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Our Live & Local shows are starting on Thursday 8th October with

'AWOL' (a comedy adventure caper which has had several sold-out runs at Fringe Festivals). Cyril doesn't like old people, which is a shame because he is one.

When he learns that his estranged daughter, Lily, has her big break with her thrash metal band, Abscess, he and his friend Neville are determined to show up and support her. Neither of them will ever be the same again. Tickets are available from ticketsource.co.uk/ollerton-village-jubilee-hall. A bar is available but we are sorry that we can't accept credit cards so please bring cash.

Then Friday 6th November with 'The Lost Notes' (a 5 piece acoustic folk/country band) and Friday 9th April with 'Victor and Albert' (with an evening of riotous comedy).

Make notes in your diary and ensure when tickets become available that you get in quick as they will soon be snapped up. More details will be given nearer to the date.

Please visit our Facebook page, 'Ollerton Jubilee Hall', to keep you informed of the activities taking place at the hall or if you wish to contact us our email address is email@ollertonjubileehall.org.uk.

Why not come along to any of the events and pastimes that take place there, or if you wish to start your own interest group, there are several dates available, both week days and weekends, then contact our Booking Secretary, Sandra on 07583570134 or use our new online booking system on hallbookingonline.com/ollerton.

Congratulations to the lucky winners of the 100 Club draw for August! There are spare numbers available so why not sign up for the 100 Club today? It's very simple and only £1 per month. Just talk to any committee member or call John on 07875634713 and he'll help you.

- 1st Prize (£20): Ticket No. 14 – M Mounsey
- 2nd Prize (£10): Ticket No. 32 – M Barrows
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First stop was the Fairground & Vintage Transport Museum which proved extremely nostalgic for those whose memories stretched back to the 1960s – and earlier! Alongside the steam engines, the cars, tractors and mechanical organs, a Lambretta scooter –

remember them? – festooned with stills from the film 'Quadrophenia' reminded members of their salad days.

And then on to the rides – the Carousel, the Bumper Cars and the Ghost Train – the Penny Slot machines and the Distorting Mirrors. Also of note was the full scale sprung dance floor and two Wurlitzer theatre organs, expertly played whilst couples danced.

From there we made the short trip to the sea front for traditional seaside fish n' chips, washed down with cups of tea – or wine (the philistine's choice!). Suitably refreshed, some opted for a paddle in the sea, others for a gentle stroll along the beach or the prom... and many opted for a delicious, cooling, ice cream on the way. Mercifully, I heard of only one Herring Gull attack that whole afternoon!

A great day overall – and one thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part. Our thanks to Leslye and the Events Team for arranging such a memorable trip.

The U3A movement is a good way to make new friends and socialise or learn something new. There are a lot of good things happening at Dukeries U3A which is open to all adults irrespective of employment status. Membership costs £20 pp and includes access to all activities and interest groups for the year, including those of the North Notts Neighbourhood Group.. To find out more please come along to up to two of their meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month at Ollerton's Jubilee Hall, 12.30 to 3.00pm, for £1 to cover refreshments.

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SCARECROW FESTIVAL

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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

As in previous years, the Town Council are working in partnership with the Ollerton Branch of the Royal British Legion to arrange a Parade and Service for Remembrance Sunday which this year takes place on Sunday 8th November.

The Town Council are responsible for the parade and need the help of volunteer marshals from within the community to work along side the professional traffic management company.

If you are able to give up an hour of your time for this important community event please contact the Town Hall.

POPPY DISPLAY



Through the "Ollerton Together" organisation, local community groups are working towards creating displays of poppies throughout the town in the run up to Remembrance Sunday.

If you would like to add to the event with poppy themed displays outside your home, school or business please let us know so that we can include them in our commemorative publicity.

If you are a community group not already working with the "Ollerton Together"

networking group and would like more information please contact Ollerton Town Hall.

CHRISTMAS MARKET 2026

If you wish to have a stall at this year's switch on event on Sherwood Drive on 20th November please contact Ollerton Town Hall for further details on 01623 860811 or email office@ollerton-tc.gov.uk

JUNIOR TOWN COUNCIL

Our Junior Town Council continue to astound us with their enthusiasm and maturity and are busy with ideas for the next school year.

OLLERTON CEMETERY

Residents are reminded that whilst dogs are allowed in the Cemetery they should be kept on a lead at all times.

PLAYPARKS & SKATEPARK

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MEETINGS

Residents are very welcome to attend Town Council meetings:

Planning Committee – 25th August 2026, 6pm

Full Council – 9th September 2026, 6pm

FURTHER INFORMATION

More information regarding meetings and all Town Council matters can be found on the official noticeboards situated outside the Town Hall on Sherwood Drive and adjacent to St Giles Church in Ollerton.

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Parish Contact:

07508823512, rev-richardhanford@hotmail.com.

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Community Garden Group – Wednesdays from 10am.

VILLAGE CHURCHES

Sunday 6 September Laxton service cancelled today

Wellow 4pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 13 September Kirton 10:30am Holy Communion

Friday 18 September Laxton 7pm Harvest Festival

8pm Harvest Supper in Laxton village hall

Saturday 19 September Harvest competition entries received in Laxton church 2-4pm

Sunday 20 September Wellow 10:30am Morning Service

Walesby 10:30am Holy Communion

Laxton 4pm service followed by auction of harvest produce

Sunday 4 October Laxton 10.30am service

Wellow 4pm Harvest Festival



NATIONAL HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

As we proceed into the Autumn months, the museum will welcome the return of our schools education programme. With a new Key Stage 1 and 2 in school offer, with the aim to have younger children learn more about the everyday lives of the Jewish community and therefore creating more inclusivity. School visits fill up quickly in the Autumn term so do may enquiries soon. School enquiries:

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The group visits offer has also had a refresh with an educator led visit for a greater understanding of the museum and wider history of the Holocaust. For more information email: groupbookings@holocaust.org.uk

Do keep an eye out on our website for additions to our events programme too.

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Becoming a Home-Start volunteer involves a weekly visit to a local family, offering confidential, non-judgemental emotional and practical support to families with young children facing challenging times.

Once a volunteer has completed their training alongside other new volunteers they are introduced to a family referred in to the organisation for support. After this introduction the volunteer visits the family home for the pre-arranged weekly visit remembering to take a listening ear, a friendly attitude and sometimes a favourite toy or book if playing with toddlers.

A visit can vary from one week to the next. Emotional support may be needed offering a safe, confidential space for a parent struggling with isolation, post-natal low moods, or exhaustion to vent and feel heard.

Practical help may involve playing with the children to allow the parent/carer a short physical break, assist with completing forms or managing the household budget.

Or simply a warm catch up over a cup of coffee to talk through how their week has been and build their confidence in raising their family.

After the visit the volunteer will reflect and log details of the visit and call their Co-ordinator if any guidance is required.

Then its time to transition back to personal daily routines, knowing you have provided a vital anchor for a family in need.

They also offer Family Group twice a week, offering support to families who would like to meet other parents, enabling their children to play in a safe environment, supporting children's development, and providing a healthy breakfast to every child. Staff and

volunteers are onsite to offer emotional and practical support to families.

Home-Start Newark works with families in Newark as well as Ollerton, Boughton and Bilsthorpe. If you have parenting experience and would like to make a difference to the lives of local families through volunteering or becoming a trustee they are very keen to hear from you. For further information please call 01636 705011 or email them at info@homestartnewark.co.uk or find them on Facebook/Instagram.

HELP WITH ALCOHOL ADDICTION

For anyone struggling with alcohol, it can often feel as though support is difficult to find or only available in larger towns and cities. In reality, help may be much closer than many people realise.

Every Monday at 7:30 pm, a closed Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) group meets at Lifespring. The group provides a safe, supportive environment where people can share their experiences and receive encouragement from others who understand the challenges of alcohol dependency.

As a closed group, meetings are intended for those who have a desire to stop drinking, and confidentiality is taken very seriously. This allows attendees to speak openly, knowing that what is shared within the group remains private.

There are often misconceptions about AA meetings, but many people are surprised by how welcoming, down-to-earth, and non-judgemental they are. Whether someone is looking for help for the first time or seeking ongoing support, they can simply turn up and be assured of a warm welcome.

Sometimes the hardest step is reaching out. Knowing that support is available locally can make that first step a little easier.

OVRA NEWS

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Spades are in the ground at Lowdham! Our latest information from the project manager is that there will be Meet the Contractors meetings in October to present their traffic management plans for the build period to Ollerton residents, with a start here later that month. It's been a long time coming, and difficult to believe it may actually now happen.

MEMBERS STROLL

A gentle evening stroll around the village taking in the key historical sites and sights was enjoyed by a dozen of our members, and



followed up by cake, wine and beer in a lovely village garden. I know we can do with some rain, but it is a pleasure to plan something and rely on the weather.

So, the question is...have you been to our Roman Marching Camp, or know the story of our Lords of the Manor who plotted against a King. Where do we get our street and building names from? What does the chequered history of St Giles Church tell us about village life? The easy way to find out for your group or organisation is to join us for a relaxed History Stroll.

Taking around 90 minutes our resident history enthusiast Steve will guide you from the last ice age to the coming of king coal. A donation to OVRA is welcome, but otherwise it's free and we can usually tailor times and days of the week to suit you. Individuals can also register an interest and we'll try to fit you in with a group. Contact us at ovraollerton@gmail.com.

FORESTRY ENGLAND

As the school holidays are nearly over it is time to reflect and it has been a classic summer season from my perspective. More people using the woods always means more litter, more dog poo, more fires and more bad behaviour. Big thanks to the district council for helping me get the very inappropriate graffiti cleaned up in record time. I always hope it will be different but it never is. Thanks to those visitors who report things that aren't right or take action to clear up of their own accord. I appreciate your efforts.

In more positive news the Vikings are coming back! Sherwood Pines will be welcoming reenactors Regia Angolorum for the weekend of the 26th and 27th September. The format for each day involves warrior training in the arena in the morning followed by a battle in the afternoon. Horses will be showing off their battle skills, archers take target practice and each group cook their lunch over an open fire. Throughout the day you will be able to visit the living history camp, wear the armour and hold weapons, speak to the experts in their crafts and watch the skills required for everyday life over a millennium ago. This is a free event although the usual Sherwood Pines parking charges apply. The living history camp and arena are on the field near the cafe and activities take place between 10am and 4pm.

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1ST OLLERTON RAINBOWS

We held a promise evening for Tabitha and Angel in front of their proud guests, we spent an evening decorating butterfly bracelets and seeing how well they could fly.

Our final evening was our traditional picnic. It was extra special because Tabitha made a delicious cake for us all to share. It was a very busy evening due to Luna and Ellie getting presented with their Bronze award. Ellie, Sinah and Eadie jumped over the Rainbow as they move up to Brownies in September.

It was also a sad and happy evening due to Hannah who has been with us for 4 years leaving. Hannah is about to start her next adventure at university. We wish her all the best.

Kanga and Roo

2ND OLLERTON BROWNIES

We held another promise evening for Scarlet in front of her proud guests, and we also made a hobby horse.

We've held our traditional evening at Rufford Park firstly a picnic, then a visit to the Girlguiding seat then a play on the park and singing while walking back to meet our parents. Our final evening was McDonald's, always a favourite. It was made extra special by Amelia and Paisley being thrown out as they will start Guides in September. Amelia has earned her Gold award, to earn this Amelia has had to do at least 6 interest badges at home, 18 hours of unit meeting activities, 24 Skills Builder



activities, done her promise, visit Guides and she helped run a Brownie meeting showing and teaching everyone how to finger knit. A very big achievement. Our Division Commissioner visited and presented her with her badge, certificate and balloon. Well done.

The Owls

OLLERTON GUIDES AND RANGERS

A joint article this time as the Guides and Rangers had a joint adventure at the start of August. 4 leaders along with 18 members took part in the Poacher International Jamboree. From the 1st-8th Aug our Guides and Rangers got stuck into everything that was on offer from. Adventurous activities including, land sorbs, young driver school, crossbows, scuba diving, sky diving, water slides, fencing, mini tanks, skate park, caving, escape rooms, and so much more. To the craft centre that included, paracord, glass etching, clay moulding, sewing machines, leather stamping, wax printing along with so many other things. To off site activities such as the zoo, kayaking, water obstacle course, archaeological dig. Some of

our members also auditioned for Poachers got talent, Natasha, one of our rangers, made it to the final and came in the top 3 out of 300 that auditioned. All the leaders are so proud of that achievement.

If you want to see more of what we have been up to take a look at our Facebook page Ollerton Guides and Rangers. And if you or someone you know aged 10-18 would like the chance to have amazing adventures then make an enquiry on the Girlguiding website. We can't wait to share our experiences with you.



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At Edwinstowe and The Dukeries Lions Club, female leadership and active female membership are central to everything we do. Today, our club is driven by a vibrant, diverse team of women making a hands-on impact in our local area—and we are actively looking for more women to join us!

We are exceptionally proud to feature a strong female executive team leading our efforts this year. Steering our major projects is our President, Bianca, alongside Vice President Kimberley, Treasurer Tegan, and new member Melanie.

Our success builds on the dedication of long-standing leaders like Diane—our historic first female President—and Hazel, as well as the generous support of local entrepreneur Bev Brown from Beespoke Home Sales in Edwinstowe.

We want more women to bring their energy, ideas, and skills to our team.

Whether you have a few hours a month to spare or want to take on a bigger role, our members enjoy a brilliant balance of meaningful local work—like supporting the Robin Hood Festival—and a lively, friendly social calendar. We welcome women and men of all backgrounds who want to give back, connect, and have fun.

Get in Touch to Join Us:

Contact: Jonathan Yarwood (Edwinstowe & The Dukeries Lions)

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Facebook: Follow our page to see upcoming meetings and socials!



OLLERTON METHODIST CHURCH

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This month we welcome our new Presbyter, Rev Angela Potheary and we have bid farewell to Debbie and Dave Keegan who are now ministering in Cornwall.

Ollerton Sunday morning services start at 1030. They are followed by an opportunity to share refreshments and share our thoughts with others. All are welcome – to the service and afterwards.

8th	United Service at Trinity, Mansfield Woodhouse 1045am
15th	Mr John Adamson
22nd	Mr Alan Darlington
29th	Rev Angela Potheary – Harvest Festival

Methodist Women in Britain meet at 2.00pm Tuesday. Knit and natter usually on the last Tuesday of the month where new people are especially encouraged to attend.

Midweek Zoom Service 10am Wednesday and several other worship resources on-line – again please contact for more details.



EDWINSTOWE IN BLOOM

This month has been really busy trying to keep on to of all the watering needed due to the hot weather and trying to keep the beds all well stocked and tidy ready for the Britain in Bloom Judges. Despite the extra workload we had this month we did not ignore the food hub. We were able to make a delivery to them after harvesting done by In Bloomers Ann, Karen and Jim, along with further contributions from other allotment holders at the Crop Drop. This month with the Regional Judging behind us we have been working towards the final judging day of the 31st July.

In June some Eco Gardening Club members from King Edwin Primary School Edwinstowe visited Linda's Meadow for a spot of bug and insect hunting. They had a lovely time and went away to put all their findings into a report for us. The children will be back in September to check for any different species. This month we awarded the first recipients of Linda's Legacy Eco Star Badges to four children, who were presented with their awards King Edwin Primary School Edwinstowe for completing the bug/insect hunt to identify species at Linda's Meadow.

We are also proud to share the news that we have been nominated for a Newark and Sherwood District Council Community and Sports Award in the category of Community Group of the Year sponsored by Ringrose Law.

Judging day was fun and it went very well. It was a pleasure to welcome our judges Nick and Geraldine and to show them what a wonderful place we live in and to have such positive support from so many people. The judges were shown round all the places in the village where EiB volunteers have been working, and they met the volunteers who were responsible at each of the sites. In addition to the Judges, our MP Michelle Welsh and The Sheriff of Nottingham in full regalia were also among those present.

Jo Aylwin the Chairman of EiB gave a really good and comprehensive interview to our MP covering how important the group is to the Community. Not just because of the improvement to the village with the flower planting, but also with growing the Community and the Community inclusivity and activities. This was very much in evidence on the day, with the gathering of residents and volunteers of all ages for a get together at the end of the judging at the Cricket Club. It also provided further opportunities for the Judges to look at all the evidence of all the activities and talk to volunteers and residents. The full interview can be seen on Michelle Welsh MP's and our own Facebook pages, and it is well worth watching.

In the Photography competition the winning photographs for June was Poppies by Scott Carlton and in July the photograph was Wild Jasmine at Outside the Cave displayed at the Village Exchange by Rachel Lerway. Winning photos will be included in our publicity articles in the local magazines and on our Facebook page. If you are an amateur photographer and over 16, please take part, and send your entries by midnight on the last day of the month, in .jpg format to the email address below.

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KIRTON VILLAGE NEWS

GREASE IS THE WORD

A great atmosphere at the sing-a-long screening of the classic film Grease at Newstead Abbey; a warm summer night made it perfect. Big screen, clear picture, drink in hand and good food; what more could we ask for!!

FOX REPAIR CAFE

A variety of Items were brought back to life by four dedicated volunteers including....

Repairs to fans, jewellery, garments, chimes, pottery, clocks and knife sharpening.

BBQ on the patio with live music by Annabelle Elizabeth.

Good food and music were the glue that brought the community together. Enjoyed a brilliant afternoon soaking up the tunes and the sizzling grill.

Annabelle's performance put us all in a party mood; she sang all the favourites and captivated us from the moment she started singing.

The Society of Our Lady of Egmont organises several Pilgrimages each year and this was their second.

Sixty Pilgrims converged on Egmont church to make their devotions. After the morning mass in church, the Pilgrims made their way to the village hall where our team of volunteers from sister church Holy Trinity Church, Kirton, including three new helpers, offered refreshments.

We raised £451.59 for Holy Trinity Church, Kirton.

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Thursdays: Qi Gong, 12.30pm with lunch after if you fancy it.

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Fun Fox quiz 7.30pm, includes Sticky 13's and PYCR.

Next book club will be Wednesday 2nd September at 6.30pm when we will choose another book.

Current readers choice "The Women" by Kristin Hannah

Afternoon Tea and guest singer at The Fox, Kirton, Saturday 5th September at 2pm

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HARLEY GALLERY

Harley Open 2026 Returns with Contemporary Art and Endangered Heritage Crafts WELBECK, UK — The Harley Open returns to The Harley Gallery on the historic Welbeck Estate from 19 September 2026 to 3 January 2027. Showcasing 138 works selected from over 700

entries within a 100-mile radius, this year's biennial exhibition marks the most diverse in its history by actively integrating freestanding works and over 15 endangered UK heritage craft skills alongside contemporary art. From canal art and clog making to oil painting and sculpture, the exhibition brings together non-traditional pairings to celebrate making in all its forms.

Exhibits include:
Phil Neal, Stanley: A 1.8-metre memorial

sculpture created from upcycled steel spanners and components.

Peter James Houghton, Gleadless Flats: An acrylic painting examining class and social change in Sheffield.

Daniel Jackson & Claire Ridley, Glass and Gold: A scientific glassblown McLeod gauge in a hand-gilded, bespoke cabinet.

Sarah-Jane Roberts, Petrol Can (Do You Mind If I Moor Here?): Canal art reinterpreted on a modern jerry can, addressing themes of displacement.

Martin Clarkson, The Major Oak (An Ark Through Time): A vibrant tribute to Sherwood Forest's legendary ancient oak.

Joseph Curle, Saddle-stitched Derby No. 3: Traditional handmade shoes crafted using the endangered art of cordwain.

Prizes and Selection

The 138 selected pieces were chosen by a panel including Bryony Bond (Director, The Harley Foundation), James Fox (Art historian, broadcaster, and author), and Joe Hill (Director & CEO, Yorkshire Sculpture Park).

Prizes to be awarded at the opening include: The Judges' Prize (£3,000) sponsored by the Harley Foundation.

The People's Choice Prize (£1,000) sponsored by Welbeck Estates Company.

Welbeck Abbey Brewery Prize: The winning artwork featured on a limited-edition beer label plus a 12-bottle case for the artist.

Bryony Bond, Director of the Harley Foundation:

"With such a diversity of works, the exhibition showcases some of the fantastic artists, makers, and craftspeople we have in this region and the incredible breadth of creativity."

James Fox, Guest Judge:

"This is one of the most exciting biennial exhibitions in the country, revealing the enormous amount of talent hiding in the heart of England."

Most featured works are available for purchase, with interest-free finance available via Own Art (£250-£5,000).

Visitor Information

Dates: 19 September 2026 – 3 January 2027

Admission: Free entry & free parking

Opening Hours: Open daily (see website for current times)

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Are you free on Sunday 13th September to celebrate Heritage Day? This year we will be holding an event in the Mausoleum where you can view stands full of information on Milton and surrounding villages. Where is Markham Clinton? There will be a variety of documents, maps, artefacts, sales brochures, names, faces, and memorabilia, well worth a visit! Do you have any links with Milton?

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Carols by Candlelight. Saturday 5th December - Doors open 2.30pm - to be seated by 3pm. Just a gentle reminder that the list for this extremely popular event is half full by now! Don't be disappointed, please add your name to our list as soon as possible. The event is free and we will serve mulled wine and mince pies. We are grateful for any donations, and a donation plate will be situated on the refreshments table. This event received amazing reviews last year so we will be repeating that format. We must have your names to check off our list on arrival. Thanks for your co-operation. Parking is along The Avenue.

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Following our last Branch meeting it was decided that our meetings will now be held every third Tuesday of each month. We meet in The Ollerton House PH, Wellow Road at 7.00pm.

At our last meeting we discussed this years Remembrance parade and service and also the poppy displays throughout the town.

All local groups and individuals are encouraged to make a display. If you wish to display it on public/public land in the town rather than your own garden please contact the Town Hall to ensure that permission is granted by the relevant owner.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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By helping people regain confidence, reconnect with their communities and continue doing the things they enjoy, My Sight Notts enables people with sight loss to live fulfilling, independent lives rather than allowing their diagnosis to define them.

As an independent local charity, My Sight Notts relies on the generosity of the community to continue providing these life-changing services. Every donation and every fundraising effort helps to ensure that local people receive the support they need when they need it most.

This September, there are two great opportunities to support My Sight Notts. **5K My Way** takes place at Rushcliffe Country Park on **Sunday 20 September**, welcoming participants of all ages and abilities to walk, jog, run, roll or stroll a scenic 5K route. Then, on **Friday 25 September**, supporters can enjoy the **My Sight Notts Charity Golf Day** at Ruddington Grange Golf Club, bringing together local businesses, golfers and supporters for an afternoon of fundraising and friendly competition.

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The Palace Theatre Newark is delighted to announce the arrival of its brand-new Autumn 2026 brochure, packed with an exciting programme of events taking place from October 2026 through to January 2027.

Featuring an impressive line-up of live music, comedy, family entertainment, theatre, dance and festive spectaculars, the new season promises something for everyone. From internationally acclaimed tribute acts and West End favourites to community celebrations and Christmas classics, audiences can look forward to another vibrant programme at Newark's much-loved venue.

Patrons who selected to receive their brochure by post should have received their copy recently. The brochure is also available to pick up free of charge from the Palace Theatre Box Office on Appleton Gate, or to view online at: <https://750f07271.flowpaper.com/AutumnEBrochure/>

The Palace Theatre welcomes over 200 performances each year and continues to offer a diverse programme of entertainment for audiences across Newark and Sherwood and beyond. Anyone wishing to receive future brochures and updates by post or email can sign up or manage their preferences by creating an account at www.palacenewark.com/my-account/

Autumn highlights include:

Music legends and spectacular tributes, including And Finally... Phil Collins, Talon - The Best of Eagles, Thank ABBA For The Music, T.Rextasy, Genesis Connected and Think Floyd

Comedy and live entertainment, with the return of The Comedy Store, improvised whodunnit Murder, She Didn't Write, and poet Brian Bilston's latest live tour

Musical theatre and live performance, including Beyond the Barricade, Masters of the Score: Williams & Zimmer, and the community celebration Sounds of Newark

Family favourites and festive treats, including Girl Pop Live, The Nutcracker, A Christmas Carol - A Radio Play Live on Stage, and the Palace Theatre's GIANT pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk, running from 8 December 2026 to 3 January 2027

Councillor Rowan Cozens, Deputy Leader of Newark and Sherwood District Council and Portfolio Holder for Heritage, Culture and the Arts, said: "We're thrilled to launch another exciting season at the Palace Theatre. The Autumn 2026 programme offers an incredible variety of entertainment, from chart-topping music and side-splitting comedy to festive family experiences and community events. Whether you're a regular visitor or joining us for the first time, there's something special waiting for everyone at the Palace Theatre this season."

For full listings, to book tickets or to view the Autumn 2026 brochure online, visit www.palacenewark.com or call the Box Office on 01636 655755.



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TUXFORD MUSEUMS

News from the museums of Tuxford September is a busy month in the museum world with heritage open days Running from 11th to the 20th of September **EVENT** Museum of the horse Sunday 13th September 2-5 pm opening of the **Society of Equestrian Artists annual exhibition** runs to 26th September. Come and see work of artists from all over the country. In the gallery below the museum. The side saddle exhibition has visitors from all over the world all lovely to see. The most exciting was the President of the British Horse society the actor Martin Clunes, and the Chair James Hicks. Martin was lovely and several coffee drinkers in the courtyard had their photos taken with him. The first of



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a series of one day conferences was held on September 2nd. The conference is just one of the money raising activities. Sally who has built the museum is now 80 and working hard to raise funds for the museum to continue when she is not around. Sally's son is near retirement age, and while extremely helpful. It is not one of his



interests. If the money cannot be found for the museum to eventually take over the building .It will be lost. The building is the centre of the town it would be shame for it to become flats or worse derelict again. We do hope you will support the museums events. Anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer at the museum please contact Sally on curator@musuemofthehorse.co.uk **THE Walks of Life Museum** will be open every day in heritage open week 11th -20th September 11am -4 pm. Theme this year everyday histories. **EVENTS** throughout the week history of shoe shining bring your shoes to have them polished .Look out the cart of the day out in the town before the museum opens at 11am Tuesday 15th September tours of historic farm house every hour from 11am -with Alan Walders Nottinghamshire building preservation trust, and Jason Mordan senior conservation officer .Saturday 19th September 2 pm from Trieste to Tuxford .People from Tuxford story of survival in prison of war camps in WW2.**Event Thursday 24th September willow weaving workshop** with Sid 2 sessions 10am – 1 pm or 1 pm – 3 pm make a willow object such as dragon fly £20.00 please book in advance spaces are limited contact Diane 01777872776 (leave a message) dianehunt08@btinternet.com

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TURNAROUND AND LIFESPING VOLUNTEERS RAISE OVER £110 FOR SEN ACTIVITIES

Turnaround and Lifespring volunteers are delighted to announce that they raised over £110 at their recent community fundraising event.

The event was packed with affordable fun for all ages, including a popular tombola, guess the sweets competition, and much more. It was a huge success, bringing people together and creating a wonderful sense of community while raising valuable funds for a great cause. A huge thank you goes to everyone who donated prizes, attended the event, and supported the fundraising activities. Your generosity and encouragement made the day possible.

The money raised will go towards activities for children with Special Educational Needs (SEN). We are increasingly aware of the need for accessible and inclusive activities in our local area, and these funds will help provide opportunities for children and families who benefit from this vital support.

If you would like to help, volunteer, or get involved with future events, please email turnaround@lifespring.org.uk.

Thank you once again to everyone who helped make this event such a fantastic success!

SHINE YOUR LIGHT TALENT NIGHT: BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIGGER PURPOSE

The community is invited to an uplifting evening of music, creativity, and celebration at Shine Your Light Talent Night, taking place on Saturday 31st October 2026 at 5:00pm.

Inspired by the words of Jesus in Matthew 5:16, this special event encourages people of all ages to share their God-given gifts and talents in a welcoming and family-friendly atmosphere. Whether through singing, instrumental performances, dance, poetry, drama, comedy, or another unique talent, participants will have an opportunity to shine and inspire others.

The evening's theme, "Bright Lights, Bigger Purpose," reminds us that our talents can be used not only for enjoyment and entertainment but also to encourage one another and bring glory to God.

Everyone is welcome to attend, and admission is completely free of charge. Alongside the performances, there will also be a raffle on the night, offering attendees the chance to win some exciting prizes while supporting a fun-filled community event.

Event organisers are currently inviting performers to take part. Anyone wishing to showcase a talent is asked to provide details of their act, together with any music or equipment requirements, in advance to help with planning and scheduling.

Event Details

Event: Shine Your Light Talent Night
Theme: Bright Lights, Bigger Purpose
Date: Saturday 31st October 2026
Time: 5:00pm
Admission: Free of Charge
Extras: Raffle on the Night

Bible Verse: "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

Come along for a wonderful evening of faith, fellowship, and talent as we celebrate the gifts God has given us and encourage one another to let our light shine.

MEMORY CAFE CREATES CHERISHED SEASIDE MEMORIES



Every Monday afternoon, from 12pm to 3pm, the Lifespring Centre opens its doors to the popular Memory Cafe, where people living with memory concerns and their carers can enjoy support, friendship and social activities in a relaxed setting.

Founded and led by Terry Bell, the Memory Cafe has become a vital source of friendship, support, and companionship in the local community. Terry has worked tirelessly to champion those affected by memory issues, creating a safe and enjoyable space where people can connect, share experiences, and support one another.

The weekly sessions offer much more than a cup of tea. Members enjoy tea, coffee and biscuits alongside a variety of games, activities, and social opportunities designed to promote wellbeing and reduce isolation. Just as importantly, carers are able to meet others who understand the challenges they face, providing valuable peer support and friendship.

This week, the group organised a special coach trip to Skegness for members living with memory concerns and their carers. The day gave everyone the opportunity to enjoy a change of scenery and create lasting memories together.

For many, highlights included dipping their toes in the sea, enjoying a traditional seaside ice cream, and taking in the fresh coastal air. Meanwhile, carers were able to spend time talking with one another, sharing experiences and offering mutual encouragement in a relaxed and supportive environment.

The trip perfectly reflected the spirit of the Memory Cafe: bringing people together, creating opportunities for joy, and helping both members and carers make treasured memories that will be remembered for years to come.

For anyone affected by memory concerns, the Memory Cafe at the Lifespring Centre continues to provide a warm welcome every Monday, demonstrating the power of community, friendship, and support.

HELP US SHAPE TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT AT LIFESPING

Technology is becoming a bigger part of everyday life, but not everyone feels confident using it. At Oasis at Lifespring, we are exploring ways to offer technology support through drop-in sessions and small groups, and we would love to hear what support our community would find most helpful.

Are you a parent who would like help understanding your child's device? Would you like to learn how to set restrictions, manage screen time, or connect your child's device to your own mobile phone? Do you have questions about social media, online safety, apps, or home Wi-Fi?

At any age, you might not be very tech-savvy and would appreciate a friendly place to pop in for support. You might need help completing online forms, setting up an app, learning how to use a smartphone, tablet or laptop, or simply building your confidence with technology.

We want to make sure any support we provide meets the needs of our community. That's why we're asking you to complete our short survey and tell us:

What type of technology support you would find useful

Whether you would prefer one-to-one drop-in sessions or group workshops

What times and days work best for you

Any specific topics you would like help with

If completing an online survey isn't for you, don't worry. Paper copies are available at Lifespring.

Your feedback will help us understand what support is needed most and how we can best provide it. Whether you're a parent, new to technology, or simply looking to learn something new, we'd love to hear from you.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

Please take a few minutes to complete our survey. Your feedback will directly influence the support, workshops, and drop-in sessions we develop at Oasis and Lifespring. The more responses we receive, the better we can tailor our services to meet the needs of our community. Complete the survey today, or pick up a paper copy at Lifespring, and help us create technology support that works for everyone.

UNIFORM BANK COMING TO LIFESPING OLLERTON

We are excited to announce that a Uniform Bank is coming to Lifespring Ollerton!

This fantastic initiative has been made possible thanks to the support of Turnaround and funding from the District Council. Together, we want to help ease the financial pressure on local families by providing access to good quality school uniforms at a time when the cost of living continues to rise.

We know that school uniforms can be a significant expense, and we are committed to supporting our community where it matters most. The Uniform Bank will help ensure that families can access essential school clothing without unnecessary financial strain.

If you would like to support this project or donate uniform items, we would love to hear from you. Please contact us at office@lifespring.org.uk.

For further updates and information about the Uniform Bank, keep an eye on our Facebook page.

Together, we can make a real difference for local families.

Oasis at Lifespring Technology Support Survey



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Come and visit your local library: Ollerton Library, Forest Road, NG22 9PL.

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Celebrate a decade of Inspire with 10 weeks of reading. Join in the 10th birthday 10 week reading challenge to discover how many books you can read in 10 weeks. Challenge yourself to read more books in a week than you already do. Whether you are a reluctant reader or an avid reader, join in to discover how many books you can read in 10 weeks.

You might be surprised how many books you read. The books can be of any length and any style. Whether it is your favourite book or something new, pick up a good book and your challenge sheet today and start reading. To complete all 10 weeks pick up your challenge sheet before Saturday 19th September.

Hand your challenge sheet back by 1st December to be entered into a prize draw, prizes include signed books.

INSPIRE'S FAVOURITE READS

To mark the National Year of Reading 2026 and Inspire's 10-year celebrations, we're delighted to be introducing the Inspire's Favourite Reads list - a curated list of titles suggested by our staff. Check our webpage to get involved by voting for your favourite!

2026 IS THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING

The National Year of Reading 2026 is all about inspiring people to read more.

Whatever your passion, Ollerton library has something for it.

If you visit to use a computer or to find a quiet space, why not explore our shelves too?

Join in our regular events:

Adult Events :

The CRIME READING GROUP meets on the first Tuesday of each month to discuss the monthly book and have a friendly chat. The next meetings are Tuesday 1st September and Tuesday 6th October.

Every Wednesday afternoon, between 2pm and 4pm, join the friendly crafters at the CRAFT and CHAT group. Bring your current craft project or start something new. All crafts welcome.

PLACES OF WELCOME takes place every Wednesday between 9.30am and 11am. Enjoy a complimentary drink and biscuit as you make new friends or catch up with old friends in a friendly and welcoming space. Pick up a great book at the same time.

Children's Events :

RHYME, RATTLE AND ROLL takes place every Friday afternoon at 2.00pm, during term time only. Enjoy songs and rhymes with your little ones. It helps with vocabulary and coordination and it's fun too! Meet new people and make new friends.

LEGO CLUB takes place twice a week; every Monday between 4pm and 5pm and every Saturday between 10am and 12pm. What will you make this time?

COMING SOON – CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOPS

Book your place today on the Creative Writing Workshops, taking place on Saturday 31st October. This is an opportunity to get hands on advice from Nottingham author Ian C Douglas who is the author of the Zeke Hailey book series. The two sessions are 9.30am -10.30am for 8 to 11 year olds and 10.30am – 11.30am for 12 to 15 year olds.

COMMUNITY VOICES NEEDED: HAVE YOUR SAY AT THE ROUNDABOUT'S AGM

Mark your calendars for Thursday, 19th October at 6:00 PM: *The Roundabout* is hosting its Annual General Meeting at Ollerton Town Hall on Sherwood Drive, and everyone in our local community is warmly invited to attend.

As a non-profit community newspaper, *The Roundabout* is written by local residents, delivered by local volunteers, and produced entirely for the benefit of our town and surrounding villages.

Because this publication belongs to you, we want to ensure it continues to reflect what matters most to our readers.

The AGM is your chance to review our annual report, share your thoughts on how the paper is run, and suggest fresh ideas for future issues. Whether you have feedback, an interest in getting involved, or simply want to discover more about how the publication comes together each month, your voice matters.

EVENT DETAILS

Date & Time: Thursday, 19th October at 6:00 PM

Location: Ollerton Town Hall, Sherwood Drive

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OLLERTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On a very hot day in July, Ollerton WI had their summer outing which this year took us to the Black Country Living Museum at Dudley. It coincided with a 1940's event and our ladies were able to see some historical WI memorabilia including recipe books and pin badges. We managed to find some cool spots where some members were "guests" at "a wedding" with some amusing characters, had a stroll around the old-fashioned village and enjoyed delicious fish and chips!

For several years Ollerton WI have been supporting a woman's refuge and our final donations were recently handed over by our President, Mandy Reddington and Sue Shelton, who has worked tirelessly coordinating our collections and liaising with the charity. The Air Ambulance is our new chosen charity, and members will continue fundraising for this worthy cause.

Our speaker at the August meeting was Samantha McFarlane who educated us about scams and fraud safety. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd September when the speaker will be Terry Sheppard, talking about the work of the First Responders.

Plans are afoot for our walks when the Walkie Talkies will be visiting Creswell Crags and Idle



Valley. Our darts team always enjoy a night out and members also get involved with outside events including croquet, skittles and cookery demonstrations.

On October 24th we have arranged an evening of music at Ollerton Jubilee Hall where we'll be entertained by the popular choir - The Gentlemen. Starting at 7pm non-members are welcome to join us and a licenced bar is available. Tickets are £10 each and can be purchased by contacting us on our telephone number or email below.

We have lots of other activities planned so if you feel you would like to find out more about our WI please come along and join us for a taster session. You'll find us at the Jubilee Hall, Wellow Road, Ollerton, usually on the first Thursday each month, from 7.15pm to 9.15pm.

Visitors and new members always welcome.

To find out more information on our monthly meetings and future activities which are open to non-members visit our **Ollerton Women's Institute Public Facebook** page or find us on **Instagram**.

We can also be contacted via our WI mobile number **07388 901958** and our email address **ollertonwi1920@gmail.com**

Created with both new and existing members in mind, the handbook has been designed to answer questions, explain how our choir works, and most importantly, offer a very warm welcome to anyone thinking of joining us.

The handbook, featured on our new cover design, introduces the history of The Dukeries Singers, information about rehearsals and performances, guidance on voice parts, musical terminology, and practical advice to help new singers settle in quickly. It also reflects the values that have helped our choir thrive since 1978: friendship, inclusivity, encouragement, and a shared love of music.

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The Dukeries Singers are much more than a choir. We are a community of people who enjoy singing together, making friends, supporting one another, and bringing music to local audiences. Whether performing at concerts, community events, charity fundraisers, schools, churches, or seasonal celebrations, we take great pride in sharing the joy of singing throughout the area.

If you have ever considered joining a choir, now is the perfect time to come along and see what we do. Rehearsals take place every Wednesday evening at the Methodist Church, Forest Road, New Ollerton, and visitors are welcome to try a few rehearsals before deciding whether membership is right for them.

We would be delighted to send a free copy of our new Choir Handbook to anyone interested in learning more about The Dukeries Singers. The handbook offers a glimpse of the friendly atmosphere that new members experience from their very first rehearsal and demonstrates our commitment to helping everyone feel part of the family.

If you would like a copy of the handbook or simply want to find out more about joining us, please get in touch. We are always happy to welcome new faces and new voices.

Request a copy of the Choir Handbook today and see why so many people describe The Dukeries Singers as "more than just a choir". Contact John; john@asherwood.co.uk; or Tel: 07759-086132.

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Welcome to this month's crossword. The theme this time is "airports". As usual, answers can be homophones.

Send a photo of your completed crossword to **editor.roundabout@gmail.com** - please put "September crossword" in the subject line. This must reach us by the 12th of the month. First correct entry out of the hat wins £20.

Please note entries are accepted at the Town Hall. Thank you to the Town Council for facilitating this.

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your name and address so we can get your prize to you. Good luck everyone!

FIND THE BOOKS



It's the National Year of Reading all this year so there's never been a better time to pop down to Ollerton Library. However, six books have escaped the library and found themselves lodged in the pages of the Roundabout. Can you find them?

Once you have found them, send us an email to **editor.roundabout@gmail.com** with the subject line "Find the ducks" listing the pages AND where you can see them on the page (enter on paper via the Town Hall as with the crossword). Please send the email by the 12th of September.

The first correct entry out of the hat wins £10. Good Luck!

WINNERS

Thank you everyone that entered last month's competitions. The winner(s) of the Find the ducks competition is a combined effort by Ellie, Amber, Amelia, Mia and Joey in Ollerton. The prize will be with you shortly. Well done Neil! The ducks were on pages 9, 14, 18, 26, 29 and 32.

The winner of last month's crossword was Neil Fenwick who got all the answers correct and was the first out of the hat. Well done! £20 is on its way to you.

Our crossword is unique to the Roundabout and can be found nowhere else and it is wonderful to know it is enjoyed and appreciated - thanks for the replies and comments - I try to answer them when I can - apols if I didn't manage it this month! Thank you!

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2. Midge leaves with tears in his eyes
6. Thank an oily Scotsman
8. Disinterested endpoint (11,5)
9. No responsibility retailer (4,4,4)
11. Fraudulent, to a degree.
13. Ticket to residential school (8,4)
14. Competitor to a single lover
17. Dead end
18. Demanding insurance case (7,5)
20. A bit like poultry
21. OK if I ask for a booth?

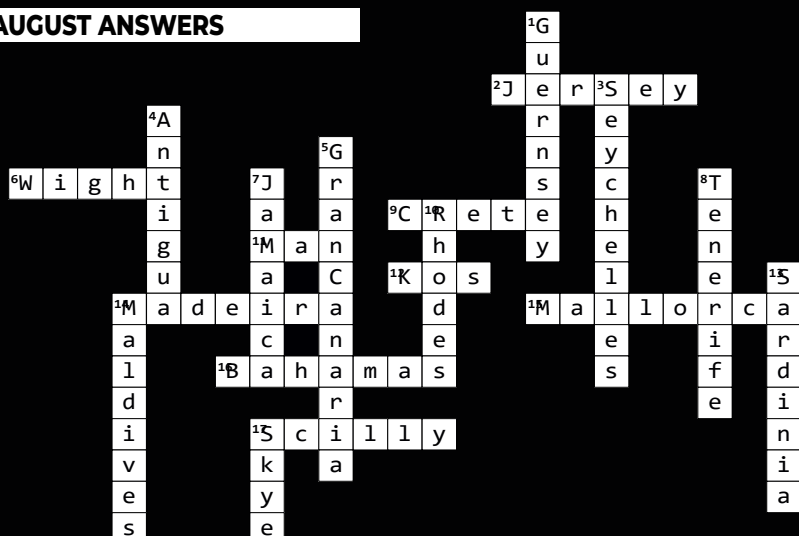
DOWN

1. Hail!
3. Racing track
4. Sheepdog training (6,7)
5. Male cats sworn at

7. Prague resident indicates with finger
10. Haul bags measured in years
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