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# DISEWORTH DIARY

## MAY

|          |                  |                                                                                           |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thursday | 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Retired Residents Spring Lunch. 1pm. £2 per person.                                       |
| Sunday   | 10 <sup>th</sup> | Blue Bag Collection. Village Hall.                                                        |
| Monday   | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Womens Discussion Group. "Words we would like to abolish".<br>Venue 9 The Woodcroft. 2pm. |
| Monday   | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Womens Group. 8pm Village Hall. AGM revisited, plus a talk.                               |
| Tuesday  | 12 <sup>th</sup> | Millennium Meadow AGM. Small Committee Room.<br>Village Hall, 8pm.                        |
| Friday   | 15 <sup>th</sup> | "Blithe Spirit" 7.30pm. Village Hall.                                                     |
| Saturday | 16 <sup>th</sup> | "Blithe Spirit" 7.30pm. Village Hall.                                                     |
| Saturday | 16 <sup>th</sup> | Spring Plant Sale, Heritage Centre 10am - 1pm                                             |
| Saturday | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Church Coffee Morning and Book Stall.                                                     |

## JUNE

|          |                  |                                                                                        |
|----------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday   | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Womens Discussion Group. "How to lift a bad mood". Venue<br>Isley Farm, Ladygate. 2pm. |
| Saturday | 13 <sup>th</sup> | Diseworth Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens                                          |
| Sunday   | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Diseworth Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens                                          |

## JULY

|        |                 |                                                                            |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday | 6 <sup>th</sup> | Womens Discussion Group. "An Apple a Day?" Venue<br>20 Clements Gate. 2pm. |
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## SEPTEMBER

|          |                  |                        |
|----------|------------------|------------------------|
| Saturday | 12 <sup>th</sup> | Diseworth Flower Show. |
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*Launde Spring Fair*  
*Bank Holiday Monday*  
*Monday May 25<sup>th</sup>*

Items for all stalls gratefully received.

To arrange collection please contact Lizette Pugh  
0116 2375369 or [lizettepugh@hotmail.com](mailto:lizettepugh@hotmail.com) and  
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2nd Saturday of every month  
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Primary School,  
The Dovecote,  
Castle Donington

# *Welcome to the May issue of the Diseworth Dialogue*



I hope you all had a lovely Easter and have recovered from eating all those Easter eggs! During the holidays, my son and I spent a wonderful Sunday afternoon-Lambing Sunday- at Manor Farm. Thomas held a week old lamb and we were able to watch a lamb being born. (Fortunately, no awkward questions were broached following the event! In fact I think I was more squeamish than my son!) We had a lovely time and it made me realise how lucky we are to live in the countryside.

April was a busy month for the village. The charity market did well and the opening of the Heritage centre was a huge success. A report of both events can be found in this month's magazine.

Now we turn our attention to events happening in May. The Retired Resident's lunch is on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May and the Community Theatre's production of *Blythe Spirit* will take place on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Blue Bag collection for the Girl Guides on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, a Spring Plant Sale at the Heritage Centre on the 16<sup>th</sup> and finally, the church is proposing to have a lending library - a brilliant idea- so dig out all those books that are gathering dust and bring them to the church. Both adult and children's literature will be greatly appreciated. You will be able to borrow books at the coffee morning held in church on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month starting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May.

I end my letter with two very important pieces of information, details of which you will find in the magazine. Firstly, the A and E department at the DRI will be moving to Derby City Hospital on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. Thank you to Karen Jepson for passing this vital news on to us. Secondly, following the vandalism that took place in the village last month, car theft is also a growing problem in the area. Thieves are taking people's car keys by 'fishing' for them through letter boxes, windows etc. So BEWARE, put your keys out of sight and if someone comes to your front door, make sure your back door is locked before you see who is at the front door.

Have a great, crime free month!

*Peggy Under*

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*



photograph Julia Sillitoe

*Dear Friends,*

During our Lent course this year, we had cause to think about Saints, and so I thought I'd spend a while thinking about the Saints that the church celebrate over the next couple of months.

The first that caught my eye was Julian of Norwich (c1300's), whose life we celebrate on 8<sup>th</sup> May. A hermit living next to the Church of St Julian in Norwich, little is known about her (even her name is derived from where she lived!). However we do know that she had a series of visions about God which enabled millions of Christians to see God as a loving mother as well as father, and also gave them hope in the oft quoted phrase "...All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well". This phrase is one of my favourites, reminding us that our plans, ways and timings are not God's – and even in the midst of tragedy, all will eventually be well.

The second saint I have cause to bring to your attention is one who has a real fascination for one of my parishioners, and I said that I would find out more about him for her – and so also for you! St Anthony of Padua or Lisbon is said to have lived in the 1100's, and is widely regarded as the patron saint of lost things. Quite why that is so is unclear, as if anything, he ought to be the saint of preaching as, when finding that a visiting group of Monks were expecting a sermon from someone in the community to which Anthony belonged, his Abbot decided Anthony should be the man! And with no time to prepare, he amazed his listeners with his eloquence and depth of understanding – something I would love to aspire to but sadly all too often fail at! However, one source seems to put his unlikely patronage down to a particular incident:

The reason for invoking St. Anthony's help in finding lost or stolen things is traced back to an incident in his own life. As the story goes, Anthony had a book of psalms that was very important to him. Besides the value of any book before the invention of printing, the Psalter had the notes and comments he had made to use in teaching students in his Franciscan Order.

A novice who had already grown tired of living religious life decided to depart the community. Besides going AWOL he also took Anthony's Psalter! Upon realizing



# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## Services & Locations for May 2009

|                                    | Time                                         | Service                                                                             | Location                                                                                         |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| May 3 <sup>rd</sup>                | 8.00am<br><b>10.30am</b>                     | BCP Holy Communion<br><b>Family Service</b>                                         | Hathern & Kegworth<br><b>Diseworth</b> , Hathern,<br>Kegworth & Belton                           |
|                                    |                                              | All Age Worship<br>CW Morning Prayer                                                | Long Whatton<br>Osgathorpe                                                                       |
|                                    | 6.15pm                                       | BCP Evensong                                                                        | Belton & Kegworth                                                                                |
| May 7 <sup>th</sup>                | 9.00am                                       | School Assembly                                                                     | Diseworth                                                                                        |
| May 10 <sup>th</sup>               | 8.00am<br>9.00am<br><b>10.30am</b>           | BCP Holy Communion<br>BCP Holy Communion<br><b>CW Holy Communion</b>                | Belton & Kegworth<br>Osgathorpe<br><b>Diseworth</b> , Kegworth,<br>Hathern & L. Whatton          |
|                                    | 6.15pm                                       | Benefice Service<br>Prayer, Peace & Healing<br>BCP Evensong                         | Hathern<br><br>Kegworth                                                                          |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |
| May 17 <sup>th</sup>               | 8.00am<br><b>9.00am</b>                      | BCP Holy Communion<br><b>CW Holy Communion</b>                                      | Kegworth<br><b>Diseworth</b>                                                                     |
|                                    | 10.30am                                      | CW Holy Communion<br>Family Service<br>Songs of Praise                              | Belton & L. Whatton<br>Kegworth<br>Osgathorpe                                                    |
|                                    | 6.15pm                                       | BCP Holy Communion<br>BCP Evensong                                                  | Hathern<br>Kegworth & Belton                                                                     |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |
| May 21 <sup>st</sup><br>(Thursday) | 7.30am                                       | CW Holy Communion for<br>Ascension Day                                              | Hathern                                                                                          |
| May 24 <sup>th</sup>               | <b>8.00am</b><br>9.00am<br>10.30am<br>6.15pm | <b>BCP Holy Communion</b><br>CW Holy Communion<br>CW Holy Communion<br>BCP Evensong | <b>Diseworth</b> & Kegworth<br>Osgathorpe<br>Hathern & Kegworth<br>Belton, Hathern &<br>Kegworth |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |
| May 27 <sup>th</sup>               | 7.30pm                                       | Benefice Praise Evening                                                             | Hathern                                                                                          |
| May 31 <sup>st</sup>               | 8.00am<br>10.30am<br><b>6.15pm</b>           | BCP Holy Communion<br>CW Holy Communion<br><b>BCP Holy Communion</b>                | Kegworth & L. Whatton<br>Hathern & Kegworth<br><b>Diseworth</b>                                  |
|                                    | 6.15pm                                       | BCP Evensong                                                                        | Belton, Kegworth<br>& Osgathorpe                                                                 |
|                                    |                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                                  |



# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## Lessons and Readers for May 2009

|                                   | Time                                                                                                                    | Reader                           | Sidesman  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| May 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Easter 4   | 1st Reading: <b>10.30am</b><br>Acts 4.5-12<br>2nd Reading: 1 John 3.16-24<br>Gospel: John 140.11-18                     |                                  |           |
| May 10 <sup>th</sup><br>Easter 5  | 1st Reading: <b>10.30am</b><br>Acts 8.26-40<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 4.7-21<br>Gospel: John 15.1-8            | A Stone<br>R Harris<br>D Cherry  | M Howe    |
| May 17 <sup>th</sup><br>Easter 6  | 1st Reading: <b>9.00am</b><br>Acts 10.44-48<br>2nd Reading: 1 John 5.1-6<br>Gospel: John 15.9-17                        | S Brompton<br>T Walker<br>S Bird | D Cherry  |
| May 24 <sup>th</sup><br>Easter 7  | 1st Reading: <b>8.00am</b><br>Acts 1.15-17,21-26<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 5.9-13<br>Gospel: John 17.6-19      | D Griffin<br><br>S Bird          | T Griffin |
| May 31 <sup>st</sup><br>Pentecost | 1st Reading: <b>6.15pm</b><br>Acts 2.1-21<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 8.22-27<br>Gospel: John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15 | R Edwards<br><br>M Gidlow        |           |

*If you are unable to read on the date shown please arrange for someone else to do so.*



### Church Flowers and Brasses

|                                        | Flowers       | Brasses      |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| May 10 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> | Mrs R Harris  | Mrs R Harris |
| May 24 <sup>th</sup> /31 <sup>st</sup> | Mrs A Brookes | Mrs R Smith  |

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## *News from the Pews*

### Annual Parochial Church Meeting

This meeting was held in the church on 24<sup>th</sup> March. The Annual Report of church activities was presented as well as the annual accounts. Reports were also given by the Deanery Synod representative, Electoral Roll officer, School Governor and Revd. Gill Turner-Callis.

The following representatives were elected:

|                          |                                                                                              |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Churchwarden:            | David Bird                                                                                   |
| Assistant Warden:        | Muriel Howe                                                                                  |
| Electoral Roll Officer:  | Nancy Cowley                                                                                 |
| Lay Chairperson:         | Sue Brompton                                                                                 |
| PCC Secretary:           | Rosemary Harris                                                                              |
| PCC Treasurer:           | Janet Fletcher                                                                               |
| Hon. Auditor:            | David Thomas                                                                                 |
| Deanery Synod Rep:       | Vacant                                                                                       |
| Benefice Representative: | Sue Bird                                                                                     |
| Church Fabric Rep:       | Gordon Fletcher                                                                              |
| PCC Members:             | Denise Blenkinsopp, Audrey Brooks, Pat Cotton,<br>Linda Gaymer, Mary Gidlow, Rosalyn Edwards |

### Other Benefice Services, Meetings and Social Events in May 2009

|                                        |                 |                                                        |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| May 2 <sup>nd</sup>                    | Saturday        | Hathern Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon              |
| May 3 <sup>rd</sup>                    | Sunday          | Hathern Church Music Café 6.00pm-8pm                   |
| May 5 <sup>th</sup>                    | Tuesday         | Kegworth House Group 7.30pm                            |
| May 6 <sup>th</sup>                    | Wednesday       | Hathern House Group 7.30pm                             |
| May 8 <sup>th</sup>                    | Friday          | Long Whatton Church Jazz Night 7.30pm                  |
| May 9 <sup>th</sup>                    | Saturday        | Kegworth Church Coffee Morning 10am -12 noon           |
| May 13 <sup>th</sup>                   | Wednesday       | Benefice Representatives Meeting, 7.30pm,<br>Belton    |
| May 16 <sup>th</sup>                   | Saturday        | Long Whatton Coffee Morning, Friendship Centre         |
| May 19 <sup>th</sup>                   | Tuesday         | Kegworth House Group 7.30pm                            |
| <b>May 23<sup>rd</sup></b>             | <b>Saturday</b> | <b>Diseworth Church Coffee Morning 10am - 12 noon</b>  |
| May 23 <sup>rd</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> | Sat/Sun/Mon     | Belton Church Plant Sale, Village Hall, 10am-6pm       |
| May 25 <sup>th</sup>                   | Monday          | Benefice Bible Study, 33 Green Hill, Hathern<br>7.30pm |
| May 27 <sup>th</sup>                   | Wednesday       | Benefice Praise Evening, Hathern Church, 7.30pm        |

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## *News from the Pews*

### **Book Stall – Diseworth Church**

We are proposing to have a book stall/lending library in Diseworth Church, which can be accessed during the monthly Coffee Mornings on the fourth Saturday of each month. Books will be available for 50p each, and can either be kept by the purchaser or returned to church for someone else to read.



We need a stock of good quality books to start the ball rolling, both adult and children's books will be most welcome. Please leave them in church or come along to the coffee morning on 23<sup>rd</sup> May when you can hand in the books you have read and hopefully find another one to take home to read!



*New Orleans*  
**HEAT**  
formerly The Big Red Boat

**All Saints  
Church, Long  
Whatton**

**JAZZ NIGHT**

with New Orleans Heat  
Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May  
7.30pm

Tickets £8 available from Long Whatton Post Office,  
Betty Cawdell (01509-842234) or on the door

*Catholic Church of the Risen Lord.*

Hillside, Castle Donington

Mass every Sunday 9am



*Kegworth Methodist Church*

High St. Kegworth



**Sunday Services**

Morning Worship - 10.30am

Praise Worship – 6.15pm (First Sunday each month)

Minister – Rev. Manville Wiles. Tel. No. 01509 672479



*Kegworth Baptist Church*

High St. Kegworth



**Sunday Services**

Morning Worship & Sunday School – 10.30am

Evening Worship – 6.15pm (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month)

Lead Deacon: Paul Phillips 01509-551464

# Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens



**Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> June  
and  
Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June  
2009**

**11am – 5pm each day**

We would be most grateful for anyone willing to open their garden for this event – please contact David Bird on 01332-810381 or any PCC member

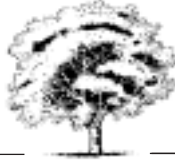
We also hope that everyone will support the Scarecrow Festival by displaying a scarecrow outside their house!

There will be floral displays in the church with the theme  
“Colours of the Rainbow”

Songs of Praise ~ Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

## Scarecrow Workshop

There will be a workshop in the church on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> June from 10am for children to come with their parents to make a scarecrow.



## LIVING UNDER THE SHADOW OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS

For the last year we have been living with the possibility that some of our cattle may have bovine tuberculosis.

In May 2008 we had a routine test to screen all our cattle for bovine TB. When the results were checked, we were told by the vet that 3 animals had reacted positively to the skin test. This was a devastating blow for us, as it meant we were immediately placed under restrictions that prevented us from buying or selling any cattle. It was a very difficult time for us, as effectively the farm had no prospect of income until corn harvest in August 2008.



More tests were carried out during the summer to confirm that the three cattle, which were all cows, were definitely reactors, and then these affected animals were taken away and destroyed. Their lungs were examined for TB lesions, and none were found, so tissue samples were taken to the laboratory to see if cultures could be grown, proving that one or all of the animals had TB. All results came back negative much to our relief.

In the meantime, all our cattle had to be tested every 60 days, and fortunately some restrictions were removed and we could buy and sell under a license issued from the Animal Health Department.

Now, finally in March this year, we have had a full herd test that has shown only 3 inconclusive reactors, which should mean a lifting of most of our restrictions with only the 3 affected animals being tested sometime in May.

So why have we suddenly developed a problem with TB in our herd when we have never had any problems with it before. No one is really sure but history gives us some strong clues. Back in the

1940s as many as 40% of cattle herds had TB. After the war, widespread testing of all cattle was carried out. All infected cattle were culled and as herds became clear of TB they were given TT accredited status. At the same time, badger latrines were also tested for TB, and those badger setts also found to be infected with TB were culled by gassing all the badgers in those setts. Over time, there was a dramatic decline in TB in cattle, so that by 1981, less than 0.1% of herds were found to have TB, with only 500 cattle being culled as reactors a year, a considerable achievement.

In 1987 a new strategy was implemented that was less rigorous which meant that infected setts were only taken out on the farms where reactors were found. Infected setts were left alone on neighbouring farms.

During the ten years from 1987 until 1997, incidence of TB in cattle rose steadily. Then from 1997 until the present day, controls have been based solely on destroying reactors in cattle, implementing movement restrictions and leaving the badgers alone. As a result, there has been a massive increase in incidence of TB and 40,000 cattle are now being culled each year. Farmers are not anti badger, but history seems to show that to keep TB in cattle under control, infected badger setts must also be culled.

What we want is healthy cattle and healthy badgers, but if the powers that be do not act soon, we shall not only have a lot more cattle reactors in the national herd, but an awful lot of sick and dying badgers in our countryside also.

**DERBY HOSPITALS ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY  
DEPARTMENT**

**THE A & E DEPARTMENT AT DRI ON LONDON ROAD WILL  
TRANSFER TO THE DERBY CITY HOSPITAL SITE  
AT 02.00 ON  
WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**EMERGENCY PATIENTS MUST GO TO THE CITY HOSPITAL  
AND NOT DRI FROM THIS DATE**

**PLEASE TELL EVERYONE YOU KNOW**

# Charnwood Community Theatre



Present  
**‘Blithe Spirit’**  
by  
**Noel Coward**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May &  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Diseworth Village Hall  
7.30 pm

Tickets £6.00 and £4.00

For more information:  
Tel: 01509 232140 or 01332 810785



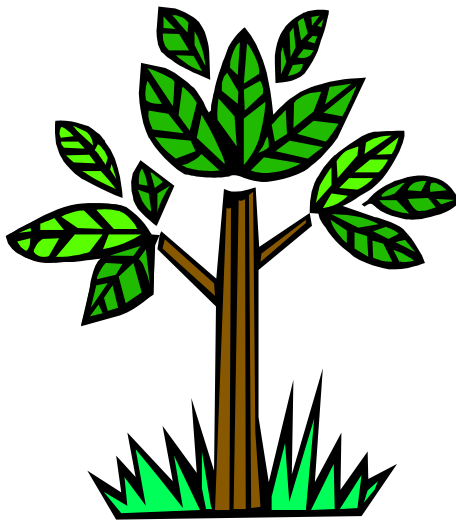
# Retired Residents Spring Lunch

Thursday 7th May 2009

Village Hall  
1pm

£2 per person

Book now - 853647





## LORD LIEUTENANT OPENS THE DISEWORTH HERITAGE CENTRE

A large number of people including members of the Diseworth Heritage Trust, representatives from the Heritage Lottery Fund, East Midlands Airport and other major funders applauded as the Lord Lieutenant, Lady Gretton, unveiled the plaque to open the Heritage Centre. Also in attendance was Lord Crawshaw and many members from Long Whatton, Penny Coates Managing Director of East Midlands Airport, Ian McAlpine Chair of the Community Foundation, Jeremy Prescott Director of the Rural Community Council, MP David Taylor and a number of senior officials from Leicestershire County Council, all of whom had provided considerable support to the refurbishment of the former Baptist Church into the community building it is today.



*Martin and  
Nikki Hening  
pictured with  
Lady Gretton,  
Penny Coates  
and Gail Pringle  
(HLF)*

Lady Gretton praised the hard work and determination of the trustees and many supporters who have worked so hard for the past few years against many setbacks to ensure the building was saved. Emma Sayer, Regional Manager, Heritage Lottery Fund, commented that the whole project was an example of a dream of a small group which had attracted the support and encouragement of so many people and funders and that it was very much within the aims of the Heritage Lottery Fund. Certainly it is the members from Diseworth & Long Whatton who have all contributed in some way which has encouraged the Trust to complete the huge task.

Thanks to trustee Malcolm Mitchell who arranged for the local constabulary to arrive with bollards to ensure continued safe passage for through traffic as people arrived. Cars were redirected to the Bull & Swan car park and their cheerful presence was a great help. This was mentioned by Mr and Mrs Coleman (members of the Trust) who had travelled from



*The Main Hall*

Great Yarmouth. Mr Coleman was born in Diseworth and often returned to visit his aunt & uncle Dot & Alan Yates.

As visitors arrived 'cellist Peggy Tudor played Bach music from the gallery which was the old Sunday School room and is now an IT Centre. The event was a great success thanks to the hard work of many people over the last few weeks.

The trustees, David Cherry, Tony Griffin, Malcolm Mitchell and Geoff Smith have all provided so much support; Treasurer Peter Miller, Company Secretary Meg Galley and Finance Officer Kevin Walker. Ruth Smith for printing tickets for all events, Victoria Britton for managing our promotional material and especially for arranging for the plaque to be made in time for the opening, and Nigel Atkinson who completed the notice board in time for the opening.

Special thanks to Paul Taylor who has handled the websites which have received much praise; he also provided a rolling tape of the whole reconstruction process of the building during the Opening Event and masterminded the setting up of the IT Suite. It is through the website that the Trust has received so many requests concerning the Heritage Centre. Thanks to Derek and Sandra from the Bull & Swan for providing such a sumptuous buffet and to three people who waited on the guests, serving drinks, clearing tables and leaving the kitchen ready for the next event. Ruth, Julie and Madeleine, a very hard working trio.

The Heritage Centre already has bookings for events but will have open days for both Diseworth and Long Whatton throughout the summer. Notices will be placed on the Notice Board outside the Centre. Booking arrangements can be made through the website below or by telephone 0778 539 3578.

e.mail [info@diseworthcentre.org](mailto:info@diseworthcentre.org) website [www.diseworthcentre.org](http://www.diseworthcentre.org)

*Nikki Hening*

# DEFRA Minister meets at Diseworth Heritage Centre



The DEFRA Minister, Huw Arranca-Davies selected the new Diseworth Heritage Centre for a meeting with senior members of LRP to discuss Rural Proofing. He asked first for a tour of the Centre and congratulated all those who had made it possible, saying it is a fine example of good use of disused buildings for the benefit of the community.



Pictured from left, Martin Hening, Huw Arranca-Davies, Lesley Pendleton, County Councillor and Chair of Leicestershire Rural Partnership, Nikki Hening

# Eric the Diseworth Dog Whisperer



For as long as I can remember I have wanted to own two dogs. Last year I felt the time was right. “You don’t know what you are letting yourself in for”. All the advice was freely given.

I think most of the village has seen or heard of my efforts at dog walking. I tried stones in a jar, whistles, water pistols, even muzzles in an effort to be in control.

One day, out of the blue, appeared Eric (DDW).

“Perhaps I can help,” he said.

It is truly amazing what he can do. He is exactly like the man on the television.

So if you, or someone you know, needs help as I did, look no further.

I am eternally grateful to Eric the Diseworth Dog Whisperer.

*Norma*

# Diseworth School News



The children have been really busy this term. They've had a visit from the police to tell them about road safety, had Leicester Tiger players coming in to help improve their rugby, as well as seeing Jungle Book at the theatre.

On Red Nose day they dressed up in 'silly' clothes, iced (and ate) chocolate buns, and paid to tell jokes in assembly. We raised £130 for comic relief.

Class 1 have been learning about transport and are looking forward to their trip to Crich Tramway Village. They also held a rainbow art morning and invited parents to come and join in. They made a fantastic display for the school hall, and had fun chalking and painting outside. Have a look at our school website to see more:

[www.diseworthprimary.co.uk](http://www.diseworthprimary.co.uk)

There are some great games to play, and you can also have a virtual tour of our school.

Class 2 led the assembly in church, and told us the Easter story through artwork, songs and readings. The school's church assembly is held on the first Thursday each month at 9am and everyone is welcome.

Class 3 are looking forward to their residential trip. This year they'll be going to Whitby for four days of fun.

They have just taken part in a collaborative singing performance with other feeder schools at Castle Donington High School. If you want to check out some of the songs, then look at the new Government site set up to encourage singing at school: [www.singup.org](http://www.singup.org)

If you have any queries, or would like to arrange a visit for your child, please contact Mrs Woffindin on 810208.



We started off the year by beginning our Party Go For It badge, which we are continually working towards. The end of January saw us celebrating Chinese New Year by sampling Chinese delicacies such as Dim Sum and banana fritters.

In March we went to the Nottingham Ice Skating Rink where Victoria Linthwaite was enrolled as a young leader. This exciting event was followed by a Barn Dance which was enjoyed by all.

After these events Caroline Jarrom came to help us make boxes for Mothers Day. Everyone's boxes turned out beautifully and were loved by our mothers.

If you are a girl between ten and fourteen years old and would like to become a Guide, call Sandie on 01332 814 939. We meet every Monday during term time at Diseworth School.

Finally our next Blue Bag collection is on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of May.

### **Where's the best place to keep your money?**

- Keep it in your Lego box.
- I keep my money in my grandmother's piggy bank. I have got thousands and thousands of pennies. Probably 1,002.
- I think it is much safer to keep your money in your house because bank robbers don't often rob houses because there are dogs and cats there.
- The best place to keep money safe is behind my snowman.

*... answers as given by primary school children!*

# DIALOGUE DISPATCHES

If you have items for the JUNE ISSUE of the *Dialogue* please give to a committee member or email to peggy.tudor@btinternet.com sue@cbrompton.fsnet.co.uk and ruth@airnig.co.uk There is **NO CHARGE** to put items into the magazine - (except the yellow pages). Please share with us your stories and announcements.

**PLEASE MEET THE DEADLINE of the 7<sup>th</sup> MAY**

## Heritage Centre Opening

Thanks to the miracles of modern science, you can see some pictures of the opening, and watch part of Lady Gretton's speech, or listen to the Radio Leicester coverage, on the News page of the DHC web site at

[http://  
www.diseworthcentre.org/  
news.htm](http://www.diseworthcentre.org/news.htm)



## NEW BABY

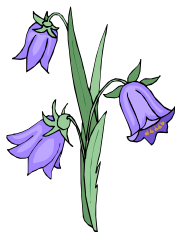
Congratulations to Jody at The Bull and Swan on the birth of his son, Charlie James Bexon. Charlie was born on the 10th March at 7.48am, weighing 7lb 5oz.

## *Congratulations Hannah and Max*

on qualifying for the Trailblazers Dressage National Championships at Stoneleigh in July!  
All your hard work is beginning to pay off!  
Well Done!!!

Love from Mum, Dad, and Matthew

*Extra copies of the  
Diseworth Dialogue will be  
on sale in both  
The Plough and The Bull &  
Swan and also in Long  
Whatton Post Office*



SHARDLOW Open  
Gardens

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May  
2009  
11am 'til 5pm

*Entry by way of Map and Admission  
programme obtained from  
The Village Hall, The Wharf*

*£2.00 per person  
Accompanied children free  
Free Parking*

## DISEWORTH & LONG WHATTON MILLENNIUM MEADOW AGM

TUESDAY, MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> 2009  
8.00PM

Small Committee Room,  
Diseworth Village Hall.

All Residents of Diseworth and LongWhatton are most welcome as all are considered to be members by virtue of residence and therefore eligible to vote. There are still vacancies for committee members if anyone would like to join us.



# DIALOGUE DISPATCHES

## Thank You

Grateful thanks to all those helpers and visitors who supported the Charity Sale in Diseworth Village hall on Saturday 4th April. The Sale raised £120.00 and will be divided between local charities for Air Ambulance for Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland, Diseworth Village Hall and Rainbows Children's Hospice, Loughborough. Surplus items were donated to the YMCA Charity shop in Loughborough. Thank you,

Alan



## Spring Plant Sale.

*Tomato plants, lettuce etc, bedding plants, perennials.*

**Diseworth Heritage Centre.  
Saturday 16th  
May 10am - 1pm.**

*Tea & coffee etc available at the Centre.*

## Keep Your Car Keys Safe

People have been warned to be vigilant after a spate of burglaries where car keys were taken in Leicestershire. Cars have been stolen from houses in the Ashby, Long Whatton, Donisthorpe and Castle Donington areas in recent weeks.



Officers have urged car owners to avoid leaving their keys close to windows, doors or letter boxes. Police have appealed for anyone who has any information on the thefts to contact them.



The Mobile Library visits Diseworth on the 1st and 29th May.

The Bowley 11.55 – 12.15  
Clements Gate 12.20 – 1.20

The contact number for the mobile library is 0116 3053565

## Welcome to the Yellow Pages

### Apex S.C. Ltd. Window cleaning services

- Environmentally friendly using 100% pure water
  - Sills and frames cleaned at no extra cost
  - Upto 60ft high completely ladderless
  - 100% privacy, no damage to lawns, flowerbeds
- Conservatories, upvc cladding, patios and drives also cleaned

Coming soon

### Blue bag collection Sunday 10th May

please take bags to the Village Hall.  
Bags will be delivered in the weeks before.

If you require them to be collected  
please contact Adele on 01509 842556

# Long Whatton Art Group Exhibition



Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2009  
10am – 4pm  
Long Whatton Community Centre

Have a go at painting and drawing  
Materials and help available

Tombola Refreshments  
**Proceeds to local Air Ambulance**  
Admission Free

## LONG WHATTON VILLAGE SHOW NEWS PAGE

Hello, I can't believe that we have started the meetings for the Village Show again. We are going to have a regular page in the magazine to keep you updated with the progress we are making.

First of all we need your help. It is **your** village show, so all are welcome to attend the meetings. We will try our hardest to let you know when each meeting will be held via the magazine, failing that please check the Farm Shop, Post Office & School for dates and times.

If you have a stall idea or if you know anyone who wants to have their stall at the show then please let us know. We are also on the look out for vintage/classic vehicles for the show.

The date of the Show will be  
**SUNDAY 30th AUGUST 2009**

The date of the next meeting will  
be  
**MONDAY 11th May**  
THE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE  
19:30hrs

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any more information.

[villageshow@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:villageshow@yahoo.co.uk)  
John Payter 01509 646797      07962 918410

# WOMENS GROUP



Spring is here and the season for serious gardening and planting. With that in mind we invited a professional gardener, Stuart Dixon who had been a horticultural lecturer at Brackenhurst College, to give an illustrated talk about his restored 18<sup>th</sup> century garden at Hebbs Farm, Stoke Bardolph.

The property was derelict when he bought it, but he strove to keep all the original features. Outside Stuart kept the lovely old walls surrounding the pig sty, a wonderful feature and the original concrete base of the crew yard on which he created a container garden. Just two Bramley apple trees survived, but now there's an abundance of old fashioned shrub and climbing roses, phlox, heleniums, monardas, clematis and anything that would add colour to an old English garden. With a wealth of knowledge, experience and a touch of wit, we had a first class meeting. The group has been invited to visit Hebbs Farm next year.

## **NEXT MEETING Monday May 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **AGM Revisited!**

It was owing to the lack of numbers at the AGM that we re-arranged this!

Decisions must be made!  
MEMBERS please try to attend.

### **DO YOU WANT THE WOMENS GROUP IN ITS' PRESENT FORM?**

We have some new interest, so let's build on it and bring the group up to date. We would like to have comments from past members, regular guests and members who cannot attend very often, either at this special meeting or get in touch please. Afterwards Brenda Walker has offered to give us an insight into 'Romania before and after the Revolution', having lived there for approximately 14 years.

Sheila Dakin - 810858 - ([sheiladakin@btinternet.com](mailto:sheiladakin@btinternet.com))

# HEALTH PAGE

## Eat to Ease Backache

Back pain has many causes including damage to discs, pressure on nerves, misalignment or inflammation of joints, damaged ligaments and diseased vertebrae. These can be a result of bad posture, a worn out mattress, sport injury, lifting incorrectly or from other disease in the body.

Medication can help, as can physiotherapy and adopting good lifting practice, and the treatment of any underlying disease. Although there are no nutritional cures as such, diet can help the body recover and is important in the prevention of back injury by keeping the bones and muscles strong.

Protein helps to build up the strong muscle tissue that supports the spine, so select from lean meat, beans, pulses, nuts and dairy products. All the B vitamins, especially niacin, strengthen and support the nervous system. Liver, oily fish such as mackerel, sardines and salmon are good sources of niacin and also vitamin D which aids the body's absorption of calcium, and is important in developing and maintaining healthy bones and nerves. A twice weekly serving of 100g of oily fish will provide the recommended amounts of these nutrients, while the fatty acids can help the body to suppress inflammation and reduce pain in the joints. Vitamin C is essential for the development and maintenance of strong bones. Most fresh fruit and vegetables are good sources of vitamin C.

If you are suffering from backache, it is wise to cut down on all drinks containing caffeine such as strong tea, coffee and cola. Caffeine is a stimulant and has the effect of narrowing blood vessels. This reduces the flow of blood to the affected area and so restricts the supply of nutrients, which may slow down the healing process, instead, drink plenty of water.

Finally, joints need to be kept moving to remain healthy. So to help prevent back pain, it is important to keep moving and take appropriate exercise, depending on age and fitness.

*Liz Jarrom*



# LONG WHATTON & DISEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



The Council held its April meeting at the newly opened Diseworth Heritage Centre and were interested to see the transformation of the building and the facilities available.

In Open Forum, Councillors were made aware of the potential flood risk of the Diseworth Brook due to the branch of a tree and various rubbish impeding its flow. In view of the major problems caused by flooding in the past, the Council would pursue this matter.

A number of residents present told the Council of their objections to the planning application to provide additional guest house accommodation at 47 The Green, Diseworth. These were taken into account later when the Council decided its response. (The Council's minutes, with its decisions, can always be seen at the website [www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk](http://www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk) from about a week prior to the next meeting).

At the formal meeting a proposal to fund an accessible computer at the Heritage Centre was considered and it was agreed to make a contribution. Work on affordable housing was proceeding, with the open meeting at Long Whatton scheduled for 7<sup>th</sup> May. The Chairman said he would convene a meeting of the 'airport parking' group of Diseworth residents.

A helpful response had been received from the area Highway Manager about a proposal for a footpath to the Millennium Meadow. This would be an expensive project requiring at least part-funding by the Parish and so will have to be considered in a future budget process.

Councillors are dismayed at the repeated failure of the contractor to carry out maintenance work on the play equipment. Alternative arrangements are to be made. Fortunately there are no major safety issues. The issue of "cycle racing" through Long Whatton continues to worry the Council - there must surely be a means of curbing this danger? The Clerk will pursue the question. There is a request by the District Council that a volunteer Community Warden to liaise and alert on flood prevention issues be appointed for this relatively high risk area. **Would someone in each village please volunteer for this interesting and potentially important role? - please contact the Parish Clerk.**

The Council has been consulted on draft traffic management and site management plans for the 2010 Formula 1 Grand Prix at Donington Park. Concerns at the lack of interest by the management in the effect on legitimate local traffic going about its everyday business will be expressed. Councillors will consider the question of the venues for future meetings of the Council next time.

**Everyone interested in the following are reminded of the meetings on 7<sup>th</sup> May at Long Whatton Community Centre: Affordable Housing exhibition and discussion from 4pm to 7pm. Allotments and bus shelter provision at the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.15pm followed by the Parish Council meeting.**

*Douglas Maas, Parish Clerk*

# Diseworth and Long Whatton Millennium Meadow



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## News

Do take the opportunity to visit the Meadow at this time of year if you possibly can as it is now that it looks at its best and access is easiest.

Please note that our AGM will take place on  
Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm  
in the small committee room in the Village Hall.

**Spring Plant Sale** – Unfortunately, owing to unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances it will not be possible to hold our usual plant sale this year. We do however have a stock of very good plants, and will sell them at other village events whenever possible. **Also** – you can always contact Pat Guy directly on 811119, or call at 51 The Woodcroft to see what is available.

*Pat Guy*

**Worship & Praise**  
*every Sunday at*  
**7-30 pm**

***Junction 24*** 

**Whitehouse Hotel**  
**Kegworth**

*Guest speakers each week*  
*Worship led by*  
*one of Junction 24's Worship Bands*

## Directory of Useful Numbers

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BBC East Midlands                                                                       | 0115 955 0500<br><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/england/eastmidlandstoday/">www.bbc.co.uk/england/eastmidlandstoday/</a> |
| BBC Radio Derby                                                                         | 01332 361111                                                                                                            |
| British Gas - Service                                                                   | 0645 605040                                                                                                             |
| Gas Escape Emergency                                                                    | 0800 111999                                                                                                             |
| Castle Donington Community College                                                      | 01332 810528<br><a href="mailto:postroom@castledonington.leics.sch.uk">postroom@castledonington.leics.sch.uk</a>        |
| Castle Donington Volunteer Bureau                                                       | 01332 850526/850742 <a href="mailto:mail@cdvb.org.uk">mail@cdvb.org.uk</a>                                              |
| Chemist, Gerald Porter, Castle Donington                                                | 01332 810213                                                                                                            |
| Derby City Hospital                                                                     | 01332 340131                                                                                                            |
| Derby Playhouse                                                                         | 01332 363275 <a href="http://www.derbyplayhouse.co.uk">www.derbyplayhouse.co.uk</a>                                     |
| Derby Royal Infirmary - accident & emerg                                                | 01332 347141 ext 2170                                                                                                   |
| Derbyshire Children's Hospital - emergency<br>(health emergencies not caused by injury) | 01332 340131<br>ext. 6808/6809                                                                                          |
| Diseworth C of E Primary School                                                         | 01332 810208                                                                                                            |
| Doctor's Surgery -<br>Health Centre, Castle Donington                                   | 0844 477 3092                                                                                                           |
| Orchard Surgery, Kegworth                                                               | 01509 674919                                                                                                            |
| East Midlands Airport                                                                   | 01332 852852 <a href="http://www.eastmidlandsairport.com">www.eastmidlandsairport.com</a>                               |
| East Midlands Electricity emergencies<br>customer services                              | 0800 056 8090<br>0800 363363                                                                                            |
| Environment Agency                                                                      | 0800 807060                                                                                                             |
| Kinchbus                                                                                | 01509 815637 <a href="http://www.kinchbus.co.uk">www.kinchbus.co.uk</a>                                                 |
| Loughborough Hospital                                                                   | 01509 611600                                                                                                            |
| Mobile Library                                                                          | 0116 3053565                                                                                                            |
| NHS Direct                                                                              | 08 45 46 47 <a href="http://www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk">www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk</a>                                              |
| North West Leicester District Council                                                   | 01530 454545 <a href="http://www.nwleics.gov.uk">www.nwleics.gov.uk</a>                                                 |
| Nottingham Concert Hall                                                                 | 0115 989 5555                                                                                                           |
| Nottingham Playhouse                                                                    | 0115 941 9419                                                                                                           |
| Nottingham Royal Centre                                                                 | 0115 989 5555<br><a href="http://www.royalcentre-nottingham.co.uk">www.royalcentre-nottingham.co.uk</a>                 |
| Police                                                                                  | 0116 222 2222                                                                                                           |
| Post Office - Long Whatton                                                              | 01509 842264                                                                                                            |
| Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham                                                       | 0115 924 9924                                                                                                           |
| Radio Trent                                                                             | 0115 952 7000                                                                                                           |
| Reel Cinema Loughborough                                                                | 01509 212261                                                                                                            |
| Severn Trent Customer Service                                                           | 08007 834444                                                                                                            |
| Skylink                                                                                 | 0115 9506070 <a href="http://www.skylink.co.uk">www.skylink.co.uk</a>                                                   |
| Traveline - for all public transport information                                        | 0871 200 22 33 <a href="http://www.traveline.org.uk">www.traveline.org.uk</a>                                           |

**If you have any suggestions for useful numbers to be included in this directory, please let any committee member know. *It's your magazine!***

**The Neighbourhood Watch beat officer for Diseworth is Jason Underwood No. 1760. He can be contacted on 0116 248 5675 and then entering his number 1760.**

# Village Directory

| <b>Organisation</b>         | <b>Contact Person</b> | <b>Telephone No</b> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Book Worms                  | Sandie Moores         | 01332 812629        |
| Brownies                    | Jane Lindley          | 01332 810796        |
| Diseworth Village Hall      | Dave Adcock           | 01332 850337        |
| Flower Show                 | Pat Guy               | 01332 811119        |
| Friends of Diseworth School | Meryl Tait            | 01332 812952        |
| Guides                      | Sandie Clark          | 01332 814939        |
| Heritage Centre             | Martin Hening         | 01332 853647        |
| History Society             | Pat Guy               | 01332 811119        |
| Millennium Meadow           | Pat Guy               | 01332 811119        |
| Neighbourhood Watch         | Noel McGough          | 01332 811362        |
| Scouts & Cubs               | Jenny Buckle          | 01509 842593        |
| Soar Valley Twinning Assoc. | Sheila Hawksworth     | 01509 568793        |
| W.I.N.G.S.                  | Erica & Andy Foxall   | 01332 811689        |
| Womens' Discussion Group    | Liz Jarrom            | 01332 810358        |
| Womens' Group               | Sheila Dakin          | 01332 810858        |

## **Diseworth Village Hall**

If you would like to book the village hall please contact Dave Adcock.  
He will make arrangements for the provision of keys at the appropriate time.  
9 Page Lane, Diseworth. 01332 850337

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CONTACTS**

### **CO-ORDINATORS:**

Noel McGough, 28 Lady Gate. 811362  
Barry Smith, 18 Hall Gate. 812600  
Sandie Moores, contact person for Lady Gate. 812629  
Victoria Britton contact person for Clements Gate. 850184

## **YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCIL**

The role of your Parish Council includes safeguarding the amenities of the village, including highways, lighting, drainage, road signs and planning matters. Current planning matters are available for inspection by arrangement with the **Parish Clerk:**

**Douglas Maas, 86 Forest Road, Markfield LE67 9UN. Tel: 01530 242534.**

**Email: [longwhatdisepc@hotmail.com](mailto:longwhatdisepc@hotmail.com).**

Please visit the website at [www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk](http://www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk)

If you wish to discuss any matters of concern, please contact your Parish Councillors:

|                 |                                            |              |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Martin Hening,  | 9 Clements Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QE        | 01332 853647 |
| Sue Roberts,    | Chapel Farm, Hall Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QJ | 01332 810813 |
| Derek Wiggins,  | Bull & Swan, Grimes Gate, DE74 2QD         | 01332 853960 |
| Andrew Cawdell, | 58 The Green, Long Whatton LE12 5DB        | 01509 843273 |
| Michael Downs,  | 12 Barnfield Close, Long Whatton LE12 5BZ  |              |
| Thomas Wilkins, | 1 Hathern Road, Long Whatton LE12 5DD      | 07971 730499 |
| Simon Adcock,   | 9 Page Lane, Diseworth DE74 2QP            | 01332 850337 |

Parish Council meetings are held at 7.30pm on the first Thursday of each month, alternately at Diseworth and Long Whatton. Please see the Notice Boards or ask the Parish Clerk for current information or to make general enquiries about the Parish Council.