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COPY DEADLINE 7th of the month

The Knit and Natter group are busy again decorating the village benches and landmarks, this time with knitted poppies, in time for Remembrance Day.

The knitting group do far more than decorate the village. They knit various items for charity and the NHS including blankets for premature baby wards, twiddle muffs for dementia sufferers and woollen hats for Innocent smoothie bottles for Age UK.

If you would like to join us we meet every 1st and 3rd Friday between 10 - 12pm at The Falcon.

Mobile Library

The library comes through the village on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the following locations:-

Oakley Drive	9.55 – 10.20
Piper Drive	10.25 – 10.35
School	10.40 – 11.00
Falcon (layby)	11.05 – 11.55

FRUIT AND VEG

If you have an excess of fruit and vegetables from your garden you are very welcome to bring them to the garden club or leave them in a box outside your house.

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

WHAT'S ON WEEKLY IN LONG WHATTON...

<p style="text-align: center;">MONDAY</p> <p>Whatton Wailers 7pm -8pm Upstairs at the Falcon</p> <p>Contact Andrew 07890 204466</p> <p>All Saints Church Coffee morning every 4th Monday at 10.30am contact Anne Matravers 646409</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY</p> <p>WI - 2nd Tuesday of the month at The Friendship Centre 7.30pm Contact Lesley 01509 506714</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY (cont)</p> <p>FitClub Exercise Class 9.30am - 10.30am Friendship Centre £5.50 per session Contact Julie 07966 935766</p> <p>Bridge Club Community Centre 7.30pm - 9.30pm Table money £1.50 pp Contact Tony Wagstaffe 01509 842382</p> <p>Buggy Club Meet 12.30pm outside Friendship Centre £5.00 per session Contact Kathy 07980 752888</p> <p>Cricket Club Kwik Cricket and Incrediball 6 - 7pm Hardball Cricket 7 - 8pm Contact Sonya 01509 842402</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Short Mat Bowls Community Centre 7.00pm - 9.30pm Contact Alan Wheeler 01509 842851</p> <p>Pilates 9.30 - 10.30 and 10.45 - 11.45 at the Friendship Centre Contact Cara Tatterton 07921 040707 to book cara@caratattertonpilates.co.uk</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THURSDAY</p> <p>The Art Group Friendship Centre 9.30 - 11.30am for painting and drawing Contact Dave Want 01509 842562</p> <p>FitCamp Exercise class 6.30pm - 7.30pm £5.50 per session at the Friendship Centre Contact 07966 935766</p> <p>Karate Club 6.15 at Community Centre contact Ben 07714 335598</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY</p> <p>Knit and Natter 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at The Falcon 10am - 12pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SATURDAY at the Friendship Centre</p> <p>FitCamp Exercise Class 8am - 9am £5.50 per session</p> <p>Garden Club - 3rd Sat of the month 10am - 12pm £2 entry</p>

LONG WHATTON LADIES WOMENS INSTITUTE

Programme for 2019

**Sep 10th – Edith Piaf - a talk by Julie Ede one of our favourite speakers
Come & listen to the fascinating story of this French singer**

Oct 9th – AGM

Nov 12th – Christmas Crafts

Dec 10th – Xmas Meal

**All Meetings take place at The Friendship Centre, Main St at 7.30 unless
shown above. For more information contact: Lesley 01509 506714**

Everyone Welcome – First Meeting is FREE

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday 7th October at 10.30 am. This special service will be led by Revd Lauretta and will include an opportunity to present gifts of produce (preferably, but not exclusively, in tins, boxes or bags!!).

The church will be especially decorated for harvest. If you would like to help to do this please contact Vivienne Matravers (646413) who will be delighted to hear from you.

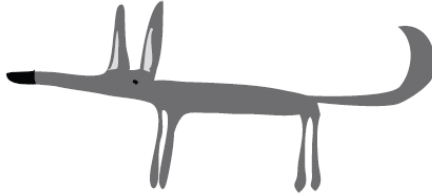
After the service refreshments will be served and there will be plenty of time for a chat!!

As we are a rural community we do hope many of you will be able to join us for this celebration and we look forward to welcoming you.

Services this month

Sunday 7th 10.30 Harvest Festival

Sundays 14th and 21st 10.30 Holy Communion



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Continue to clear the garden debris. Bin anything showing signs of fungal infection.

Leave plants with hips and seed heads for the wildlife.

Dig over empty areas soil.

Take hardwood cuttings of shrubs and fruit bushes.

Plant new climbers and perennials.

Protect alpine from the winter wet.

Lift and store dahlias, gladioli summer flowering bulbs. Plant lily and tulip bulbs.

Lift and divide rhubarb. Fix grease bands to fruit trees.

Insulate greenhouses and check heaters are working.

Following up a question at the Garden Club, I have included a list of plants that will give interest in your Autumn/Winter garden.

Acer palmatum varieties (leaves)

Anemone x hybrida (japanese anemone) (flowers)

Aucuba japonica 'Variegata' (Spotted laurel)(fruit and leaves)

Chimonanthus praecox (Wintersweet) (scented flowers)

Chrysanthemum varieties (flowers)

Clematis "Freckles" (flowers)

Colchicum cilicicum (Autumn crocus) (flowers) NB poisonous

Cornus (Dogwood) (young stems)

Cotinus (Smoke bush) (leaves)

Cyclamen coum (flowers)

Euonymus alatus (Winged spindle) (leaves)

Galanthus varieties (Snowdrops)

Garrya elliptica (Silk tassel bush) (flowers)

Hamamelis x intermedia (Witch hazel)(scented flowers)

Helleborus niger (Christmas rose) (flowers)

Jasminum nudiflorum (Winter jasmine) (flowers)

Lonicera fragrantissima (winter flowering honeysuckle) (flowers)

Mahonia x media varieties (flowers, leaves, fruit)

Malus pumila (crab apple) (fruit)

Nerine bowdenii (flowers)

Physalis alkekengi (Chinese lanterns) (fruit)

Pyracantha (leaves and fruit)

Rhus typhina (Stag's Horn Sumach) (leaves)

Rosa rugosa (Hedgehog rose) (fruit)

Sarcococca hookeriana (Sweet Box) (scented flowers)

Schizostylis coccinea (Kaffir Lily) (Flowers)

Sorbus commixta (Rowan) (fruit and leaves)

Viburnum x bodnantense "Dawn" (flowers, scent)

Vitis coignetia (leaves)

Happy gardening til next month, Lottie

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EVENTS

August 4th – Murder Mystery Afternoon Tea - £22.95 per person

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September 7th – D.I.S.C.O. Night - £19.95 per person

We're throwing it back to the glamorous beginnings of Disco to the rollers, flares and fro's of the 70's and 80's right up to present day. Join us for a 3-course meal and party the night away to our resident DJ. Fancy dress optional.

COMING SOON

August sees the opening of - Houdini's Escape Room Experience – Kegworth.

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Christmas 2019

This year's programme of events is now in place - from Christmas and Boxing Day lunches in our Marco's New York Italian Restaurant to Boogie and Live Band party nights. This year we're introducing a Family Christmas Panto event on 15th and 22nd December and a Craft and Gift Fayre on Sunday 8th December.

Not forgetting our extremely popular events on New Year's Eve – these are booking up fast so contact us soon #bookearly #merryandwhite

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Long Whatton Village Show Produce, Art & Crafts Competition 2019

The 2019 Show was blessed with lots of very hot sunshine and whilst it may have been a little too warm at times, it did make it so much easier than the rain experienced at last year's event. It also may have helped to encourage more people to turn out and enter the various classes. We registered a total of 204 entries from 73 entrants compared to 168 and 52 entrants in 2018. It was really pleasing to see more children compete and almost half of the entrants were 16 years and under. The fruit and vegetables section proved the most popular, followed closely by the homemade produce. Disappointingly there was a marked decline in the Art exhibits with only 4 entrants which was a great shame as it clear there is talent within the village. The two villagers who did put in an entry both won firsts. New for this year was the handicraft section which seemed to go down well.

Well done to all our winners, not just the trophy winners but all of those who were placed.

Thanks as ever to our lovely judges, some of whom travel a fair distance and without them, the competition would not be possible. Thanks also of course to all our helpers who make the Show a success.

CLASSES

SECTION 1: HOME MADE PRODUCE (competing for *'The Gladys & Banner Zanotti' Trophy*)

Winner **Daniel Chadaway**

SECTION 2: FRUIT & VEGETABLES (competing for *'The John Payter' Trophy*)

Joint winners **Alice Robertshaw & Billy Steel**

SECTION 3: ART (competing for *'The Sylvia Bowyer' Trophy*)

Winner **Wendy Saley**

SECTION 4: PHOTOGRAPHY (competing for *'The Falcon Inn' Trophy*)

Winner **Michael Mantey**

SECTION 5: FLOWERS & PLANTS (competing for *'The Cawdell' Trophy*)

Winner **Margaret Green**

SECTION 6: HANDICRAFTS (competing for *'The Philip Marshall' Trophy*)

Winner **Marie Walker**

SECTION 7: POTATOES IN A BUCKET (competing for '*The Ian Freestone*' Trophy)

Winner **Thomas Robertshaw**

SECTION 8 A: TALLEST SUNFLOWER IN A POT (competing for *The Sunflower Shield 1*)

Winner **Lilac, Izzy, Betty & Rocco Rennocks/Mantey**

SECTION 8 B: TALLEST SUNFLOWER IN THE GARDEN (competing for *The Sunflower Shield 2*)

Winner **Daniel Chadaway**

SECTION 9: 5-10 YEAR OLDS (competing for '*The Long Whatton Village Store*' Trophy)

Winner **Charlie Skinner**

CLASS 39: A model made from waste material (competing for The '*Susan Cooke*' Trophy)

Winner **Charlie Skinner**

SECTION 10: PRE-SCHOOL (special prize)

Winner **Hannah Lincoln**

Overall Winners

'The Manor Farm' Trophy is awarded for the Long Whatton Exhibitor in classes 1 - 35 scoring the highest number of points overall.

Winner **Margaret Green**

'The Wardle' Trophy is awarded to the Long Whatton Exhibitor aged 16yrs & under in classes 1-39 scoring the highest number of points overall.

Winner **Charlie Skinner**

'The Long Whatton Community Association Guest' Trophy is awarded for the Guest Exhibitor with the most number of points in classes 1 – 33

Winner **Emily Fisher**

'The Long Whatton Community Association Junior Guest' Trophy is awarded to the Guest Exhibitor aged 16yrs & under in classes 1-39 (excluding classes 34 & 35) scoring the highest number of points overall.

Winner **Charlie Cooledge**

My autumn coat

It seems wherever I turn at the moment there is something about our impact as consumers. How what we choose to buy has an impact on the environment or workers conditions at manufacturing facilities. To be honest with you, it all feels a bit overwhelming. I am sure we all want to make good choices, but with so many issues and so little information available as to how our food or clothes are sourced and made, it can be a bit of a mine-field.

The church in Long Whatton hosted an Eco-evening over summer. This was a truly great event! People from our area gathered and showed in which ways they try to be a little bit more Eco-conscious. Some ideas on how to reduce plastic (like knitting your own dishcloths, or using a re-filling station for laundry detergent) felt easy to implement. Others (like making your own eco-friendly clingfilm) seemed a bit more adventurous. But what really struck me was how by making a conscious effort, even small improvements can have a big collective impact.

During New Wine (a Christian conference) I attended a seminar on sustainable fashion. The speakers highlighted the different issues in the clothing industry and again, I left a little bit overwhelmed and decided that the best thing was probably to just not buy so much stuff. However, as the summer heat left the air it was time for jackets to be put away for and coats to be brought out, and I realised that my autumn coat had somehow ended up a little bit tight around the hips (must have shrunk in the wash...). With some dread I started thinking about how to best put into practice my newly acquired awareness of ethical fashion whilst looking for a replacement. I didn't manage to find anything suitable searching through ethical fashion brands (if I ever need a pair of dungarees, I know where to look though!). And then, I came across this little app called "Good on you". You can use it to search for brands and instantaneously get a rating based on several different ethical aspects. And, lo and behold, ranking not at all badly was M&S! New autumn coat is now purchased, and whilst I might not have solved the ecological crisis or global warming, I am determined to carry on trying to make better choices. Together, our small efforts can have a big impact.

Look out for more information about the next Eco-evening in November!

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The focus during August and September has been on preparing for the grading which will take place on 27th September. The September grading will be particularly special, as it will hopefully see those who started karate when we first opened for training in April, taking their first grading! The grading will take place on 27th September and will be conducted by former World Champion Sensei Frank Brennan (8th Dan Black Belt). The grading will require candidates had to demonstrate their technical skill and attitude across the three primary areas of karate - Kihon (basic moves), Kumite (sparring), and Kata (set sequences of moves, executed in a specific order).

September is also incredibly exciting as the best male and female karateka in the country travel on 20th September to the WSKA World Championships in Portugal to represent the KUGB (Karate Union of Great Britain). On 8th September we were fortunate to have Sensei Jack Somers and Sensei Stuart Amos (both 4th Dan Black Belts) travel across to the East Midlands to run another fabulous kata session at Nottingham Trent University. They are currently number one and number two in Great Britain for kata, and will be travelling to Portugal to compete in the World Championships as part of the England squad. We look forward to following their success, along with the rest of the KUGB England team. We'll let you know how they get on in next month's magazine!

We had some further good news in the past month, with Sensei Joe (4th Dan Black Belt), who also lives in the village, joining the club as an assistant instructor. We welcome Sensei Joe to the club and thank him for agreeing to help us continue to provide a high standard of training in traditional karate. In addition to our Senior Club Instructor, Sensei Ben, we therefore now have four assistant instructors, which allows us to provide a higher-than-normal level of contact time with our students to help their development. We also have a wide range of karate backgrounds and experience in our instructing team, which our students benefit from.

So, some really exciting things have been going on, and we've hopefully got some more news to come as we take our first club members through their gradings, and wait to see how the KUGB England team get on in the World Championships. We can't wait to update you next month, hopefully with some really good news!

Interested in giving karate a try? Adults, young people and children (min 5 years-old) who would like to learn karate in the village can find out more on the club's Facebook Page @longwhattonkarate, e-mail the club at longwhattonkarate@gmail.com, or contact the club secretary on 07714335598. Training is held every Thursday in the Long Whatton Community Centre from 6:15pm.

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BINGO FISH & CHIPS Tickets £5.00	Friday 8th November 7pm TBC Look out for posters and on Facebook
BANGRA in Concert Dance Group	Sunday 24th November
SANTA TRAIN	Thursday 19th December 6pm
STORM OFFICER Play about village in flood	Saturday 29th February 2020
GILMORE & ROBERTS Folk Group	Friday 22nd May 2020
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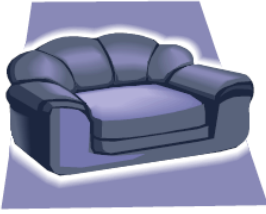
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NATURE TRAIL – OCTOBER 2019

As we enter the season of Autumn we see so many changes taking place around us. There's a cold 'nip' in the air, our summer flowers have finished and hopefully you're now finding various fruits ready to be picked.

Last month I spent some time writing about butterflies and have often stressed the importance of attracting pollinators into the garden, especially bees (I wouldn't have wanted wasps as I REALLY dislike them, but they are also useful pollinators).

A few weeks ago I was treating a client over in Swannington and her husband is a big gardener and needs little encouragement in telling me how well his vegetables are doing. I do ask him in the hope that I might be given some of his produce !! However, when asking how his runner beans had been he informed me there'd been no bees so he'd very few beans; and this got me thinking.

To successfully produce fruit, flowers need pollinating. This is usually done by flying insects such as honeybees, bumblebees, flies, beetles and wasps.

Whereas most soft fruit produce compatible flowers and pollen and are therefore self-fertile, many fruit trees need a different cultivar of the same fruit that flowers at the same time to pollinate their flowers.

If you live in a built-up area there are likely to be other fruit trees growing in close proximity, so there may be adequate pollination nearby and just the one tree will be enough in your garden. Although pollinating bees can travel 3 – 4km , the general rule of thumb is that trees for cross-pollination should be within 18 metres (60 feet) of each other to be really effective.

We've received a few nature stories from the village.

Soon after completing September's Nature Trail I had a call from Pat Griffiths, from Smithy Lane, to tell me that as she'd gone out early in the evening she spotted a barn owl taking off from the shed near the Sheep field. A truly marvellous sight; I was quite envious.

Other stories were given to me at our last Knit n Natter meeting at The Falcon. I can usually count on the ladies to help me out .

Lesley Giles, also on Smithy Lane, informed me they have their own mini murmuration of starlings. They take off over the field, perform their aerial acrobatics and then return to their places on the electricity wires. They also spend time devouring anything placed on Lesley's bird table.

Lesley thinks the group of starlings are all young ones as they're lighter in colour.

The milder weather in the UK is a big draw for small birds escaping harsh winter weather, but there's also strength in numbers. During the winter months starlings form large communal roosts in trees, reedbeds or human structures, grouping together for warmth and safety.

As daylight begins to fade, thousands of birds arrive in small flocks above a roosting site, coming together into a swirling mass of birds that twists and turns through the air. The incredible shapes they make in the air are known as murmurations and are thought to help evade attacks from birds of prey.

Once the birds are satisfied that the coast is clear, birds will peel off from the main group in coordinated descents, settling into the roost with a loud flurry of wings and chattering - a spectacle in itself!

If you'd like to see a Starling Murmuration you could try heading off to the Attenborough Nature Reserve near Beeston on the west side of Nottingham. The starling viewpoint is about a 35 minute walk from the Nature Centre.

Sue, further down on Smithy Lane, also has regular visits from starlings, arriving at 4pm nearly every day, to eat from the bird feeders.

A completely different creature was spotted by Geoff and Pauline, on Spring Lane. They found the caterpillar of an Elephant Hawk Moth in their garden.

The elephant hawk moth is a large pink and olive green moth but it is the larvae that are often found in gardens especially on fuchsia. The caterpillars are usually brown or green and can grow to over 8cm with black and pink eye spots and a small black horn on the rear end. Usually found in late summer to early autumn. Extensive damage to garden plants is rare, but caterpillar feeding does cause some defoliation.

If you are walking around the village in October, have a look at the older established hedges for signs of the furry seed-heads of wild clematis, it's common name is 'Old Man's Beard' – you'll be able to see the reason! Another name is Traveller's Joy. Do you know why?

Please get in touch if you have any nature sightings, I'd love to hear from you.

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