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John Newton has long held a place in my imagination. I think it was reading a book emblazoned with the title ‘Slave Ship Captain!’ at an impressionable age.

You may know something of his life story. Born in the early eighteenth century to a sea-faring family, press-ganged into the Navy, he ended up crewing slave-ships. After a period as a slave himself, ended up as captain on several voyages between Africa and the West Indies. It was during his time in the slave trade that he became a Christian – converted after he began to pray during a severe storm. He went on to be a vicar in Buckinghamshire and then London. He became a leading light in the campaign for Abolition, as well as – in his spare time – writing hymns we still sing today. His life, which ended in 1807 just as abolition was passed by Parliament, gives us an intriguing perspective to examine many strands of our current situation.

Black Lives Matter. Much of the anger and pain – and injustice – which underlies this campaign dates back to that ‘infernal trade’ in which Newton was so involved. It’s impossible for us to fully comprehend the scale and complexity of the problem unless we reckon with the damage done by this traffic. Newton later wrote: “a confession, which ... comes too late ... It will always be a subject of humiliating reflection to me, that I was once an active instrument in a business at which my heart now shudders.” As Christians we believe that all people, whatever their colour, are dignified by being made in the image of God and deserve respect and fair treatment.

As I write, much ink is being expended on the rights and wrongs of a statue toppled in Bristol. Like Newton, the subject was a beneficiary of the slave trade, who used his wealth to endow public works. Can his legacy be accepted, given his wrongs? How about Newton, should we still sing ‘Amazing grace’ given his history? We might want to consider the important role of repentance – that transformation that led Newton to spend decades fighting for the end of slavery in the British Empire.

And we might therefore want to reflect on Newton as a model for those of us who benefit, whether we acknowledge it or not, from being on the ‘right’ side of the historical inequality. Whether we have the guts to recognise our errors and failures, whether we accept – as he did – our need

for 'Amazing grace', for forgiveness, from God and from those we have wronged, whether we are willing to work for positive change, as he did.

Richard Trethewey

Rector of All Saints' Newtown Linford & St Peter's, Glenfield

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All Saints' church renovation

In theory, by the time you read this, the renovation work in the Church should be essentially complete! Work begun almost exactly six months ago, delayed due to entirely unforeseen circumstances, finished at last.

So, in theory, we may now open up the building for private prayer. The government guidance permitting it makes clear that this is a very limited re-opening. It excludes any kind of gathering within the building, even of just a few people, certainly services as we know them are still suspended. 'Sight-seeing' is also still disallowed. People may only enter the building to pray on their own or with members of their own household.

In practice, we may still be some time away from even that. As everyone who has had building work done knows, it takes a while to clean up after the builders have gone! As all schools and shops know well too, to re-open while coronavirus is still an active threat requires substantial work to prepare buildings for safe access. As a Church community we face challenges in that. Many of our congregation are in groups the government identifies as vulnerable. National advice limits their ability to participate fully in the required work.

So we're in a bit of a bind! Obviously some members of the community, including the clergy, will be doing all we can to prepare for a limited re-opening for private prayer. We're hoping to open, when possible, for a couple of hours twice a week. The PCC is working on the planning and preparations needed and we will publicise the details as soon as we can.

But we could do with some assistance. We need people able to help with the cleaning and sorting of the building, working under risk-assessed conditions. Could you help? You may be able to offer just a couple of hours to wipe down the pews, or to help re-hang the millennium triptych of the village. It would be most appreciated. And you'd get a sneak preview of the new interior in the process...

If you can, please contact me or one of our wardens:

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Jane Woolmer, ejwoolmer@gmail.com.



VILLAGE DIARY

July

All meetings cancelled due to Coronavirus/Covid-19.

Fingers crossed for August !

Regular events
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We are sorry to report the loss of our

Paper Shop in the village, When the Post Office Tea Rooms reopens it will not be selling papers in future.



Coffee & Cake Update



Hello all

The Monthly Village Magazine comes around so fast!

Hope this finds you all well?

The release from lockdown is eased slightly but I'm not sure it makes anyone feel a lot safer? It is nice to be able to see some new faces and for those who haven't seen families as a group is a welcome change so enjoy it.

Our first days of rain seem to be ongoing with sudden downpours in the village causing some floods. The garden is desperate and the food growers and farmers need it too. Quite a shock to the system after so many days of sunshine.

The Coffee & Cake Zoom meeting is still taking place every Thursday and is worth coming on board for if

you have the right equipment, (a laptop with the app Zoom uploaded) at 11am. If you are interested contact Joe Costello on 01530 249613 he is brilliant at calmly talking you through how to set



Ron celebrating his 90th birthday with fish and chips and his birthday bun!

yourself up. We are getting newcomers every week joining us with welcome news of other villagers, Gay Redstone has managed to join up so give it a try Joe Costello is a great teacher

News to date

1. The Fish & Chip Van came to the village again on Friday 19th June at the Club and was a great success. A huge thank you once

again to Carolyn Turner for her organisation. The aim was to make sure that all the elderly were included first with Bradgate Road targeted with letters as it was felt we had missed them last time. I hope you got involved and enjoyed the change

Ron in the village celebrated his 90th Birthday on the Friday so to celebrate he was given a Cupcake with a candle when his Fish and Chips were delivered (see photo opposite) Happy birthday to you Ron what a great age to get to.

2. Sue and Dick Howard said the Coop had face masks that would last 20 washes for £3 each for anyone who would like to get one. Many are making their own out of scrap material I have a pattern if anyone wants it sending, it is just a rectangle of fabric, it looks like we all could need one in the future

3. Marlise was flooded at her little cottage in the downpours and has had to have all the carpets taken up facing a few weeks with dehumidifiers in the house to dry it out. We hope she is alright. A horrid thing to face.

4. Social Gatherings – I hope the relaxing of the rules with family bubbles etc has helped you all feel a lot better? I know seeing other people is a joy - catching up with news etc. It is important everyone makes an effort to contact others either by phone or over the garden wall! Some elderly can feel very isolated being on their own all day and every day and that call makes such a difference.

The family caring for an elderly person are also vulnerable and could need support so give them a call too if you know anyone in that situation. Stay safe, sending love to you all and call someone!

Carol Ann



Newtown Linford Gardening Club

What a strange year we are having. It has been a really difficult year for gardeners. Firstly we had the very wet February which caused our gardens to become waterlogged. I suspect many of our members lost plants which simply drowned in their soggy mud.

Late March and April saw an improvement and we had some plants which really enjoyed the weather and rewarded us with some splendid blooms. We then had a late frost which devastated some plants, nipped off the tender shoots and set them back several weeks.

May was terribly dry and, despite regular watering, some plants simply could not cope and died. The rain has only recently returned and we hope for a more regular occurrence of our traditional unpredictable summer.

Things are beginning to improve around the country and the Covid-19 threat is reducing. However it is still too early to resume our regular activities, although we are beginning to make some contingency plans so we can act should the opportunity arise. Until then, all our members can do is to keep tending their plants, exchanging pictures and information and wait for better times.

Enjoy your summer and your garden.

Anyone interested in our activities can contact the Secretary (tel.01530 242452) or e-mail us at 32couling@gmail.com , or else come along to one of our meetings as a visitor (£3). If you would like a copy of our programme for the coming year, we will be pleased to send one to you.

Anne and David Couling

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Information from David Snartt.

Street Parking Issues.

Since the re-opening of Bradgate Park, I have received complaints about the amount of vehicles parked sometimes dangerously and inconsiderately around the Parish, not only in the centre of the village, but on Roecliffe Road and the top of Sharpley Hill.

I have been working with the Parish Council and County Councillor, Deborah Taylor to put forward a plan which incorporates the findings of the Parish traffic survey that was completed by over 90 residents. These recommendations along with ones outlined by the County Council are now with the County Council to be approved for installation, subject to the finance being raised.

I have also received many complaints about problems with social distancing adjacent to the main entrance to Bradgate. This was generally around the attendance of an ice cream van parked in the restricted parking bay area. I understand measures will be in place soon to overcome the difficulties that have recently prevailed.

Fortnightly Brown Bin Collection.

Charnwood Borough Council announced garden waste, brown bins, have returned to the usual fortnightly collections from Monday 15th June. I hope the first 'back to normal' collection went smoothly on Thursday 25th June for the Newtown Linford Parish. From now on, residents will need to leave their bins out on their normal garden waste collection days, making sure they are out by 6am on the day of collection.

For the latest information on service changes, advice and support please visit www.charnwood.gov.uk/coronavirus. Information includes business support, council tax support and NHS coronavirus health information.

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- Fake shopping or medication collection service – if you need help with these things contact Charnwood Community Action 01509 631750: Home cleaning services.

If you spot a scam or have been scammed, report it and get help. Contact action fraud on 0300 1232040, you can also contact the Police on 101 if the suspect is known or still in the area. More information on Charnwood Borough Council website.

I am so pleased that we have an excellent number of volunteers within the Parish, who look out for their neighbours, especially the most vulnerable in our community, during this difficult time.

David Snartt.

Tennis Club News

Tennis is in full flow at the Tennis Club

It has been a lifeline to many villagers with children, a great way to entertain family and get some exercise

The Covid rules have been relaxed and now allow 4 players from different households. to play against each other



The Club Ladder has been up and running for a few weeks now with over 30 members joining in, many meeting and getting to know other members. If you want to join in call John Sugden on 01530 243433

Newtown Linford Choral Society

For the past 20 years the Choral Society has presented a Summer Concert of light hearted singing at this time of year. It has proved to be such a popular social event that tickets for all three nights have usually been sold out. This year the concert had to be cancelled because of the pandemic, and It has not been possible for the Choral Society to run its usual weekly rehearsals.



Singing and socialising together at rehearsals, and performing at concerts is the life blood of any choral group.

However, faced with advice that singing in a group in an enclosed space is a hazardous activity during the current pandemic, it has been important to find other activities to keep the Choir together until such time as the crisis comes to an end.

Our director, Sue Ford, has worked hard to find a solution, and has arrived at a successful formula. She now produces a weekly video lasting around 45 minutes, which is circulated to choir members by email and used by them to rehearse at home. The video includes contributions by two friends of the Choir - Ella McNamee, who has graduated with a music degree specialising in singing, and her brother Matthew, who also is a very accomplished singer. They help us with singing techniques, and with the notes of new pieces of music that are introduced each week. In addition we have moved with the times to have online rehearsals each Thursday evening using Zoom (with thanks for the technical expertise of our member Paul Holden), in which Sue directs the choir and we are given the opportunity to talk to other choir members.

We will look forward to getting together again in the Village Hall, but for the time being the Choral Society is still thriving in spite of all the difficulties!

Peter Sayer

Village Archive Enquiry



In case you missed the article last month, as a result of an enquiry to the Village Archive, I am interested as to whether there are any “Witch’s markings” in any of the old Cottages in the village (symbols or patterns scratched into the fabric of a building with the intention of keeping witches out) Will you please let me know if you have found any such marks or if you have found items buried in the walls, or under lintels or fireplaces. Some of the marks may be made by masons but I would still like to hear about them and please send me a photo if you can. You can email me at sayeriris@gmail.com or phone me on 01530 243822

The photo above is possibly a little gruesome. When the roof of Jasmine Cottage was rethatched it still had many of the original beams and this jaw bone was found in the eaves (my thanks to Caz Wright for this). Can anyone identify what animal it might be from please? I have also heard a couple of other interesting stories so do get in touch.

Iris Sayer

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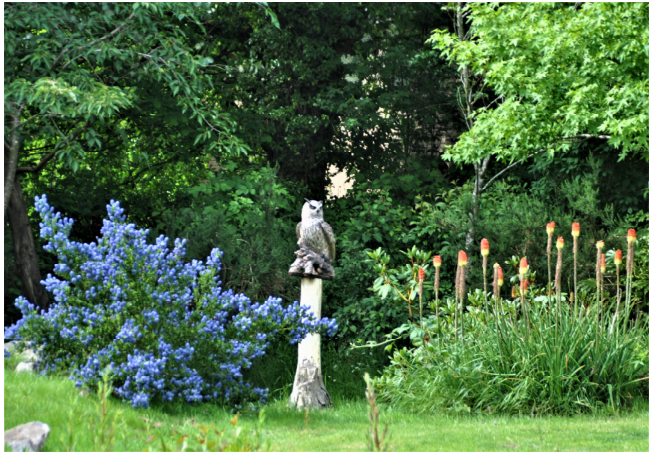
**Newtown Linford garden to open for the National Garden Scheme
and their 'Help Support Our Nurses' campaign.**

With the easing of some of the restrictions of the coronavirus lockdown, what better pastime than to stroll around a beautiful garden set in glorious Charnwood countryside.

Mike & Liz Newcombe's 'Mountain Ash' garden, situated halfway along Ulverscroft Lane between Newtown Linford and Ulverscroft, will be open again to the public on **Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th July from 11am to 5.45pm.**

The 2-acre SW facing garden benefits from excellent views across a wide area of Charnwood countryside.

Near the house are patios, water features, flower and shrub beds, fruit trees, greenhouses, soft fruit cage and



raised vegetable beds. Lawns then slope down to a large wildlife pond with a waterfall, a gravel garden and three small areas of woodland with pleasant walks through many species of trees. The lower two thirds of the garden have been created since 2004, with over 200 conifers and deciduous trees planted. Adding interest for adults and children, there are about 50 statues and ornaments around the garden. There are many places to sit and relax all around the garden. More photos on the NGS website.

NGS have only just recommenced allowing gardens to open for them and are placing several restrictions on the way we must operate:-

- All visitors must pre-purchase tickets on – www.ngs.org.uk –
- All visits are for a specific 90 minute timed slot starting at either 11.00hrs, 12.45hrs, 14.30hrs or 16.15hrs.
- Only 40 visitors will be allowed in the garden during each time slot and there will be 15 mins between each slot.
- We will not be allowed to serve refreshments.
- Even with restrictions on payment methods and not handling items before purchase, we still hope to have a plant stall with payment into an honesty box.
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Village WhatsApp?

One of the benefits of being a volunteer in the Village at the moment is the Community Action WhatsApp where we share information. This was set up by Hannah and the Parish Council to help villagers who were vulnerable and needed to self isolate. Hannah quickly had a lot of volunteers who were willing to help and who joined the group and app.

Initially it was queries such as: How long is the queue at the chemists to pick up prescriptions or could anyone pick up certain items of shopping if they saw it at supermarket and was useful for villagers who self isolated and might need some assistance etc but it has gradually expanded to also become a useful app to share village information.

The other day we lost power on all our plug sockets, close neighbours did not seem to have a problem but on checking a little later on the WhatsApp I discovered the problem had also affected others across the Village. Other instances were when the flooding happened and when the bins weren't emptied at normal times. Volunteers were initially reassured to hear that no bins had been emptied at that point and then later, that the bin men were on their way! We have used it to ask questions, get recommendations and it is instant response from one of the App Users.

This got me thinking that this was a resource that others in the Village might wish to use as a way to share information instantly with anyone who was at the other end of the mobile phone and a shame it was limited to just the volunteers when some of the information was useful to all.

Such a WhatsApp would only be for villagers who reside in Newtown Linford (and Hannah). We can set it up and run it with volunteer administrators with clearly defined rules of use.

If this is something you would be interested in please get in touch by text with your name and where you live i.e. Grey Crescent, Main Street etc. Membership would obviously be an opt in and will be restricted to over 18years of age (villagers could opt out at any time).

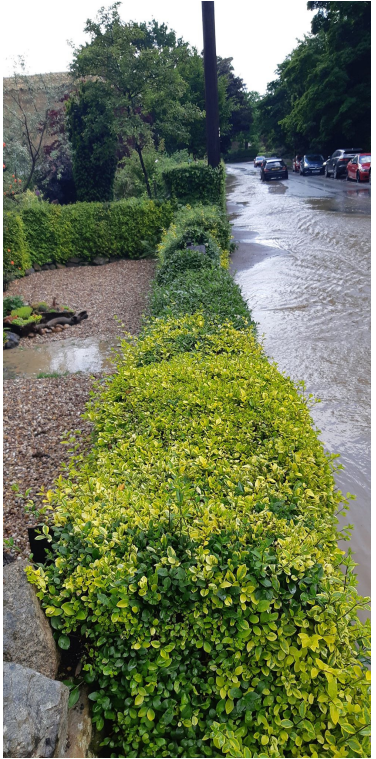
I contacted a couple of people re this idea, Carol Ann and Hannah (Parish Clerk) who thought it would be a good idea. Hannah and Sue (Parish Chair) both thought this was a good idea for the village as a whole but not one that can be run by the Parish Council due to data protection but they were able to offer advice over how it might be run.

If you are interested in joining a village WhatsApp please text Carole on 07727 060111. Also please let me know if you would be willing to be an administrator (we only need a couple).

Village Flooding again.

The village suffered flash floods again on 16th June at various points in the village . Pictures here are of Main Street with the foot path behind Grey Crescent having become a river!. Many properties along Main Street suffered flood damage. Thanks to villagers and the Borough and Parish Council for quick response to helping in the clear up and with flood defences

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Or you can join in diocesan and other opportunities to pray and learn at home: www.leicester.anglican.org/church-is-changing--online-opportunities-for-worship-at-home.php

Online services are now also available through our own website and on Youtube, normally a few hours after they've been broadcast live.

Facebook

Please see our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/allsaintsnewtownlinford for a variety of resources, links and encouragements which continue to be posted from time to time. Even if you're not a member of Facebook, you will be able to see all the content on our page or at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcIsvsKAziQtFUPUeaMNMmA/featured> if you prefer not to use Facebook at all.

Online Bible Course

This opportunity to get a better grasp of the big picture of the Bible will probably start in mid or late July, so there's still time to contact Richard if you're interested in joining it (richard@allsaintsnewtownlinford.org.uk).

There will be a weekly online session of around a hour and a quarter to an hour and a half, running either late afternoon or evening. More details can be found at the Bible Society: www.biblesociety.org.uk/biblecourse



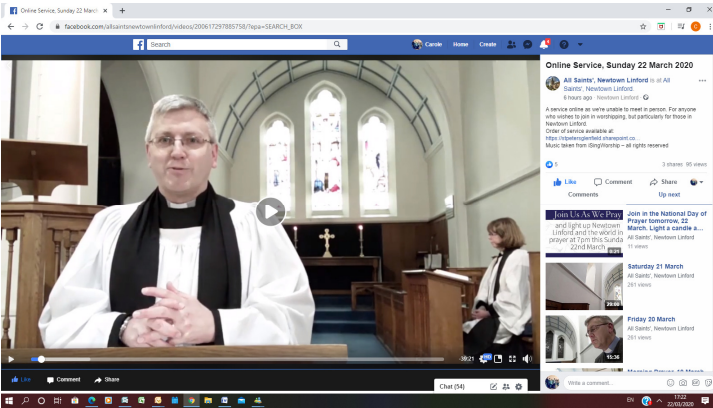


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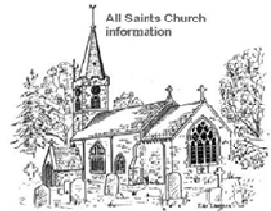
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JOHN MORAN

It is with great sadness that we report that John Moran passed away in hospital on Tuesday 26th May aged 60. 'Geordie John' was very popu-



lar and well loved In the Village and will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Under the present circumstances, a private funeral will be held for immediate family and Sue, Carly and family hope that some of you will join us to celebrate his life when it becomes possible.



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Village School Headteacher is moving on



I am sure many have you have heard that I will be leaving Newtown Linford Primary School at the end of this academic year. I'm not moving far, as I will be the Headteacher at Mercenfeld Primary School in Markfield. I am being replaced by Co-Headteachers and I'll let them introduce themselves in the next edition.

I have been proud to be Newtown Linford Primary School's Headteacher for over 8 years and worked hard for the School to be an important part of the local community. I feel we are definitely that and I will miss so many of you personally too! I know when I arrived I wasn't quite what you expected a Headteacher to look like

but I also know many of you enjoyed looking to see what colour my hair was whenever you saw me out and about! As you can see, I am currently a very plain blonde – we are all missing our hairdressers!

Newtown Linford Primary School is now a thriving Village School, with amazing facilities and a large waiting list! It is very different to the School I joined and for that I have my amazing team of staff to thank. I will certainly miss it but feel very proud of the legacy I leave behind.

With the current situation my leaving will feel very odd – not being able to say goodbye properly to all the children who I have watched developing throughout their time here. I have promised both my Y6 children who leave in the same circumstances and the whole School, that we will have a special party once we are all able to meet up again and I hope I will see many of you there.

Thank you for your support over the years, I have really appreciated it and know you will provide the same for the new Head teachers too. I'm sure I will see you at a Scarecrow Festival in the future.

Kind Regards

C. Chorlton.

Mrs C Chorlton



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TWEETHEART AND LADY JAY

One morning Lady Jay set off to photograph birds on a local estate when suddenly she heard a high pitched singing and a flash of yellow from a nearby stone wall.

Hello TWEETHEART please don't be afraid and fly off, I'm Lady Jay, what's your name?

Well my real name is yellow hammer but I like you calling me Tweetheart

That's a lovely song you are singing what's it called ? It's called 'a little bit of bread and no cheese' but I prefer seeds and insects.

I must say you are a beautiful colour and so handsome. Do you mind if I take a picture of you?



Of course not, this is my right side and this is my left. You can take both sides if you like.

With pleasure Lady Jay replied.

Next day

Hello again Tweetheart, how are you today. I'm very well thank you Lady Jay how are you?

I'm very well and the weather is so beautiful with glorious sunshine it makes your the colour of your feathers , tail and claws look even more spectacular.

Oh thank you so much Lady Jay and you are a very pretty young Lady .

I must fly away and find some insects to take back to my family for lunch - bye for now. Bye Tweetheart I hope to see you tomorrow and hope you find some insects.



Good afternoon Tweetheart how are you today.

Oh Lady Jay I thought you weren't coming you are late. I've been singing so much I have a sore throat- take a look and see.

Oh Tweetheart I'm so sorry I had lots of homework to do but I will try and get it done tonight so I can see



you in the morning.
Oh my, your throat does look red and sore. You go home and get some rest and have plenty to drink. I will come by tomorrow to see how you are.
Okay Lady Jay see you tomorrow.



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Hello Tweetheart is your throat any better today ?

Yes thank you Lady Jay and I've been able to fly around and catch insects as I need them to take back Mrs Tweetheart who is extra hungry now she's having babies. I must fly see you tomorrow I hope.



Good morning Tweetheart how are you on today ? I see you are sitting on the bracken and not the wall.

Yes I like singing on top of the wall but when it's a little windy I enjoy swinging in the bracken. You get home Lady Jay as I think it's blowing for rain.



Hello Tweetheart

I hope you didn't get too wet yesterday.

No I managed to shelter in a tree then I went to visit one of my other estate friends Danny Deer. I must introduce you to him and my other estate friends sometime. bye Lady Jay.



Coffee and Cake - Recipe to Try

Gill Bates Farmhouse Tea Loaf

Something different to cook in lockdown.

4 oz mixed dried fruit
4 oz caster sugar
1/4 pint hot strong tea
2 tbsp chunky marmalade (Orange is best)
1 egg beaten
8oz SR flour

Place fruit and sugar in bowl - cover with the tea and leave to stand over-night

Add the beaten egg, marmalade and flour and mix well

Turn into a greased/lined loaf tin and bake at 180°C/350°F/Mk4 for 1 hour until cooked through.

Let it go cold in tin - wrap in foil and ready in 2/3 days time - slice and butter

ENJOY

Fish and Chip Van over COVID

Can I just say a big thank you to Carolyn Turner and Carol Ann Sugden and other villagers who organised the fish and chip van to come to the village on an occasional Friday evening. They deliver fish and chips to the elderly and also enable us and other families to make up the numbers as well. This has been really lovely and I know it involves a lot of work for Carolyn organising numbers, chasing up payment in advance and getting in touch with time slots - just want to say a big

Thank you!

This edition of the Magazine is the normal two monthly Summer Edition so our next edition will be the September copy. Can I say a big thank you to our volunteer distributors who have continued to deliver our Magazine over this very strange period of history, when many other Magazines stopped. A big thank you also to those helping out at the moment due to some of our volunteers having to self isolate - keep well everyone.

From the Records

From a position of lockdown and keeping our distance from neighbours - I thought I would look back at Issue 1 of the Village Magazine and see how busy the village was back in February 2003!

Issue 1 was February 2003 with the new format having changed from just the Church Magazine to one free for all villagers. It consisted of only 24 pages which rapidly increased over the years. The first page was a welcome introductory letter from Ken Waterfall Chair of the Parish Council and the Rev'd Richard Worsfold Team Rector (now Archdeacon of Leicester Cathedral). This explained how it was a new venture supported by the District Church Council, the Parish Council and advertisers. It would mean that

it would be delivered monthly free of charge to every home in the village - not something that the Village had at that time! How things change.

It was a slightly different format to the present in that it was all black and white. We were proudly announcing that the Village was now on the web! We gained our own Village website, which was being co-ordinated by Michael Upstone, which included a village diary and would shortly include the Gardening Club, Parish Council, Choir and Village Newsletter.

There had been 3 thefts in November 2002 (one a motor vehicle, the other two window broken in a motor vehicle and mobile phones stolen (not something I imagine happens much now!). December 2002 saw 3 burglaries, 3 thefts and one possession of drugs in Swithland Woods. We are very lucky there are less thefts/burglaries reported now.

The Village Hall was running keep fit classes, computer studies, French, yoga and Ballroom Dancing Classes. It also had various clubs which used the facilities which included the Flower Club, Youth Club, Women's Institute Ikebana, Gardening and Badminton Club which were regular events at the time. For February 2003 the Choir had an evening with Handel's Messiah. The Village Hall was putting on a set of dancing classes in the afternoon which would lead to a Tea Dance in April!

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Des Bates put an appeal out to see if there was enough interest to arrange a few games of Boules during the forthcoming summer.

The Women's Institute had seen Iris Heaps retire as president and Janet Neaverson elected for the president in 2003. Their February meeting was a Mrs Dinsdale whose talk was entitled 'Exotic Dancing' (belly dancing). This made me smile as Roxanne is a friend of mine and last year one of her talks was cancelled as the Church Hall where she was doing a talk and demonstration thought it might be too risqué for a Church Hall. She is a very good after dinner speaker, which includes a mixture of the history of the dance, funny stories that have involved her dancing and demonstrations where the audience are invited to participate. Sometimes she brings along her python and also does fire eating - quite exotic for a wife/mother of two adult boys from Groby!

The school shared their news - they had recently been to De Montfort Hall to see Joseph the Technicolour Dream Coat, with several of the children acting as roving reporters! These included Alicia Pakenham, Sam Watson, Max Turner and Annbelle Harris.

A mum was interested in setting up a parents and babies coffee group.

The Parish Council had asked the Women's Institute if they would prepare a Welcome Pack for new village residents which would include the updated and reissued popular Village Guide (which is just being updated at the moment!)

A Bridge Drive was organised for the end of February in the Village Hall which for £6 would also include a superb afternoon tea and raffle organised by Sue Howard.

In the Sunday School Rooms, All Saints Fellowship was looking forward to welcoming Mavis and Howard Lockley who had produced a video of their travels in Japan.

At the Cricket Club AGM, at The Linford, Robert Wood was re-elected as First Team Captain and David Wood to continue in his role as president.

The Bradgate had new Mine Hosts, Keith and Gill Mowlem with their three children who had moved to the village from Swindon. They were getting very involved in village life and had offered the use of their car park for parents to pick up and drop off children on the school run.

**Hopefully life for some is returning to normal
and we are hopeful at time of printing that the pub, club and cafes
will be able to open in July**



Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch - A member of the Parish Council



I am pleased to report that a shift of Police Response Officers, working within the Charnwood area, have been tasked to look at highlighted problems. This should mean you will see an increase in visible Police presence within the area.

PC Rachel Chapman moved to a town centre beat team in Loughborough from 3rd June and has been replaced by PC 907 Laura Hobbs. We send Rachel our very best wishes and look forward to working with Laura.

Crime statistics for May 2020 have been received. There was one burglary recorded and three incidents of vehicle crime.

In the last month, reports had been received by LCC Trading Standards Service of rogue traders currently working in the area.

These traders have been offering to carry out work on properties including, jet washing, sealing driveways and work to roofs. A verbal price is agreed for a cash payment which may then increase. The work is often of little value, if required at all.

Please ensure that if you are wanting work carried out on your property, you obtain at least three quotations, do not agree to any work on your doorstep, obtain full details of the company, the work to be undertaken, a price in writing and never pay cash.

To report an incident of rogue traders or for advice, please call 0808 223 1133.

Speeding continues to be an issue, particularly late in the evenings. Please continue to report any incidents to Police on 101. Registration plates and dash cam footage are useful in identifying those dangerously driving through the Village.

Information received from PCSO Mitch Jarvis 12/06/20:

Crime Prevention advice

Since February 2020, the National Fraud Intelligence Bureau has identified 21 reports of fraud where Coronavirus was mentioned, with victim losses totalling over £800k.

Of the 21 reports, ten were made by victims who attempted to purchase

protective face masks from fraudulent sellers. One victim reported losing over £15k when they purchased face masks that were never delivered.

We have also received multiple reports about coronavirus-themed phishing emails attempting to trick people into opening malicious attachments or revealing sensitive personal and financial information.

One common tactic used by fraudsters is to contact potential victims over email purporting to be from research organisations affiliated with the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organisation (WHO).

They claim to be able to provide the recipient with a list of coronavirus infected people in their area. In order to access this information, the victim needs to click on a link, which leads to a malicious website, or is asked to make a payment in Bitcoin.

Reporting numbers are expected to rise as the virus continues to spread across the world.

Protect yourself

Watch out for scam messages:

Don't click on the links or attachments in suspicious emails and never respond to unsolicited messages and calls that ask for your personal or financial details.

Shopping online:

If you're making a purchase from a company or person you don't know and trust, carry out some research first, and ask a friend or family member for advice before completing the purchase. If you decide to go ahead with the purchase, use a credit card if you have one, as most major credit card providers insure online purchases.

For more information on how to shop online safely, please visit: <https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/shoponlinesafely>

Keep 'em peeled!

Best wishes,

Hannah Shaw, Parish Council Clerk

Tel: 01530 249945, Email: clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk

How to contact the Police

All incidents are to be reported to the Police and **by calling 101**

They will then assess the situation and deal with the situation as they see fit. This may involve a vehicle from another area. If you wish, also advise our NHW coordinator who will circulate if appropriate.



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We have been in lockdown for twelve weeks now and at the time of writing this article, restrictions are gradually being eased and shops are due to reopen on Monday 15th June. I'm not sure how I feel about entering into the new 'normal' and will very much continue to err on the side of caution, staying alert and following Government guidance.

Some children have now returned to school and joined their peers who have continued to attend throughout as children of key workers. I'm sure I speak on behalf of all parents and carers in saying how thankful we are to the teachers and staff at NLPS who have continued to provide a safe place for those who have remained in education.

Many children, however, continue being home schooled by parents who are also juggling working from home, including myself. We await to hear further information on plans for getting children back to school when it is safe to do so.

It is with great sadness that at the end of Summer term, Mrs Chorlton, Headteacher at NLPS will be leaving to take up a new position within the Bradgate Education Partnership. Mrs Chorlton has been Head Teacher in the Village for 8 years and during this time has seen school numbers increase from 54 to 109 pupils and developed facilities through recent building works, creating two new wonderful classrooms freeing up space for a school hall and the installation of a 4G all-purpose sports pitch. We send our very best wishes to Mrs Chorlton for her new venture.

A Co-Headship has been appointed for NLPS to start in the Autumn Term 2020 and we look forward to welcoming Ms Brooks and Mrs Kennedy to the Village.

In other news, the Newtown Linford Scarecrow Festival 2020 has been cancelled. The decision was made earlier this month by the Scarecrow Committee and with the agreement of the Parish Council, in order to reduce foot traffic through the Village. A lot of time and preparation had gone into this year's festival, so I'm sure this decision has been both disappointing for the organisers but at the same time, a relief given the current uncertainty.

We hope Jacqueline Smith will rise to the challenge once again for the 2021 Scarecrow Festival. Thank you Jacqui for all your efforts.



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Brian Anderson and Dick Howard have treated the Stag Head on Bradgate Road and I'm sure you'll agree they've done a fantastic job.

Chairman, Sue Pritchard, has once again planted the Village troughs which are looking delightful. Thank you to residents who live in close proximity to the planters who are



very kind in helping water them during dry periods. If you notice they are in need of a drink during the warmer months and it is possible for you to do so, we would be grateful for any help watering them please.

Thanks go to Brian, Dick and Sue for their time and care.

A post mounted Dog Waste Bin has now been ordered for Main Street, in the vicinity of Tyburn footpath, following issues experienced by residents. I am hopeful it won't be too long before installation. Appropriate signage will then be organised highlighting the new facility, which has been funded by the Parish Council.

In response to Government advice, Charnwood Borough Council are working with partners to identify sites for the installation of temporary Cycle Parking around the borough and Newtown Linford has been identified as a Village which would possibly benefit. Unfortunately, the ground at the Village Hall is unsuitable as it isn't hardstanding. If anyone has any suggestions where Cycle Parking could be installed outside of Bradgate Park, please let us know. Any identified site would need the landowner's permission.

Bob Bown

The next quarterly inspection of the park will be carried out during June. The damaged Springer saga continues and it has been decided to look at a more robust piece of play equipment in its place. If you have any suggestions, please let me know. We hope whatever is chosen will be in place in time for the reopening of the play park, which we currently await further instruction on.

Cemetery and Churchyard

The Cemetery is looking wonderful with buttercups galore in the natural

hay meadow area. The grass cutting schedule continues fortnightly and Chairman, Sue Pritchard, has planted further pots of daffodils which will look a picture next Spring in 2021. Plans for Geranium planting along the bund area are also in progress.

A water container was delivered to the Cemetery during the long dry spell we had recently. There are a lot of new, young trees at the Cemetery now and all were in need of a good drink.

Now that restrictions are being eased and many of you are enjoying a bit more freedom, I have reduced the amount of telephone contact I have with residents. It remains that I am still thinking of you all and if there is anything you need, please do not hesitate in contacting me on the phone number below. The CAR volunteers are also still very much ready and willing to help with picking up shopping, collecting prescriptions, posting mail or for a friendly chat. Please do pick up the phone and ask for help if you need it.

Keep well and safe. Thinking of you all.

Best wishes,

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