

Long Whetton News

AUGUST 2021



Why do we have motorbikes on the cover of the village magazine? Has there been a mix-up? Turn to page seven inside to find out.

Also in this issue; a summer holiday treasure hunt for the kids, sports, history, wildlife and more.

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EDITORS COMMENTS

In this issue you will see an article about a village resident who has an unusual job. We would like to hear from anyone who has an out-of-the-ordinary job, be it a lighthouse keeper, astronaut or whatever. The stranger, the better.

Thank you to the new volunteer distributors who have joined us, your help is hugely appreciated. We are still in need of more help. If you can spare just half an hour or more every month to deliver to a few streets we would love to hear from you. Message Penny or email us. Contacts at the bottom of the page.

Helen Connolly has asked us to ask if anyone knows of any blackcurrant bushes in the village. They used to be quite prolific but she can't find any now and hasn't been able to find any blackcurrants in the shops. If you know of any please let us know here or on the village facebook page.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Penny and Neil, what a lovely photo on the front cover on the June edition.

I thought you might be interested in a little of the background to Little Thatch.

This was my mum and dad's (Ron and Sheila Blyth) first house after they were married on the 11th October 1951. They rented it from Mrs Barnett. I was born there on the 17th February 1953

at 7.00am. Mum always had great affection for the house. It was always called "her little house". It's a pity that she died just before this picture was published.

There used to be a Fire Insurance Plaque on the front of the house which I don't think is there any more.

*Kind regards,
Shirley Blyth*



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LOCAL WILDLIFE *by Eric Swift*

Wasps. Not our favourite creatures. Especially this time of year. They're just angry bees but not as useful. Aren't they?

Actually, wasps, or yellowjackets to use their much cooler, superhero name, are predators and play a vital ecological role, controlling the numbers of potential pests like greenfly and many caterpillars. It has been estimated that the wasps of the UK could account for 14 million kilograms of insect prey across the summer, greatly reducing the number of insect pests on our crops and gardens.

They are valuable pollinators, transferring pollen as they visit flowers to drink nectar. It is their thirst for sweet liquids that helps to explain why they are so bothersome at this time of year.

There are two main categories: solitary wasps and social wasps. Adult solitary wasps live and operate alone, and most do not construct colonies. All adult solitary wasps are fertile. By contrast, social wasps exist in

colonies numbering up to several thousand individuals. Every social wasp colony has the same caste system: one egg-laying queen wasp, sterile female worker wasps and male wasps.

New colonies are started in spring and expanded over summer. By late August,



wasp nests have very large numbers of workers but they have stopped raising any larvae. All the time nests have larvae, the workers must collect protein, which accounts for all those

insects they hunt in our gardens. The larvae are able to convert their protein-rich diet into carbohydrates that they secrete as a sugary droplet to feed the adults.

The colonies decline in late Autumn and end in winter.

Wasps make their nests from chewed wood pulp and saliva, giving them distinctive papery walls. Nests are usually built in sheltered spots with easy access to the outside. Their most common sites are in wall cavities, roof spaces, under eaves, in bird boxes, sheds or garages.

After reading this wasps are still not going to be anywhere near koala bears or pandas on your favourites list. They remain angry bees, but with a purpose.



A wasps nest built around a bird box on a house in West End pictured in July. The wasps have used wood from the bird box to make their nest. Note the fascinating structure



AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB *Alex Lowes*

Sometimes you come across someone who has a different job. Not a nine to five job. Not a job that was ever mentioned in your careers advice sessions in secondary school!

Alex Lowes has one of those jobs. Alex has been a resident of our sleepy village for three years with his wife Corrine. He works for

Kawasaki Racing Team (KRT), racing one of their factory built 1000cc superbikes in the World Superbike championship.

You might think that doesn't sound too difficult, but you'd be wrong. Here's what it entails:

Alex's season starts in late January with a trip to Spain. With

a group of fellow racers he spends a few weeks, riding practice bikes around race circuits, motocrossing, and racing mini-bikes to get 'bike fit'. Then it's off to Australia to acclimatize a week before official testing at the Phillip Island circuit, ready for the first race of the season a week later.

The race weekend consists of two practice sessions on Friday. Another practice session on Saturday followed by qualifying and then a race. Sunday involves a warm up session followed by two races. This can add up to around 130 intense laps, every one contributing to his



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state of employment for the following year.

Following this he'll fly to Qatar or Thailand for the second round two weeks later. Then back to Europe where the championship goes from country to country every other week, including Donington Park.



There is a short summer break somewhere in between. He actually forgoes his summer break to race in the Suzuka 8 Hours endurance race in Japan. He and his team have this won multiple times.

The season usually concludes in Argentina in October. 14 rounds over 32 weeks.

Alex will occasionally fly home for a week, but mostly he travels from circuit to circuit staying in hotels or a motorhome at the track.

But the season doesn't quite finish after

the last round. In November they begin testing new bikes and parts for the next season in Spain, where the weather is more amenable.

To be able to cope with the G-forces and wind buffeting his head at 180mph for long periods of time a huge level of fitness is required. Training never stops, but is eased a little in December. It then starts in earnest at the beginning of January, six days a week unless racing, which includes gym sessions with his personal trainer and mountain biking. You'll often see Alex running through the village for a swift 5k.

His fitness is constantly monitored by the team, including visits to a

performance coach at Barcelona football club four or five times a year for a comprehensive fitness check which includes blood works and body fat levels (his body fat percentage has to be 10% or less).

As we go to press Alex stands in fourth place in the World Superbike championship, just three points adrift of third place. He needs a good streak of podium finishes to catch the leaders but the championship title is certainly not out of reach.

Definitely not nine to five.

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GRACE UNDER PRESSURE *Ed Kennedy*

At the time of writing this article, the England football team were still in the European Championships, the Tour de France and Wimbledon tennis had just started, and the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Japan were on the horizon. In all the above events, and many others, men and women – individually and in teams – perform under the extreme pressure of all that goes with competing at the highest level in sport. Not only would they have their own hopes and expectations brought to a moment of triumph or despair, but there would also be the hopes and expectations (amplified many times in the media) of supporters and in some cases whole nations.

Competition, by definition, is about winning and losing but is that the full extent of it, or is there something more significant in the nature of the performance and in how victory is celebrated, and defeat accepted? The late American writer, Ernest Hemmingway, defined 'style' as 'grace under pressure'. Competitive sport, as a metaphor for life,

can be instructive and inspirational but 'grace under pressure' is shown in all aspects of life and in different ways. Consider Desmond Tutu's 'style' when under the extreme pressure of ensuring that the Peace and Reconciliation process, in post-apartheid South Africa, continued with rigour and integrity - he still found time to laugh and dance!

Neither elite athletes or Desmond Tutu were born with their particular 'style'. It evolved through training, commitment, and faith in what they do. For a Christian, the supreme example of 'grace under pressure' is found in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. It is through the daily challenge of practice, commitment, and faith, and of following Christ wholeheartedly, that defines for each of us the particular 'style' of what it is to be a Christian.

May you find grace, whatever pressure you're facing,

Ed Kennedy (Lay Reader and Churchwarden of All Saints, Long Whatton)

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Purchase of the Methodist Church is still under consideration for use as a community building. The Parish Council wants your thoughts about the uses of the facility and the repair and upgrade works required to the building, including creating an off-road car park. Email parishcouncil@lwdpc.org.uk to have your say.

There is still a vacancy for the position of Councillor in the Long Whatton Ward. Would you like to have a say about the local issues people care about, decide how local money is spent in the Parish to improve your community and want to make a positive difference and be involved in shaping the

future of the local community?

To find out more contact any of the current members or the Clerk at parishcouncil@lwdpc.org.uk. All details for the position are on the Parish Council website. <https://www.lwdpc.org.uk/news/2020/06/parish-councillor-vacancy1>.

A HUGE thank you to everyone that took the time to complete the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire. We will now collate the information and report back to you.

The Parish Council meet on a monthly basis, usually the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd September 7.00pm.

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CHURCH SERVICES

There is a new pattern of services in the benefice as we continue to emerge from lockdown...there will be a service at All Saints Church in Long Whatton on the 1st Sunday of each month (and in the other 5 churches of the benefice). Every following Sunday in the month there will be a Holy Communion service rotating between the different churches of the benefice (see below for locations in August)

On 1st August and 5th September there will be a new 'Inside and Outside church' service. Those planning to attend these services should please be at the church at 10:20am.

Inside the church will be a service with praise, prayer and fellowship. Outside the church there will be a service designed to be a community event, where those that are able to walk briskly, will walk around the village, crossing farmland and going up the hill in the village, pausing en route to enjoy the nature and reflect together. Dogs on leads and

children are welcome to join the walk. Those who are unable to walk for 45 minutes are welcome inside the church.

There will be refreshments for everyone when the walkers return.

We hope to welcome you all at these 'Inside/Outside services' as well as the other services in the following months.

The benefice Holy Communion services will still be streamed onto Facebook (Kegworth and Hathern benefice page) and online morning prayer at 8:30am Monday-Saturday will continue.

Services in August:

1st August	Long Whatton - Inside & Outside
8th August	Kegworth
15th August	Belton
22nd August	Long Whatton
29th August	Hathern
5th September	Long Whatton - Inside & Outside

FAREWELL TO ARMS *A poem by David Griffiths*

I gave my cricket boots away
I would not need them any more
The missus said "I should think not,
You cannot play at seventy-four".

She said "We'll have a good clear-out
Your flannels, sweater and your cap,
They might sell at the jumble sale.
Don't look like that you sad chap'.

Women do not understand.
Perhaps my dreams could join the queue;
Then what about the memories?
They might be worth a bob or two!

The villages of Leicestershire
Whose names and men I still confess
Like others down in Hereford
And from the Wolds to Holderness.

The days beneath a cloudless sky
All afternoon the sun had shone
And with a little bit of luck
I would have got that longed for "ton".

Then that wicket taking turn,
The batsmen grope against the spin,
Just then the captain takes me off,
I know this way we will not win.

Evenings at some distant pub
With laughter and tall stories told
We're making runs aplenty then
While beer goes down like liquid gold.

I've given my cricket boots away
I will not need them any more
The sweater and the flannels too
The memories I'll put in store.

WHATTON HOUSE GARDENS: LAYING OUT A NATIONAL COLLECTION *by William Stanger*

After visiting other National collections, I have noted a few things that should avoid problems in the future. The first thing I have noticed, is that many collections plant similar thing right next to each other. Even with

a planting plan or some sort of record, it has been difficult to figure out which is which. You would think labelling would help, but labels often get misplaced, or damaged. When it comes to using a planting plan or pant records, they often prove difficult to understand, unless you are the person who made them. With that in mind I am keen to introduce a basic

data base, to create bed/border lists. Each entry should include what is planted either side of it, to act as a reference point. I try to avoid planting similar looking things in the same bed to make identification easier. For example, I would not plant two different pink Aster varieties near each other. This way you can use a process of elimination, to identify what is in your borders, using a written record.

Given the above, I am proposing to use the following scheme for the Philadelphus collection. The pattern starts with a single flowered Philadelphus, followed by an evergreen (Pittosporum or Elaeagnus) then a double flowered Philadelphus, and lastly another evergreen. This will hopefully avoid any confusion later on, and make a planting

plan easier to follow. It is not the only planting scheme I have in mind for the Philadelphus. It is however a starting point for the varieties we have procured so far. Some parts of the garden can be exposed to strong gales, so this planting



Bourghton House, a well layout mixed border.

scheme will act as a shelter belt.

I was advised to plant the Philadelphus in groups of three. Should one die there will still be two as a back a up. Aesthetically a group of three will have more impact than a single specimen. Thirdly having a bigger mass should ensure that not all three specimens would be smothered out by an over enthusiastic neighbour. As a guide the three plants would be spaced out at 1.2m (4ft) apart, I am not concerned if they grow into each other and appear to be one big plant. I would then leave at least 2m (6ft) between this group and the next, in this case an evergreen. 2.4m (8ft) would be preferable. This gives each different type of shrub or tree plenty of space to grow

without encroaching on its neighbours. It also means there is space for a gardener to work in, and get between each plant to prune them.

If you look at an overgrown border, you



Philadelphus 'Belle Étoile'

will soon appreciate why I insist on an absolute minimum of 2m between each different kind of shrub. It is tempting to plant them closer together when they are small, but they

will soon grow. It is also tempting to use fast growing shrubs as temporary fillers, while waiting for slow growers to fill out. I prefer to not to, as it is likely no one will remember to take out the temporary fillers, and the original intention(s) is forgotten. Taking all this into account, we should be able to ensure that the Philadelphus collection is given a good start and well documented.

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GIRLGUIDING *by Susie Ashcroft*

The last month has seen our brownies also get back to face to face outdoors; they enjoyed making flying fizzer rockets, team games and outdoor crafts.

Rainbows gained their Lead Skill Builder badge. They have led dance challenge, team games, obstacle courses and changing the rules to games we all know and love. It is great to see them learning to work together, sometimes with new friends from different schools.

Guides are back in the Friendship Centre now and they have done so well adapting to wearing face-masks whilst indoors. They have had a calm evening of making window stickers with special paint and a more hectic night of barbeques of backwoods cooking (cakes in oranges, hotdogs, S'Mores & cinnamon buns!)

Rainbows and Brownies have started up in Kegworth again due to the units now being full here in Long Whatton. As delighted as we are to have additional units running for girls to grow and have more adventures together, we now have half the leaders we had! We will not be able to run without more help! Please consider if there is any time you could give to help out, there are many options and ways to help. All training is given but you could be a unit helper if the responsibility of leader sounds too much! It really is a lot of fun for adults as well as children!

If you or your daughter would like to join in the fun please get in touch at crawshawdistrictguiding@outlook.com or register your interest at www.girlguiding.org

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS *Anne Matravers*

This month I want to talk about that, possibly least favourite subject, finance! We are so blessed in this village in that we have a wonderful core of faithful, generous people who regularly give to the church and quite frankly have kept it up and running over the years, particularly in this last difficult year. We all owe them a huge vote of thanks. As I've said before the church belongs to everyone in the village and is the responsibility of all our residents, not just those who worship in it. You may have heard that at present the church authorities are looking at rural churches and how viable they are. I am sure that the state of their finance will be one of the criteria looked at – certainly not the only one.

Last year and the first part of this year, saw a real and worrying drop in income as without services in church there were no collections and, of course, we couldn't do any fund raising. As we slowly come out of covid restrictions we are starting to have services in church but

not on a regular twice monthly basis as before. Hopefully in the near future we will be able to run some fund-raising events – ideas and offers of help please! Of course, expenses didn't drop! Insurance, energy costs, maintenance, diocesan costs and benefice expenses still have to be paid.

Please consider carefully how you can help to keep your church up and running and in reasonable condition. We would love to hear all suggestions as to how we as a village who, I trust, values its beautiful ancient village church, can improve our financial position especially in the long run. If you would like to know more or if you feel that you would like to give a donation on a regular basis please contact me – I would love to hear from you. Of course, we are always grateful for one off donations. Thank you!

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LONG WHATTON SHOTOKAN KARATE CLUB

Our club has continued to grow again this month, with new starters joining us from neighbouring villages and some of our local residents. It's been a fantastic to help get people active again after such a challenging time over the past 18 months.

With restrictions now starting to lift, we will follow all official guidelines on the way to returning to normal.

Despite the weather we've been having, our students continued to train hard through the summer heat, and apart from a couple of weeks where the hall was closed for renovations, we have been training every week.

In the near future, we're hoping to arrange a grading for our more experienced club members in recognition of their continuing

hard work – some of whom were only days away from a first or second grading when the initial restrictions came into force back in March last year. Hopefully we can make up for lost time and get them that next belt soon. In the meantime, stay safe everyone

Interested in giving karate a try? We now run a junior class from 5:30pm and then a second session from 6:30pm for our slightly older children and adults. Anyone who would like to learn karate can take advantage of our free trial session offer to see if it is for them. Get in touch via our Facebook Page @longwhatton karate, e-mail the club at longwhattonkarate@gmail.com, or contact the club secretary on 07714335598



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THE WHEELHOUSE

The Wheelhouse, number one Main Street, opposite Smithy Lane, is a curious building. Or rather multiple buildings.

Viewed from the front the house was originally two small, one-up, one down cottages. The front door of the left one faces the road, but the other has a front door round the side which is no longer in use. They were built in 1780. There remains a chimney and fireplaces for the upper and lower floors of the right hand cottage but, oddly none in the left cottage. Above the front door there used to hang a metal plaque from the Sun insurance company, which is now restored and mounted in the house.



In the 1800s two more bays were added to the left adjoining the cottages. The left window used to be a cart entry and has been infilled.

Behind this frontage, at a right angle to the front are two more bays, built earlier, in the early 1700's. They are partially timber framed, brick built on a substantial stone base.



And finally, adjoining that is a single story, rough timber framed workshop with a high pantiled brick roof and infilled with brick, probably dating back to the 1600's. Behind the workshop is a small outbuilding, timber framed, and brick with the same roof tiles that was known as the apple store. Just inside to the left is what appears to be a latrine.



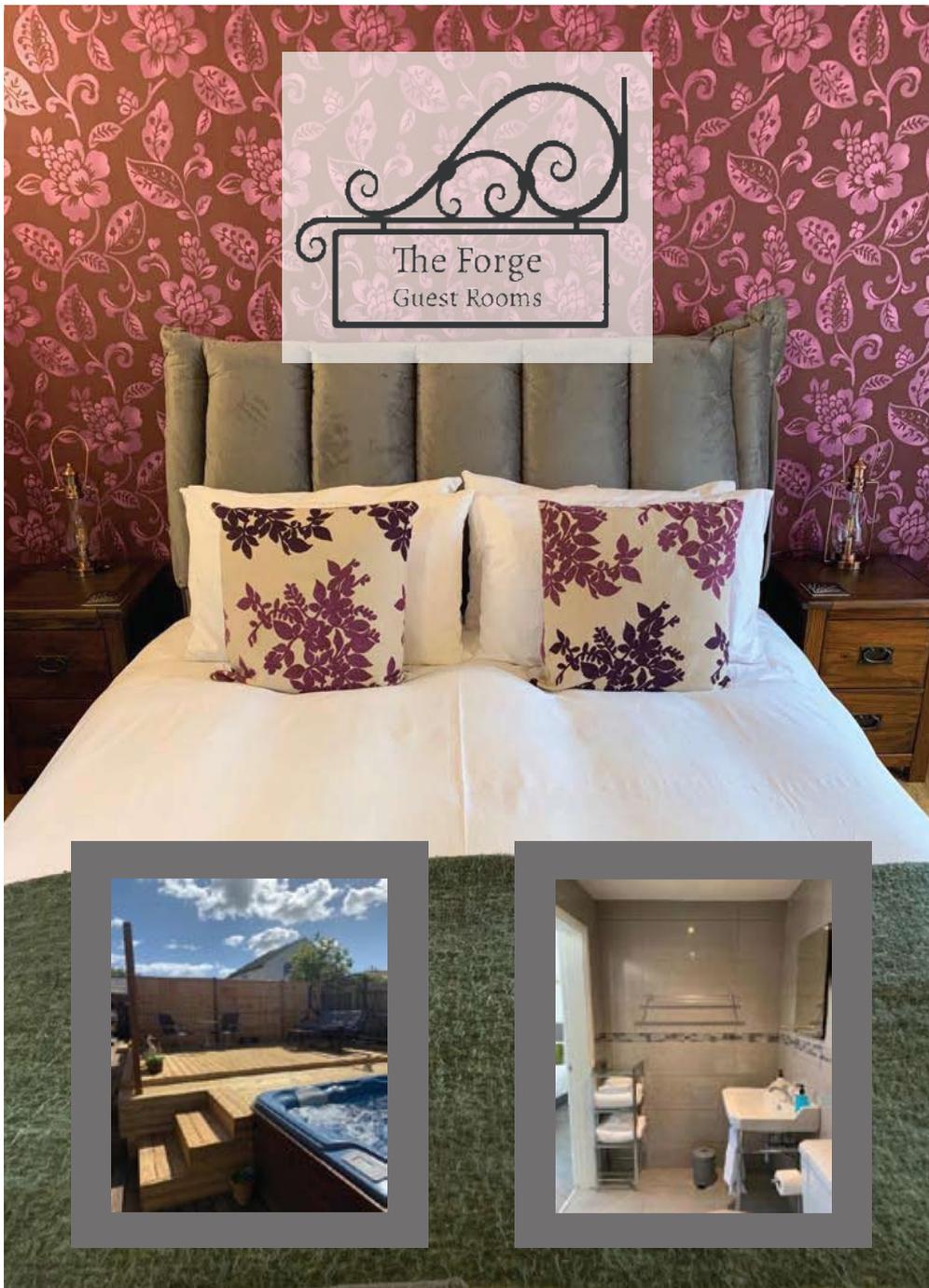
So, it appears the workshop came first with a small cottage built on the end a few decades later, a cottage added as an extension several decades later, two more small cottages added



to it sixty or seventy years after that and a roadside extension completing it a few decades later. Nowadays they form one house.

The workshop has a long history as a smithy and wheelwright. One of the latter wheelwrights was William Purday who used a steam engine to power his circular saw in the early 1900s.





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BEACH PARTY TIME *at Playgroup*

To celebrate the end of the summer term the playschool threw a 'Beach Party' day on the last day. Endless fun came in the form of a water slide, music, sand, bubbles and of course a picnic packed lunch. This year we have waved goodbye to 6 children who have left us to start school. It has been lovely being part of their journey, supporting them in their learning and watching them grow from tiny toddlers to independent 4 years olds ready for school. We know that the children are ready for their next adventure and that they will have lots of fun at school.

We hope that over the summer break you are all able to get outdoors and enjoy our beautiful countryside. If you are stuck for things to do then why not go on a scavenger hunt....Can you find a feather, a long stick, an object that is smooth, and object that is prickly, something that makes a noise when you tap it? We would love to see what you find on your hunt, so please post your pictures on our Facebook page, just search for Long Whatton

Playgroup.

Finally, after making the tough decision to postpone our previously advertised Scarecrow competition, due to low numbers, we are delighted to announce the new date of Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th September.

We cannot wait to see lots of your amazing scarecrow creations displayed throughout the village so please do enter the competition. To add to this event we will also be organising a Table Top sale on Saturday 18th September. People can register for the sale and be added to the map at a cost of £2 and then sell their items, (brick-a-brac, toys, books etc) outside the front of their house. There should be lots of people walking up and down the village looking at the Scarecrows so it would be a great opportunity to have a sort out, sell some unwanted bits and maybe even pick up a bargain. Registration forms for both the Scarecrow competition and Table Top sale will be available from the village shop at the cost of £2 each.

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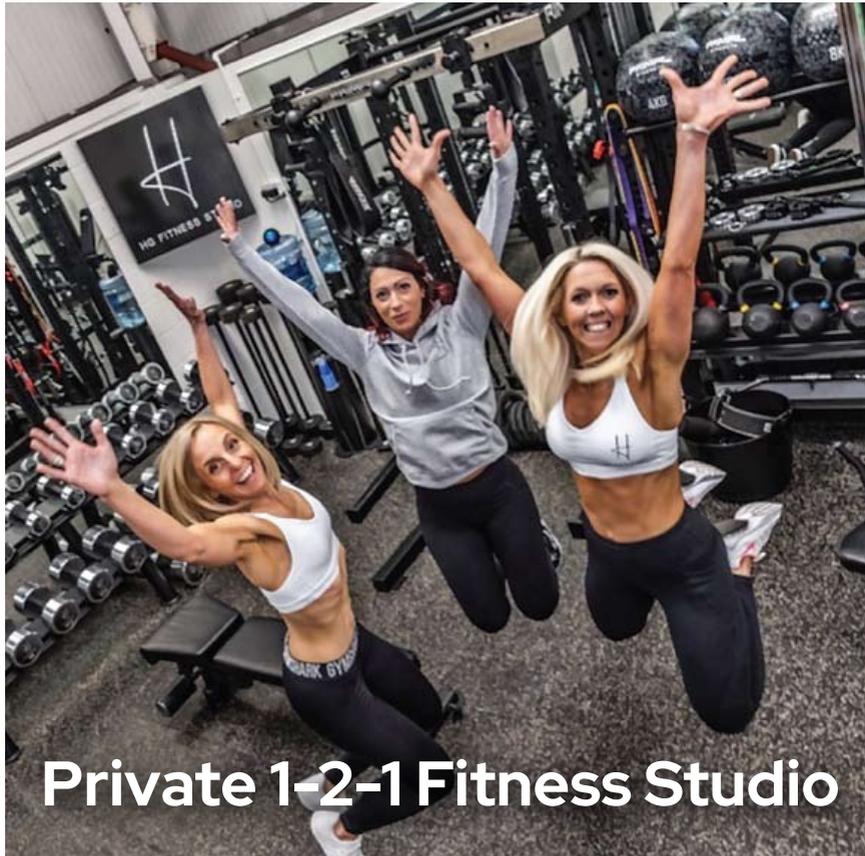
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DELIA'S HOMEMADE LEMONADE

I was quite shocked when I heard on the radio that Delia Smith had her 80th Birthday in June of this year.

As I start to write the Cookery Column in sweltering July heat I'm reminded of one of her books 'Delia Smiths Summer Collection'. Each of her books and TV series were eagerly anticipated and brought with them what became known as 'The Delia Effect'.

It started when she recommended using a lemon zester on her first cookery programme, Family Fare, in the early 70s, sparking a nationwide shortage of the implement. Sales of a particular omelette pan made by a small Lancashire company rose from 200 a year to 90,000 in four months. Supermarkets were stripped of eggs, prunes, cranberries and a certain type of stock cube, while sales of skewers suddenly shot up 35%, just because Delia was seen using some.

So the recipe today is for Homemade Lemonade courtesy of Delia.



What you need

6 large Lemons
Approx; 5oz (150g) of granulated sugar

What you do

- 1) Scrub the lemons in warm water, then thinly pare the coloured outer zest from 3 of them using a potato peeler or zester.
- 2) Any white pith will need to be pared from the strips of zest with a sharp knife – this is

important to prevent the lemonade tasting bitter. Now put the zest in a large bowl and add the squeezed juice of all the lemons (don't bother to strain the juice at this stage) and the sugar. Next pour in 2 1/2 pints (1.4 litres) of boiling water, then stir well, cover and leave overnight in a cool place.

Next day stir again and taste to check the sweetness, adding a little more sugar if needed. Now strain through a fairly coarse sieve, as it's nice if some of the lemon remains. Pour it into bottles, using sterilised

corks, then chill thoroughly. Serve the lemonade either straight or diluted with soda water, with lots of ice.

Finally, a bit of trivia: Did you know that Delia Smith baked the cake that appears on the cover of The Rolling Stones album 'Let It Bleed'?

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Young beginners, Primary and children's ballet classes up to Grade 4 are held every Saturday
Small classes to develop confidence and enjoyment through dance and storytelling styled movements.
Dance/Drama for older pupils. Enquire for class times and details.

DISEWORTH VILLAGE HALL - WEDNESDAY
Adult ballet classes will resume from mid May onwards.
Please enquire for details.

Adult beginners 6.15
Adult refresher (grade 4) 7.10
Pre-Intermediate (& pointe work) 8.15

Website: [Claudette Caven Dance](#)
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CRICKET CLUB *Allstars and Dynamos*

It is the cricket club's first year taking part in the ECB Allstars and Dynamos cricket and the response from Long Whatton and the surrounding villages has been excellent. The cricket ground brimmed with blue and yellow shirts throughout the 8 week course for 5 to 8 and 8 to 11 year olds and the sun shone almost continuously.

Such was the popularity, four weeks of extra training is being offered for both Allstars and Dynamos on 27th July, 3rd, 10th, 17th August 6-7pm. To sign up email LongWhattoncricket@gmail.com. £16 paid in advance for the 4 weeks or £5 pay as you go.



August Fixtures
03/07/21 13:00 Division 4 West
Kegworth Town 2 v Long Whatton
07/08/21 13:00 Division 8 West
Braunstone Stars v Long Whatton 2
07/08/21 13:00 Division 4 West
Long Whatton v Leicester Ivanhoe 3
14/08/21 13:00 Division 8 West
Long Whatton 2 v Maher 4
21/08/21 13:00 Division 4 West
Long Whatton v City Cricketers
21/08/21 13:00 Division 8 West
Walton le Wolds 2 v Long Whatton 2
28/08/21 13:00 Division 8 West
Long Whatton 2 v Hinckley Amateur 3
28/08/21 13:00 Division 4 West
Cropston 2 v Long Whatton

The club would like to say a big thank you to the coaches - James and Rav Allstars, Anna and Lynsey Dynamos and their helpers - Lauren, Noah, Oliver and Jake. If you would like to help at the club in any way at the cricket club please contact the email address above.

Hardball players from U11 to adult are invited to junior training on Tuesday evenings starting at 6pm and running to the 17th August or visit the club on a Saturday when there is a first or second team match. Games can be found on the noticeboard by the gate.

The club are planning a Bonfire night this year - details nearer the time.



OLYMPIC TRIBUTE

The Knit and Natter group have decorated several benches in the village with tributes to the Tokyo olympics which are begun on 23 July 2021 until 8 August 2021



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Long Whatton Cricket Club

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LONG WHATTON SCHOOL

The end of the academic year has arrived, the time of the year when the school, sadly, says goodbye to the year 6 pupils and they move on to secondary school.

In the final week the children put on a wonderful performance in school of 'The Wind in the Willows'. Their singing was beautiful and it was clear to see they had put a lot of work into their performance.

A camp out was held in the school forest where they had a chance to sit around a real camp fire.

The rest of the school moved into their new classes to meet their new class teachers before they return for the new term in August. The new reception children were welcomed into school for the first time to familiarise themselves with the school and teachers.



THE OLDEST AND LONGEST

We were wondering who the oldest person in the village might be and how old they are and who has lived in the village the longest.

The response has been marvelous until now. Here is what we know so far:

Mary Hobbs says Phil has lived in the village for 72 years and has lived in the same house for 66 years. Very impressive.

Alan Sherwood is purported to have been born here in the 1940s and is still living here. That will be between 70 and 80 years. We would like some clarification.

But as we go to press it appears that Malcolm Corden may be the longest resident. Born in Hobbs Yard (now Barnfield Close) in 1943, he did move to Hathern for 4 years, but saw the error of his ways and returned to live at 42 the Green. His total is 74 years living in Long Whatton so far.

We still need to hear from you if you think you might be the oldest person in the village.

SUMMER BLOOMS



Long Whatton is awash with summer colour. Here is just a snapshot - well established Rose bushes outside Candle Cottage on Main Street.



Quiz and Pie Night

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- Quiz 7pm
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JUNIOR DETECTIVE HUNT

Calling all would be detectives! It's time to put your sleuthing hat on, grab your magnifying glass, gather your wits and follow the clues to find these objects.

They can all be seen from the main road through the village - Hathern Road, The Green, Main Street and West End.

You can work alone or in a team like Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson.

The mission is to tell us where all these objects are. When you have solved the mysteries, write the answers and your name(s) and age in an email and send it to longwhattonews@gmail.com with the title 'Mysteries solved!' in the subject line.

Emails must be received by 18th August.

All detectives who have found the answers will be listed in the September magazine and receive a Top Detective certificate.



1 *It is not in a circle.
It is not in a triangle.*



2 *This giant boot sits atop a
roof made of straw.*



3 *The gargoyle's stony gaze
looks over the dead.*



4 *To leave
Barnfield
50 years ago
stand here*



5 *Head west
to find this
water pump.
Not in the
Lowlands.*



6 *Remember and learn*



7 *Many benches bear the olympic symbol.
But only one hides a secret word on the back.
The secret word is the final answer.*

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