hall is designated a national treasure. Nigatsu-dō was founded by the monk Sanetada in 752. A repentance service dedicated to the image of the eleven-faced Bodhisattva has taken place every year since 760. The service known as Shuni '(Second-Month Service'), starts on 1 March and ends on the 15th of the month or the second lunisolar month if that's your preferred calendar. *Omizutori*, which means 'taking sacred water', has become the popular name of this ceremony.





There are hundreds of temples and shrines so if this is an area of Japanese culture of particular interest to you, I suggest a two-day visit to Nara. We visited midweek during the autumn, and it was raining but there were still lots of visitors. So by all means visit in the Spring and you can also see the wondrous cherry blossom. But beware, it will be very busy.

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OUT & ABOUT

By

Trevor Langley

SIMPLY THAI



It is said to be a good idea, for the heart, mind and soul, to get 'out and about' – maybe to somewhere that has not been visited for a while (possibly years). Perhaps a favourite village, town or city, from past times comes to mind with a return to view if it is the same, similar or has changed beyond all recognition.

I located award-winning Simply Thai restaurant in Buxton. This restaurant (opened 2004) attracts locals, plus visitors to Buxton and the surrounding area making up a commendable amount of the repeat diners (always a good sign). The traditional, Thai-inspired decor is most admirable.

To begin I chose Thoong Tong (Crispy parcels, chicken, egg, prawns, chilli sauce) - A very good and impressive 'introduction' to the meal, being flavoursome and having eye-appeal presentation.

Main courses offered many delectations and I selected Choo Chee Goong (Dry curry, king prawns, red curry sauce, kaffir lime leaves, desiccated coconut - garnished with coriander and red pepper), from the grand, extensive list of options, plus a side of Coconut Rice. Arriving in style, indeed, I am truly, impressed further. The complementing flavours enhanced this dish, with succulence and tenderness coming through in abundance. 'Compliments to Chef' were duly awarded. Head Chef, Art and the brigade take great pride in creating authentic impressive and memorable Thai dining times for all diners.

For dessert I favoured Coconut Pancake (Ice cream) - A splendid ending to the dining occasion. Simply Thai is definitely a restaurant that requires further visits, so that other dishes, of curries, meats, fish, seafood, stir-fry, noodles and vegetarian options can be 'explored'. Drinks have all preferences covered and the choices included superb, multi award-winning wines from Monsoon Valley, Thailand.

Celebrations, parties and corporate events are easily arranged and gift vouchers can give a 'surprise' to someone special. For further details and information, please visit the very informative websites. Thank you to Mim, for exemplary service throughout. Highly recommended.

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Health Insights – Get Your Winter Jabs

After our long and hot summer, we should not forget that winter is just around the corner, and with winter comes the usual coughs and colds plus potentially more serious infections such as flu and covid.
The NHS has started its winter vaccination programme already and especially for those at risk it is important to consider getting vaccinated

Why we should consider getting flu and covid Jabs.

Vaccination remains one of the most effective ways to protect individuals and communities from serious infectious diseases. Although vaccination does not guarantee complete immunity, it significantly improves an individual's ability to fight the infection and avoid the most serious
outcomes.

Flu is often mistaken for a severe cold.

The flu vaccine helps protect against the influenza virus and is offered each year because flu viruses change regularly. Annual vaccination helps ensure that people have the best possible protection against the strains expected to circulate during the season

Covid is still with us.

The COVID-19 vaccine remains an important public health measure.
COVID-19 can still cause serious illness and vaccination is especially important for people at increased risk of becoming severely unwell. Viruses change over time, and protection from previous vaccinations or infections can decrease. For this reason, eligible people are offered booster vaccinations to maintain their protection.

Community Benefit

Receiving vaccinations protects individuals and helps reduce the spread of infection within the community.

Support for the NHS

Winter often brings increased pressure on healthcare services and improving vaccination uptake helps to reduce winter pressures on health services.

Who can get the jabs

Detailed eligibility criteria for flu &/or covid jabs are available online at https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/seasonal-health/keep-warm-keep-well/

Children and pregnant mothers are vulnerable too.

From 1st September the following groups can also get the flu jab.

- pregnant women
- all children aged 2 or 3 years on 31 August 2025
- primary school aged children (from Reception to Year 6)
- secondary school aged children (from Year 7 to Year 11)
- all children in clinical risk groups aged from 6 months to less than 18 years

Where to get jabs

The easiest way to book a vaccination with your GP is to go via the NHS App and click on **Appointments**, Book Appointment. Or call them. If you want to use a Pharmacy then in the App click on **Vaccinations** and follow the instructions to find an appropriate Pharmacy.

Putting some words to village photos - By JB of BJ



The original Wheatsheaf pub was occupied by the Nettleton family . The daughter, Nancy, ran the Cubs with the help of Dennis Clay.
The new Wheatsheaf was occupied in 1936 but may not have been open for business at that time.

The Wheatsheaf pub on Main Street C1900
inset the new Wheatsheaf on Church Road



This photo pre-dates Church Road - which was opened in 1931
Most houses adjoining Church Road were occupied by 1934.

COMMUNITY UPDATE

By Mohson Hussein on behalf of
Inspector Steven King (Gedling SNT)

It is a privilege to be able to contribute to The Magazine again for this quarter. We continue to receive feedback about speeding across Gedling South. PCSO Trevor Parkinson and the team will continue to conduct local operations over the following quarter as we understand that this remains a community concern. PCSO Parkinson continues to look for new volunteers to receive training on the Community Road Safety (CRS) training so if you would like to get involved please get in touch with him at trevor.parkinson@notts.police.uk . Over the last several months we have conducted several Speeding Operations in or around Burton Joyce & surrounding villages and will continue over the coming quarter. Following the extension of the PSPO in June 2026, I can confirm the local policing team and Gedling Borough Council continue to tackle the issue of individuals using their motor vehicles and causing nuisance. We are policing this as robustly as we can and over the last several months, 2 fines have been issued for breaches of the PSPO by Gedling Borough Council following police evidence.

As per my last report, at the start of the summer holidays, Police received information from Community Stakeholders about the increase in ASB around Burton Joyce involving young people in large groups, on bikes and e-scooters. We adopted an engagement and diversion strategy and worked alongside community stakeholders, residents and the young children to educate and divert them away from congregating around the Co-Op, Main Road, Burton Joyce. We stepped up patrols and this has had a positive impact, though I accept there may be ASB issues from time to time, owing to our other commitments. PC Baz Riley and PCSO Trevor Parkinson will continue to engage and with the school holidays now over, we hope you see a difference.

The team have held a number of Beat surgeries in the last few months across the area and we continue to listen to your issues and concerns. We would like to encourage more attendance so we can identify and address local matters of concerns. Below are the further dates for Beat Surgeries across Gedling South during the fourth quarter of 2026 (plus the final beat surgery for the third quarter):-

- *Lambley - 1400 – 1500 hrs on 28.09.26 at Lambley Holy Trinity Church, Lambley*
- *Carlton – 1000 – 1100 hrs on 05.10.26 at Age Concern, Carlton Hill, Carlton*
- *Netherfield – 1800 – 1900 hrs on 30.11.26 at St Georges Centre, Victoria Road, Netherfield*
- *Stoke Bardolph/Lambley – 1400 – 1500 hrs on 07.12.26 at Lambley Holy Trinity Church, Lambley*

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The team will also continue to conduct 'Lets Talk' events in the fourth quarter and beyond on a monthly basis. You may see officers at supermarkets, community events, on your local high street or a local Park Run event. This remains a great way of getting to the know the team and sharing any issues or community concerns.
In terms of crime statistics, the area remains safe and the crime figures are low. There are no serious particular crime patterns or trends that are of a concern, other than a slight increase in autocrime offences in Gedling. I would like to take this opportunity to remind residents to ensure they secure their properties and to always be vigilant. If you see something concerning, please report to 101 in a non emergency, or 999 if a crime is taking place.
I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage residents to sign up to the Notts Alert (www.nottsalerts.co.uk). This is a great way of being provided crime / safety advice as well information around future Beat Surgeries.

Finally, I am sad to report that PC 2358 Mark Szeremeta will be retiring in September 2026. He has been a fantastic police officer for 30 years and has built some fantastic relationships with many of you in the community. I know Mark will dearly miss working with you, as well as his police family. PC 1617 Baz Riley joined the team in June 2026 and many of you will have spoken to him already. He will continue to work alongside PCSO 4332 Trevor Parkinson to keep you safe. We look forward to seeing you at some of the future Beat Surgeries.

Inspector Steven King
(Gedling SNT)



Have a look at this great video of Bob Bethell being interviewed by Steve Wright. Both sadly no longer with us, the video brilliantly describes local life .
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IN OUR GARDEN

By Patrick Bates

Border Plantings continued

Our main border follows the boundary of the garden which is highly irregular and so in places it is deep.. This gave us the chance to plant a small tree. I chose a golden elm which turned out to be ideal. The yellow leaves provided freshness from early in the season; it never got too big and could be trimmed anyway. Sadly after 40 years it died but a Gleditsia (also yellow leaved)has taken over and I have encouraged a black leaved elder to make height both of which make a framework for climbers at the back.



Fig 1 Crocus Tommasinianus

Before I discuss the main planting I will consider the bulbs as this is just the time to order them to flower next spring. Bulbs are important as they bring a valuable early extension to the borders season of interest. Indeed appearing in the depths of winter they bring real excitement when it is most welcome. Snowdrops are an obvious choice but with me they failed to bulk up. I planted them under deciduous shrubs but they faded away. It is strange as they are wonderful in my orchard grass and under the trees. I think they must dislike the heavy mulch I put over everything after the cut back in the autumn. Crocus Tommasinianus (fig 1) by contrast are very happy. I have a friend a keen Dahlia grower whose borders beside his lawns are a picture in January and February (if the sun shines enough for them to open) I, too have a good display in various places. I also tried hard to naturalise aconites but like the snowdrops they are much better in the grass.



Fig 2 Crown Imperials

I have considered daffodils but am put off by the thought of their leaves disfiguring the ground for too long before the main contents emerge. A bulb I particularly value are the crown imperials, Fritillary imperialis.

They come in yellow and orange and I planted two groups of five each early on and they have persisted as a nice clump for fifty years. (fig 2). Their foliage is not too bad and anyway soon fades and can be cut back.

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The lily beetle, a recent import from Holland also likes them. I have to confess I spray them most years. I would strongly recommend the purchase of a few of these expensive but important long lasting bulbs, although my hero Christopher Lloyd said he could not keep them going on his mildly acid soil.

Tulips (Fig 3) are crucial for the display in April and May. I accept their foliage. It is quite appropriate at the time of flowering. I confess that I often remove them and cast them on the compost heap after flowering. This is extravagant but few of the showy ones flower after the first year anyway. But it is an extravagance we enjoy at this time of the year as we open the catalogues and pick new unusual looking cultivars to anticipate in the spring. The choice is vast but it is worth getting several varieties and looking carefully at their flowering time so as to cover the months of spring.



Fig3 Tulips

The only lily I can grow in our neutral heavy soil is L. Henrii .This makes a good clump if protected from vigorous competition .

Alliums are invaluable. They bring a different display to the border as single globular flowers. Their foliage often starts early but is not so prominent as daffodils. Many often self seed freely. I use A christophii (fig 4) a lot. It is quite small at twelve inches but has large heads of small silvery purple starlike flowers which remain attractive as they age and also dry well. I have a number of taller ones with spherical heads, two to three feet tall. A.aflatunense and A.giganteum stand out well and seed themselves. When over the years you have enough of these vigorous seeders, I remove the heads before the seed matures.



Fig4 Allium christophii

The last of the bulb type plants to flower in our border is the vigorous Crocosmia. Lucifer is a popular one which arches nicely out of the middle of the border.

By now, the permanent plantings such as delphiniums and phlox are emerging to add to the effect. I will include these and others next time.

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Following the success of our previous trips to Lincoln, the Friends of Lowdham and Burton Joyce Stations and EMR have organised another day-trip by train on Tuesday 10th November, coinciding with EMR s **Routes of Remembrance**

When in Lincoln there will be an opportunity to visit **International Bomber Command Centre (IBCC).** IBCC is just over a mile from the train station and is not well served by public transport.

IBCC is well worth a visit, with a caf , extensive gardens, an impressive memorial to the members of Bomber Command from all over the world and an excellent exhibition of life in Bomber Command during the 2nd World War.

Complimentary drinks and savoury Lincolnshire snacks will be available on the out-bound train, the **9.38** from Burton Joyce, **9.42** from Lowdham. Return tickets will be valid for the 15.40, 16.40, 17.40 or 18.08 trains from Lincoln.

TICKETS: £10.00 for the return train trip only - with free time in Lincoln. There is a hop-on hop-o bus from the station around the city, or regular bus services to access the Cathedral quarter.

TICKETS: £17.00 for the return train trip and sharing a taxi to IBCC for the morning and a taxi at 2.00pm from there to the Cathedral Quarter in the afternoon, making your own way back to station for the return train.

Numbers are limited, and tickets will sold on a rst-come, rst-served basis, from **1st October**
Tickets from **Burton Joyce** will be available by emailing lynette@thegallerybj.co.uk
Tickets from **Lowdham** will be available by emailing frances@lowdhamstation.me.uk

Access to the IBCC is free, but there is a charge for the exhibition. Tickets can be purchased in advance online at internationalbcc.co.uk. An adult day pass is £11.50, over 65s/disabled day passes are £10.50 when purchased in advance online. Equivalent tickets purchased on the day are £1.00 more.

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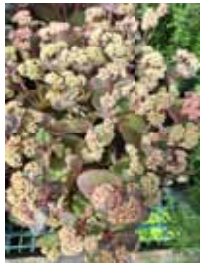
It is that time of year again when our landscapes transform, changing from lush greens to golds and coppers, autumn is here! October is for many their favourite time of year as autumn arrives and brings with it the blanket of orange and yellow as leaves start to turn. It is also a busy time in the garden. Let's take a look at some jobs that can be done in the garden this month;

- Get planting your spring flowering bulbs now
- Ensure frost protection is in place for those chilly winter nights
- Sow broad bean seeds
- Spruce up your home with a new houseplant
- Harvest apples, pears and potatoes
- Replant your summer hanging baskets and pots with autumn/winter annuals and evergreens
- Move inside any tender plants that have been outside over the summer, such as citrus plants, canna and aeoniums.
- Collect seeds from perennials and sow them for even more flowers next year.
- Cut down to ground level any fruit bearing canes of blackberries and raspberries
- Plant a hedge, look out for bare root whips (you get a lot more plant for your money) ideal for big hedges!
- Plant evergreens. These will be your year round structure and can be the base to incorporate colour schemes throughout the rest of the year and into the next
- Apply an autumn lawn feed and scarify in needed. This could be your last chance to do this now until next year.

Looking Good This Month

There is such a fantastic choice of evergreens available this month. There is no better time to add some year round colour to borders, pots and hanging baskets. Many options available are on the smaller side, so perfect for mixing in amongst existing plants and new planters. Look for colourful foliage such as Pieris and Leucathoe or interesting berries such a s Callicarpa (deciduous), Pyracantha and Skimmia. There are so many wonderful other shrubs to choose from at this time of year too, keep a look out at your local garden centre today!

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Also Looking Good This Month

Sedum are in full bloom at this time of year! Not only are the sumptuous flowers enjoyed by pollinators, they are absolutely stunning going into the autumn adding a splash of colour with their cushion like blooms. Many varieties also have colourful foliage, look out for varieties such as 'Conga Line' with its deep purple foliage.

The benefits of growing Sedum in your garden;

- Hardy
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Look out for these fabulous plants in your local garden centre today!

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Burton Joyce Primary School – Autumn 2026

Everyone at Burton Joyce Primary has enjoyed a positive start to the new academic year. Pupils have returned eager to learn and are already fully engaged in an exciting range of topics and experiences across the school. From exploring our local community and comparing places around the world, to investigating space, science and creativity through art and computing, all year groups are demonstrating enthusiasm, curiosity and a real love of learning. Staff have been delighted with how well the children have settled and look forward to another successful term ahead.

Our Foundation children have settled brilliantly into school life and are enjoying their topic, 'Where Am I?'. They are learning about themselves, Burton Joyce and their local community, while developing early reading, writing and number skills. The children are also exploring body parts and growth in science, creating artwork inspired by Paul Klee and using technology to create digital images.



Year 1 and 2 pupils have made a fantastic start to the new school year. Their topic, 'What is Special About Our Place?', focuses on Burton Joyce and the wider local area through maps, aerial photographs and a village walk. Alongside this, the children are developing their writing, strengthening number skills and learning about animals and humans in science.



Year 3 and 4 have settled quickly into Key Stage 2 and are embracing new learning opportunities. Their geography topic compares Burton Joyce and Nottingham with Bagamoyo in Tanzania, helping children understand different communities and environments. They are also investigating forces and magnets in science, creating Tingatinga-inspired artwork and developing their writing through stories, poetry and non-fiction texts.

As we move through the autumn term, we would like to thank our families and the wider Burton Joyce community for their continued support. We look forward to sharing more of our pupils' achievements and experiences in future editions.

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SEPTEMBER UPDATE

Exam successes at Carlton le Willows

STUDENTS at Carlton le Willows are celebrating exceptional GCSE results this summer with 76% of students securing a strong pass of 5+ in both English and Maths - more than 20% above the national average.

Exceptional results for 2026 also saw 86% of the Year 11 cohort secure a 4+ in English and Maths.

At the higher end of results, 41% of students secured the highest grades 7 and above in Maths and 47% passed English at grade 7 and above. Across the board more than one third of grades (36%) were a Grade 7 or higher.

At A Level our Year 13 students also secured some fantastic results with a 100% pass rate at A Level for 2026. Figures currently show that 82% of Academy students have achieved Grades A* - C , with 22% achieving the highest grades A*-A.

As students gathered to collect their results and celebrate with friends, family and members of staff, the focus as always was on next steps and where these results will take them next. Thanks to their high performance

Said Assistant Principal Ms Kuczynska-Fryer: “Results day is always about celebrating the individual achievements of all our young people and making sure they have secured the necessary grades to move on to the next step in their life journey. I am so proud of our students whose dedication and hard work has seen them achieve their goals.”

In total 92% of students are heading to university, with 82% securing a place at their first choice institution.

Among many individual highlights at A Level were Alfie Hurley, whose three A*s will see him studying Maths and Physics at the University of Manchester and Richard Wang, also with three A*s who will join Warwick University to study Maths.

The Burton Joyce and Bulcote Local History Society
PROGRAMME

We meet at 7.30 pm in Burton Joyce Library on the second Wednesday of the month from September to May.

Please look out for details of speakers on the Burton Joyce Information Page on Facebook.

2026

14 October
Mo Cooper - Stories from the Hunger Hills

11 November
Jeffrey A Sheard - Nottingham Suburban Railway Line with a brief look at the Brickworks in Mapperley and Thorneywood

9 December
Gill Lane - Video of interview with Cyril Cragg. Gill will be present to answer any questions.

2027

13 January
Adrian Gray - Scandal and Adultery. Marital Disasters of the Sherwood Nobility.

10 February
Felicity Whittle. Castle Gate virtual tour

10 March
Martin Gorman - Bromley House Library: A walk through History.

15 April
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Cruising for a Bruising
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Following a winter spent at our moorings in Gunthorpe and after enduring the River Trent in flood we decided to do a short 'shakedown' cruise. We had planned to spend a night at the beautiful wild island next to Hazelford Lock and on our way had called the Lock Keeper to ask for a pen through. However, before we could get there our engine started to make an alarming clacking sound. I'm no engineer, but I realised it was serious when Ian's first words were "That doesn't sound good" quickly followed by "That's terminal". I now know what an engine clack of death sounds like!

We managed to turn Meadow Pipit around and glide with the current back onto the mooring that we had just left. On inspection we had engine oil all over the engine bay - so it was serious! We sent an SOS to our fellow boaters moored at Gunthorpe to ask for help, and in the true spirit of boating had an offer of a tow from another boat that evening. After a torturous 5 hour trip back to Gunthorpe we finally arrived back at our regular mooring just before midnight.

At least we had shore power so could start the quest for a new engine. After much discussion, measuring and head scratching, we finally decided to replace our 20 year old 38hp Isuzu 4 cylinder engine with a new 43hp Beta Marine engine as Isuzu no longer manufacture the same engine. Beta agreed to modify the engine layout slightly to meet our specification.



Mooring stanchions that hold the pontoons in place on the flooding River Trent normally have 16ft showing above the pontoon.



Breasted up in Gunthorpe Lock with our fellow boater who towed us back



Our new Beta 43 Engine

Continued ...

Further discussion was had as to where it could be installed but we finally settled on Newark Marina. Once the engine had arrived Newark Marina sent a tug to collect us.



Newark Marina's tug 'Friar tuck'

There's always something interesting going on in a working marina – boats being lifted in and out of the water, onto hardstanding or lorries, not to mention a chandlery full of interesting things that you never knew you needed! We enjoyed watching the charity boat The Newark Crusader take folk out on trips up and down the river; a wonderful venture run entirely by volunteers to enable the less able to also enjoy our waterways. We had the privilege of watching Les's Leicester Trader, an 82' Trent Barge built in 1953, being craned out of the water and carefully manoeuvred with ropes onto hard standing ready for the hull to be blacked. Leicester Trader is moored on the river Trent next to Newark Town Bridge in Summer and operates as a waterways museum; it is open on Sundays and Bank Holidays (free entry) and is well worth a visit.



Leicester trader being craned out

The work finally got under way with the old engine being removed and new mounting brackets welded into position.



The new engine going in



The new engine in place ready to be coupled up

Placing a new engine into a boat when its in the water requires considerable skill and the work was carried out expertly. Once the exhaust, cooling water, controls and electrics had been coupled up we stood with baited breath to 'fire her up'. She started first time ran beautifully. After a gentle running in period to check all was well we were finally able to return to our mooring.

DSA TEAM



We are proud that a number of our Downs Syndrome team players attended the recent Special Olympics GB National Summer Games in Birmingham.

Over this summer, more than 1,200 athletes with intellectual disabilities from across England, Scotland and Wales came together for the Special Olympics GB National Summer Games 2026.

This was their biggest national celebration of sport, inclusion and community since 2017.



Across 21 days of competition and 15 sports, athletes competed with pride, passion and determination at events across Great Britain, culminating in a major four-day, multi-sport event in Birmingham across August Bank Holiday weekend.

The Special Olympics GB National Summer Games are a celebration of everything athletes can achieve when they are given the opportunity to thrive.

Well done to the players, coaches and parents supporting.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST MAGIC MOMENTS

Our U16 team were the first team of this season to be welcomed at The City Ground on Saturday 5th September for the fixture against Tottenham Hotspur.

Magic Moments was established by owner Evangelos Marinakis, with the aim to create unforgettable matchday experiences for children and young people across Nottinghamshire who may be facing significant challenges or who have made an exceptional contribution to their community.

As well as match day tickets, our U16's got to experience an exclusive behind-the-scenes stadium tour, walk out through the City Gound tunnel, have pitch side photos and meet the Nottingham Forest players.



New Teams Sponsors

We have two new teams this season, at U7 and U8 age groups, both have kindly been sponsored by **The Magazine**.

Teams are made up of players from Burton Joyce and the surrounding villages. Both teams have made a fantastic start to their first season, showing plenty of enthusiasm, teamwork and enjoyment along the way. **A big thank you from both teams for the continued support of The Magazine.**



Our new U7 team with volunteer coaches Sam and Sam!



Our new U8 team with volunteer coaches George and James.



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- **NOVEMBER 12TH** – How the Victorians celebrated Christmas - Anita Fernandez
- **DECEMBER 10TH** – Christmas Social – Fun, Games, and Food!

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

Other Activity Groups

- **Craft Club** – First Tuesday of the month
- **Rummikub** – Second Tuesday evening of the month
- **SWALK** – Short walks last Wednesday of the month
- **Walking Group** – First Wednesday of the month
- **Walking Netball** – 9.30am every Monday (except Bank holidays), at The Poplars Sports Ground, Stoke Lane, Burton Joyce.

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MONTHLY SPEAKER 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.

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER - AGM + ANDY SMITH "SONGSMITH AND OTHER STORIES"



Andy is a song-writing multi-instrumentalist (guitar, mandolin, ukulele, banjo, tenor guitar, sitar, piano) and singer and brings a car full of instruments to a meeting. He will take us on a journey through life featuring self-penned comedy songs and ballads played on a multitude of instruments, plus a few well known numbers, also explaining a bit about the instruments he has brought along. With lots of amusing chat and nostalgic anecdotes, this has become one of his most popular talks.

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Burton Joyce Library

Well done to all our young readers, you did an excellent job with the Summer Reading Challenge! The lucky winner of our raffle is **Lyla Smith**, congratulations Lyla – we hope you enjoy the craft box!

It's the Inspire Poetry Festival from Thursday 24th September to Thursday 1st October – check out our website for more information https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/whats-on/events/inspire-poetry-festival-2026/ or call into the library for a brochure of events.

We also have a **new Inspire Learning Course Guide for Autumn** – call in or check out our website for more details https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/skills-learning/

The National Year of Reading 2026 continues - if you're into it, read into it! Burton Joyce Library offers a brilliant mix of books for readers of every kind and if we don't have the title you need, we can order it for just 30p (free for under 19's & housebound) —an affordable, eco-friendly way to support your reading journey. Visit www.goallin.org.uk to learn more about the National Year of Reading.

Our Library Reading Group theme for October is 'Sense of Place (Europe)' – they'll be meeting in the library on Monday 12th October from 10am and are always happy to welcome new members.

The library hosts a Yarns and Threads group each Wednesday from 2pm – if you're working on a textile arts project (such as knitting, crochet etc) why not call in and spend an hour meeting new people, swapping patterns and having a chat whilst working on your project?

Rattle, Rhyme and Roll continues each **Wednesday in the library, from 10.30am-11am** – pop in to have a sing with your pre-schoolers, hang around to change your books and have a chat after. This under-fives session is free, and you don't need to book. Hope to see you soon!

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The new timetable introduced in December last year enables us to get from BJ to **St Pancras** within 2 hours with an 8-minute change in Nottingham. Unfortunately the new Aurora bimode trains that have been gradually introduced on the East Midlands Mainline from Sheffield and Nottingham have proved to be much less reliable than expected and EMR have had to introduce a temporary restricted timetable. Some trains were reinstated at the beginning of September, and most trains from BJ still enable us to get to St Pancras in under 2hrs. However, some require a 30min change in Nottingham - check timetables before booking tickets. Return journeys vary from 1hr 57min to 2hr 25min.
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Burton Joyce Train Timetables

Monday to Friday timetable to 11th December 2026

Lincoln	5.16			8.37	9.42	10.42	11.42	12.42	13.42	14.42	15.40	16.40	17.40	18.08	19.14	21.14	23.00	
Newark Castle	6.01	7.01	8.01	9.08	10.10	11.08	12.10	13.08	14.10	15.08	16.10	17.08	18.08	18.39	19.44	21.45	23.43	
Burton Joyce	**6.25**	**7.25**	**8.25**	**9.31**	**10.31**	**11.31**	**12.31**	**13.31**	**14.31**	**15.31**	**16.31**	**17.31**	**18.31**	**18.59**	**20.03**	**22.04**	**0.04**	
Nottingham	6.38	7.37	8.37	9.42	10.42	11.42	12.42	13.42	14.42	15.42	16.42	17.42	18.42	19.11	20.14	22.16	0.16	
		these trains continue to Beeston, Long Eaton, Derby, Stoke-on-Trent & Crewe and generally connect in Nottingham with xx.50 departures to London St Pancras, arriving 1 hour 37 minutes later												These trains go to Matlock				
Nottingham	5.37	6.27	7.17	8.25	9.27	10.27	11.27	12.27	13.27	14.27	15.27	16.27	17.22	18.27	19.50	20.50	21.27	22.34
Burton Joyce	**5.48**	**6.38**	**7.28**	**8.36**	**9.38**	**10.38**	**11.38**	**12.38**	**13.38**	**14.38**	**15.38**	**16.38**	**17.33**	**18.38**	**20.01**	**21.01**	**21.38**	**22.45**
Newark Castle	6.13	7.03	7.51	9.01	9.59	11.01	11.59	12.53	13.59	15.01	15.59	17.01	17.58	19.01	20.22	21.20	21.57	23.06
Lincoln	6.45	7.36		9.27	10.27	11.27	12.27	13.27	14.27	15.27	16.27	17.27	18.34	19.33	20.55	21.51	22.28	23.38

Saturday timetable to 12th December 2026

Lincoln	5.16		7.50	8.37	9.42	10.42	11.42	12.42	13.42	14.42	15.40	16.40	17.40	18.07		19.14		21.32
Newark Castle	6.01	7.01	8.19	9.08	10.10	11.08	12.10	13.08	14.08	15.08	16.10	17.08	18.08	18.39	19.12	19.44	20.09	21.56
Burton Joyce	**6.25**	**7.25**	**8.39**	**9.31**	**10.31**	**11.31**	**12.31**	**13.31**	**14.31**	**15.31**	**16.31**	**17.31**	**18.31**	**18.59**	**19.30**	**20.03**	**20.31**	**22.15**
Nottingham	6.38	7.37	8.51	9.42	10.42	11.42	12.42	13.42	14.42	15.42	16.42	17.42	18.42	19.11	19.42	20.14	20.43	22.27
		these trains continue to Beeston, Long Eaton, Derby, Stoke-on-Trent & Crewe and generally connect in Nottingham with xx.50 departures to London St Pancras, arriving 1hour 37 minutes later												to Derby+ Matlock	to Derby+ Crewe	to Derby + Matlock		
Nottingham	6.27	7.21	8.25	9.27	10.27	11.27	12.27	13.27	14.27	15.27	16.27	17.22	18.27	19.24	20.50	21.42		
Burton Joyce	**6.38**	**7.36**	**8.36**	**9.38**	**10.38**	**11.38**	**12.38**	**13.38**	**14.38**	**15.38**	**16.38**	**17.33**	**18.38**	**19.35**	**21.01**	**21.53**		
Newark Castle	7.03	7.58	9.01	9.59	11.01	11.59	12.53	13.59	15.01	15.59	17.01	17.58	19.01	20.00	21.20	22.15		
Lincoln	7.36	8.27	9.27	10.27	11.27	12.27	13.27	14.27	15.27	16.27	17.27	18.34			21.51	22.49		

Sunday timetable to 6th December 2026

Lincoln	8.53	11.09	13.10	15.09	18.09	22.50		Nottingham	9.33	12.54	14.54	17.25	22.30	
Newark Castle	9.24	11.39	13.39	15.39	18.39	23.21		**Burton Joyce**	**9.44**	**13.05**	**15.05**	**17.36**	**22.41**	
Burton Joyce	**9.48**	**12.04**	**14.04**	**16.04**	**19.04**	**23.45**		Newark Castle	10.09	13.30	15.30	18.02	23.06	
Nottingham	10.00	12.15	14.15	16.15	19.15	23.57		Lincoln	10.43	14.00	16.00	18.33	23.37	
		These trains go to Beeston, Long Eaton, Derby and Matlock										to Cleethorpes		

ORGANISATIONS & CLUBS

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Burton Joyce and Bulcote WI A member of the Nottinghamshire Federation of Women's Institutes	Burton Joyce Village Hall 7.00 pm start Other Activity Groups: Craft Club – Lunch Club – Walking Group – Walking Netball Contact: Lesley Comerie **07805 426483**	
u3a Burton Joyce & District Chairman Membership Secretary website–www.bju3a.co.uk	Michael Dobbs Gemma Gill	**0300 102 1383**
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.davenport10968@gmail.com
Burton Joyce Bowls Club Poplars Sports Ground You would be most welcome.	Secretary.; Dil Vowles **07879 425643** dil.vowles@talk21.com	
Burton Joyce Football Club	info@burtonjoycefc.co.uk	**07476 744065**

ORGANISATIONS & CLUBS (continued)

Burton Joyce Village Society Find out more about us at burtonjoycevillagesociety.org	Chair: Brian O'Neill; Vice Chair;Steve Wright Secretary: Richard Fife. **0115 931 2213** , Treasurer: Martin Roe, Membership & Communications Secretary; Hazel Doyle
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:Teresa **07855 032416** 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 Kathy on **07730 471613** or Deborah on **07484 860480** or email info.bjplayers@gmail.com
Burton Joyce Macular Society Support Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of January, March, May, July, September, November 10.30 until 12.00, Carnarvon Room, Burton Joyce	The meetings are open to anyone affected by central vision loss. family, friends and carers are also welcome. Please contact Alison **07875 316043** 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.
Burton Joyce Tennis Club	Cragmoor Road burtonjoycetennis@gmail.com For coaching enquiries contact Charlie Wood **07971 235020**
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NOVA	Paul Mittam	07973 872213
Phoenix Art Society	Rachel Huskinson	07930 271455
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Recreation Ground	Laura Smith	07803 054124
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Saturday Singers	Dick Huskinson	9312157
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Useful NAMES and CONTACT DETAILS

Benefice Administrator	Tracey Akehurst	0780 516 2088
BJ Library (Cl.Tuesday)	Meadow Lane	0115 9313360
BJ Parish Council (Clerk)	Jessica Sherrin	0115 9314084
BJ Primary School	Padleys Lane	0115 9312373
Carnarvon House	8 Willow Wong	0115 8440032
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Cllr. Sam Smith	cllr.sam.smith@gedling.gov.uk	07939 816704
Michael Payne MP	michael.payne.mp@parliament.uk	01159 902670
Core Centre Community Hub	Collyer Road, Calverton	0115 8470551 07305 109358
Delights + Post Office	Nicky & Julie 53 Main Street	0115 9313487
Ivy Medical Group	4 Wheatsheaf Court	0115 9312500
Main Hall, Old School Bldg	Jayne Savage	0115 9314084
Church Centre	Tracey Akehurst	0115 9652114
Pathfinder Bus Info		0115 9506070
Pear Tree Dental Centre	22 Nottingham Road	0115 9312935
Police	Call 101 for non emergency call Call 999 for emergency	
Poplars Sports ground	David List	07957 869096 or 9314084
Red Cross Medical Loans	Phoenix Park	0115 8528029
Rev. Anna Clarke	reverend.anna.alls@gmail.com	07535 017591
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Stoke Bardolph Village Hall	Kathy Dixon	0115 9870168 07895 787838
Tennis Club	Heather Ankers	0115 9537137
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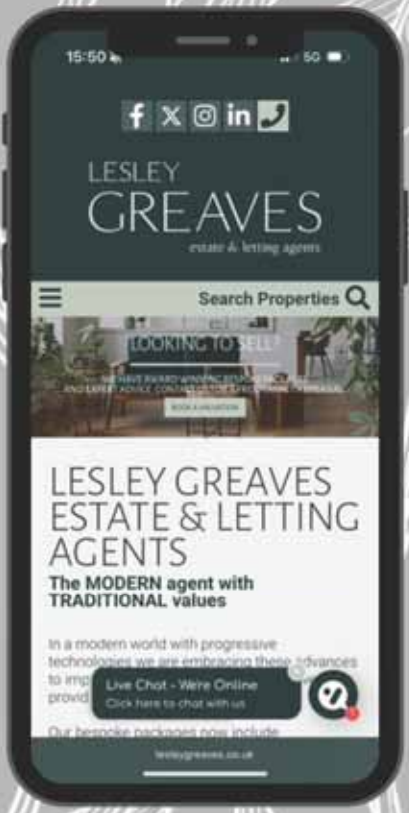
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