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## Editor's Letter

*It's time for our message again about looking after your neighbours. Please keep an eye out not just for those needing a little assistance but also for anyone you might think is feeling lonely.*

Sadly we have lost two of our prolific contributors since the last edition; we will miss Paul Watts' history articles furnishing us with rare bits of knowledge of our area and I know that many will miss hearing from Pamela Lewis in the form of her poetry.

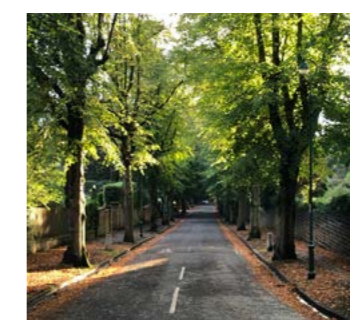
It's been another interesting time gathering stories for our new edition, not least a most enjoyable chat with Stephen Lowe; he has hundreds of accounts from his life and sometimes they are so unusual that I can't tell if he's testing me to see if I will believe him but they are all true!

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## Assistant Editor Required

The MPN is only possible with commitment from our team at the MPRA, our advertisers and our contributors. It's a mammoth task putting it all together and we would like some help moving forward for continued improvement and to ensure our publication can hit the streets in a timely fashion.

**We need a volunteer (we're all volunteers) assistant editor** to help with uploading and obtaining new stories and images. It's twice a year for only a few hours and benefits all of the residents; all profits go to the MPRA to be used in the community and the MPN keeps our residents updated. Please email [editor@mapperleypark.org](mailto:editor@mapperleypark.org) if you can help.

# A letter from the Chair, Sue Goode



Welcome to the Autumn edition of Mapperley Park News

At our committee meeting last month we welcomed Councillors Lesley Ayoola and Sajid Mohammed. We raised a number of issues with the councillors that we know are of concern to residents including brown bin collections, tree replacement and lack of grit bins for winter. It was encouraging to note the commitment from the councillors to preserve and enhance our environment. We will continue to work with them to ensure that our Mapperley Park community voice is heard.

I would like to say a big Thank You to Ed Davys who has just stepped down as Treasurer. Ed has been a huge help in ensuring that our finances remain in good shape. We are delighted to welcome Howard Davies as our new Treasurer. Howard is an experienced accountant and he is already making a major contribution to the work of the committee.

June Greenway will soon be planting more Spring bulbs on the roundabout. The displays over the summer have been much admired and appreciated.

We are very grateful to June and her Roundabout ladies for their ongoing green fingered work.

We had a very successful and enjoyable Summer Family Day barbecue in June at Magdala tennis club. Bee Sanghera and her support team worked really hard to make everyone welcome. Thanks to all who helped with this event.

All of our committee members give their time willingly to the MPRA and I want to thank them very much for their contributions over the year.

I hope to see paid up members at the Christmas social event on 5th December at Magdala tennis club and, talking of membership we would encourage all subscriptions for 2020 to be paid by standing order. Remember that membership is only £5 per household per year and we rely on this income to pay for all the things we support. Details on how to set things up are in the Newsletter.

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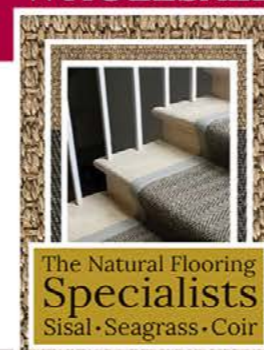
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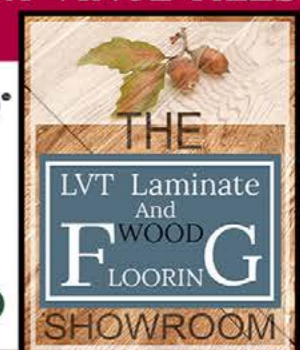
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🕒 11:00 - 12:30

SUN 15 DEC

## Christmas is Coming!

Music for everyone at Albert Hall

🕒 15:30

FRI 07 > SAT 08 FEB 2020

## Nottingham Light Night 2020

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🕒 17:00 - 22:00

SAT 30 NOV > SUN 15 DEC

## Woodthorpe Christmas Weekends

Festive family fun and crafts  
Woodthorpe Grange Park

🕒 10:00 - 16:00

TUES 17 DEC

## The Halle Christmas Concert

Jennifer France - soprano  
at the Royal Concert Hall

🕒 19:30

WED 22 APRIL

## MPRA AGM

Join us for the bi-annual MPRA  
AGM at Magdala Tennis Club

🕒 19:30

THURS 05 DECEMBER



## Christmas MPRA Social Gathering

At Magdala Lawn Tennis Club, Magdala Road,  
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🕒 19:30 - 22:00

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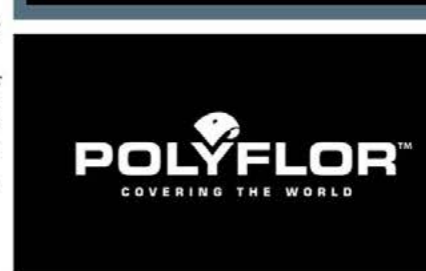
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Our first bi-annual event was in 2008, our 6 open gardens have raised over £43,000 for charities. Several of our residents who have opened their gardens from the first event will not be doing so in 2020.

To ensure our continued success we are in need of new gardens willing to open. In particular we need a large garden to be the focal point on the day.

The organising committee also needs members including an enthusiastic Chair. This involves approximately 6 meetings from January until the event in June or July and a debrief after the event.

If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions we would like hear from you. There will be an open meeting early in January to start planning 2020's event.

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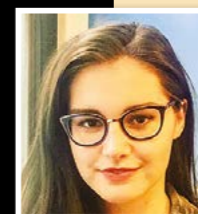
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Pamela Lewis

Pamela Lewis our resident poet has sadly recently passed away. Our editor expressed "We will all miss her lively contributions and I will miss chatting with her prior to each edition working out which of the thousands of poems to print in the MPN." Following the death of Pamela, the Book Group she was a member of for many years thought a poem would be the best memorial for her:

Farewell Pamela

She sat in her place in the Garden Room,
Surrounded by friends who circled & settled.
Like birds in the garden on the grass & in trees.
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In the grey gloom of August, voices circled the glassed in room,
Memories unlocked by books, kaleidoscoped around
the cheerful friends,
Soothing & calming her restless mind
But still she strained forward to fast ease in their echoing laughter.

After decades of suffering, every alternative squeezed for remission,
She could see the chimney sweeper's slow bone beckoning through
the windowed mist.
She soon, would join "the golden lads & lasses" who slowly danced
on the darkening lawn.
Braced in her soft padded chair, they circled her mind all that day.

Everyone at Mapperley Park News would like to express our condolences and sincerest gratitude to Pamela and Paul for their invaluable contributions to the magazine. Paul's deeply fascinating insight into Nottingham history and Pamela's beautiful poetry were a highlight of every issue, their enthusiasm and expertise will be sorely missed.

Paul Watts (1943 – 2019)

Paul will be much missed by his friends in the Mapperley and Sherwood local history group (MASH) which he founded in 2007.

WORDS Ruth Watts and Megan Zadik

His idea was that the group provided a forum for local members to share their research into aspects of the history of the immediate neighbourhood, its buildings, its people, and its topography. Paul was particularly interested in old maps which he used to write articles on the pre medieval history of the area, and the gardens of Mapperley Park. He also published a pamphlet on the history of

All Saints Church in Raleigh Street where he was vicar in the 1980s. Four hundred people met in the church for his funeral on 7.9.19. MASH still thrives, meeting every few weeks. Paul's enthusiasm and initiative, which he maintained to the end inspired us all, especially as he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2001. His wife Ruth still lives in Mapperley Park and has been well



supported by her sons and their families who regularly travel back to Nottingham. If you are interested in joining MASH, we meet at intervals of about six weeks, usually on a Monday evening in Sherwood. For a programme of meetings, contact Jeremy Jago at 962 1453 or 985 6777.



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Many of our customers are now coming armed with their own containers and we have received lots of positive comments. Our product list has grown in response to consumer requests. The thing we lack is more space! We now stock local honey from Woodthorpe and have recently acquired a coffee bean grinder for our Sneinton roasted coffee beans.

The shop has been founded as a Community Interest Company (CIC)

and all profits will go to local charities and good causes. It is, in effect, rather like a community shop in a village owned by the local people. Its founders come from a wide range of backgrounds including, teaching, being a pub landlord, writing for the theatre, computing, nursing, the law, building maintenance and one even has a background in retail!

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We hope that people who feel like we do about the environment will consider becoming volunteers with us.

For more information contact Steve Selby on **07721188460** or **jam53p@hotmail.com**



The 111th Nottingham Scouts is our local Mapperley Park community scouting family. We are based in Sherwood Methodist Church on Mansfield Road, with Beaver, Cub and Scout sections for children from 6 years and older.

WORDS Caroline Murphy

Martha (10) and Alice (9) from Warwick Road are enthusiastic participants. Martha goes to scouts and says, "I love all the different activities; they are loads of fun. I like it when we learn cooking and play games, and I really love the nights away camping". Her younger sister Alice is in cubs. She said "Everyone is so friendly. It's nice to make friends with people my own age outside of school. We had a Harry Potter night last week, and everyone dressed up and made our own wizarding wands."

Martha and Alice's mum, Caroline helps with the 111th Scout Committee and has noticed how much going scouting has helped develop their confidence.



The group is always open to new members but, Caroline adds, the success of the local scout troupe means we are on the lookout for more volunteers to help run the sections.

Helping young people grow and develop is one of the most rewarding volunteer opportunities. We'd love to talk to any Mapperley Park News reader who could offer an evening a week/fortnight or a month? This could be as an occasional helper all the way up to section leader. We help with any training and you don't need to have been a scout before.

As well as adults, this is also a great opportunity for any young person (14 – 19) looking to gain experience and leadership skills for a CV/UCAS personal statement etc. Being a young leader is a great way of fulfilling the volunteering section of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme.

If you or anyone you know may be interested, please contact Becky Ball – 111th Group Scout Leader at **becky.ball@nottingham-scouts.org.uk** or on **07947 740666**. Becky is very approachable, please call for a chat to find out more.

111th Scouts meet at Sherwood Methodist Church on:			
Beavers	6-8 years old	Tuesday	6 - 7pm
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## Thanks to Mike Reade!

Mike Reade is the planning advisor on the MPRA committee. He provides invaluable comments on upcoming proposals within the conservation area.

Letter following assistance from the MPRA with a neighbouring planning application:

A personal note to say how greatly we have been helped and felt supported by

the role you play in the MPRA Planning advice. We didn't expect you would be able to do so much in the time available. It was clear from meeting the local planning officer that your opinion carried weight. We have always taken the line that the MPRA was worth supporting and tried to do so; you have more than repaid that care.

When this application is over it would be interesting to see if there are trends in Planning. I have not seen such a poor and, I think, misleading Design and Access Statement. It cannot have been expected that we would read it with critical eyes nor that we would understand plans enough to notice that it did not show the boundaries.

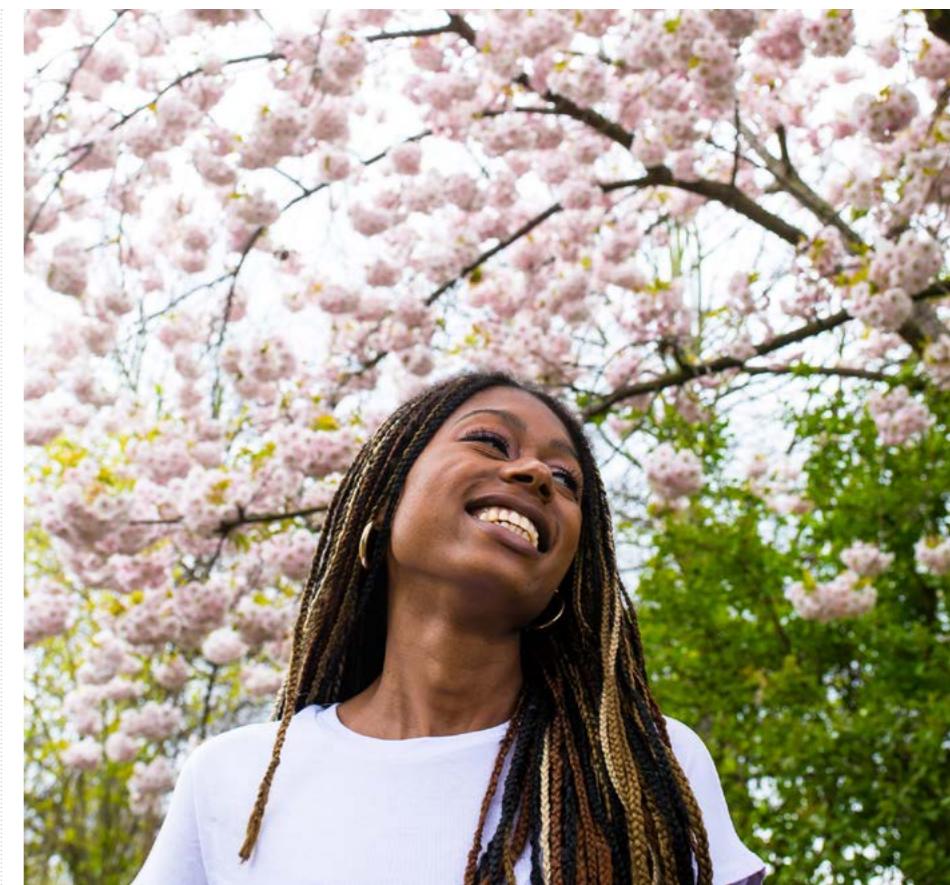


## Introducing Isata

*Isata Kanneh-Mason who lives with her family in Mapperley Park has achieved so much this year. We can't wait to see what you will achieve in 2020. Below is Isata's impressive biography!*

Isata Kanneh-Mason's debut album, *Romance*, drew popular and critical acclaim, entering the UK classical charts at No. 1 when it was released in July 2019 and leading *Gramophone* magazine to extol the recording as "one of the most charming and engaging debuts" and *Classic FM* to praise Isata as "a player of considerable talent". Isata recorded the all-Clara Schumann disc for Decca Classics as an homage to the composer and pianist in the year of what would have been her 200th birthday, selecting works from across her compositional output including solo piano pieces, a sonata, chamber music with violinist Elena Urioste, transcriptions of two of her husband Robert's songs, and the piano concerto, which she recorded with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra and conductor Holly Mathieson.

Whilst continuing her postgraduate studies with Carole Presland as a Gwendolyn Reiche scholar at London's Royal Academy of Music, Isata Kanneh-Mason has embarked on a successful and increasingly busy concert career



as a solo artist, with concerto appearances, solo recitals and chamber concerts throughout the UK and abroad, including a return to King's Place in solo recital, and a debut with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at the Royal Albert Hall. Isata also continues to perform with her siblings, including regular duo recitals with her brother, the cellist, Sheku Kanneh-Mason.

Highlights this season include a tour of Italy, appearances at the Edinburgh Festival, Wigmore Hall, Amsterdam Concertgebouw, Théâtre des Champs Elysées, Rheingau Festival, and an extensive ten-city North American tour, including their debut recital at New York's Carnegie Hall and a return to the Vancouver Recital Society.

Isata has also performed in the Portland Piano Series in Oregon, the Barbican Centre's Sound Unbound festival, The Color of Music Festival in South Carolina, at the Edinburgh, Cheltenham, and Bath festivals, the Snape Proms, the Musikfestspiele Saar, and in venues from Antigua and the Cayman Islands, to Perth.

Isata reached her category final in the 2014 BBC Young Musician competition, winning the Walter Todds Bursary for the most promising musician. She has since performed several times on television and radio, including on BBC Radio 3 In Tune, the South Bank Sky Arts Awards, The Andrew Marr Show, the Radio 3 RPS Awards, BBC2 Proms Extra, Radio 4 Front Row and Woman's Hour, Al Jazeera TV, BBC World Service, Channel 4, The One Show, ITV Born To Shine, BBC2 Classroom Heroes, and a feature for CBS Sunday Morning. Isata made her debut as a television presenter for the coverage of the 2019 BBC Proms.

She previously completed her undergraduate degree at the Academy as an Elton John scholar, and performed with Sir Elton in 2013 in Los Angeles. Isata is also grateful for support from the Nottingham Soroptimist Trust, Mr and Mrs John Bryden, Frank White, and Awards for Young Musicians.

Read more about Isata and find links to purchase her album at [imgartists.com/roster/isata-kanneh-mason/](https://imgartists.com/roster/isata-kanneh-mason/)

*Romance is one of the most charming and engaging debuts - Isata is a player of considerable talent*

## ONE MINUTE WITH



Howard  
Davies

MPRA's new Treasurer

### Who are you?

I'm Howard Davies, the new treasurer of the Mapperley Park Resident's Association.

### What was your first job?

Re-bagging potatoes at the local grocer's shop aged 13 from the 25Kg sacks to 2.5Kg bags.

### What did you want to be when you grew up?

If you asked my mum always said, "A millionaire", but I would have liked to have been an adventurer because I had read a book about a man who spent 5 or 6 years in the Tibetan mountains

### What is your favourite overseas destination?

China was fascinating to see the difference between how we perceive China and the reality on the ground.

### What is your guilty pleasure?

Chinese food.

One minute with... is an ongoing series introducing your committee members to you. If you wish to speak to anybody from the committee, our contact details are available on page 27

# The MPRA Privilege card

Joining the Mapperley Park Residents' Association costs **just £5 each year**. In return, all members receive a Privilege Card, allowing you discounts at various outlets throughout the City, including...

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# Join the Residents' Association for just £5

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We rely on your membership fees to pay for all the things we support. For example, in recent years we have contributed significant sums of money in match funding to the City Council for replacement street trees.

To join the Mapperley Park Residents' Association costs £5 each year. The year runs from 1 January. In return, all members receive access to the community Facebook page and a Privilege Card, allowing you discounts at various outlets throughout the City. A full list of discounts can be found at [mapperleypark.org/about-the-association/loyalty-card](http://mapperleypark.org/about-the-association/loyalty-card).

Your subscription ensures we have a great community for the future of our children. Thank you!

**Please submit all application forms to our committee member for Membership, Cherry Burgess, at [info@mapperleypark.org](mailto:info@mapperleypark.org)**

## MPRA Annual Subscription Form

Please complete the appropriate form and return both to: **MPRA, 109 Tavistock Drive, Mapperley Park, Nottingham NG3 5BE**. We will forward the SO form to your bank. Please complete either form with capital letters.

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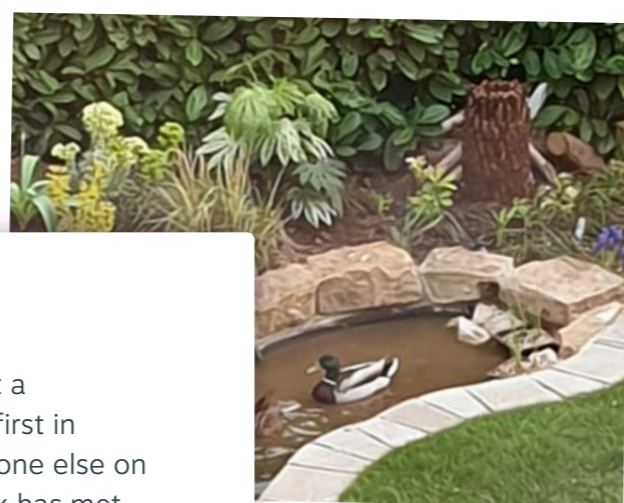
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## Your wildlife snaps



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### Dear Residents,

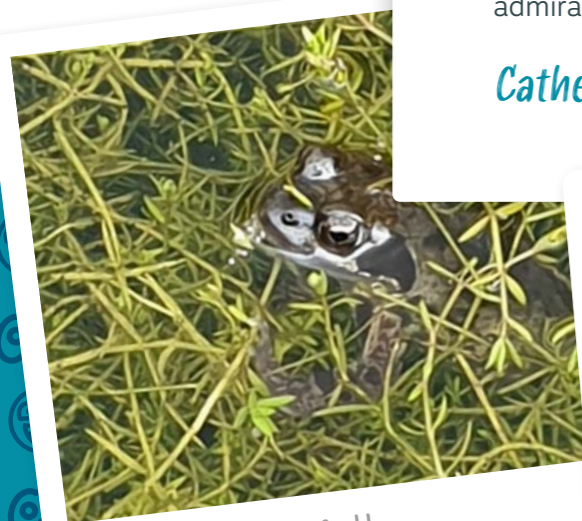
One evening in October I met a hedgehog in my garden (the first in eleven years). I wonder if anyone else on the Heights of Mapperley Park has met one.

I would like to thank the people who have made such a delightful garden on the Mapperley Hall Drive roundabout-most enjoyed by me and my dog and the bees and butterflies (I saw two red admirals in October)

*Catherine Corder*



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What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?

It's Christmas, Eve!

Why did the choir have to cancel their carol concert?

They caught tinseltitis

What did the snowflake say to the fallen leaf?

You are so last season

Why is it always cold at Christmas?

Because it's Decembeerrrrr!

# Pet Competition

### Congratulations to Blain and your owner Rachel House

Blain is a sprocker spaniel (three quarters springer, one quarter cocker). He is coming up for 6 months and John and I have had him since he was 9 weeks old. He is very friendly, loves playing with other dogs and running after his tennis ball.



Do you have a daft doggy? A barmy budgie? A crazy cat? A silly snake? We love all animals so send us their photo and 1 lucky reader will win a **£20 voucher to spend at amazon.co.uk**, sponsored by [www.mymediator.org](http://www.mymediator.org)

Send your picture, which must be at least 1Mb in size, along with your name, address and a brief description of your pet to [info@mapperleypark.org](mailto:info@mapperleypark.org) Entries close on Thursday 30th April 2019.

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# Stephen's Tales from the City

Events from Nottingham playwright Stephen Lowe's life



The first time I  
met an alien was  
in 1965...

The first time I met an alien was in 1965. I was 16 years old and hanging out in the Kardomah coffee house in Market Street when a man in his thirties quietly asked me a simple question, "are you Sagittarius?", to which I replied, "Yes", and he smiled, clearly relieved. I asked him how he managed to do that and he said, sotto voice, "actually I'm an alien from Venus", and he explained that he was missing a Sagittarian to complete the zodiac power system and enable his spaceship to land on Mount Street bus station and take his supporters for a ride. Not wanting to miss out on that I was at the bus station at 9.30 as were eleven others. By ten o'clock most had wandered away before he arrived. He apologised profusely.

Apparently the American Air-force base at Langar had a new radar system that could track them and the flight had been withdrawn.

The Americans were no friends of the aliens. When asked if he could show miraculous powers he said it was against intergalactic order and that he must in no way look like anything else than an ordinary man in his thirties whilst his job as an alien was to find "like minded" earthlings who would understand that the aliens were not harmful unlike the Americans who were out to destroy them and were in fact paying out-of-work actors to paint themselves green and play monsters to frighten children. Only the enlightened ones could bring the earthlings to a safe and peaceful meeting with superior beings.

It was quite obvious (to me at least) that I was one of these enlightened souls and I became very friendly with the alien and I introduced him to what passed as Nottingham's alternative society.

He became the money collector for a local folk group as well as appearing at any other kind of event, especially anywhere anyone was smoking pot. Until...

I used to spend my time in the Central Library (Now Trent University) reading FILM AND FILMING and I overlooked the entrance to the central Police station. One day I watched him going in and shortly after coming out smiling to himself. Word spread that, far from being an alien, he was in fact an undercover detective on the drug squad. One day he just disappeared.

Nobody can say for sure whether he disappeared in the spaceship or not. Nobody ever saw it but no-one was looking for it. Mount St. Bus Station is now a Casino. Where would he land?

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## Exhibition Packed for Quilt Show

*Visitors flocked to the Church Hall at St Jude's, Mapperley, on Saturday 19 October to enjoy an exhibition organised by the ladies from Patchwork for Pleasure.*

WORDS Laura Archer

This was the first time the biennial event had been at St Jude's and was judged by many to be an outstanding exhibition of the quilter's art.

Amongst the 70 items on display were traditional quilts, novelty quilts and even an almost photographic representation of the quilter and her husband. A record number of quilts and the 250 visitors were well impressed with the quality of the work presented.



Throughout the day, visitors, including women and children and even some men were able to make small gifts under the tutelage of members of local patchwork groups on sewing machines kindly loaned by Coles Sewing Centre. The support provided by Coles is much appreciated and their shop in Lennox Street, Hockley is a haven for patchworkers and all sewing enthusiasts.

The organisers intend that these displays act as a glorified 'show and tell' where makers, proud of their work, display it to friends, family and a wider public whilst raising money for a worthy cause. The final totals have not yet been

published, but it is confidently expected that over £1,000 will have been raised for Maggie's at the City Hospital.

Planning has already started for the next show in October 2021. Because St Jude's proved such a good venue with parking, good accessibility and masses of light in the large church hall, the organisers hope to return. Everyone agreed that it was a great show and thanks are due to all who helped to make it such a success.

Do visit the web site at [www.patchworkforpleasure.co.uk](http://www.patchworkforpleasure.co.uk) where there are photos of the displays.

# 100 years of St. Jude's Brownies!

20th Nottingham (St. Jude's) Brownies was first registered in March 1919. Since then we've had ten changes to our promise, seen seven uniform changes, met in different venues and had many leaders. What hasn't changed is the heart of Girl Guiding which is empowering girls to reach their full potential. / WORDS Barmy Owl

Over the years we have provided girls with opportunities to explore new experiences in a positive, accessible and safe way. We have taken girls away for weekend adventures. This a highlight for many as they have fun whilst learning to



live together cohesively and extending the Brownie programme beyond the unit meetings.

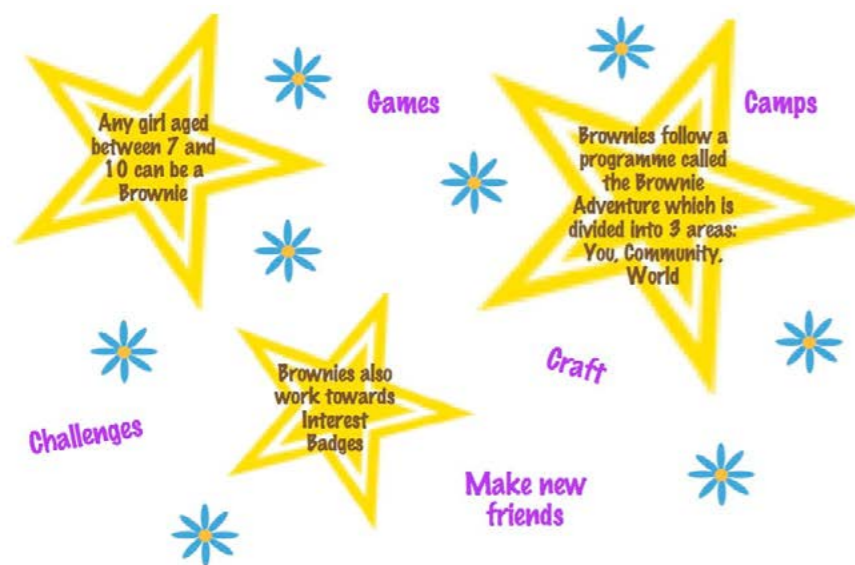
Our programme has recently been revamped to reflect modern life; there are opportunities to become socially aware and actively engaged with current issues, to learn skills for life, to develop an understanding of issues that affect health and well-being and to learn how to express themselves, and to develop self-awareness and self-esteem.

Does this sound like something you want to be part of?

If you're a girl between the ages of 7 and 10 why not come along and join in the fun!

Were you or your daughter or your mum, your grandmother or your great grandmother a Brownie with us here at St. Jude's? We would love to hear your stories and take that trip down memory lane with you, we'd love to see any memorabilia too.

Please get in touch with the church office for details of our upcoming centennial celebrations in March 2020.



## Brownies

Your local Brownie meeting is held at

**St. Jude's Church**  
**Mondays 6.30 – 8.00pm**  
(term time only)

If you are interested why not pop along to find out how to get involved. We would love to see you!

Alternatively, you can register your daughter at [girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter](http://girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter)



**Chris Leslie MP**

Our normal constituency update from Chris Leslie is suspended

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# SPORTS DESK



Sherwood FC is the youth football team local to Mapperley Park. Many MP residents are either currently playing, have played in the past or have managed or coached teams with the club. Sherwood FC has grown to be one of the biggest, and we hope friendliest, grassroots clubs in Nottingham.

We are inclusive with a focus on player development, teamwork, player development and fair play over results. We are community based and completely run by volunteers. Our old kits are donated to junior football clubs in Malawi. This year we were able to support them after the horrific floods the country experienced this year. The club held its first charity match this year on 1 September this year to support Sherwood FC Malawi. Sherwood Old Boys played a team against St Nics FC. And new to this year we are running futsal teams, where

basketball meets football, the sport where Messi & co learnt their trade.

We have over 30 teams ranging from our popular Saturday morning (9am-10am) sessions for 4-6 year olds through to under 18s and our senior women's team. We run sessions for girls on Tuesday evening at FSZs: 6-7pm for Years 1 & 2 and 7pm-8pm for Years 3 & 4.

Our home games are mainly played at Forest Recreation Ground/Forest Sports Zone (FSZ), Woodthorpe Park, Southglade and Melbourne Park. Midweek training largely takes place at FSZ on Gregory Boulevard and the Play Football Centre in Arnold.

All coaches at Sherwood FC are required to be DBS checked and each team has a minimum of one holder of an FA First Aid certificate and one FA-qualified coach.

*Sherwood FC has grown to be one of the biggest, and we hope friendliest, grassroots clubs in Nottingham.*

To find out more about joining one of our teams, please click on the relevant age group under 'Teams' on [www.sherwoodfc.com](http://www.sherwoodfc.com)



## In a pickle looking for a new sport? Try pickleball!

Mapperley Park is surprisingly well provided for those residents looking to pick up a racquet, with both Mapperley Park Tennis Club and Magdala Lawn Tennis Club on our doorsteps if anyone is for tennis.

Less well known than tennis, but fast rising in popularity in the US and Europe, is the game of pickleball. This is a bat and ball game played usually as doubles and is picked up returning tennis players or those looking for a new sport to try.

This August players and a coach from Mapperley Park Tennis Club made it through to the English Open Pickleball Championship, held at the University of Nottingham. They put in a great showing, with all players having a fantastic time and doing well in their matches, losing only in the bronze medal run offs for both the ladies' and mixed doubles, and achieving bronze in the men's doubles! Tennis coach and pickle teacher Rachel Kirk won the ladies' singles title in her ability group, despite having been erroneously placed in the under 19s age category and being a very tiny bit over 19.

Pickleball is a game played on a badminton-sized court, with a paddle-like bat and a plastic ball. It's a cross between tennis and badminton, with the smaller court meaning less running for the ball but a need for good reactions and pickle tactics.

Pickleball is easy to learn but has its own strategy. Having played any other racket sport is an advantage but is not necessary. All ages can play, at the Open there were several age groups from young adults to over 60s, and some older players too. There are coaching and play sessions every Wednesday at Mapperley Park Tennis Club, off Mapperley Hall Drive. The sessions are from 10am-12pm, and all equipment including bats is provided.

For more information, email [Rachel@tennislessonsnottingham.com](mailto:Rachel@tennislessonsnottingham.com)

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# Jhinga Hara Masala King Prawns *Serves 4*

Marinade		Essentials	
10g	Ginger Garlic Paste	12	King prawns
1 tsp	Lemon Juice		
1 tsp	Cooking oil		
100g	Hara Masala Paste		
20g	Yoghurt		
Salt to taste			
1/2 tsp	Garam Masala (add more to taste)		
2 tbs	Coriander Powder		
50g	Mint Sauce		

## Cooking Method

1. Chop the Fresh Coriander, Fresh Mint and Green Chillies for the Hara Masala. Add the Olive Oil and blend / liquidise into a paste.
2. Turn the Hara Masala Paste into a large bowl and add the remaining ingredients of the marinade. Stir well. Then gently stir in the raw prawns. Cover and leave in fridge for 8 to 24 hours.
3. Preheat grill to high heat. Place the prawns on a wire rack in a grill pan and heat for approximately 6 minutes, turning over half way through.
4. Remove from the heat and serve immediately with vegetables or salad and enjoy!

Recipe courtesy of  
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