

Meden Student Breaks Multiple British Backstroke Records

Elliot Clogg, of Meden School in Market Warsop, has broken the current Junior U16 Boys **British Backstroke Records in** 50m, 100m and 200m.



The Market Warsop based swimmer took part in a number of races in Manchester and Sunderland during November, completing the 100m backstroke with a personal best time of 54.89 and taking the British record, previously held by Leuan Lloyd for the past six years.

During his races in Manchester, 15-year-old Elliot went on to break three other Yorkshire records in the 50m free, 100m free and 200m back, of which the 50m free had been held since 1994.

Later in the month, Elliot competed at the North East Shortcourse Championships in Sunderland where, not only did he swim a personal best in both the 100m freestyle and 50m backstroke senior finals to become North East Regional Champion in both, he also broke two further British records in both 50m and 200m backstroke

Speaking about breaking the 100m backstroke record Elliot said:

"I was overwhelmed. I didn't realise I was even close to breaking it so hadn't looked at the numbers. When the announcement came over the tannoy, I just presumed it was another Yorkshire record, it never occurred to me that it was a British record.

"I have been swimming competitively since I was 7 and I absolutely love it, I just want to carry on progressing. I am hoping to qualify for the European Junior Championships in mid 2016, although that would involve swimming against older boys as I am at the young end of the

"The ultimate dream then would be the Tokyo Olympics in 2020."

The Meden School student also got the opportunity to swim alongside current Commonwealth 50m and 100m Champion, Ben Proud which he thoroughly enjoyed.



Special thanks to Mansfield's Paralympic swimmers

The Active Mansfield partnership gave special thanks to Paralympic swimmers Ollie Hynd MBE and Charlotte Henshaw on Wednesday 25 November for their contribution to Active Mansfield's awareness campaign.

The campaign "Will you take up the challenge?" encouraged people to get more active in a bid to tackle obesity, heart disease and type two diabetes in the district. It provided people with tips and ideas of how they could live a healthier lifestyle.

Ollie and Charlotte were the faces of the campaign and quickly became aspirational role models for the young and old alike The gathering was also an opportunity to congratulate the pair for their outstanding achievements in the Swimming World Championships earlier this year.

The swimmers came away with four medals, a world record and three European records at the competition back in July.

Ollie and Charlotte's swim coach, Glenn Smith of Mansfield District Council, who recently received the prestigious Para-Coach of the Year Award for 2015 from the British Swimming Coaches also attended.

Executive Mayor Kate Allsop said:

"We're very lucky to have two great role models who train in our district. Ollie and Charlotte have done an exceptional job leading the Active Mansfield awareness campaign. We would like to wish them all the best

The swimmers are set to start the qualifying stages for the 2016 Olympics in Rio next spring.

More Awards for Warsop Tae Kwon Do club



Following their recent success at the North Midlands Championships, eight competitors from Warsop TAGB Taekwondo Club, pictured left, recently attended The British Championships.

Out of the eight competitors who attended this international event, two came back with Bronze trophies and one is now the new British and Area Champion after winning his category.

A great day was had by all and they were proud to represent their home town and Warsop TAGB Taekwondo Club. Every competitor

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Editor's Lette

As I write this - it is a miserable, dull, wet December day... here's hoping as you read this, it's a bright crisp Winter's day.

The observant amongst you will have realised I am not Tania Barlow, our long standing editor.

Tania has resigned her role on the council and this paper and on behalf of everyone associated with W&D News, I wish to thank her for her dedication and service over the years

Moving forwards, 2016 hopes to be a good year for Warsop - with potentially a new supermarket due to open in the Autumn.

I hope that 2016 is a good year for all readers of W&D News.... Happy New Year everyone!

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GARDENING MONTHLY...

General tasks and garden maintenance



Damage limitation and garden maintenance

Clean and repair your garden tools, book the lawn mower in for a service and check garden furniture for any rot.

When it is warm enough to brave the elements, treat sheds, fences and trellis with wood preservative; brushes and rollers are fine for most things, however a sprayer is well worth buying for tricky projects such as woven panels!

When the weather allows, carry on clearing paths of moss and leaves.

After heavy snowfall, gently brush snow off conifers and hedges to stop the weight forcing them apart. If you have a chance, pack the branches of tender trees and shrubs with straw and secure with fleece to protect them from the cold; thick dry mulches will also protect roots from freezing conditions.

If you haven't already done this, lay old carpeting or something similar over cold frames to protect them and check the insulation in greenhouses and that heaters are working properly.

When soil conditions allow, continue to dig over beds and borders, incorporating as much organic matter as you can. Forking over not only helps prepare the soil for next year, it helps reduce pests by exposing them to hungry birds.

Weeds - sadly many will survive the cold weather so once the soil is workable, hoe away before they leap into action in the spring.

Take care not to let leaves accumulate around alpines - they will die if left damp for long. Cover bare patches around clumps with gritty compost to encourage regrowth.

Birds

Do remember to put out fresh supplies of water and food for the birds; prolonged periods of harsh weather are a real threat to our feathered friends. Feed them with good quality high energy bird food and fat/suet balls and check that water is not frozen. If you can't find any bird food, scraps of bacon fat, mild cheese, fruit, breakfast cereal and uncooked oats are all fine. Moistened bread is only an empty filler, but better than nothing.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

Remove dead, diseased or damaged wood in deciduous trees and shrubs. Avoid pruning birches, acers and vines, which are liable to bleed profusely if pruned after midwinter. Prune Wisteria this or next month (cut all stems coming off the main framework to 2 or 3 buds of the previous years' growth). Leave evergreens and tender plants until spring or summer.

Check all recently planted trees and shrubs - if they have been lifted by frost, firm them

Lawns

Keep off the lawn as much as possible when there is a frost or if it is wet - damage to waterlogged lawns is easily inflicted.

Bulbs, flowers and containers

Sow sweet peas under cover to give you a head start in the spring.

Raise any containers not already on feet or bricks to protect them from the cold and lag them with bubble wrap or straw and hessian; even hardy plants need protection in really cold weather. Tucking them all close together in a sheltered spot by the house is another useful ploy.

Don't allow containers under cover to dry out; and check that evergreens outside haven't got dry while pots have been frozen.

Pick over pansies and violas, removing leaves with mildew or black spots on them, getting rid of any badly affected plants altogether. Replace these with lovely new

Remove debris regularly to prevent pests from taking up residence.

Summer bulbs

Summer bulbs will soon appear in the garden centres - think ahead to the blaze of colour that dahlias, begonias, lilies and gladioli will provide in your garden and remember that the days are now getting longer - hurray!

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Snowdrops came into flower during the last week of January 2015 so it is worth looking out for them around that time in the new year. The earliest ones I spotted were near Burns Farm and alongside the lane from the sewage works towards Jerusalem's Well and Budby.

A couple of months ago, I suggested watching out for any flowers that may have continued flowering into November. I took my own advice and recorded a surprising number including Scabious, Knapweed, Common Mallow, White Dead-nettle, Gorse, Buttercup, Red Campion, White Campion, Field Pansy, Red Deadnettle, Dandelion, White Clover, Red Clover, Chickweed, Ragwort, Marsh Ragwort, Hawkweed, Spear Thistle, Groundsel, Ox-Eye Daisy and Yarrow! This must be evidence of the impact of the mild autumn weather.

I am pleased to report that two Little Egrets have been seen regularly near Hammerwater Bridge during November and at the end of that month I saw three of these elegant white birds. Hopefully they will stay around for all of the winter. It is only a few years since Little Egrets starting to move up from the south of England and they are now breeding alongside the River Trent. I wonder whether in a few years time they will be seen as regularly as Collared Doves, another new arrival.

A legacy of the our area's mining industry is the number of railway lines that have been converted into walking and cycling routes. Warsop only has one such official path along the track between Warsop Vale and Shirebrook Station. These routes can provide good walking at this time of year when other paths may become very muddy or flooded. If you can make your way to the site of Pleasley Colliery there are easy walks along the former railway lines connecting it to Skegby and Teversal which are enhanced by the added attraction of cafes at the Teversal Trails Visitor Centre and at Pleasley Pit Country Park. It is interesting to spot the upper reaches of the River Meden to the east of the railway embankment of the Skegby Trail.

One of our main tasks at this time of year is looking after the hedgerows alongside the public footpaths network in Warsop. On several stretches we cut hedges to ensure that they do not invade the paths when they start growing again in the spring. We also reduce the height of some sections to prevent them from collapsing across the path and also from becoming too sparse and straggly. All these tasks are carried out by volunteers and if no new folk come along soon; this work will not be completed for much longer. So get in touch if you can spare a couple of hours on a Thursday morning!

Our next group walk is on January 16th 2016 when we will probably go for a walk somewhere around Warsop Parish. We usually meet at 10am outside Warsop Library but dates, times and destinations may change so get in touch if to confirm details if you would like to join us.

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Our Secretary can be contacted on 01623 846281.

WF&CG 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 provide information about the local environment. www.wfcg.org.uk

FREE Weekly Health Walks

Rufford Country Park conducts a weekly health walk every Monday afternoon (Except Bank Holidays) starting at 2pm.

We meet in the Craft Centre Courtyard at the Abbey end of the park. The walks are FREE, open to all, last about an hour at a fairly gentle pace in the varied scenery of Rufford. The walk is followed by tea/ coffee and biscuits (small donation appreciated).

For further information please contact Steve at Rufford rangers on 01623 821335 or email steve.koefoed @nottscc.gov.uk

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In Step Walks - December 2015

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Sun	10th January	Shirebrook Wood	Moderate
Mon	11th January	Spa Ponds	Moderate
Thu	14th January	King's Mill	Moderate
Sun	17th January	Rowthorne Walk	Moderate
Mon	18th January	Bestwood Country Park	Strenuous
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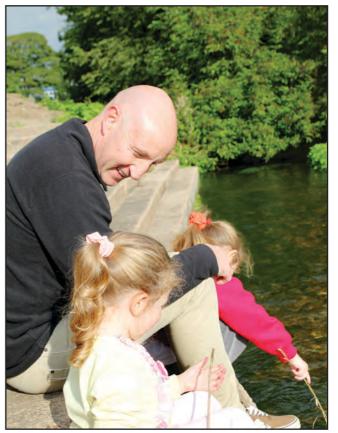
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Wildlife charity to help plan the future of council nature reserve

Mansfield District Council has engaged **Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust to develop** a five-year management plan for one of its nine Local Nature Reserves.

The management plan for The Carrs in Warsop will steer developments on the site and suggest further improvements for the Local Nature Reserve, wetland and the provision of areas of botanical interest. It is also integral to the council's efforts in securing another prestigious Green Flag Award next year.

"The Carrs is an important and well-loved beauty spot. We think it deserves to become a Green Flag site and the future plan will help us to achieve this," said Cllr Andrew Tristram, Portfolio Holder for

"We also need community involvement, so if you love The Carrs and want to see it thrive, please sign up to become a Carrs Community volunteer.



Warsop residents have recently received a leaflet explaining more about the council's work at The Carrs and how they can get involved with conservation projects.

The leaflet can be viewed online and volunteers can sign up at www.mansfield.gov.uk/thecarrs.

The management plan will be out for consultation in spring 2016. In the meantime, Mansfield District council continues to maintain The Carrs and has started work to create a poppy meadow around the memorial and community orchard, one of many projects undertaken this year at the reserve.





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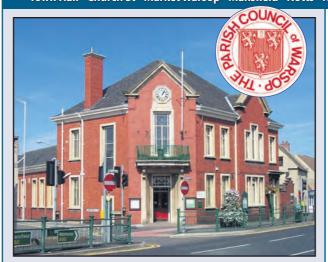
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

A full set of meeting minutes for the meeting, which was held in the Council Chamber at Warsop Town Hall on 16th November 2015, are available by contacting The Acting Clerk, Amanda Cooper at amandawpc@yahoo.co.uk or visit the Parish Council's new website: www.warsopparishcouncil.co.uk

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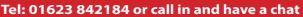
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On Friday 20 November, **Cllr Stewart Rickersey, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services,** made a delegated decision to spend £100,000 of the Mayor's **Economic Stimulus Funding on** transforming Mansfield Market.

The decision is based on recommendations made by Martyn Thurman, Head of Neighbourhood Services to Cllr Rickersey, on improvements for the long term sustainability of the historic market.

The project will be fully implemented by April 2016 and will include

- Purchasing new stalls, canopies, signage and trader name boards
- Improving signage and interpretation in and around the Market Place
- · Encouraging new business to the market
- Creating incubation space for new and first time traders
- Using the market square for themed and seasonal events
- · Locating of all stalls to Market Place
- Reviewing the terms of trading for stallholders including a new pricing structure for pitches
- · Introducing branded workwear and name badges
- A dedicated promotions to attract shoppers

Cllr Rickersey, who has taken a strong stance on the market transformation project, said:

"Doing nothing is not an option, neither is doing more of the same. We want to put Mansfield Market back at the heart of the town centre and bring more traders and customers to the market place."

The report was devised following a second phase of research comparing Mansfield with 29 market towns across the UK.

The research showed product gaps which the transformation project will look to fill by encouraging new stallholders and product lines with a business incubation scheme where 20 . cost-free stalls will be available for new and first-time traders for

New stalls will be dressed with canopies and stallholders will also be issued with free branded workwear and name badges. Traders will also have access to promotional posters on a daily basis from the market team.

At the heart of the project is an aim to increase trade, encourage more shoppers and provide a bustling atmosphere in the town centre. This will be supported by a programme of themed events, specialist markets and a year-long programme of entertainment.

Cllr Rickersey said. "We are on the look-out for local talent to come and perform at Mansfield Market now. Artists can perform in the Market Place at no cost"

Enquiries should be made to the Market Supervisor on 01623 463818 or by email to nharvey@mansfield.gov.uk

At the Delegated Decision meeting Cllr Rickersey answered questions on various issues including the increase in rates and charges for stall holders. He said:

"From April 2016 the price of stalls will increase, but traders will be able to stand on Mansfield Market from as little as £6 per day. The most any market trader will pay is £26 per stall per day for a premium location. We still think this demonstrates good value for money. Market fees and charges have not been increased for a decade.

More work is being done to develop a discount and incentive structure so that long standing market traders are eased into the new fees.

Ouestions were also raised regarding the quality of existing product lines and calls for tighter guidelines on what can and cannot be sold. Cllr Rickersey confirmed that quality and consumer confidence are an important aspect of the transformation project and that the market team will be working hard with trading standards and using up-to-date consumer law to make improvements to quality and ethics.

Councillor Rickersey concluded:

"We want our customers to have a positive experience when they shop at Mansfield Market, from the quality and variety of products to the ambience of the Market Place. We will also look to introduce enhanced public order measures to create a welcoming, safe and enjoyable environment

The market transformation project will come into full effect from April 2016



Eastlands Junior School

It's been a busy time for the children at Eastlands Junior School.

The children performed their nativity play for parents and carers at St Peter and St Paul's church on 1st December. A very big thank you to Cathy, Bruce and Angela (Pictured above). They also joined forces with Netherfield infant school (pictured below) to plant crocuses which will become the symbol for polio awareness.



Birklands Primary School

On 2nd December, children from Birklands Primary School performed their 2015 nativity play, Whoops-a-Daisy Angel, the delightful story of a disorganised but lovable angel who is chosen to show the way to Bethlehem.

From the start, it was obvious to see how excited the children were. They were well rehearsed and confident to perform to a packed house of parents and family members, singing, dancing and acting their way through the one hour long play. It was an absolute pleasure to watch and the children, from Years 1 and 2 (pictured below), gave it their all. Congratulations to all the staff and children who were involved and well done, all your hard work and commitment really paid off.





Church Vale School Shares the Christmas Spirit



The children and staff from Church Vale Primary School and Foundation Unit were full of the spirit of Christmas. So much so that they had plenty to share with parents and residents of Sycamore and Poplars care home and also with less fortunate children in Africa.

We Three Kings at Church **Vale Primary School**

Church Vale put on a splendid Key Stage 1 and Foundation performance of We Three Kings (pictured above). The singing was fantastic, the dancing was straight out of 'Strictly' and the acting was amazing. The parents and community loved the show, it brought Christmas cheer to all who were there.

Church Vale Primary and Foundation Unit bring

Church Vale Primary choir visited the Sycamore and Poplars care home (pictured right) to bring them some Christmas cheer. The residents thoroughly enjoyed the selection of carols that the children beautifully performed to them and many joined in. The choir will also be appearing in Mansfield bus station and Mansfield

Operation Christmas Child comes to Church Vale

In conjunction with Sports Direct, Church Vale Primary School participated in this year's Operation Christmas Child (pictured below) sending shoeboxes full of toys, toiletries and stationery to children in Liberia on the West African Coast. The children were very generous with many children filling a whole box by themselves. Sports Direct were overwhelmed by the response from Church Vale who send over thirty boxes.





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Work on Mansfield Town Hall nears completion

Essential work to repair parts of the Old Town Hall in Mansfield are progressing well with scaffolding due to come down from the building before Christmas.

The work, which is costing in the region of £550,000, includes rebuilding chimney stacks, refitting the majority of the roof, replacing stonework, repointing the lime mortar on the outside of the building, as well as restoring period features within rooms including the Council Chamber and installing new floors in the connected shop units.

Mansfield BID and council staff moved into Clumber House during the work, which is due to be completed by the end of 2015.

The council is currently looking at a range of options for the future of the Town Hall to ensure the building is put to good use and contributes to the regeneration of the town centre.

Cllr Dave Saunders, MDC Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Heritage Champion said:

"I would like to congratulate everyone involved in this project for doing such an excellent job. This essential work will ensure that the structural integrity of this iconic Mansfield regency building is maintained and will remain in good condition for future generations."







The first free workshop of our Vikings of Sherwood project will be held on Saturday 30th January in the classroom at Sherwood Pines Forest Park. This session will use map regression techniques to increase our understanding of the landscape surrounding the assembly site of Thynghowe on the boundaries of Warsop, Budby and **Edwinstowe.**

By comparing copies of different maps of the area we will be able to see how the landscape has evolved over the centuries and try to understand the reasons for the changes. Starting with a modern Ordnance Survey map we will compare it with earlier maps from 1887, 1852, 1835, 1791, 1774, 1615 and 1609. We will also refer to cropmarks, RAF aerial photographs and our recent LiDAR data. As well as shuffling paper copies will use a computer to overlay these maps and fade them in and out to reveal where features on the older maps may be located on the modern maps.

This will be a workshop, not a lecture. Everybody is welcome to make a contribution, often someone new will spot connections that people who have been looking at these resources for years may have missed. Anybody new to the field will be able to acquire new skills.

A fortnight later a second session will be held in the forest when we will relate the information from the maps to locations in the

Already our map regression work has revealed some fascinating connections between a lost trackway shown on a 1615 map of Gleadthorpe and cropmarks revealed by aerial photography. This could imply that the trackway between Warsop and Edwinstowe was in use around two thousand years ago.

You can book your place on these Vikings of Sherwood events by emailing The Friends of Thynghowe on thynghowe@ warsopweb.co.uk or by phoning us on 846281.

This project is supported by the National Lottery through the Heritage Lottery Fund.

If you would like information about how to book a place on the first four events or have any questions please email The Friends of Thynghowe on thynghowe@warsopweb.co.uk or phone 01623 846281

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Warsop Inner Wheel



The Inner Wheel Coffee Morning

Fantastic! Amazing! These are just a few of the words people used at the November coffee morning, to describe the Inner Wheel Club of Warsop.

And the coffee morning, which was held at the John Fretwell Centre in Sookholme, was no exception. Everyone agreed that it was another wonderful Inner Wheel event which was well attended and raised an incredible £1,500 for our club's charities.

We had a book stall, bric-a-brac, mince pies, clothing bargains, woolly cardigans, Christmas wreaths and homemade treats There really was something for everyone.

Members new and returning

President of Warsop's Inner Wheel, Sharon Smith, welcomed five new members in to the Club at the business meeting held in November 2015.



Pictured from left to right is returning member Helen Coleman and new members Val Milnes, President Sharon Smith, Joanne Hearne and Hilary Taylor.

Ruth - Club Correspondent, Inner Wheel Club of Warsop



Warsop **Memory Cafe** at Sycamore & **Poplars Care Home**

Pirates invaded Sycamore & Poplars Care Home for Children In Need on Friday 13th November.

Residents, their families and staff enjoyed our coffee morning and cake sale and even the manager was taken hostage (if only for a little while!). We had a fantastic morning and raised £46.87. Thank you to everyone who supported us!

Warsop Memory Cafe has really started to take off now, our November session we had Sallyann Evans and Sarah Watson kindly joined us to teach crocheting to everyone, which we would like to say thank you very much. We also made Christmas decorations with tea / coffee and biscuits, another lovely afternoon!







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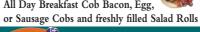


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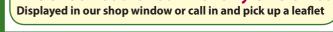
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Left to right: Executive Mayor of Mansfield Kate Allsop; Geoff Wallet – Trustee of Mansfield District Leisure Trust; Carolyn Hallam, Sports and Community Development Manager for Mansfield District Leisure Trust; Russell Turner, Relationship Manager for Sport England; Tracy Radford, Director of Services for Reach Learning Disability; April Clarke, Fitness Instructor for Mansfield District Leisure Trust

Mansfield sports project given £185k Lottery boost

A sports scheme set up to get more people active in Mansfield has received £185,514 from the National Lottery.

Mansfield Community Sports Project aims to increase the number people engaged in sports and physical activity across Mansfield over the next three years and is among more than 40 projects to secure a share in £8.2 million of National Lottery funding from Sport England.

The funding, presented to Mansfield District Leisure Trust at a ceremony attended by Executive Mayor of Mansfield Kate Allsop on Monday 16 November, is designed to encourage more people to give sport a go and empower local communities to reach out to people who do not exercise.

The Mansfield District Leisure Trust, which manages the project, plans to use the money to appoint two full-time Sports Activators/ Health Coaches whose role will be to co-ordinate efforts between sports facilities across Mansfield, including parks owned by Mansfield District Council, as well as open and community spaces.



Behind Executive Mayor Kate Allsop on the cross trainer are (left to right): Geoff Waller, Russell Turner, Tracy Radford, and Carolyn Hallam

These coaches will organise informal beginners' sessions in a range of different sports, such as netball, dance and tennis, as well as family and disability multi-sports, to try to encourage more people to give sport a go. The project is set to be up and running in in the new year.

The Trust will be working with Nottinghamshire charity Reach Learning Disability to provide sports sessions and a sports club for adults with learning disabilities.

Trust Chairman, Brian Taylor, said:

"We are absolutely delighted to receive this lottery funding from Sport England, Being active is really important for a healthy mind and body. as well as being lots of fun. Thanks to this funding more locals can reap

Cllr Andrew Tristram, Portfolio Holder for the Environment at Mansfield District Council, added:

"This is another example of the areat work undertaken by Mansfield District Leisure Trust to encourage active lifestyles. The council looks forward to working with our leisure provider to maximise the benefits of the Sport England funding for our community.

Tracy Radford, Funding Director at Reach UK, said:

"Adults with learning disabilities in Mansfield are at especially high risk of poor health partly due to very low levels of activity. This project will create new opportunities for adults with learning disabilities to enjoy sport that is genuinely shaped around their needs, interests and talents."

Sport England Director of Community Sport, Mike Diaper, said:

"It's great to be working with innovative projects like The Mansfield Community Sports Project which offer more people the chance to get active in a way that suits them best. Given the overwhelming benefits of being active, it's important that age, gender, or income never prevents anyone from taking part."

Any community organisation or workplace that would like the Sports Activators to help their members or staff become more active can contact Carolyn Hallam at carolyn.hallam@serco.com or call 07718 194 711.

Young couple's first Christmas in shared ownership home

For many young people the thought of being able to own their own home seems an almost unobtainable dream.

But one couple in Mansfield will be spending their first Christmas under their own roof thanks to a shared ownership scheme with Mansfield District Council.

Chris Betts, 24, and Emma Ashley, 21, had been living with Emma's parents' in their home round the corner from the neat three-bedroom 1930s semi in Radnor Place that they now part own, when they saw the council starting to refurbish the property, which had lain empty for more than

"We had been looking to buy or rent for some time," said Chris, who is a maintenance engineer with the glass company Pilkington in South Yorkshire.

The couple found out about the property from the council and then, when they discovered it was being offered on a shared ownership basis, decided to go for it with a resolve that finally saw them handed the keys in August.

"I thought we would never get it in a million years – this is a sought after area and lots of people were interested in it," said Chris "But we were quick with all the paperwork - we were determined to get it.

As last week saw the UK mark "Empty Homes Week", this shared ownership scheme was a first-time venture for the district council which is keen to see more affordable housing in the town as part of Executive Mayor Kate Allsop's

Mayor Allsop said: "This has been a really successful project for the council because not only has it dealt with an empty property that has been vacant since before 1993, it has also helped a local couple become homeowners at a time when this is increasingly hard for young people. We sincerely hope they enjoy many happy years ahead in their own home."

The council's Head of Housing Hayley Barsby explained that the house had been empty for more than 20 years and had become increasingly dilapidated.

The authority decided the only way to bring the property back into use was to buy it from the owner and bring the house up to a marketable standard to offer as a shared ownership home. At the same time it bought four more empty properties, refurbished them and offered them for

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To do this, the council was successful in bidding for funding from the Homes and Communities Agency. The Agency, which is sponsored by the Department of Communities and Local Government, helps to make more homes and commercial premises available to residents and businesses and also regulates social housing providers in England.

This was the first time the authority had returned an empty home to use in this way and it is a type of scheme that the authority would consider again with the right type of property, but there are no plans to buy up any more empty houses in the town in the near future.

Council tenants also have the option to part own their homes in the same way through a product known as Social

Chris and Emma own a 40% share and pay a subsidised rent on the other 60%. They have the option to buy a bigger share in the property over the coming years.

Chris said: "The next step is to own 100% of the house which we hope to do in two or three years' time.'

Emma, a primary school teacher, who has lived in the neighbourhood since she was four, is delighted to be a home owner at such a young age.

She said: "It seemed surreal when we moved in – it still does. We love our home. We have been so lucky. It is definitely special to be spending the first Christmas in this house – the first people here for over 20 years."





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Mansfield District Council moves forward on £8.6m housing plan

Mansfield District Council is set to move forward with plans to build 54 homes for elderly people on the site of the former general hospital in the town.

The Executive Mayor of the Council, Kate Allsop, made a delegated decision on Friday 19 November 2015 to develop the site and, at the same time, recommended to full council to approve a budget of £8.6m for the scheme.

A planning application for the scheme has already been submitted and is due to be considered by the Planning Committee in early February 2016.

Once the budget is set by the council, the authority will begin a procurement process to assign a contractor to develop the site. This is likely to take about four months and building work on the site is due to begin in the summer of 2016 and take up to 18 months to complete. The council will maintain ownership and management of the properties built and they will be let through its Homefinder

The scheme will bring back into use a plot of land which has been unused for at least 20 years and, along with the Poppy Fields extra care scheme, will be one of the most significant social housing projects in Mansfield in recent years.

It has been driven by a growing aging population which is increasing demand for this kind of housing. The estimated population number for over 65s in 2020 is estimated to be 21,600, an increase of 20% on

It is also expected that providing more homes for this age group will free up under-occupied council homes for larger households. Council figures show that of the 476 existing social tenants, 134 are under occupying their homes.

In her decision Mayor Allsop rejected an alternative option to sell the site to a developer in favour of the council developing the site itself. The reason for this was because selling the site would not guarantee the delivery of new housing and was unlikely to deliver the same amount of affordable housing.

The council has a good track record of delivering affordable housing having already developed 43 houses at Bellamy Road in Mansfield and is currently on site with the development of a 64 homes at Centenary Road (formerly Bould Street), in the town. A further 20 properties are planned as a second phase on this same site and a scheme of 12 family houses is also being built in Pye Avenue, Mansfield.

In addition it has recently completed a two-bungalow scheme in Bonington Road, Mansfield and 17 bungalows at Forest Town. The scheme for the former hospital site has been designed by the council's in-house architects. It will be a gated scheme and provide 12 two-bedroom bungalows and 42 apartments, 34 with two bedrooms and eight with one bedroom.

Please call the ASB Team for 2016 ASB dates

Anti-Social Behaviour Surgeries Come and discuss

your Anti-Social . Behaviour issues



Melville Court between 6pm and 7.30pm

No appointment necessary, everyone welcome

This is a pilot scheme and furtherm dates will be set if successful.

In attendance will be: MDC Neighbourhood Wardens, PCSO's/Beat Manager

ASB Team: **01623 463185** Housing ASB: 01623 463082 Police: 101

The properties will be located around the outside of the site with a "village green" in the middle which will be sensitively landscaped and incorporate outdoor fitness equipment and raised allotments to promote health and well-being.

The rent for these homes would be set at an affordable rent (80% of a market rent) which has been calculated at £450 per calendar month for the bungalows, £370 pcm for the one-bedroom apartments and £415 pcm for the two-bedroom apartments. These figures could alter by the time the properties are complete.

The homes will accommodate older people with general needs. support needs and possibly care needs. In return for a financial contribution towards the scheme, Nottinghamshire County Council has expressed an interest in securing nomination rights for ten of the homes. This is being considered, in principle, by the council's Adult Social Care and Health Committee on 30 November.

Executive Mayor Kate Allsop said:

"This is going to bring a much needed housing for this age group in the town and if some of the tenants are downsizing, it could help release larger homes for families which are also very much in demand.

"We could have just sold the site for someone else to develop but we felt that it was important to offer more affordable housing in the district and developing the site ourselves is the best way to achieve this."

Warsop man fined over fly-tipping

A Warsop man has been been fined over fly-tipping after he used a scrap man to dispose of rubbish for him.

Clarke Cameron, 28, of Windsor Drive, Warsop, admitted failing to ensure waste was disposed of correctly, failing in his Duty of Care contrary to s34(1)(c) and (6) of the Environmental Protection

The District Judge at Mansfield Magistrates' Court fined him £400 $\,$ and ordered him to pay £40 in victim surcharge and £429.11 costs (£285.00 legal costs and £144.11 Community Safety costs) on Monday 30 November.

An investigation was carried out by Mansfield District Council officers after controlled waste was found on Hatfield Avenue, Nature Trail on 16 January 2015.

Cameron admitted to disposing of this rubbish through a scrap man and failing in his household duty of care.

Cllr Mick Barton, Portfolio Holder for Public Protection at Mansfield District Council, said:

"These cases highlight the importance of not giving waste to scrap

"People must ensuring they use only licence waste carriers to dispose of waste and to always get a receipt and verified contact details of the person removing their waste.

"Fly-tipping is a significant and costly problem in the district and we will always seek to take legal action where possible."



Local stars sign pledge in council's White Ribbon campaign

Sporting heroes and stars of the stage in Mansfield have lent their support to White Ribbon Day, a national day of action to raise awareness of violence against women and girls.







Earlier this month Mansfield Town players, team captain Nicky Hunt and midfielder Jamie McGuire, were among those who have become White Ribbon Ambassadors to help support Mansfield District Council's commitment to raise awareness of the international White Ribbon campaign.

Wearing football versions of the white ribbon badge, they signed a pledge 'to never commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women'.

Now former world sidecar champion Tom Birchall, from Mansfield, (who with his brother Ben completed an Isle of Man TT double earlier this year), has signed the pledge at an information stall the council organised at the Four Seasons shopping centre in the town on White Ribbon Day on Wednesday 25 November.

The cast of Mansfield's Palace Theatre pantomime also wore white ribbons in support of the campaign, during their dress rehearsal on Friday November 27.

Also supporting the stall on White Ribbon Day was Deputy Mayor of Mansfield and Portfolio Holder for Public Protection Cllr Mick Barton, representatives from Nottinghamshire Women's Aid Ltd and Nottinghamshire Independent Domestic Abuse Services (NIDAS) along with the council's Domestic Violence Prevention Officer.

Cllr Barton said: "It's great to have these local sporting heroes and stage stars on board to help us spread the White Ribbon message in the district. Reducing domestic violence in the area is a key aim for the council."

Other White Ribbon Ambassadors include all seven male members of the council's cabinet, the council chairman, Cllr Martin Wright, and three members of council staff.

They have agreed to act as role models, participate in awareness raising events, encourage others to sign the pledge or become ambassadors and spread the White Ribbon message.

The White Ribbon Campaign is an international movement created by a group of men who wanted to end violence against women. Mansfield is a White Ribbon town after the council was awarded White Ribbon status in 2013 in recognition of its efforts to tackle domestic abuse. It retained the award earlier this year for its continued commitment to raising public awareness of the campaign.

Although this campaign is aimed at ending violence against women, the council recognises that both men and women are victims of violence. If you or someone you know has experienced or is experiencing domestic abuse and would like support, call Nottinghamshire's 24 hour Freephone helpline on 0808 800 0340. Male victims of domestic abuse can contact the Men's Advice Line on 0808 801 0327 or Victim Support on 0300 303 1947.

If you would like to become a White Ribbon Ambassador contact the council's Domestic Violence Prevention Officer on 01623 463083.

To find out more about the campaign and to sign the pledge, visit www.whiteribboncampaign.co.uk.

Mayor thanks Mansfield folk who go the extra mile

Local heroes have received a special commendation from Executive Mayor of Mansfield Kate Allsop in recognition of their achievements.

Sidecar champions Ben and Tom Birchall, council joiners Mat Knight and Andy Tuft, Joe Martin, from the Royal British Legion, and Sales Director Pete Topley and Office Manager Jo Watts, representing Mansfield 103.2 radio station, received special certificates from Mayor Allsop at a Full Council meeting on Tuesday 1 December 2015.

The presentation marked the launch of the Mayor's new commendation scheme, which thanks local people who go above and beyond their normal duties.

Former FIM world sidecar champions Tom and Ben Birchall have achieved the highest level in their sport and this year smashed 14 seconds off the sidecar race record to complete an Isle of Man TT races double. They have also recently renamed themselves Team Mansfield

MDC joiners Mat and Andy saved the life of a pensioner trapped in a house fire. The brave pair were working on repairs to a fence on a council property on Mansfield's Ladybrook estate in May, when they heard a woman screaming that her house was on fire and her husband was stuck inside the burning building.

They rushed to a property in George Street where they could see smoke pouring from the building and with the help of a neighbour battled through the thick smoke to carry the 70-year-old man to

safety. The pensioner was in a coma for a while but survived his ordeal.

Joe Martin was recognised for his work as Poppy Appeal Organiser for the Mansfield branch of the Royal British Legion, which raises money each year to support bereaved families, wounded servicemen and women, younger veterans seeking employment and housing and older veterans needing age-related care.

And Mansfield 103.2 was commended for its charity work, in particular raising £15,500 for the John Eastwood Hospice in Sutton-in-Ashfield.

Mayor Allsop said: "I would like to congratulate these local heroes for their outstanding achievements. I have launched the Mayor's commendation scheme, as I wanted to find a way to recognise and say thank you to people, who make a difference to the lives of others, or who go beyond the call of duty in their daily lives. I hope that the people of Mansfield will respond to this scheme and nominate someone they feel deserves public recognition."

Councillors and members of the public can nominate a person to receive a Mayor's commendation throughout the year by emailing mayorkateallsop@mansfield.gov.uk Successful nominees will be invited to attend Full Council meetings to receive their



Council Warns About Tattoo Danger

Mansfield District Council is running a new campaign to educate schoolchildren and students about the dangers of using an illegal unlicensed tattooist.

Three "scratchers", as they are known, have been closed down in the Mansfield district in the past year and others are believed to be operating.

It is often schoolchildren who turn to them because they are usually the only tattooists who will tattoo a person under the age of 18, an illegal act which can attract a criminal charge of causing Actual Bodily Harm under the Tattoo of Minors Act.

Because these tattooists are unlicensed, they often fail to meet the high standards of hygiene and practice.

This can mean those using them are putting themselves at greater risk of contracting serious and potentially fatal medical conditions such as hepatitis, HIV or septicaemia.

One unlicensed tattooist believed, wrongly, that printer ink was safe to use. Ink from printers contains heavy metals and is not sterile, resulting in a significant risk of blood poisoning and infection which can be disfiguring or life threatening.

It is hoped by educating young people at schools about these dangers it will deter them from seeking tattoos until they are legally of an age to have one done by a licensed operator.

Legitimate tattooists and premises are registered with the council, who check that the tattoos are being carried out in a clean and sterile environment.

The authority receives numerous complaints from licensed tattooists, who report scratchers operating illegally from their homes and advertising on social media.

If you are unsure as to whether a tattooist is licensed, you can check with the council's Environmental Health team. The team also advises people seeking a tattoo to check the quality of the tattooist's work before making a decision.

Portfolio Holder for Public Protection at Mansfield District Council, Cllr Mick Barton, said: "Young people are particularly at risk which is why we are targeting schools in this education campaign.

"We would like both schools and individuals to let us know if they are aware of any illegal practices, so we can investigate.

"It is essential that premises are licensed to ensure tattoos are carried out safely. Just using a new needle each time is not enough to ensure a clean and sterile environment. Getting this wrong could lead to serious medical consequences.

"And a tattoo is for life and you should not assume you can remove it, as it is not always possible."

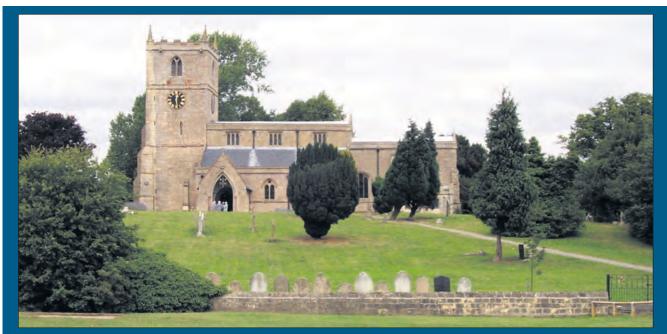
School and colleges interested in being involved in this campaign or people wanting to report an illegal tattooist, can contact Tina Edge on 01623 463492

or email environmentaladministration@mansfield.gov.uk.

For more information on tattooists in the Mansfield district, call 01623 463463

or email environmentaladministration@mansfield.gov.uk.





The Parish Church of Warsop with Sookholme

Sunday Morning

8.30am Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion

activities are provided for children of all ages

11.30am Holy Communion

at Sookholme on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

Sunday Evening

1st Sunday 6pm in March, June, September and December

Hope and Remembrance Service

Weekday Communion Services

10.00 am Anglican Communion

in the Methodist Chapel on Clumber Street

Please note that communion can be arranged at home for those unable to get to church.

Parish Centre Bookings

For Wedding and Baptism bookings please call-in at the Parish Centre 6-7pm on Tuesdays.

Mrs Pamela Stevenson our Parish Administrator works from the office in the Parish Centre on Tuesdays from 3.30pm to 6.30pm and on Thursday's between 9.30am and 3.30pm.

We can handle general enquires in person by phone 01623 842165 or by email office@warsopparishchurch.org.uk.

Rector:	The Rev'd Angela Fletcher
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The Rectory, Church Rd, Church Warsop Tel: 01623 843290

Curate: The Rev'd Bruce Rienstra

19 Wood Street, Warsop Tel: 01623 845617

Reader: Miss Pat Brewin

8 Burnt Oak Close, M/Woodhouse Tel: 01623 424116

Churches Together Wiggly Worship

Takes place in the Methodist Chapel on Clumber Street. On the second Wednesday of each month at 1.15pm - 3.00pm All families with pre school children Welcome.

Cemetery opening hours

Month	Opening Times Mon -Fri	Opening Times Sat, Sun and Bank Holidays	Closing Times Mon -Sun Inclusive
May	8.30 am	9.00 am	8.00 pm
Jun, Jul	8.30 am	9.00 am	8.30 pm
Aug	8.30 am	9.00 am	7.30 pm
Sept	8.30 am	9.00 am	6.00 pm
Oct	8.30 am	9.00 am	5.00 pm
Nov, De	c 8.30 am	9.00 am	4.00 pm

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC WARSOP CEMETERY

If you have any complaints regarding the Cemetery please contact:

Sally Curtis, Registrar of Cemeteries

01623 621811

Tania Barlow, Clerk to Warsop Parish Council 01623 846011

Registers For Warsop Parish Church FUNERALS

4th November 2015	Joan O'Dell	87
6th November 2015	Linda Wells	56
10th November 2015	Frank Moxon	75
11th November 2015	Elaine Kimberley	62
11th November 2015	Leslie Slater	92
19th November 2015	Mary Ward	86
19th November 2015	Walter Harvey	92
24th November 2015	Betty Hayes	84
26th November 2015	June Slaney	88

Weddings

5th November 2015 Richard Blackwell & Rachael Atkins

BAPTISMS

25th October 2015	Bella Rose Gill
25th October 2015	Bobby Brian Gill
1st November 2015	Albert Charles Radford
1st November 2015	Rupert Arthur Radford
1st November 2015	Felicity Alice Marriott
1st November 2015	Eddison Neil Bowring
22nd November 2015	Jaxon Jake Cutts

Parish Church 200 Club

The winning numbers in the October draw at the Stable Barn were









200) 2nd prize (±70) 3rd priz

A total of £230 was given out in prize money.

Places are still available for those who wish to join the 200 club.

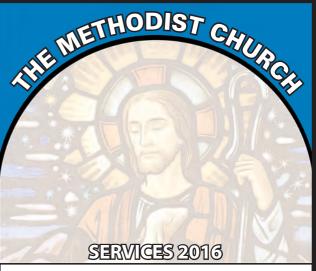
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COFFEE & CHARITY SHOP
WARSOP PARISH CENTRE (The Tudor Bar

Coffee Shop 10am-2pm

Charity Shop 11am-1pm
Lunch will be served between 12-1.30pm

We offer you an opportunity to meet friends, enjoy a meal, snack or just a drink, to find out what is happening in the Parish or just relax.



		Warsop	Meden Vale
3rd January	10.15am	Rev. B. Jones	Service @ Warsop
10th January	10.15am	Service @ M. Vale	Rev.L.Williams Covenant Service
17th January	10.15am	Mrs. S. Billings	Service @ Warsop
24th January	3.00pm	Service @ M. Vale	Mrs H. Curzon
31st January	10.15am	Local arrangements	Service @ Warsop

SECTIONAL SERVICE

There will be a sectional service at Forest Town Methodist Church @ 6pm on January 24th 2016.

SPECIAL CIRCUIT SERVICE

There will be a special Circuit service at West Bridgford @ 6pm. on January 31st 2016.

Superintendent
Rev: David Greenwood
Tel: 01623 491474

Minister Rev. L.Williams Tel: 01623 651278

Catholic Church of St. Teresa's

Market Warsop
Catholic Dioceses of Nottingham

Parish Priest: Father Jonathan Cotton

The Presbytery, St. Joseph's Church, 120 Langwith Road, Shirebrook, NG20 9RP Tel: **01623 742349**

website: www.saint.joseph.org.uk. pp@saint-joseph.org.uk.

All enquiries, including baptisms and marriages, to: Father Jonathan Cotton. Funeral Directors contact Fr. Jonathan directly.

Sunday Mass is celebrated at 10.45am

St Teresa's Church Hall

Available for use for all suitable functions: Birthdays, Baptism & Wedding parties etc. Enquiries to: David Pearson 01623 846153

For more information about these events please contact

St Teresa's RC Church, Ridgeway Terrace, Warsop, NG20 0LX Email saintteresascatholicchurch@gmail.com

Twitter @stteresachurch Website www.saint-joseph.org.uk/st-teresas/

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THE ROYAL BRITISH

Pete Hopkins – Branch Secretary

Tel: 07889 181026 Email: rblwarsop@gmail.com Web: www.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/warsop



Members and friends visited the iconic Avro Vulcan XH558 at **Doncaster Robin Hood Airport** (pictured above). Only a few days after her final flight, it was a privilege to learn about the history of the Vulcan and about the life of XH558. The visit lasts a couple of hours and is very interesting.



Alorafocus **Support Group**

Alorafocus supports anyone affected by cancer/life changing illness.

Alorafocus has been running a long time (1987 – formerly Mansfield self help cancer group) But because we had members for all the surrounding areas including Shirebrook, we decided to change the name.

The group was set up by a small group of people who themselves had suffered the fear, pain and life-changing effects of cancer/life changing illness, and has a wide diversity of members, ranging in age from young adults to members who are in their 80's

Members are drawn from the local community, and surrounding areas and have an ongoing calendar of events to suit everyone.

We have a core group of members who volunteer to organise the group activities, supportline etc, and we have been lucky enough to have a range of volunteer therapists who offer their time and skills free of charge.

Through their passion and determination to support others in situations similar to themselves, the group has grown into the unique organisation it is today.

Cancer and life changing illness can have a huge impact on all family members.

Families can experience an array of emotions;

- Fear
- Worry Isolation
- Physical/mental Health deterioration

We meet every 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 18:30-21:00 hrs at the Patchills Centre, Patchills (off Eakring Rd), Mansfield, Notts NG19 3BS

Carmel Harkness, Coordinator

For confidential advice & support contact us TODAY! Telephone Support Line - 07922 325 330 07979 977 401



A big thank you goes to the Meden Vale Craft Group who meet at Melville Court, Meden Vale. The group is made up of local ladies Julie Hempsall, Lorraine Glover, Karla Davey, Alison Oswin and Julie Dixon (pictured right). They raised a fantastic £800 for the Poppy Appeal by selling poppies to family and friends.

Our thanks also go to Warsop Co-op and Councillor Barry Dawson for sponsoring our Remembrance Raffle, and also to anyone who bought a ticket. £165 was raised for the Poppy Appeal.

This was drawn at Warsop Vale on the 11th November by Councillor Sharron Adey. The winners were; 1st White 282 (AD1D TK57) Elaine 2nd Pink 479 (AD5X PK57) Kyle

(Pictured below is the winner of the amazing decorated watering can.)

Our December meeting was enjoyed by the many friends and supporters of the branch who joined us for our 'Thank You' evening.

Our January meeting has been cancelled so we will meet again on Monday the 8th February, Our meetings start at 7.30 pm and are held at The Ex-Servicemen's Club, Carr Lane.

All are welcome to attend and you do not need to be Serving/ Ex-Service to join.



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- · Large fully fitted kitchen
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- Capacity, 200 (140 seated)
- Bar facilities are available

Business lunches for conferences, training sessions and away days are also available

Call: 01623 844034

SMALL ROOM AVAILABLE in Meden Vale Methodist Church

Would suit a small group up to 25 Ideal for Mother & Toddler, Weight Watchers etc. Tel: Geoff Pickering on 845222 for more details

ROOMS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

at Warsop Methodist Church For information call Edwin Tattersall Tel: 01623 843504

ROOM FOR HIRE

- With fully equipped kitchen Capacity 100
- £6 per hour Ideal for children's parties etc.
 - Interested in starting up a new group

Contact: 01623 845123

Woodside Hall • Church Warsop (Church Warsop Community Centre)

521... MIXED SINGING GROUP ...FOR THE OVER 50's

We meet every other Friday afternoon in Mansfield 1pm - 3pm.

We are a friendly group who sing for -- fun, relaxation and enjoyment.

We charge a modest fee to cover expenses. First two trial sessions freecome and join us and have an enjoyable two hours...



For more information please ring Jenny on 01623 835946

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Free function room available. **Enquiries 07828024038**

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Child Health Clinic

Have your baby weighed and chat to a Health professional and Children's Centre staff.

BABES

Baby And Breastfeeding Encouragement & Support

Baby Massage and Baby Yoga

A relaxing and stimulating experience for you and your baby You will need to book a place, please ask for details Bumps, Babbling Babes

Stay & Play session for parents-to-be and families with children aged 0-12 months.

Wonderful 1's

A Stay & Play Session for children aged 12-23 months,

• Stay & Play
Parent & child play & socialisation for children aged 0-5 years.

Getting Ready For Nursery

Children and their parents will be invited along to this transition group the term before their 3rd birthday.

Incredible Years

Behaviour management for children aged 3+ years.

Strengthening Families

Behaviour management for children aged 10+ years. (Limited places available, please ask for details)

Adult Learning

Please ask for details of what courses are on offer this term

Volunteering
Increase your skills & knowledge volunteering with us

Wiggly Worship

A fun filled group run by Warsop Church for pre-school aged children, held at Warsop Methodist Church, on Clumber Street.

Rhyme –Time

A fun session of singing and music organised and run by Children's Centre staff on Friday afternoons at Warsop Library.

 District Dads Group
 A play session for Dads, Grandads and male carers
 once a month at Mansfield Woodhouse Children's Centre

For further information on any of the above please contact us on 01623 847766



..... and "A Happy New Year!"

We have completed all our Christmas engagements and are now taking a short Winter break.

We shall be back in rehearsal on Wednesday 20 January 2016 at 7.30pm - 9.30pm in the upstairs refreshment area above the Concert Hall at the Dukeries Academy.

This is accessed by the Leisure Centre entrance and car park.

This is a perfect time to honour your New Year Resolution. the one about taking up a new hobby, especially one that uplifts and makes you feel good too. We welcome new members particularly some more men.

We have some performances already planned for 2016, including joint Concerts with Newstead Abbey Singers, The Dukeries Concert Band, Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir and "Les Baladins des Bord de L'Indre" from Tours, France.

However, we have lots of dates available if you would like to book us for your Celebration, Charity, Fund Raising, Anniversary or "bit of a do." Please contact our Concert Secretary Phil. Robinson on 01623 822070 who would be delighted to hear from you.

The Dukeries Singers would like to wish all readers A very Happy and Harmonious 2016.

WARSOP MENS

The club is a long established

PROBUS CLUB

and reasonably priced meal.

NEW MEMBERS

We rehearse every Wednesday at The Dukeries Complex Day Centre, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Access and car parking is via the Whinney Lane entrance. Just turn up and give us a go or contact our Chairman Alan Sinclair on 01623 823271

luncheon club meeting once a month

on a Wednesday at the Parish Centre.

The club has a programme of interesting talks, discussions and the occasional outing. Use is made of the Stable Bar before sitting down to a well prepared

THE CLUB WELCOMES

Air cadets If you're between 13 and 18 - contact your local squadron: 1208 (Warsop) Sgn ATC - Air Cadet Centre, Carr Lane, Warsop. NG20 0BN Tel: 01623 843978 Parade Times: Monday & Wednesday 6.30 - 9.00pm Check out: www.aircadets.org for further information

rarsop . C LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month, at 7pm at the "Swing" (Vale Hotel), Warsop Vale. The evening includes, a talk by a quest speaker, a raffle and lively discussion with other members.

Everyone Welcome - Please Come Along





10am till 3 pm other days by appointment

Leaflets for our popular Wednesday/Sunday walks prog Refreshments available Displays: Mining & Farming artefacts, World War II & Social History

FAMILY RISTORY RESEARCH Wednesday morning 10-12 £3.00 Tracing Service Tracing your family back to 1800s £60.00 Email Ann for more information on: annfh.lwt@tiscali.co.uk

Please call in or contact us on: Tel: 01623 747601



lf you are interested in becoming a member please telephone: John Hosty (Sec) 01623 467590 or Hugh Ashton (Pres) 01623 846748

Happy New Year

WARSOP SPIRITUALIST AND PSYCHIC GROUP HARE AND HOUNDS FUNCTION ROOM, CHURCH STREET, WARSOP

Every Thursday we have a different guest medium demonstrating their gift for communicating with Spirit. Warm welcome to everyone We are lucky to have some of the best mediums in the East Midlands and Yorkshire.

GUEST SPEAKERS FOR JANUARY 2016

- Carolyn Allsop Mansfield 7 Jan
- 14 Jan Jackie Kershaw Wakefield
- 21 Jan Meryl Cunliffe Psychometry bring an object
- 28 Jan Paul Humphies Grimsby

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EVERY THURSDAY 7.30PM TO 9PM Please be seated by 7.20pm £3 ENTRANCE - Under 18's £1



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Sherwood Forest Country Park

New Year Walk

Sunday 3 January 10.30am to 1pm

Enjoy a guided walk through the forest. Kick start your New Year's resolutions with a leisurely stroll through the forest, looking at the woodland and learning about it's history.

Advance booking: Advised Call 01623 823202 to book your place.

Winter Tree ID

Saturday 27 February 10.30am to 12 noon - £3.00

Learn how to identify trees on a guided walk.

Do you get oak mixed up with ash? Then come along to our specially guided walk that teaches you identification techniques and the uses of different types of wood.

Advance booking: Advised

Book by calling 01623 823202 or at the Visitor Centre.

Tree Felling Workshop

Sunday 6 March 10am to 3.30pm - £25.00

Discover the processes of tree felling. Come along and join our experienced staff as you learn the stages of felling and processing a tree using hand tools. Then you get to take your tree home as firewood!

Advance booking: Required

Book by calling 01623 823202 or at the Visitor Centre.

Woodpecker Ramble

Saturday 12 March 7am to 9am - £3.00

Come and find the woodpeckers hiding in the ancient wood. Join our Rangers and the RSPB as you go in search of wood peckers around the ancient wood.

Advance booking: Advised

Book by calling 01623 823202 or at the Visitor Centre.

Birklands Ringing Group

Saturday 19 March 10AM to 12 noon - Free

Come and see the bird ringing station. Birklands ringing group are operating a bird ringing station near the visitor centre. Please note, in the event of poor weather this event may be cancelled.

Advance booking: None



Priscilla Queen of the Desert The Musical

Monday 18 - Saturday 23 January 2016 Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Square, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire, NG1 5ND

Get ready for the ride of your life as the ultimate party, Priscilla Queen Of The Desert - The Musical, returns to Nottingham due to overwhelming popular demand - starring Jason Donovan as Tick!

Based on the smash-hit movie, the feel-good international hit sensation Priscilla is the heart-warming, uplifting adventure of three friends who hop aboard a battered old bus searching for love and friendship and end up finding more than they could have ever dreamed of.

With a dazzling array of outrageous costumes and a hit parade of dance floor classics including Downtown, I Have Never Been to Me, I Will Survive, Hot Stuff, Finally, Boogie Wonderland, Go West, Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, and I Love The Nightlife; rush to get your tickets today for this wildly fresh and funny hit musical that will take you on a journey to the heart of fabulous!

Due to occasional coarse language, parental guidance is recommended for children 15 years and under.

Meet the Ghosts of Wollaton Hall

15 January 2016 -15 January 2016

Wollaton Hall is a beautiful Elizabethan House, Built by Sir Francis Willoughby in collaboration with the architect Robert Smithson and completed in 1588.

In this behind the scenes tour, there will be no gimmicks or fancy dress. The tour is lead by Kath George, a full time front of house assistant responsible for the unlocking and locking of the building. She has met some of the former residents, as have her colleagues both still in the service and those long gone. This tour brings in the stories of real encounters with the unexplainable happenings of Wollaton hall, and we will even give you a glass of wine to steady your nerves.

Free parking (For this tour only - must pay at all other times) Parking is in spaces in front of the Hall.

Book your tickets now - £15 per person (including free glass of wine/soft drink)

THE OAKLANDS Oakfield Lane • Warsop

The Oaklands, Warsop

I would like to thank all staff, trustees and volunteers for the support which you have given to The Oaklands over the past year.

You all work hard with the fundraising you do for both the residents and the centre whether it's supporting the bingo nights, discos, charity shop, tea dance and all the other events which are held at The Oaklands.

Can I wish you all a Happy New Year.

Best Wishes Steve Lunn, Chairman Registered Charity 512326

01623 844034 – Alison – OAKLANDS 01623 843381 – Brenda - CHARITY SHOP

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OPENING HOURS

Monday CLOSED CLOSED 2.00 - 5.00 9.30 - 1.00 Tuesday Wednesday 9.00 - 1.00 Thursday CLOSED CLOSED Friday 9.30 - 1.00 2.00 - 5.00 9.30 - 12.30 CLOSED Saturday

Why not try our drinks machine? Only 60p per cup. Choose from Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Chocomilk or Coffee Mocha.

Browse the local paper or choose a book or two. We have fax and photocopying facilities for a small charge and free internet access. We can help you with computer basics, internet, emails and job searching, all easier than you think! If you are claiming jobseekers allowance then related printing is free. Children are allowed 5 sheets of printing free for homework.

WiFi

WiFi is now available at Warsop Library. WiFi allows people to use the internet wirelessly. To use WiFi at the library you will need a WiFi enabled device and a library card. It's free and there is no time limit on how long people can use the internet, unlike the library computers which other people may be waiting to use. To use this service you will need a WiFi enabled device and a library card.

Rhyme Time

Enjoy songs and rhymes with your children at this free session. Rattle, Rhyme & Roll is for under 5's every Tuesday 2.15 – 2.45 pm, term time only.

Joining in with songs and rhymes helps little ones with their co-ordination and improves vocabulary. It's good fun too! Meet other parents and make new friends. The library staff look forward to welcoming you to our new session.

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The Kabin FOOTBALL TRAINING

Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1pm to 3.30pm when we play bingo and serve tea, coffee and biscuits. Once a month we have a social evening with a meal etc.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs J Shepard on 846112 or any member or just call in at the centre

MARKET WARSOP

Market Warsop Football Club

A Charter Standard Community Football Club for young players of all ages and abilities!

Training and playing at probably one of the best home grounds in the county, The John Fretwell Sporting Complex, Market Warsop Football Club are long established in the district & exist to support young players to achieve their potential in sport. We are a family friendly club with fully qualified and DBS checked coaches playing their part in supporting grassroots football in your local area.

Call us on 07925107277 to find out how you can join us!

Stop press: New U7's development squad now training & U14's

(Yr9)looking for committed players!!

Football Training Sessions

For girls and boys age 5-7 year olds

At the John Fretwell Sporting Complex, Sookholme Every Tuesday - 5.00pm until 6.00pm

For further details please contact Keith on 01623 455838 or 07834541241

Welbeck Estates Brass Band NEEDS YOU! ANY AGE ANY LEVEL INSTRUMENTS PROVIDED

We are currently recruiting new brass players to join our happy & friendly band in our new rehearsal room.

For more details please contact Christine on 01623 740324 Or Geoff on 07730569498

Email us at welbeckestatesband@hotmail.co.uk or visit our facebook page www.facebook.com/8805986052 & website www.welbeckband.com



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