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Diseworth Diary

DECEMBER

- Monday 4th Women's Discussion Group. 2pm 11 The Woodcroft.
Rumptoft
- Friday 8th Wings AGM, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- Monday 11th Women's Group. Christmas Meal. Bull & Swan
- Thursday 14th Retired Residents Christmas Lunch. 1pm. Village Hall
- Saturday 16th Tree Planting Working Party. 10.00am. Millennium
Meadow. Whatton Road
- Tuesday 19th Bookworms. "Miracle on 34th Street." 2pm. 10 Lady Gate
- Wednesday 20th Hathern "B" Band Christmas Concert. In church
7.30pm. £5
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JANUARY

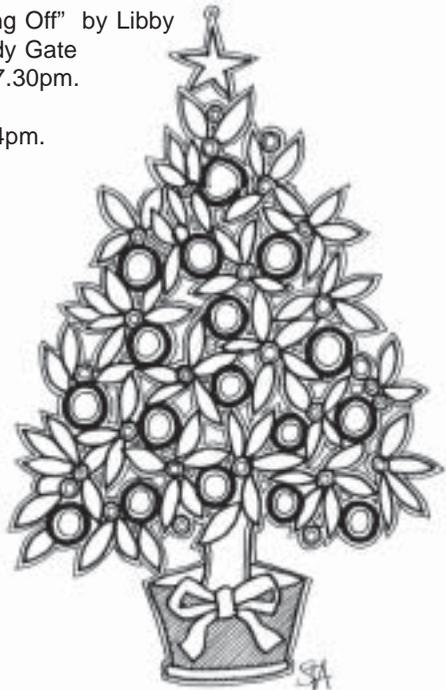
- Monday 8th Women's Discussion Group. "Looking forward" 2pm
9 The Woodcroft
- Monday 8th Women's Group. New Homes for African Aids Victims, a talk
by Graham Roberts
- Tuesday 16th Bookworms. "Casting Off" by Libby
Purvis. 2pm 10 Lady Gate
- Friday 19th Sleeping Beauty 7.30pm.
Village Hall
- Saturday 20th Sleeping Beauty 4pm.
Village Hall

FEBRUARY

- Friday 2nd Concert in Church.
Derbyshire
Constabulary Male
Voice Choir.
7.45pm. £5

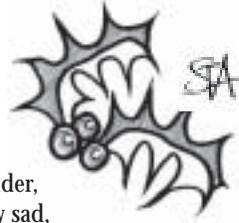
MARCH

- Thursday 8th A Talk on Heraldry.
Community Centre.
Long Whatton



A Letter From The Editor

Welcome to the special double issue of the *Diseworth Dialogue*.



I know that it's a cliché but, whatever happened to this year? I understand of course that time does pass more quickly as we get older, but 2006 has disappeared in a blur of memories, some enormously sad, others that were exhilarating and full of joy. The high spot of the year for the *Dialogue* was certainly being awarded first prize in a national writing magazine competition. We had hardly recovered our breath after receiving the trophy from Terry Waite when Ruth and I were called upon to receive the Grand Award, the second highest accolade (after the Award of Awards) in the entire competition.

Regarding the magazine, there have been some comings and goings this year. Judy Keane stepped down as our advertising executive, a position she has held for many years and to which she brought enthusiasm, diligence and productivity, ensuring that the *Dialogue* enjoys considerable revenue. Judy and Mike and their two children, Catherine and Patrick, will shortly be moving to Australia. We are very fortunate that Victoria Britton has stepped neatly into Judy's shoes and she has equal energy and inspiration. You may recall that in the October issue, there was a beautiful line drawing by Steve Allison of his infant daughter Sophia Alexandra. Steve sketched some excellent illustrations to accompany Sebastian Grey's article in the November issue and he has kindly provided more to enhance this double issue. Thank you Steve, it's great to have personalised artwork in the *Dialogue*, marking our publication's quality and unique individuality.

The committee are grateful to Diseworth for their continued support of the *Dialogue*. The recent envelope drop has yielded the considerable sum of £845.30 to date, with some envelopes yet to be collected. This together with the generous support of DHL means that we can continue to deliver a high quality magazine for another year. On this note we are appealing for more contributors to provide a different angle and lift us to another level. We know that there are some excellent writers out in the community and we do welcome fresh ideas. The team that publish this magazine are not professionals; just ordinary, sociable people who love the challenge, so please do not be daunted. It is because we do need to give a new perspective that I have decided to stand down as editor of the *Dialogue* at the next AGM. I have been involved since almost the beginning as a contributor and proof reader, as assistant editor to Carly from 1998 to 2001 and I will have served as editor for six years. I feel that there is little more I can give to the position and that someone else can take it on to new horizons. It has been a privilege to be part of this amazing team but I now want to pursue new interests.

Finally, on behalf of the *Dialogue* committee, I wish all of our readers, contributors and advertisers, a Contented and Peaceful Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Sue Brompton

St Michael and All Angels Parish Church



photograph Julia Stillhoe

Dear friends,

It is something of a privilege to be asked to write this Christmas letter and I thank you for taking the time to read it. Christians can often be heard bemoaning the commercialization of Christmas and that it seems to have lost almost all religious content. But it seems to me we really should not be quite so quick to judge. It may be that though the great British public no longer know the difference between an apostle and an epistle and may think that Leviticus is the name of a racehorse there is something about Christmas that moves the spirit and quickens the heart. It may be the angels and the shepherds and the star or it may be something more profound and altogether deeper in meaning.

If we recall that gospel incident where the disciples of John the Baptist enquire of Jesus whether or not he is the Messiah (that is what Christmas is about, is it not, the discovery of the Messiah?) In his reply Jesus never mentions the star, the stable or the shepherds. Instead He tells them to report to John that the blind see again, the lame walk, the deaf hear, lepers are cleansed and that the poor have some good news.

This Messiah is not the baby gurgling from the crib but rather He who calls to account who we are and sets before us not the cosiness of Christmas but rather the peace, joy and justice of the Kingdom.

It is this call to the Kingdom that is at the root of our diocesan strategy *Shaped by God*. Our aim is nothing less than building this kingdom in our lives, in our congregations and more widely in the world in which we live. This means that we need to plan and to organize for mission focusing our resources on maintaining the best of what we have, letting go of what we no longer need, and imagining new and creative responses to proclaiming the faith anew in this generation.

St Michael and All Angels Parish Church

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Important Notice

For all Baptism, Wedding and Funeral Arrangements. Following Friday 1st December please contact Revd. Alison Prince, 01530 223447.

Over the next few months we will be working together to appoint a new Rector to the benefice. This is a very important time for local churches here and we need to discern God's will and work with that to be clear about who we are looking for to come and lead minister. Probably most important is that we keep God's kingdom and the description described by Jesus at the very centre of our thinking. It is the joy, peace, justice and love of the Kingdom that Christmas is really about. If we keep that to the fore we shall not go much wrong in life or in faith or in the appointment of a new Rector.

With best wishes for a joyous and peaceful Christmas.

The Ven Paul Hackwood
Archdeacon of Loughborough.



St Michael and All Angels Parish Church



Services and Locations for December 2006

	Time	Service	Location
December 3rd	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion Family Service	Belton Kegworth
	6.15pm	Christingle All Age Worship CW Morning Prayer BCP Holy Communion BCP Evensong	Hathern Long Whatton C. Ctr Osgathorpe Diseworth Kegworth
December 7 th	9.00am	School Assembly	Diseworth
December 10 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Belton & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion Christingle	Hathern & Kegworth Osgathorpe
	3.00pm	Christingle	Long Whatton
	4.00pm	Christingle	Diseworth & Belton
	5.00pm	Christingle	Kegworth
	6.15pm	United Praise Service	Hathern
December 17th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion Family Service	Long Whatton Belton & Kegworth
	3.00pm	9 Lessons & Carols	Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	9 Lessons & Carols	Diseworth, Belton. Hathern, Kegworth & Long Whatton
December 24th Christmas Eve	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Hathern
	3.00pm	Crib Service	Belton & L. Whatton
	4.00pm	Crib Service	Diseworth
	5.00pm	Crib Service	Kegworth
	6.00pm	Crib Service	Hathern
	10.00pm	CW Holy Communion	Belton & Hathern
11.30pm	CW Holy Communion	Diseworth & Kegworth	
December 25 th Christmas Day	9.00am	CW Holy Communion	Long Whatton
	9.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Osgathorpe
	10.15am	Informal Service	Kegworth

St Michael and All Angels Parish Church

December 31 st	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Belton & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Kegworth & Osgathorpe

Services & Locations for January 2007

	Time	Service	Location
January 7 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion Family Service	Belton Hathern, Kegworth & Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	All Age Worship BCP Evensong	LW C. Centre Belton & Kegworth
January 14 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Belton & Kegworth
	9.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Osgathorpe
	10.30am	Family Service	Diseworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	6.15pm	United Plough Service	Belton
January 21 st	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth
	10.30am	BCP Holy Communion Family Service Rededication of Organ	Diseworth Belton & Kegworth Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	BCP Holy Communion BCP Evensong	Hathern Belton & Kegworth
January 24 th	7.30pm	United Praise Evening	Belton
January 28 th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Long Whatton & Kegworth
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion Family Service CW Morning Prayer	Hathern & Kegworth Long Whatton Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Belton, Hathern & Kegworth

Week Day Services

	Time	Service	Location
Tuesday	12.30pm	CW Holy Communion	Belton
Wednesday	9.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth



Lessons and Readers for December 2006 & January 2007

		Time	Reader	Sidesman
December 3 rd Advent 1	1 st Reading: Jeremiah 33.14-16 2 nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13 Gospel: Luke 21.25-36	6.15pm	M Gidlow R Edwards	F Hill
December 24 th Christmas	1 st Reading: Isaiah 52.7-10 2 nd Reading: Hebrews 1.1-12 Gospel: John 1.1-14	11.30pm	S Bird R Harris M Gidlow	D Bird
January 21 st Epiphany 4	1 st Reading: Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10 2 nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a Gospel: Luke 4.14-21	10.30am	A Stone M Howe S Brompton	G Stone

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

Altar Flowers and Church Brasses

	Flowers	Brasses
December 24 th	Christmas – Help from everyone would be appreciated!	
January 7 th /14 th	Mrs I Tebbutt	Mrs R Smith
January 21 st /28 th	Mrs R Harris	Mrs R Harris



News From The Pews



Little Angels

Sadly, due to lack of support, the Little Angels group which met after School Assembly in church each month, has been suspended for the time being.

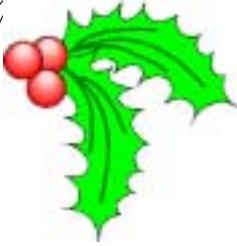


Bell Ringing at Diseworth Mondays 8pm

Other Benefice Services, Meetings and Social Events in December & January

December 2 nd	Saturday	Hathern Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
December 5 th	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
December 6 th	Wednesday	Hathern House Group 7.30pm
December 8 th & 9 th	Fri/Sat	Hathern Church Christmas Tree Festival 10am-8pm
December 9 th	Saturday	Kegworth Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
December 9 th	Saturday	Kegworth Church Christmas Concert 7.30pm
December 10 th	Sunday	Hathern Church Christmas Tree Festival 1.00pm - 6.00pm
December 12 th	Tuesday	Belton House Group 7.30pm
December 19 th	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
December 20th	Wednesday	Diseworth Church Christmas Concert with Hathern 'B' Band
December 22 nd	Friday	A Concert of Christmas Music by St John's Choir, Grantham at Hathern Church 8.00pm
January 2 nd	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
January 3 rd	Wednesday	Hathern House Group 7.30pm
January 6 th	Saturday	Hathern Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
January 9 th	Tuesday	Belton House Group 7.30pm
January 13 th	Saturday	Kegworth Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
January 16 th	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 7.30pm
January 17 th	Wednesday	Benefice Meeting – Hathern Church
January 22 nd	Monday	Benefice Bible Study, Hathern 7.30pm
January 24 th	Wednesday	Benefice Praise Evening, Belton 7.30pm
January 28th	Saturday	Diseworth Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
January 31 st	Wednesday	Diseworth PCC 7.30pm Wartoft Grange

There are also meetings of the Mothers Union throughout the Benefice and Kegworth Wives Group, to which all women are invited. Kegworth Men's Group is open to all men.



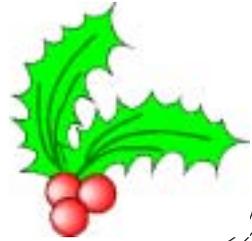
Diseworth Parish Church

CHRISTMAS CONCERT With Hathern 'B' Band

Wednesday, 20th December
7.30pm

Entrance £5 which includes a
glass of wine and mince pies

Raffle for a Christmas Hamper



Diseworth Parish Church

CONCERT

featuring

Derbyshire Constabulary Male Voice Choir

Friday, 2nd February 2007
7.45pm
Tickets £5



We are privileged that the Derbyshire Constabulary
Male Voice Choir has chosen Diseworth Church
as a venue for one of its limited number of concerts.
Please support this event if you can.

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 (2nd and 4th Sunday each
month)

Minister – Rev. Colin White. Tel No. 01773 832105

Eileen Fletcher *nee* Tillson

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death, after a short illness, of Eileen Fletcher on 10th October. She was 83 years old.

The eldest of four sisters, Eileen was born at Isley Walton in January 1923 and moved to No. 13 Clements Gate, Diseworth in 1943 together with her parents and her sisters: Marian, Beryl and Winnie.



Eileen worked for Harlows in Long Whatton during the war years where she was responsible for making boxes to send to the troops overseas.

She married Sam Fletcher in the 1950's and they lived at the Old Woodyard on Hallgate where for many years she assisted in the Fletcher family business. The family then moved to Shepshed and finally to Gracedieu - part of the De Lisle estate - where she lived for 28 years.

Eileen was very much an 'outside person' and enjoyed gardening. She was also a very private person who did not mind her own company. Just because she was on her own did not mean that she considered herself lonely. Eileen enjoyed the mental challenge of puzzle books and crosswords and she also spent time knitting.

Her funeral service, conducted by Celia Harris, took place on Saturday 14th October at St. Michael and All Angels parish church followed by interment in the churchyard.

Eileen is survived by her daughter Jennifer, son Andrew and three grandchildren: Liam 24, Kieran 22 and Jade 13.

She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

A TALK ON HERALDRY

Sir Charles Townley and the Long Whatton connection

Following much interest in the coat of arms of Sir Charles Townley, who lived at the Manor House in Long Whatton, a talk has been arranged for

Thursday 8th March 7.30pm 2007

at the Community Centre, Long Whatton.

The Coat of Arms shows links with many families and research has also shown connections with Diseworth families as well as those of Long Whatton. The Coat of Arms also includes a Falcon thereby involving one of the village public houses. Mr Vic Taylor from Keyworth in Nottinghamshire who has long held an interest in heraldry will give a presentation on Coats of Arms and their origins and the results of his own research into the Townley coat of arms.

There will also be an exhibition on the history of the Manor House (with kind permission of its current owners) its origins and the links with the Townley Family.

Entry £2 per person. Members of Long Whatton History Society free.

TRUST MARKS ANOTHER YEAR OF GAIN



Early results from the Parish Plan shows wide range of support for the proposed Heritage

Centre, it was announced at November's AGM of the Diseworth Heritage Trust. The figures will provide strong backing in the Trust's bid to get release of the bulk of the grant offered by the Heritage Lottery Fund early next year.

The Chairman reported that the recently appointed architect, Keith Hamilton, had made good progress in developing the plans for restoration and extension of Diseworth Baptist Chapel. Final plans would be ready by the end of November for submission to the Heritage Lottery Fund, along with the interpretation plans

which assess the proposals for the use of the building.

Funds continue to grow steadily: membership has doubled, Diana Cherry kindly donated from her "Weekenders" sale, and Tracy Morris ensured a healthy profit from our most enjoyable Lebanese evening at the Bull's Head in Wilson.

The annual accounts were not quite ready for adoption, due to the recent handover of financial responsibility to Janet Fletcher, leaving insufficient time for their completion and audit.

Some new faces from both Long Whatton and Diseworth were welcomed to the meeting. More would be welcome: 2007 looks like being a very busy year.

Martin Hening



THE INTERMINABLE ESCAPEES

Our small herd of suckler cows all calved in the spring and were each presented with a bought in calf to rear alongside their own. When the mothers had become used to their adopted calf, they were all turned out to graze the lush summer grass as a family group. One of our two South Devon bulls was turned out with them, to get the cows back in calf again. All that seemed necessary over the next few months was to feed them all some corn daily in a trough in the field and count them to see that they were all there. It seemed an easy way to rear some quality beef cattle.



Calves that are reared in this way always seem to grow really well as they have endless supplies of milk from their mothers, and any of the other mothers in the field if they can manage a crafty suck. As they grow older, they graze the grass and will eat some corn, which has to be fed to them in a special trough called a creep feeder. This has narrow entrances to the feed trough and a low roof to prevent the mothers getting in and eating the corn meant for the calves. All sounds very easy doesn't it; well



unfortunately this group of cattle have been far from easy. After a honeymoon period of a few weeks, they decided that they needed more space and broke through the hedge into another field. This wasn't much more than an inconvenience as it was one of our own fields. The trouble really started when some of them managed to get out onto Longmere Lane. Sometimes they got back on their own, but usually Will had to go up and put them back in the field. The situation became worse after we moved them further up the lane onto fresh pasture. Now more of them were escaping, which was very puzzling as they had lots of fresh grass to eat.

Cattle do get out occasionally but this particular group seemed obsessed with escaping. The final straw was when they all escaped en masse, and invaded a fellow farmer's corn field, except for the bull who for some reason stayed behind in our field. They all stood looking at Will when he went to retrieve them, and wouldn't even follow the corn tub on the back of the tractor. Usually they only have to see the tractor and they are there pushing and shoving each other to get at the corn. The only solution then was to put up a strand of electric fence wire all around their field.

Bovines are naturally very curious animals, so they touch the wire with their noses and get a sharp electric shock. This usually stops them getting out. Sure enough, the electric fence did the trick, no more escapology. Soon the whole herd will have to come inside for the winter, but until then, we hope the electric fence continues to deter them from escaping once more.

Retired Residents Christmas Lunch

Sponsored by NEMA



Thursday 14th
December 2006

Village Hall
1pm

Special Exhibition of Photographs featuring

‘Old Diseworth’

showing homes, buildings and school photographs.

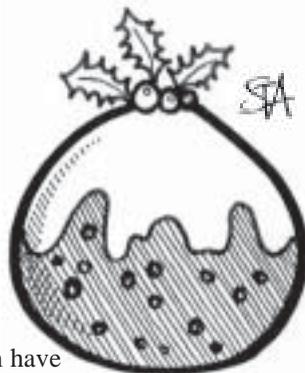
Please book early to help catering.

Nikki – 853647

All retired residents and senior citizens welcome

WANTED

ENTHUSIASTIC, ENERGETIC,
DISEWORTH RESIDENT
FOR VERY REWARDING ROLE
TO ORGANISE A
CHRISTMAS LUNCH



The Diseworth Retired Residents Christmas Lunch takes place each year early in December. A great team have as much fun as the senior citizens who sit down to enjoy the meal. There are always plenty of offers to cook all the food and help with the raffle and the preparations. A magnificent cake is baked and iced by a Diseworth resident, the turkeys arrive in time for carving and the roast potatoes are delivered just as we serve. There is a detailed shopping list for the food, crackers etc. The entire event is generously funded by NEMA and looked forward to by many of our retired residents who always express their gratitude at having the lunch prepared for them.

After many years of leading this event I feel the time has come, for a younger, fitter person to take over with fresh ideas. I am very happy to share all the plans, lists etc. as was done for me all those years ago when we came to Diseworth, and to work with someone or just to hand over and sit down with the guests.

The Parish Plan has shown how people are willing to help but hesitant to come forward. There are plenty of far more capable organisers than myself in the village and it would be wonderful if the lunch could carry on. Please make contact and come this year and find out what we all do and if you think you would like to take over as organiser I and the Retired Residents would be very grateful.

Nikki Hening

DISEWORTH SCHOOL LOTTERY OCTOBER 2006 DRAW

The machine 'Prince John' was chosen by Connor Murray

	NO	DRAWN BY	WON BY	PRIZE
1 st	1	Oonagh Neill	Alicia Smithies	£14
2 nd	42	Naimh Russell	Helen Banister	£9
3 rd	10	Jed Sillitoe	Jayne Moore	£5

Christmas Greetings

in aid of Rainbows childrens Hospice,
Loughborough



The Aust's at Lilly's
Cottage Wish
Everyone A Very
Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year!

*Sandie & Dave send Christmas Greetings
and Best Wishes for the New Year
to all our friends.*

Carly and Jim Snee wish all in Diseworth a very Happy Christmas
and may the New Year bring good health and world Peace.

Mike, Julie,
Matthew,
Hannah and
Lady wish
all their
friends and
neighbours
a Lovely
Christmas
and a
Peaceful
New Year.

We wish everyone a Merry
Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Best wishes of the season from
Russell, Sally and Oli.

Rosie and Barry wish
friends and neighbours a
Merry Christmas and a
Happy and Peaceful New
Year.

Martin and Nikki Hening send
Good Wishes to all friends and
acquaintances for a very Happy
Christmas and Peaceful 2007.

*Nigel, Ruth
and Aaron
wish all their
friends and
neighbours in
the village a
very Merry
Christmas and
a Happy and
Peaceful New
Year.*

*Season's Greetings to all our family and friends in
Diseworth. Wishing you all a Happy and
Healthy 2007. Will and Liz Jarrom*

**Rainbows needs to raise £2.5million pounds a year
to keep open.**

Did you know that Rainbows runs its own lottery and
it is possible to buy gift vouchers for friends and
family to play the **Rainbows Lottery** and maybe win
£1000. Could this be an idea for a Christmas gift?

Details can be obtained from Rainbows on their
website www.rainbows.co.uk or
by phone 01509 638008.



2006 A Review

Snowdrops on
Clements Gate



Road Safety
Week at
Diseworth
School



St Michael and All Angels Church on a
beautiful frosty day



Dressed for the
Fun Run



Poppy Appeal Awards presented to the Diseworth volunteers



Sue Brompton receives the Grand Award and the award for the Best Newsletter/Magazine from Terry Waite



Stiff competition at the Ploughing Match on the adjoining estates of Woodhouse Farm and Wartoft Grange



Young ladies at the Flower Show



Admiring the Shire Horses

Martin Hening and Dave Adcock receiving Best Village awards from the Lord Lieutenant, Lady Gretton



Stunning Flower Show exhibits



Alan Yeates lays a wreath to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Battle of the Somme





Rev Nigel Tuffnell holding the goodbye card made for him by the children at Diseworth School



The Scarecrow Festival - Farmer Cotton rounding up his flock



Enjoying the Women's Group Summer BBQ at Village Farm



Children at the school enjoying their sports

A Christmas Quiz



1. Bing Crosby sang "I'm dreaming of a white Christmas" in which film?
2. What were the colly birds in the 12 days of Christmas?
3. What is the candle holder for a Christingle?
4. Who wrote the words of the Christmas Carol "In the bleak midwinter"?
5. Who said "God bless us every one"?
6. In the twelve days of Christmas, how many gifts did my true love send to me?
7. Which famous author wrote "A Child's Christmas in Wales"?
8. If your birthday is on Christmas Day - what is your birthstone?
9. The flower *Helleborus Niger* is also known as what?
10. Which saint has his feast day on December 6th?
11. Which saint has his feast day on December 26th?
12. Who introduced the Christmas tree to England?
13. Which Poet Laureate wrote "And is it true? And is it true? / This most tremendous tale of all, / Seen in a stained glass window's hue, A Baby in an ox's stall"?
14. In which pantomime does Widow Twanky appear?
15. What famous ballet is associated with Christmas?

Turn to page 38 for the answers

DIALOGUE DISPATCHES

If you have items for the FEBRUARY DOUBLE ISSUE of the *Dialogue* please give to a committee member or email to sue@cbrompton.fsnet.co.uk and admin@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 7th JANUARY

CASTLE DONINGTON FARMERS' MARKET
December 9th
9am – 12.30pm
St. Edward's School,
Dovecote.

THE PLOUGH INN, DISEWORTH

General Knowledge Quiz will be on the first Wednesday of every month.

Half time snacks included.
Many Prizes. £1 per person. Up to 4 per team



The Mobile Library visits Diseworth fortnightly - 1st and 15th December & 12th and 26th January
The Bowley
11.55 – 12.15
Clements Gate
12.20 – 1.20

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

THE PLOUGH INN, DISEWORTH TWO JOBS

Part-time bar staff , Sunday evenings.
7pm – 11pm.

Full-time cook/chef Lunchtime and evenings all week.

All enquiries to Rachel please.

LONG WHATTON P.O.AND STORES



We are now taking orders for Spencer's Christmas Cakes, Mince Pies, Christmas Chocolate Logs, Gateaux and Quiches. We will be pleased to fulfil any other orders where possible.

DIALOGUE DISPATCHES



Welcome

to Diseworth
Sandie and John to The Bowley

Thank you from Rosie Smith to everyone who helped and contributed to the Poppy Fund. The total raised this year is £1293.67



JEWELLERY – old or new. If you don't want it - Rainbows do! You can drop it off or post it to : Rainbows Children's Hospice Lark Rise Loughborough LE11 2HS Or leave with a Dialogue Committee Member.

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17" Computer Monitor.
Good Working Order.
Space Needed.
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Contact Sandie Moores
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Passengers can now fly long haul to Cuba, Orlando, The Dominican Republic, The Gambia, Kenya and Cacun in Mexico from NEMA.

THE PLOUGH INN
CHRISTMAS MENU IS TO BE FOUND IN THE YELLOW PAGES.



Welcome

to the Yellow Pages

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To,
Her Majesty, the Editor, and her many loyal subjects,
the team.

I wait in fear and trepidation for your visit to verify the authenticity of the article referring to 'snails and slugs'

The snails weren't very co-operative about their shells being polished and the slugs - Well what can you do with all that slime? They all absolutely refuse to stand in line and be counted. Now that 'the grass is green', how can you ascertain that it was yellow and dry?

I am sure that you can vouch for 'the obstruction' at the top of the lane and sincerely hope that you will be merciful towards me.

On a more serious note "Our" Dialogue is a Village magazine, dedicated to reporting items that will be of interest to our community – not a national publication.

Les Brown.

p.s. I just want to thank the Dialogue for printing the new timetable for the mobile library last month. I am an avid reader and stock up for six weeks.

Many thanks

Les.

Stop Press!

The snail hunter has found a secret weapon against those pesky varmints – MELONS!

Yes I know what you're all thinking – drop a melon on a snail and it's 'brown bread'! Sorry, but you're wrong, you only use the rind. Just before it gets dark, cut strips of melon rind and place it (flesh side up) around the areas where the snails come to feed.

Wait about an hour or so, (depending on how athletic your snails are), then go and spy on them. You'll see slugs and snails side by side, jostling for position at the edges of the rind – just like pigs at a trough. Some slugs

seem to be brainier than their relatives and lay full length along the rind so that nobody else gets a look in. It really works – all that's left after a couple of nights is a papery skin.

The only problem is, considering the size of the snail population, a snail hunter can only eat so much melon!

Burp – excuse me

Les Brown.



Wanted – new contributors

Do you have something to say? Something you could share with our readers?

The *Diseworth Dialogue* is looking for new ideas, new features - factual or funny. It is the aim of any good magazine to inform and to entertain, to keep its readers interested and to keep you turning the pages.

We have enjoyed contributions from Sebastian Grey recently - his account of his family's holiday in France - including their eventful return journey - in last month's issue was very well received by our readers. "I haven't laughed as much in a long time - a real tonic" was one reader's comment. "Just the thing to brighten up a dull winter's day", was another. Les Brown has also entertained us recently with her poems, odes and anecdotes.

I find it incredible that the *Dialogue* is still going so strong after nearly 12 years, which is a reflection on the support, upbeat attitude, involvement and originality of the village as a whole. Liz Jarrom has managed to both inform and entertain us throughout this time with her Country Matters column. Many talented columnists have kept us interested over the years - accounts of everything from deep sea diving to raising the roof; spoof articles to life experiences; plus regular publicity and reports on the many clubs, organisations and groups in Diseworth.



As we say in each issue of the *Dialogue*, we welcome articles from any quarter and in any format - from letter box to inbox. We will consider all contributions but do draw the line at any that are derogatory or offensive.

Come on! Don't be shy! There is a lot of talent in this remarkable community and we look forward to hearing from you.

Diseworth Millennium Meadow



The Millennium Meadow is available for use by all inhabitants of Diseworth and Long Whatton at any time. It is the perfect place for a quiet stroll, and dogs are welcome provided they are under control and not allowed to foul the site.

Please bear in mind that we hope to encourage more children to use the Meadow, and plans for visits by both Village schools are under way.

All the grass was cut in late September so access should be easy throughout the Winter. The small gate is always open. Please ensure the catch is secured when you leave.

Developments at the Meadow - Tree Sponsorship & Planting

As I said last month, this December we hope to have a determined effort to complete the tree planting in the Meadow. We have a backlog of requests for trees to sponsor and a limited number of spaces for large trees. We have since been notified that the trees we selected through the Leicestershire Tree Warden Free Tree scheme are all available and reserved for us and by the time you read this Nikki Hening, our Tree Warden, will have collected them from County Hall.

We are very fortunate that local representatives of the BTCV (British Trust for Conservation Volunteers) will join us to help plant the trees. The Meadow is a member of the BTCV, which provides the insurance for our work at the site. The earliest day they had available was **Saturday, December 16th, 2006**, so we have arranged a Working Party for the morning of that day. We shall meet at the Meadow at **10.00am**, and hope that as many people as possible will join us there. **Parking** will be available in the Meadow, though

if it is wet, you would be well advised to park on Longmere Lane.

The trees we have ordered include a number of smaller, bushy trees such as Dogwood and Guelder Rose, which will add interest to the margins of the planted area, as well as one or two each of Hazel, Rowan, Birch, Crab Apple and Field Maple.

We should be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to sponsor one of the new trees. This time there is no charge for the trees themselves, but the Millennium Meadow does ask for a payment to cover the maintenance of the individual trees. This remains the same as that set when the Meadow was first opened, £12-00 per tree. This sum is to cover the costs of tree-guards, ties, weed-suppressant matting, etc, and eventually, when the trees are large enough, a strong, permanent label, with details of the sponsor and who, or what event, was commemorated. If you are interested, please contact Pat Guy (811119).

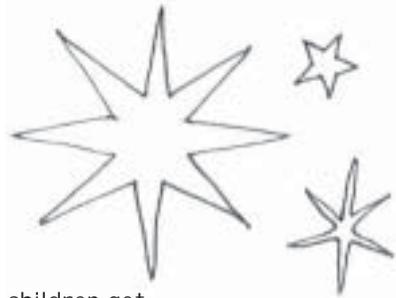
News from the school

This half term started with an event organised by our newly formed school council. They are trying to raise funds to buy more equipment for the playground. The children all paid £1 to come to school dressed in halloween costumes - watch the video on the school website! Thanks to all the parents who painted faces and helped their children with some very imaginative costumes.

We are holding a reading information evening on Tuesday 7th November. This should prove informative with videos of the children singing the jolly phonics songs which help them to remember lots of things about the 42 sounds that we use in our language. The children perform actions that give them an extra clue to remember the sound that each letter makes, the shape of the letter when it is written and the sound when a letter is spoken and written. There will be opportunities to find out about all the different strategies that we teach children when they are learning to read, developing their reading skills and becoming fluent readers.

Each family will be given a reading information pack to take home at the end of the evening which will give opportunities to practice and develop skills at home. Hopefully lots of families will attend - refreshments are part of the evening! We will be offering more information evenings after Christmas.

Footballers from class 3 will be taking part in the Steve Williams soccer tournament at Kegworth school on 9th November. This is a fun event where



the children get opportunities to play competitively against teams from other small schools.

This is followed on the 16th November by a Tag rugby tournament with schools from within our family group, we won the hockey tournament last term so we are hoping for a good result.

Christmas in school is just around the corner and auditions have taken place for parts in this years performance of "The Gigantic Star" Mrs Roberts has taken on the role of producer and all the children will be involved. The dress rehearsal is on Tuesday 12th December at 1-30 at the village hall and **we would be happy for older and younger village residents to come along to watch the children.**

Parties, lunch and the pantomime visit are all organised, and should prove to be fun.

Following on from their work about castles, year 1 children have been writing traditional stories about princes and princesses. They all made story plans with pictures and words which they used later to help them write their story with a beginning, middle and an end. They all worked really hard on their stories making them interesting with all the elements of a traditional story.

Class 1 have also been finding out about mini beasts and having looked after caterpillars, watching them change into butterflies, they now have some creepy crawly visitors in their classroom each week – snails and worms have proved popular with the children so far! They have found out lots of interesting facts, made models out of bread and other materials, read poems and painted pictures.

Class 2 are developing their historical skills by finding out about “The Great Fire of London.” They have looked at different sources of evidence – maps, paintings, diagrams

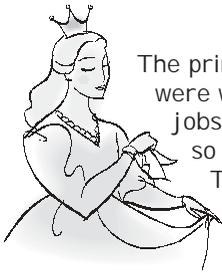
and Samuel Pepys’ diary. They have found out lots of facts about the conditions in London before the Fire started. In role as Samuel Pepys they have written a diary entry for the start of the fire.

Class 3 are continuing to work on the Victorians and at the same time have been developing their ICT skills and using the “textease” programme they can now produce a five layered picture which requires practice and skill. They have been using these skills to produce a newspaper page with headlines, an article, picture and advert.

Alison Woffindin

The Princess and the ring

By Jasmine Dunkin



The princess got ready. She put on her special ring. The princes were waiting to meet her, when she met them she gave them jobs. One had to wash her car. Prince Andrew didn’t want a job so he played with the dog!

Then a four headed monster came to the castle. No one wanted to help her then Prince Andrew came in the car and helped her. Princess Alice used her ring.

The Princess blinded the four headed monster with her ring. The monster left the castle and then they got married.

The Princess and the Lance

By Mattie McGough

Once upon a time there was a princess who had a lance and she was getting ready for the knights to see her. When they stepped forwards she gave them jobs to do and if they did all of the jobs they would get to live in her castle with her.

Prince Andrew went to play and then a monster came and she couldn’t find any one to defeat it and then Prince Andrew came down from up stairs and said I will help you. Princess Alice helped him with her lance and then the monster went home and they got married.

The Princess and the Axe

By Alex Henry

Once upon a time there was a princess and her special axe. Lots of princes were waiting to meet her. One had to fight the thugs. One had to wash the car. Prince Andrew didn’t want to be decided to play with the hamster!

Then the three headed monster came no one helped. Then Prince Andrew came down from playing with the hamster. The Princess Alice and Prince Andrew got rid of the monster together using her axe.

Prince Andrew and Princess Alice got married and then they lived happily ever after.

Sunday 2nd September 1666

Diary entry by Samuel Pepys (Bethany Pass)

Hello, my name is Samuel Pepys and I am going to tell you about The Great Fire of London. There was a great fire in Pudding lane because the oven door at the bakery wasn't closed properly and sparks spread across the floor and started a huge fire. The maid woke up the Farynor family so they all climbed up on the roof to escape. Except for the maid she was scared and so was the first person to die in the fire. The watchman went to tell the Lord Mayor about the fire. He just said its only little it will be alright and he went back to bed. Then I went to the Tower of London, I was very scared. I went to see the King to ask him what to do.

Sunday 2nd September 1666

Diary entry by Samuel Pepys (Joseph Cooper)



I am Samuel Pepys. The fire started in a bakery and the Farynor family had to jump across the roves of the houses. The maid was too scared and she got burned. The Watchman went to tell the Lord Mayor but he said it is only a little fire. I went to the Tower of London to look at the fire. I went to tell the King, we will need to knock the houses down!

Sunday 2nd September 1666

Diary entry by Samuel Pepys (Maria Morris)

Hello I'm Samuel Pepys. The fire started in the bakery in pudding lane because Thomas Farynor forgot to close the oven door, all the sparks came out of the oven and they spread all over. The Farynor family jumped out of the windows and across the houses because they were so close together, but the maid was scared and she stayed in the house and got burned. The Farynor family were coughing and chocking in the smoke and the fire got bigger and bigger over night. The Watchman went to see the Lord Mayor and said to him "London is on fire" and the Lord Mayor said "that fires only a small fire. It will soon go out." and he went back to bed. The fire got bigger and bigger and all of the people were taking all the boats with their stuff in. I went to the Tower of London to see how big the fire was getting. I went to see the king and he said we would have to pull down houses so that's what they did.

Charnwood Community
Theatre
Presents



Sleeping Beauty

By Mick Marlow

Friday 19th January 2007
at 7:30pm
and
Saturday 20th January 2007
at 4:00pm

Adults £3.50 Children £1.50
Family Ticket £9.00
Concessions £2.00

Tickets Available From
John & Sue Hurley on 01332 810130

Diseworth Village Hall

photograph Julia Stillioe



The last few weeks have seen a few ups and downs. It seems with every thing good comes something bad. It is good to report that we have now taken receipt of 16 new tables kindly donated by the East Midlands Airport at a cost of £1150. Unfortunately 5 of these were damaged on arrival from the supplier and are currently being replaced.

In our long term plans it was planned to refurbish the flat roof over the kitchen and committee room, unfortunately due to the rain during the late summer we have had to take immediate action to avoid damage to the kitchen. It was decided to refurbish the flat roof completely at a cost of around £1700, once again this will rather deplete our finances.

However it's good to report that bookings are still extremely good so a quick turn around in our financial position should be possible. Finally, it was very pleasing to see a good turnout for the fireworks display. Unfortunately some of you may have noticed a small increase in the adult admission charge this year. This was only increased after much discussion and the fact that the last 2 years have only just broken even due to the high cost of purchasing the fireworks.

More general items taking place at the moment is that the old oil tank should soon be disappearing at any time now along with the old square tables, and the stage carpet and curtains are being discussed with the possibility of being renewed. Also it is hoped to continue with the Tuesday evening Yoga and Wednesday afternoon willow weaving classes into the foreseeable future and whilst they are being well supported at the moment it is important that we continue to do so to ensure their continuation.

Finally on behalf of the committee a big thank you to everyone who has supported the village hall during the past year and hoping everyone has a smashing Christmas and a happy new year,
Dave 01332 850337

Diseworth village Hall 200 Club

If you wish to be included in the 200 Club please contact John Hurley at 14 the Woodcroft or phone 01332 810130.

Cost - £12 per annum.

Prize Money - 1st - £30

2nd - £20

3rd - £10 per month.

Congratulations Vicky and Paul



Vicky Smith's marriage in Mallorca in September.

The wedding was attended by many friends from Diseworth. Bridesmaids were her sister Sarah, now a circus aerialist / clown and Carolyn Simpson ex of Clements Gate, now a teacher. Vicky has married Paul Melling a financial consultant of Yarm, Yorkshire.

The Spanish celebrations were attended by 45 guests and a reception was also held in Yorkshire for another 150. A fantastic time was had by all.

The photograph shows the the bride attended by the bridesmaids and her parents prior to leaving their apartement for the church.

Richard and Sue Smith

Parish Plan Questionnaire

Very many thanks to all who contributed to Parish Plan. Over 400 questionnaires were returned and are now being interpreted. There was more than a slight panic when the software was found to be faulty and the papers all called in. But hopefully the hiccoughs will have been sorted and the full results will be in the February editions of the two village magazines.

A few interesting facts: About half of the respondents were in the retired age bracket and over 93% of us have a car which is recorded as the main means of transport. Local facilities are well used almost 90% using the Post Office, 59% the Organic Farm shop in Long Whatton and 30% the farm vegetables and eggs sales in Diseworth. Also 60% of us utilize the public houses in the two villages.

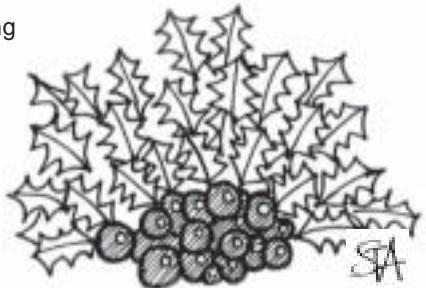
Understandably there are many appeals for a Post Office/shop in Diseworth. The two villages magazines seem very popular with over 81% of respondents asking for various activities to be published in both magazines. Attendance at the three meeting places in Long Whatton and one in Diseworth show majority figures at all to be only once or twice a year but over 50% of people deemed the venues to be very important to the villages. Considering it is not yet restored, the proposed Heritage Centre received a high percentage of people interested in visiting the facilities, and it is pleasant to note that many of these came from Long Whatton which recognizes the Heritage Centre as belonging to both villages. The four churches in the parish are attended mostly for special events rather than regularly and over 70% stated they would be concerned or very concerned if their church building was closed. Residents in the parish attend nine different doctors' surgeries and with very different opinions concerning the appointments systems of each. These results will be detailed in a later issue.

In the Environment section there were very many ideas for enhancing areas in both villages and perhaps the bravest one was simply 'My front garden'! A number of people offered their services, either to help the magazines or join the Parish Council or run a group but unfortunately most of them failed to provide a name or address at the end of the questionnaire. They would be most welcome to come forward as all the organizations mentioned would very much appreciate the help.

The young people's responses are also being analysed and will be included in the final report.

Many thanks to the four 'inputters' who have faithfully entered all the data on to their computers. Without them there would be no results.

Nikki Hening
Chair – Parish Plan Group



WOMENS' GROUP

Dark November nights can be very off-putting for ladies attending meetings, but not this one; we had a fabulous turnout of about twenty members and guests. Our speaker was a very talented lady, Gilly Haines who was probably born with a thimble on her finger, her mother was a seamstress. No materials go to waste, even the smallest pieces are put to good use making decorations on handbags etc. Her crafty nature has led her into buttons and beads and then earrings which was the main theme of our evening. Gilly demonstrated the art of making earrings with beads and then she let us loose foraging through her tins and boxes to make our choice for our own unique pair. The results were brilliant and every one's different. Sue Roberts kindly gave the vote of thanks.

Next meeting

Monday 11th December
CHRISTMAS MEAL
The Bull & Swan
7.30 for 8pm



Better make haste if you haven't booked a place
Ruth Smith 811538 or Sue Hill 810650

January Meeting 2007 -

New Homes for African Aids Victims

Fingers crossed on January 8th Graham Roberts will be at the Village Hall, a lovely warm place to meet nowadays, to give an illustrated account of his project building new homes in Africa for Aids afflicted families and orphans. Graham and Sue worked so hard to get the project in Diseworth up and running. Come and see the results. It's an open meeting for the men as well. Every one is welcome! We will charge the normal £3 for non-members including coffee and biscuits – more money for Graham's charity.

Sheila Dakin

Christmas Quiz Answers ... from page 25

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|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Holiday Inn | 6. 364 | 11. St. Stephen |
| 2. Blackbirds | 7. Dylan Thomas | 12. Prince Albert |
| 3. An orange | 8. Turquoise or zircon | 13. Sir John Betjeman |
| 4. Christina Rossetti | 9. Christmas Rose | 14. Aladdin |
| 5. Tiny Tim | 10. St. Nicholas | 15. The Nutcracker |

Spitfire takes off in Diseworth!

Triumph as abandoned car begins a new journey!



A 1968 Mk3 Triumph Spitfire starts the return journey to its first owner after 18 years rest in our garden. Having failed the MOT when our daughter in law, its owner and a student, could not afford repairs. The original owner now reunited with his car plans to restore it to something like original condition, probably taking around 2 years plus - a labour of love!
David & Diana Cherry

1st Diseworth Guides and Brownies Coffee Morning

The morning was a great success, I'm sure the weather helped. Many Guides and Brownies ran the stalls – cakes, tombola, raffle, games etc.. A big thank you to Caroline Jarrom for helping with the tea and coffee.

The raffle was won by –

389 – Carla Smith	312 – Sandie Fletcher
410 – Karen Oliff	368 – Pauline Fletcher
418 – Mitzi Stevens	310 – Chloe Smith
278 – Jennifer Linthwaite	416 – Mick Stevens
359 – Nicky Henning	393 – Audrey Smith
352 – John Fletcher	351 – John Fletcher



National Lottery Bonus Ball – Winning No. 18 (Saturday 11 Nov Draw) – Georgia Hughes

Thank you to everyone who called in for a chat and a coffee or just a quick look in, we raised £231.20 – a fantastic amount.

Jane Goy

HEALTH PAGE

CHRISTMAS (SURVIVAL) LIST

Christmas is supposed to be a time of happiness and jollity, but it can be a stressful time for relationships, finances and the expectation that it all has to be perfect. So here is an alternative Christmas list.



When families gather together, everyone seems to have an opinion on how things should be run. To save arguments and resentment, designate a 'queen bee' for the day and everyone else is a 'worker bee'. The queen bee says what needs doing and delegates jobs fairly. The worker bees keep quiet and get on with it. This saves a great deal of argument and dissent. Rotate the job of queen bee after each meal or daily as required.

If you are expecting guests spread the responsibility by asking cousin Fred to pick up aunt Maud instead of fetching her yourself. Ask your super cook sister to bring one of her yummy desserts; she will probably be delighted to be asked. I could go on, but you get the idea.

Buying presents should be a joy, but can be an absolute headache. Some survival tips include;

Keeping a list of your loved ones at the back of your diary and when they mention something they would like or you get a brainwave, make a note next to their name. Soon you will have a ready made list.

Keep a drawer of quality gifts or items reduced in the sales that would normally be too expensive. When Christmas starts to loom large, or you have an unexpected guest, you may find you already have a suitable present in your drawer.

Consider buying an alternative gift such as a disaster survival kit for a family who have lost their home and possessions in a natural disaster. Your loved one receives a card telling them about how your gift will help disadvantaged people and prices start as low as £6. Charities such as Christian Aid and Oxfam have catalogues to choose from.

Finally focus on having fun and spending time with loved ones rather than on trying to make it all perfect.

Liz Jarrom

LONG WHATTON & DISEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL NEWS.

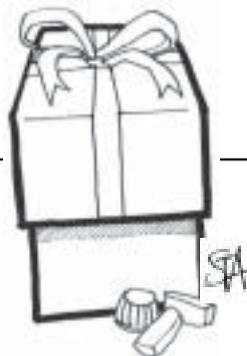


The Parish Council is delighted to report that VAS - Vehicle Activated Signs for The Green, Diseworth are to go ahead as part of the 2006/07 Capital Programme of Integrated Transport for Leicester County Council.

The Parish Council are currently reviewing budget figures for 2007, this will dictate what the annual precept will be for the Parish. A budget working group has been set up to manage this.

On behalf of the Parish Council, may I wish you and your families a Very Merry Christmas.

*Lindsay Swinfield, Parish Clerk
Long Whatton & Diseworth Parish Council*



Wings

This year we plan to hold the Wings AGM in the Village Hall on Friday December 8th at 7.30pm.

This meeting is open to the public.

As in previous years this will be an opportunity to find out a bit more about Wings and to become more involved if you would like to do so.

We hope to be joined by Councillor Nick Rushton and also by a representative of Leicestershire Highways Department.

Also at our AGM we hope to be able to display some information about the M1 widening scheme that is planned for the near future. The Highways Agency is unable to attend our meeting in person, but we will have information available to view in the Village Hall

WINGS

DI SEWORTH PLAYGROUP'S
**ANNUAL
BOXING DAY
FUN RUN**

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS



The 25th Annual Diseworth Boxing Day Fun Run will be held on
Tuesday 26th December 2006.

We will meet at The Cross at 11.00am
for the main race to start at 11.30am.

Entrance tickets are £2 for adults and £1 for children.

The main race is 2 laps of the village ending at The Plough - no cheating!!!
We also have a children's race (under 14), which is one lap of the village,
and a trolley and buggy race (preferably decorated). There is a prize for
the winner of each race, plus there is a prize for both adults and child's
fancy dress too.

The Fun Run is open to anyone of any age and visiting relatives are
especially welcome.

There will be raffle tickets on sale during the day and the draw will be
held on New Years Eve - see local notice boards for winning ticket
numbers.

ALL RAFFLE PRIZES GRATEFULLY RECEIVED!

As this is the 25th anniversary we are trying to make this event a special
one this year, so if anyone has any ideas as to how we can do this please
contact me on the details below.

I hope to see you all there

Anna Groves 01332 810014

anna.groves@tesco.net

SNAP THIS!

*The answer to the November 'Snap This' - on
the wall of No 20 Clements Gate*

Directory of Useful Numbers

BBC East Midlands	0115 955 0500 www.bbc.co.uk/england/eastmidlandstoday/
BBC Radio Derby	01332 361111
British Gas - Service	0645 605040
Gas Escape Emergency	0800 111999
Castle Donington Community College	01332 810528 postroom@castledonington.leics.sch.uk
Castle Donington Volunteer Bureau	01332 850526
Chemist, Gerald Porter, Castle Donington	01332 810213
Curzon Cinema Loughborough	01509 212261
Derby City Hospital	01332 340131
Derby Playhouse	01332 363275 www.derbyplayhouse.co.uk
Derby Royal Infirmary - accident & emerg	01332 347141 ext 2170
Derbyshire Children's Hospital - emergency (health emergencies not caused by injury)	01332 340131 ext. 6808/6809
Diseworth C of E Primary School	01332 810208
Doctor's Surgery - Health Centre, Castle Donington	0844 477 3092
Orchard Surgery, Kegworth	01509 674919
East Midlands Airport	01332 852852 www.nottinghamema.com
East Midlands Electricity emergencies customer services	0800 056 8090 0800 363363
Environment Agency	0800 807060
Kinchbus	01509 815637. www.kinchbus.co.uk
Loughborough Hospital	01509 611600
NHS Direct	08 45 46 47 www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk
North West Leicester District Council	01530 454545 www.nwleics.gov.uk
Nottingham Concert Hall	0115 989 5555
Nottingham Playhouse	0115 941 9419
Nottingham Royal Centre	0115 989 5555 www.royalcentre-nottingham.co.uk
Police	0116 222 2222
Post Office - Long Whatton	01509 842264
Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham	0115 924 9924
Radio Trent	0115 952 7000
Severn Trent Customer Service	08007 834444
Skylink	0115 9506070 www.skylink.co.uk
Traveline - for all public transport information	0870 608 2 608 www.traveline.org.uk

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 beat constable for the parish is PC 2012 Zeique Robinson.
He can be contacted on 0116 248 5675 and then entering his number 2012.**

Village Directory

Organisation	Contact Person	Telephone No
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	Jane Hughes	01332 850994
Guides	Sandie Fletcher	01332 811143
Heritage Centre	Martin Hening	01332 853647
History Society	Pat Guy	01332 811119
Millennium Meadow	Pat Guy	01332 811119
Neighbourhood Watch	Noel McGough	01332 811362
Playgroup & Toddlers	Katrina Paling	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
Mike Keane, 10-14 Clements Gate. 812863
Sandie Moores, contact person for Lady Gate. 812629

YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCIL

The role of your Parish Council is to safeguard the amenities of the village, e.g. Highways, Lighting, Drainage, Road Signs and Planning matters. Current Planning Applications affecting the village are available for inspection, by arrangement, with the Clerk, **Lindsay Swinfield, Barn 5, Home Farm, Church Street, Swepstone, LE67 2SA. Tel: 01530 273421 E-mail: lonwhatdisepc@hotmail.com**
Please visit the web site at 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
Kevin Brown, 10 Grimes Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QD	01332 850910
Derek Wiggins, Bull & Swan, Grimes Gate, DE74 2QD	01332 853960
Andrew Cawdell, 58 The Green, Long Whatton LE12 5DB	01509 843273
Vicky Collins, 12 Main Street, Long Whatton LE12 5DG	07796 444172
Mary Hobbs, 24 Main Street, Long Whatton LE12 5DF	01509 842486

Parish Council meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday of each month, alternately at Diseworth Village Hall and Long Whatton Community Centre.