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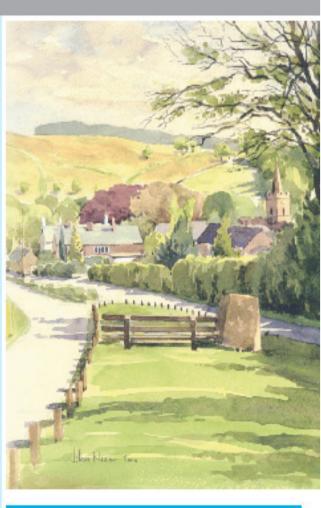
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It seems to me...

ordinary time is anything but ordinary

e are all used to living in a world where the pace of life is getting ever faster with the passage of time, especially the seasons. Perhaps it is just 2013 with its very early Easter, but it does seem that we no sooner finish with Harvest than we are into Remembrance Day, Christmas, Easter, then summer holidays and thoughts of time off, before the whole cycle re-starts again.

The Church is no different in this respect, with the passage of its own 'Christian seasons' seemingly turning faster and faster. Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter pass in a blur with the requirement for special services and celebrations, times for one-off forms of worship and celebration. Perhaps it is easy to maintain our focus to Christ during such times; the imagery, Church decorations, unique hymns and songs all add up to give the sensation of special things happening. It is only human to find such events more interesting than the normal run of the mill, over familiar events that occur outside of these Church seasons.

We need encouragement if we are going to flourish

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It is however in this ordinary time (running from Trinity Sunday to the Sunday before Advent) that we perhaps have significant opportunities for building our Christian faith. It is the opposite of the visible outward expression that accompanies our major Church celebrations in that it offers time for inward reflection. It balances the large collective acts of worship with space for self focussed contemplation and prayer.

One of my favourite saints falls in this month of June, St. Barnabas, the apostle. He always comes across as a person who would make you feel welcomed and accepted and the reading set for his day from the Acts of the Apostles says this: "For he was a good man full of the Holy Spirit and faith." Oh that that could be said of anyone of us!

His name means "Son of encouragement" and he must be just the sort of person you need in the Christian community, always ready to give an encouraging word just when it is needed. We all need to be encouraged in what we do. We need encouragement if we are going to flourish and get the best out of ourselves and other people.

There are so many ways we can try to be like Barnabas, an encourager of people, such as when we say thanks for jobs well done; encourage someone to go the next step or make people feel good about them-selves rather than dwelling on

their weaknesses. The world can be a negative place and there's a tendency for the media to indulge in character assassination. Another example is the critical spirit that can creep into personal relationships, through gossip, selfishness and unrealistic expectations.

Real encouragement is an expression of genuine appreciation and loving interest. It may be coming alongside someone, lifting their spirit and enabling them to blossom, or sometimes simply two little words, like "thank you" or "well done" so often missing today.

When there is real danger for many of our brothers and sisters to give in to despair, to be downhearted over the state of the Church of England, what we all need more than anything else is to encourage each other.

Perhaps the only question that remains is whether we can approach the coming months of ordinary time with as much enthusiasm as we have just expended marking the last few months? Ordinary time provides the vehicle for self inward spiritual building and reflection, marking a time of self encouragement as well as a real time to encourage others as we journey towards Advent!!!!!

Revd Peter

VILLAGE DIARY



10th Visit to Charnwood Lodge Nature Reserve

12th/13th Choral Society

16th Boule

18th Park Ghost Walk20th Village Ramblers

27th Family Open Day (archaeology - Bradgate Park)

22nd Parish Council 23rd Gardening Society

Regular events

Monday afternoon Mature Movers fitness class V. Hall

Mondays 8pm at the Church Bell Ringing

Tuesday afternoons 3-5pm Mothers and Toddles (SS Rooms)

4th Tuesday of the month Gardening Club
1st Wednesday of the month Flower Club

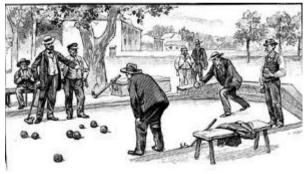
3rd Wednesday of the month Ladies Luncheon Club

Thursdays 11.15 Coffee Mornings for all, Village Hall Brownies, Sunday School Rooms

3rd Thursday Gentlemen's Lunch Club

Boule

Once a month we have a game of boule between the men in Newtown Linford. Currently we play at the Blue Bell at Hoby meeting outside Newtown Linford Village Hall at 6.20 pm and sharing cars.



These games are planned for 16th June, 14th July, 11th August and 8th September. If you would like to join in you will be very welcome. Please give me a call on 01530 245373 if you are interested or for more information.

Scarecrow Festival Weekend - Progress with Planning

As previously announced, Newtown the Linford Scarecrow Weekend will be taking place on 26th and 27th September 2015. and Chris Beate gradually making contact with local businesses, the School. Park and other willing and interested supporters and helpers.



We are going to be continuing with some of the events that have previously formed part of the weekend, including linking with the School Fete on Saturday 26th September and serving refreshments and having stalls in the Village Hall on Sunday 27th September. On the Sunday, we will be charging £10 per stall (£5 for charities) - and then your earnings are your own. If you would like to have a stall, or talk a bit more about the event, please contact Chris via email at chris@wroe.co.uk or Beate at beate-helmke@web.de (or tel. 01530 245198).

This year, we are also pleased to announce that we will be having a scarecrow patch, in the gardens next to the Church Rooms/Conservatory Tea Rooms - so all those of you who live on the edge of the village or nearby, who have always wished everyone walked as far as your house, will have a chance to make a scarecrow too, and have it on display and in the competition. Over the next few months, look out for tips on how to make your scarecrow, and start developing your ideas - big or small, young or old - we'd love you to be involved.

If you have previously helped with aspects of the weekend and/or would like to become more involved, please do get in touch - we'd be very happy to hear from you.



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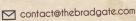


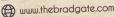
















Village Ramblers

7 Ramblers and 3 dogs set on a lovely day for the circular walk, starting and ending at Ratby Burroughs. We had certainly timed it to perfection as the bluebells were glorious - a never-ending sea of blue, interspersed with stitchwort, red campion and yellow archangels. Passing by Old Hays Farms and crossing the Whittington Rough, we arrived in Cow Lane to be met by Glenis, Alan and Roxy with a supply of tea, coffee and scones (+ jam!). Well refreshed we continued on our way. A walk to be much recommended at bluebell time.



The next walk will be led by John Castle on 20th June. (not 13th June which is the day of the Summer Concert). It will be an all-day walk starting from my house at 57 Heath Road, Market Bosworth, CV13 0NX. The start time from Newtown Linford Village Hall will be 10.30am or if you are coming direct to Market Bosworth please arrive by 11.00am. We shall walk along the canal to the Battlefield Centre and return through Sutton Cheney and Bosworth Park. Anyone only wanting to do an afternoon walk should meet us at the Battlefield Centre at 1.00pm. There will be time to visit the café for a drink and snack.

Please wear walking boots/shoes. The walks are usually about 3-4 miles and last about 2 hours. Well behaved dogs are welcome. It would be helpful if you let me know if you are coming.



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We were wonderfully entertained at our April Meeting by Alan Mason from Lincolnshire. He has had many years' experience working as head gardener firstly at large country houses including Harewood House and then creating gardens all over Europe. He became more widely known as the voice of television gardening for Yorkshire TV and then for Channel 4. His talk was full of funny stories mixed with slides and information about some of the great gardens overseas. This was a fine beginning to our new season.

We have two events in June. Our speaker will be Richard Woods from 'Lilies and Chillies' who will be talking about poisons in the garden. I don't think we always realise that some of the plants we love can be poisonous and need to be treated with care, especially when handling them without gloves. Visitors like Richard are especially popular because they bring plants for us to buy and, like all gardeners I know, our members cannot resist a new plant or two.

Our second event is a visit to Norwell Gardens near Newark. There is an excellent nursery there, managed by one of our previous speakers, and our visit will also coincide with the village of Norwell's Open Gardens Weekend. This trip is on the last Sunday of the month.

Our celebrity speaker this October is the well-known garden designer and TV presenter Chris Beardshaw. We are very privileged to welcome such a prestigious guest. We are again extending an invitation to members of other Gardening Clubs and the wider public to come to Newtown Linford and hear him speak. He will be here on Tuesday 27th October. Tickets for this event are £10 and are now available and can be ordered from the Secretary, by phone, letter or e-mail. We expect this occasion to be oversubscribed and so we urge those of you who are interested to act promptly. It should be a splendid evening.



We welcome new members. If you are interested in our activities just contact the Secretary (tel. 242452 or e-mail 01530242452@talktalk.net), or come to one of our meetings to see how you like it before making a commitment (£2 for visitors). Alternatively give us a ring and ask for a copy of our programme for the coming year and we will be pleased to send one to you.

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From the Park Showing Off

One of the biggest changes to have occurred within the Bradgate Park Trust in the last couple of years is our increased desire to be open and to engage more fully with



the world beyond the Park walls. This can be seen in the increased number of events that we stage for visitors and our greater involvement in the local community but this policy of *Glasnost*, to borrow a word from the last years of the Cold War, also extends to our relationships with what might be termed the 'expert community'.

We have recently hosted visits from a number of expert bodies, the first of which was the Ancient Tree Forum. To quote from their website, the ATF "raises awareness of the value of old trees, lobbies for their protection, records their locations, provides advice on their management, trains those who look after them, and provides opportunities for people to enjoy them". Over 30 members attended the visit, which included indoor presentations followed by a walk on the Park and Deer Sanctuary to look at some of our ancient and veteran trees and to discuss their management. Hosting visits such as these requires a willingness to open your work up to a searching examination by some of the leading authorities in the country on the care and management of old trees. They are passionate about their subject and are not backward in letting you know what they think! Thankfully the majority of the feedback was favourable and we found it a positive experience. It also helps to clarify your thinking when you are called upon to justify yourself to a group of experts.

The following week we played host to the British Deer Farms and Parks Association for the launch of their Quality Assurance Scheme for park venison. This was an opportunity to show off what we have achieved in terms of venison production and to gracefully accept the plaudits from the other members of the Association for the quality of our facilities and the professionalism of our operation.

To finish off a busy few weeks of visits, Natural England used us as a venue for a training day for their land management advisors on the management of ancient parkland. Our relationship with the Government's statutory Conservation Agency has improved out of all recognition over the past few years and we now have a very positive working relationship, which can only be beneficial for the Park and its varied and precious habitats.

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Staff and students from the University Of Leicester School Of Archaeology will be here from 8th June to 16th July for the first season of their 2015 - 2020 Field School. The first season's work will focus on the moated enclosure to the west of the ruins that is believed to be the 'Parker's lodge' dating from the early medieval period when the Park was first enclosed, together with investigations in and around the ruins of the house itself. There will be a Family Open Day on Saturday 27th June, which will be a chance to meet the archaeologists and see some of their finds, and end of season excavation tours on 11th July as part of the Festival of British Archaeology. By the end of the first season we will know a lot more than we do now about the early deer park and hopefully have gained an insight into daily life in a great house in the Tudor period.

The opportunity to look at the Park's history in a different way will be on offer with the launch of our series of Ghost Walks run in conjunction with Coalville based operator Haunted Heritage who also run events at Bosworth Battlefield and Donnington-le-Heath Manor House. The theme of the events is to explore the Park's history with a supernatural twist rather than a 'ghost hunt' for screaming hen parties! The first walk will be on

Thursday 18th June starting at 8pm from the Conservatory Tearoom. Tickets are available from the Conservatory.

This month marks the start of our 2015 theatre season. Chapterhouse Theatre Company will be performing 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' very appropriately on Sunday 21st June. This will be followed on 19th July by a musical production of 'The Jungle Book' with a slightly earlier (5pm) start time and the season will conclude with 'Pride & Prejudice' on Sunday 9th August. Tickets are available both on site and online at www.seetickets.com and this year we will be limiting the size of the audience to ensure that we don't have a repeat of the acoustical problems we experienced in 2014 when the wind was in the wrong direction so don't leave it too late!

Finally, a quick update on the dog situation. I am most grateful to the local media for helping us publicise the issue in print and on radio and television and to the Police for the interest they have taken. So far one owner has undertaken to pay compensation under the Restorative Justice procedures rather than be prosecuted under the Dangerous Dogs Act and the police are following up other reports and hopefully the message will begin to get through. I am also very grateful to all the members of the public who have responded to our appeal for help by reporting any incidents to Rangers or the office so they can be dealt with promptly. I am very keen not to penalise our responsible dog-owning regular visitors by imposing a 'dogs on leads' policy but the welfare of the deer has to come first. Hopefully we can prevail upon the minority of problem owners to either change their ways or go elsewhere so such a policy is unnecessary.

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VISIT TO CHARNWOOD LODGE NATURE RESERVE

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Neil Pilcher, Senior Conservation Officer, Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust will be leading a walk around Charnwood Lodge on Wednesday 10th June. We will meet at the Bomb Rocks at 10.00 am email Toby or Carole (Editor for map as no space in magazine). The area covered by the reserve was originally part of Charnwood Forest wastes and the now familiar stone walls were erected during the enclosure period of the 19th Century. Among the most striking features are the prominent 600 million year old Precambrian rock outcrops which protrude through the surrounding marl. These outcrops include the famous "Bomb" rocks which attract attention from geologists nationwide and have led to the reserve being declared a National Nature Reserve.

The reserve extends to 193.5 hectares (480 acres) and most of it is a Site of Special Scientific Interest in addition to the above. The large tracts of heath grassland are dotted with small areas of bilberry, while marshes and boggy pools harbour a wide variety of species, some of them true relics of the ancient Charnwood landscape such as bog pimpernel, marsh violet, lesser skullcap, creeping willow and climbing corydalis. We will be fortunate to find them all. It is the only site in Leicestershire for petty-whin and we should find some orchids.

An area known as The Rough is a good location for ground nesting birds, such as meadow pipet, linnet, reed bunting and skylark.

The group will need to be limited to 25. If it is oversubscribed then I will try to arrange an additional date. Please note NO DOGS. Charnwood Lodge remains one of the last truly wild areas of the Forest.

If you wish to join the visit please contact Toby Manning, toby.manning@dsl.pipex.com or 01530245298. The group will be selected on a first come basis. You will be notified if you are not included in the initial group.

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7th June	8.00am Holy Communion (LC)	8.00am Holy Communion (PH)		
Environment Sunday	9.30am Family Service (LC)	10.00am Worship 4 All (PH)	10.30am Holy Communion (JW)	
Cunday	6.30pm Holy Communion (LC)			
14th June			8.00am Holy Communion (PH)	
2nd Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Holy Communion (LC)	10.00am Holy Communion (FB)	10.30am Special Service (PH)	
,	6.30pm Evening Prayer (PH)			
21st June	8.00am Holy Communion (PH)			
Father's Day	9.30am Morning Worship (LC)	10.00am Family Communion (PH)	10.30am Holy Communion (JW)	
	6.30pm Evening Prayer (LC)	6.00pm Holy Communion (PH)		
28th June			8.00am Holy Communion (LC)	
4th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Holy Communion	10.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Morning Prayer	
	6.30pm 4SE			

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES—June									
NEWTOWN LINFORD	Thur	10am	4th						
GROBY	Wed	9.30am	3rd	10th	17th	24th			
RATBY	Thur	9.30am		11th		25th			



CHURCH REGISTERS





23rd May ~ Matthew Roy Pritchard & Laura Clare Rose Bates

Baptisms

3rd May ~ Maisie Jean Sperry

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Funerals

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From The Records

The Linford 2015

A couple of months ago I gave you "A stroll down Main Street" taken from the WI scrapbook for 1978. This brought me the greatest feedback I have ever had. It shows people do read the Village Magazine. Not included in that was the article about the Linford titled the Ex Service and Social Club - a separate item in the WI scrapbook. It is eight years ago since I wrote about the Club, things have changed so I thought it was time to reissue the item with the up-to-date news.

The Linford, the Ex Servicemen and Social Club, The British Legion Club and we are back to the start.

In 1926 the local ex-servicemen maintained that they were unable to obtain a drink in the Bradgate, because it was full of men from Leicester, many were friends of the then landlord. They were determined to have a place of their own. There was a piece of land next to Post Office Row which had been bought by Zaddy Harrison at the sale of the Bradgate Estate in 1925. Mr Pettifor of the Anstey Brewery agreed to buy the land for one hundred pounds on condition that the new club would buy his beer.

An old wooden tearoom was purchased from Mr Harry Neale and moved from Beech Farm, this becoming the original building. It was heated by



two free-standing tortoise stoves guarded by cast iron guards as they became very hot. Zaddy Harrison became the first steward.

In 1928 the brick frontage, including a bar and billiard room was added and the wooden hut became the function room, this was rebuilt in brick in about 1960.

During the 39/45 war it was taken over by Dunlop for the assembly of aircraft parts . 30 local women (including Florrie Anderson) working in two shifts provided the labour.

About 1970 the name was changed to Ex-servicemen and Social Club and in 1992 it became the Linford.

Our records tell us that in 1978 Gwen Wakefield and her husband Len were the steward and stewardess (picture bottom of last page). At that time activities included a darts team, dancing, bingo and dominoes. The function room was let for Keep Fit classes, wedding receptions, family parties and the WI monthly meeting.



The previous picture shows the members of the Legion taking the new banner to the Church for dedication. In the background is Mr W Bowler's house which has been a private house since 1952.

Gwen and her father Isaac (known as Fairy) Jackson outside the Church just after the 39/45 war with the men's and women's Newtown Linford British Legion banners. These very fragile banners can be seen either side of the Memorial plaque in our Church.

The Club raised money so

that they were able to refurbish the Club Room now called The Linford Suite, to provide a good venue for the Village. Recently Aidy Dayman the Radio Leicester Gardening Expert gave a packed audience an entertaining and very informative evening. If you are not a Member, check the Village Magazine forthcoming events. Non members

events. Non members are always welcome - you just need to sign in as a guest.

May has been a busy month for the Leicestershire Yeomanry. Last 24 Sunday we had the





Annual Service in the Church and at the War Memorial in Bradgate Park. It is a special year, 100 years since the Battle of the Frezenberg Ridge near Ypres in Belgium. The Yeomanry were in the battle and they held the line preventing the Germans reaching the coast. In a quiet field outside Ypres on 13th May 2015, a sturdy chunk of Mountsorrel Granite inscribed with the Yeomanry badge was dedicated to those who died on the 13th May 1915.



In the Club there is a board listing all those locally that joined the Yeomanry and went to war. There is also a war memorial to the fallen.

Janet Neaverson

Enigma

A talk by Dr Mark Baldwin, for the Friends of Charnwood Forest, was held at Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall on Monday 27th April

There was a record turn-out for the latest talk for Friends of Charnwood Forest. The Village Hall was absolutely full with over 125 enthralled listeners. There were about 50 non member guests and during the evening 10 new members joined the society.

Dr Mark Baldwin was a brilliant speaker. More than an hour without a note and twenty minutes of questions. He brought with him an actual Enigma machine which fascinated members for nearly an hour after the talk.

Dr Baldwin has been involved for many years in talks, publications and shows on various subjects related to Bletchley Park and the codebreakers there, including the Enigma machine. Beaumanor Hall was a listening post for Bletchley Park.

As usual the evening concluded with drinks and nibbles when members were able to talk to each other as well as the speaker.

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Charnwood Borough Council Elections.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all residents living in the Forest Bradgate Ward who voted for me to continue to represent them at Charnwood Borough Council. I will do my best to represent all residents whether they voted for me or not. I was delighted that the Conservatives continue to be the administration at the Council, with an increased majority of Conservative Councillors being elected, a total of 41 out of a total of 52.

David Snartt.

Borough and County Councillor.

Chairman of the County Council.

It was a tremendous honour for me to be elected as the 41st Chairman of the Leicestershire County Council at the annual meeting of the County Council on Wednesday 20th May.

As the title suggests, the Chairman has a constitutional role within the political organisation. However, the Chairman also has a broader role in

terms of engaging with the people of Leicestershire and fulfilling this remit occupies much of the Civic Calendar. As such the Chairman plays a key role in promoting and enhancing the civic life of the County.

I am looking forward to working closely with many organisations and individuals who contribute to the life of Leicestershire, especially the many volunteers who devote their time for the benefit of others. Hopefully I will be able to share with you through my reports some of the highlights during my year in office. My chosen charities throughout the year will be LOROS and the Leicester Children's Holiday Centre (Mablethorpe).



Brownies

On 13th April it was a privilege to attend the Leicestershire Girl Guiding Annual Review to receive a Silver Brooch in recognition of my 50 years service to Girl Guiding.

I also have the honour of being the first person in Leicestershire to have served it all in the same Brownie Pack.

I have spent so many memorable years with

Newtown Brownies, where I have tried to make it interesting and fun.

Thank you to all past and present Brownies who



Hilary being presented with her broach by Bridget Towle, County President



wrote the lovely tributes about the award. You really gave me a very big $_{28}$ Halo!!!!! Hilary (**Brown Owl).**



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Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch - A member of the Parish Council



A pretty quiet month again for crime. A resident on Markfield Lane had intruders in the back garden over night. Flattening grass and plants and overturning a seat. As to parking, well not so good on May Day. Solid all the way to Anstey. The residents on Groby Lane seem to be very pleased with their new restrictions. They cannot believe how quiet it is. Unless you lived there you do not realize the noise involved with people parking and getting out buggies and children, dogs and the like.

I am told that the Hallgates end of Bradgate Park is to be dealt with next. Cars are parked all over the place causing accidents including the write off of the car belonging to a senior member of the Bradgate Park Trust. I do not think he was injured.

P.C.S.O. Steve Quinn did attend the last Parish Council meeting despite being on a rest day. He reported that the Police have a new computer system and it may be some time before they master taking off the crime figures to send out. Perhaps even two months or more.

Pam McMorran NHW Co-ordinator – <u>pam@riverlyn.freeserve.co.uk</u> 01530 242201

Mums and Toddler Group

3pm - 5pm every Tuesday at the Newtown Linford Sunday School Rooms by the entrance of Bradgate Park.

Cost is £1 plus free tea, coffee and biscuits.

Everybody is invited; Parents, Grandparents, Carers, Brothers and Sisters.

For more information call Beate on 01530 245198

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How to contact the Police

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PC 3505 Leye Price and PCSO 6646 Steve Quinn

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selecting option 2 and when prompted, tap in identification number 3505 or 6646, to leave us a message.

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The Old Post Office Tea Room & Store

You may have noticed that the Tea Room and Village Store has changed hands and is now owned by Colin and Shirley Bushell. It's not the only change that you will have noticed occurring!

So far they have improved the appearance of the building using traditional colours and adding colourful plants. To the rear, the Tea Room garden has been transformed into a tranquil and relaxing place to enjoy a sunny afternoon. The Tea Room is undergoing extensive renovation with log burning stoves already installed and plans to increase the downstairs seating, creating a warm and welcoming environment everyone can enjoy - and dogs are welcome. The ever popular breakfasts will continue to feature on the menu but you'll soon start to see refinements to the menu and the selection of cakes on offer, plus the introduction of traditional afternoon tea.

In the Village Store the couple intend to continue to offer essential products and services you'd expect from a Village Store including bread, eggs, milk and newspapers. If you haven't yet, you must pop in and try the new soft scoop real dairy ice cream they now serve.

The couple had been coming to Bradgate Park for years when visiting their youngest daughter who studied in, and now works Leicestershire. With desires to be closer to family, dreams of running a Tea Room and being part of a local Community they decided to make the move to Newtown Linford in 2014. Since then it has been all go to make the Tea Room and Store a place both the locals and visitors to the park enjoy visiting regularly and they have many more plans to implement in the future.

Colin and Shirley would like to thank the residents of Newtown Linford for welcoming them so warmly to the village and the support they have received so far.

Donald Reginald Hackett 12.11.34 – 14.3.2015

Don loved living in Newtown. He achieved so many things in is life-time: Flying, Skiing, Sailing, Rugby, Clay Pidgeon shooting, Boule and Bowls

He was a very adventurous man – to the point that instead of having nine lives it was more like one hundred.

He will be missed greatly by his family and friends.

We thank you so much to all who came to his funeral and wake, also your generous donations to LOROS.

Joyce and family



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BROOKVALE HIGH SCHOOL WELCOMES LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

On Tuesday 10th February and Thursday 19th March 2015, Brookvale High School was delighted to throw open its doors and welcome pupils in years 5 and 6, who made the journey from the local Primary Schools, to take part in two mornings of activity.

On Tuesday 10th February, the flour was a-flying as budding Chefs (along with a couple of daredevil Head teachers!!) took over our Food Technology Room and, under the guidance of Ms Owen (Food Tech Teacher) created extremely tasty Pizza Wheels, in a 'Primary Bake Off'!

Thursday 19th March 2015 saw Brookvale playing host to future Scientists, as our annual Primary Science Morning got off to a 'roaring' start! Led by Mrs Pattison, Science Teacher, the children burnt food using Bunsen Burners, to determine which food types contained the most energy, and to find out how the body uses this energy by measuring their pulse rate using data loggers.

It continues to be a great privilege to welcome Primary School pupils to Brookvale, and it's wonderful to see them again in Year 7, sporting their smart new Brookvale uniform!

Enjoy the rest of this academic year, Year 6, and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Elaine Freeman, Roving Reporter



A FEAST OF FILM AND STAGE MUSIC WITH THE LOUGHBOROUGH ORCHESTRA

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Then there is a little fantasy woven around the life of Mozart (but no fantasy about the elegance of his Flute and Harp Concerto)

And how could there be a selection of such drama without some deep emotions such as those found in West Side Story?

With music from composers as diverse and expert as Gershwin, Tchaikovsky, Bernstein, Lloyd Webber and the "big daddy" of film music, John Williams, this promises to be a great evening.

Tickets are available at £7.00, Concession £6.00 and Children £1.00.

from secretary@loughboroughorchestra.org.uk or from any member of the orchestra.

Following exceptional demand for tickets at the last concert, t is recommended to obtain a ticket in advance to avoid disappointment.



Newtown Linford Parish Council

On the 18th May 2015 we had two Meetings on the same night. First the Annual Meeting of the Parish, which is an overview of the past year. We received reports from the Chairman of the Parish Council, from the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, from me as Clerk and Registrar of Burials and Accounts for the financial year of 2014/15. Thanks to careful budgeting and even more careful spending, the Parish Council was able to carry over a balance of over £30,000 into the new financial year. The second Meeting of the night was the Annual Parish Council meeting. As this is an election year, the first task was for all the Parish Councillors to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Because we had a full complement of our required 7 Councillors, we did not have to hold an election. This saved the Parish a great deal of money.

The next, most important, requirement of this Meeting was to elect a Chairman of the Parish Council. Mr. Ken Waterfall was proposed, seconded and agreed by all Councillors. There was no other nomination. The 7 Parish Councillors for our Parish Council are: Mrs. Sue Colebeck, who lives on Main Street; Mrs. Holly Cross, who lives on Roecliffe Road; Dr. Richard Lowe, who lives on Bradgate Road; Mrs. Pam McMorran, who lives on Main Street; Mrs. Janet Neaverson, who lives on Grey Crescent; Mrs. Sue Pritchard, who lives on Main Street; and last but not least Mr. Ken Waterfall, who also lives on Main Street. If you want to get in touch with any of them let me know and I will give you their full address and telephone number. We all thank Mr. Philip Baker and Mrs. Claire Costello for their dedicated service to the Parish Council, and look forward to working with our two new Councillors, Mrs. Colebeck and Mrs. Cross. We feel sure that they will help us to have another successful year by all doing our best for the community of this wonderful Village.

Next Meetings: the next meeting will be on Monday 22nd June and the following one on Monday 27th July 2015. Both are at 7pm in the small room of the Village Hall. Everyone is very welcome.

Lydia Knott Clerk to the Council

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