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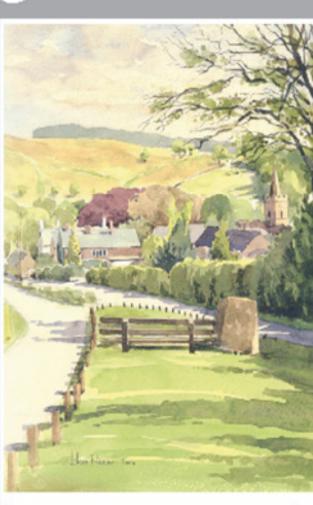
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Dear friends.

Our initial reaction to the invasion of Ukraine was immediate and unstinting: people dug out clothes, backpacks and sleeping-bags to be transported across the continent to help those under siege or fleeing for safety in neighbouring countries.

Four months on we have become more used – though not yet hardened to – reports of terrible violence. Recent incidents like the repatriation of a Ukrainian child who came without her parents accompanying her rightly still move us to indignation, and news of the shelling of schools and places of shelter anger us.

That first wave of generosity could not be sustained – it was a response to a crisis. However the need for those who still find themselves displaced within their own country, or drawn into defending it against attack, is still great. The Ukrainian Club in Leicester, attached to the Ukrainian Catholic Church on Fosse Road, is still collecting items as diverse as tinned tuna and tents, not to mention toothpaste and torches, some of which are for those who are finding refuge in this country, others still being transported to where they're needed in Ukraine.

As Christians, we're called to resist evil, to strive for peace, to care for the weak and vulnerable. Sometimes action of this kind is called safeguarding, sometimes it's called charity, sometimes it's simply lending a helping hand. It is all to the same end goal, a goal that Jesus set us of loving our neighbour as ourselves, knowing that we are loved by a God who calls us to love him too.

So, throughout July we will be collecting items from the list in All Saints'. The Church is open every day from around 9am to 5pm, you are welcome to drop things off in the marked area at any time. At the end of the month we will take them all over to the Ukrainian Club for distribution or transport. Please do see if there is anything you could give. (See page 25).

Thank you.

Richard Trethewey, Rector of All Saints' Newtown Linford



VILLAGE DIARY

July

1st Tennis Club Strawberries & Pimms Ladies Social Evening

3rd Village Cricket Competition 13th Parish Council Meeting

17th Tennis BBQ

19th Boules

August

20th Wildlife Walk

September

9th Jolly Tots Starts again 24th/25th Scarecrow Weekend

Regular events Mondays

9.30 Slimming & Fitness, The Linford

1.30 Dance Fitness for 50+ Linford

5.30 Brownies at "The Linford" Bell Ringing 8pm at the Church

4th Tuesday of the month Gardening Club

4th Wednesday of the month Gentleman's Club Bradgate PH **Wednesdays**

10.30 and 6.30 Bodyblast Classes The Linford

Quiz nights at The Linford 8pm start

Thursdays

11.15 Coffee Mornings Village Hall

6.15 Slimming & Fitness, The Linford

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July

7th Janet & David Brunton 242662

14th Sue Morran, Sarah Brown, Teresa Calvert 07810 116641: 07811 166161: 07469 719018

21st Joe & Claire Costello with Bakers help 249613

On the Lawn – The Vicarage Main Street

28th Margaret Bloor, Sue Clarke, Sue Birkett 07713457414: 242000: 244317



AUGUST

4th Bev Griffiths, Sue Dobby. 01509 890264/245366

11th Glennis Meredith, Mary Clarke, John Castle. 242897/ 0116319011

18th Judy Rowe, Felicity Manning, Marilyn Upstone 243989: 245298: 242715

ON THE LAWN - UPSTONES- 72 MAIN STREET

25th Maria Simms, Vicki Kerr & Helpers 07974 085434: 0790 412360

SEPTEMBER

1st Carol Ann, June Hallam, Sue Howard. 243433: 2304808: 245373

8th Lesley Cook, Chris A, Gay Redstone, Ann S. 245208: 242432: Lei 2351625: 481928

15th Joe & Claire Costello with Bakers help 249613

22nd Casey Pearson, Jenny C, Mandy James, Marie W. 249259

ON THE LAWN - COLES - GROBY LANE

29th Janet & David Brunton. 242662

The summer months see the start of Coffee & Cake on the Lawn once a month at different gardens in the village Please note if the weather is bad we will be in the hall as usual

Please swap with someone else if you are unable to do your duty. Pass on the hall key to the next people on duty.

An opportunity for everyone to catch up on Village news and activities and to meet your fellow neighbours

Rota Volunteers - If you are struggling with putting the Tables and Chairs out for your duty Joe Costello 249613 has offered to help if around and will ask someone else to help him as well.



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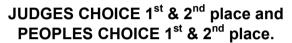
September 24th/25th 2022.

Our theme this year is MOVIES, please find the entry information below and make sure to email it all to

NIscarecrow2022@gmail.com or pop a paper entry into either Linford Farm, 36 Main Street or 8 Grey Crescent by Sunday

18th September to be added to our competition entries.

Competition will be judged as follows:



NAME & CONTACT: DETAILS

TITLE OF PROJECT:

SCARECROW LOCATION:

Entrants submitted after 18.9.22 will not be considered for competition.

There will be lots of amazing events happening throughout the village all weekend long, including the Newtown Linford Primary School Annual Fete and lots of fun & festivities at the local village pubs, organisations and cafes. Teas, Coffees & Cakes on Saturday in the Village Hall, run by Carol Ann and the Coffee & Cake Team. Please come and support.

If you'd like any further information, please email Hayley, Charlotte or Jacqui at NIscarecrow2022@gmail.com



THE FRIENDS OF CHARNWOOD FOREST



Following a very successful visit to Sandhills Lodge Farm on 15th June to view the work of its owners on biodiversity of habitat, our next Meeting will be a long-delayed social event in August. This is to be held at the Lingdale Golf Club on Wednesday 17th August in the early evening, with a buffet supper to enable members to circulate and enjoy each other's company! Further details will shortly be available on the FOCF website http://www.focf.org.uk/. This event is for members only, but you are welcome to join the group by sending in a membership application form as detailed on the website. Individual membership is £10, family membership £20.

You will then be able to enjoy further interesting events during the autumn, all held in the Village Hall in Woodhouse Eaves, as follows:

21st September. Talk by Jennifer Browning, University of Leicester Archaeological Services, on the 'Rutland Roman Mosaic', bringing members up to date with further discoveries at this important site during the summer season of fieldwork.

26th October. Talk by Malcolm Lawer of Tarmac on 'Future Developments at Mountsorrel Quarry', which is hoping to expand its workings but also protect the local environment.

23rd November Talk by Peter and Lynne Upton, volunteers, on the 'Management of Wildlife of Bradgate Park".

Please do continue to support an organisation designed to help protect the natural beaty and amenities of our local landscape!

Marilyn Upstone (Chairman)





SIGHTED GUIDE OPPORTUNITY—Volunteer Request

Could you help people with sight loss in this area feel part of the community?

Guide Dogs are currently looking for volunteers in this area who could give a couple of hours a week or a fortnight to help someone locally, living with sight loss, get out and about.

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If you could help or would like more information, please contact Guide Dogs at MidlandsMSG@quidedogs.org.uk

More information and the link to apply can be found here: https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/how-you-can-help/volunteering-for-guide-dogs/volunteer-role-descriptions/sighted-guide/

Newtown Linford Brownies

It's been a busy few weeks at Brownies.

On the 14th of May we had a rummage sale at the Linford. Lots of people donated all sorts of things. It took a long time to set up because how many donations there were. It was a very busy and tiring day but also a lot of fun.

On the 23rd of May we did a teddy Bears picnic. We all brought a teddy and a picnic. We played teddy bear games outside and in the barn.



On the 6th June we had a Queen jubilee party. We all took a picnic that was from 1952. A lot of us had baskets because we couldn't bring any plastic. We played games that was played in 1952 in the barn. The barn had tables in and they were all decorated nicely. Poppy and her mum made a jubilee cake, it was very yummy. Thank you Malcolm Brewin for letting us use your barn. We have so much fun when we use it.

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Brownies Rummage Sale

I would like to thank those parents who helped us out at our Rummage sale.



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A big "Thank You" to the ex-Brownies, ex-Brownie mothers, ex-Brownie grandmothers and those people in the village who are not involved in Girlguiding but still came to lend us a hand and show their support. We could not have managed without you!

The Brownies as usual were excited about serving on the stalls.

Fewer people attended the rummage sale this year, therefore it was understandable that we did not make as much money a usual Hilary Brown Owl



OFF STREET PARTY - Newtown Linford 3rd June 2022 and we're at

Newtown Linford's off-street party at The Linford Club. An amazing day together celebrating the historic Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Lots of laughter, new friends made and definitely part of a great weekend we will all remember! And of course the lady herself came to visit us too

It was wonderful weekend with communities all over the Country and the Commonwealth coming together to celebrate. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported our event, to everyone who donated to the decorations or the activities, those who were able to attend and those who were away but supported







anyway. Finally, to The Linford for letting us host the get together at The Club and Vicky and her team who looked after everyone so well.

Congratulations to Amanda Sculthorpe, winner of the Cake Off with her beautiful Jubilee Jewel Cake **Maria Simms**.

Note from Ed. A thank you to Maria and all those who helped get the party started!















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From The Park

A short article from the Park this month as we're catching our breath after the Platinum Jubilee event before we head into our summer season of Ranger led walks and talks and outdoor theatre!

A huge thanks to everyone who came to or helped at the Platinum Jubilee event at the park on 2nd June. It

was a roaring success with huge numbers and a lovely, friendly feel across the Park. Feedback was excellent and people enjoyed both the range of activities and the spread-out nature of the event along the carriageway. We hope to repeat more events like this in the future, so watch this space!

As part of the event, Trust Chairman Nicholas Rushton unveiled our Platinum Jubilee artwork on the side of the Deer Barns. The metalwork tree, in three panels, was designed and created by artist Sim Mystery following workshops led by poet John Berkavtich and visual artist Emily Hett. It contains lines from po-

ems written by park visitors about their memories and the full poem is on display in the Visitor Centre. Please do pop by and have a look. We're

very grateful to Arts Council England for funding this project and our ongoing oral history project.

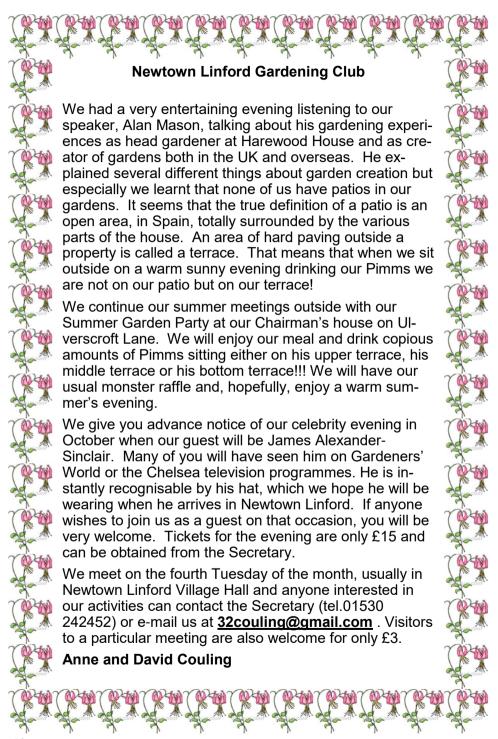
Finally, I'm pleased to say that the Trust has started a project to look at its carbon footprint, and more specifically first of all, energy usage. We're awaiting the final report on the initial audit but were very pleased to have been successful in obtaining a Green-



Belle energy grant which has helped fund the changing all of our lighting at the Deer Barns and Newtown Linford to LED. This is a small but important first step for the Trust with bigger "green" projects planned for the future.

I hope you enjoy some sunshine on the park this summer and make it along to one of our events.

James Dymond, Director, Bradgate Park Trust.



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Newtown Linford Tennis Club

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LADIES PROSECCO NIGHT & STRAWBERRIES

Friday 1st July
6.30pm to 9pm
All ladies welcome come and play and meet your fellow
Members



Jennie Whiteheads Summer Morning

BBQ & Village Sweet Trolley!

Sunday 17th July 12noon

Everyone welcome for this Club event held for many years. At the courts, a family and friends day with a posh BBQ, super salads and the return of the Newtown Linford sweet trolley!

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To book your table call Carol Ann 01530 243433 or Carolyn 01530 249173 Please note there will be a table you can join

Jennie passed away in 2019. She was involved with the Club for many years and was still our President until her death. The Club is organising this in her memory and to thank her for all those years of support.

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SUNDAY SERVICES July 2022



| DATE | GLENFIELD | NEWTOWN |
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| 3 July Third Sunday after Trinity | 8.30am Holy Communion | |
| | 10am Morning Worship | 10am Holy Communion Fred Trethewey |
| 10 July Fourth Sunday after Trinity | 10am Holy Communion | 10am Morning Prayer Stuart Burns |
| | 6pm Compline | |
| 17 July Fifth Sunday after Trinity | 10am Morning Worship | 10am Holy Communion Richard Trethewey |
| | 3pm All Age Worship | |
| 24 July Sixth Sunday after Trinity | 10am Holy Communion | 10am Morning Prayer Richard Trethewey |
| | | |
| 31 July Seventh Sunday of Trinity | 10am Holy Communion at St Peter's, Richard Trethewey | |

| Midweek Holy Communion | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Newtown Linford | 10.15am, Thursday 7 July | |
| Glenfield | 10.30am, Wednesdays 6 and 20 July | |

SUNDAY SERVICES August 2022



| DATE | GLENFIELD | NEWTOWN |
|--|-----------------------|---|
| 7 August Eighth Sunday after Trinity | 8.30am Holy Communion | |
| | 10am Morning Worship | 10am Holy Communion Stuart Burns |
| 14 August | 10m Holy Communion | 10am Morning Prayer |
| Ninth Sunday after Trinity | 6pm Taizé Worship | |
| 21 August Tenth Sunday after Trinity | 10am Morning Worship | 10am Holy Communion Richard Trethewey |
| | 3pm All Age Worship | |
| 28 August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity | 10am Holy Communion | 10am Morning Prayer <i>Richard Trethewey</i> |
| | | |

| Midweek Holy Communion | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Newtown Linford | 10.15am, Thursday 4 August | |
| Glenfield | 10.30am, Wednesdays 10 and 24 August | |

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CHURCH REGISTERS



BAPTISMS None

WEDDINGS



27th May - James Goddard & Sophie Boyle



FUNERALS None

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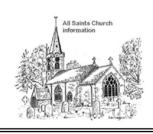
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Jane Woolmer,

ejwoolmer@gmail.com.



Ukraine Appeal Further to the information given by Richard on page 3, the list of items needed and being collected by our Church is on the opposite page. In July we will be collecting items from the list opposite. The Church is open every day from around 9am to 5pm, you are welcome to drop things off in the marked area at the Church any time during this month.



Leicester Ukrainian Community Club 'Kalyna' #StandWithUkraine Donations Appeal



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR KINDNESS

Dear friends,

Our list has now changed a little, this time including items for our wonderful Ukrainian guests that visit our "Welcome Centre 'Kalyna'" every Sunday and Thursday.

Additionally to our donation collections, sorting and packing, we will be requiring assistance with sorting and hanging up of articles of clothing onto clothing racks for the guests to look and choose, and stocking and tidying our donations shop for them.

If you are able to help, please mail Ivan under leicester@augb.co.uk

We kindly ask you not to donate anymore nappies or baby clothing, as we have no mothers with babies as yet. Thank you very much!

OUR ADDRESS

Leicester Ukrainian Centre 2A Fosse Road South Leicester LE3 OOD

TIME SLOTS

Every Friday from 7pm – 10pm until further notice

URGENTLY REQUIRED ITEMS!

- Tinned meat and fish (ham, spam, corned beef, sardines,
- tuna, mackerel), soup small tins if possible!
- Cup-a-Soups AND other easy-to-make-with-boiling-watermeals!
- Dry food: pasta, rice, etc.

OTHER

- Tents, all sizes
- Field First Aid kits
- Foil body wraps
- Thermal underwear, NEW, all sizes
- Men's DARK/CAMOUFLAGE-COLOURED sweaters,

NEW/CLEAN, all sizes

- Men's tactical ankle boots, all sizes
- Men's Wellington boots, all sizes
- Men's tactical gloves, NEW, all sizes
- Men's thermal socks, NEW, all sizes
- Men's underwear, NEW, all sizes
- Sleeping bags
- Torches with batteries, including head torches
- Powerful powerbanks (over 28000mAh) and cables chargers
- Shoe inserts, NEW, all sizes
- New insulated flasks
- Warm blankets, NEW/CLEAN
- Large/medium size backpacks, DARK/CAMOUFLAGE-COLOURED, NEW/CLEAN

FOR OUR ADULT UKRAINIAN GUESTS!

- Dried and tinned food products
- Washing powder
- Ladies' underwear, all sizes NEW and packed
- Ladies' coats, all sizes NEW or in excellent condition

MEDICAL – IMPORTANT! All items <u>MUST</u> be in date! NO prescription medication

- Ordinary First Aid kits
- Painkillers
- Cold/flu treatment
- Multivitamins
- Antiseptic gel, cream and wipes

NEW! TOILETRIES - now mainly for our guests

- Toothbrushes, toothpaste
- Soap, block or liquid
- Shower gels
- Shampoo
- Hair conditioners
- Other hair products, also for girls, NEW
- Face cream
- Face cleansing products
- Body lotion
- Make up/cosmetics, NEW
- Wet wipes for both adults and children
- Pocket tissues
- Toilet paper

NEW! FOR OUR YOUNG UKRAINIAN GUESTS!

- Clothing for teenagers, all sizes, both genders
- Children's underwear, all sizes NEW and packed
- Toys
- Drawing pads and crayons/felt tipped pens/colour pencils

*If you have larger children's items, please contact us at leicester@augb.co.uk



We thank you for your kind support!



Jolly Tots Playgroup

Jolly Tots will be starting on

Friday 9th September 2022



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9:30am—11am

We are a friendly parent, grandparent, carer of babies and children up to reception age (4years).

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Village Cricket Competition, returns on Sunday 3rd July

One of the highlights of the year for the community of Newtown Linford, the Village Cricket Competition, returns on Sunday 3rd July.

Four teams will take part, reigning chumps The Linford Lions, the Newtown



Knights, the Grey Grizzlies and the Bradgate Braves, playing a modified version of the real thing with coloured kit, a softer ball, no need for protective equipment and a generous helping of Dutch courage. Virtually all of the players are residents of Newtown and anyone who'd like to join in this year should contact one of the organisers, Paddy or Scott. Every year more and more spectators turn up to enjoy the club bar, the sunshine, the cheering and jeering of friends and neighbours, as well as partake of the pizza van or their own picnics. This year the aim is to have commentators to guide the fun, and to have some bouncy play areas for younger children.

Please do mark the date in your diary and come along, either as a player or a fan. If you'd like to take part or support the competition, please contact Paddy on 07850 327654 or Scott on 07535 365887.

Villagers below at the recent Village Hall Quiz on the 20th May—more details on the next page.



Village Hall Quiz

After almost 2 years of Covid restrictions it was fantastic to see the Village Hall buzzing again when the annual quiz was held on Friday 20th May.

The brains of Newtown Linford gathered en masse to challenge for local bragging rights. The tricky questions were set by Margaret Rose with the help of Peter but as you can see by the scores all teams got many right, some wrong, and 8 pieces of 8 won.

The interval round gave teams the chance to discuss their answers to some conundrums, (e.g. what does 1 TTFFOIC a FA stand for), whilst feasting on a excellent Ploughman's meal.

Thanks go to Margaret and Peter Rose, Sue Prichard, Scott Raynor, Elaine Mulvihill and their helpers. Not only was the night a great social success but it helped raise over £1000 to support the Village Hall.



Village Archive

As a follow up to all the wonderful celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee I looked through the archive and found these photographs



of previous Village Celebrations. Firstly the VE Day Celebration at the School. I understand that amongst those present were Mr and Mrs Snartt (Snr), John Grey, Bill Jackson, Gwen Charlesworth and Mrs Brown. Amongst the smaller children are current village residents Mr David Snartt (our Borough Councillor,) and Mr Brian Anderson.

The second photo is the WI Party in 1953, the year of the Queen's Coronation.

Iris Sayer



From the Archive— and there's more! I thought we would look at what happened 10 years ago in the village for the Diamond Jubilee!

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 2012

What a celebration the Village had, all starting from an idea way back

last November. 6 Volunteers came forth from a Village Magazine request to form a Committee. We were off!

The general idea was to have something for every age group in the Village, not an easy task so it was agreed we would do 3 events to hopefully appeal to every household.

Posters and flyers were printed and street organisers were asked to knock on everyone's doors to invite them to get involved with one or all of the celebrations and welcome those new to the Village and some who perhaps had children who had left home and had not been to any village events for a while





<u>Diamond Jubilee Quiz</u> Friday 25th May

A super evening themed with royalty. Queens Heads as Jokers and Prince Phillip Heads to halve your points, all run by Quiz Master Gary Barsby with a Fish and Chip Supper. A good time was had by all.

Family Day Sunday 27th May

Who said it would rain? What an amazing day. The sun shone from start to finish. From 12.30pm bunting and flags, marquees and gazebos were all erected at Marsden's Meadows by kind permission of Malcolm Brewin.

Grass cut, cows temporarily evicted and the fun began with It's a Knockout and Tug of War competitions between 8 village streets and Brownies teams. Tug of War saw more testosterone in evidence than normal and a few competitors who needed oxygen after just one pull! The winning team, Toonies Warriors, (Bottom End Markfield Lane) successfully defended their title held since the VE Celebrations (there was a rumour that a tactics meeting had been held and hobnail boots were part of the uniform!)

Huge barrels of water filled from Malc Brewin's lake finished the It's a

Knockout Games with all competitors getting soaked. Great fun was had by all with the team from the bottom of Markfield Lane - this time led by Charlotte Turner - once again winning.

Fancy Dress and cake stalls and competitions run by the Brownies, who sold the cakes after judging, raising £200 for Help the Heroes and Brownies. The cakes were amazing, with a Royal theme.

Picnics were brought and enjoyed by all the family from babies to granny and grandpas with many youngsters who had grown up in the Village coming home to be part of their family, and some bringing their own young families.

The children played games and foot-





ball set up around the field by Scott Raynor all finishing with children enjoying trailer rides on Malc Brewin's quad bike. A great day bringing 300 + people together that will be remembered with affection by all.

A bucket collection in aid of 'Wishes for Kids' raised £200 to add to the 'It's a Knockout' organisers who donate their running fee of £200 to this charity. Bradgate Party Tents also made a generous donation of £150 to the same charity £550 in total so far.

Diamond Jubilee Ball Saturday 2nd June

This was a sold out event of 100 with the ladies dressed in beautiful

dresses and the men in black tie or lounge suits.

Entertainment was provided by the band 'Stone Park' who were excellent, playing tunes from across the ages. Hog Roast, salads with new potatoes and to finish 'The Newtown Linford Sweet Trolley' with wonderful deserts from volunteers throughout the village.



Information from David Snartt.

Planning Application, Markfield Lane.

A planning application P/22/1031/2 has now been received by Charnwood Borough Council. This is for outline planning for the demolition of 287 Markfield Lane, Newtown Linford, and the development of up to 150 dwellings, together with open space, landscaping and drainage infrastructure, with all matters reserved for future approval, except for details of access into the site from Markfield Lane.

This application is now in the validation stage of the planning process. Once validated and a case officer is appointed, it will come out to public consultation, I do hope residents will have their say and respond to the consultation. Already there has been considerable public interest in this planning application. Therefore, I will be 'calling in' this application to be determined by a Plans Committee at Charnwood Borough Council. I have already alluded to my concerns when responding to the preapplication consultation by Pegasus Group, the agents for the applicant Davidsons Developments Limited.

I will keep you informed as the application progresses through the planning process.

Charnwood Draft Local Plan.

I have made further written representations to the Inspectors about my concerns with the Charnwood Draft Local Plan, which is now in the examination stage of the process. I centred on my concerns that the Draft Local Plan, in my view, doesn't follow the Strategic Growth Plan, Leicester and Leicestershire. Shifting the Focus of Development. This states: 'To date the majority of new housing has been built on small and medium sized sites in market towns, villages and rural areas, some of this development has been unplanned. Often these developments make little or no contribution to infrastructure or services, instead rely on existing facilities. This has created significant problems. Some communities feel overwhelmed by the speed and scale of change'. I believe this was the case when the Inspector permitted the 36 dwellings adjacent to Maplewell Road, Woodhouse Eaves and recently the 93 dwelling granted planning permission by Charnwood Borough Council in Newtown Linford Parish, near to the village of Markfield. I have also registered my concerns about the proposed developments within the Draft Local Plan for Anstey. In my view, these will cause significant infrastructure and service issues not only for Anstey, but for the villages close by.

In my view, this has been the case in and around my Forest Bradgate Ward, impacting on the local infrastructure and services. In the Draft Local Plan there is a proposal to include a site which encroaches into the Woodhouse Parish, this development will be on a large amount of

Grade 2 agricultural land.

In my opinion, the Draft Local Plan uses a disproportionate amount of greenfield sites. This will have serious consequences for the natural environment, especially the area around Charnwood Forest. I believe with the changing structures within business and industry the Draft Local Plan should be looking more to brownfield sites, which have a low percentage of dwellings to be built, in comparison to greenfield areas within the Plan. The latest written submissions will be considered by the Inspectors along with the information from the Hearings taking place during June and July at the Town Hall, Loughborough.

Anti-Social Behaviour.

I thought I would bring to your attention the latest information provided by Charnwood Borough Council on ways to report anti-social behaviour (ASB). The Council have been working on improving the customer experience when reporting incidents of ASB. The guide is split into different sections which include the following areas, noise, drugs and dealing, dogs, harassment and intimidation and hate incidents. Each section has detailed information and on-line reporting forms to make it easy for residents to find out what is and isn't ASB, and where and how to report it. For full details, visit www.charnwood.gov.uk/asb_guide.



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Newtown Linford BioDiversity Group

Himalayan Balsam-pulling

In July we will start pulling up Himalayan Balsam in an effort to stop the spread of this invasive species (hopefully there will be less this year after our efforts last year!).



The dates we will be meeting to do this are:

Tuesday 5 July - 7pm to 9pm

Saturday 9 July - 10am to 12am

Wednesday 13 July - 4pm to 6pm

Wednesday 20 July - 4pm to 6pm Monday 25 July - 7pm to 9pm

Thursday 28 July - 7pm to 9pm

We would welcome more volunteers to help with this - it's a cathartic process and very rewarding. If you'd like to help, please ring Sue



Dobby on 01530 245366, Leave your name and phone number if no one is there. Or you can meet us outside the Village Hall on the day at the respective start time. Even if you can only spare an hour, your help would be most welcome.

Gloves are recommended!

August Wildlife Walk

Saturday 20th August. Meet at **2pm** outside the Village Hall for a walk in Bradgate Park, visiting the Tudor-style walled garden at the ruins.

No Mow May

Lynne Upton of Bradgate Road writes:

"We love our garden but it would be fair to say we have more enthusiasm than expertise. Last year we mistimed an attempt at a wildflower meadow so this year we embraced "No Mow May" more in hope than anticipation.



At first we left a large random patch unmown and frankly it just looked neglected. So we outlined it with a close mown strip, put in a wavy close mown path and lo and behold it became wild by design! Just buttercups, daisies and clover to start with, but now at least the rabbits and pigeons seem to prefer grazing under cover, and are less interested in my flowers! Next up is to get some more advice about improving the biodiversity of our wild patch - thank goodness we know just the group!"

Date for your diary:

We're holding another Open Evening at the Village Hall on **Tuesday 4**th **October.** More details in the September issue of the Village Magazine.

Find out more

If you'd like to be on our mailing list and keep up to date with our activities, or would like to get involved in the group (we meet monthly) do please get in touch. As well as carrying out practical conservation work, there are other activities we're involved in, and we're looking for ways to include more people of all ages in protecting and enhancing, and learning about, our local environment.



Claire Costello

cecostello25@gmail.com Tel: 01530 249 613

NEWTOWN LINFORD BOULES

.Welcome to our twentieth year

TUESDAY 19th JULY TUESDAY 16th AUGUST TUESDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

Meet outside the Village Hall at 6pm. All matches to be played at The Blue Bell Inn, Hoby, phone number 01664 434247.

CONTACT. DICK HOWARD 01530 245373

Please confirm on the previous day (Monday) if you are attending so that I can book your meal.

Dick Howard

In May fourteen players were enjoying their monthly game of boules when suddenly the sky darkened and within 10 minutes rain had stopped play. Unbelievably this was a rare event it is normally wet, or dry.

This month a smaller group enjoyed a wonderfully sunny evening. It is a most picturesque setting at the Blue Bell, Hoby, overlooking the Wreake Valley. The boules



was similarly relaxed and we have been pleased to welcome Nigel Blythe to our group of players.

I am pleased to report that Toby Manning was in excellent form to win the Chell Cup. It was not played for last month so I presented the Cup to Toby, on behalf of Scott Raynor, who had won it in September.

All welcome, this is just a fun evening



Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch - A member of the Parish Council



This month's update comes from our colleagues at Neighbourhood Watch:

Rural Crime

"Rural crime has no set definition, however it can be very broadly classified as any crime and anti-social behaviour occurring in rural areas.

Rural crime is often linked to Organised Crime Groups (OCGs) who target and exploit rural communities across a range of crime types, for example organised plant theft, livestock theft, burglaries targeting firearms, poaching and hare coursing.

The NPCC (National Police Chiefs Council) has developed a Rural Affairs Strategy which sets out police priorities in this area:

- Farm machinery, plant and vehicle theft including quad bikes, modern and vintage tractors, tools and equipment from outbuildings
- + Livestock offences including theft, worrying and attacks
- + Fuel theft including heating oil, diesel and petrol
- + Equine crime including horse trailer and horse box theft, horse theft, tack theft, fly grazing and neglect
- + Fly tipping including household and commercial waste, waste through organised criminality
- + Poaching which crosses over with the wildlife priorities including hare coursing, deer poaching, fish poaching.
- Heritage crime It is also important to recognise that rural crime and antisocial behaviour have an adverse impact on the historic environment and heritage assets found across the United Kingdom - including the theft of metal from church buildings, unlawful metal detecting and interference with historic shipwrecks.

At Neighbourhood Watch, we want to raise awareness of rural crime across our networks. We feel it is vitally important that rural and farming communities should highlight the issues that they deal with and how Neighbourhood Watch can help.

We have joined together with regional leads and national charities, including the National Farmers Union, National Rural Crime Network, Countryside Alliance, Country Land and Business Association, Historic England and the Wildlife Trusts to highlight rural crime. By raising

awareness of the issues faced by these communities, we can help with identifying and reporting any suspicious instances.

The most recent Rural Crime Survey results from NFU Mutual can be found here and a report from National Farmers Union can be found here.

NFU Mutual Rural Crime Report 2021: https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/globalassets/farming/rural-crime/2021/rural-crime-report-2021.pdf

NFU Levelling Up Britain's Report: https://www.nfuonline.com/nfu-online/ news/nfu-reports/levelling-up-rural-britain/

The cost of Rural Crime has been rising over the past few years. The figures in the picture relate to statistics from the NFU and are rounded up to the nearest £100,000."



In other NHW news, back in May, Action Fraud received 752 reports in four days relating to fake emails purporting to be from Ofgem. The emails state that the recipient is eligible for a rebate as a result of a newly announced government scheme. The links in the emails lead to genuine-looking websites that are designed to steal your personal and financial information.

Remember, your bank, or any other official organisation, won't ask you to share personal information over email or text. If you need to check that it's a genuine message, contact the company using details from their official website or app.

Spotted a suspicious email? Forward it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) - report@phishing.gov.uk

Wishing you all a safe and crime free month ahead.

Keep 'em peeled.

Best wishes, Hannah Shaw, Parish Council Clerk, Tel: 01530 249945

Email: clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk



News from Newtown Linford Parish Council Have you looked at the website recently? www.newtownlinford.org.uk



I'm pleased to report, two applications have been received to date for the Vacancy in Office of Councillor. Councillors hope to make an appointment at the July Parish Council meeting. If you would like to apply, please contact me via the usual channels.

The Annual Parish Meeting was held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 25th May. Councillors were joined by 28 members of the public wishing to raise matters of interest. Chairman, Sue Pritchard, delivered the Newtown Linford Parish Council Annual Report 2022, which can be viewed on the homepage of our website, along with the draft minutes of the meeting which will be confirmed at the 2023 APM.

On with more news....

Bob Bown Memorial Field

Charnwood Borough Council has been allocated over £4million from the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and Newtown Linford Parish Council has submitted a project proposal plan for funds towards continuing regeneration of the Bob Bown Memorial Field and Play Park. If successful, we hope additional funds will help towards further new play equipment and repairs to the wet pour surfacing.

Cemetery and Churchyard

The Cemetery and Churchyard are looking fantastic and a wonderful array of buttercups growing in the natural hay meadow surround the Groby Lane Cemetery. It looks a picture!

Bat and Owl boxes have now been installed at all three Parish Council maintained sites as part of our successful SHIRE Environment Grant and I'm pleased to report that blue tits have been nesting in two of our new bird boxes!

If you would like to purchase Exclusive Rights of Burial for an ash or earthen plot, please contact me on the details below.

Have a lovely Summer!

Stay well, stay safe. Best wishes,

Hannah Shaw Parish Council Clerk Tel: 01530 249945

Email: clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk

Dates of the next Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 13th July 2022 7.15pm

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.

An alternative way is to go online to report an incident https://www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police/report-a-crime-incident/

This may be easier if the phone call is not urgent. 101 calls are not free.

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E-mail newtownvillagemagazine@outlook.com & heubecks@gmail.com

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