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Remember that we produce 2 double issues (July/August and December/January). **All contributions will be considered for publication.**

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# Diseworth Diary

## NOVEMBER

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Discussion Group 'Education' 2pm 1, Main Street Long Whatton
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Cakes & Computers at the Heritage Centre 10am - 12noon
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Long Whatton Community Centre
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Fireworks Diseworth Village Hall
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Cakes & Computers at the Heritage Centre 10am - 12noon
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Quiz Night Diseworth Village Hall
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Diseworth Brownies 'Blue Bags Collection' Village Hall
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Cakes & Computers at the Heritage Centre 10am - 12 noon
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Cakes & Computers at the Heritage Centre 10am - 12 noon
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Dialogue</i> Stapling and Committee Meeting. 7.30pm, 11 Lady Gate
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Shopping Evening Diseworth Village Hall 7 – 9pm
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee Morning & Christmas Fayre Diseworth Parish Church 10 – 12 pm
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Photoshoot 10am – 6 pm Diseworth Village Hall

## DECEMBER

Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Diseworth Village Hall
Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Ballroom & Latin 'Taster' Dance Lesson - Village Hall
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Discussion Group 'Handbags! Bring Your Own' 2pm 20 Clements Gate
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup> to	Christmas Tree Festival Hathern Parish Church
Sunday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Tree Festival Hathern Parish Church
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	'Opera Dudes' 'The Godfathers of Croon' Long Whatton C.C. 7.30pm
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Father Christmas at Diseworth Heritage Centre 2pm
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Retired Residents' Christmas Lunch Village Hall 1pm

### Flower Arranging Workshop in Diseworth Village Hall Saturday's 2pm – 4pm



November 6<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>  
December 11<sup>th</sup>

For more  
information  
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### Castle Donington Farmers' Market

2nd Saturday of every month  
from 9am - 12.30pm



**13th November**  
**11th December**

St Edwards C of E Primary  
School,  
The Dovecote,  
Castle Donington

# Welcome

to the November issue of  
the *Diseworth Dialogue*



I would like to begin by thanking everyone for their enormous generosity. So far, you have donated £997 to the *Dialogue*. I really can't thank you enough and I feel very privileged to live in such a kind and supportive village. I believe the Harvest Supper also raised a substantial amount for the church.

October was a busy month in the village, with both the Normans exhibition and the Big Switch Off being a huge success. My son thoroughly enjoyed dressing up as a Norman soldier and making a shield and judging by the photographs, other people did too! It was also a busy month for weddings and you'll find some lovely photographs of the happy couples in this issue.

Photography features a lot in this magazine, with Chris Duggan inviting people to his Christmas photoshoot at the village hall on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November and Andy Hargreaves, the photographic judge at the Flower Show asking photographers to join his workshop. Details of these items can be found within.

With Christmas just around the corner, there are many dates to put in your diary. The Christmas Shopping evening is on the 26<sup>th</sup> and the Christmas Fayre on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Hathern is hosting a Christmas Tree Festival in December and the Retired Residents' Christmas Lunch takes place on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December. But before all that we have the Fireworks display at the village hall on the 5<sup>th</sup> November and a Quiz Night at the village hall on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Don't forget your Christmas Greetings - details are in *Dispatches*. The money raised goes to Rainbows who are putting on two fun runs in December. ( See page 37 for details.) I would also like to mention the Christmas Lunch Project at the Glenmore Centre in Shepshed which you will find on page 39.

With so much to do over the next few weeks, don't forget to spare some time to read this issue. I hope you enjoy it and thank you all again for your wonderful generosity.

See you all at the Fireworks display.

*Peggy Tudor*

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*



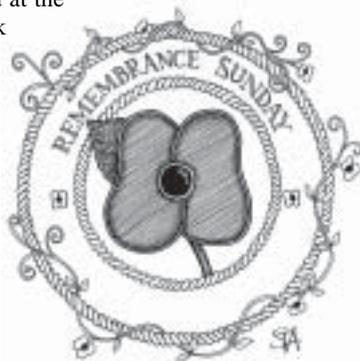
photograph Julia Silifoe

November is such a great month, it starts with remembering and then ends with a beginning! Let me explain. On the first of the month we remember and celebrate All Saints Day, giving thanks to God for those ordinary men and women who through faith did extraordinary things for God. On the second we think of the friends and family whom we have loved and lost as churches across the world, hold their All Souls Day services. On the fifth it's bonfire night and we 'Remember, remember, the fifth of November, gunpowder treason and plot.' Remembrance Day falls on the eleventh of the month and we call to mind all those who have lost their lives in the cause of freedom. In many ceremonies these words from the poet Laurence Binyon will be used:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

Then, as the month progresses we begin to look forward. The feast of Christ the King falls on the twenty first of November. When we celebrate Christ as King, we are not celebrating an oppressive ruler, but one willing to die for humanity and whose "loving-kindness endures forever." Christ is the king that gives us true freedom, freedom in Him. His kingship is both now and will come to completion in the future. And then on the last Sunday of November the church's year begins anew with Advent Sunday. In Advent Christians look forward to the Christmas season and the coming of the Son of God as a baby born in Bethlehem, but they also look on into the far future when God's reign of love and grace and all his good purposes will come to full fruition.

So, you see, November is a great month. At the beginning we spend much time in looking back in remembrance and at the end we look forward in anticipation. Both looking back and looking forward are important. Remembering reminds us of who we are and how we have got here: anticipating helps us to think about where we shall be, the direction of our lives and its purpose. But however good both remembering and anticipating are it is important not to lose sight of the present. In the end it is living now that counts.



*Tony Edmonds*

# St Michael and All Angels Parish Church

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For **Baptism** enquires, please contact Gill.  
Baptisms in the benefice occur on the first Sunday of the month in most of the churches on a first come first served basis.  
For **Funerals**, please contact Gill. The local undertakers have now been asked to contact Gill direct. Gill will then make arrangements for a member of the team to take the funeral.  
For **Wedding** enquiries and bookings, please contact Gill.

## Other Benefice Services, Meetings and Social Events in November 2010

November	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tuesday	Kegworth House Group 8.00pm
November	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday	Hathern House Group 7.30pm
<b>November</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Church Fundraising Meeting, 7.30pm, Wartoft Grange</b>
November	6 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Hathern Church Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	'Timeless' Evening (60/70s music) Kegworth Village Hall, £7 inc. buffet
November	7 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Hathern Church Music Café, 6pm-8pm
November	13 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Kegworth Church Coffee Morning 10am- 12noon
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Reluctant Organist Course, Osgathorpe
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	70s Theme night, Osgathorpe Fundraiser at Belton Village Hall
November	20 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Long Whatton Coffee Morning, Friendship Centre
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Spanish Evening, Belton
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	The Organists Entertain Evening, Hathern Church
November	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday	Benefice Bible Study, 33 Green Hill, Hathern 7.30pm
November	24 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Benefice Praise Evening, Hathern Church, 7.30pm
<b>November</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Diseworth Church Christmas Fayre 10am- 12noon</b>

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## Services & Locations for November 2010

	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Location</b>
November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30pm	All Souls Service	Belton
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern & Kegworth
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>CW Holy Communion</b>	<b>Diseworth</b>
		Family Service	Belton, Hathern & Kegworth
		All Age Worship	Long Whatton
		CW Morning Prayer	Osgathorpe
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Kegworth
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Belton & Kegworth
	10.15am	Remembrance Service	Long Whatton
	10.30am	Remembrance Service	Hathern
	10.45am	Remembrance Service	Kegworth & Osgathorpe
	<b>10.50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Service</b>	<b>Diseworth &amp; Belton</b>
	6.15pm	United Taize Service	Belton
		BCP Evensong	Kegworth
November 21 <sup>st</sup>	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Kegworth
	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>CW Holy Communion</b>	<b>Diseworth</b>
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Belton & L. Whatton
		Family Service	Kegworth
	6.15pm	BCP Holy Communion	Hathern
		BCP Evensong	Kegworth & Belton
November 24 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Benefice Praise Evening	Hathern
November 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	<b>Diseworth &amp; Kegworth</b>
	9.00am	CW Holy Communion	Osgathorpe
	10.30am	CW Holy Communion	Long Whatton, Hathern & Kegworth
	6.15pm	BCP Evensong	Belton, Hathern & Kegworth

**Morning Prayer held in Diseworth Church 8.30am-9.00am every Thursday**

**Regular Weekday Services**

Tuesday	12.30pm	CW Holy Communion, Belton Church
Wednesday	9.30am	BCP Holy Communion, Kegworth Church

# *St Michael and All Angels Parish Church*

## **Lessons and Readers for November 2010**

	<b>Time</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Sidesman</b>
November 7 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Job 19.23-27a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-end Gospel: Luke 20.27-38	10.30am  M Gidlow  S Brompton R Harris	G Stone
November 14 <sup>th</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Malachi 4.1-2a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Gospel: Luke 21.5-19	10.50am	
November 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday next before Advent	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 23.1-6 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 1.11-20 Gospel: Luke 23.33-43	9.00am  M Hening D Blenkinsopp D Cherry	M Howe
November 28 <sup>th</sup> Advent Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 2.1-5 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 13.11-14 Gospel: Matthew 24.36-44	8.00am  D Griffin  S Bird	T Griffin

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

### **Church Flowers and Brasses**

	<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Brasses</b>
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs R Smith	Mrs S Moores
November 14 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup>	The Fletcher Family	
November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Advent	Mrs M Linthwaite



*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

Lead Deacon: Paul Phillips 01509-551464

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*Diseworth Church*

# *CHRISTMAS FAYRE*

*Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2010  
10.00am – 12noon*

*Fair Trade Stall ~ Christmas Raffle ~  
Christmas Tombola  
Seasonal Refreshments ~ Books*



# *Wedding Congratulations*



*Photograph by Darrin Parnell*

Nigel Clive Allen of Page Lane, Diseworth, married his fiancée of five years Elaine Ann Woodcock, of Castle Donington, at Diseworth Village Church on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2010 at 11.30am.

It was a small intimate service conducted by Reverend Peter Evans. The Bride and Groom's parents were present. The Bride's father, Mr Henry Townsley of Poulton Le Fylde, Lancashire and the Groom's mother, Mrs Vera Allen of Diseworth, were witnesses at the ceremony.

Darrin Parnell of Photos & Confetti (01509-554297) took photographs. Flowers were from Buddies (01332-850165). The Wedding Breakfast was held at Donington Manor Hotel. The happy couple honeymooned in Palma, Majorca.

The Bride and Groom's families and friends wish them well.

*"Love never gives up; and its faith, hope and patience never fail".*  
1 Corinthians, verse 7. Good News Colour New Testament.

# ***Things that could have spoiled a wedding (and why they didn't)***



Like:

Discovering on the night before the wedding that the groom and best-man's kilts are a tad too big.

- \* Father of the bride and the boys set to work and created extra holes in the belt of the kilt, trusted to providence and prayed that this would suffice (it did)

Realising on the wedding day that there is not enough fresh lavender for the church, the hotel and the marquee

- \* Sandie and Diane raided their gardens for us and the beautiful silk flower arrangements prepared by Sarah Minton and the fresh bouquets and posies from Fleurs en Fleur were superb.

Losing the photographer for almost an hour between the hairdressers and the house.

- \* He turned the wrong way, became embroiled in traffic, but phoned for instructions and arrived back in time. Bride insists it had nothing to do with her directions, even though in the past she has distinguished left from right by a scar on her hand!

Bride's older brother & wife finding they have no baby pants for their daughter

to wear with dress.

- \* Bride's other brother and fiancé contacted and asked to source, buy and bring pants, which they did (apparently at same time as getting secret bouquets requested by bride)

Bride pointing out that her brother, who clearly had been given a mission too many with the pants, had left to collect groom, best man and usher without taking the button holes, which mother of bride had forgotten to give to him. Also the sunshine was now interrupted by sudden showers.

- \* Mother of bride caused button holes problem, so mother of bride took them to church, under cover of one of a bunch of white umbrellas loaned by Sally and Barry.

Meanwhile bride is dressed and looks stunning, as does bridesmaid, but then hook and eye snap on bridesmaid's dress. No-one can find sewing kit to fix the dress as mother of bride on way to church.

- \* Make up artiste is still at the house as she has lost her spectacles somewhere, so she helped out and pinned bridesmaid securely.

Mother of bride being unable to pin button holes through woollen highland jackets without help of 6 other guests, and then having no time to get home to walk or drive to church with bridesmaid.

- \* Friends Sharon and Darryl still at house, as make up artiste (now with glasses) has been repairing Sharon's spray-tan, which was patchy on legs due to socks!!! So friends brought bridesmaid to church in their car.

Really heavy downpour as bride is just about to walk to church

- \* Dave came round to take bride and father of bride to church in his vintage car, nicely captured on the video filmed by Sue.

Brilliant sunny skies on first leaving church, turning within minutes to a mini monsoon, causing the outside photography to be abandoned

- \* Photos continued back in church where we had enjoyed such a delightful service and then it was sunny again as Richard brought his nice car to drive Debs and John to the reception.

At the hotel gardens, the grass being too wet for some of the games and activities planned during the afternoon.

- \* Pete had loaned his large gazebo, so some games were still very much used, though we don't know whose burst of energy broke the 'limbo'. The sun was shining and guests enjoyed the lovely views.

Noticing, after the reception and speeches, that the disco had not yet arrived to set up for the evening events and then finding out that their van had broken down and it was not known what time a replacement would arrive.

- \* It didn't matter as Debs and John's friends/family provided us with musical performances during the interlude between afternoon and evening, and they just entertained for longer. So many talented vocalists and instrumentalists in one place! It was wonderful to have such an enjoyable experience, a real treat from Debs and John's friends/family and it paved the way for the live band and disco to complete the occasion for us.

Debra Jepson and John Stewart were married on 21<sup>st</sup> August and we were very proud of them both. Debs looked absolutely beautiful and we were delighted that her 92year old grandfather managed to attend at least a little of their wedding. John and his brother James looked striking in their Stewart tartans, a lovely tribute to their Scottish heritage and to their parents, who

were sadly never destined to see their sons as groom and best-man, but we know they would have been equally proud and delighted. Ushers and bridesmaid supported and helped us all wonderfully and it was a pleasure to share the day with lovely guests.



We are very grateful to all the people who helped us, those who have been mentioned but also to the many others who have not.

It was a truly wonderful day and weekend, which the odd hiccup, torrent of rain and little disco fiasco could never have spoiled.

*Karen and Paul Jepson*

# Obituary

## Joyce Leech



The news of the death of Joyce Leech, on October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, though not unexpected, was received with great sadness by her many friends in Diseworth. She had borne her illness over the last three years with great fortitude and bravery, particularly in the final few months.

After she and Alan moved to Diseworth in 1988, both took an active part in village matters. Joyce soon joined the Local History Society, served as its Secretary, and was their representative on the Village Hall Committee. She provided invaluable help at the Flower Show, acting as a judge for children's artwork. She was also an active member of the Millennium Meadow Committee and of Wings.

Joyce was born in Blackpool in 1940, shortly before her father was posted abroad with the RAF during WWII. She and Alan met as teenagers in the sixth form at their local Technical School and later pursued separate but parallel paths to qualify as teachers.

Joyce's first job was as a chemistry laboratory technician with the Gas Board. Her first teaching appointment was at Braunston Park School in the City of Leicester. She and Alan were married in 1965 and in 1966 moved to Africa, where they took up teaching posts in Malawi. It was there, in 1968 that their son, Tim, was born. Joyce taught science to secondary pupils at St Andrews High School before moving to teach first juniors, after a spell of teaching infants.

Back in the UK, they lived in Leeds and in Newcastle upon Tyne before Alan obtained a post in Derby. Joyce returned to teaching, at Brooklands School in Long Eaton, where she later became Head of the Lower Junior Department. During this time she completed her studies to obtain a B.Ed.Hons degree. Joyce next moved to Nottingham Girls' High School, to the post of Deputy Head of the Junior School, where she stayed until her retirement in 2000.

Joyce's philosophy of teaching was simple and she had the breadth of experience and talent to bring out the best in children, give them a sound foundation in basic skills in language and mathematics before they left her to enter the senior school. Also her

science background made her one of those rare junior-school teachers who could teach the subject, having been trained and worked in a scientific field.

Joyce had a passion for literature, art and history. All served to make her an excellent class teacher, with the primary aim of nurturing relationships with children to make them confident and happy in the adventure of learning and growing towards adulthood.

In her non-working life Joyce had always travelled widely, especially in the pursuit of the art and architecture that interested and inspired her. She and Alan undertook many tours within Europe and also to India and the USA. She was also knowledgeable about history and archaeology; the several trips to the Orkney Isles, with her family, were a particular joy to her.

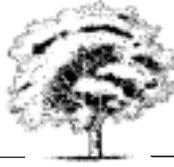
She was a Friend of the Tate Gallery and a member of the Art Fund and made many visits to major exhibitions in London, Liverpool, and to the many small local galleries in this area and throughout the north of England. It was a great pleasure to accompany her on these visits. She was also a competent artist and sculptress herself and a discerning collector, of pottery and modern art. She had a love of the theatre and literature and attended many lectures in this field. She read widely and always wrote an analysis of her readings.

To the end, Joyce remained intensely interested in a wide range of activities. She completed part of a Fine Arts degree course at Nottingham University and attended classes at Loughborough on history of art, modern literature and watercolour painting. A firm advocate of organic methods of cultivation, and a very good cook, she put theory into practice on her allotment. Her concern for the environment was immense – she was a member of Friends of the Earth, the RHS and Kegworth Garden Club. Annual walking holidays with a group of lifelong friends were always keenly anticipated.

Joyce will be deeply missed by all those lucky enough to call themselves her friends and leaves a gap in our lives that we cannot imagine being able to fill. We extend our sincerest sympathy to Alan and to Tim and Helen at this difficult time.

*Pat Guy*

If friends would like to make a donation to Joyce's memory then they can write a cheque made payable to Jan Firth, 12 Lady Gate, Diseworth. They need to write Joyce on the back of the cheque. Monies will go to Haywood House, Cancer Care Trust, MacMillan Nurses in Nottingham and the Millennium Meadow for a tree(s) where some of Joyce's ashes will be placed and for flowers for the Church.



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## **CULTIVATING COMPANIONS**



*Will power harrowing his grass seedbed*

Once the crops are all harvested and the straw bales gathered in, the race begins to pull up the old stubbles ready for fresh crops to go in. It has been a difficult harvest as the weather has been changeable, and as we go into autumn proper, nothing much has changed. Still looking on the bright side, Will has been able to get some ground worked up on the dry days.

I went to pick him up one particular lunchtime, and was greeted with the sight of a huge gathering of gulls and crows covering the ground. As I went into the field a great cloud of

gulls took off, soaring into the air, circling overhead and then flapping away high into the sky looking for a new feeding site. As we drove home, we talked about how quickly the birds arrive when a tractor starts to work up the ground. Will said that they sometimes arrive within minutes, and not just seagulls and crows, but often buzzards, groups of pied wagtails and the odd sparrow hawk. All have one goal, to see if the machinery has unearthed a tasty meal of worms or grubs for them. When we went back an hour later, all the birds had gone.

I waited while Will fired up the tractor and started trundling up and down, pulling the stubble up to reveal the fresh brown earth, but the birds didn't return, they had obviously found richer pickings elsewhere. I was just about to go, having given up on getting a decent photograph of the gulls when a movement on the ground caught my eye. Whatever it was disappeared into the hedge bottom and was gone. Later I mentioned it to Will, and he immediately knew what it was that I had seen. "Bet it was a leveret, you know a baby hare." He said while stirring his tea. "I've seen 4 little ones today, all in different places in the field. Tiny little things, you could fit one into this tea mug easily." I was astonished as I had no idea that hares could have tiny babies so late in the year.

A bit of research revealed that hares do in fact breed from March

to October and may have 3 litters of up to 4 young at a time. The mother hides them separately in an attempt to maximize the chances of at least some of them surviving. Both adults and young crouch close to the ground if frightened, only fleeing if approached very closely. Hares have had a very good year and there are a lot of them about in the fields between Diseworth and Belton. I hope the little leveret I caught a glimpse of has survived. As for the ground working, well that is on hold at the moment due to the rain, but Will, ever optimistic, is getting the corn drill ready on the promise of better weather at the weekend.



Perhaps it's not too late for an Indian summer!

## 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, especially in an evening or very early in the morning. The grass was cut in early September and has grown back well after all the rain. All the trees are thriving and some are now quite an impressive size. We are still planting a few trees each year, mostly smaller or shrubby species to provide infill and undergrowth. We also have a number of previously planted trees as yet without sponsors, so would welcome any enquiries. Dogs are welcome in the Meadow provided they are under control and not allowed to foul the site. The small gate is always unlocked. Please ensure it is secured when you leave.  
Contact: Pat Guy 811119.

## Diseworth Open Flower Show

# The Last Word



After Nikki's rather embarrassing eulogy last month I feel I really must restore a little balance to the proceedings. I may have been the chief **organiser** of the Show for many years, but there is no way it (or I!) could ever have continued for as long as it has without a considerable number of willing helpers during that time. I should like to take this opportunity **to extend my sincerest thanks to all** those who have, in any capacity at all, helped to make each Show a resounding success.

I was especially touched by the surprise presentation, and am glad to be able to report that the orchid is thriving. I shall hope to coax it to flower in time to appear (and win?) at future shows. This may be my last Show 'in charge', but I am sure I shall still be involved in some capacity in the future.

From next year, the Show will be organised by the Village Hall Committee, to whom I am extremely grateful, as I had feared the event might lapse if no one was willing to take on the responsibility. I am sure they will bring new ideas and impetus and there will be some interesting innovations. They will, however, just as I did, need a lot of extra support, especially on the day itself, and I hope that all those who can, will rally round and make sure Diseworth Show continues long into the future. Our show has quite a reputation locally, and those villages that have lost their annual events look on us with something approaching envy. We must make sure it stays that way.



*Pat distributing the Prize Cards at the show*

*Pat Guy*

# Fireworks at Diseworth Village Hall Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November



Gates open 6:30pm

Fireworks and  
entertainment approx 7:15pm

Hot Food & Sparklers available.

Adults £3.00 Children £1.00

Diseworth Village Hall

Quiz Night

In aid of

Children in Need

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November

7:15pm for 7:30pm start

Everyone welcome - £1.50 each

Maximum 6 per team

Raffle

Bring your own drinks & snacks



# THE NORMANS CAME TO DISEWORTH AT THE HERITAGE CENTRE



*Ben the Norman*



*Thomas the Norman*

The Norman exhibition at the Heritage Centre has been well visited and the Norman Quiz proved popular.

The artefacts loaned by the LCC Resources Centre included brooches and girdle pins and a 1400 year old brooch.

The material provided by BBC Hands on History offered young people the opportunity to make a shield, colour pictures of Normans and dress up in costume.

The exhibition will be transferred to All Saints Church in Long Whatton for their Gift Day on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October for one day and return to Diseworth Heritage Centre for a few weeks.

*Nikki Hening*



*Nicky Miller dressed as a Norman Lady*

# Switching Off In Diseworth

A very successful day was held in the Heritage Centre on 12<sup>th</sup> October with the Big Switch Off event.

Stands had been set up which offered advice on home insulation and many other energy saving devices. A bulb library was very popular where visitors could test the latest low energy bulbs and see which ones are the brightest and note what they all cost.



*Discussing low energy light bulbs*

North West Leicestershire waste management team produced a small machine which showed how much electricity is used when a kettle is boiled and the value saved when it is not filled to the limit. There was also advice on composting and waste disposal and for those who had missed the offer of free trees at the annual Flower Show there was an opportunity to order them.

For the young people from Diseworth School there were quizzes and tests; all had a go to hook a duck with a number which related to a question on saving or wasting water.

Perhaps the most popular was the ‘smoothie cycle’ where contestants placed a blender full of chopped fruit and juice on the back of an adapted bicycle and pedalled sufficiently to create the smoothie drink. During the day over 70 drinks were provided.



*James from Diseworth School pedalling to make a smoothie*

Pedalling their way to a smoothie ....



*Nicky Miller*



*John Fletcher*



*Tom Miller*

In addition cotton bags, tea towels, balloons, pencils, rulers etc were given away to all.

Neighbouring village Thringstone brought details of their work in energy saving and caring for their village as well as books of photographs of the history of Thringstone.



John Sketchley from Hermitage Radio set up his broadcasting equipment in the IT Suite upstairs and the afternoon 2 – 5 pm slot was broadcast from the Heritage Centre. During the afternoon many people at the event were interviewed as to their role in the day and advice offered.



*Ideas for energy saving at home*

Steve Darling from DEFRA (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) who was visiting the Heritage Centre spoke very positively about the work that had been undertaken to achieve the results.

Refreshments were provided and the delicious cakes came from the Organic Farm in Long Whatton. The event was part of Leicestershire County Council's Big Switch Off week when all residents are urged to switch off and save electricity particularly during the week of 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October.

The RCC (Rural Community Council) Community Development Officer Jo Ling planned and set up this much enjoyed event.

*Nikki Hening*

# Grumpy of *Diseworth*



Regular readers will know that I received a letter from Leicester County Council admonishing me for violating the Highways Act 1980 by placing two legs of a tower scaffold on the road. I sent them what I thought was a well reasoned, thoughtful and polite reply, which was also published in the July issue of the *Dialogue*. I have since been away for a month or so and on return was disappointed that I had received no reply [other than an initial 'holding' letter] to my missive. Why was I not surprised?

Below is my second letter to them, designed to elicit a response from that august and distinguished body.

I'm sure the *Dialogue* would be interested to learn from readers whether or not they believe a response will be forthcoming and/or what it might say!

*Jim Snee*

From: sneejim@live.co.uk  
To: customerservices@leics.gov.uk  
Subject: FW: Ref 1993022 [re. Letter REF:10367832780]  
Date: Fri, 10 Sep 2010 01:29:26 +0000

Dear Sirs,

**Your Ref:- 1993022 [re. letter Ref 10367832780]**

You will see from the attached that I last wrote to you in July. I subsequently received your initial, and prompt, response on July 29th, appended below. In your holding reply you advise that my letter had been passed on to the 'Highways Area Office' for '*looking into*' and response.

To date, some 6 weeks on, I am still awaiting notification of the investigation to be carried out by the Highway Area Office and receipt of their response to my letter following said '*looking into*'. No doubt this embarrasses your office as much as it disappoints me.

You might be interested to learn that in the intervening period I have driven some 3,000 miles within France in the company of my wife and her parents, suffered an engine failure with my car en route [fortunately whilst still within the UK] which resulted in an ignominious return home on a low loader, a frantic re-packing of luggage into the in-laws car, followed by a repeat attempt, this time successful, to catch a later ferry on the same day. Had the AA responded with the same sense of urgency as the Highways Area Office the four of us would now have died of starvation on the hard shoulder of the M1.

I also, whilst in the South of France, sailed a French fishing trawler from Le Barcares to Leucate where I supervised its removal from the water into dry dock. I then pressure washed the hull, removed all crustaceans and repainted it before having it refloated in order to return it to Le Barcares. A messy job, a bit like resurfacing a road but without the endless miles of cones and no-one doing any work.

Whilst there I additionally rebuilt an outboard motor and carried out repairs on a second outboard engine. That's akin to digging a hole in the road but making sure that the repairs required below are done properly so that no one has to come back next week to do it all over again.

During this time in foreign climes I spent a fraught night in a French hospital when my wife went down with suspected meningitis. Fortunately this incident had a happy ending, she had not contracted this nasty ailment but the endless, anxious, hours of waiting around reminded me of sitting in a queue at a red traffic light on a roundabout - it has no purpose, either we need a roundabout or we need traffic lights. To have both is the highway equivalent of tautology, it just ain't not rite. And no, I don't know what the French for meningitis is, any more than I am familiar with the content of the Highways Act 1980.

Having shopped, catered and cooked for my wife and her parents for a fortnight, in addition to my driving and nautical duties, we then motored from the Mediterranean coast to the Atlantic coast to attend a wedding at which No. 1 son was officiating as best man with one of his brothers acting as an usher. This was a happy few days. My sons were busy with their duties and both my wife and I were proud of the job they did. I had nothing more to do than bask in the reflected glory. That, I imagine, is the same sort of satisfaction that the Highways people get from the work they do - a very happy state of affairs.

Since returning to Blighty last week I have removed and stripped the engine from my stricken car [ironically it's a French vehicle] and have pronounced its heart properly dead. Accordingly I have sourced a new engine, via the internet, which will arrive a day from now and I will install it this weekend. That's known as planning ahead, it's the sort of thing that saves you closing off the motorway in order to knock down the bridges which were built without provision for any road widening. [Dr. Beeching should have rung a few alarm bells here].

Whilst much of the above is not strictly relevant to the purpose of my first letter to you, I

bring it to your attention only as it seems to me that there has been a reasonable amount of activity and energy expended at this end of the keyboard since July 29th, whilst at your end there would seem to have been a slightly less sprightly approach. Somewhat surprising to me that, as I'm now well into my seventh decade of life which, I suspect, is closer to arthritis, amnesia and lethargy than are those in your team.

'Customer Service' is the signatory to the letter that you sent to me on 19th July, I do hope the title means something and has not been the victim of savage cuts. It is hard to accept that an issue like this, of no great import in the grand scheme of things, cannot be resolved by the entire resource of the might of the Leicestershire County Council just a little more efficiently. If it carries on like this I shall need to re-erect my scaffolding for the next round of renovation whilst still living in ignorance of the correct procedure of gaining the required 'lawful authority'. Still, I content myself with the fact that this will not be required for at least another ten years, by which time I'll be into my eighth decade and probably too old to climb it.

In the meantime I still await your reasoned reply and look forward to hearing from you, hopefully before I'm too much older.

Yours faithfully,

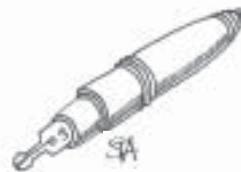
*Jim Snee*

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## Hello Diseworth Towns People,

I am researching my ancestors. The family name is Wileman of which were from Earl Shilton.

In my lineage was a distant relative named Richard Wileman 1758-1822 (parents Henry and Elizabeth Wileman of Earl Shilton) a bachelor. In his will he left some of his estate to a John Wileman of Diseworth stating he was a son of a Richard Wileman. I am not sure which Richard this meant or possibly could have been his son, you never know.



If anyone has any knowledge or knows of anyone who might would you kindly get in touch with me. If you also know anything about any other Wileman's I would like to hear from you also.

I truly appreciate your kind help with my request.

E-mail [jnthelmamaio@aol.com](mailto:jnthelmamaio@aol.com)

Fondly,

Thelma Maiorano Delaware, U.S.A.

# Christmas Shopping Evening

Diseworth Village Hall



Friday  
November 26th  
7pm - 9pm

Stalls include homemade banners, stockings, presents,  
cards, Avon, Aloe Vera, bags etc.

Raffle Refreshments



Admission 50p

News from  
**DISEWIRED**  
**The Community Group for  
Better Broadband in Diseworth**

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We thank everybody who attended our Public Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> October. We covered much ground and there was much lively discussion.

We were able to share progress on a number of developments, including the initial result of reports we had commissioned from Rutland Telecom and Virgin Media. We continue to explore these options, and others, with a view to selecting a proposed solution and submitting a funding application through the East Midlands Development Agency. The deadline for our application is 26<sup>th</sup> November.

Whichever solution we choose, it will require some voluntary funding contribution from within the village. We are still working on figures, which will be affected by the option we choose, but our discussions within the village with potential fundraisers have been encouraging. The uncertainty, of course, is whether we will be successful in our funding application to the EMDA. We will keep you informed of progress via our website **www.disewired.com**. If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to subscribe to our email updates by clicking "Contact" on the homepage and entering your email address. By doing this you will strengthen our case by demonstrating demand for better broadband in Diseworth. You commit to NOTHING by doing this.

We also encourage you to vote for our BT Castle Donington Exchange to be upgraded to high speed broadband. Voting costs you NOTHING. To cast your vote, visit **www.racetoinfinity.bt.com** or click through from the article on the home page of **www.disewired.com**. Thank you for your support.

*The Disewired Team*

**www.disewired.com**

email: **info@disewired.com**

facebook group: search "disewired"

IS CHRISTMAS COMING EARLY TO DISEWORTH?

## *The flight bringing Father Christmas*



to East Midlands Airport on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December is arriving earlier so he can meet as many young people as possible. So he will be at Diseworth Heritage Centre at 2pm.

He is looking forward to meeting any young people and would like you to send him a letter.

You can post it at the Heritage Centre Post Box. Bring parents as refreshments will be available. If he has time Father Christmas is hoping call a few days later at the Retired Residents' Christmas Lunch.

# Retired Residents' Christmas Lunch



Tuesday 14th December  
Village Hall  
1pm  
Telephone for Booking  
- 853647 Nikki



Please note to all kind residents who have donated gifts for the Raffle at the lunch.

Norma, who has done a sterling job collecting prizes cannot do so this year but is willing to receive gifts at her house or collect them if requested. Phone 814933

# Chris Duggan Photography

Professional Photography For All Occasions

## Christmas Photoshoot



Christmas is right round the corner,  
On Sunday 28th November Chris Duggan Photography  
are offering you the chance to have a free studio session  
and claim a FREE 5x7" print.

All you have to do is come along between 10am and 6pm  
and we'll do the rest!



Free glass of wine and nibbles for all who attend!

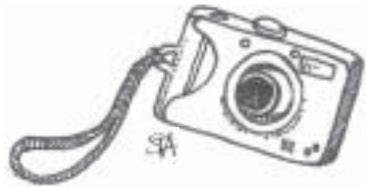
# Congratulations

Congratulations to Guy Britton on his promotion to Corporal and for laying the wreath on behalf of Ratcliffe College at the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Battle of Britain in Melton Mowbray on the 19th September.



## Photography Workshops

Over the past few years, the Photographic Judge at Diseworth Flower Show has been most impressed by the steadily increasing standard of the photographs submitted. We have tried to choose subjects that would inspire you, and judging by the results, we seem to be succeeding.



Our Judge, Andy Hargreaves, is based in Long Whatton, and he would like to get to know our local photographers and encourage more of you to take up the hobby. He has suggested that he would be happy to hold a number of informal workshop sessions, when he would talk about some of the basics of good photography and show people how to get the best out of their equipment. These would take place ideally during the evenings of the winter months.

If you are interested in taking part in such meetings, please get in touch as soon as possible with either me (01332 811119) or directly with Andy (01509 646958).

*Pat Guy*

# DIALOGUE DISPATCHES

If you have items for the  
DECEMBER/JANUARY DOUBLE 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 an-  
nouncements.

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

**The Plough Inn**  
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE  
**Quiz Night**  
**3rd November**

1st WEDNESDAY of the month  
Entry £1 each person, maximum  
of four in a team, first prize is half  
a gallon of beer, other prizes as  
well, including  
Sunday Lunch for two.  
Entry to the quiz includes a snack  
at half time.



The Mobile Library visits  
Diseworth on the 12th and  
26th November.

The Bowley  
11.55 – 12.15  
Clements Gate  
12.20 – 1.20

The contact number for the  
mobile library is  
0116 3053565

*Diseworth Dialogue* Committee  
Meetings will now start at the  
earlier time of 7.30pm

*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*

*A date for your diaries  
Sunday 5th December  
Ballroom & Latin 'Taster'  
Dance Lesson  
Diseworth Village Hall  
Further information next month*



**NOT TO BE MISSED**

## The Opera Dudes

“The Godfathers of Croon “  
Saturday 11th December 7.30 at Long  
Whatton Community Centre

All tickets £7.00 available from 1st November  
from Manor Farm Shop and  
Long Whatton Post Office.

Opera Dudes are back in Long Whatton by  
popular demand. They've been practising their  
scales, studying their tuna day books , putting  
their heart and sole into preparations and now  
Opera Dudes are ready to give you a whale of a  
time. This show will satisfy genuine opera buffs

but equally amuse and  
entertain those who  
love popular music.

When they performed  
here in February 2009  
we sold out so do book  
early .

For enquiries please  
contact Viv on 01509  
646413.



# DI A L O G U E   D I S P A T C H E S

## *Congratulations*

*to Sandie and John Clark  
on the birth of Beth  
Louise, born on 15th  
October, weighing 8lb  
3oz. A sister for Jack.*



## **Congratulations to Scott**

**and Natalie (nee  
Gaymer) on the  
birth of Oscar.  
A brother for  
Oliver**



Welcome to  
Diseworth  
Steve McIver to  
Shakespear Close

## Christmas Greetings Page .... for December's *Dialogue*

In December's *Dialogue* we will be having a page for your Christmas/ New Year greetings to your friends and neighbours in the village.

This could be instead of, or as well as, sending an individual card to them.

There is no charge for this ... but if you would like to make a voluntary donation to Rainbows Children's Hospice that would be very much appreciated ... or alternatively make your own donations to your own favourite charity.

**Please let me have your message (and donation if you wish ... cheques payable to Rainbows Children's Hospice) ..... by email or on paper by the 10th November at the very latest.**

Thanks. Ruth Smith  
ruth@airnig.co.uk 9, The Bowley,  
Diseworth. DE74 2QL



## *Diseworth Village Hall* **200 Club**

Prize Winners November 2010

Prize	Number	Name	Amount
1 <sup>st</sup>	51	Measham	£30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	154	M Hening	£20
3 <sup>rd</sup>	92	J Billington	£15
4 <sup>th</sup>	52	B Hutchinson	£10

## *News from Long Whatton Post Office*

*Buy your supplies of Coal, Kindling  
and Logs from us.*

*Diseworth Christmas cards  
now in stock*



## **BLUE BAGS**

**Coming Soon**

1<sup>st</sup> Diseworth  
Brownies and Guides  
Our next BLUE BAG  
collection for  
Clothes, Shoes etc  
15<sup>th</sup> November 2010  
Please take to the  
village hall on  
**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup>  
NOVEMBER**

**Thank you for your  
support**

**Welcome to the  
yellow pages**  
Reliable 14 year  
old, with First Aid  
certificate,  
available for  
**babysitting** most  
evenings.  
Please call Lucy  
Agar on 01332  
850181 or 07763  
952126.

# LONG WHATTON & DISEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



The October meeting began with a presentation by two officers of the Police Aviation Team based at the airport. The team's purpose is to engage with the public in a wide area around the airport, asking for their vigilance in noting and reporting suspicious activity, possibly connected with terrorism. Any unusual interest or activity involving, for example, aircraft taking off or landing. Examples given were: unusual or unexpected people, vehicles or equipment in secluded places in possible line of sight of aircraft approaching the airport. Such people using cameras/videos. Unexpected disturbed earth. A great deal of help has already been received from the public. If you are able to report such instances or to discuss this you can make a confidential call to 0116 222222 ext. 5875 or 07796 336919 or email [PAT@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:PAT@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk). In an emergency dial 999 or call the anti-terrorist Hotline 0800 789321.

The Chairman had been invited to a presentation of an award at The Falcon for their floral display. This has helped put Long Whatton on the map. He also noted the campaign by Disewired for faster broadband and he thought the Parish Council should offer what assistance it could.

The Council decided to support Loughborough District Scouts with a donation towards their Centenary camp. It was also decided to provide and lay wreaths at the two war memorials on Remembrance Sunday.

Preparations are in hand for the forthcoming meeting with prospective allotment holders

to prepare for taking over the allotments area in Diseworth around the new year. Those residents who initially asked for allotments to be provided and who have waited patiently for some two years will have the opportunity to be part of setting up the arrangements. Anyone from Long Whatton or Diseworth interested in the project is welcome to contact the undersigned for more information or to express an interest.

Latest news will also be given on our website:

[www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk](http://www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk).

The results of the survey by County Highways into the provision of 5 salt bins by the Parish Council (first requested last January) are expected shortly. The cost has doubled in the meantime and local consultations must take place. Hopefully there will be more concrete news at the November meeting when the Parish Council will have to decide what to do. The Parish Council is also seeking assistance from Highways in dealing with overgrown hedges in The Green, Long Whatton, which are a danger and inconvenience to pedestrians.

The Future of Transport in Leicestershire consultation by the County Council is being considered and will be responded to by the Council in November. Everyone is invited to respond to this individually - details at [www.leics.gov.uk/current\\_LTP3\\_consultation](http://www.leics.gov.uk/current_LTP3_consultation) or via the Parish Council website [www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk](http://www.longwhattondiseworth.org.uk).

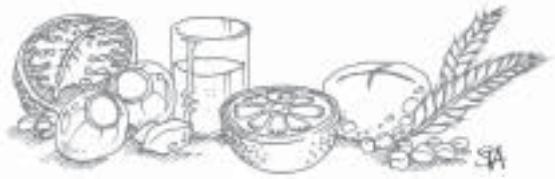
*Douglas Maas, Parish Clerk*

Telephone: 01530 242534

email: [longwhatdisepc@hotmail.com](mailto:longwhatdisepc@hotmail.com)

# HEALTH PAGE

## Magnificent Magnesium



The mineral magnesium is required for virtually every biochemical process in the body and deficiencies are quite common. There is evidence to show a direct connection between magnesium and the health of our bones, muscles and heart. Magnesium is required for muscles to contract and relax, for nerve impulses and for energy production.

Clinical research indicates that magnesium plays a key role in maintaining normal heartbeat, bone strength, blood pressure, muscular function and good sleep patterns. Even a slight deficiency can cause irregular heartbeat, anxiety, muscle spasms, insomnia, hyperactivity in children, raised blood pressure, PMS, poor circulation, menstrual problem and kidney stones.

Coffee, tea and alcohol all hinder magnesium absorption and our bodies use up large amounts when we are stressed. An interesting study of 12,000 people over 19 years showed that those people with the highest levels of magnesium in their bodies had a 30% lower risk of heart disease. By studying those who had died, scientists estimated that magnesium deficiency was implicated in 11% of heart disease fatalities. Another study examined the bone strength and mineral levels of 2,000 people and concluded that for every 100mg extra magnesium consumed daily, there was a one per cent increase in bone mineral density.

Foods rich in magnesium include leafy green vegetables, nuts, seeds, fish, whole grains, brown rice, brewer's yeast, dark chocolate and legumes. Dietary intake is thought to be inadequate in the average Western diet and supplements of 200 to 400mgs are thought to be safe. Best forms are magnesium citrate and magnesium taurate. Good multivitamin and mineral supplements should be a good supply of magnesium. People with renal problems or atrio-ventricular blocks must not take magnesium supplements.

*Liz Jarrom*

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### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursday 4th November

7.30pm at

Long Whatton Community Centre, The Green, Long Whatton

Thursday 2nd December

7.30pm

at Diseworth Village Hall, Hall Gate, Diseworth

# CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR at THE PLOUGH INN



## Christmas Quiz

Wednesday 15th  
December from 9.00pm  
£1 per person - maximum  
four in a team

Half time festive treats,  
great prizes. General  
Christmas knowledge, music  
and merriment!

## Christmas Menu

**EVERY SUNDAY & PRE-BOOKED  
DATES  
MIDWEEK THROUGHOUT  
DECEMBER**

**Order a starter and  
main course for £12.95  
and get a free glass of wine\* or a soft drink\*\***  
**BOOK NOW TO AVOID  
DISAPPOINTMENT**  
**01332 810333**

**The village Fun Run  
takes place on  
Boxing Day – then  
back to The Plough  
for a much earned  
drink!**



**New Year's Eve this year is  
fancy dress and free buffet  
supper.  
Feel free to join in.**

## Our opening hours over the festive period are:-

Christmas Eve	11.30am - 12.00am
Christmas Day	12.00pm – 2.30pm
Boxing Day	10.30am – 10.30pm
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 3.00pm 5.00pm – 11.00pm
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 3.00pm 5.00pm – 11.00pm
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 3.00pm 5.00pm – 11.00pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 3.00pm 5.00pm – 11.00pm
New Year's Eve	11.30am – 1.00am
New Year's Day	12.00pm – 11.00pm

**Hot Roast Pork and  
Stuffing cobs  
served on New  
Year's Day  
lunchtime.**





# Santas on the Run

Festive fun for a good cause!



Elvaston Castle,  
Derbyshire

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December

11am. 2.2 and 4.4 mile circular route

Rushcliffe Country Park,  
Nottingham

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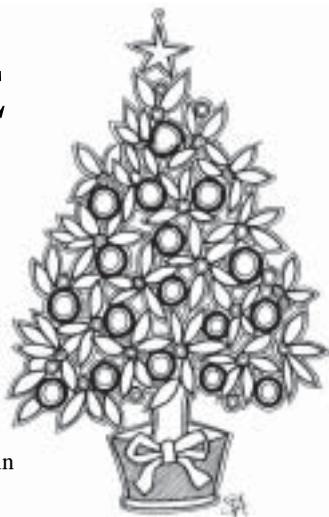
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# Hathern Parish Church 2010 CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

*(Just a reminder)*

Time is marching on and we're planning our 7<sup>th</sup>. 'Christmas Tree Festival.' We're hoping it will be even more spectacular than last year, if that's possible and by the time you read this it will be less than 10 weeks away. So for all the people, organisations and businesses planning to display a tree, here are the arrangements again for this year.



## **Festival dates and times:**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 10am until 8pm.**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 1pm until 5.30pm.**

**Following this at 7.30pm will be an informal  
'Christmas Songs of Praise' with a glass of wine,  
or perhaps sherry or punch amongst the trees.**

## **Arrangements for setting up and taking down your trees:**

The Church will be set up and ready to accept your trees, with places allotted and power on hand anytime between 10am and 8pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

They can be taken down and removed anytime on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December between 10am and 8pm.

If you can't get during any of the above times, please notify one of the organisers for an alternative date or time to be arranged.

## **Other details:**

As in past years, the theme, the artistic impression, the shape, the size and the way in which your tree is lit is entirely up to you. The more colourful, the more imaginative the better. This is what makes Hathern's Christmas Tree Festival so spectacular - your combined individual talents and imaginative ideas. Each Year they manage to bring people from far and wide to see them and to fill our visitor's book with wonderfully appreciative comments, and due to your efforts, Hathern is becoming a place to visit each year at this time, because The Festival lifts people's spirits and sets them up for the festive season.

Also as in the past, entry for children is free, with entry still after 6 years at £2 for adults, which includes a cup of tea or coffee and biscuit whilst taking in the spectacle.

Once again there will be the ever popular Tombola with a prize every time with an unaltered cost of just £1 a ticket and with most of the prizes worth a good deal more. Also tickets for our Bumper Christmas Raffle will be available throughout.

Again, as in past years we would like you to give a name or title to your tree or advertise your business or organisation using a white card with bold lettering in black placed beneath the tree. It's amazing the number of questions stewards are asked by visitors about trees that are not sufficiently labelled.

Please let us know by mid November of your intention to display a tree, giving its approx. intended height, which can be anything from 3ft. up.

The persons to contact are: -

David or Mary Harbidge 842596 (dam.harbidge@btinternet.com),

John or Rosemary Worsfold 842585 (john@theworsfolds.fsnet.co.uk) or

John or Shirley Henderson 556330 (jdhenderson@ntlworld.com)

## Christmas Day Lunch Project



The Glenmore Centre is open on Christmas Day to provide a Christmas dinner and entertainment for people who would otherwise be spending Christmas day alone.

The cost is £8.50 per person and in this is included a Christmas dinner, drinks, raffle prize and gift from Santa.

The day is run between 10am - 3 pm and transport to and from the centre is available.

To book a place please contact Bill Sloane (Project Co-ordinator) on 01509 650662 or call in to the Centre on Thorpe Road Shepshed

Many thanks  
*Bill Sloane*



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**For availability phone or email:**

**John & Sue: 01332 810130**

**Mike & Julie: 01332 810785**

**[banskobreak@live.co.uk](mailto:banskobreak@live.co.uk)**



## Directory of Useful Numbers

BBC East Midlands	0115 955 0500 www.bbc.co.uk/england/eastmidlandstoday/ 01332 361111
BBC Radio Derby	0645 605040
British Gas - Service	0800 111999
Gas Escape Emergency	01332 810528
Castle Donington Community College	postroom@castledonington.leics.sch.uk 01332 850526/850742 mail@cdvb.org.uk
Castle Donington Volunteer Bureau	01332 810213
Chemist, Gerald Porter, Castle Donington	01332 363275 www.derbyplayhouse.co.uk
Derby Playhouse	01332 347141
Derby Royal Infirmary	01332 810208
Diseworth C of E Primary School	
Doctor's Surgery -	
Health Centre, Castle Donington	0844 477 3092
Orchard Surgery, Kegworth	01509 674919
East Midlands Airport	01332 852852 www.eastmidlandsairport.com
East Midlands Electricity emergencies	0800 056 8090
customer services	0800 363363
Environment Agency	0800 807060
Kinchbus	01509 815637 www.kinchbus.co.uk
Loughborough Hospital	01509 611600
Mobile Library	0116 3053565
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
Reel Cinema Loughborough	01509 212261
Royal Derby Hospital	01332 340131
accident & emergency	ext 87800 or direct line 01332 783111
Royal Derby Children's Hospital	01332 340131
accident and emergency	ext 83277 or direct line 01332 786808
Severn Trent Customer Service	08007 834444
Skylink	0115 9506070 www.skylink.co.uk
Traveline - for all public transport information	0871 200 22 33 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 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
Women's Discussion Group	Liz Jarrom	01332 810358
Women's 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:

David Bamford,	43 The Woodcroft, Diseworth DE74 2QT	07802 817691
Sue Roberts,	Chapel Farm, Hall Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QJ	01332 810813
Derek Wiggins,	6 Clements Gate, Diseworth DE74 2QE	01332 810209
Andrew Cawdell,	58 The Green, Long Whatton LE12 5DB	01509 843273
Linda Downs,	12 Barnfield Close, Long Whatton, LE12 5BZ	01509 842117
Michael Downs,	12 Barnfield Close, Long Whatton LE12 5BZ	01509 842117
Thomas Wilkins,	1 Hathern Road, Long Whatton LE12 5DD	07521 461326

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.