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Warsop Parish Council Launch

Grassroots Community Grants

In partnership with the East Midlands Combined County Authority (EMCCA)

£4,500 AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Community groups, organisations and clubs are being encouraged to apply for a share of £4,500 as Warsop Parish Council launches the first round of its new Grassroots Community Grants scheme.

The funding has been made available through the **East Midlands Mayor's Community Development Fund,** with Market Warsop ward selected by Mayor Claire Ward as one of just ten priority areas across the region.

The new grant scheme will provide £9,000 per year for three years to support projects that make a positive difference in the local community. Grants can be used to help bring people together, improve wellbeing, strengthen community life, or enhance the local area.

The first funding round opens this month, with grants of up to £1,500 available for eligible projects that benefit residents of the Market Warsop ward. Groups and organisations based outside the ward may also apply if they can demonstrate a clear benefit to local residents.

Applications must be submitted by **Friday 4th September 2026**, with funding decisions due to be made by the Grassroots Grants Panel on **Thursday 17th September 2026.**

Application forms and guidance can be accessed using the QR code below, or downloaded from: warsop-pc.gov.uk/news/grassroots-funding-grants

If you need help completing an application, would prefer a paper copy, or would like to discuss your project idea, please contact the Parish Council on 01623 846011 (Monday to Thursday, 9.00am–1.00pm) or email clerk@warsop-pc.gov.uk.

Warsop Parish Council is keen to support as many local groups as possible and encourages anyone with an idea that could benefit the community to get in touch.

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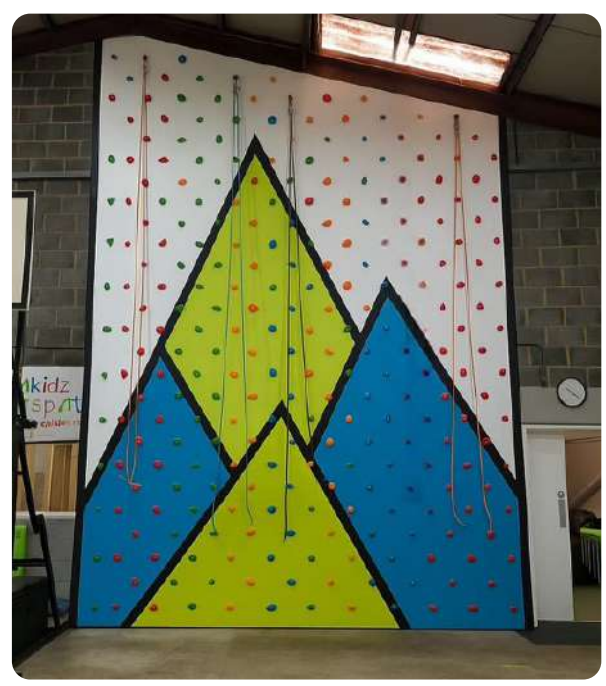

A new climbing wall will be installed at The Shed.

Investing in Our Community

Following the successful bid for the East Midlands Mayor's Community Development Fund, Warsop Parish Council has continued to identify further funding streams which will benefit the local community. As a result, The Shed will be receiving funding soon, which will allow them to make improvements and add new facilities. Here's what they had to say.

"We were over the moon to hear that we had won a recent funding bid. We will be getting a brand new multi use floor fitted in the hall, which is long overdue and will make such a huge difference.

We will also be getting a climbing wall fitted, which will benefit so many groups and will be an excellent addition to the Parish".

Neighbourhood Watch

Welcome to the Summer 2026 Edition of Warsop Parish News

This edition is packed with news, updates and stories celebrating everything happening across our community. From the launch of our new Future Warsop Grassroots Fund to community planting projects, school debate sessions and exciting plans for the former Town Hall, there's plenty to look forward to.

You'll also discover the fantastic work being carried out by local organisations, volunteers and community groups. Whether they're caring for our environment, supporting residents or bringing people together through local activities, their dedication helps make Warsop a great place to live.

We also continue to represent residents on important local issues, including the proposed Burns Lane closure, and we're grateful to everyone who has supported the petition and shared their views.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this edition and continues to support our community. We hope you enjoy reading it.

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Your Safer Neighbourhoods Team

PCSO Laura Morris has recently joined the Safer Neighbourhoods Team.

The team remains aware of ongoing concerns regarding the use of off-road bikes within the community. As part of ongoing enforcement activity, two off-road bikes were recently seized. An operation to tackle this issue is continuing, and the team has recently taken delivery of two quad bikes and an off-road vehicle to improve access to difficult terrain and support enforcement efforts.

The team hold regular beat surgeries across the area, providing residents with an opportunity to discuss local concerns and receive updates on policing issues. Details of upcoming surgeries will be advertised on social media.

You can also speak to your local officer digitally (not for emergencies).

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Just scan the QR code.

Burns Lane Proposed Closure - Petition Launched

We have still not received any updates from Nottinghamshire County Council (and the designer) about the proposed closure of Burns Lane.

The Parish Council believes residents deserve to be properly informed and consulted on any proposals that could significantly affect travel, access, and connectivity within our community.

In the absence of meaningful engagement, we are asking residents to make their views known by signing a petition a resident has launched. We understand that many of you have already objected to Stages 1 and 2 of the Consultation. However, this petition will be sent to the County Councillor, who will then present this to Full Council at Nottinghamshire.

If you object to this proposed closure, the petition is available to sign at the following locations until **midday 21st September 2026.**

- **Vibrant Warsop**
- **Lifespring (Town Hall)**
- **Inspire Library (High Street)**
- **Warsop Post Office (High Street)**

(Check online for opening times).

The petition will also be available to sign at the Parish Council meetings on the following dates between 6.30pm - 7.30pm.

- **Monday 20 July**
- **Monday 14th September**
- **Thursday 17th September**
- **Monday 21st September**

Could You Be a Parish Councillor?

Warsop Parish Council currently has two councillor vacancies for the Market Warsop and Netherfield wards.

If you're passionate about your community and want to make a positive difference, why not consider becoming a parish councillor? It's a rewarding opportunity to represent local residents, support community projects, and help shape the future of Warsop.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact the Clerk at clerk@warsop-pc.gov.uk or call 01623 846011.

The next edition of the Warsop Parish News will go out in winter. If you have an article to submit, or something you'd like to share, get in touch at events.coordinator@warsop-pc.gov.uk

Community Matters
Working together for a brighter Warsop

Community Efforts Bring New Life to Planters

Planters have been refreshed across Market Warsop, thanks to community efforts

Over the past few weeks, Chris and I have had the pleasure of refreshing several community planters around Warsop, including those outside the Parish Council, on the High Street, and outside Boyes.

What started as a simple idea to brighten shared spaces quickly became a wonderful example of local people coming together to make a difference. We have been overwhelmed by the support, encouragement and generosity shown by residents and businesses alike.

A special thank you goes to Christine from the Warsop Ex Servicemen's Club for her generous £70 donation, which will help fund spring bulbs for next year. We would also like to thank Cllr Andy McCormack for his £100 donation towards future planting and maintenance, and Jodie, Sue and Phill for kindly donating compost and plants to help complete the final planter.

The planters are more than just flowers. They create welcoming spaces where people can stop, chat and enjoy a moment in the village. It has been lovely seeing residents take pride in them and knowing they are helping brighten everyday life in Warsop.

Looking ahead, we hope to continue improving the remaining planters along the A60, as well as the pit tubs and surrounding areas. We would love local people to help shape these projects, whether through volunteering, sharing ideas or helping with planting in the future.

To keep the displays thriving throughout the seasons, we will continue to rely on support for compost, bulbs, plants and maintenance. Every contribution, no matter how small, helps us keep bringing colour and care to the heart of Warsop.

"This project is about more than flowers, it's about local pride, bringing people together and creating spaces everyone can enjoy."

Everyone has made our family feel incredibly welcome since moving to Warsop, and we are proud to be part of such a wonderful village.

If you would like to get involved, volunteer, share ideas or support future planting projects, please get in touch me by telephone phone **07824 531584** or email **cllr.kathy.grubb@warsop-pc.gov.uk**

Cllr Kathy Grubb.

Warsop Sunflower Challenge

In April, Warsop Parish Council launched the Warsop Sunflower Challenge and handed out more than 400 potted sunflower seeds across the community through Lifespring at Warsop Town Hall, Vibrant Warsop, and local schools.

Potted sunflower seeds collected from Lifespring

Prizes will be awarded in August for: Tallest Sunflower & Largest Sunflower Head.

The competition is open to all Warsop residents using the seeds provided as part of the challenge. To enter, simply send us a photo of your sunflower alongside a tape measure. Entries must be submitted by 12.00pm on 31st August 2026 to via the Warsop Parish Council Facebook page or by emailing us at events.coordinator@warsop-pc.gov.uk.

Winners will be announced on the Parish Council website and Facebook page. Submitted photos may also be used for promotional purposes.

Head to warsop-pc.gov.uk and search **Warsop Sunflower Challenge** for full terms & conditions.

Ready, set, grow!

Hanging Baskets to Return to High Street

The Parish Council's hanging baskets are due to be installed in July. We've been waiting for the right weather conditions before putting them up, although this year's weather has certainly kept us guessing, with everything from torrential rain to soaring temperatures!

The baskets have been refreshed for 2026 and are even more colourful than last year's displays. In total, 50 baskets will be installed throughout the High Street and along Sherwood Street.

We hope they bring a splash of colour to the streets of Warsop over the summer months.

A look back at last years baskets.

Community Matters
The stories, people and projects shaping our community

Town Hall Transformation Begins

Preparatory work has begun inside the former Town Hall building in Warsop as the project moves steadily toward a major phase of redevelopment planned over the summer.
The building, which was asset transferred for community use, is now the focus of a significant investment by Lifespring Church, who are funding the work through raised funds and funding grants, giving financial commitment to ensure the space can be restored and fully reopened for the benefit of local residents.

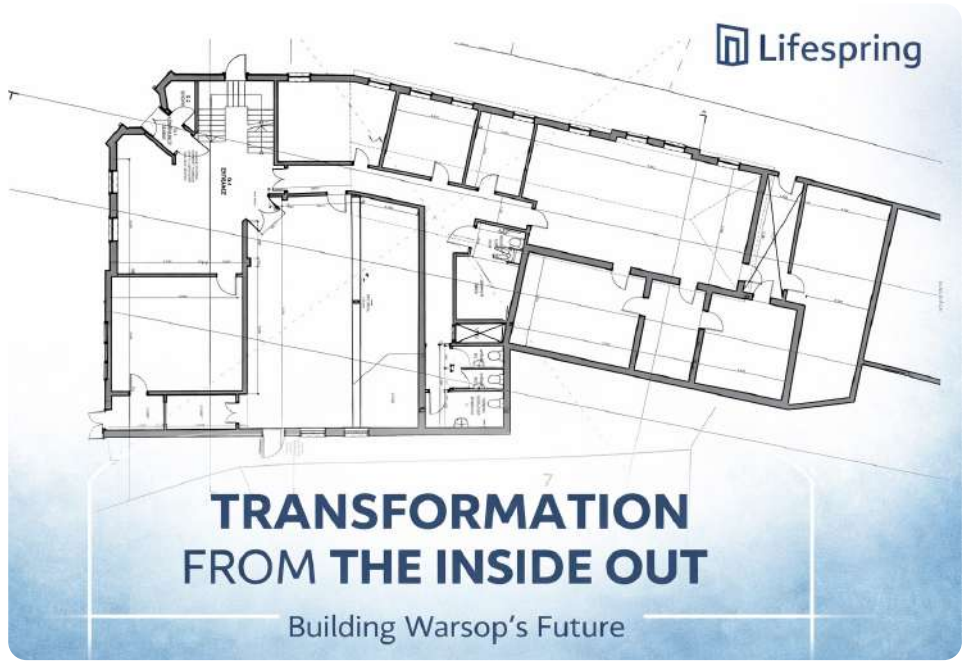
Over recent months, smaller internal projects have already taken place, including early clearance, removal of outdated fixtures, and initial preparation. These first steps have begun to reveal the potential of the building as it moves toward full redevelopment.

Summer: The Start of Major Internal Work
During the summer, contractors will begin the main phase of internal transformation. This will include:

- Removing some internal walls to open up unusable areas
- Rebuilding key sections to improve safety and accessibility
- Creating brighter, lighter rooms suitable for community use
- Introducing step-free routes and wider access points
- Modernising infrastructure to make the building warm, efficient, and future-ready

"The aim is to create a building that is practical, welcoming, and flexible enough to serve Warsop throughout the week"

Following a proven model from Ollerton: Lifespring's decision to invest heavily in Warsop is shaped by its experience in Ollerton, where the church transformed an older building that didn't have the space or facilities the community needed. Through redevelopment and thoughtful design, that site has grown into a vibrant community hub, now providing a variety of community events across all generations and community needs. The intention is to replicate those principles in Warsop, creating a space that is modern, inclusive, and designed around the needs of local people.



Blueprints for the development of Lifespring

A Long-Term Commitment to the Community: Lifespring has emphasised that the project is about restoring a central community asset and ensuring it remains available for residents, groups, and local initiatives. The church's willingness to invest funding and staffing reflects a long-term commitment to the town and confidence in the building's potential to serve Warsop for many years to come.

Visible Progress and Growing Anticipation: As smaller projects continue and the summer redevelopment approaches, anticipation is growing among residents who have long hoped to see the building revitalised. The transformation is now moving from planning to visible action, with the first signs of change already taking shape.

With work set to begin soon, the redevelopment stands as a positive step for Warsop, an investment in community life, shared spaces, and the future of the town.

Animal Therapy in Warsop

Funding Opportunity

Warsop Parish Council are offering part-funded animal therapy sessions for local community groups and organisations.

Animal therapy sessions can offer a wide range of mental and physical health benefits, helping to reduce stress and anxiety, while boosting motivation and overall emotional wellbeing.

Warsop Parish Council are offering 50% funding towards sessions to support those in the local community who would find this beneficial. If this is something you'd be interested in, or would like to discuss further, please contact Natalie at **events.coordinator@warsop-pc.gov.uk or call 01623 846 011.**

School Debate Teams in Session

In July, Warsop Parish Council will be launching its School Debate Team initiative, giving local schoolchildren the opportunity to experience democracy in action. Junior school pupils will be invited to the Council Chambers to take part in a mock council debate, discussing real issues affecting the local community.

Sherwood and Birklands School will be the first to participate, with pupils sharing their views as part of a Market Warsop ward consultation on Swallows Green.

This consultation relates to the East Midlands Mayor's Community Development Funding for the new park. The debate session will give children the chance to put forward ideas, debate different perspectives, and gain an insight into how councillors discuss and make decisions on matters that affect local residents. Eastlands, Church Vale and Meden School will be invited to attend a session after the Summer holidays.

For more information on this initiative, contact the clerk at clerk@warsop-pc.gov.uk or call 01623 846011.

Warsop's Wildlife

Exploring the Nature That Makes Warsop Special

Help Nature, Cut the Chemicals

Dukeries Eco Watch

Thousands of toxic chemicals are in routine use, on farmers' fields, in our homes and gardens, and in the products we buy. One way we can all help to protect nature and ourselves is by cutting the chemicals whenever we can.

1. Avoid "Forever Chemicals" (PFAS). PFAs do not break down naturally, so build up toxicity in our bodies and the environment.

Credit kingcounty.gov

2. Avoid laundry products that warn of being toxic or "harmful to aquatic life".

3. Choose non-aerosol and low Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) products. VOCs are harmful gases released from many everyday products, including aerosol sprays, paints, cleaning products, air fresheners, building materials, and garden chemicals. These emissions can negatively affect air quality and may pose health risks to people, as well as harm plants and crops.

4. Opt for organic food whenever possible. Living with fewer chemicals is better for our health and for our planet.

5. Avoid garden pesticides and plastic grass. Pesticides poison target "pests", all creatures along that food chain and the soil. Plastic grass reduces biodiversity. Often containing PFAS, it breaks down into microplastics, permanently polluting soil and water systems.

For more information, please join our Facebook page: Dukeries Eco Watch.

Warsop Wildlife Team: How You Can Help Wildlife This Summer

As spring turns to summer, we're urging the public to take note of our latest contact information to ensure injured, orphaned, or distressed wildlife can receive help as quickly as possible.

The warmer months are our busiest time of year. Wildlife is actively breeding, nesting, and raising young. However, while many people act with the very best intentions, not every young animal found alone actually needs rescuing.

If you are unsure whether an animal genuinely needs help, don't panic or immediately remove it from the wild. Taking a quick photo and contacting the team can help us give the right advice and ensure wildlife receives the best outcome. Make a note of our new contact details, and get in touch if you need help: 07758140834 / 07758140845.

There are several simple ways everyone can all support local wildlife:

Leave shallow water dishes out for birds, hedgehogs, and pollinators during hot weather. Add in stones so insects can safely climb out.

Check grass before mowing, hedgehogs and nesting wildlife are often hidden in long grass.

Avoid disturbing nests and dens, even if they appear unattended.

Create wildlife-friendly gardens by allowing small wild patches, planting pollinator-friendly flowers, and leaving access points for hedgehogs.

Warsop Footpaths & Countryside Group

"There were promising results from our water vole survey that we completed in May".

Each year we walk along the River Meden between the Mill Dam and Stone Bridge looking for evidence of water vole activity - faeces, burrows, runs and chewed grass. This time we found evidence suggesting there are at least four territories with pleasing signs of recovery in the section between the BMX track and the bridge at the end of Stonebridge Lane.

A less welcome feature along our riverbanks are Himalayan balsam plants. We continue to to try to keep parts of the parish clear of this invasive species. If you are lucky enough to have a waterside garden please make sure that you pull up all balsam plants before their seed pods explode.

By now our volunteers should be well into our programme of mowing along fifteen of Warsop's public footpaths and bridleways. We go out once a week, usually on Thursday mornings. Get in touch if you are interested in joining us. Or you can help keep the grass in check by regularly walking along these paths!

The weekend of 25th and 26th July sees the return of the Sherwood Forest Trust Woodland Festival at Thoresby Park. It brings together local makers, woodland crafts, family activities, nature talks and much more. Well worth a visit.

You can find ideas for local walks on our website and follow our activities on our Facebook page:

- facebook.com/Warsop1816
- warsopcountryside.wordpress.com

Get in touch with us

- Secretary telephone 01623 846281
- Email warsopfcg@icloud.com

Warsop Footpaths and Countryside Group is a community group whose members share an interest in the countryside. We maintain the public footpath network in Warsop, we undertake conservation projects and we share information about the local environment.

Credit: Warsop Footpaths & Countryside Group

The Friends of Thyghowe

Credit: Friends of Thygnhowe

'If the trees of Sherwood Forest could talk' is the name of our local guided walk on Saturday 18th July. It is part of the council for British Archaeology's 2026 Festival of Archaeology.

We will be looking at evidence from the time of the medieval Crown Forest, the estates of the dukes, the military occupation, modern forestry and its recent nature site status. It will be a steady walk with regular stops to look at features in the forest. Bring drinks and snacks, wear suitable footwear and come ready for the weather. Meet at the Budby Pumping Station forestry gate to start at 10.00am.

We are pleased to confirm that the re-enactors of Regia Anglorum will be returning to Sherwood Pines on the last weekend in September. Their living history camp provides fascinating insights into everyday live a thousand years ago and the arena displays recreate the conflicts of that time.

The Friends of Thynghowe also assist Forestry England with conservation tasks in Birklands. Our work sessions take place on one Friday each month and involve tasks including managing bracken and birch to create heathland habitats, creating halos around veteran oak trees, clearing the sides of rides to improve habitats, and eating cake!

For details of our upcoming events, or if you're interested in joining us, check out our website **thynghowe521978831.wordpress.com** or our Facebook group **Facebook.com/Thynghowe**

Community Life
Local groups, local stories, local pride

A Busy Few Months of Fun for The Inner Wheel, Warsop

The Warsop Inner Wheel members have been busy having fun.

February saw President Jenny hosting a soup and cheese lunch. This was enjoyed by members, guests and local people. A raffle raised funds for the Dementia Café held at the Oaklands.

In March members travelled to Llandudno joining members from Great Britain and Ireland for the Inner Wheel conference. The main guest speaker, Patrick Grant of great British Sewing Bee fame, judged outfits made by members from Inner Wheel scarves. Warsop's outfit, made by member Sharlotte, didn't win but was praised. The last night saw the Warsop members don matching outfits and partying the night away. A wonderful week of friendship and fun.

April saw members attend 3 events. The district rally in Nottingham gave members a chance to catch up with others from Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire over a meal. The district quiz got brain cells working with laughter being shared at the wonderful wrong answers! Lastly members enjoyed a visit to Oasis Community Garden in Worksop for a social outing.

More fun and friendship events are planned for the coming months including an afternoon tea, a picnic and a visit to the theatre.

Miss Joan Green, a member of the Inner Wheel Club of Warsop was recently presented with an International Inner Wheel Margarette Golding Award by District 22 Chairman Joy Fox, for Highly Commendable Personal Service.

It was in recognition of outstanding contributions volunteering for the National Police Aid Charity for over 19 years, sourcing, collecting and sorting goods to be delivered in Europe and Africa where there is need. She has been to Albania and Zambia with small groups on many occasions, always at their own expense, delivering educational and medical goods that have been donated. She was honoured by Kaseba School, Kafue, Zambia with the naming of a block of 3 classrooms The Joan Green Block. The volunteers at the present time are sending containers to Gambia and Zambia.

Joan said "I am honoured to accept this award on behalf of myself, Warsop Inner Wheel, District 22 and of course NPAC. I wear the badge with pride".

For more information on the InnerWheel, contact innerwheelwarsop@gmail.com

Upper right, Inner Wheel Members.
Immediate right, Joan Green (left) is presented with her award by District Chairman Joy Fox.

Warsop Probus News

So far this year we have had 5 speakers. A female veterinarian professor, a local entrepreneur, a explorer tell us about his adventures to Antarctica, a historian tell us all about Bolsover Castle, and a radio sports commentator. More interesting speakers are booked to come over the next 2 years.

If you would like to come and join our male/female probus group, we meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10:30am in the Plough Inn, Warsop. If interested and require more information please contact Brian 07977879993.

Retired From Work, But NOT From Life?

Fancy a change from the usual mundane routines? Why not come along and see if you fancy joining any of the u3a interest groups. It's like a youth club for the older generations!

We also have a monthly guest speaker who will entertain us for around 1 hour before we have time to socialise, grab a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits, catch up with friends, or try your luck on the raffle!

We meet at 10.15am on the 3rd Monday of every month at the Oaklands Complex, Oakfield Lane, Warsop, Notts NG20 0JE. Two visits are free, but if you decide to join the u3a there is a £20.00 per year subscription at the next meeting.

u3a

Old Warsop Society

Everybody is welcome to come along to our monthly meetings held on the last Wednesday of every month apart from in August and December. On Wednesday 30th September we will be holding our Annual General Meeting and quiz. We meet at the Oaklands Centre on Oakfield Lane.

The meetings start at 7:30pm with the doors open from just after 7.00pm. Most members renew their membership at our AGM (it only costs £10 a year) although if you would like to sample what we do you are welcome to come along (we appreciate a small donation) before you decide whether to join.

If you enjoy viewing our pictures showing Warsop's past you can view many images on our Facebook page. Everybody with a Facebook account can view them on **facebook.com/oldwarsopsociety.**

The Mission Hall on Church street where Boyes now stands. It was built in 1874.

Local school visit to Warsop Health Hub!

As part of the Mansfield District Council Career Ambassador programme, we recently supported Yeoman Park SEND school in Mansfield Woodhouse and arranged a visit to the Warsop Health Hub.

The students have recently been learning about health and fitness and the school approached us to see if we could help. Working in partnership with Serco, we arranged a visit over two mornings to the hub for a small group of students. During their visit they had a tour of the building, met some of the team, learned about the pool maintenance and testing and set up activities in the main hall – and then had a go at badminton!

Lauren from the centre did an amazing job – she explained her role and the day to day activity that takes place in the busy hub, talked about the role of a lifeguard and also showed the students the maintenance room which was fascinating! She even took time out of her busy day to demonstrate some first aid skills including CPR and we bandaged each other up!

We then introduced life skills into the session and ambassadors talked about the different roles and careers within a leisure centre setting and the students participated in an activity to manage a staffing budget.

Thank you to Gavin Short from Serco who kindly supported this visit and Lauren for facilitating the tour and activity.

Amy Metter-McIntyre from the school said; "Warsop Health Hub visit was a success and the learners were able to get a lot out of the experience, so thank you for sorting! We look forward to working with you again soon".

Marie Clay, Leisure and Community Wellbeing Manager added; "It was wonderful to see that Serco were so on board in supporting Yeoman Hill School's wish to experience "a day of the life of a leisure centre". They supported these experiences with such enthusiasm and provided a wonderful experience for the school children. Hopefully aspiring future generations to consider the leisure industry as their future work aspiration. This isn't something that Serco are contractually obliged to do, but to support local schools, their communities and inspire local children."

Francine Rowley *- Talent and Skills Adviser*

Our Community Garden

Creating a beautiful flower garden and a space for wildlife.

What is going on down on Portland Street?

Residents and local groups have envisaged and planned a community garden on this site. Bowring Transport had the foresight to provide the land for the garden, rather than building houses.

The garden has been developed over the past two years with volunteers sharing their time and skills, with support from co-ordinator Caroline Hughes.

Caroline said, 'we wanted to create a positive space where people can gain confidence in gardening for wildlife, as well as create a lovely space to keep us all blooming!'

Our combined effort has already attracted butterflies, bees and gold finches. It takes time and patience though, and we have some amazing volunteers who give incredible support, from experienced gardeners, cubs and scouts and their parents, not forgetting our amazing ninja gardener Pat, who you may see buzzing around Warsop on her mobility scooter, as she tends to plants in public areas.'

Vibrant Warsop community garden is an ongoing project growing flowers, vegetables, finding ways to protect bees, butterflies and birds. We welcome everyone to join our happy team of volunteers either regularly or just now and again! Currently you can come along on Tuesday mornings to find out more and nip into our coffee morning at the same time.

If you haven't seen what we are talking about take a walk down and enjoy. Our next phase of work includes making this site more accessible for everyone and if you have suggestions we are very happy to make the most of local expertise.

For more information pop in on Tuesday or call Maddy at Vibrant on:

07984 367 153

Is there a story you would like to share for the Vibrant 4 page section? Please contact:

Tel: 07984 367153 • Email: maddy@vibrantwarsop.org

www.vibrantwarsop.org

Warsop Carnival Fundraisers!

If you are a local venue, business or organisation and you would be happy to run an event with us to raise funds then please contact the Warsop Carnival Committee.

As many people will know by now, this year's Warsop Carnival isn't going ahead due to the need for more volunteers and organisations to support as well as the cost of running the event.

It takes a little army to put this community event on, so the Committee are working on fundraising events throughout 2026 whilst hoping to gain more volunteers for the committee and a range of jobs that need doing on the day of the event.

If you think you could be one of those helpers then please get in touch with the Committee.

One of most recent fundraisers has been in partnership with the Black Market Venue to host a Party Bingo night.

The Black Market Venue, New Image Hairdressers, Phil Dackombe and Vibrant Warsop all donated prizes for the raffle and the Carnival Committee raised an amazing £466 after all costs taken into consideration but more importantly everyone had a fantastic fun night out.

The manager of the Black Market Venue, Siobhan said:
'it isnt something we would normally consider hosting as we are a music venue, however we wanted to support the Carnival and it turned out to be a great night'.

Warsop Ex Servicemans are also supporting by running a second Party Bingo on September 12th.

If you have stories to share or you would like to learn more about articles in

The Black Market have teamed up with Warsop Parish Council to host a

TAYLOR SWIFT CONCERT

With supporting local artists including:

- **Whats Left**
- **Richard 'Stan' Hallam**
- **Just Fran**

Just Fran is a local acoustic-folk singer, performing original songs alongside covers by artists such as The Levellers, Ferocious Dog and Jess Silk.

What's Left are a fun loving rock and rolling band from the East Midlands, playing songs you can sing and dance along to! -

Richard 'Stan' Hallam is a dynamic solo acoustic guitarist playing all your favourite rock and indie tracks.

One of the fundraising events coming up is

WARSOP'S TALENT SHOW

We know there are many creative individuals who don't always get the opportunity to showcase their talents so we are working in partnership with The Black Market Venue to provide this opportunity.

From singing to acting, juggling to dancing.
Whatever your talent, whatever your age, then please get in touch!
We would love to give you the opportunity to shine!

You must be available

- **Sunday 16th August for audition**
- **Saturday 26th September for the show itself.**

You can apply via email, stating your name, age and talent to either: **maddy@vibrantwarsop.org** or **siobhan203@hotmail.com**

Once you have applied, you will be invited to an audition for us to have chance to get to know you, see how brilliant you are, and to see how we can support you on your performance journey.

Tickets for the show will go on sale from July either online via **www.blackmarketlive.co.uk** or over the bar at the venue.

Tickets will also be available from the **Vibrant Venue** on Portland Street, with more information on the **Warsop Carnival facebook page**

Tickets are just £5 and all ticket money will be going to **Warsop Carnival 2027**.

Good Luck and get applying!

Walk and Talk!

Warsop residents of all ages were encouraged to get out and about this May as Walk Notts launched its second Walk Notts Festival.

Thanks to a small enabling fund which was available to help activate walking and wheeling activities, Vibrant Warsop hosted a countryside walk on Wednesday 27th May.

The group started at Warsop Health Hub on Carr Lane and made their way to Warsop Vale view point before returning back to the Health Hub for refreshments; and we were ready!

Along the way, Steve Horne from the Warsop Footpaths & Countryside Group, shared local history stories, countryside facts and butterfly identification.

Each participant also received a goody bag for taking part and we received great feedback from everyone who attended.

Warsop Health Hub also held 2 Pushchair and Parent walks, starting from The Family Hub in Warsop and finishing with refreshments at the Health Hub.

Lots of people like walking but don't want to go alone. If you would be interested in a weekly walking group then please contact us at **vicky@vibrantwarsop.org.**

We would love to help get something like this up and running.

The Walk Notts Festival which ran from 1st to 31st May aimed to promote walking and wheeling opportunities and activities across Nottinghamshire.

The campaign sought to highlight the physical, mental, environmental and social benefits of moving around on foot or by wheelchair, mobility scooter, or other mobility aids right from their doorstep.

The festival featured a wide range of initiatives and activities organised by community partners across the region.

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If you would like an event to be added to the diary please contact: Email: maddy@vibrantwarsop.org or Telephone: 07984367153

News & Notices

A place for community updates and shared memories

Remembering Debra Barlow

Earlier this year, Warsop Parish lost one of its most passionate advocates with the death of Debra Barlow.

Born in Warsop Parish, Debra's connection to the area ran throughout her life. Although her nursing career took her abroad, her love for the community she called home never faded. She returned with the same determination and sense of purpose that would later define her contribution to local life.

Debra served as a Parish Councillor from 2016 until her death, including two years as Chair, and as a District Councillor from 2019 to 2023. She approached both roles with energy, commitment and a genuine desire to improve the lives of local residents. Many will remember her as a founder member of Let Warsop Speak, where she played a leading role in opposing the Stonebridge development.

Debra helped form the Swallows Green community group, where she worked alongside local residents to help raise funds to improve the field. She was also a passionate ambassador for the transplant service, using her experiences to raise awareness and support others.

Debra was forthright, determined and never afraid to speak truth to power. Whether people agreed with her or not, nobody doubted her sincerity or her commitment to the causes she believed in. She cared deeply about Warsop Parish and fought tirelessly for the people she represented.

Those who knew Debra will remember more than the positions she held. They will remember her warmth, her humour, her strength of character and her willingness to stand up for what she believed was right. Her contribution to Warsop Parish will not be forgotten, and her legacy lives on in the community she loved and worked so hard to serve.

Cllr Debra Barlow – A passionate advocate for the Warsop community.

Philip John Denby

Philip John Denby sadly passed away on the 14th February 2026 at King' Mill Hospital. Ward 33 was truly amazing, and we would like to thank the whole team for their support whilst Philip was on the ward. Nothing was too much.

Ward 33 are currently raising money for their own ECG and Blood Oxygen machine. In support of this, we raised money at the funeral and via a Go Fund Me page, totalling £1,275.00.
Written by Pauline Denby.

Above left Philip Denby (Known as WAG - Former Miner).
Above right Keela and Caz (King's Mill HospitaL) with Amber Jones (Granddaughter) donating money raised.

St Peter & St Paul's

Funerals
2nd February: Sybil Myram King 91 yrs
11th February: Shiela Henderson 76 yrs
11th February: John Thomas Hughes 94 yrs
17th February: Harvey Malcolm Oldham 80 yrs
19th February: Norman Tindall 73yrs
3rd March: Brian Beswick 86 yrs
16th March: Sidney William Parker 87 yrs
19th March: Janet Archer 81 yrs
19th March: Maureen Ann Slaney 88 yrs
24th March: Rev Valerie Sharpe 92 yrs
27th March: Philip John Denby 76 yrs
30th March: Philip David Bown 69 yrs
8th April: John James Johnson 83 yrs
17th April: Gerald Sutherland Crew 92 yrs
22nd April: Brenda May Hall 69 yrs
24th April: Frances Mary Harvey 93 yrs
7th May: Terence Raymond White 87 yrs
7th May: Hazel Milner 92yrs
27th April: Mary Elizabeth West 95 yrs
29th April: John Richard booth 76 yrs
15th May: Carole Childerley 79 yrs
22nd May Brian Bower 81 yrs

Baptisms
3rd May: Limiyah Cynthia Maria Jones.
10th May: Penelope-Pearl Saxton.
24th May: Sophia-Rose Anderson-Loyd

Sunday Morning worship
St Peter and St Paul: 10.00am Holy Communion (sung)
St Augustine Sookholme: 11.30am Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays only
St Peter and St Paul's Church is open 9.00am till 12.00pm every day except Friday's when Church is closed.

Wedding and Baptism bookings taken by appointment only contact: Valerie Spencer

Church Warden: office@warsopparishchurch.org.uk
Telephone: 07407724184

Parish Centre (Tudor Barn) contact: Carol Barker: chunky53@sky.com, telephone 07817246864.

Lotto Numbers: 1st / 2nd / 3rd

February:	427 04 223
March:	155 305 386
April:	342 118 294

Planning Application for Mansfield Road

A planning application has been submitted by Gladman Developments for Mansfield Road (A60) - 290 houses. We informed residents about this earlier in the year. If you wish to comment, the application can be found on the planning portal **(ref 2026/0280/OUT)** planning.mansfield.gov.uk/online-applications

Keeping Up With Your Councillors

Connecting you with your Parish Council

An Update from Cllr Nadine McGuinness

Hello everyone, I hope you are all enjoying the recent sunshine and keeping well.

At our Annual Meeting in May, I was honoured to be re-elected as Chair of Warsop Parish Council for a second year. I would like to thank my fellow councillors for their continued trust and support.

Over the past 12 months, we have achieved a great deal together. One of our most significant successes was securing funding through the East Midlands Mayor's Community Fund, which is already helping us invest in local projects and opportunities for residents. We have also strengthened the Council's operations, with three dedicated members of staff supporting residents, delivering events, and helping to keep the Council running effectively.

I would like to warmly welcome our newly elected Parish Councillors, Kathy Grubb and Andy Hawkins. Both bring enthusiasm and a commitment to serving our community, and we look forward to working with them in the months ahead.

Sadly, this new chapter also comes at a time of loss for our community. We were deeply saddened by the passing of Councillor Debra Barlow. Debra was a passionate advocate for local residents and played an important role in projects including Stonebridge and Swallows Green. Her dedication and commitment to Warsop will be greatly missed.

Your Parish Councillors have continued to work hard behind the scenes on a range of initiatives and community projects. Our planters and tubs have been refreshed with colourful summer displays, helping to brighten public spaces across the parish.

"We have also launched the Future Warsop Grassroots Fund, providing support for projects that make a positive difference in our community".

In addition, our new schools democracy programme is giving local pupils the opportunity to visit the Council Chamber, take part in mock debates, and learn more about local government and civic life.

Councillors have also undertaken extensive training in recent months and are continuing to develop plans for a number of community initiatives that we look forward to sharing with you in the future.

As always, we are here to listen. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please contact your local councillors or get in touch with our Clerk at clerk@warsop-pc.gov.uk.

Thank you for your continued support.

Cllr Nadine McGuinness
Chair, Warsop Parish Council

Work Experience with Warsop Parish Council

In May, we welcomed Natalie for a week of work experience with the Parish Council. Natalie proved to be an enthusiastic and dedicated member of the team, embracing every opportunity to learn from parish councillors, office staff and the wider team. Here's what she had to say about her experience.

"The Parish Council have offered a wealth of valuable advice during my placement. Between the powers of a delegated authority, the various committee authorities, and their role within the wider community.

I was able to sit in on the annual meetings of both the Parish and the Parish Council, where the chair and vice chair were appointed, Parish functions were discussed, and future plans were put in place. I also learned how the Parish operates as a pressure group, voicing the needs of the local area and ensuring Warsop is properly represented. As an aspiring lawyer, the insight on the power of the Council and their application of statute in day-to-day life was very interesting as it made clear the link between the law and society.

Furthermore, the behind the scenes view into a detailed events safety management guide for a large event, adhering to Martyn's Law and ensuring safety for all, showed me how events preparation links closely with the law.

The week also entailed preparing meeting agendas and minutes and a look in to the many internal controls and statutory requirements of a local authority, such as the signing of the annual governance and accountability return.

I was also able to read historic issues of the Warsop Parish Newspaper, an interesting look at Warsop through time, and talk to a member of the Citizens Advice Bureau who offer essential services to give advice those who need support.

My favourite part of the week was when I designed a grant proposal for a small project, which provided another key example of council functions and the steps taken to provide the local area with support and funding to thrive".

"Thank you to Warsop Parish Council for the opportunity!"

A Royal Invitation

Earlier this year, Nottinghamshire County Councillors were informed that four tickets were available to attend a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. Interested councillors were invited to put their names forward and entered into a draw, and I was fortunate to be selected.

Royal Garden Parties are hosted by members of the Royal Family to recognise and thank people for their service to communities, charities and public life. Thousands of guests from across the country attend each year in recognition of their contributions. The weather on the day was perfect and Buckingham Palace looked magnificent in the sunshine. The event was hosted by the Prince and Princess of Wales, and it was a wonderful experience to be among so many people from different communities.

It was a proud and memorable occasion, and I felt very fortunate to represent our area at such a special event.

Cllr Andy McCormack.

Cllr McCormack Resignation

Warsop Parish Council would like to inform residents that Councillor Andy McCormack has stepped down from his role as Parish Councillor for Netherfield Ward due to work commitments.

Andy will continue to serve the community in his capacity as Nottinghamshire County Councillor for Warsop, and we thank him for his contribution to the Parish Council during his time in office.

Upcoming Town Hall Meeting Dates

- Monday 20th July
- No meeting in August
- Monday 21st September
- Monday 19th October
- Monday 16th November.

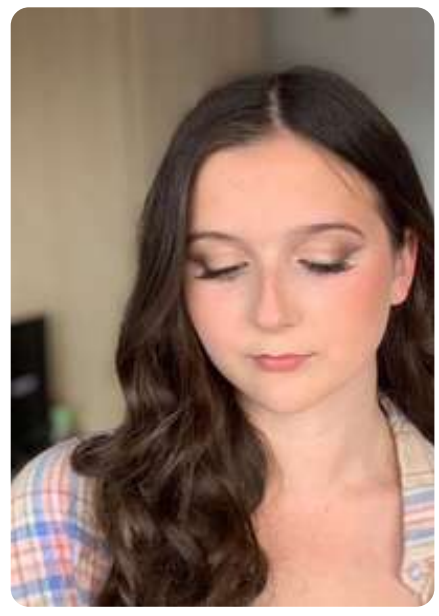
Meetings take place at Lifespring (Warsop Town Hall from 6.30pm).

Made in Warsop

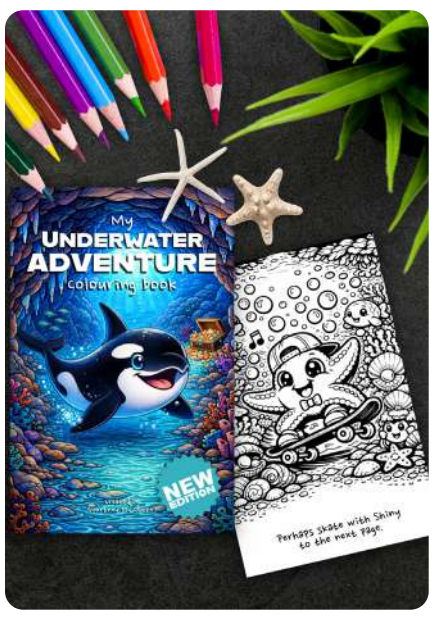
Celebrating talent & creativity in our community

At the heart of every community is creativity, and here in Warsop there's plenty of talent to celebrate. In our last edition, we invited local people to share their work with us, from art and poetry to photography and painting. The response was inspiring, and this feature is dedicated to showcasing the creativity and passion found right here in our community.

My name is Emma Cox and I am 18 years old. I have just graduated from my level 3 makeup artistry course from west Notts college and am now hoping to build up my own makeup business. I have had experience in creative makeup for photoshoots as well as glam hair and makeup for bridal parties. I am hoping to start getting more bookings over this summer, I currently have some prom bookings for 2026 school graduates and am really looking forward to making these girls feel beautiful on their special days! If you would like to book with me message me on instagram @looks_byemma or on Facebook @Emma Cox.



Hi, I'm Courtney McConnell, a multi media artist and wildlife photographer originally from South Africa, now happily based in Warsop. My work is shaped by a lifelong love of nature, storytelling, and visual creativity. I recently published my first children's colouring book on Amazon, and I'm passionate about developing imaginative projects that blend digital media, illustration, and playful design. Whether I'm behind the camera or creating new artwork, I'm always exploring ways to inspire curiosity, creativity, and joy.



I moved to Warsop twenty five years ago, and when I retired in 2005 I taught myself to paint with water colours. These are a few of my efforts which I have painted over the last few years. **Mike Costigan**

Do you have a talent to share? Whether you're potty for pottery, a whizz at woodturning, or bonkers for baking, we'd love to hear from you! Send us a short piece about yourself and your passion, along with 3–4 pictures, to events.coordinator@warsop-pc.gov.uk and keep your eyes peeled for the next issue.

My name is Justin Carroll and I am 55 years old. I moved to Warsop from Colchester in Essex in 2024. I started painting when I used to paint the back of my leather jackets in the 1990's when I was into rock and metal. Over the years, I continued to paint off and on, mostly cats and dogs. I was made redudant in October 2025, and since January I have focused more on getting into my artwork and the pictures provided are ones I have done since the beginning of the year. I find it allows me to focus my mind and the joy I get in presenting the finished pieces to the people I am doing them for is magical. I am currently thinking whether this is something I can do as a vocation and will be looking into that possibility.

These images are paintings by our group at Vibrant Warsop. We meet every Tuesday 1.30 at the Methodist church on Portland street. We welcome beginners and improvers!

I'm always excited when Tuesday comes along and at 1.30 we start our watercolour class, where either beginners or improvers enjoy the 2 hours painting and get the support from each other and from me. Everyone is welcome! I usually print off an image to copy or they just do their own thing! Sometimes we have a bit of music playing in the background and other times quiet but always get the kettle on! Along with biscuits or cake, not bad for £5 with great company and fun!
Caroline Hughes.

Greg's Pet Pantry Welcomes Warsop Pet Owners

Greg's Pet Pantry officially opened its doors on Friday 6th March 2026 and can be found at 3 Sherwood Street, Market Warsop, NG20 0JP.

We are a family-run business owned by George and Chloe, with help from our relative Ashley, who is always lending a hand. The inspiration behind the business was our miniature dachshund, Greg, who the shop is proudly named after.

Built on a genuine love for pets, Greg's Pet Pantry was created with a simple mission: to provide quality pet products at affordable prices for local pet owners. We believe every pet deserves the very best, and every owner deserves honest value and friendly

Originally from Bournemouth, we moved to Market Warsop in 2021 and quickly fell in love with the village and community. Greg himself was born in Market Warsop and has spent his whole life here - especially enjoying walks around The Carrs. We felt there was something missing locally for pet owners, and that's how the idea for Greg's Pet Pantry came to life.

We currently stock a range of supplies for dogs, cats, and small pets, and we are excited to soon be opening our own dog grooming salon. We also offer a local delivery service for customers in the surrounding area.

For more information, find us on Facebook: Greg's Pet Pantry or email us at gregspetpantry@gmail.com.

Greg is waiting to welcome you at Greg's Pet Pantry

Are you a new business based in Warsop?

Let us help spread the word! Send us a bit of information about who you are and what you do, along with some pictures, and we'll feature you in our next issue. Just get in touch at and we'll do the rest!
events.coordinator@warsop-pc.gov.uk

Warsop Yesteryear

A look back through the pages of Warsop

Warsop Wives Group

On 25th April we welcomed visitors from Spion Kop Ladies Group and Mansfield Woodhouse Triangle Group to our Hospitality Night. We organised quizzes and bingo and a free raffle, and member provided a buffet supper.

During April some of our members visited St. Peter's, Mansfield Cameo Group for a Social Evening.

On 9th May members brought old photos of babies, weddings and Wives events and refreshments were served.

On 14th May members went by coach to Whitby and also visited Goathland where "Heartbeat" is filmed. We had a very enjoyable day.

Future meetings are:

6th June - Quiz Night versus the Constitutional Club team;

Sunday, 18th June - 5 mile sponsored walk in aid of our charity fund;

20th June - Summer Fete at the home of Jean and Eric Simmons, Clumber Street (Watch out for posters). There will be various stalls and strawberries etc.

27th June - Carnival meeting.

Members recently presented £400 worth of equipment to Warsop Health Centre.

Help to Save the Ducks and Daffodils

Since the decision was taken to allow fishing on the Mill Dam in Warsop I have been concerned for the safety of the wildfowl and upset about the destruction to the natural habitat.

The wildfowl are in danger from line, hooks and irresponsib[illegible] people and the once beaut[illegible] banks are being replaced [illegible] concrete. The only way the habit[illegible] would be conserved and th[illegible] wildlife protected is if you complain[illegible] to the District Council.

If, like me, you care about [illegible] wildlife please express y[illegible] concern by contacting the P[illegible] Manager at Mansfield Di[illegible] Council or by complaining t[illegible] elected District Councillors at t[illegible] morning surgery at 14, High Stree[illegible] Warsop on the first Saturday [illegible] each month, 10am to 12 noon.

Please help to protect the d[illegible] and daffodils before there are [illegible] left.

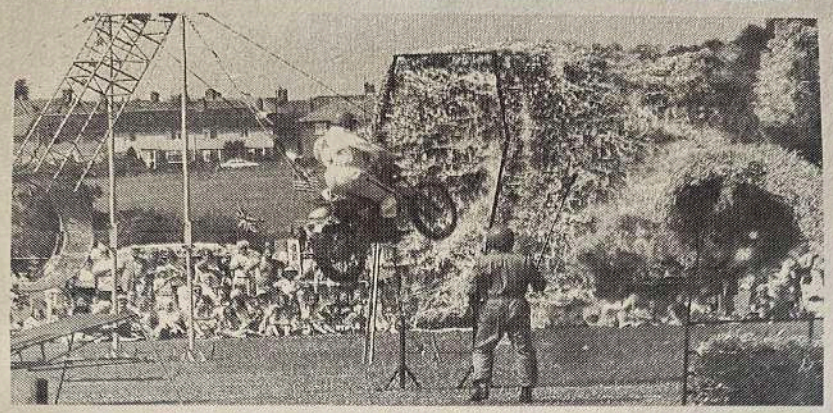
Thank you
W. Jackson

WARSOP and District NEWS

This issue we're revisiting the June 1995 edition of the Warsop and District News.

From local events and community groups to fond memories, here's a glimpse of what was happening in Warsop over 30 years ago.

WARSOP CARNIVAL 9th JULY 1995



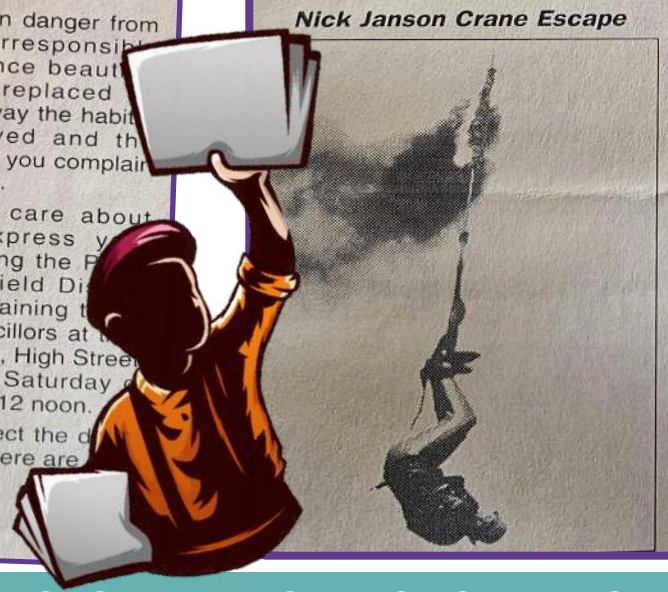
Motorcycle Mad Men

Carnival Day draws nearer and we hope you are all getting ready for it. The Carnival Committee and their helpers are all working hard to make it th best ever.

The main attractions this year include K9 Commandos (Service dogs display team), Nick Janson Crane Escapes, Deco Flying Angels Gymnastic Display Team and in case anyone missed last year's Carnival, the spectacular Motorbike Madmen returning to this year's display.

In addition to our main attractions we will be staging the Pub It's a Knock-Out, Schools Football 5-a-Side, Adult Football 5-a-Side, the Flower Show, the Chad Roadshow, Charity stalls and a fairground.

Nick Janson Crane Escape



As usual we will be starting the Carnival with a parade with bands and hopefully as many floats as last year. We hope you are working on your ideas for a float. Judges will be giving 1st, 2nd and 3rd in Adults and Childrens classes. As such a lot of work goes into your floats we think that there should be two competitions.

The Flower Show will also be staged on Carnival Day, Sunday 9th July and exhibits will include flower arrangements, plants, cut flowers, hanging baskets and vegetables. There is prize money and trophies to be won in every class. This year we have Sir Richard FitzHerbert to present the trophies and as always the event is sponsored by Mansfield District Council.

The Warsop in Bloom Committee put in a lot of hard work to stage this event and we were so pleased at the number of entries in 1994, so please come along and support the Show again. We will be serving refreshments again, including our special cream teas.

Schedules will be available from Sisson Jewellers, Sheila's Florist and Warsop Library.

More details of both the Carnival and Flower Show in next months paper.

Remember the date - Sunday, 9th July, 1995 on the Carrs - Warsop Carnival. Let's have a ball!

Andy Wetton, Chairman,
Carnival Committee.
Sheila Wright, Chairman,
Warsop in Bloom.

Cookery Notes
Rhubarb Flan

Shortcrust Pastry
8oz Plain Flour
2oz Margarine
2oz Lard
or
4oz Vegetable Fat
¼ level teaspn Salt
Cold water to mix

Filling
1lb Rhubarb
2oz Sugar approx (or to taste)
Cooking Tin 7" x 11" x 1¼"
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[illegible]z Good Quality Margarine
[illegible]z Castor Sugar
[illegible]ggs
[illegible]z S.R. Flour
[illegible]w drops Almond Essence

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[illegible] Prepare rhubarb, cut into short lengths.

Make shortcrust pastry, roll to shape, line cooking tin, fit well.

Arrange rhubarb in pastry case, sprinkle with sugar.

Cream together margarine and castor sugar until light and fluffy.

Add slightly beaten egg by [illegible]degrees, beat well between [illegible]ach addition to avoid curdling, [illegible]dd almond essence.

Fold in sifted flour, spread [illegible]reamed mixture over rhubarb.

[illegible]oll out pastry trimmings, cut [illegible]nto strips for lattice, arrange [illegible]ver topping, seal ends well to [illegible]astry case.

[illegible]ake in a moderately hot oven, [illegible]egulo 4, 350°F, 180°C, 25 [illegible] 30 mins approx, reduce if [illegible]ecessary after initial cooking.

B.L.O.G's Get-together

Are you a Burns Lane Old Girl, leaving School in 1945, or shared a Class with Sheila Bell, Barbara Clark, Eunice Langrick and Dorothy Slaney? If so, then why not join them at the Major Oak Visitors' Centre Restaurant on Friday, 23rd June, 1995 between 1.30 and 3.30pm. Please pass on this message to other Classmates that you may know, living outside the area. It is hoped that as many as possible may attend this informal "Girls" get-together.

Longden Terrace Bowls Club

We are a friendly lawn bowls club based on Longden Terrace, near the centre of Warsop (NG20 0NQ).

We play competitive matches on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, as well as hosting a friendly 'roll up' every Tuesday from 2.00pm. These relaxed sessions are perfect for practice, socialising and trying bowls for the first time. Tea and biscuits are included, and bowls are available to borrow, just wear casual clothing and trainers.

We welcome new members of all ages and abilities, with a great mix of male and female bowlers. If you'd like to give it a try or find out more, pop along on a Tuesday, you're guaranteed a warm welcome.

Notts CC VS Warwickshire

Thursday 23rd July from 9.00am

The John Fretwell Complex for another 50-over clash against Warwickshire.

Join us at our Sookholme ground, renowned for its top-notch wickets, facilities, and hospitality.

As always, our not-for-profit Warsop Sporting Trust welcomes you for a memorable day out.

Car parking fees and entry fee's apply.

WARSOP PARISH COUNCIL OPENING HOURS: MONDAY TO THURSDAY 9.00AM - 1.00PM