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All too soon November comes round again and as usual we will see our Churches fill with people who want to pay homage to those individuals who paid the ultimate sacrifice. The number of people in the population who can remember the Second World War is now a shrinking minority. Anyone who actually fought in it would now have to be in their mid-eighties, so of course, that makes remembrance on a public scale difficult. The Youth Organisations line up at the War Memorials each year, but with the best will in the world it is asking a lot of boys and girls whose grandparents were probably not born until years after the war ended to really understand the impact of those two wars.

There are, though, still many of us who were children of returning service personnel who can remember, however distantly, what that war did to family dynamics as everyone tried desperately to get back to some sort of normality as the trauma inevitably took its toll.

At the end of the war there were speeches promising that the sacrifices made should not be in vain - we would ensure that nothing like this would ever happen again. But it did, over and over again in Korea, Vietnam, the Falklands, Iraq, Afghanistan Syria - the roll-call seems endless and the evidence, if we need it, is of the strange addiction of human beings to violence, conflict and war. We do need to remember that, it is our duty, in view of the sacrifices of so many. but it is no good remembering and then forgetting.

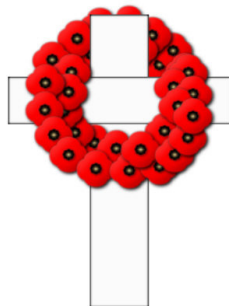
War, says the New Testament, flows from ordinary human sins - greed, envy, bad choices:

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? ² You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. ³
(James4:1-4)

I am having a Martin Luther King moment!!

³ I have a dream that we as individuals make a conscious decision to

eradicate these sins ourselves and then influence others Yes it's difficult but isn't it worth a try? Through Prayer, commitment, love and compassion and even a private peaceful lifestyle we can make steps towards that goal . Some of you may consider these to be small steps, but you know what? The course of history has been changed by less!



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VILLAGE DIARY

November

- 2nd Youth Club/PTA Quiz
- 7th Bradgate Flower Club
- 10th Village Ramblers
- 12th Parish Council Meeting
- 17th Village Hall Traditional Christmas Fayre
- 17th Bishop's Lay Congress

December

- 4th Gardening Club
- 6th - 8th A Christmas Carol - Bradgate Drama Society
- 8th Village Ramblers
- 13th Seniors Christmas Lunch

Regular events

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Monday afternoon | Mature Movers fitness class V. Hall |
| Mondays 8pm at the Church | Bell Ringing |
| 1st Monday of the month | Youth Club |
| 4th Tuesday of the month | Gardening Club |
| 1st Wednesday of the month | Flower Club |
| 3rd Wednesday of the month | Ladies Luncheon Club |
| Thursdays am during school term | Toddlers Group |
| Thursdays eve during school term | Brownies |
| Thursday Evenings | Badminton |
| 3rd Thursday | Gentlemen's Lunch Club |

Newtown Linford Village Hall Committee

SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Thursday 13th December

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God's Economy .. ?

Christian Approaches to the Common Good

.. is the theme of this year's

Bishop's Lay Congress

which is an annual event arranged specifically for
lay people in the Diocese

Saturday 17th November

at The Samworth Enterprise Academy Trenant Road, LE1 6UA

The guest speaker this year is

Clifford Longley

Author, broadcaster and journalist (*you may have heard him on The Moral Maze on Radio 4, and he was a contributor on this year's Lent Course: Handing on the Torch*)

Other speakers who will lead smaller groups (from which participants can choose) are:

Bishop Tim: Morality and the Markets (are there things which money can't buy?)

David Pain: What place at the table for the World's poor?

James Bevan: The House that was Built on Sand: Lessons for Markets & Economies

Michael Green: the Road from Ruin: why citizen power must underpin a popular capitalism for the 21st century

There is no charge for the day

Registration is from 9.30 and the event finishes at 15.45.

Lunch is at 12.15 (Bring your own) .. Drinks are provided

There is a Q & A session at 14.15 and closing Worship at 15.00.

Booking forms are available in all the Churches or for further information, including car sharing, contact the Church Parish Office (2386811) or Janet Carpenter (2392913).

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: [http://www.leicester.anglican.org/events/details/the-bishops-lay-congress-](http://www.leicester.anglican.org/events/details/the-bishops-lay-congress-2012)

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12 - 4.30pm

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Bradgate Flower Club

Bradgate Flower Club had a busy afternoon providing tea and cakes at Newtown Linford's 'Scarecrow Day' at the end of September. In addition to this fund-raising activity, young visitors - from 18 months to twelve years old - joined in the free 'have a go' introduction to flower arranging. Tony Brown's demonstration on 3rd October was well attended by members and their guests and lived up to his theme - 'Fabulous Flowers'.

On 7th November, 'Autumn Inspiration' is the title for Bradgate Flower Club's visiting demonstrator June Borrowdale from Worksop. The Club meets at 7.30 at Newtown Linford Village Hall. Visitors are welcome - a charge of £5 is made.

Please note that the Flower Club's December Meeting will be held in Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall at 7.30 on 5th December, when we can promise a "Christmas Extravaganza" with demonstrator Julie Woods from Great Eversden, Cambridge.

Geraldine Abbott

Jubilee Collage Volunteers required



this year.

We hope to involve young and old to help, starting after Christmas. If you are interested please contact Carol Ann Sugden for more information

Can you sew, embroider or just interested in getting involved in a Jubilee Village Project. It is planned to make a collage of the Queens Jubilee Year and Olympics to be put up in the Village Hall as a memento of the amazing celebrations we have all witness



Village Ramblers 2012

MEET Opposite the Village Hall, to depart at 2pm unless stated otherwise.

10th November	Allan Iliffe	01530 242101
8th December	Ed Killick	01530 249589
Rothley 11am, lunch and A.G.M. afterwards.		
January 12th 2013	Lesley Baker	01509 89077

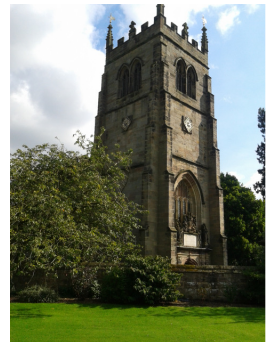
On the afternoon of 13th October, our walk was out and back from the centre of the Village to the new walking territory of Grey Lodge Wood <http://www.nationalforest.org/visit/images/location/pdfs/Grey-Lodge-Wood.pdf> at the edge of Martinshaw Wood between Markfield and Ratby. We went there and back via paths in the Groby Lane area, through Lady Hay Wood to cross the A50 at



Lena Drive Groby, then along the drive past the beautiful gardens of Grey Lodge behind big locked gates, and crossed under the M1 on a country road. Seven people and three dogs enjoyed the cool autumn sunshine, and endured only a few muddy sections and a short rain shower near the end.

Felicity Manning

Thank-you to Felicity for leading such a lovely walk, new to all of us and in super autumn weather, also thanks to Mick and the Cathedral Walkers for inviting us to the Staunton Harold walk. Staunton Harold Church, the only Church built during Cromwell's rule, has a most interesting history. The Church, open to the public, is now managed by the National Trust and well worth a visit. If you go on the permissive path walk, take a pen and note-pad !!



We also enjoyed the last of the Treasures Unlocked walks. After a good lunch in Lutterworth we visited St.Mary's Church ;where Wycliffe preached in the 14th century, the Church spire was lost in the great storm of 1703. and Lady Jane Grey's father appointed the Rector until he

put his daughter on the throne when he lost the patronage. Mick led us on a walk through the quaint village of Bitteswell then to "tea" . A super way to spend a Saturday afternoon in good company in the Autumn sunshine.

ANY QUERIES -Ring Glenis Meredith 01530 242897

Well-behaved dogs only are welcome. To be under the close supervision of the owner, and to be on the lead where there is livestock or nesting birds. Please check with the leader that dogs are allowed across any access land.

Disclaimer. Members are reminded that participation in walks is at their own risk, and that the leader(s) accepts no liability for any loss or injury, however caused.

MOBILE PHONE COVERAGE IN THE VILLAGE

A villager rang me last week to ask which was the best mobile phone network in the village as he was having trouble with his network which was having a detrimental affect on his business. I had to confess we were with Orange and that since the tornado had brought down the mast no longer had coverage. Can anyone help with this problem? Do you get coverage in the village?. If not there should surely be something that could be done.



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NEWTOWN LINFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL



My name is Mrs Chris Chorlton and I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Head-Teacher at Newtown Linford Primary School.

Our new academic year has had an exciting and certainly varied start with a whole new teaching team and a significant increase in numbers of children attending School.

We have redesigned our curriculum to make it relevant and interesting to all our children and all areas of learning now have the following curriculum drivers which shape and lead learning.

Outdoor Learning
Ambition
Community
Spiritual, Moral and Emotional Development

We had an Ofsted Inspection in only the third week of term which has reinforced the priorities we had already identified to enable our unique and special School to develop even further. The Report reflects the journey our School has travelled over the last few years. More importantly it also recognised the good and outstanding teaching happening within school this year, which is in turn enabling children to make good progress. The good leadership and management within School was also recognised and how this is impacting on the progress the school is making.

“The teaching observed during the Inspection in all classes was good or outstanding.....Expectations of the quality and quantity of pupil’s work are high. Questioning is probing and checks understanding while developing learning. Teachers expect pupils to explain clearly how they came to a conclusion or reached an answer in their calculations and more-able pupils are asked very demanding questions.”

“Good behaviour is evident in all areas of the school.”

“Attitudes to learning are good and pupils want to work hard.”

“Pupils are adamant that bullying is rare in the school....and are very clear that the school’s behaviour policy is effective. Pupils from Years 1 to 6 feel that the rewards and sanctions are fair and work well.”

"The Head Teacher's drive and enthusiasm for improvement are evident in the very positive impact she has already had on the School"

"The spiritual, moral, social and cultural education of pupils runs through all areas of school life"

I am keen for our school to take a more active role within the community and I am looking forward in the future to inviting more of you into our School. It was lovely at the Scarecrow Festival recently to welcome so many of you into our School Fete and offer you refreshment.

If anyone would like the opportunity to look around our School or discuss with me any suggestions about how our School could work more closely with groups within the Village please don't hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Chris Chorlton



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Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch A member of the Parish Council



Our PCSO has changed again. P.C. Ed Stephenson is now joined by Laura Grimbley collar 6197. Laura has been to see me and tells me that she has 4 years experience as a Police Community Support Officer mainly working in rural areas like ours. She has visited the village in the past assisting P.C. Steve Rhodes with the speed gun and came to support me and my team with the community speed gun.



By the time you read this we will have completed our four weeks with the Community Speedwatch gun which I believe has been extremely successful particularly on Roecliffe Road. At the time of writing we are into week three and 166 numbers have been submitted from the village. All these vehicles will have been doing 10% plus 2 more than the limit. The volunteers on Roecliffe Road have typed up and submitted their own records to County hall which has been a great help to me. I believe they have submitted over 400.

It has been more difficult to get teams for the village as a lot of the volunteers work and they are all available at different times. County Hall recommended 3 to a team and they were correct. It is not easy to work with 2. You have to be quick to note the make, colour and number of the vehicle. Some makes of car are more obvious than others.

I will give a fuller report in December and will ask Roecliffe Road leader to give a write up as well. The project will have to be evaluated but at this stage I believe it to be a success but it has been difficult for the few dedicated people in the village.

I notice from the Leicestershire Constabulary website that we have a new Commander for our LPU and that is Inspector Gaynor Turner. I do not recall being informed of this and shall now make enquiries about her coming to speak to the Parish Council.

Just a reminder that we vote on the 15th November for our Leicestershire and Rutland Police and Crime Commissioner. You can contact Charnwood Council to obtain a form to appoint a proxy vote if you are out of the Country.

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Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC's).

Talking to local people it seems that they have little information and knowledge about how important the date of 15th November will be when we all should vote for our Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC). I understand that every household in the Police Force area will receive a booklet explaining more about the election and how to fill in your ballot paper.

As Chairman of the Charnwood Community Safety Partnership, I have had some involvement in getting ready for the transfer to our PCC from the Police Authority. The first election for this role will take place on 15th November 2012 across England and Wales, excluding London, where the Mayor of London will be responsible for policing.

In my view, it is most important that residents do go out and vote for a candidate to become our local PCC. He or she will cover the Police Force area of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland. The successful candidate will have a mandate to cut crime and deliver an effective and efficient Police Service and determine the future direction of policing within the Force area. The PCC will also provide stronger and more transparent accountability of the Police. They will be elected by the public to hold the Chief Constable to account, effectively making the Police answerable to the communities they serve.

I understand that the usual polling stations will be used. The only difference being that the election will be conducted under the supplementary vote system, which is currently the system used to elect Mayors. Voters will be asked to select their first and second preferences. I am sure this will be explained more fully in the booklet. Local Community Policing is, in my view, one of the most important areas that make local communities safe and secure. Therefore, I do hope that residents will go out and vote on 15th November and have their say about who will be our first Police and Crime Commissioner for the Police Force area of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland.

New Appointment at Bradgate Park.

After over 50 years service, Michael Harrison has retired as Land Agent and Surveyor to the Bradgate Park Trust. The Trustees are pleased to announce the appointment of Peter Tyldesley as the new Land Agent and Surveyor. Peter is a chartered surveyor with many years experience in the management of a wide range of properties with high conservation value and historic interest and was formally Director of Countryside and Land Management at the Brecon Beacon National Park Authority. He was responsible for developing the Authority's visitor service

and tourism work as well as the management of 16,000 hectare land-holding. Peter was born in Leicester and still has strong family connections in the local area. He is very excited to be taking on the management of somewhere as iconic and well loved as Bradgate Park and is keen to take the views of those who use the park into account as we plan for the future.

As Chairman of the Trustees, I extend a warm welcome to Peter and I am delighted that the Trust has secured such a talented manager to carry on the work that has been completed over many years. On behalf of all the Trustees we wish Michael a happy and relaxing retirement and thank him for his contribution as Land Agent and Surveyor.

**David Snartt,
County and Borough Councillor.**

Newtown Linford Gardening Club

Autumn is really taking its time this year. Here we are well into October and many trees show no sign of changing colour and dropping their leaves; bedding plants are still in bloom and so are many herbaceous plants. Are we faced with a cold icy winter or a very wet warmer one?. Things are never straightforward for a gardener in England and this year has been really difficult to call.

Our September talk on pruning was well-received and the seemingly complex task was made much simpler. We learnt which plants need just a haircut; which ones need to be butchered and how to give most plants proper attention without being too severe. Our speaker also brought some very attractive prizes for a raffle which proved very popular. All in all it was an excellent evening.

The end of our year is always spent with a pre-Christmas party. This bring-and-share evening will be held at Sue Pritchard's house on Tuesday 4th December, starting at 7.00pm and then we will take a short break until activities begin again at the end of January, when we welcome yet another set of interesting speakers and some attractive visits.

We are always pleased to see newcomers. If others would like to join us, please 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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4th November ALL SAINTS DAY	8.00am Holy Communion (LC)		
	9.30am Family Service (LC)	10.00am Worship for All (PH)	10.30am Holy Communion (FB)
	3.00pm at RATBY CHURCH THE SERVICE OF LOVING REMEMBRANCE		
		6.00pm Holy Communion (PH)	
11th November REMEMBRANCE DAY		8.00am Holy Communion (PH)	8.00am Holy Communion (LC)
	10.50am Special (LC/KW)	10.45am Special (PH/FB)	10.50am Special (HH)
	6.30pm Evening Prayer (LC)		
18th November 2nd Sunday before Advent	8.00am Holy Communion (PH)		
	9.30am Morning Prayer (KW)	10.00am Holy Communion (FB)	10.30am Holy Communion (PH)
	6.30pm 3SE (Team)		
25th November CHRIST THE KING			8.00am Holy Communion (PH)
	9.30am Holy Communion (HH)	10.00am Holy Communion (PH)	10.30am Morning Prayer (JW)
	6.30pm Holy Communion (PH)		

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES

NEWTOWN LINFORD	Thur	10am	1st			
GROBY	Wed	9.30am	7th	14th	21st	28th
22 RATBY	Thur	9.30am	8th		22nd	

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Weddings

13th October ~ Dale Jarvis and Le Yang
26th October ~ Steven Gamble and Deborah Dowell

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Baptisms

21st October ~ Taylor Sallis

We welcome them all into the church family.

Funerals

5th October ~ Ralph Jones, formerly of Sharpley Hill, Newtown Linford

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

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Scarecrow Weekend 2012

Once again the weather was kind to us and the rain held off until the moment of prize giving...Competition was fierce between the 50 or so entries and the judges had a hard time picking between them (thank you Ken, Janet and Phil for your time and deliberations!)

The eventual winners were :-

Under 10	GOLD	Olympic Torch Relay
	SILVER	How! Hiawatha
	BRONZE	Olympic Archer
10 -18	GOLD	Harry Potter vs. Voldemort
	SILVER	Rebecca Adlingcrow
	BRONZE	Hiking Mike
Over 18	GOLD	Diamond Jubilee Party
	SILVER	(C)rowing for Gold
	BRONZE	Alice in Wonderland
Group	GOLD	Syn-crow-nized Swimming
	SILVER	A few wobbles on the horizontal
		bar.....
	BRONZE	I'll catch you Ma'am
And peoples Choice:-		Alice in Wonderland

Over the weekend, local organisations raised about £2,500 including the School, Bell Ringers, Youth Club, Toddlers/ playgroup, Air Ambulance and the Scarecrow Committee itself (which donated it's £100 profit to LOROS and Macmillan nurses- not unfortunately the large amount stated in the Leicester Mercury!). Local businesses also reported greatly increased trade during the weekend....

Very many grateful thanks to all who demonstrated such great imagination and construction skills in their creations - which so many hundreds of people enjoyed. Also to all of those who worked so hard to raise these funds.

I have all the fantastic photos taken of each scarecrow on my computer (thank you to Emily Rigg). Although my poor little printer isn't up to supplying hardcopies we can easily email you yours if you wish. Just contact susanpritchard@hotmail.com....

See you all next Autumn

Sue, Jan and Pam



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Newtown Linford Scarecrow Competition Winners 2012



Under 10 Winners - Olympic Torch
10 - 18 Winner Harry Potter VS Voldemort





Over 18 Winner Diamond Jubilee

Group Winner Synchronised Swim





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Under 10 Silver How! Hiawatha

10-18 Bronze Hiking Mike

Over 18 (C)rowing for Gold

10-18 Silver Rebecca Adlingcrow

Group - Silver a Few Wobbles on the horizontal bar...

Under 10 Bronze - Olympic Archer

Above

Bell Ringers entries

Below Peoples Choice Winner Alice in Wonderland



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Brownies - Twinlakes 2012

Brownies of Newtown Linford went to Twin Lakes on the 1st September 2012. The weather was very sunny so we were all hoping to play in the new Splash zone water park.

We arrived at 10am and played on the

- Buffalo Rollercoaster
- Pirate ships
- Caterpillar ride
- Horses
- Log Flume.

Finally to end a special day we all spent half an hour getting soaked in the Splash zone.

Thank you to Brown Owl for organising a great day for us all.



Robyn Harrison aged 8

60th Birthday Celebrations!

Jan Croft from the village recently celebrated her retirement and 60th birthday in Pennsylvania, Amish County, with her friend Carol and her husband Cliff. She was taken to Hershey Chocolate Gardens where there were many superb gourds and pumpkins displayed on straw bales plus many more with scarecrows on route.



(see photo)

Jan met Carol 31 years ago when working for the Sue Ryder Foundation as a Health Visitor promoting health in the rural villages of Belize, Central America. Even after a long day of getting up 6am to boil glass syringes and metal needles to give vaccines to babies and children, malaria tablets to those with fever, worm medicine to those with large bellies, applying gentian violet to machete wounds and health education chats to the locals, Carol would entertain and energise Jan again by singing, Jan would join in harmony on the 2 hour trip back.

They have remained in touch ever since, indeed, Carol and her daughter visited Newtown Linford in 2007 whilst her husband and other 2 daughters were playing soccer on a Great Britain tour.

"Jan has been one of my life's best surprises as we've travelled, laughed, and shared life together," says Carol Wenger of Lancaster, PA.

(Here is a link sharing a story of one of our Belizean adventures.

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Holly Whittaker

Holly climbed Mount Kilimanjaro for charity in August this year. She had a very successful fundraising evening in the Newtown Linford Village Hall last summer, which featured local resident Darren Turner in a tribute to Elvis show. Many people in the Village attended, and they will probably be interested to know that Holly has successfully completed her challenge.

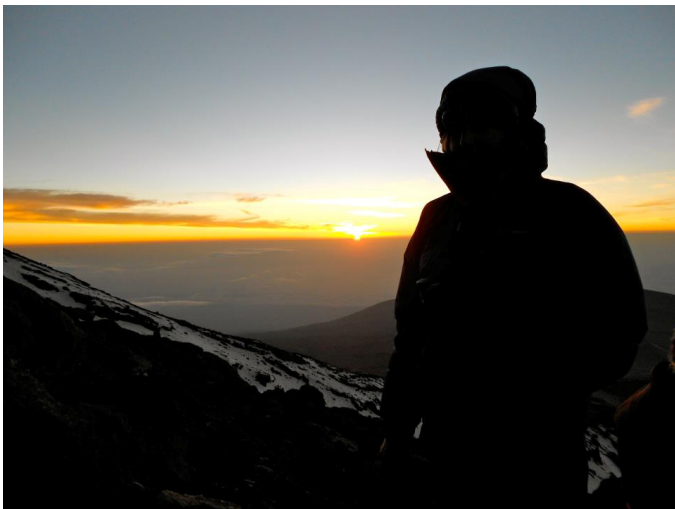
Holly and her Aberystwyth University team flew out to Tanzania towards the end of August and spent a day looking at a school supported by Childreach International, the Charity for which Holly had raised £3,000 and



her team had raised over £36,000. The Charity works with local communities in Tanzania, Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Cambodia and Pakistan to help improve childrens' access to healthcare, education and child rights and protection. The school children were so keen to meet the students that they came into school even though they were on their summer holiday! I have attached a photo of Holly with some of the school children. Holly said, "I was amazed at how happy the children were and how they really appreciated being able to attend school. The children were fascinated by the group's digital cameras and loved looking at the photos of themselves!"

The team then started the climb of Mount Kilimanjaro and took several days to ascend up to and past the clouds, up to the summit at 5,895 metres above sea level. They passed through rain forest, scrubland, desert and tundra on their ascent and saw some plants that only grow on Kilimanjaro. On the final day of the ascent, they completed their day's trek, had dinner and went to bed at 7 pm. They were woken up for breakfast at

10.30 pm that same night, and left camp at 11.50 pm to ascend the scree slopes in the dark, when the ground was frozen. Holly said, "The long climb in the dark was really hard as we were still tired from the day's trek and the extreme altitude made physical exertion and breathing difficult. We couldn't even drink and walk at the same time, and we quickly got cold if we stayed still for more than a few minutes at a time. I'll never forget the sunrise over the clouds -



it was a truly magical moment. Everyone climbing on the mountain summit stopped and turned to watch it." I have attached a photo of Holly with the sunrise over the clouds near the summit of Kilimanjaro.

It took another hour of climbing from this point to Uhuru Peak, the summit of the mountain, and Holly was exhausted but absolutely delighted to be able at last to stand on top of the 'roof of Africa' (photo attached). Holly said, " I would like to thank everyone who supported me in this challenge event and donated money to improve the lives of children in Tanzania. It was the experience of a lifetime."



From the Records

1993 The Latest Comments in the Village Magazine

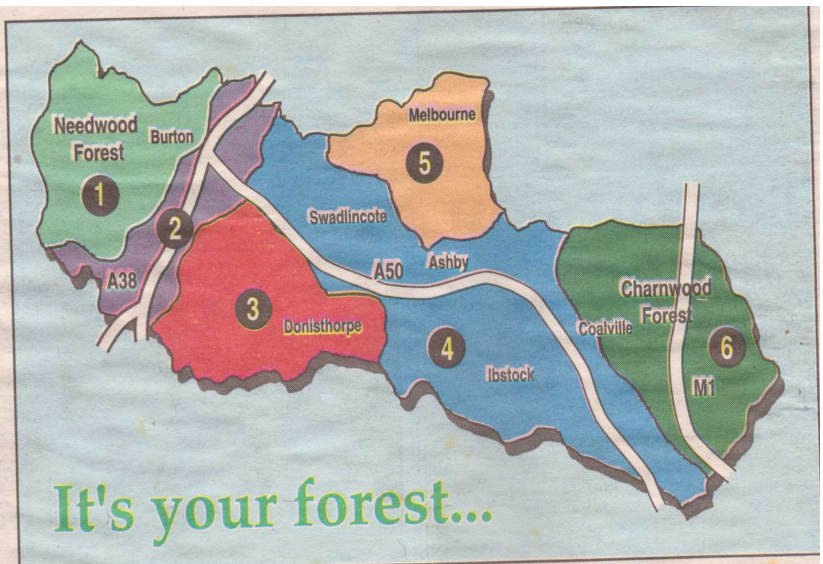
Is the National Forest your image of a Forest?

It is now over twenty years since the idea was mooted for a National Forest in the Midlands. Not just solid trees but wooded areas, farm woodlands and hedgerow trees. Interspaced with grassland and a third for arable crops, not forgetting to retain the local characteristics the Needwood Forest, the broad open valley of the River Trent, the industrial legacy of the coalfields and the rugged terrain of the Charnwood Forest.

The aim was to cover a third of the area with trees instead of the original 1/6 most in the first ten years (I do not know if this happened). They were hoping to include 60% broadleaf trees and 40% conifers.

It was put out to consultation and all the counties involved agreed. The Government was to provide £4 million to start with followed by a annual amount.

Another factor was that they were hoping to get the EU members to agree to allowing Set Aside areas to be used for trees (again I don't know if



this happened). Over the years many of you will have been involved in tree planting. From 1990 - 1993 half a million saplings were planted in 200 square miles of land earmarked for trees. A total of 30 million is the target. Twenty years on they are beginning to be a positive part of the landscape. The scars on the landscape - the coalfields and the extraction industries have been responsible for reinstating the areas so they can be integrated in the Forest Plan. The aim for the Forest is for it to be a viable area, enjoyable to live in, a good area for work and plenty of leisure facilities.



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NEWTOWN LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

It is with great sadness I have to tell you that we have lost a kind benefactor in **Charles Yeates** who died at the beginning of September. He made donations to the newly formed Youth Club, the refurbishment of the Village Hall and the redesign of the Playing Field. He was a shy and private man, who did not want any public acknowledgement of his generosity. We shall always be grateful to him.

At the end of September **Delia Brock** died. She was a County and Borough Councillor for many years, who supported the villages in her care with all her heart. Newtown Linford must thank her for being instrumental in saving us from having what would have been the largest quarry in Europe on our doorstep. She had been out of politics for some years, but we still appreciate all the help she has given to this community.

Flooding: I am now storing a supply of sandbags. If you need any in an emergency please let me know.

Minutes of the Parish Council meetings can be read on our Website, at the Village Store or at my house (by appointment).

The next meeting is on Monday 12th November 2012 at 7 pm in the small hall of the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome.

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