

Roll: **20220717-9232**

Camera: **Canon EOS 5D Mark III: E53**

Film: **Full frame digital**

Subject:

Graffiti U3A project.

Notes:

Didn't want to do this project and really thought I might give it a miss. Then on the Sunday before the meeting there was a national panic generated by the BBC and others that 10,000 or more were going to die because of the heat wave. People were told not to go to work on Monday and Tuesday, the railways were operating for essential journeys only, the schools were encourage to close etc. etc. In all the verbiage that was rolled out by experts and scientists about the immediate need to redesign buildings and change our way of life no mention was given to the removal of drinking fountains, shop awnings and railway lines with expansion gaps and fish plates. Nor was their any consideration given to the closure and destruction of grand public buildings and Victorian schools the interiors of which always remained cool. No, at a time of equally apocalyptic diatribes on the need to cut energy consumption the need for air conditioning was stressed and the urgent dissemination of information to public such that they would know if they felt hot at home to take their hats and coats off indoors. Thank God for the age of electronic communication. So on a warm sunny day with a very pleasant cool breeze it felt essential to go for a midday walk, possibly to town to find some graffiti.

I only got as far as Lady Bay Bridge as when you are looking for it you quickly realise that our built environment, even in the middle class enclave of West Bridgford, is covered with the stuff. Lamp posts, street signs, walls, fences, control boxes, bridges, underpasses, post boxes anything with a stable surface to which paint will adhere is used by those careless or contemptuous of the work of engineers, craftsmen and ordinary working men, insensitive to the sensibilities of residents they appear to wish to create a legacy, such as it is, for themselves. I am not as you might have guessed, a fan of the anarchic creation of graffiti in public spaces.

A couple of shots at the start of Radcliffe Road by David Drew Garages and on the bridge then down to the embankment and the what are in truth, railway arches from around 1879, but now support the Lady Bay road bridge.

None of the stuff I photographed is "good" graffiti, it's not special, it does not represent exceptional talent. It's just the ordinary common or garden graffiti that blights communities in the built environment.

After taking the pictures I strolled along the river around the Hook which was totally deserted and headed for the Poppy and Pint by way of Mick and Sue's on Gertrude Road.

I was the only patron of the pub garden for over an hour. The bar was lamentably deserted and so cold from the overactive air-con, despite the open windows, that you wouldn't want to sit there without at least a good fleece and possibly a warm hat.

The manager suggested that they were were "all down bloody ASDA stocking up for the extra holiday".

Such is power now of Government and media to spread instant fear and alarm.

It was a beautiful breezy summer's day such as might be longed for by many.

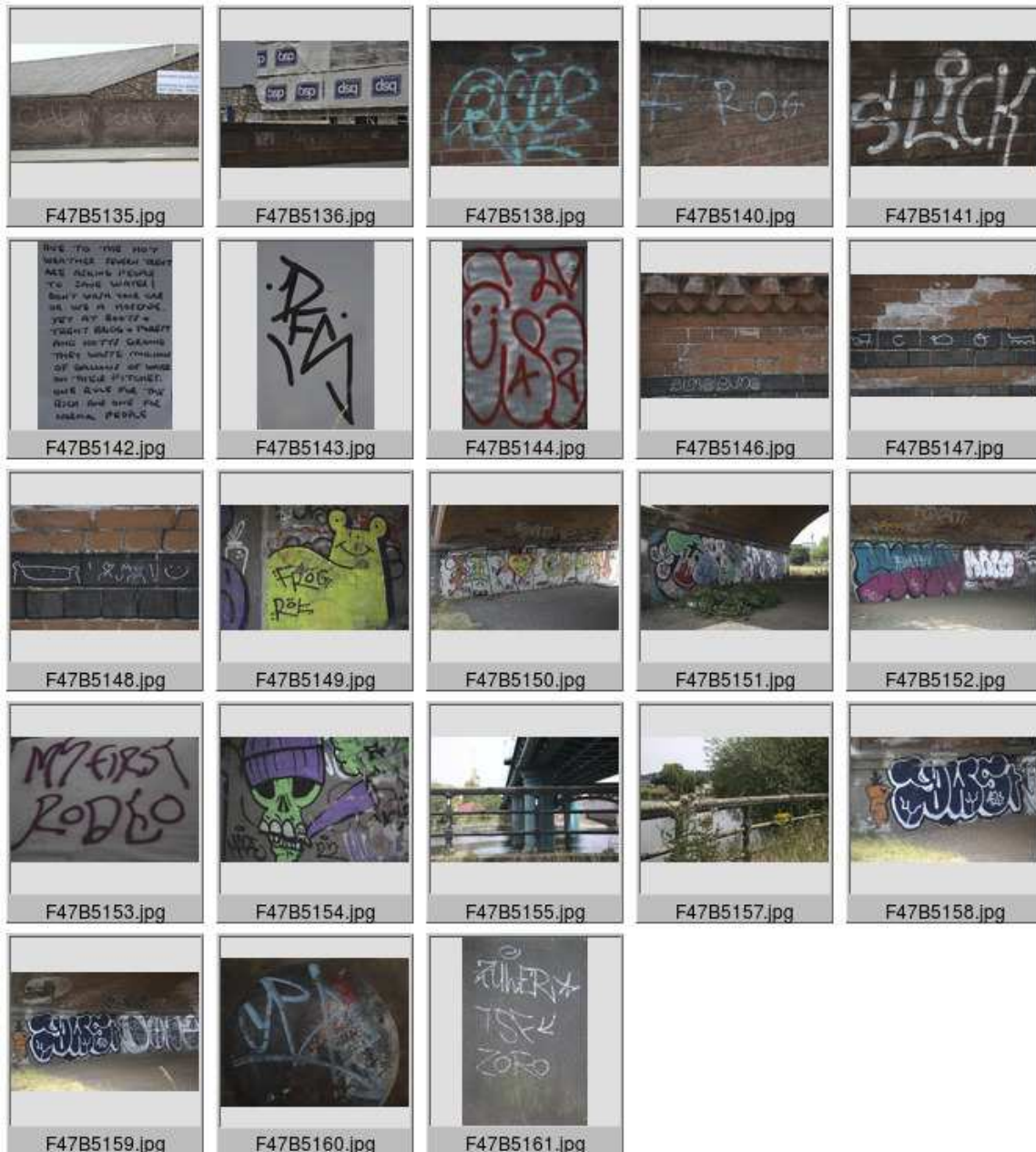
Dates:

Dates and times are verified from original exif data.

Frames:

F47B5135 20220717 10:07:11 David Drew's.
F47B5136 20220717 10:07:31 Graffiti.
F47B5138 20220717 10:08:26 Graffiti.
F47B5140 20220717 10:09:05 Frog.
F47B5141 20220717 10:09:20 Slick.
F47B5142 20220717 10:11:04 Severn Trent.
F47B5143 20220717 10:16:37 Graffiti.
F47B5144 20220717 10:16:58 Graffiti.

- F47B5146 20220717 10:18:40 Elmo.
- F47B5147 20220717 10:19:12 Graffiti.
- F47B5148 20220717 10:19:31 I love my mum.
- F47B5149 20220717 10:20:48 Frog Rot.
- F47B5150 20220717 10:21:19 I love CBOY.
- F47B5151 20220717 10:22:37 Graffiti.
- F47B5152 20220717 10:23:10 Skate or die.
- F47B5153 20220717 10:24:08 My first rodeo.
- F47B5154 20220717 10:25:45 Mare 22.
- F47B5155 20220717 10:27:03 Lady Bay Bridge.
- F47B5157 20220717 10:29:48 Old riverside railings.
- F47B5158 20220717 10:30:27 Carrot 42.
- F47B5159 20220717 10:30:32 Carrot 42.
- F47B5160 20220717 10:39:49 Graffiti.
- F47B5161 20220717 10:40:39 Zulery TSF Zoro.





F47B5135 - David Drews.



F47B5136 - Graffiti.



F47B5138 - Graffiti.



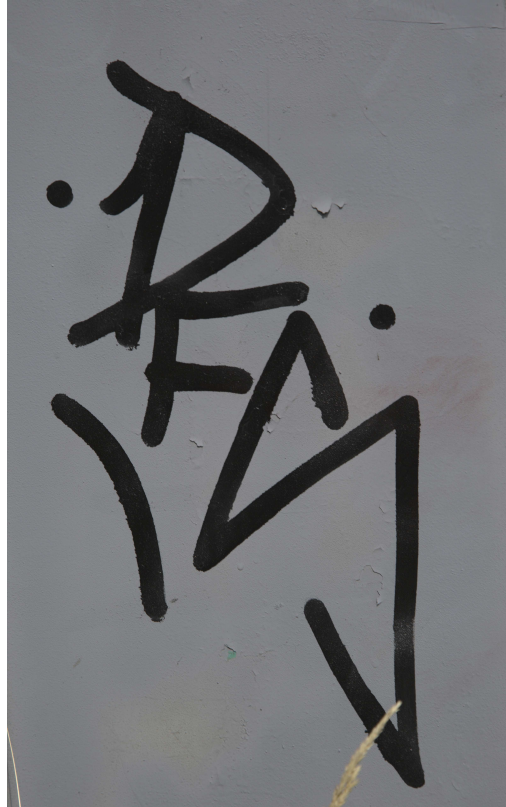
F47B5140 - Frog.



F47B5141 - Slick.

DUE TO THE HOT
WEATHER SEVERN TRENT
ARE ASKING PEOPLE
TO SAVE WATER!
DON'T WASH YOUR CAR
OR USE A HOSEPIPE.
YET AT BOOTS +
TRENT BRIDGE + FOREST
AND NOTTS GROUND
THEY WASTE MILLIONS
OF GALLONS OF WATER
ON THEIR PITCHES.
ONE RULE FOR THE
RICH AND ONE FOR
NORMAL PEOPLE

F47B5142 - Severn Trent.



F47B5143 - Graffiti.



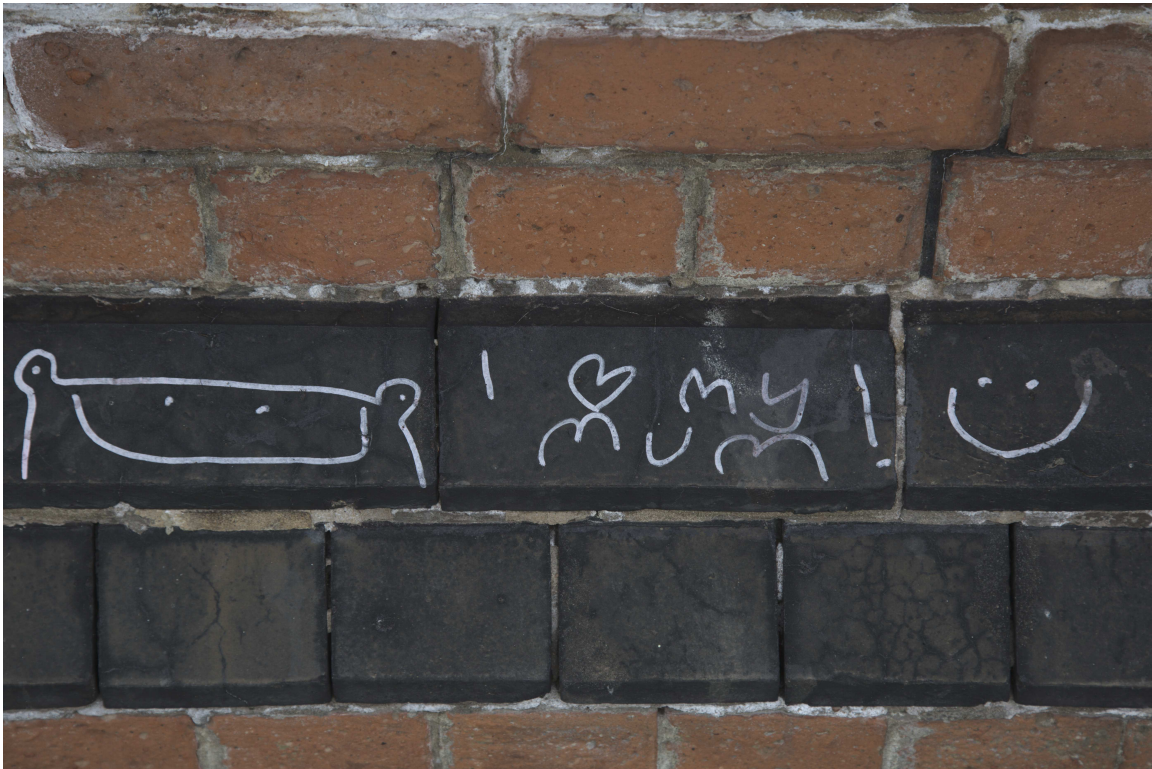
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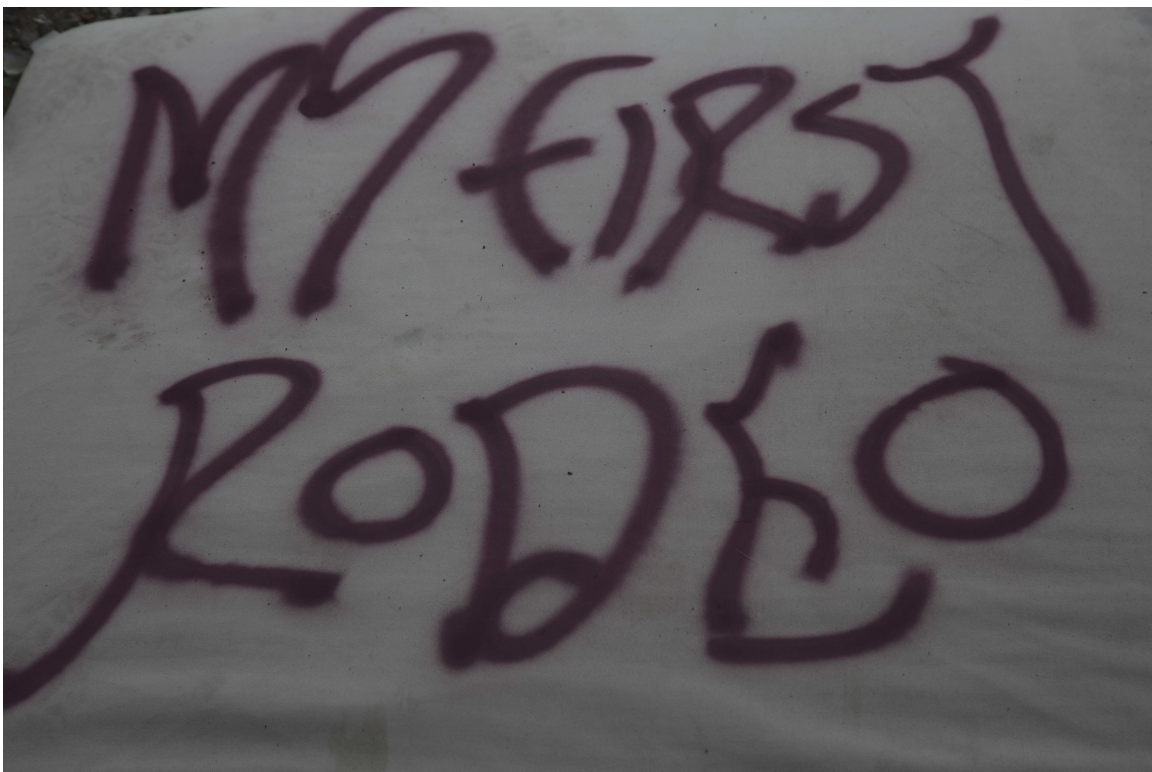
F47B5150 - I love CBOY.



F47B5151 - Graffiti.



F47B5152 - Skate or die.



F47B5153 - My first rodeo.



F47B5154 - Mare 22.



F47B5155 - Lady Bay Bridge.



F47B5157 - Old riverside railing.



F47B5159 - Carrot 42.



F47B5160 - Graffiti.



F47B5161 - Zulery TSF Zoro.