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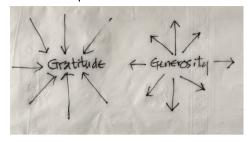
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# **Bradgate**

## Group Parish



ratitude and generosity. Two values which complement each other (as the illustration demonstrates).



Gratitude. I won't rehearse the well-known fact that studies have shown

that an attitude of gratitude contributes enormously to better mental well-being – to the extent that one can buy books and journals helping you to note and record all the things which make you thankful. It's a simple thing we're all taught as children – to say 'thank you' when someone gives you something, even if it's just passing the salt at a meal. Each of us needs to take the time and reflect on the big things we have received. Christians have traditionally done this at various times of the year, particularly around this time, when the crops have been gathered in and the goodness of the world's Creator is so clearly seen.

Generosity. 'As you have received, so give'. Or, 'it is better to give than to receive'. If gratitude is reflecting on what comes to us, generosity is about making sure that we don't become a black hole – that we benefit as well as benefiting from those around us. Again, in Christian history, giving to those in need as well as giving back to God in thanksgiving, has accompanied Harvest celebrations. So contributions gathered at All Saints' go to help the homeless in Leicester through the work of the Y Centre.

So, there may be no Scarecrow Festival this year, but All Saints' are still celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September, with all the creativity going into decoration as usual (by the way, if you feel you're missing out on putting together your scarecrow display why not get yourself ready to contribute to the Christmas Tree Festival this December?), remembering all the goodness of the creation which still surrounds and sustains us, giving thanks to the God who graces us with it, and challenging ourselves again to give generously to those who need our support. The



Harvest Thanksgiving service will be at 10am and we will be having a Harvest Lunch at 12 noon, following the service. All are welcome.

#### **Richard Trethewey**

Rector of St Peter's, Glenfield and All Saints' Newtown Linford 0116 287 1604

#### **VILLAGE DIARY**

#### September

2nd MacMillan Coffee Morning5th MacMillan Fashion Show

9th Village Ramblers 10th Bark in the Park 16th Biodiversity Walk 22nd-26th Beer Festival 26th Gardening Club

27th Friends of Charnwood Forest

#### Regular events

#### Mondays

9.30 Slimming & Fitness, The Linford

1.30 Dance Fitness for 50+ Linford

5.30 Brownies at "The Linford"

8pm Bell Ringing at the Church

4th Tuesday of the month

Gardening Club

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

#### Wednesdays

6.30 Bodyblast Classes Village Hall

10am Art Club in Church

Quiz nights at The Linford 8pm start

#### **Thursdays**

11.15 Coffee Mornings Village Hall

6.15 Slimming & Fitness, The Linford

#### **Fridays**

9:30 Jolly Tots, The Church

AM: Fruit and Veg stall at Cooks Farm Shop

#### Saturday

2nd Saturday of each month - Village Ramblers



#### **COFFEE & CAKE ROTA September to October 2023**

#### 31st August - On the Lawn Jenny & Alan Coles - Groby Lane

#### September

7th Judy Rowe, Felicity Manning, Marilyn Upstone 243989; 245298: 242715

14th Glennis M, Mary Clarke, John Castle, Carolyn T 242897; 0116 3190211: 249173

21st Janet & David Brunton, Angela & Adrian McNamee 242662; 07710 253231

#### On the Lawn – Janet & David Bruntons

28th Lesley Cook/Chris A/Ann Scrine 245208; 242432; 481928



# Everyone Welcome

#### October

5th Jenny C, Sue Howard, Charlotte T. 245373; 07896 349977;242959

12th Carol Ann, Jackie Brewin, School Old John Class 243433; 243439; 242370

19th Maria Simms, Vicki Kerr & Friend 07974 085434; 07904 123603

26th Sue Morran, Sarah Brown, Teresa Calvert 07810 116641; 07811 166161; 07469 719018

#### ON THE LAWN

We are back outside for our last visits of the summer, by kind invitation of some of our villagers. A nice change of scene. If the weather is poor the gathering will be in the Village Hall.



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.. **Carol Ann** 

# Newtown Ramblers

In August our ramble was led by Iris and Peter Sayer, and took us to the beautiful Outwoods. We walked through the OakWood, out onto Brook Road, and across the fields before heading back into the Outwoods, where there are stunning views for several miles beyond Loughborough towards the Fosseway in the distance and north toward Nottingham. We wound our way through the now well established silver birch trees, past a charcoal burning device, and back up to the car park and café for a coffee.

The next meeting of the ramblers is on 9th September, led by Carolyn and Peter Lowe. Everybody is welcome, there are no membership restrictions. Please meet at the Village Hall at 2pm.



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## Sunday 10th September 10-4pm

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With the kind permission of the Bradgate Park Trust, Bradgate Rotary are organizing a dog show with a difference! The event will be held near the Hallgates carpark entrance and hope that many dogs will lead their owners to the showground on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September**.

There will be something for all the family.

- from canine related stalls,
- children's fun competitions and
- artisan food and
- craft stalls.

#### There will be

- Dog displays as well as
- Numerous classes including Best Pure Breed, Puppies up to 12 months, Handsomest Dog, Best Cross breed, plus many more.



Activities start at 10am and Dog entries must be in by 1200 noon for judging at 1pm.

Funds raised from the event will be donated to Bradgate Park Trust and other Rotary charities such as Glenfield Breast Care Centre, LOROS Hospice and Rainbows.

For further details check out the Facebook pages on @BradgateRotary or <u>bradgaterotaryclub.org</u>

# Making a difference in your community New Rotary members are welcome!

Bradgate Rotary Club are a Breakfast Club that take a keen interest in the community, the environment, and local causes.

We are a secular mixed gender club with around a 60/40 split in favour of female. Visit one of our informal breakfast meetings to find out more about the Club's activities and what can be achieved with some help.

We have a mixture of face-to-face meetings at Anstey, Groby and Newtown as well as by Zoom.

If you would like to know more or come along to a meeting and meet us in person, call George Reynolds on 07831 212384



## Newtown Linford Gardening Club (www.newtownlinford.org.uk/gardening-club.html)

During the summer months our activities move outside with two trips and, every July, with our Summer Garden Party. The garden party was first held some fifteen years ago when our membership was quite low and we needed to engender some spirit and camaraderie into the Club.

It was held at the home of Secretary and Treasurer Anne and David Couling and had an Italian theme of "Pizza, Pasta, Pimms and Prizes" It was attended by around three dozen people and proved to be popular, especially with Pimms being provided. On another occasion it was "Puddings, Pimms and Prizes" with our Secretary, Anne, making no fewer than nineteen different puddings!!!!

By then, membership had increased to around sixty and we moved to the garden owned by our current Chairman. Mike Newcombe and his wife Elizabeth. Their home is a more substantial place with two acres of garden, which was ideal to accommodate the increasing number of members. Gazebos are erected to house the many tables and chairs which need to be laid out.

Every year now, around 100 people attend, some of them bringing their partners with them as guests. Members do not pay anything to attend but visitors are charged £5 to cover the cost of their food. We provide a cold salad meal, usually ham and egg with a variety of salads, followed by a sweet, which has now become home made cakes provided by some of the Committee. This fare has changed only once when we held a hog roast to celebrate our return after the covid lockdown.

The prizes come from a huge raffle. We ask members to bring a prize for the raffle and so we have almost 100 prizes on offer. As we have a tradition that no one wins more than one prize, it means that everyone goes home with a prize of some sort.

Every year, we hope for fine weather and, more often than not, our prayers have been answered This year it rained on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Wednesday, but Tuesday was fine and so around 100 members enjoyed their evening as usual. The picture (see opposite) shows the raffle table ready for the draw.

26th September Bridget Blair - garden media

More details of our club can be found on the internet or by contacting us on 01530 242452.

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### Newtown Linford Biodiversity Group

#### Wildlife Walk

Our next Wildlife Walk will be on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September when we plan to visit Cossington Meadows, a Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust nature reserve in the Soar Valley. Please meet outside the Village Hall at 2pm to share transport (or meet at the reserve entrance, on the road between Rothley and Cossington, at about 2:20pm).

It would be helpful if you could let Toby Manning know (01530 245 298; ptm@tobymanning.co.uk) if you intend to come, although this is not essential.

#### Markfield Lane wildlife verge - conservation work

We'll be cutting and raking the verge during September, the exact dates/ times depending on the weather. If you're interested in helping with the raking, do please get in touch and we can let you know nearer the time when the work is taking place. We usually leave the cuttings (arisings) to lie on the ground for a few days after the cutting in order to give the wildflowers a chance to drop their seed.

If you could make use of the cuttings as hay (free of charge) for your livestock, or maybe for another purpose, do get in touch.

#### Verge wildlife guides

NatureSpot's excellent website (www.naturespot.org.uk) includes useful wildlife guides for the sections of wildlife verge in Groby Lane and Markfield Lane, with photos and information about some of the many species of plants and animals found there. On NatureSpot's website, search for 'Newtown Linford' in the 'Parishes' search box, and follow the links to our two wildlife verges and their respective wildlife guides. Both verges are part of a County Council scheme to improve the biodiversity of selected roadside verges and are managed by Newtown Linford Biodiversity, with the support of the Parish Council.

#### Open Evening – Tuesday 7th November 7.30pm

Jack Matthews, Geoheritage Conservation Officer at the National Forest, has kindly agreed to give a talk on the Charnwood Forest Geopark at this event. All welcome. More details in next month's magazine.

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#### **Newtown Linford Brownies**

At Brownies we have been playing lots of fun games and have been problem solving. For example, this summer we went to the Church and did a churchyard quiz. I was giggling the whole time because the gargoyles we had to search for looked really funny. We had to hunt for symbols on the gravestones and many other things. It was amazing!

We went to Bradgate Park for a teddy bears picnic. Brown Owl came and she hadn't been with us for a while so that was really nice to see her. We did lots of games themed around teddy bears like teddy went into the jungle and a hunting we will go. We all sat together in front of the stream and had a yummy picnic with our teddy bears too.



At the start of sports night we all gathered at Malcolm's field and Georgina jumped over the toadstool because she was leaving Brownies. Then we began our games. We did an obstacle course, tipped water over

each others
heads
trying not
to spill it,
wheelbarrow
races
and the
potato
game.
My favourite



was the wheelbarrow race although I almost fell in a cow pat! At the end we ate doughnuts from a string without using our hands. All of the brownies got sugar all over their faces. It was a really fun night.

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#### **Newtown Linford Tennis Club**

June saw the courts cleaned and re painted, they now look very smart and bright and hopefully will last another 5 years until resurfacing work is required.

#### **Junior Summer Camps**

The first of 2 weeks of summer camps were held in August where the children learnt how to play matches amongst many other tennis skills. The LTA are pushing the coaches of all levels to coach and play more match play and concentrate on tactics of the game. The children loved it learning to score and even shake hands at the end of the games.



#### **Beginners Adult Class**

A five week block of beginners lessons started at the end of June. It has proved to be a great success, so much so that we are hoping to do another starting in September. If you are interested in taking part please contact a Committee Member or call 01530 243433

#### **Club Tournaments**

**Juniors** - Tuesday 15th August All juniors were invited to play with a Hotdog tea - more news in the next Magazine re the results

#### **Seniors**

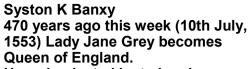
Mixed Doubles and The Family Cup are all being played for. Matches are underway now with the finals day due to be played on Sunday 3rd September, weather permitting that all the matches are played in time.

The original Family Cup has been found, in need of cleaning, with many local names of past family winners.

Please come down to Tournament Day and enjoy the tennis.







Her reign lasted just nine days. Situated on Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford.

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#### **Syston Banxy**

Residents in and visitors to Newtown Linford cannot have helped noticing the wonderful knitted model of Lady Jane Grey on top of the post-box near the Old Post Office Tea Rooms. This was knit-

ted by Syston Knitting Banxy, whose creations have appeared on post-boxes, bollards etc in our area, including a splendid model of the Loughborough Carillon to commemorate its 100th anniversary. The model of Lady Jane was put there to commemorate her nine-day reign in July 1553. Many thanks to Syston Banksy for her contribution to our village.

An anonymous craftsperson who is behind post box toppers mysteriously placed around a Leicestershire town, said she is "humbled" by the huge social media response received

Her mysterious knitting started in Syston in 2019 with an Easter topper, and later she knitted a Santa, which she did to "raise smiles"



She said she has chosen to keep her identity secret as she "prefers to stay in the shadows", as reported by BBC.





#### **Bradgate Rotary**

WE'RE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF THE THIRD GROBY SCARECROW FESTIVAL ON 16th and 17th SEPTEMBER

#### Friends of Charnwood Forest

Our first meeting of the 2023-2024 session takes place in Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September. We are very pleased to welcome the return of James Dymond, Director of the Bradgate Park Trust, to update us on recent developments in the Park. Members free, visitors welcome for a £3 contribution.

Marilyn Upstone, Chairman

## **SUNDAY SERVICES September 2023**



DATE	GLENFIELD	NEWTOWN
3 September Thirteenth	8.30am Holy Communion	
Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Breakfast Church	10am Holy Communion John Woolmer
10 September	10am Holy Communion	10am Morning Prayer <i>John Woolmer</i>
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	6pm Teaching Evening: The land of Israel in God's plans	
17 September Fifteenth	10am Morning Worship	10am Holy Communion Richard Trethewey
Sunday after Trinity		
24 September	10am Holy Communion	10am Harvest Celebration Richard Trethewey
Harvest	4pm Crumpet Church	



	Midweek Holy Communion
Newtown Linford	These services have been cancelled for the time being
Glenfield	10.30am, Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th Sept

#### CHURCH REGISTERS

#### WEDDINGS

1st July ~ Rebecca Morton & Glenn Guest

8th July ~ Elizabeth Trzcinska & lan Johnston



#### BAPTISMS None

#### FUNERALS

31st May ~ Malcolm O'Shea 22nd June ~ John Kemp 29th June ~ Pamela O'Shea



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends, and pray that they may find peace through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **Online Services**

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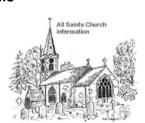
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#### **Good News items**

Many Congratulations Alicia Pakenham on your recent marriage to Dr. Alex Parker. What a fantastic time we all had. The best days ever!



Also , in the same breath, Congratulations to Surg.Lt.Cmdr. Aaron Pakenham (formerly Newtown Primary and LGS) on your recent engagement, in Norway, to Katy.

A great family year. Love mum & dad , Naomi, Alicia & Nathan..

### 2 PIANOS, 8 HANDS!!

#### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 7PM Markfield Methodist Church

Beate Toyka wowed us with a wonderful performance (piano) in the company of John Parsons (Cello) during March 2023, and it is with great pleasure that we welcome her return in the company of 3 more amazing pianists.

The "Derby Piano Quartet" features the unusual combination of four pianists on two pianos! It was formed 20 years ago by Anglo-German pianist and musical innovator Beate Toyka whose 2 grand pianos in her home studio provide the group's rehearsal space. The other ensemble members are chamber musician extraordinaire Gillian Bithel, organist-pianist and academic Dr.Richard Hodges and Dana deWaal, choir director, opera singer and composer.

Their colourful programme will bring you well known gems such as the Overture from 'Ruslan and Ludmilla' and Grieg's 'Peer Gynt Suite' as well as items by Beethoven, Smetana, Joplin, Herbert and others. Their second half will present a journey from 1 to 8 hands, ranging from a left hand only piece via unusual combinations such as Ravel's 'Frontispiece' for 5 hands and audience participation for 7 hands before returning to all hands-on deck!

This promises to be a wonderfully entertaining evening of amazing music from fantastic musicians, and we look forward to welcoming them all.

Tickets £12 Adults, £6 U16, including programme and refreshments.

Please book online via our website www.markfieldmethodistchurch.org if possible, or call 07979 607099



#### Singing for fun –

#### **Newtown Linford Choral Society**

Several people have told our director, Sue Ford, that they would enjoy taking part in a group singing session, but lack the time or the

confidence (or both!) to come and join our weekly choir rehearsals.

This has got Sue thinking about running a fun singing session for a couple of hours, if a sufficient number of people express interest, which would be held on **Sunday afternoon 19**<sup>th</sup> **November**. We are promised nothing too taxing, and some of the choir would also turn out to give some vocal support.

If you would like to take part in such a session, then before the end of September please email Sue at sueford30@hotmail.com.







## **Jolly Tots Playgroup**

Friday Mornings
All Saints Church, Newtown Linford

9:30am - 11am

We are a friendly group of parents, grandparents, carers of babies and children up to reception age (4years).

We have lots of fun with toys, crafts, stories and Singalong.

There will be hot drinks for Adults and Cold drinks and snacks for Children.

All Welcome.

For more information or if you would like to help in any way please contact
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Carolyn 07896 960 676





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#### Information from David Snartt.

#### **Charley Road Solar Farm.**

On 17<sup>th</sup> July I attended a public consultation about the proposal to develop a solar farm on land at Charley Knoll Farm adjacent to Charley Road. I have been contacted by several residents about this proposal, therefore, I thought you may be interested in this information supplied at the consultation.

Namene Solar Ltd is preparing a full planning application for a 49.9MW solar farm covering an area of 77ha. The proposal involves the construction and operation of a solar installation that will connect into the local electricity network.

The solar farm is expected to have the capacity to produce clean renewable energy to provide enough electricity to power more than 16,580 homes and save the emissions of 11,210 tonnes of carbon dioxide annually. This clean power will be exported to the local electricity network I understand because this site is located across both Charnwood Borough Council and North West Leicestershire District Council administration areas, planning applications will be submitted to both Councils. I will keep you informed if and when a planning application is received by Charnwood Borough Council. There will be an opportunity to comment on this proposal during the consultation process.

#### **Charnwood Sports Awards.**

Nominations for this year's Charnwood Sports Awards are now open. The awards run by Charnwood Borough Council, will celebrate sporting achievements of individuals and clubs, as well as the commitment of volunteers. The awards are in their 13<sup>th</sup> year and will also highlight workplaces and schools in the Borough which are making a difference to the health and wellbeing of residents.

This year's awards ceremony will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December. The deadline for nominations is midnight Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There are nine categories which include: Junior sports person of the year: Senior sports person of the year: Club of the year: Outstanding contribution to sport.

For a full list of the categories and to nominate online or find out more about the awards, please visit <a href="www.charnwood.gov.uk/sportsawards">www.charnwood.gov.uk/sportsawards</a> or alternatively call 01509 634966.

#### **Bulky Waste Collection.**

After receiving a request for information about Charnwood Borough Council's bulky waste collection, I thought would be of interest to share some up to date information about the collection.

This year Charnwood Borough Council made changes to the service due to national legislation. It means upholstered/soft furnishing items can no longer be collected as part of the standard bulky waste collection service. These types of items can contain Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) which are a danger to human health and the environment. The Council can still collect upholstered/soft furnishing bulky waste items, but they must be booked and collected separately. There are alternatives to using this service such as taking items to the local tip where they can be recycled or donated to charity.

Standard bulky waste items which include such items as tables, ward-robes or fridge freezers are collected on a Saturday. Upholstered/soft furnishing bulky waste items which include such items as armchairs, so-fas, settees and sofa beds are collected on a Monday. In both cases there is a £25 charge for collecting up to three items, up to a maximum of nine items in one collection. All items need to be out on the day of collection before 6.00am.

For a list of items collected and more information on this service provided by the Council, please visit the Charnwood Borough Council website (bulky waste collection). This includes if you have items that appear on both lists, exceptional hardship concessions and the deadline for collection requests.

#### **NEWTOWN LINFORD BOULES**

#### Last of the 2023 SEASON

#### Tuesday 12th September

Meet outside the Village Hall at 6.20pm (September 6.00pm).

All matches to be played at The Blue Bell Inn, Hoby. (Tel. 01664 434247).

Please confirm on the previous Friday if you are attending so that I can confirm your meal reservation.

#### From the Archives

Something completely different this month. Occasionally we receive requests for information and these generally are either relating to past residents, cottages or even a family tree. The most recent request was from a Fine Art gallery in Duke Street, London. They were researching the provenance and history of a painting understood to be of a 19th Century cricket match in Bradgate Park. It is by an artist called Edward Duncan who painted and sketched in Bradgate Park for a number of years.

Although it hasn't been possible to definitively identify the painting as being of Bradgate Park, I understand during that era there was an annual cricket match, between the family and their employees.

It is such a beautiful painting that I thought it would be of interest. **Iris Sayer** 



#### **Community Worker Charnwood**

My name is Kate Crowfoot, and I am your community worker. I work for Leicestershire County Council and my role is to be an active member of your local communities and villages. I cover all Charnwood villages including Newtown Linford and surrounding villages. Part of my role is to be on hand to offer support, advice, and guidance. If I am unable to help, I will find someone that can. There are various examples of how I can help you, your family, neighbours, and community. I can help with benefit advice, housing issues, adaptations needed in homes, carers advice, referrals to adult social care, free gadgets to make life that little bit easier and if you are feeling isolated or vulnerable for what ever reason please do get in touch. I can also help if you are experiencing financial issues. Do not struggle alone as I have access to various County Council grants. If you do see me walking around the village stop and say hello or if you or someone you know could benefit from some help, please do get in touch.

Leicestershire County Council also run a health champions volunteer scheme. If you are passionate about the health and wellbeing of the community again, please get in touch.

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## National Garden Scheme Leicestershire Open Gardens September and October 2023

There are some lovely autumn gardens to visit during September and October.

Opening on the 17<sup>th,</sup> between 11-6pm, is Westview in Great Glen LE8 9EH. An immaculately maintained small walled cottage garden with year-round interest. The gar-

den is organically managed with many unusual plants and features some interesting garden ornaments, many made from recycled materials. The owner has a wealth of gardening knowledge to share with visitors, along with homemade cakes.

Opening Saturday and Sunday of the next weekend 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, The New Barn at Desford LE9 9GS is a large, sloping garden with lovely views. Autumn colour is provided by asters, chrysanthemums and various grasses. It's open to visitors from 11-4pm, with light refreshments, a pub in village and a village cafe open on Saturday.



On the 8<sup>th</sup> October Hammond Arboretum in Market Harborough, LE16 7JG opens from 2.30-4pm. A fascinating garden originally created by Francis Hammond the Headmaster of The Market Harborough Grammar School, he started planting trees on the site in 1913. Now a mature 3.5 acre wood, the Arboretum contains many fascinating trees from as far afield as America, China and Japan. Trees are labelled and identified on a handout and plan making for an interesting visit.

Our last garden of the year to open is Tresillian House, Melton Mowbray, LE13 0BQ on 29<sup>th</sup> from 11-6pm. A secluded and quiet garden on southern side of Melton Mowbray, it features a wide range of interesting specimen trees, with a pond, natural bog garden and koi carp pond. In addition to light refreshments, stew and dumplings will be on sale as well. When you visit one of our gardens you also are donating to nursing and cancer charities. In 2022, The National Garden Scheme donated over £3.11 million to our best-loved charities including Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK and The Queens Nursing Institute. Full details of our gardens and charity beneficiaries at <a href="https://www.ngs.org.uk">www.ngs.org.uk</a>

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**Joyce Lowe turns 90?** Last month my Mother, Joyce Lowe turned 90 and a small family gathering was held at the Wheatsheaf in Woodhouse Eaves to celebrate.

Joyce and husband Richard worked in Nigeria and bought a house on Markfield Lane in the early 1970s. When they retired from Nigeria in 1994, they moved to their current home on Bradgate Road.

A talented piano player, for many years Joyce played the organ in the Church on Sundays and was an enthusiastic member of the local choir taking part in many of their concerts. Joyce also enjoyed attending coffee mornings in and around the village and participated in the Rouen Twinning association. Joyce also enjoyed 'Flora and Fauna' wildlife tours in Europe with Richard until mobility issues made all these things a little difficult.

Joyce was joined at her gathering by Richard, her children and partners, some of her grandchildren Catherine, Rebecca, Emily and Billy, various relatives and a gigantic cake! The cake was partly decorated with flowers in reference to Joyce's time studying Botany at Newnham College, University of Cambridge. A lovely time was had by all !! Jessica Rigg

#### Village Cricket 2nd July



After ten hours of entertaining cricket it was the final ball of the day when Adam Lever-Parkin and Mandeep Singh scrambled the single they needed to see the Linford Lions home as champions of the village cricket tournament for the second time. An amazing end to an amazing day as the Lions' team raced on to the pitch to celebrate, with the Bradgate Braves clapping off their rivals. The Newtown Knights came third and the Grey Grizzlies picked up the wooden spoon again - they were left hoping that Rex Harrison might come out of retirement next year.

Many congrats to all who took part, to the many helpers, um-





pires, scorers, bar staff. commentator (Aaron Mehta was a natural), glass collectors, and every other volunteer who helped put on the event, and to the many spectators who generated record bar sales! And thanks too to the fantastic sponsors:- The Access Group; Jelson Homes; Athena: Subway: Motorline; The Holiday Lounge: Gavin Taylor Hair: Go2Life and Deli Flavour - who make this such a great fundraising event for the Cricket Club,

A great day for the village, and we're now looking forward to the beer festival, with music, being held on the weekend of September 20-22nd. Mark your diaries!

#### Paddy Mulvihill and Scott Raynor

#### 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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## Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch - A member of the Parish Council



#### 21 million scam emails reported

Almost 21 million reports have been made to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS), resulting in the removal of over 235,000 malicious websites. SERS was launched by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) and the City of London Police in April 2020 to enable the public to forward suspicious emails to an automated system that scans them for malicious links. Since its launch, almost 21 million reports have been made to the service.

Mobile phone providers also offer a service that allows customers to report suspicious text messages, by forwarding them to the number 7726. The service is free of charge and enables providers to takedown malicious websites and block malicious texts from being sent across their network.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023, 54,000 text message scams have been removed as a result of suspicious texts forwarded to the 7726 service. Command-

er Nik Adams, from City of London Police, said: "Every year, thousands of people in the UK are scammed by a fraudulent email or text message. Phishing scams. whether it's a text message claiming you have missed a delivery and are required to pay a redelivery fee, or an email claiming to be from your bank are a common security challenges that both individuals and businesses across the UK face on a daily basis" If you receive an email or text message that you think might be a scam, don't respond to it or click any links in the message or email. Instead, contact the organisation directly using contact information from the company's official website, and not the links or numbers provided in the message itself.

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#### How to protect yourself from scam emails and texts

Received an email or text that seems suspicious? Report it. Your reports enable us to remove the emails and websites criminals use to commit fraud and cyber crime.

- 1: Forward suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk . Send emails to this address that feel suspicious, even if you're not certain they're a scam we can check.
- 2: Forward suspicious text messages to 7726 (it's free of charge). Your provider can find out where the text came from and block or ban the sender.
- 3 If you've lost money or provided personal information as a result of a phishing scam, notify your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040. Please note: Sometimes a forwarded email may not reach us because it is already recognised by spam detection services. You can also take a screenshot of the email and send it to report@phishing.gov.uk

Keep 'em peeled.

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

Email: clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk

#### How to report suspicious email and websites

To report a suspicious email forward it to **report@phishing.gov.uk** or use the Report Phishing Tool if installed on users' MS Office 365.

To report a suspicious website, visit

<u>ncsc.gov.uk/section/about-this-website/report-scam-website</u> and follow the instructions.

NCSC will assess the information provided and take action to remove the URL or scam.

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



#### Greetings!

I hope you have all managed to have an enjoyable Summer and children have settled back into school life after what seems to have been a very long Summer break!

#### **Drains and Gullies**

With previous incidents of flooding, I have been checking on roadside drains and gullies recently and have reported a number to LCC that require unblocking. These include drains along the two 2 hour parking bays on Main Street for which a temporary suspension of the parking bays was put in place whilst works were undertaken; a drain on the corner of Markfield Lane close to the junction with Main Street and one on upper Main Street, prior to the Ulverscroft Lane junction.

Our Parish is too large an area for me to get around all drains and gullies quickly and I would kindly ask that if you live close to a roadside drain or gulley, would residents please mind checking to see if drains are



flowing freely? Could you please email me at the usual address with the location and where possible, a photo of any drains found blocked or where a build up of silt and debris is found to be restricting a drain? This would be a tremendous help and will ensure our Parish is well prepared for any possible future flooding events. With thanks to resident, Richard Palmer, who has been helping me identify drains that are in need of attention

#### Village Hall Bookings

As Bookings Secretary for the Village Hall, I must stress that when using the Hall for your events and parties, the emergency exit doors from the Main Hall are indeed, for Emergency Use only and must not be used for people congregating outside or to bring in equipment or to ventilate the hall in hot weather. We have extractor fans which cool the air and would encourage Village Hall guests to use them if needed.

New signage has been placed on the doors and the key to the door alarm has been removed to prevent anyone from turning the door alarm off. If the door is opened, the alarm will continue to sound and it is loud! Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Overgrown trees and hedgerows

Now that nesting season is coming to an end, we would kindly ask residents who are responsible for any trees or hedgerows adjacent to the public footways around the Parish, to check they are not overgrown and encroaching onto the public highway. Please cut back where necessary to ensure pedestrians have enough space to pass without having to walk out onto roads. NLPC are part of a pilot scheme in partnership with Leicestershire County Council, whereby cards are posted through doors of properties where overgrown trees and hedges have become an issue.

On with the news

#### **Bob Bown Memorial Field**

All is well at the park and I will be looking at possible further equipment installations for the next financial year, to fill the gaps where the timber trail was previously sited. If you have any requests or suggestions, please contact me as soon as possible to have your say.

#### **Cemetery and Churchyard**

Plans are currently being considered to open up a third area at the Cemetery for ash interments and we are interested to hear your thoughts. One possibility would be to regenerate the area to the right of the Cemetery shed where there is a substantial area of brash.

If you are interested in securing the Exclusive Rights of Burial for either an earthen or ash plot at our Cemetery, please get in touch. The current rates for residents are £300 for an earthen (burial) plot and £210 for an ash plot. Our fees and charges were due to be reviewed in 2023, however, this has now been postponed until 2024, so there is still time to get your plot reserved before any possible price increases.

Unlike other nearby Cemeteries, we are proud to be able to offer plots upon purchase, rather than on a next available plot basis, so purchasers know which plot is reserved for you and your family, from the date of purchase.

Stay well, stay safe. Best wishes.

Hannah Shaw, Parish Council Clerk

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

#### **Booking of Village Hall**

To book the Village Hall

Contact Hannah Shaw, Parish Council Clerk

#### **Contributions to Village Magazine**

Can we have your contributions for the **October 2023** issue by **15**<sup>th</sup> **September 2023** please.

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Please could you send any emails to the above email addresses. If you do not receive an acknowledgement of your email from the gmail account within 3/4 days - please contact Carole, the Editor direct on the above number to check we have received it. The village email is not checked so frequently but I don't lose articles from there!

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