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## Hello From The Editor

Hello and welcome to the September edition of the Western Park Gazette.

Having accidentally left the wrong month on the front cover of the last Gazette, we have sacked the proof reader and replaced him with a chimp. Shouldn't make much difference apart from the bananas and the swinging. The chimp doesn't do that...

We headed off to the Western Park Beer Festival, which was it's normal awesome self, as was our trip on a boiling hot Saturday to the Big Bulb Giveaway at the Braunstone Gate Arches.

In our regular features, Helen Knott returns with one of her epic rants after a gap of over a year, Carey Tunstall talks harvesting fruit and veggies, Project Hive are planning their Halloween Pumpkin Roll, and there's the local policing update.

Don't forget to have a go at the Brain Tazers on the inside back page?

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**Fosse Camera Club:** For details visit Facebook page or [fossecoopcameraclub.co.uk](http://fossecoopcameraclub.co.uk)

**Hall @ St Anne's, Letchworth Rd:** Knit & Natter: 1.30pm, 4th Tues. **Weds Club:** 2.30pm, 1st Weds.

**Musical Memory Box:** 1st & 3rd Tues 2pm **Pram Club:** Weds 9.15-11.30am. **Women's Taekwondo:** Thurs 8-9pm [taekwondo4all.com](http://taekwondo4all.com) **Fri Coffee:** 10am

**Free Tea/Coffee @** St Paul's Worship Ctr / Community Hub, Kirby Rd Weds, 2-4pm. T-Top sale. 2nd Sat.

**Free drop-in Coffee Morns:** Tues. 10-12 noon. St. Andrew's Methodist Church, Glenfield Rd East.

**Summer Melodies Loros Ladies Choir Concert:** 23 Sept. 7pm. St Anne's Ch. Tickets £7.50. 07792 118 396

**Upstairs@Western:** Buzzing 3 Oct, Talking Heads 5 Oct, Hannah Brine 12 Oct, Magic Mic 25 Oct.

**@ Curve:** The Book Thief 29 Sept-14 Oct.

**@ DM Hall:** Most Haunted Stage Show 3 Oct. The Elvis Tribute 4 Oct. Howard Jones 6 Oct.

**@ Little Theatre:** Stags & Hens 2-7 Oct. **School of Rock (Musical)** 10-14 Oct, **The Innocents** 23-28 Oct.

**Y Theatre:** Desi Central Comedy Show 29 Sept. **Very British Problems Live** 1 Oct, **Kae Kurd** 5 Oct.

**Bike Fest (Free):** 30 Sept, (1-4pm) New College.

**Friday Social Pop-ups:** Hall @ St. Anne's, Letchworth Rd. 29 Sept, 27 Oct, 24 Nov.

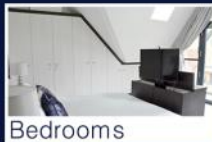
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## THE GREAT BULB GIVEAWAY

As the sun blazed down on a sweltering September Saturday morning, The Braunstone Gate Community Garden on Bede Street hosted their second annual bulb giveaway.

The Archway opened its gates last year with just such an event and has slowly grown since then now boasting a composting loo, a children's corner and designated areas to relax, play or create.

This year they had a clothes swap, a graffiti demonstration by Ben Taylor, pendants made by Magz King Ceramics and pebble painting with Traci Howard as well as potion making.

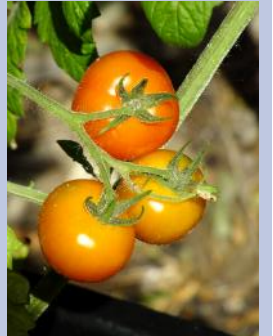
In the garden visitors could pick up free bulbs as well as tips from expert gardeners John and Bobba who were full of advice when it comes to anything plant related.

Organiser Traci Howard is looking for volunteers or new ideas of what to do with the two arches.

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# KNOTT'S LANDING

**Things they don't tell you about owning a pet no. 456.** Your fur baby, the fuzzball of your eye, the cute one who is pleased to see you every day will one day bring horror to your home. One day you will come downstairs to discover that your pet has fleas. Not only does your pet have fleas, your house has fleas too. They are bitey and jumpy and they are everywhere. You are confused because you have been religiously applying the anti-flea treatment you buy from the vets, at considerable expense, and you only put some on the beast the week before. How can this have happened? What on earth has gone on?

It turns out that fleas are clever. Cleverer than humans probably – or perhaps it's just about the insane breeding rate and the sheer number of fleas in our area? Anyway, they have managed to become immune to the insecticide in the very expensive flea-treatment you have been buying! So much for big pharma! As a result, you now have to buy new pet bedding and ALL the cleaning products known to man and a flea comb. Seriously, how can one small, ginger



creature cause so much trouble? I have sat and combed the beastie. Dropping fleas into soapy water is very satisfying I can confirm. I have been vacuuming like a demon for days. I have mopped and remopped floors, laundered curtains, duvets and duvet covers. There isn't an inch of my house that isn't super clean right now but still the fleas came! I arranged a visit to the vets to get more hugely expensive flea treatment of a different variety and bought some kind of spray can flea killer that is very satisfying to use! It didn't work though. No... finally I had to go nuclear. The flea bomb. These things are terrifying to use. You have to leave the house empty for days afterwards to make sure no-one and nothing comes into contact with it. I donned my 1940s gas mask and set it off before running away to see The Who at San-deringham for the weekend. It worked. Gloriously my house has been flea free for days. It is also very, very clean. I am exhausted though. Utterly shattered with all the work on top of working and the back-to-school hoo-ha. Anyone want a cat?



**Helen Knott**

*This Helen's first Gazette rant in 18 months and it makes us happy that nothing's changed!*



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# Easel-ly Done

Leicester artists are being given a chance to present their work at the city's flagship museum, as preparations for this year's Open exhibition get under way.

The Open exhibition is a showcase for artistic talent from across the East Midlands – open to anyone, from complete beginners to seasoned professionals.

Entries for this year's exhibition are now open and artists have until 11.59pm on Saturday 30 September to submit their online applications.

Submissions are invited from artists aged 19 and there is also a category for young artists aged five to 18.

After the closing date, a panel of judges will select the paintings, sculptures, textiles, prints and photographs that will go on display in December at Leicester Museum & Art Gallery on New Walk.

Entry fees for the Open are £15 for a single piece of work, £25 for two and £30 for three pieces. Concession rates are available for students and the over 60s, and entries for young artists are free of charge.

The Open exhibition opens to the public from 16



December until 19 January 2024.

Artworks will be on sale, while outstanding pieces will be awarded prizes donated by local businesses and groups.

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## Popping To The Shops

Travel back in time to relive the experience of local shopping with two exhibitions dedicated to the people of Narborough Road.

Popping to the Shops are exhibitions aimed at telling the tales of living and working on "The Narb".



The Newarke Houses exhibition features the people of Narborough Road offering the chance to learn more about their experiences and memories. New items collected from the shops are also on display.

Westcotes Library hosts a photography exhibition showing vintage views of the road alongside new photos of how it appears today. A local photographer has worked with the museum team to produce the new images for the exhibition

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Over 600 thirsty folk attended as volunteers served 2780 glasses of 28 different types of beers and ciders, 150 Thali meals and 500 samosas. This raised considerable amount for two local charities, Leicester Musical Memory Box and Hope Against Cancer. How much hasn't been tabulated yet but it is thought that the total could eclipse last year's figure and be around £8500.

The festival has raised over £50,000 for local good causes since it started in 2015. Because it's run by volunteers as a not-for-profit organisation, every penny raised goes to city and county based charities. Festival chairman Selina Conroy said: "We were delighted by the fantastic turnout - the Western Park community came out in force and created a great atmosphere and memorable weekend. "We would like to thank the community and all our sponsors whose generosity has helped us raise thousands of pounds for our chosen charities."

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## Cannabis Farm Shut Down

The doors came crashing down on another West End cannabis farm in September, this time, on Bolton Road.

The house has been sealed off with a prohibition order after dozens of mature plants and dangerous illegal electricity bypasses were discovered.

Police executed a warrant on 4th of September, as part of an initiative, along with the city council, to prevent the property being used for crime again.

There are no details if any arrests were made, but Bolton Road had another cannabis farm shut down in July. On that occasion the house had to be torn apart afterwards to remove equipment and damage caused by the growers. Piles of junk were stored in the back yard ahead of disposal, at a cost to the local tax payer.



## NEW COLLEGE RATED GOOD

Staff and students at New College Leicester are celebrating after being rated “Good” following the school's latest Ofsted inspection. Student behaviour, the ambitious curriculum, leadership, and support for students' and those from disadvantaged backgrounds were all highlighted by the inspector.



Principal Jane Brown says that that the college has been on a transformational improvement journey over the past decade and is positively impacting the children in New Parks, is an asset to the local community and helping to break the cycle of disadvantage in the area. The latest Ofsted inspection is significant for New College as it shows that the school has maintained its effectiveness following the upheaval caused by the pandemic. It was previously inspected in 2017.

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# PROJECT hive Update

Project Hive is run by the WWCE, a group of local residents raising funds to redevelop the former Eco House into a community space.

Halloween is almost upon us which can only mean one thing, it's time to get ready to roll!

The Western Park Pumpkin Roll returns on the afternoon of Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

For the uninitiated, this family event sees people of all ages climb a sizeable hill in Western Park and launch their prized pumpkin from the top in a frantic and often funny race to the bottom. Entrants are grouped into heats by age to make it all a bit fairer. Stay tuned to our social media for exact timings closer to the day.

It's also the perfect chance for you to have a face to face catch-up with members of our group about the progress we are making on our redevelopment plans for the site.

We hope to be able to make a couple of announcements regarding this between now and Christmas.

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## Western Park Tree Trail

**Many people go bird spotting, but what about tree spotting?**

Western Park was once part of the Leicester Forest, mentioned in the Domesday Book, and was an important game preserve where the Earls of Leicester and their descendants hunted.

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## Sept Police Update

Following last month's update around cannabis grows we have returned to more traditional methods of Policing and managed to put ourselves out in the community. Our fine PCSO's have been at some of the stores in a 'Cops in shops' operation to introduce themselves, whilst our team of officers have been busy stopping cars, conducting searches and arresting some wanted on recalls to prison. The 'Cops in Shops' has been most successful, not just for interaction with members of the community but also being on hand to identify persistent shoplifters who feel the need to blatantly take hundreds of pounds of goods without paying. Suffice to say, some are remaining at His Majesty's Pleasure (HMP).

We have had reports of street drinking and parking problems in and around Tudor Rd. A criminal behaviour order was given to one problematic drinker who declined to adhere to their conditions and has been evicted from the area. Parking continues to be an issue and we continue to work with the Council to address the issues. Please be considerate when parking to avoid causing distress to each other.

This month we have recovered drugs, some weapons and criminal property from proactive stop searches. Again, we have conducted several search warrants to find more cannabis growing and dangerous electrics inside, preventing potential fires.

Those driving without the correct insurance/licence have been reported and vehicles seized.

We are actively working with partners to try and reduce the use of off-road motorbikes on the parks and open green spaces, especially Western Park which has been identified through local surveys. Extra officers will be patrolling the area at key times, supported by our colleagues at the local authority Parks Team. A policing operation ran throughout the summer to identify those causing most harm and deal with them robustly to prevent further issues and deter others. Additionally, we work with our partners to increase Road Safety in the Western Park and Braunstone Frith Area. More speeding operations and road safety operations are planned.

In other activities; a motorbike was seized on Bassett Street on 7<sup>th</sup> September, after it was seen being ridden in a reckless and anti-social manner. One male was nabbed after taking to his heels and was arrested for possession of a knife. It was also a busy day for the Fosse Beat Team as they patrolled hotspot locations relating to drug dealing, ASB motorbikes & street drinkers, as well as patrols around Castle Mead due to reports of issues outside of the school.

Lee Cannings



# CAREY'S COMPOST CORNER



September is a month of transition in the garden; a time when you can still enjoy the outdoors while preparing your green space for the upcoming change in seasons. Here are some essential gardening tasks that I already have or will be carrying out throughout the month.

September marks the peak of the harvesting season for many fruits and vegetables. From ripe apples and pears to plump pumpkins and colourful squashes, your garden may be bursting with produce. Harvesting at the right time ensures the best taste and quality. Be sure to gather your crops regularly to prevent overripening. While summer vegetables are still producing, it's also time to think about autumn and winter crops. Plant cool-season vegetables like kale, spinach, and winter lettuce to extend your harvest well into the colder months. September is also ideal for planting spring-flowering bulbs such as daffodils, tulips, and crocuses. I either order



from online shops or take advantage of the many offers currently available in garden centres and supermarkets.

Perennial plants that have become overcrowded can benefit from division. September is an excellent time to dig up and divide clumps of perennials like hostas, daylilies, and irises. This promotes healthier growth and can provide you with new plants to populate other areas of your garden or share with fellow gardeners. As the summer blooms fade, I've been spending time pruning back spent flowers to encourage new growth, deadheading roses and removing withered annuals, this keeps the garden looking fresh. I've also been trimming back overgrown shrubs to maintain their shape, whilst remembering to give hedges a final trim before winter sets in.

Lawns still need attention in September and beyond as the mowing season seems to be extending each year. I am continuing to mow regularly, but gradually raise the mower blade to leave the grass slightly longer, which helps protect against frost damage. Aeration and overseeding can also be done now to keep your lawn looking lush.

**Carey Tunstall**



## Martin Page

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