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Your monthly update on WMS News and Events

Chairman's Foreword:

"Having been involved with the local Men's Shed since 2016, I have seen how it has evolved. From the beginning it was stated that the purpose of the shed was to combat loneliness, share practical skills and improve mental health. This still remains our mantra to this day, and I would say that we are also much more besides.

We have had many acknowledgements over the years including a Group Vocational Award by the Watton & District Rotary Club in 2023. In that same year we were one of four finalists for the award of "Shed of the Year", which is a national award. One of our members (not me or anyone on the committee) nominated us earlier this year for the BBC "Make a Difference" award in the community group category. We had a preliminary phone call where we explained exactly what we do and how it benefits members and their families. Recently we were notified that we have been selected as one of four finalists in this category. A journalist from BBC radio Norfolk visited us last week and recorded interviews with some of the committee. This will be broadcast in the next few weeks together with the other three finalists on the lead up to the announcement of the winner in September. So, keep a listen out on radio Norfolk and keep your fingers crossed for us."



Our Shed actually began on 5th October 2016, so this coming October will be our 10th anniversary. This is something that cannot pass without recognition and celebration.

*Therefore, we will be having a special celebration on **Saturday 3rd October 2026** in the main sports hall at the Sports Centre. This is an opportunity to show everything we do and there will be tables and display stands representing all groups and interests.*

*I know that the "Shutterists" are already gearing up for this and the Shanty group will have a display as well as singing us a few shanties. **So please get involved so we can put on a great show.***

*The committee are holding a meeting to finalise arrangements on Monday 27th July so if you have any suggestions or input, please speak to a member of the committee or leader of subgroups. We would like to see **ALL members plus a guest** at this event so put the date in your diary and add your name to the list on the noticeboard in the social room. A catered buffet with tea and coffee will be provided."*

[Men' Shed Committee](#)

Issue 60 of 'THE SHED JOURNAL'

"Members are welcome to contribute articles about themselves of days out, holidays, life/work experience, hobbies etc. Perhaps there is a TV program/channel, radio station, film, or series that you can recommend. I'm sure we all have a story to tell, once you start writing it will flow.

Also, if you come across an interesting article, please send it to me or point me to it. If you hear of anything interesting or informative to include i.e., Scams, DIY/Gardening tips, a film, book, magazine or music review, a good TV or radio station then please feel free to send me details and I will consider them all. The more of you who contribute the more interesting and diverse we can make it."

Note: "Political, Financial and Religious articles will be closely scrutinised before publication. However, defamatory articles will not be published."

"Please advise of any errors/typos and feel free to send me your comments, good or bad. I strive to please."

[John Chamberlin](#) - Editor - email: bjcoi8@gmail.com



Latest News on Shed Facilities and Amenities:

Main Social Room:

"The Main Social Room is where the larger part of our membership congregates to catch up with fellow shedders over a cup of tea/coffee. Groups develop for a game of cards, dominoes, or such like although this is not all that goes on. Other groups will sit chatting about whatever comes up or perhaps read a magazine. All are a friendly bunch and welcome other members to join in the games, conversation, and banter. After signing in, the Computer and Workshop shedders will drift off to the outbuilding to take up their interests."

Members are reminded that it is important to come to the social room to sign in and pay subs. This is important for fire safety and to evaluate whether members have been absent. Please can you attempt to wear your name badge to assist new members.

Carpentry Workshop:

"Rob Fielding and his team of regulars continue doing a wonderful job and enjoying themselves in the process. So, for a change of scenery and company why not take yourself out there to see what's on offer, you might be pleasantly surprised. Who knows, you may well come away with new skills or pass your own skills or ideas on to others."

John Hubbard has made this storage box, just an example of what you could make."



The Computer Room:

"Items listed below for the status of the computer room group as we pass through this year."

The computer group continues to be busy and has 4 main areas of work.

- Printers
- Laptops
- Desk top machines.
- Stripping non-viable machines and equipment for salvage

The Computer Room Wi-Fi has had a few issues this year, but corrective actions have been investigated, and a discussion has taken place to improve things.

3 options were discussed and we hope to be running an improved service shortly.

Revenue is still being generated by the following:

- On-going repairs to laptops and other ancillaries.
- Recycling of Motherboards continue to be recycled.
- Main recycling of computer components, cases and electrical items."

Mike Briggs - Computer Group Supervisor - email: mikebriggs01@btinternet.com





Shed Journal Quiz: (Note - There is now a link to the answers page)

I compile every quiz from scratch. (I do not download them). Please send any typos or errors to me please.

Landmarks, Structures & Features		Answers
Answers are, or are linked to landmarks, structures or geographical features.		
1	In what ocean is the 'Mariana Trench'?	
2	The 'Terracotta Army' is located where?	
3	In which US bay would you find 'Alcatraz'?	
4	Name the 7 Continents.	
5	On which Chilean location can you observe the 'Moai Heads'?	
6	What is the 'Great Barrier Reef' predominantly made up of?	
7	Which volcano erupted burying 'Pompeii', Italy in AD79?	
8	Is the 'Grand Canyon' more or less than 1 mile <u>deep</u> ?	
9	Give the 3 longest rivers in the world.	
10	In which Italian City would you look up at 'Juliet's Balcony'?	
11	In which English county do the 'Seven Sisters' reside?	
12	'Christ The Redeemer' overlooks which city?	
13	Name the world's <u>longest</u> mountain chain.	
14	Name the country that hosts the 'Khyber Pass Gate'.	
15	Upon which river do the 'Victoria Falls' lie?	
16	In which country would you find 'Chichen Itza'?	
17	To the nearest 1000 feet, give the height of 'Mount Everest'.	
18	In which Indian city can you visit 'The Taj Mahal'?	
19	Looking due north from the 'Giants Causeway', name the ocean?	
20	What were the 7 Wonders of The <u>Ancient</u> World?	
21	Located in Cambodia, name the largest religious monument in the world.	
22	Where is the archaeological city of 'Petra' located?	
23	In which city would you be if you could see 'Table Mountain'?	
24	Name the 'Seven Seas'.	
25	Name the city in the UAE that is home to the 'Burj Khalifa', the world's tallest structure.	
26	In which country would you find the 'Nazca Lines'?	
27	Where would you be if you could see 'The Forbidden City'?	
28	In which US state is the 'Mount Rushmore National Memorial'?	
29	Off which coast would you find 'The Twelve Apostles'?	
30	Where is the world's largest <u>active</u> volcano?	

Quiz answers are on the last page (use the link above or [click here](#)).





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Social programme:

Recent events:

Cromer End of Pier Show:

on Friday 17th July, 43 members and partners spent a day at Cromer. After a stroll around town and the promenade, enjoying our fish & chips and ice creams, at 2.30pm we went to the end of pier show. As always this was a great afternoon's entertainment and a good end to a lovely day out.



Greyhound Racing at Yarmouth Stadium:

23 members and partners had an outing to the dogs on Wednesday 29th July. We had an excellent meal in the Raceview restaurant and without leaving our table we were able to make a bet or two on the races, watching on large TV monitors. There were one or two members who had success, although no fortunes were made'



Upcoming events:

Meditation - Monday 17th August:

Please let me know if you would like to attend these sessions by putting your name down on the notice board or reply to me by email. Further dates to be announced in due course.

A couple of possible trips – Please see the notice board and put your names down if interested. If enough people interested, I will organise something.

Tavern Tales walks:

If you have a thirst for history and a swift half, this one's right up your street. From brewing and body snatching to swan keeping and smuggling, you'll hear a range of tantalising tales from Norwich's rich past as we weave our way through time, pub to pub. Date suggested is Friday 25th September and cost is £16.50

Muckleburgh Military Collection:

The Muckleburgh Collection is a military museum sited on a former military camp at Weybourne, on the North Norfolk. Date TBC

Event	Date	Venue	Time	Estimated cost	BACS ref
Meditation	Monday 17th August	Bowls Room	12:15	FREE	N/A

Malcolm Trayhorn - 01953 529531 - email: malcolm.trayhorn@gmail.com

Treasurers note:

"May I respectfully request that when you pay by BACS/Faster Payment that you use the correct reference, i.e. "Quiz Night" – "Christmas Meal" etc.

Also, if you are paying for more than one event at the same time, could you please use a separate transfer for each individual event. This would help me to clearly identify each transaction."

Lloyds Bank - Account name: **"Wayland Men's Shed"**

Sort code: **30-98-90**

Account No: **16989360**

Ref: **Quiz night, Christmas Meal etc.**





Member groups

The Music Group:

"For the first time ever, I have two sessions to report on, as we started a new quarterly "Long Song" session on July 29th. Our normal sessions have a time limit of 5 minutes for any song played, so this new session opens up this to 10 minutes to allow things to be played that wouldn't be acceptable normally. The downside is of course that we can't have as many songs played. This wasn't a problem for the first session, when we had 15 attendees, and 11 songs played. These were very wide ranging, both in time period and type of music, going from classical to rock and back again. The next session for this will be hopefully held in October, and I will circulate the date once set.

The top five tunes were:

- 1st "Rhapsody on a theme by Paganini" by Vladimir Ashkenazi, picked by Richard, on 121
- 2nd "Hey Jude" by The Beatles, picked by Malcolm, on 107
- 3rd "Radio 4 Theme tune" by Various artists, picked by Jeff, on 106
- 4th "Still" by Shirley Bassey, picked by Barrie, on 100
- 5th "Bat out of Hell" by Meatloaf, picked by Ray, on 93

Our normal monthly session was held on the 5th August, with a theme of "My favourite music to drive to". August is always a quieter month, and a depleted turn out resulted in a much quicker session than normal, with only 13 songs played. The range was as usual very eclectic, with Wagner played next to 90's dance, and American soft rock against classics from Chuck Berry and The Beach Boys.

The top five tunes were:

- 1st "No Particular Place to Go" by Chuck Berry, picked by Les, on 7.73
- 2nd "Ride of the Valkyries" by Wagner, picked by John C-M, on 7.2
- 3rd "Ventura Highway" by America, picked by Miles, on 7.13
- =4th "Long Train Running" by The Doobie Brothers, picked by Richard, on 7.07
- =4th "Looking for the Summer" by Chris Rea, picked by Bill, on 7.07

If you wonder why the scores are very different from the two sessions, I'll tell you why.... When everyone stays in the room for the whole session my job is a lot easier as all I have to do is add up the scores (although even that is difficult if I like the next song as adding up and listening along don't go well together!). However, if we get people joining us after the session has started, I have to divide each score by the number of people in the room at the time the song is played. This is why you might see a score like 107 or one like 7.01.....

*Our next meeting will be held on the first Wednesday of next month, **September 2nd**, when the theme will be "My 60's favourite". It's also the time for our next **MUSIC QUIZ**, which this time will be hosted by Les. This will start at around 12.15, and as usual food will be available from the Sporty Kitchen.*

We always have a good time and lots of good-natured chat, so if you enjoy music of any kind why not come along? You don't even have to bring along something to play if you don't want to, as you are more than welcome to just come and listen to our many and varied selections."

Interested? Contact [Dave Cooper](mailto:dave.cooper@shedjournal.co.uk) – Music club lead - email: dwanddrc@gmail.com

Note: Please ensure you have been signed in, and your subs are in the tub provided



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The Chuffers:



*"If any "Shed" members are interested, we are going to have our first formal meeting on **Monday 24th August at 11am** in the bar of the sprots centre. The idea of the meeting is to see what members are looking for from our group and how we want to proceed. Everyone is welcome and please be ready to give your opinion and suggestions.*

This month has been difficult with the heat, but we have made progress with Ray's layout. Ballasting is continuing and most of the operating electrics have been installed. I have been busy installing my base boards and, in the process, I have been changing my layout! As is the way of model railways.

We are all involved in making our own layouts, but if anyone else is interested please get in touch. Like with all our Shed activities there is a lot of chat, laughing and cups of tea involved. Just have a chat with either Dave, Ray, Grahame or me."

Interested? Contact [Neil Rowe](#) – email: neilr101@btinternet.com

Shanties at the Shed:

*"We've had a fairly quiet month mostly getting ready for our gig at the **Queen's Hall on the 19th of August**. You can get tickets for this gig from Adcock's on the High Street, it starts at 11am and includes some munchies. Behind the scenes I'm planning some new songs to include in our growing repertoire including one about a ship's cat written by my good self. We always welcome new members from the shed so feel free to get in touch with myself or Ray. If anyone has suggestions for future gigs, please also have a word with me. We are always on the lookout for musicians. "*

Interested? Contact [Wayne Rutter](#) - Shantyman lead - email: wayne.rutter.1979@hotmail.com

Note: Please ensure you have been signed in, and your subs are in the tub provided.

The Shutterists:

"We are an artistic group with an un-written modus operandi of "For fun"

The Shutterists activities include;

- 1. Regular outings to photogenic places – we have logged more than 60 visits*
- 2. Learning to improve our camera handling and photographic techniques*
- 3. Embracing other creative artistic media*

The Shutterists allows all camera types, including phones/tablets. However, as we embrace other creative techniques, cameras are not a pre-requisite, as for example, one of our keen members will attend outings with his charcoal and sketch pad. 'Shutterists' outings generally take in a coffee, food and even the odd beer – it's a social trip as much as a photographic / artistic one and we all share friendly banter."

Interested? Contact [Stewart Haile](#) - Shutterist's group lead - 07775 694099 - email: shaile33@aol.com



July:

- **Outing:** Flatford Mill
- **Monthly Competition:**
Composition Technique – Negative Space
- Photo entry:**
Starting with the letter 'U'



What's next for:

August:

- **Outing:** TBA
- **Monthly Competition:**
Composition Technique – Figure – Ground
- Photo entry:**
Starting with the letter 'I'

Training News

Watch this space

Trip to East Bergholt, Suffolk and Flatford Mill – July 2026 (Led by Bob Darts)

"Our latest Shutterists outing saw seven members make the journey from Watton to the area around the beautiful Suffolk village of East Bergholt for a day of photography, friendship and plenty of laughter.

Our first stop was the iconic National Trust site at Flatford Mill, forever linked with John Constable and his famous painting, The Hay Wain. It was fascinating to stand where Constable found his inspiration and to explore the same landscape through our own cameras. The mill, bridge, river and surrounding countryside offered something for everyone, whether capturing the classic views or searching for smaller details and creative compositions.

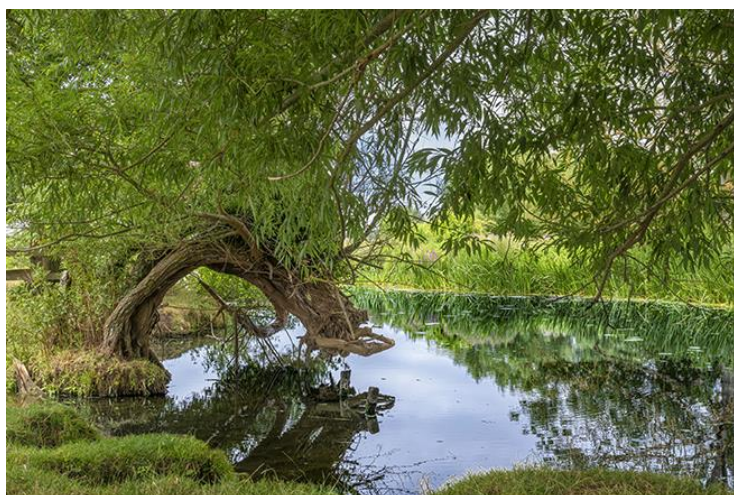
We then took a gentle cruise along the peaceful River Stour which gave us the chance to slow down, enjoy the scenery from a different perspective and appreciate the quiet beauty of this special corner of Suffolk.

The day ended with an excellent lunch at the Red Lion public house in East Bergholt, where good food, great conversation and plenty of camera chat rounded off another memorable Shutterists adventure.

Many thanks to everyone who came along and helped make it such an enjoyable day. We look forward to our next photographic outing together."

Submitted by Bob Darts

As Stewart did not attend the Flatford Mill Trip, Bob invited him to judge the images. The results are as follows:



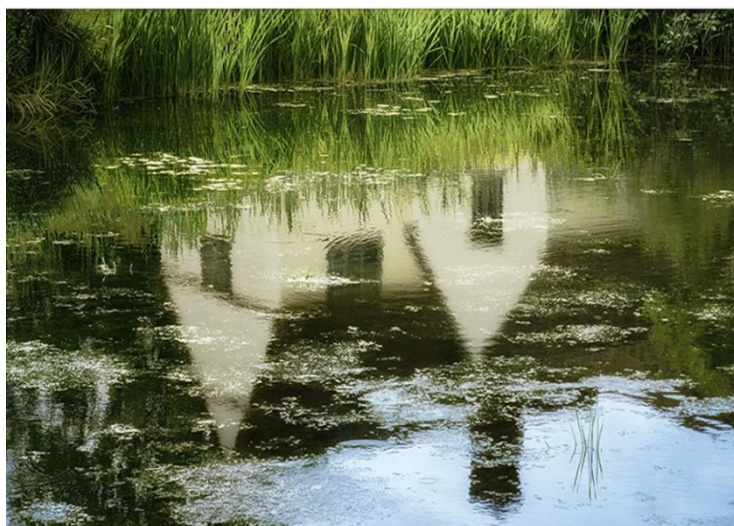
GOLD

“Riverside Tranquillity”

Shot by:

‘John Ford’

“What a wonderful image that takes the viewer into another world. The image screams of a Dragon, overlooking the river below. The colours are full and bright with a combination of mirror like reflections. A beautiful photograph seen and taken”



SILVER

“Willie's Reflected Lott”

Shot by:

‘Bob Darts’

“A stunning upside down image, full of enchantment and light. Glorious effervescent colours throughout the picture, with a sense of eeriness for the reflection of the Lott. Also turning the picture upside down works equally well too”



BRONZE

“Looking For Lunch”

Shot by:

‘Al Middleton’

“An image inspired in the habitat of the Heron. Vividly staring, probably for food, hence the title works so well. Luscious reeds, luscious shades of green and a perceived silence”

Please see the Shutterists Album for all pictures taken on the day plus the photo competition entries.



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I'm game if you are:



"Our August meeting was attended by 11 members. We had a good time with games of 'Ticket to Ride', 'Mexican Train', 'Golf' and 'Liars Dice' being played.

*The next meeting will be on **Monday 14th September 2026**. We start at 1pm until 5pm in the bowls room. If you don't want to miss out on a game, then please arrive promptly.*

Please feel free to bring along any family, friends, or neighbours (ladies included)

*If you stay after the morning session then please be aware there is **NO** bar food available on Mondays, please bring a light lunch with you or maybe go to the fish or baguette shop.*

Games available to play or learn include: 'Ticket to Ride: Europe' Mexican Train, Mahjong, Sequence, Rumikub, Bezique, 500 Rummy, Contract - Nomination and Solo whists, Crib, Backgammon, Yahtzee, Halma, Othello, Chess, Draughts, Nine Mans Morris, Dominoes, 5's & 3's, Canasta, Phase 10, Golf (card game), Liars dice.

Please feel free to bring along a game of your own to tempt us. Attendance seems to have levelled out at between 10 and 12 so it would be good to see more of you there. We always have a great afternoon."

Note: A £2 session fee will be charged with free tea, coffee, and biscuits available. **Members attending both the shed in the morning and the games group will be required to pay for both sessions.**

Interested? Contact [John Chamberlin](#) – Games group lead – email: bjcoi8@gmail.com

Editor's note on groups:

"Do you have an idea for a similar group? For example: A walking group, a book or cycling club, maybe a common hobby or interest then please let a committee member know. Such groups will be fully supported by the committee but arranged and run solely by the interested members."

Note: "A group does not have to be several members; you may just find one other like-minded individual to start with, and others may well join you later

[John Chamberlin](#) - Editor - email: bjcoi8@gmail.com





Other News, Notices, Events & Articles:

Shed opening days and times 2026	
Social Room	Mondays and Wednesdays 09:00 till 12:00
Woodwork Shop	Mondays and Thursdays 09:00 till 12:00
Computer Room	Mondays and Thursdays 09:00 till 12:00

Returning to the Same Place to Take Photographs:

There is a belief that great photographs can only be found in new and locations that provide dramatic landscapes, famous viewpoints and distant destinations, making you suppose that your next memorable photograph lies just over the horizon. Yet it is difficult to imagine that some of the finest photographic work has been created by photographers who repeatedly return to the same place.

So, why is this? Usually, the first visit to a location is often spent discovering what is there, when we notice the obvious subjects and compose the pictures that immediately catch our eye. On subsequent visits, however, something changes and a sense of familiarity allows us to slow down. Instead of looking at the landscape, we begin to delve and really investigate what is there.

Each return enables us to become more aware of the subtle details that perhaps we did not see on the first visit, a fallen branch that creates a leading line, the way mist or fog settles in one corner of a woodland, or how early morning or evening sunlight briefly illuminates a single tree. These are observations that are easily missed on a first visit.

Also, the changing seasons can add another dimension. A woodland that appears ordinary in midsummer can become magical beneath autumn colour, transformed again by winter frost or the fresh greens of spring. Even weather can have a remarkable influence. Rain, fog, snow and strong winds each reveal different moods and opportunities. The same scene can produce dozens of entirely different photographs throughout the year.

Repeated visits help us develop our powers of observation. Rather than constantly searching for new places, we train ourselves to recognise beauty in familiar surroundings. We stop relying on or searching out spectacular scenery and start noticing light, shape, texture, colour and relationships between elements. In doing so, our photography becomes more thoughtful and more personal.

For some time, I've been following several photographers, many of which have spent years photographing a single woodland, a stretch of coastline or local nature reserve. Their work is fascinating not because the location is extraordinary, but because they know the area intimately. As a result, their photographs reveal an understanding rather than mere discovery. (See the work of Simon Baxter - <https://baxter.photos/>)

As photographers, we often talk about finding new locations. However, here's a thought, perhaps we should spend just as much time rediscovering the old ones. Every return potentially offers us another lesson, another opportunity, and another chance to see something that was invisible before.

Repeating visits to the same location in my view is one of the most valuable things a landscape or nature photographer can do as it shifts focus from simply taking photographs to truly seeing what is about us. After all, the location may remain the same—but the light changes, the seasons change, the weather changes, and most importantly, we also change as photographers. Every visit teaches us to SEE a little more clearly than the last.

Submitted by [Bob Darts](#)



Members Handbook and Operating Principles:

"As most of you are aware, the Shed is now a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO). We now must adhere to the 'Charity Commission's CIO Constitution.' What was our old 'Constitution' does, in effect still exist and has been edited and merged with the Members Handbook. This merged document has been named 'Members Handbook and Operating Principles.' Members are still obliged to adhere to this new shed document. Both aforementioned documents can be viewed and/or downloaded on our website for personal viewing and or printing. However, should you require a hard copy just approach a committee member."

[Men's Shed Committee](#)

UK Men's Shed Association (UKMSA):



To find out more about the UKMSA, type or, cut and paste this line into your address bar.

This will take you to the latest issue of 'Shoulder to Shoulder'

<https://mailchi.mp/ukmsa.org.uk/shoulder-to-shoulder-july2026?e=a370dbe526>

Testimonials & Case Studies:

"You may recall from my foreword in the December Journal that we have been awarded a grant to help with costs of running the shed and subsidising trips and events. In order to evidence what we are doing with the grant money and what a difference it makes to members and their families I'm asking for testimonials showing what the Men's Shed means to you.

This just needs to be a paragraph or two which reflects the worth of being a member, especially in combatting loneliness and assisting with well-being. I would like to use one or two of these as case studies so if you are happy for me to use your contribution, please let me know or speak to me. These will be anonymous."

"In order to evidence what we are doing with the grant money and what a difference it makes to members and their families I am asking for volunteers to be one of my case studies to show what the Men's Shed means to them. If you are happy for me to use you in this way, please let me know or speak to me. These will be anonymous."

[Malcolm Trayhorn](#) - 01953 529531 - email: malcolm.trayhorn@gmail.com

Men's Shed – We care:

Members of our shed have a variety of reasons for being a member.



- Having other male companionship.
- Reducing the feeling of loneliness.
- Meeting up with others.
- A way of making new friends.

Whatever the reason there is plenty of evidence that our shed is making a difference.

If you hear of or personally feel that a fellow member may need assistance of some kind, then please inform your committee in total confidence. We can then assess if there may be a way we can approach them in a caring, sensitive, private way to ascertain if they need any support.

[Malcolm Trayhorn](#) – Chairman - email: Malcolm.trayhorn@gmail.com



Be scam aware:



159 is a secure phone number that connects you directly to your bank if you suspect a scam. If you think you're being scammed - **Stop** what you're doing - **Hang up** the phone - **Call 159**.

It's a simple, memorable number that cannot be spoofed. It will **never** call you and it's available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

159 is a vital tool to help prevent and combat fraud. It breaks the scam "journey" at a critical moment and allows you to contact your bank quickly so they can take the right action.

Most banks, building societies, and telephone companies are part of the **159** initiatives.

Submitted by [John Chamberlin](#)

Property Alert Service:

*"The property alert service provider in the UK is **HM Land Registry**. They provide a free fraud-monitoring tool that sends email notifications whenever significant activity or official searches occur against registered properties in England and Wales. This could be a secured loan, Sale notice without your knowledge.*

The 'Property Alert Service' can be found on the government website.

Follow this link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/property-alert>

You just create a simple account then add up to 10 properties/land (these can be any properties, not just your own.) It's well worth doing, it took me less than 10 minutes, so do yourself a favour and sign up."

Submitted by [John Chamberlin](#)

Health & Safety:



It is important that we know how many members are in attendance. **Please ensure that you visit the Main Hall to sign-in, do not just go to the Workshop/Computer rooms.**

All members have a duty of care for themselves and others. Should you become aware of any issues please ensure that you inform a committee member at once. All accidents and Incidents should be recorded in the ledgers provided; they're located in the filing cabinet in the workshop.

Fire test procedures:

The committee thank you all for your co-operation during our recent fire alarm procedure test.

In that instance members were alerted prior to the test to enable us to evaluate our procedures. Overall, this was very successful with just one or two things needing to be clarified. It is our intention to carry out future periodic tests **without** notification. The committee would appreciate your continued cooperation.

WMS Website:

Our website address is: www.waylandmensshed.co.uk



The website continues to be speedily and expertly administered by Neil Rowe, and we thank him for his continued efforts. Members are encouraged to visit the site and have a look around. Constructive comments, suggestions or ideas for improvement and/or potential new content are very welcome. Just approach Neil or any committee member.



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Defibrillators:



There are **two** Defibrillators in the Sports Centre. Please make yourself familiar with **both** locations.

The first is located at the far end of the Bowls Club Room.
The second is located just outside the Lounge Bar, just off reception.



Don't bank on it:



The Watton banking hub, 56 High Street - It Opening days - Monday – Friday 09:00 – 17:00

Mondays **Halifax** - Tuesdays **NatWest** - Wednesdays **HSBC** - Thursdays **Lloyds** - Fridays **Barclays**

Withdraw & Deposit cash – Deposit cheques – Pay utilities – Check balances – Banking advisors Tue - Fri

Submitted by *John Chamberlin*

Wanted, For Sale & Free Notices:



Do you have an item for sale, for free or are you looking for something in particular? Please feel free to email the editor - bjcoi8@gmail.com with a price, picture, and a brief description along with your contact details. I shall endeavour to list the item here.

Note: All transactions are **strictly** between two parties. WMS does **not** endorse nor guarantee any items sold.

Watton Events Marshalling:

As for previous years Watton Town Council is asking for us to assist with road closures.
Please see the dates below and see if you are free to assist at any of these.

Sunday 30th August, Bike Takeover – 10:00-16:00 (**marshalling required 08:00-10:00**)

Sunday 29th November, Festive Market – 13:00-17:00 (**marshalling required 10:30-13:00**)

Please let Malcolm know if you are willing to give up a couple of hours to keep us popular with the Council.

Breckland Events 2026:

If any member becomes aware of any events in the Breckland area for 2025, please let me know.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Tuesdays 18 th & 25 th August	Summer Fun Days	Watton Community Centre
Fri 28 th to Mon 31 st August	Music and Beer Festival	Mid Norfolk Railway, Dereham
Sat 29 th & Sun 30 th August	Watton Bike Weekend	Watton Sports Centre
Saturday 5 th September	Dog Show – 10am - 2pm	Letton Hall (nr Shipdham)
Saturday 31 st October	Watton Food Festival & Fireworks	Wayland Showground, Watton
Sunday 8 th November	Remembrance Sunday	Memorial Car Park & St Marys
Sunday 29 th November	Watton Festival Market	Watton High Street

John Chamberlin - email: bjcoi8@gmail.com



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Treasurers update:

"Shed accounts remain healthy thanks to continued member support and further income from the workshops, Shantyments, Quizzes, Town marshalling to name but a few sources. This all bodes well for a bright future.

It is without a doubt a team effort to which we all contribute in our own way. I thank my fellow committee for their support. I take one look around the room and feel that the time and effort put in is worthwhile."

Full accounts may be examined by any member upon request. - [John Chamberlin](#) - Treasurer

Memberships update:

*"Membership now stands at 106 after renewals and new members. We welcome back **John Handley** along with new members **Colin Newby, Andrew Cook, Richard Youngs and Terry Cochrane**. Please make them feel welcome. The word continues to spread that the shed is **THE** place to be in Watton."*

[John Chamberlin](#) - Membership Secretary

Committee meeting:

The next full committee meeting will be on **Monday 7th September 2026 at 12:15pm** in the Bowls Room. Should any member wish to attend or submit an item for discussion by the committee please email your request direct to the secretary - [Dave Cooper](#) - email: dwanddrc@gmail.com

Note: Committee meeting minutes are no longer sent out to every member. There is a copy in the folder by the booking in computer for your perusal at the shed. However, should you require a personal copy then please request the same from our secretary.





JOURNAL QUIZ ANSWERS: (Note - There is now a link back to the questions)

Landmarks, Structures & Features					Questions
1	Pacific	11	East Sussex	21	Angkor Wat
2	Shaanxi Province, China.	12	Rio De Janeiro	22	Jordan
3	San Francisco	13	The Andes	23	Cape Town
4	North America, South America, Asia, Australia, Europe, Antarctica, Africa	14	Peshawar, Pakistan	24	Arctic, North Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Pacific, South Pacific, Indian, Southern.
5	Easter Island	15	The Zambezi	25	Dubai
6	Coral Polyps	16	Mexico	26	Peru
7	Mount Vesuvius	17	29,000	27	Beijing, China
8	More (6093 ft - 1.15 ml approx.)	18	Agra	28	South Dakota
9	Nile, Amazon, Yangtze	19	Atlantic	29	Victoria, Australia
10	Verona	20	Great Pyramid of Giza, Colossus of Rhodes, Hanging Gardens of Babylon, Lighthouse of Alexandria, Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, Statue of Zeus at Olympia, Temple of Artemis at Ephesus.	30	Hawaii (Mauna Loa)

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If you wish to make a compliment, complaint, or comment, please feel free to do so. Without constructive feedback it is difficult for the WMS Committee to know if they are meeting member's expectations.

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