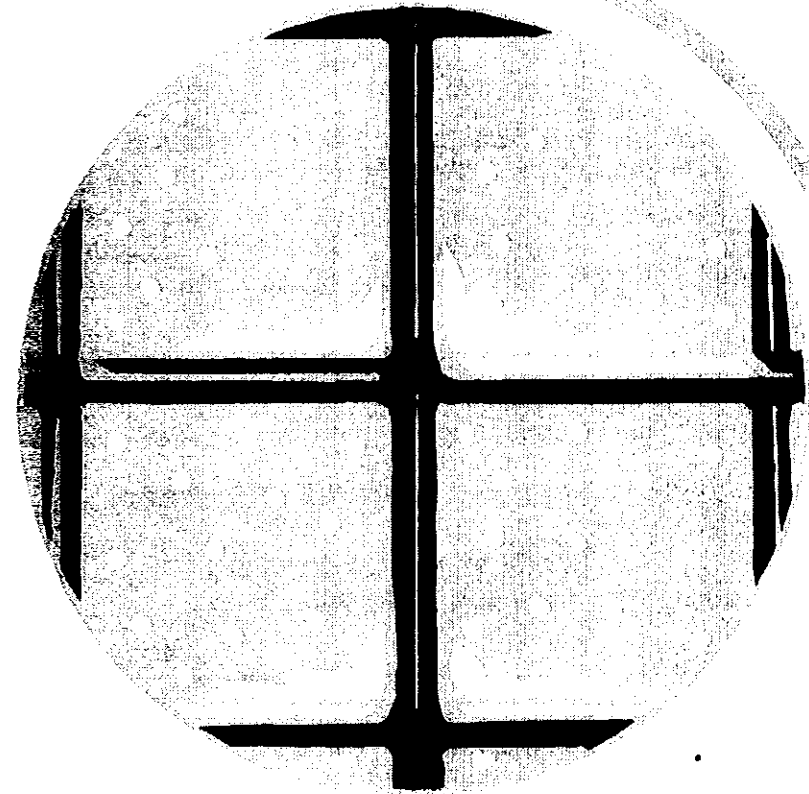


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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## JANUARY 2004

### Sunday 4 January

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 7 January

11.30am Holy Communion at the Manor House

### Sunday 11 January

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE at St Peter's

### Wednesday 14 January

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 18 January

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 21 January

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 25 January: THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm UNITED SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY at St Peter's  
Preacher - The Revd. John Hudson  
No Evensong at St Helen's

### Wednesday 28 January

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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8.30am - 12 noon
- 19 Parish Plan Meeting, 7.30pm,  
Village Hall Committee Room
- 20 Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut
- 20 Men's Society, 8pm,  
Village Hall Committee Room
- 21 Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
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Village Hall

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## From the Rector

### A Meditation for Epiphany – The Wise Men

The Wise Men were wise in that they were learned in the lore of their time. They were probably astrologers; men who by studying the heavens, so it was thought, could predict the events of earth. However, it's not for their alleged knowledge of the stars that we call them 'wise'.

They were wise, firstly, in that 'they came to Jerusalem' seeking the newly born King. They acted on the vision that came to them. 'We have seen His star in the East and have come.' It is possible that others too saw the star but gave it hardly a glance or a second thought. It is not the light we see, but the light we follow that makes us wise. The tragedy of many of us is not that we have not seen His star, but that we have not journeyed in its light. The Wise Men not only saw, they followed. That's the reason they were wise.

Secondly, they were wise in discovering Christ was King of all the Nations. Tradition has it that one came from India, another from Persia and the third from Chaldea. They journeyed across deserts to a small village in what was to them a

foreign land. Love of their own country nor pride of race did not dim their vision. Despite having their own national or local gods or deities, they united around the cradle of Jesus and found that which transcended nationality: God's answer, in Christ, to the needs and conflicts of men everywhere.

'Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art.  
Deep desire of every nation  
Joy of every longing heart.'

Thirdly, they were wise in that 'They came to worship Him'. Curious they may have been to discover who and where this new King was to be born, but supremely they came to worship Him, bearing their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. We crowd so much into Christmas, often to the exclusion of that which matters most, which is coming to worship the Christ-child and bringing to Him our gifts. 'So most gracious Lord may we, evermore be led to Thee.'

In this coming year, may we, with the wise men, rediscover the Christ, the Hope of all the Nations, truly to worship and adore.

Alan Haydock

**Epiphany Carol Service at St Peter's Church  
6.30pm Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2004**

## A Living Church is a Giving Church

In 2004 St Peter's Church has been privileged to give £5,322 to twenty-four international, national and local missions and charities from unrestricted funds. A comprehensive list may be found in the church porch.

Nearly as much again will have been donated to charities from special collections or to assist other churches in the Bingham area to pay their 'Parish Share'. Detailed accounts will be published at the end of April. In response to God's generosity to us we are pleased to make these donations in the conviction that a Living Church is a Giving Church.

Alan Haydock

## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

East Bridgford Rectory

December 26<sup>th</sup>, 1933.

My Dear Parishioners,

Looking back on Christmas-tide we see perhaps some signs that English people are beginning again to realise the real meaning of the Festival. I say "again" because, in the centuries gone by, as, e.g., our ancient Carols shew, the English people as a whole *did* realise that Christmas celebrates the central and transcending event of human history; but now, for many years the adoration of the Holy Child seems to have claimed little or no part in the Christmas feasting of the vast majority of our people.

All true Christians must therefore welcome any signs of a return to a more thoughtful use of the Christmas season. Among those signs in our more immediate neighbourhood has been the striking appreciation of the "Joyous Pageant of the Holy Nativity" at Southwell Minster; that this Pageant could attract thousands of the people of Nottingham and Notts. to make a special journey to Southwell at a busy time speaks volumes. Moreover, the impression it has left on those who were fortunate or wise enough to witness it, could not have been made on hearts wholly ignorant of the real meaning of Christmas. Then, again, the growing and popular demand for the marvellous religious music of Handel's "Messiah" to be produced about Christmas, in an increasing number of centres all over our land, is another sign; people have crowded to hear it again in all parts.

May I here say that those who have been impressed by these productions return to their homes and parishes with increased responsibility for a deeper and wider religious outlook; oh, let us carry it through the days of 1934. Let us get rid entirely of that coldness and meanness about religious responsibility, which kill religion in its very beginnings. While life and opportunity remain, let us listen to the voice of the World's Redeemer; calling us to give our hearts and our gifts to Him to help Him in His work, not merely in our own Parishes, but in our Deanery, and Diocese, our Country and the Whole World for which He died.

Yours faithfully,

Rupert W. King.

## The Mothers' Union

We meet every third Wednesday in the month at 2.00pm in the WI Hutt and are always pleased to welcome visitors.

*Our Next Meeting: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January – Our Annual General Meeting*

At our November meeting Mrs Barbara Bradley told us of the life of 'a local girl who made good in the turbulent times of the Tudors'. This is the lady we call 'Bess of Hardwick' and she was the fourth of five girls born at Hardwick Farm in Derbyshire.

The young Bess was sent to her aunt, Lady de la Zouch, who moved in the outer circles of royal life. At the age of about 14 she married her cousin Robert Baslow. Robert died a year later and Bess married William Cavendish. William died within five years and her third husband was George Talbot, later Earl of Shrewsbury.

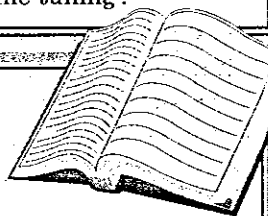
The fascinating story of Bess set against the background of political intrigues and dangers present in Tudor times was vividly described to us. Barbara also explained how, with the inter-family marriages made between the children of Bess and her last two husbands, not only is she related to practically every noble family in Nottinghamshire, but also her genes have been passed on to our present day Royal family through another Elizabeth – our late Queen Mother.

WE WISH ALL READERS A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Rosemary Mills

## Our Churches are Grateful

- To Charles and Jennifer Holt of East Bridgford Post Office for the gift of 250 Christingle oranges.
- For the gift of a Jerusalem Chair, positioned in the Lady Chapel.
- For the time, energy and personal skills of so many people in preparation for the Christmas services.
- For several anonymous donations towards the provision of small gifts for the children attending Church on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.
- For the practical support so readily available when machinery goes wrong or equipment needs 'fine tuning'.



## Churchyard Working Party

Even during the winter months a certain amount of work is required in the churchyard.

We shall be holding a working party  
**8.30am – 12 noon on  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>  
January** and would appreciate lots of help.

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The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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## From the Methodists

A letter from the Revd. John Hudson

Dear Friends,

*In our newly merged Circuit we are holding ten Covenant Services on Sunday 4 January instead of having one United Circuit Service as in previous years.*

*Bingham, East Bridgford and Scarrington Methodist Churches will be joining together at Bingham for a service at 3pm and we would like to formally invite you and your congregation to join with us. This seems particularly appropriate following the recent national signing of the Anglican-Methodist Covenant.*

*The service will be conducted by Rev Tony Pick (Minister of Harrowby Lane Methodist Church, Grantham) who will be taking over from me as Superintendent when I move to the Keighley and Worth Valley Circuit next August.*

*You might like to make a note in your diaries of his Induction Service, which will be on Thursday 2 September at 7.30pm. This service will also include a Welcome to my successor here in Bingham, East Bridgford and Scarrington.*

John Hudson

## The Mens Society

**W**E BEGIN THE NEW YEAR PROGRAMME on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January with the postponed talk by Keith Quibel of Newark entitled, 'Battlefields of France 1914-18'.

The following meeting will be on 17<sup>th</sup> February when Nigel Lawrence will be speaking on 'Far Away Railways'.

The meetings are held in the Village Hall Committee Room starting at 8.00pm. Hope to see you there.

Graham Lomax

## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

December 7      Ethan Lee Michael SUMMERS  
December 13     Jonathan Harvey Bennet PICKFORD

### Funerals

December 12	Agnes Evelyn CUMMINGS	84 years
December 12	Samuel Jack ONYETT	3 months
December 17	Anne RATHMELL	63 years
December 19	Raymond HAW	65 years
December 19	Daisy Irene FELLOWS	82 years



# Local History Group

OUR DECEMBER MEETING WAS WELL ATTENDED and thoroughly enjoyed by all. The speaker, Colin Bower, gave an amusing and illuminating talk on his 40 years in Show Business. A drink(s) and a mince pie enhanced the evening.

## FUTURE PROJECTS

At a meeting on 24 November 2003 the Group discussed and agreed our plans for future projects. It was decided that we would run a number of projects concurrently with different teams organising and working on the tasks. Clearly the time-scale for each project will be different, some being short-term and others long on-going projects.

The following projects were agreed:-

- ❖ Create a village archive – this will be a major long-term project. Initially it is hoped to preserve the full run of Village Magazines in digital format; the "School box" will also be recorded in this fashion. The intention will also be to create a locally available index of all the records, held elsewhere, relating to the village. Keith Maywhort, Nigel Lawrence and Tim Rogers will be running this project.
- ❖ Prepare a leaflet to supplement the Village Historical Trail Board, which is to be part of the Haycroft Way refurbishment. Alison and Garth Powell together with Graham Lomax have agreed to prepare the leaflet.
- ❖ Review the information available relating to the pre-history of the village. The intention is to provide information about such topics as pre-Roman East Bridgford, Margidunum, the 'Motte and Bailey' and other relevant topics. At this stage we are simply undertaking a feasibility study for this project.
- ❖ Research, with a view to publishing information about the people and families who have lived in East Bridgford. Tony Ford, Dot Crawford, Chris Latham and Bill Whitaker will be working on this task.

A related topic is actively being considered by a separate team comprising Graham Lomax, David Scarrott, Lynne Black and Marion Willis who are seeking to collate information about East Bridgford residents who served during either or both World Wars. They would appreciate information from service personnel or their relatives and friends to help produce as comprehensive record as possible.

As you can see we are going to be very busy in the months/years ahead. We need your support and anyone who would like to contribute to any of these projects will be very welcome.

## JANUARY MEETING

Our next meeting is on **TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2004** at **7.30pm** in the Methodist Chapel. We are to have an outstanding Local Historian, **PAM PRIESTLAND** of Radcliffe, talking to us about "**Sir Thomas Stanhope (1540 – 1596)** of Shelford Manor. The period covered is one of the most turbulent times in our history and she will cover life at Shelford Manor during this period.

Everyone is very welcome to come along – Why not make your New Year resolution – "find out more about the area in which I live"?

There will be a requested voluntary donation of £1 towards Group expenses.

## FEBRUARY MEETING

Note in your diary NOW – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2004 at 7.30 in the Methodist Chapel – Jason King on "WW1 – Bayonets to Brooches". A talk illustrated with many artefacts picked up from the battlefields of WW1.

Bill Whitaker 20982

## Marie Curie Cancer Care

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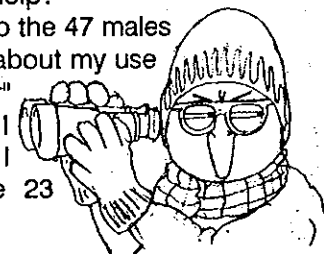
## The Watcher

BY THE TIME YOU READ THIS, Christmas will be over and you may be making preparations for the most over-rated event of the year, yes it's The New Year's Eve Party. This celebration of nothing whatsoever should be cancelled. If I have to stand around in a ring once more, holding hands with a bunch of ugly strangers, while they try to mumble the words to That Song, I will shoot myself. Christmas is great but NYE is such an anticlimax.

Nevertheless, I will make some predictions for 2004. Firstly, I believe that George Bush will give Saddam Hussein a free pardon, a Lincoln convertible and a condo in Palm Beach in return for a contribution of \$500 million towards his Presidential re-election campaign. Secondly, I think, and hope, that the Boards of Directors of every financial services and banking company in the UK will have their own jobs outsourced to Delhi, all in the name of "customer service" of course. Thirdly, I predict that at least one family in the village will have the misfortune to find themselves with a new neighbour in the form of a pinch-faced, social climbing, money-grubbing harridan. The said shrew-like presence plays a prominent role in the Wizard of Oz. Fourthly, England will be knocked out of Euro 2004 in the semi-finals by Germany after a disputed penalty. Fifthly, a husband living on the East side of the village will discover his wife's "close friendship" with one of his business contacts. Frankly, you are better off without her, mate. At least you will be able to hear yourself think from now on.

Last month's quiz posed several true or false questions. The answer is that all were true, except the one I made up. Does that help?

Finally, I owe an apology to the 47 males who wrote in to complain about my use of the expression "fruit bar" in the last month's article. I also regret any offence I may have caused to the 23 other uphill gardeners.



# Parish Council News

THE PARISH PLAN and Visual Design Statement were approved by the Council and the Parish Plan Group were thanked for their hard work. Stage 2 is to produce action plans to tackle the issues raised by residents. This will be done by small working parties which will hopefully include volunteer residents - please see separate article.

The development at Haycroft has stimulated interest amongst many residents who have commented favourably and unfavourably. Two residents attended the Council meeting to voice their own and others' concerns over the position and design of the bench, about the number and height of the bollards and the choice of an oak tree which will only provide adequate shade in many years time. A request for an additional £950 was approved to give textured finishes to the feature, which is yet to be installed. The sub committee responsible for the development is meeting to discuss the points that have been raised. Meanwhile, any further observations on the development should be sent to Geoff Reed, 8 Walnut Tree Lane.

The Recycling 2 Go scheme is still causing problems and the failure of RBC to collect rubbish in some locations is being challenged by the Parish Council. We think that there

is a legal obligation that they must fulfil. However, whilst this problem is being addressed, we urge residents not to leave rubbish bags near to public litterbins as this is classed as illegal fly tipping and can incur a fine.

Approval was given to the purchase of another two dog bins. One will be placed on College Street at the entrance to the playing field, the other on Cherry Holt Lane at the entrance to the footpath near Cherry Holt Close.

Parking on College Street continues to create access problems for residents who live there. The Council is seeking the extension of double yellow lines near to the junction with Main Street. Parking in Walnut Tree Lane at its junction with Main Street and on the pavement opposite the Royal Oak make pedestrian and disabled access difficult. Please take the registration numbers of cars in these positions and any others causing obstruction and ring the police on 0115 945 5999

The Council is seeking to improve disabled access to the footpath between Crossways Drive and College Street. It does not appear that the County is willing to provide a footpath from the Medical Centre to Ludgate Drive because of the expense involved.

The Parish Council is therefore pursuing the alternative possibility of a pedestrian crossing from the Cross Lane side of Main Street. A display board showing the local footpaths will soon be put up in the Car Park on Main Street. A good quality half allotment (320 sq. yards) has become available (ring David Meylan on 20457 if interested). The children's playground has now been refurbished.

The Council passed on complaints from some residents about the footpaths around the Millennium Wood to the Woodland Trust. The reply contained the following:

'Bearing in mind the context: that we are trying to provide a wood (not a council park) for informal recreation, and that you have to cross a cultivated field or walk along a farm lane to reach the wood in the first place, the option of carrying out further expensive surfacing works is obviously not on the agenda.'

John Chater

## PARISH PLAN

MANY OF YOU WILL REMEMBER attending the Parish Plan open day meeting on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Your comments were very complimentary and helpful and we have made some changes to the Plan as a result. It was approved by the council on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

We are now able to move on to the next stage. The plan identifies the issues and problems you feel need to be addressed; we now have to produce action plans to tackle them. We are setting up working groups of Parish Councillors, members of the Parish Plan Group and hopefully some of you. We are especially keen to involve you if you have an interest in or have specialist knowledge of some of the issues. If you feel you have something to contribute or would like to be part of planning the future of East Bridgford, **please contact me, John Chater on 20882 or come to a meeting in the Village Hall Room on Monday 19th January at 7.30pm.**

### The groups are as follows:

- Action Group 1*  
**Community and Essential Services**
- Action Group 2*  
**Conservation, Planning and Environment**
- Action Group 3*  
**Sports, Leisure and Social Facilities**
- Action Group 4*  
**Transport and Roads**
- Action Group 5*  
**Communication and the Parish Council**

# St Peters School News



Towards the end of the year children took part in their Christmas concert, this was fantastic, everyone did really well. A big thank you to East Bridgford News who supplied us with Christmas bags for all the children to take home their Christmas goodies in.

Children enjoyed making Christmas snow shakers, Christmas card with them as the star which hopefully arrived through the post to their houses, Reindeer party hats and on the last week chocolate logs and a bag of food for the reindeers.

Aunty Happy will be entertaining the children at their Christmas party with another special guest making an appearance!

After the Christmas holidays our theme will be Fairy Stories and we will be looking forward to lots of new children starting with us.

Pre-school Staff

## St Peter's School News

St. Peter's enjoyed further success at the end of 2003. Mrs Orrey and her Primary Choice catering service were voted BBC Food and Farming National Public Caterer of the Year. This award was presented by the T.V. Chef Jamie Oliver! This is a fantastic achievement for her team and the whole school are proud of this excellent service. It is great to know that we are impressing and influencing others around the country.

The atmosphere in school was very festive in December. Many parents joined their children for a lovely Christmas lunch on the 10th December. The Infants' Nativity was a wonderful show on the 11th and the Junior production of 'Peace Child' was performed to a delighted audience.

We were again successful in table tennis with both boys and girls succeeding in becoming Notts Schools Pairs Champions! We hope that 2004 proves to be just as exciting. Happy New Year!

Helen Taylor

## SCHOOL CLEANER

East Bridgford St. Peter's School

is seeking a School Cleaner to work from 3.30 to 5.30pm  
Monday-Friday.

*If you or someone you know is interested,  
please contact the school after January 6th for further information.*

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during November 2003

Date	Location	Offence
1	Cross Lane	Criminal Damage
1	Straws Lane	Theft from garden
4	Croft Rise	Burglary
4	Croft Rise	Burglary
4	Croft Rise	Attempted break in
6	Cross Lane	Theft of motor vehicle
8	Cross Lane	Theft
14	Main Street	Attempted vehicle theft
14	Kneeton Road	Theft of motor vehicle
29	Stable Close	Theft from garage
Not known	Kneeton Road	Shed/garage burglary

The 12-month moving average has increased to 7.16 crimes per month.

## Protect Your Property-Don't Make It Easy For Criminals

Whilst the theme of the Neighbourhood Watch articles tends to be somewhat repetitive it reflects the recurring nature of the type of crime most regularly evidenced in the village.

- Car theft and property stolen from vehicles.
- Burglary with entry gained via open or insecure doors and windows.
- Theft from garages, sheds and outbuildings where security is minimal.

If you leave your vehicle on your drive or on the road make sure it is locked. Where the vehicle does not have an integral alarm system fit an immobilising device or use a quality steering wheel clamp. Don't leave items of value in your vehicle and particularly not overnight.

Ensure doors and windows are closed and securely fastened at night. It only takes a few seconds for a thief to gain access through an open door or window to steal your possessions-take care also during the daytime.

Take extra care to secure garages, sheds and outbuildings. Safeguard items of value such as lawnmowers, cycles and power tools stored therein.

Let's all endeavour to make life harder for criminals in 2004 by doing a little bit extra to protect our property and possessions.

## Report All Crime

Remember to report all crime to the Police-the crime figures at the start of each monthly article are those that have been reported to the Police.

**Remember if you see a crime being committed dial 999.**

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David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

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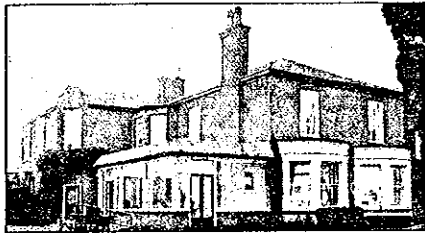
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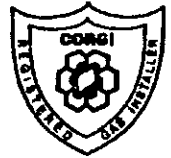
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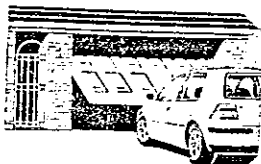
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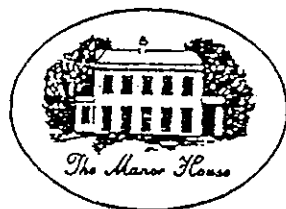
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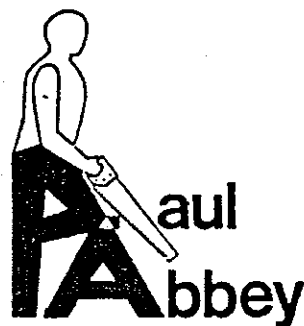
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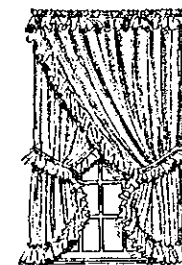
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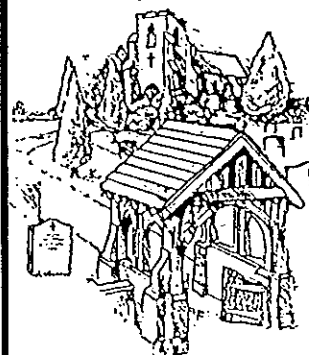
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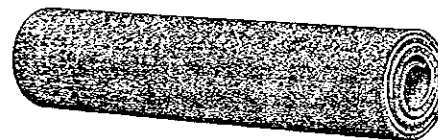
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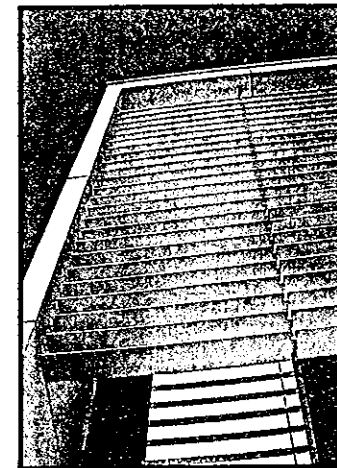
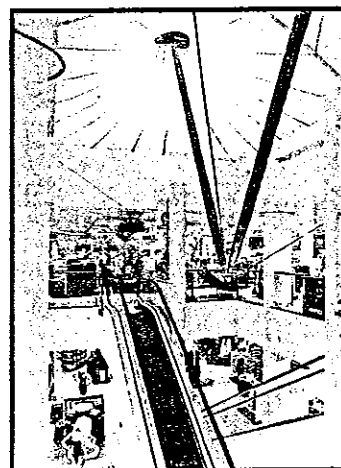
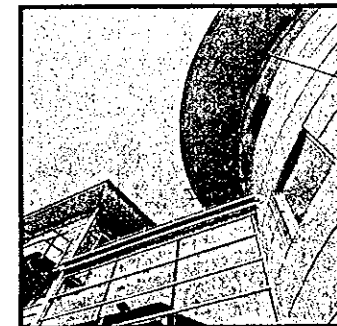
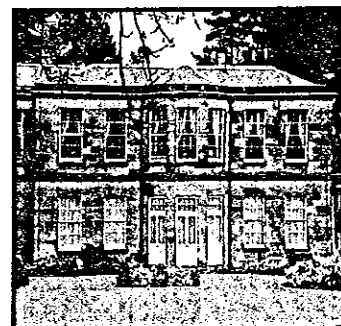
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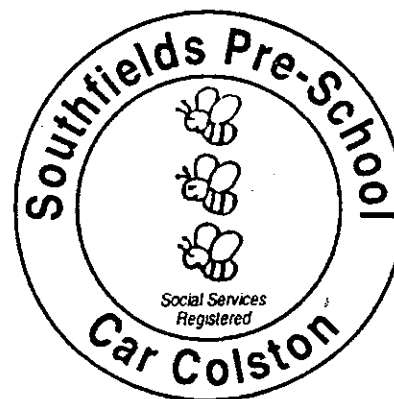
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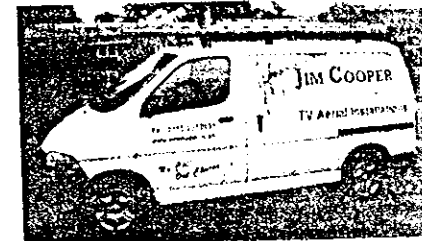
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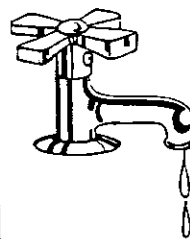
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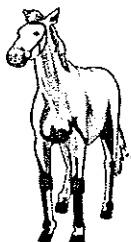
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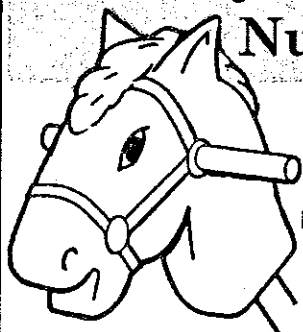
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Jennifer and Charles

## Recycling Christmas Trees

As with other organic waste, real Christmas tree can be recycled using the green-wheeled bin if residents are receiving the Recycling2Go service. Residents should cut the trees up and make sure the lid remains closed. If this is a problem, for instance if the tree is too large, the tree can still be cut up but filtered into the bin over a couple of collections. No trees, either cut up, or whole will be accepted from the side of the bin and no trees should be taken to local mini-recycling sites. Alternatively there is one garden centre in the Borough that will accept real trees for recycling – East Bridgford Garden Centre on the A46 tel: 01949 20055. The garden centre is open from 9am – 4pm during January.

## Cards and Paper Recycling

For Christmas cards and excess paper and card wrapping, these will be accepted with paper collections in Recycling2Go areas.

## Other Items

Materials such as plastics, mixed cans, clothing, shoes and books should be taken to the network of 'bring' sites as normal. However, if residents find the banks are full then they should take the material home and bring it back at a time when there is capacity. Alternatively take it to the nearest civic amenity site for recycling. More details from Kevin Pickaver on 0115 914 8404.

## Floodlighting Diary

### JANUARY 2004

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|----|---|
| 1  | New Year's Day  |
| 1  | Naming of Jesus   |
| 2  | In loving birthday memories of <b>CLIFFORD DAVIS</b>                      |
| 3  | Loving birthday memories of <b>JACK NORTH</b>                             |
| 6  | Epiphany  |
| 6  | Loving birthday memories of <b>ALBERT LODDER</b>                          |
|    | <i>The floodlights will be additionally lit on January 7<sup>th</sup></i> |
| 11 | Baptism of Christ   |
| 11 | Plough Sunday   |
| 18 | In loving memory of <b>DICK WOOD</b>                                      |
| 25 | Conversion of Paul  |
| 26 | Timothy and Titus, companions of Paul                                     |

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration. These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine or by a private dedication.

All requests for floodlighting to be included in February's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January



## EAST BRIDGFORD MARTIAL ARTS CLUB - EBMAC

I am delighted to inform all readers that we have started our very own martial arts club in the village. The club will be designed to cater for all ages, for example my family will have four members, from 6-50 years old in the class!

We are very lucky to have engaged the instruction of Samantha Levey - British and International Champion. Sam is 2nd Degree Black Belt in Taekwondo and 1st Degree Black Sash in Yi Tsung Shaolin Chuan Fa/Wu Shu. Sam was awarded a Goodwill Games Gold Medal in Mexico 2003 for her Coaching Abilities, is a member of the Great Britain Martial Arts Team and is competing for World Titles in Forms, Wu Shu Weapons, Traditional Weapons and Point Karate at the World Cup in Jamaica 2004.

Sam is now an instructor at the S.O.C. (School of Champions) and under the tutelage of Dr Master V J Marke Dr msc. (5th Degree - Master Instructor), founder of the SOC. He is the 1st European Martial Artist to receive a Doctorate for Martial Arts Science. You can visit the SOC website on: <http://www.dojosites.com/soc>

I am particularly excited to learn that Master Marke has obtained the rights to bring a new and fast growing martial arts combination from the USA to the UK, and our very own EBMAC will be one of the first clubs in the country to offer this. The martial art form is called Xtreme Martial Arts (XMA) (you can find the explosive website on: <http://www.xmarevolution.com>.)

Our club has only just started, but I am delighted to say that we already have 20 keen members. We had our first event in the village hall, and our second in the school hall. We will be starting again in the New Year in the middle of January (when Samantha is back from the world championships in Jamaica), Friday evenings 6pm (starting date and venue to be confirmed).

For those who would like to consider giving it a go - for Fun or Fitness and Self Defence - please let me know and we would be delighted to see you at the club. We hope to make this a very special, local club, and offer great value to all who come along.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Simon Fishel - 20031

Email: [sifi@eggfarm.co.uk](mailto:sifi@eggfarm.co.uk)



Sam gaining her international weapons title

### MIKE CHAT

XMA is taking the US by storm thanks to a new 'Bruce Lee' figure called Mike Chat. Those interested can find him on: <http://www.neokarate.net/mikechat/>

## From your District Councillor

### Public Transport (Buses)

Notts CC have been awarded a grant of £479,000 over the next 3 years to upgrade the bus services through the Vale of Belvoir between Bingham and Newark, including the 54 through EB. New low floor minibuses will be purchased, and timetable improvements are planned including connections to Bingham and Newark railway stations.

The NCC transport planning group has started consultation on the new services, and has promised to work with the EB Parish Plan Action Group on planning and publicity. They plan to introduce the new services in early summer.

Small villages in the area will benefit from the same grant, which will fund a DRT (demand responsive transport) service. This is where you are able to phone up to request the bus (or minibus/ service taxi) to come by. It is hoped Kneeton will be included.

### Litter Bins (emptying)

The introduction of Recycling2go put a "wobble" into the emptying of the litterbins. A lot of effort has gone into the checking of missed bins and rectifying the situation. The depot team at RBC has been very helpful.

The current program is that street bins are checked and emptied by RBC on Tuesdays and Fridays. The emptying of the 8 bins on Butt Close is funded by the Parish Council, and done by the RBC operative on Tuesdays. There still seem to be a couple of bins that cause problems, which we are working on. I think you will agree that the overall

situation is better than it has been for a long time. You can help. If you notice a bin overflowing with rubbish, report it to the RBC Help Line 0115 981 9911.

### Recycling2go

The introduction of wheeled bins (for most of us) now seems to have settled down, and most people seem to like the new service. However, if you are still having problems you should ring the help line given above.

The unfortunate problems with refuse collection from our Community Halls are now all resolved. The Village Hall, the Scout/ Guide Hut and the King Edward Club all have grey bins. The WI Hut once again has a free service. However all four will need to be assiduous about recycling, particularly paper, if they are to fit their refuse into the facilities provided.

Despite some people's interpretation of last month's letter, RBC do not want us to generate more refuse! They are happy to take away so much green waste as it saves both car trips to Langar and reduces the problems at the tips. Otherwise they would like us to recycle as much as possible. Please remember the paper skips run by the Methodists are still in the Main Street car park, and the village "earns" over £1000 per annum from these. May I suggest that you take good quality paper (newsprint, magazines etc) to these skips and put the rest of your "paper" (cardboard, packaging, directories, envelopes) out for collection on GREEN bin day?

Nigel Lawrence



## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

### RBC Applications

03/01544/FUL

Mr & Mrs Jebb, 17 Croft Rise, Conservatory. *It was proposed by Cllr Meylan and seconded by Cllr Turner there be no objection and all in favour.*

03/01539/FUL

Mr & Mrs G Morgan, 31 College Street, Single Storey Rear Extension, Porch. Cllr Atkins declared an interest in this as the architect. *It was proposed by Cllr Meylan and seconded by Cllr Lawrence there be no objection and all in favour.*

03/01472/FUL

Mr & Mrs Graham, re rear of 56 Main Street, Dwelling & Vehicular Access. *This application had been considered by Committee (The Chairman, Cllr Atkins and Cllr Meylan) and there was no objection.*

### RBC Decisions

03/01273/FUL

Mr J Firth, 2 Trent Lane. Two Storey Side Extension and Conservatory. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).

03/01271/COU

John Whitworth, Cuttle Hill cottage, 5 Kneeton Road. Use of land as domestic garden, including retention of access. Grant permission with conditions. (PC approved).

### Planning Appeal

03/00753/OUT

Mr & Mrs Tomlinson, rear of 11 Cherryholt Lane. Erection of dwelling. The Chairman reported that an objection had been received from a neighbouring landowner regarding access from Lammass Lane. There was no need for the Parish Council to put forward any further comments as the original objections will be considered at the Appeal.

### RBC Notification

38 College Street – The felling of a sycamore had been approved as a yew was being affected.

## Drama Group

We are inviting regular supporters to become patron members of the Drama Group from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004. The annual subscription will be £10.00 per annum, which will entitle a member to priority booking and a free seat for each of the three plays performed in the year. The price of a ticket will be £4.00. By becoming a patron member, you would be supporting the group as well as making a small saving.

### Dates of the next three plays in 2004

24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February, 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May and 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Our next play 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004 is a thriller by Janet Allen entitled **'The Man Outside.'**

The cast includes Kate Thornburrow, Jean Starbuck, Michael Clarke, Victoria Pepper, Malcolm Cope and Alan Haydock.

I should be pleased to receive your ticket requirements as soon as possible. The price remains at £4.00 with concessions of £3.00 for senior citizens on Tuesday and Wednesday.

If you would like to become a patron member, please complete the slip below. *If you choose to become a patron member, there is no charge for your ticket.*

### Patron Application

I/We wish to become a patron(s) of the East Bridgford Drama Group for the year 2004 and enclose a cheque for £.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Please return to:  
Canon Alan Haydock,  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill,  
East Bridgford, NG13 8PE

### Ticket Application

I (name)

.....  
require.....ticket(s)  
for the Group's next  
performance on (date)

.....  
and enclose a cheque for  
£.....

Or, I am/we are Patron  
Members for the 2004 season  
and enclose a stamped  
addressed envelope marked  
EBDG.

Please return to:  
Canon Alan Haydock,  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill,  
East Bridgford, NG13 8PE

## A letter from PC Duncan Collins, Beat Manager for East Bridgford

IN EARLY NOVEMBER I had the pleasure of attending the East Bridgford Parish Council meeting, accompanied by Sergeant Steve Robinson (the territorial sergeant for this area) and Inspector Pete Akehurst (the local area commander for Rushcliffe East). Our purpose being to introduce myself as the new Beat Manager and to discuss issues that are of concern to the local community. The meeting was productive and, I hope beneficial to all parties. One matter proved to be of some interest and, as a result, I agreed to write this article.

It would appear that the community is unaware of what happens to reports that are made to the police and how these are used to improve the level of service provided.

In order to provide a service that is efficient and effective, all calls to the police are graded and resources deployed according to need. Obviously, priority is given to those incidents where there is risk to life, or where there is a risk of serious harm to any person, or where an offence is in progress. Where there is no evidential or other reason for an officer to attend, the report will normally be taken by a call handler, or Crime Desk Officer, who will record all of the details directly onto the Police systems. This has the advantage that the information is immediately accessible.

It is the latter category that, it would seem, is least understood. The misconception appears to be that certain crimes are simply recorded, a crime number issued and then the incident is ignored. In fact, crime reports and calls to the police are used extensively to ensure that resources are used effectively.

All calls to the police control room are recorded as incidents, be they relating to crime or not. Each incident is detailed on a computer system and an incident number generated. Every crime, in detail, is also recorded and a crime number generated. Both these systems are searchable and, as a beat manager, I regularly review all calls and crime reports for the area I cover. A mapping system generates maps that indicate where offences have occurred during the specified period and I use these, together with the reports previously mentioned, to identify where to patrol and at what times. Resources are deployed according to where they are needed the most and to where they will be most effective in detecting and preventing crime and disorder. In addition to beat managers and individual officers interrogating the system, the Divisional Intelligence Unit works constantly to detect crimes by analysing patterns, the methods used to commit the offence and the details, descriptions and vehicles etc. that may relate to the incident.

It would be an inefficient use of resources if an officer were to visit every caller simply to complete a report and then, after returning to the station, enter it on the appropriate system. It is far better that the time this would take be spent preventing and detecting crime and preventing anti-social behaviour.

I cannot stress enough that your calls are a valuable source of information and an essential element in our providing an effective and efficient service to the community with the ultimate aim of ensuring that the community enjoys the highest quality of life possible. I would also ask that every reader consider becoming a participant in the Rushcliffe Community Watch and work in partnership with the police to achieve our joint goal – A Safer Nottinghamshire For All!

P.C. Duncan Collins

**WEA**

**East Bridgford Branch**

Contact Mrs L Black, 24 Ludgate Drive, East Bridgford,  
Nottingham, NG13 8NW Telephone: 01949 20764

### 36 Landmarks in Music

**Tutor: Vlas Jarunek**

A look at the contrasts in compositions in the musical eras that left their mark on our lives. What was it about these works, which made them so important? Enjoy the music of various composers whose work has enriched our listening.

10 meetings Monday 10.30am – noon  
Starts 12 January 2004

The Methodist Chapel  
Fee: £33 (concessions A £24.75, B £5)

### 37 A Refresher Course in Bridge

**Tutor: John Chater**

For lapsed Bridge players who feel rusty or regular players wishing to improve their game or learn the Acol system. Join us to practise the skills of bidding and playing hands.

10 meetings Tuesday 7.30 – 9.45pm  
Starts 13 January 2004

The Methodist Chapel  
Fee: £49.50 (concessions A £37.12, B £5)

### 38 Continuing Italian

**Tutor: Graziella Jarratt**

For those who have just started Italian. Learn to communicate in some everyday situations and practise conversations and written Italian. Only a very basic knowledge is required.

10 meetings Thursday 7.30 – 9pm  
Starts 8 January 2004

The Methodist Chapel  
Fee: £33 (concessions A £24.75, B £5)

### 39 The Splendours of Ancient Egypt

**Tutor: Tish Chapman**

Discover the world of the Ancient Egyptians, from the lives and histories of the kings to those of the peasants. We'll explore what they considered important; their gods, their myths, their elaborate preparations for death and much more.

10 meetings, Thursday 7.30 – 9pm  
Starts 15 January 2004

The Methodist Chapel  
Fee: £33 (concessions A £24.75, B £5)

Please make cheques payable to WEA EMD East Bridgford Branch

**1<sup>st</sup> Shelford  
and EB Scout  
Group**

# JUMBLE SALE

**Saturday  
January 24<sup>th</sup>  
2.30pm  
East Bridgford  
Village Hall**

## Jacket Potatoes

An ideal snack for the cold weather! Popular fillings are butter, cheese, coleslaw, ratatouille, baked beans – but if you still looking for something different – perhaps a little bit richer, try using a tin of condensed soup combined with a few extras: -

### Celery and Cheese

1 tin of condensed cream of celery soup  
¼ teaspoon of paprika  
2oz of grated Cheddar cheese  
A little mustard  
Freshly ground black pepper  
A little milk

### Spicy Mushroom

1 tin of condensed mushroom soup  
¼ pint of soured cream  
½ teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce



In each of the recipes, once the ingredients are combined, gently heat in a saucepan. The fillings are sufficient for four jacket potatoes.

## Garden Club

### SOCIAL EVENING

The Club's Social evening on 12<sup>th</sup> December was well supported by members and guests.

The scene was set by John Gregory, who had put a great deal of thought into his well constructed quiz. While some of the questions tested even the most knowledgeable gardeners amongst us, others were cause for some amusement and much noisy discussion!

The buffet which followed was up to its usual high standards and was consumed enthusiastically. All in all a very enjoyable evening.

### JANUARY MEETING

The first meeting of the New Year will be held in the WI hut on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January, at 7.45pm. The speaker will be Peter Mallett who will give a talk entitled 'Travels of a Gardener'.

### NEW MEMBERS

Anyone interested in joining the Club can come along to the meeting, where they will be made very welcome. Alternatively they can contact Mrs. Ivy Suggit, the membership secretary, on 01949 20201, for more information.

## CARE GROUP

**East Bridgford Care  
Group members  
wish everyone  
a Happy New Year.**

Remember we are here to help you throughout 2004 with transport to East Bridgford Medical Centre, hospitals, dentists, chiropodists, opticians, nursing homes etc.

We collect prescriptions, pensions, shopping and will take you to and from the hairdressers within the village.

If you wish to attend a coffee morning, the village play or just visit a friend elsewhere in the village, then please call us. We offer a limited sitting/befriending service giving respite help to Carers.

Thank you to everyone for your support and the kind donations gratefully received. With these and our fund-raising efforts during 2003, over £1,000 has been donated to our Medical Centre, Rainbows Children's Hospice, Beaumont House Hospice, Newark and Notts Carers' Federation.

Alison Powell

## WI Report

TREVOR LEE certainly gave us a most entertaining evening when he presented 'A Christmas Music Hall'. Everyone was in good voice as we sang along with Trevor and his guitar to the Olde Tyme songs of yesteryear and the evening certainly went with a swing. We ended the evening with a few carols accompanied by Cecily Atkins on the piano and as we sang Mary's Boy Child, Trevor illustrated the carol in parchment form, slowly rolling the paper down to reveal an illustration appropriate to the verse we were singing - a most unusual and charming end to the evening. We then enjoyed mulled wine and mince pies provided by the committee, which really got us into the Christmas spirit in more ways than one.

The members were very saddened to learn of the sudden death of one of our members, Ann Rathmell. Ann had served on the WI committee in the past and was a member of the Craft group. She will be very sadly missed. We send our deepest sympathy to Malcolm and her family; they will be very much in our thoughts at this sad time.

Our next meeting will be on 13 January when Glenda Pearson will talk to us about her China Trek. Glenda is one of our members and we are very much looking forward to hearing about her experiences on her sponsored trek and also view her slides of that fascinating country. Please do come along and join us, we are a very friendly group of WI'ers.

Rita Case

## PLEASE NOTE

The Care Group Mobile Phone number is **07976 935476** and not as printed in the East Bridgford Directory 2004, which was enclosed in the December village magazine 2003.

# Mewling Manor

## New Year Resolutions



ALWAYS THINK THAT ONE SHOULD MAKE THE EFFORT in the New Year, particularly when it comes to the important things in life – hygiene and behaviour. So this year, I have silently vowed to ensure that various people conduct themselves in a way that is fitting for the village in which we live. These are my New Year resolutions, a duty, I feel towards the community as a whole.

The first resolution is to try and dispose of Monty's favourite flat cap. He should not be wearing it at all, for I suspect that if I sent it to the Health and Safety people it would be condemned. He has worn it for years, but to my knowledge, it has never been cleaned. I refuse to touch even with rubber gloves for fear of catching something nasty, so I'm making plans for an accident that should destroy the offending headgear for once and all. If that strategy fails then I shall insist on it going into the washing machine – a hot biological wash should finish it off.

My second resolution is to try and stop Doreen from smoking. When she comes to clean, she knows that she's not allowed to light up in our house, so at fairly frequent intervals she goes outside to have a puff - but her health is at risk. She coughs like a walrus, which is not surprising considering her frequent forays into the cold. She's always taking time off with bouts of bronchitis and such like. She needs to look after herself a little better, so I shall insist on her using the nicotine patches I gave her for Christmas - after all good cleaners are difficult to come by.

Mrs Brittelle, a very nervous, thin looking woman, who lives nearby starts like a filly being chased by a stallion every time I wish her good morrow. It's well known that she suffers dreadfully from her nerves, so I feel it my duty to help in whatever way I can. Therefore my third resolution is to make one of my famous Irish stews and deliver it to her every Thursday. In my estimation six weeks of nourishing stew should do the trick for in my special recipe I add swede, which I reckon is good for the jitters. Father always used to say that my cooking would blast illness out of anyone.

My need to be public spirited and to serve the community is my final be modest about my talents, I am blessed with, some say, a powerful singing voice, so after much deliberation I shall join the church choir and perhaps bring a little gusto into the singing. Once I'm established I feel it would be a gracious and charitable act to organise some singing soirees – for charity of course.

Augusta Mewling-Grype

### Across

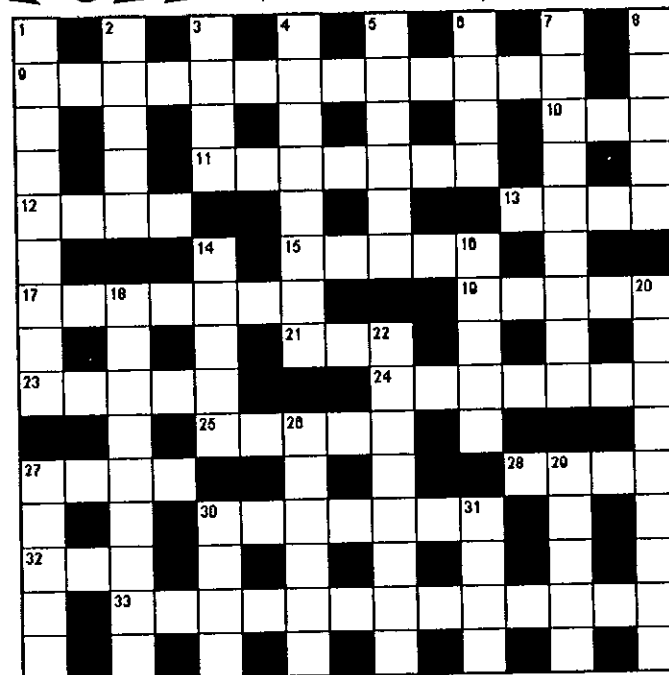
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10. Mineral spring (3)
11. Arm coverings (7)
12. Festive occasion (4)
13. Payment for travel (4)
15. Vends (5)
17. Grasp clearly (7)
19. Vows (5)
21. Excavate (3)
23. Artist's support (5)
24. Forsake (7)
25. Duck with soft down (5)
27. Stalk (4)
28. Hire (4)
30. Pertaining to Siam (7)
32. Find the sum of (3)
33. Recreational park (9,4)

### Down

1. Labour force (4,5)
2. Expel (5)
3. Performs (4)
4. Ill (8)
5. Whine (6)
6. Recedes (4)
7. Started again (9)
8. Discontinue (5)
14. Religious writings (5)
16. Pertaining to the sun (5)
18. Dutch city (9)
20. Prostration caused by overexposure to the sun (9)
22. Person who gardens (8)
26. Trader (6)
27. Remove hair (5)
29. Having the same value (5)
30. Run-down part of a city (4)
31. Consumes (4)

Solutions to January's Crossword will appear in next month's issue

## PUZZLE CORNER



### SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

St Peter's Church, East Bridgford			
Rector	Canon Alan Haydock,		
	The Rectory, Kirk Hill.		20218
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Michael Clarke,		20682
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)		
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address		
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month		
	(Coffee is served after this service)		
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service		
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon		
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong		
	Holy Communion (BCP)		
Methodist Church, East Bridgford			
Minister	Rev. John Hudson.		837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road.		20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd		
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated		
St. Helen's Church, Kneeton			
Churchwardens	Ann Neale, 20236, Dennis Pepper.		21286
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)		
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong		

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OVERWROUGHT WIFE.  
"Don't stand there like an idiot!  
I thought you always got underneath  
to see what's the matter."

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and Kneeton Village Magazine

# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## FEBRUARY 2004

### Sunday 1 February

8.00am Holy Communion At St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 4 February

\* 11.00am Holy Communion at the Manor House

### Sunday 8 February

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 11 February

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 15 February

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 18 February

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 22 February

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 25 February: ASH WEDNESDAY

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 29 February

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

\*Please note change to earlier time of service

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- 14 Bingham Choral Society Workshop, 10.30am - 2.30pm, St Peter's Church
- 17 Men's Society, 8pm, Village Hall Committee Room
- 17 Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut
- 18 Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
- 24 )
- 25 )
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- 27 )
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## *From the Rector*

### **SALE FEVER**

#### **We are God's Ultimate Bargain**

**S**ALE! TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! 30% OFF! Throughout the past month these bold slogans could be seen; eye catching, tempting us to buy. The January Sales! Any excuse to tempt us to buy that extra special bargain.

Do you remember the days, when large department stores offered just a few fantastic bargains at absolutely knock down prices? Competition was fierce and people queued for hours to get one of those special items. Some keen shoppers would even camp for the night outside the store in order to be one of the first through the doors in the morning. Crazy behaviour you might think, but people are prepared to go to enormous lengths to get something they really, really want.

God is like that. There was once something he wanted very, very much, but the price was huge. The surprising thing was that the goods he held of such high value were not even perfect. They were sub-standard with an all too obvious flaw.

When we buy something, we expect it to be in good condition. If it isn't, we will take it back for a refund or discount.

In God's case there was no question of a refund or exchange. The item he valued so much was 'Sold as Seen', so the prospective buyer had to accept any defects as a condition of purchase. In a shop, faulty goods such as those would be offered at a greatly reduced price in order to get rid of them. But in the case of the goods God valued, the price did not reduce, it rocketed sky high!

The Accuser who also had a vested interest in the item, reminded the prospective purchaser of the conditions of the sale: 'The wages of sin are death.' Death was the purchase price. Surely now the Buyer would think again. Why should anyone buy such damaged goods anyway?

When something has been difficult to afford we say 'It cost me an arm and a leg!' But that's only a figure of speech. The purchase price of the human race was infinitely more costly. It involved the sacrifice of God's own Son in our place.

The Accuser waited, confident that there would be no sale. The goods that he had obtained by stealth and deceit would remain in his keeping. They were simply not worth the price demanded. Any fool could see that. The price was too high!

God did not hesitate. He loved us so much that He paid the immense cost required without question; without bargaining.

Sometimes when we return from the Sales, we regret our purchases. We realise we have been gripped by sale fever and what we have bought is not the bargain it first appeared. Did we really need another six tea towels? Or what about that dress? At the time it seemed like a good idea. Now we're not so sure.

But God did not regret his costly purchase for one second. We may look at ourselves and think we're not worth very much, but God thinks otherwise. He looks beyond the chips and cracks, the dents and rough edges and sees instead what we will become in Him.

To Him we are the ultimate bargain; His treasured possession without price!

Alan Haydock

## **East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO**

The many happy gatherings in our parish during January have been too numerous for comment here, but three or four of them will linger in the memory for a long time. We look back on a very happy Old Folks' Tea, a pleasant party of choirmen, bellringers, and Young Men's Fellowship at the Rectory, followed by a similar for the choir boys; but the most striking of all surely was our Annual Congregational Gathering on January 25<sup>th</sup>, when more parishioners than last year joined together at tea and the business meeting. Later the same evening the Temperance Hall was crowded with East Bridgford Church folk and friends, when Mr Burdett, Mr Hodges (with his welcome violin solos) and the Choir, gave us some really good music, and Mrs Foster at the piano made us dance without tiring, and the games organised by Mr Rhodes and Miss King made us feel younger. Many of us did not want to leave when it was 9.30. What a happy time we all had!

At the very successful Social of our Mothers' Union on January 16<sup>th</sup>, mention was made of the Society's "Call to Renewal." The influence of the M.U. on our national life is becoming marked, so that its leaders are feeling more and more, the responsibility of the work. The Call to Renewal is accordingly an effort to deepen the spiritual life of the members throughout the World. We trust that our local members will respond and will all make the best use of the opportunities that will be provided for them during Lent and thereafter.

### **Christmas Collections at St Peter's**

<b>Carol Service:</b>	£124 to Framework (formerly the Macedon Trust) £124 to Emmanuel House, Nottingham
<b>Carol Singing:</b>	£88 for the Children's Society
<b>Midnight Mass:</b>	£100 to Save the Children £100 to the Salvation Army
<b>Christingle Services:</b>	£1,046 for the Children's Society



## The Mothers' Union

We meet every third Wednesday in the month - 2.00pm in the WI Hut.

Our Next Meeting - "Rushcliffe Villages, Views and Curiosities" will be the subject of our talk by Mr G Oldfield at our next meeting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

Anyone who would like to visit but is hesitant to come alone is welcome to ring Rosemary Mills on 21224.

MU members, guests and other MU members from our Deanery filled the WI hut for the December meeting, listening to our Christmas readings and stories, singing familiar carols with gusto, and enjoying a sumptuous tea prepared and presented by our members.

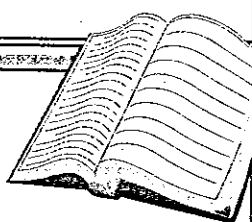
So many people came that we were very cosily seated, and it was also clear that nobody went home hungry!

Our thanks go to Barbara Pepper, our Branch Leader, our committee and all the other members who worked hard to make it such a pleasant meeting.

Rosemary Mills

## Our Church is Grateful

- For a donation of £150 from East Bridgford Manor House
- For various individual donations over the Christmas period
- For a donation of £5 from an eleven-year-old girl, who gave her carol singing money towards the upkeep of the churchyard.
- For the gift of the Christmas tree for St Peter's
- For the gift of a copy of the New International Version of the Bible for use at the lectern



## Churchyard Working Party

This month's Working Party will be held on **SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY 8.30 - 12 noon.**

Please give an hour of your time. Help is desperately needed.

Alan Haydock



The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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## CHURCH FLOWERS 2004

The flower rota is now on the church porch notice board and I appeal for help throughout the coming year. Financial support is very forthcoming, but I appeal to anyone who is interested in arranging flowers to come forward - this could be your new vocation! Please put your name on the rota or have a word with me if you would like to make a special dedication.

A sincere thank you to all helpers who contributed in any way during 2003.

Barbara Mallett - 20828

## Church of England Flower Arrangers' Prayer (C.E.F.A.A.)

*O Lord the Creator of all things of beauty,  
grant to those who serve you with their gift  
of floral art, a sense of your Majesty and a desire  
to heighten the worship of the Holy Church,  
by the dedicated use of their gifts.*

*This we ask in the name of Him, who with the Father  
is Creator and Sustainer of all good things,  
Jesus Christ Our Lord.*

## The Men's Society

Village Residents have kindly agreed to be speakers at our next two meetings. On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February, Nigel Lawrence will be presenting an illustrated talk entitled 'Far Away Railways' and on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March, Keith Cottey will explore the topic 'Bomber Harris - Victim or Villain?'

The meetings will be held at our usual venue - starting at 8pm in the Village Hall Committee Room.

Graham Lomax

## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

January 11 Emilia Grace STEVENS  
January 18 Thomas Henry BENDY  
January 31 Matthew Thomas BREWILL

### Holy Matrimony


December 27 Ian David RIDGWAY and Victoria Joanne COTTRILL

### Funerals

January 13	Eric SELBY	67 years
January 14	Joan Vivian FINCH	85 years
January 16	John Barry MARTINDALE	71 years



## Local History Group

 OUR JANUARY MEETING gave an illuminating insight into life amongst the 'gentry' of Shelford in the second half of the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Pam Priestland has, together with her colleague Beryl Cobbing, recently published a book "Sir Thomas Stanhope of Shelford – Local life in Elizabethan times" and her talk expanded on some of the events related in the book. Her research has been extensive and her knowledge of her subject outstanding. The details of a dispute between Sir Thomas and Lady Margaret, his wife, in January 1581 make wonderful reading in the book, which is incredible value at only £5.00.

Later in the year we hope to have Beryl Cobbing talk to us about 'troubles at Shelford Weir in 1592'

### FEBRUARY MEETING

Our next meeting is on **TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2004 at 7.30pm** in the Methodist Chapel. We are to have a well-known speaker on subjects relating to WW1, **JASON KING** of Radcliffe.

His talk will be based around artefacts and ephemera relating to WW1 and is entitled "**WW1 – Bayonets to Brooches**". Not only does Jason give talks on his subject but has also organised trips to view the WW1 battlefields.

Everyone is very welcome to come along – Why not have a night out; you might enjoy it! There will be a requested voluntary donation of £1 towards Group expenses.

### MARCH MEETING

Note in your diary NOW – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2004 at 7.30 in the Methodist Chapel when we will hear all about "Feast, Fast and Famine" from Jean Nicholson of Lambley. The talk will be followed by the, hopefully short, Annual General Meeting of the Group.

Bill Whitaker  
Secretary  
Tel. 20982

## OUT OF TOUCH

For a village that lies less than 10 miles from one of Britain's major cities, East Bridgford seems to get the short straw when it comes to communications technology. We cannot get Broadband, there appears to be little likelihood of Cable arriving in the foreseeable future, and if we want Freeview we are told that in addition to a set-top box we will probably have to purchase a new TV aerial - and that's for those who can get the signal in the first place - in the nether regions (Kneeton Road area) we are apparently invisible. Now comes the news that analogue transmissions will cease in three or four years' time so we will have to go digital anyway. I am not a happy bunny.

*Note:* The Freeview excluded postcodes are: NG13 8PF, PG, PH, PS, PU, PW, PX. There are 55 different postcodes in East Bridgford.

A disgruntled  
TV non-viewer

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## The Watcher

**Y**OU MAY RECALL that my last piece contained a prediction about the capture of Saddam Hussein. He was actually found the day after I submitted the article to print. I am therefore making some additional forecasts in the hope that they will also come to pass by the time you read this.

Firstly, Tony Blair will make a full apology for embroiling us in the hopeless mess that is Iraq. Secondly, Dale Winton announces his retirement from light entertainment, and takes Ainsley Harriot with him. Thirdly, I forecast that George Bush will go to Rome, visit the Pope and actually ask him if he is a Catholic. Fourthly, Victoria Beckham quits the world of popular music and becomes a full time housewife and mother. David Beckham moves out. Finally, George Bush decides not to run for a second term in order to return to school and complete his GCSEs.

On a different subject, there are now only 3 months left until Easter. This means that it's the time of year when the Competitive Mums start drawing up elaborate plans for their "child's entry" into the school's Decorated Egg Competition. This frankly brutal contest really does test the ingenuity and constructive skills of the village's young mothers to the full.

Previously, the overall winner was an 8 year old who had built a 750cc motorbike from scratch, spattered it with mud, placed it in a churned-up field and blue-tacked one egg onto the handlebars. It was entitled Scrambled Egg. Before you know it, the same mums will be spending countless days creating a dazzling work of horticultural brilliance, which will become their toddlers' entry in to the Annual Flower Show. One can only marvel at their devotion to duty.

Before I go, one question for you. Which shaggy-haired male was quite literally blown away by all the excitement of New Years Eve? Thankfully, hospital treatment was not necessary.

See you next time,  
but be careful,  
I'm Watching you.



# Parish Council News

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John Chater

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Contact - Chris Clarke, 27 Ludgate Drive

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Contact - Dave Short 20696

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Contact - Amanda Waring 20501

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# East Bridgford St Peter's School



**A** VERY GOOD START to the new term, all new children have settled in well and we welcomed Rachael, a new member of staff to our Friday afternoon session, we hope you settle into the routine well, we look forward to working with you.

This terms theme is Fairy Stories, children first experienced Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, making their very own magic mirror and enjoyed painting with red apples. Next was the story of Rapunzel, children creating a Rapunzel Tower with window and long hair flowing down for the prince to climb up and also their own Rapunzel hat with many strands of various colours of wool representing long hair for children to role play at being Rapunzel.

Next week we will be celebrating Chinese New Year, this year is the year of the Monkey, children will be making a red lantern decorated with monkey stamps and also a card with a stenciled monkey face and potato printed banana shapes to decorate it with.

With Australia Day, Valentines Day and the story of the Princess and the Pea we look forward to the next busy and enjoyable weeks ahead.

Pre-school Staff.

## School News

**T**HE SPRING TERM is well underway and our children continue to enjoy a varied sports programme along with their other activities.

The boys' Table Tennis Team, who became national champions, have reached the last three in the Nottinghamshire Sports Team of the Year Awards.

The school mixed hockey team has now taken part in four Rushcliffe Hockey Festivals and out of over twenty matches has only lost once. Over thirty children continue to enjoy hockey coaching every Friday.

I am delighted to say the school has just achieved the Healthy Schools Standard for work on healthy eating.

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January, the school was asked to host the launch of the National Farmers' Union's Farmhouse Breakfast week. As part of this our Year 6 children and various adults were invited to share in a full English breakfast, with all the food sourced locally.

A number of children have received highly commended awards in the Government's 'Write Here, Write Now' National Writing Competition, which is a very great achievement indeed.

2004 has certainly got off to a flying start!

Léonie Fox

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during December 2003

Date	Location	Offence
4	Kneeton Road	Burglary
6	Lammas Gardens	Criminal damage
12	Kirk Hill	Theft from motor vehicle
13	Main Street	Theft from motor vehicle
13	Butt Lane	Theft from outbuilding
15	Cherry Holt lane	Burglary & theft of motor vehicle
17	Moss Close	Criminal damage
17	Main Street	Criminal damage
17	Main Street	Criminal damage
18	Main Street	Damage to motor vehicle
19	Croft Rise	Damage to motor vehicle
23	Cross lane	Theft
29	Kneeton Road	Criminal damage
30	Browns Lane	Burglary
31	Kneeton Road	Burglary
31	Main Street	Criminal damage

The 12-month moving average has increased to **8.16 crimes per month.**

- Of the 16 crimes reported to the Police during December 10 involved the theft of, theft from, damage to or interference with a motor vehicle.
- During December 6 acts of criminal damage were committed.
- During December properties within the village were targeted and burgled by criminals.

Just over 12 months ago I included in our article a few words by Edmund Burke - they appear now to be more appropriate than ever.

**"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing"**

If you see a crime being committed dial 999.  
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David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

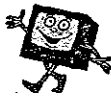
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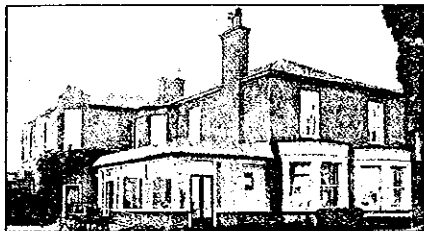
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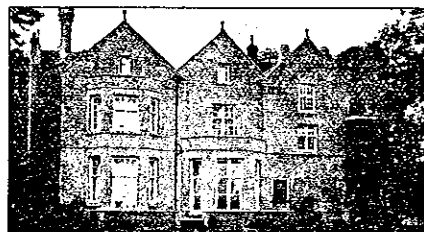
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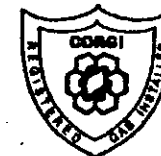
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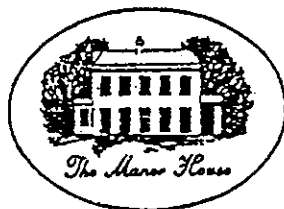
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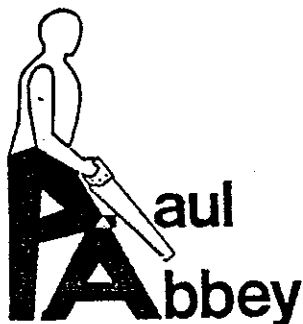
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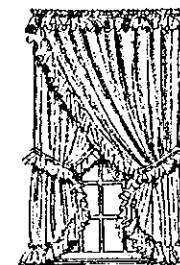
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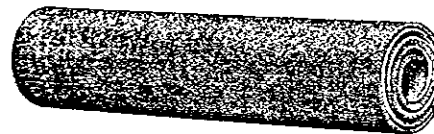
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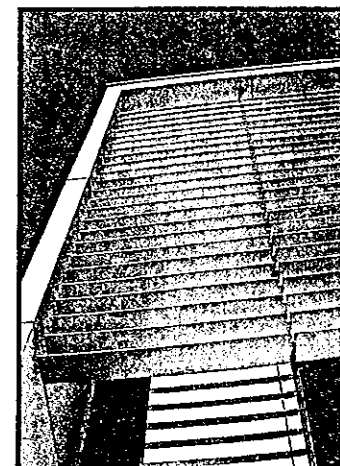
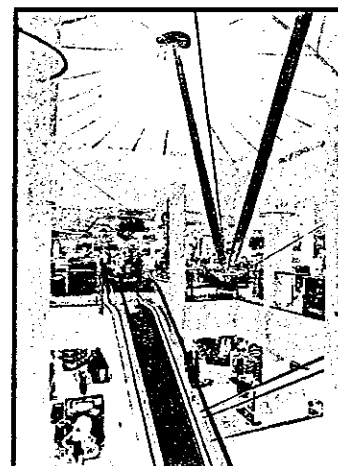
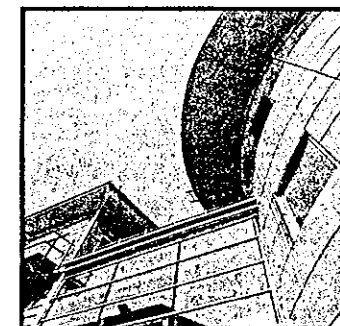
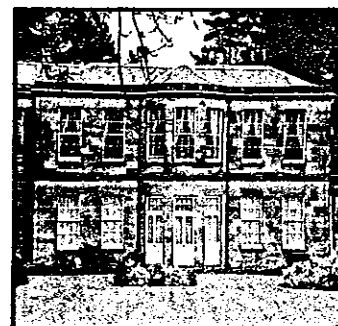
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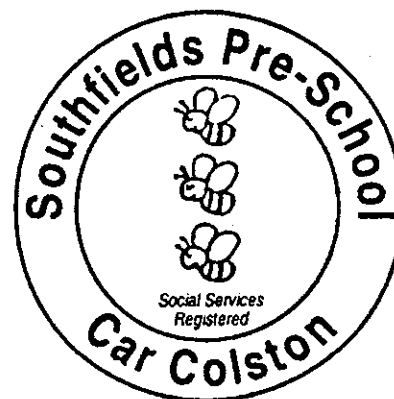
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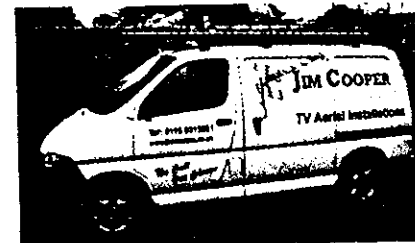
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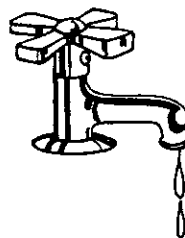


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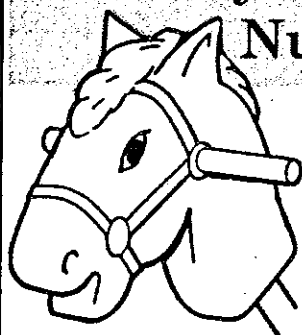
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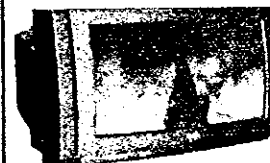
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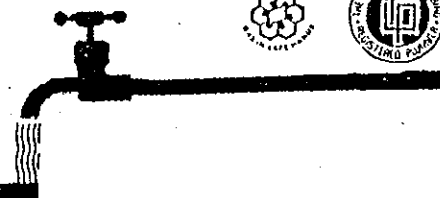
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Gloria Hindson

## Your Thanks

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More details from Sharon Scanaglia on 0115 914 8219.

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## Kneeton News

A VERY SUCCESSFUL SERVICE was held at St Helen's Church, Kneeton on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 2003. There were eighty-two friends in the congregation including nineteen Kneetonians. Well done! The singing was first rate and coffee and light refreshments were served afterwards. Thank you to all who joined in the service and special thanks to the small band of helpers who decorated the Church so beautifully. I must not forget the villagers who decorated their homes with Christmas lights to make Kneeton shine in the darkness.

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## Floodlighting Diary

### FEBRUARY

- 2 Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)
- 6 Loving birthday memories of MICHAEL LOMAX
- 6 The Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, 1952
- 7 Loving birthday memories of MADELEINE PARKER
- 13 Loving birthday memories of EVA SELBY
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## Internet Broadband Services

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Jerry Moore

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One easy (and free) thing that can be done to help the environment whilst saving time is to register to stop unwanted junk mail being received through the post. This can be done by registering online your home and/or office address with the Mail Preference Service which can be contacted at : [www.mpsonline.org.uk](http://www.mpsonline.org.uk)

Since we registered the daily deluge of rubbish from rip-off banks and credit card companies has completely stopped whilst the invitations to buy lottery tickets in obscure parts of the world has been reduced to a trickle.

We enjoy reading the magazine each month and thought other readers may also be interested to know of this service.

Bill Shacklock

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OX4 5BR

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Telephone Preference Service  
70 Margaret Street  
London  
SW1Y 4EE  
Telephone: 0845 070 0707

Fax Preference Service  
0541 554555 and ask for FPS

## From your Borough Councillor

Three councils provide services to East Bridgford, the Parish Council, Rushcliffe Borough and Notts County. It is not always clear in everybody's mind as to which is responsible for what. I represent you on Rushcliffe Borough so let us start by clarifying their role.

### What does Rushcliffe Borough do?

A typical response might be 'empty the bins and collect council tax', but RBC provide many other services which are often taken for granted, such as:

- collecting and recycling waste, removing fly-tipping and abandoned cars.
- emptying litter bins
- Rushcliffe Country Park (Ruddington) and Edwalton Golf Course
- running Leisure Centres (e.g. Bingham, Cotgrave) and the Rushcliffe Arena
- ensuring the Planning System and Building Regulations control protect our environment
- conservation of the countryside and of village centres, protection of trees and hedges
- protecting public health by inspection of restaurants and food outlets
- re-housing the homeless, funding new low-cost homes, administering Housing Benefit and a range of other housing services (though of course the houses are now under Rushcliffe Homes).
- licensing taxi drivers
- developing the local economy and funding environmental improvements across the borough

- funding local voluntary and community groups to do vital work
- funding and organising arts and cultural events, including Lark in the Park, Kite Day, Village Ventures etc.

Some of these activities are done jointly with other councils. For example the local Leisure Centres are provided jointly with NCC. Emptying of the litterbins in Butt Close are paid for by the Parish Council but done by crews from RBC who also do the roadside bins.

Many actions cannot be achieved by one body alone, and increasingly Rushcliffe sponsors, or participates in, partnerships to address various social issues. Examples are:

- Rushcliffe Crime and Disorder Partnership (RBC, NCC, Notts Police)
- Rushcliffe Community Partnership (to bring together many organisations to produce and implement a strategy to meet the needs and aspirations of local people)
- Rushcliffe Council for Voluntary Service

Roughly 9% of your total Council Tax bill goes to Rushcliffe to pay for these services. The lions share goes to NCC, with the balance to the police, so next month I will attempt to list all the services we receive from NCC.

Nigel Lawrence

## A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

Would readers please note that there will be **NO** May issue of the magazine.

Would regular contributors please provide us with all the material they can that relates to May no later than **Monday 15th March** so that it can be incorporated in the April issue. May events/reports that cannot be included in the April issue will appear in the June magazine.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## From the Parish Clerk

I am very pleased to report that I have returned to work after a long absence through illness and would like to thank everyone for their kindness and good wishes.

I am now available by telephone on **01949 20406** only and **not 20671** in the mornings, as previously. My hours of contact are:

**from 9am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday  
and 10am to 12noon on Saturday only.**

Please restrict calls to these times, unless there is an emergency, particularly while my husband is ill. Alternatively, you can write to:  
6 Orchard Close, East Bridgford or e-mail me at: [A.Higgs@FocusZenith.com](mailto:A.Higgs@FocusZenith.com) ensuring you put 'East Bridgford Parish Council' in the subject line.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Angela Higgs  
Clerk to the Parish Council

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### RBC Applications

03/00898/FUL

Mr S Turner, The Covert, 70 Main Street. Extend and increase height of roof to form additional living accommodation, dormers and alterations to front elevation and single storey rear extension (revised plans). There were no objections but the roof to the front elevation should be of one consistent material and appearance.

### RBC Decisions

03/01380/TPO

Joanne Jones, 38 College Street. Fell sycamore. Grant consent (PC objected)

03/01544/FUL

Mr & Mrs Jebb, 17 Croft Rise. Conservatory. Grant permission (PC approved)

03/01539/FUL

Mr & Mrs G Morgan, 31 College Street. Single storey rear extension, porch. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved)

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## East Bridgford Drama Group

Our next play at the Village Hall, 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004 is a thriller by Janet Allen entitled

### 'The Man Outside'

The cast includes Kate Thornburrow, Jean Starbuck, Michael Clarke, Victoria Pepper, Malcolm Cope and Alan Haydock.

All performances commence at 7.30pm.

The price remains at £4.00 with concessions of £3.00 for senior citizens on Tuesday and Wednesday. Tickets are available from the Post Office and EB News.

If you would like to become a patron member, please complete the slip below.  
*If you choose to become a patron member, there is no charge for your ticket.*

### Patron Application

I/We wish to become a patron(s) of the East Bridgford Drama Group for the year 2004 and enclose a cheque for £.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Name.....

Address.....

Telephone No.....

Please return to:  
Canon Alan Haydock,  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill,  
East Bridgford, NG13 8PE

### Ticket Application

I (name)

.....  
require.....ticket(s)  
for the Group's next  
performance on (date)

.....  
and enclose a cheque for  
£:.....

Or, I am/we are Patron  
Members for the 2004 season.

Please enclose a stamped  
addressed envelope.

Please return to:  
Canon Alan Haydock,  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill,  
East Bridgford, NG13 8PE

Cheques should be made payable to East Bridgford Drama Group (Not E.B.D.G.)

## BINGHAM & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

are holding a

### SINGING WORKSHOP

on Saturday 14th February  
from 10.30am - 2.30pm  
at St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

The workshop is designed both for experienced and inexperienced singers. So why not come and join us! You will have the chance to build your confidence as a singer. The workshop leader is ANNE MARSAHLL, who is a member of the Cecilian Singers and Head of Music at The Vale Of Catmose College, Oakham. The accompanist is Neville Ward, the Musical director of the society.

Tickets are £7, including a buffet lunch.

For further information contact Pauline Chater  
on 01949 20882 or by E-mail:  
[Paulinechater@hotmail.com](mailto:Paulinechater@hotmail.com)

The choir has just started rehearsals for its May concert when it will be performing Haydn's "Harmoniemesse" and Mozart's "Solemn Vespers".

Why not come and join us at Toot Hill College  
on Tuesday evenings from 7.15 - 9.30pm

## VILLAGE SHOW

More classes for you to consider entering

### Painting

*A Painting in watercolour*  
*A Painting in any other medium*

### Photography

(Single mounted, max picture size 6" by 8")

*A Photograph of a happy face*  
*A Photograph entitled "A Day to remember"*

*A Photograph entitled "The Street where I live"*  
(under 17's only)

## AMUSING FACTS

98% of all greetings cards are purchased by women.

A person uses approximately 57 sheets of toilet paper each day.

Actress Jamie Lee Curtis invented a special napkin for babies that has a pocket.

About 85% of product warning labels on household products are inadequate.

By partially filling saucers with vinegar and distributing the saucers around a room, you can eliminate odours.

Every second, two Barbie dolls are sold somewhere in the world.

Hundreds of years ago, only the wealthy people used to wear underwear.

In 1981, the ultimate collectable item was a Rubik's Cube which had a picture of Prince Charles and Princess Diana on it.

## THIS MONTH'S RECIPE

Do you remember the Be-Ro home recipe book? - A small paperback, jam-packed with recipes on how to bake scones, tea loaves and biscuits. Did you know you can still send away for one, providing of course you buy Be-Ro flour and collect sufficient tokens? As we're still in the grip of winter, let's indulge in a pudding - typical of those found in the Be-Ro recipe book.

### EVE'S PUDDING

Sponge

4oz (100g) margarine

4oz (100g) caster sugar

2 medium eggs

4oz (100g) Be-Ro self-raising flour

Filling

1½ lbs (675g) cooking apples,

peeled and cored

2oz (50g) sugar

- Heat oven to 180°C, 350°F, Gas Mark 4. Grease an ovenproof dish.
- Thinly slice apples and layer in dish with sugar.
- Cream margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs one at a time, adding a little flour with each.
- Gently fold in remaining flour, and then cover the apples with the sponge mix.
- Bake for about 40 minutes

## Garden Club

### Meeting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February

The speaker at the February meeting will be Jeff Bates, who will be giving a timely talk on the subject of 'Herbaceous Plants and Planting'. Jeff gave us a highly acclaimed talk three years ago, when his subject was 'the Royal gardens at Windsor', and we are all set for another very enjoyable evening.

### Travels of a Gardener

Peter Mallett made a welcome return to the Club at the January meeting, and his talk entitled 'Travels of a Gardener' proved to be the perfect antidote to a rather dreary January evening. Starting with some of the famous gardens in the UK, particularly in the south west of England and the west coast of Scotland, his journey took him to Cyprus, Spain, France, the Caribbean, Chile, the USA and Canada. The talk was a nice blend of gardens and rural landscapes, interspersed with pictures of interesting places visited during his travels. A fascinating journey and a thoroughly enjoyable evening!

### Future speakers

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Colin Shaw - 'No Dig Vegetable Cultivation'.  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April - AGM - Ian Cooke - 'Someone Else's Garden'.

Anyone interested in joining the Club can come along to any of our meetings, where they will be made very welcome. Alternatively they can contact Mrs. Ivy Suggitt, the Membership Secretary, on 01949 20201, for more information.

Ian Seel

# Mewling Manor

## Telephones

EVERY TIME THE DRATTED TELEPHONE RINGS, there seems no one around to answer it but me. Monty's excuse is that he never gets any calls, not surprising considering that he always skulks in his potting shed, or an isolated part of our manor avoiding the phone as if it were an invention of the devil. Therefore it's incumbent on me to field those unsolicited sales calls, which always arrive at the most inconvenient time – just as I'm about to step into the bath, half way through an Irish stew, which always takes a lot of chewing or when I'm entertaining Sir Robin Frisby-Willard and particularly do not wish to be interrupted.

I can't remember how many times I've been told I've won a 'free' kitchen that only turns out to be £1,000 towards a £15,000 de luxe version. My usual response is to say that if I've been lucky enough to win a £1000 then why don't they send me the money, for I have greater need of a new stair carpet. It wouldn't be so bad being offered these prizes if the person at the other end of the phone could get things right – but they can't - Mrs Grip...Mrs Mowling Grup...Mrs Greep...any articulation except the correct version. And on several occasions I've been most insulted by being called Mr Mowling Grupp.

However, I have my ways of dealing with unsolicited calls. Those who inform me that I'm the lucky recipient of a free holiday but need to travel miles to attend a presentation in order to qualify I put off by asking if a wheelchair and a defibrillator could be made available for my husband. It's amazing how quickly they lose interest. That ploy doesn't work on UPVC double-glazing sellers; the only way to get rid of them quickly is to say that the house is Grade II Listed. Sometimes if I'm in the mood I waste their time by asking lots of questions, repeating myself and pretending to forget what they were selling in the first place. I rather hoped that this ploy might get me put on a tele-sales 'black-list', but it's not often I've got enough patience to repeat the performance – it's so exhausting.

It appears to me that it's always a telesales call trying to sell us goods we don't want, such as window replacements, holidays, kitchens, credit cards or gas and electricity. When I do succumb to their offers and then have the temerity to phone up with queries, they're not quite so keen to speak to me. I am required to press several buttons on the phone just to get put in a queue and be subjected to a tinny version of Beethoven's fifth or some mind-numbing musak for anything up to half an hour before I can have my say.

Only the other week Monty had an awful job finding a washer for a dripping tap and I wanted to purchase some special wide-fitting shoes. I don't ever remember getting an unsolicited phone call from a plumber offering his services, or a shoe-shop that caters for people with bunions. No, I have taken to leaving the answer-phone on of late and have discovered that an unsolicited sales message is never left on the machine. Often I check by dialling 1471, for they also conceal their number – afraid that we might phone them back and waste their time.

Augusta Mewling-Grype



## Fairtrade Fortnight

1st – 14th March

*You can take part  
by coming to an*

**Action Aid  
Fairtrade**

**COFFEE  
MORNING**

at

**The Methodist  
Church**

**Friday 12th March  
10.30am – 12 noon.**

Chocolate, coffee  
cakes (and others)  
recipes,  
Fairtrade Goods

*Please come with  
a friend and help  
raise funds for  
a fairer world.*

(Offers of cakes will  
be gratefully received  
by Alison Powell –  
20985)

## W Report

AT OUR JANUARY MEETING 40 members and several visitors gathered to hear at first hand of the adventures of Glenda Pearson and Elaine Hutchison in the Yangtze gorges of China. These intrepid ladies set off last year to take part in a sponsored trek to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation and had amassed a magnificent total of £10,500 over the months prior to their departure. Their impressive slide show (our first PowerPoint presentation) showed some very rugged terrain and steep descents to the river. Most of us felt very glad that we had only been asked to sponsor Glenda and Elaine – and not to go with them! We enjoyed hearing about Glenda's and Elaine's contact with the Chinese people of the region and felt warmed and inspired by their enthusiasm for the trip and for the cause they continue to support.

Mrs Margaret Harrison will be the speaker at the February meeting when we look forward to hearing about 'The Copper Kettle Club Revived'. As always, the meeting is on the second Tuesday of the month (10 February) at 7.30pm in the WI Hut and we would be very pleased to welcome visitors.

Members have been saddened by the news of the deaths of Joan and Kenneth Finch. Joan was a loyal supporter of our Institute for many years and we will miss her wise counsel and gentle personality. We extend our sincere sympathy to the Finch family at this sad time.

Rachel Barclay

# ST PETER'S GOES ONLINE

THE SOUTHWELL CHURCH HISTORY PROJECT began as a labour of love by the late John Severn. His intention was to build a reliable database of historical knowledge about all of the churches of Southwell Diocese. The Diocesan Advisory Committee saw that this would be extremely useful in its own work of caring for the churches in the diocese, and it agreed to take the project on board. John Severn was, at that time, a much-respected member of the Committee, but sadly he died in 1998. However others are now continuing the project.

It has now been recognised that the material collected could be of interest to a wide range of people. It could be a valuable resource for education, and for anyone doing any local history work that touches on churches. It has been decided to make the data available through the Internet.

The Website will eventually contain information relating to the history and archaeology of each church, and church site, in the diocese. Volunteers, working under the auspices of a co-ordinating committee, are collecting the material. Each entry will include an account of the history and archaeology of the church, and related information on a range of subjects, including church bells, monuments, war memorials and furnishings. Most of the material, which is collected by the volunteers, will be available to the general public, though a few more sensitive areas will not appear.

**East Bridgford St Peter's has recently been added to the list of churches that have provided information to the committee and the Website address is:**

<http://southwellchurches.nottingham.ac.uk/ebriidgfd>.

If you are interested in finding out more about other churches in the diocese, just delete the 'ebriidgfd' from the address, Hit 'Return' and that will take you to the main site.

## FUNNY BUT TRUE

A guide at Windsor castle was struggling to make herself heard over the roar of low-flying aircraft coming in to land at nearby Heathrow. She was interrupted by a tourist who demanded what was wrong with the town planners, and why had they built the castle so close to the airport.

A group of tourists escorted around the Houses of Parliament suddenly found themselves in the presence of the then Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham, resplendent in full wig and gown. Spying behind the group the figure of Neil Marten MP, the Lord Chancellor called out in greeting 'Neil!' with dignified vigour. And all the tourists did.

Corned beef was sent to a Bridgend school canteen. Teachers sniffed it and did not like it; the canteen manageress sniffed it but pronounced it good; the town sanitary inspector sniffed it and passed it as good; the town medical officer sniffed it and declared it good - then ordered it to be destroyed because too many people had sniffed it.

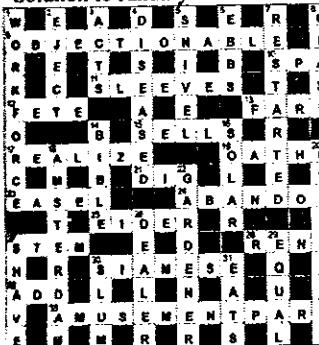
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3. Pertaining to a magnet (8)
9. Rephrase (5)
10. Very skilled person (3)
11. Cover (3)
12. Curious (11)
14. Gadget (5)
16. In this place (4)
17. Eats to a plan (5)
19. Something rare (6)
20. Apex (3)
22. Vigour (6)
23. Tally (5)
25. Appear (4)
26. Change (5)
28. Thoughtful (11)
30. North American nation (3)
31. Atmosphere (3)

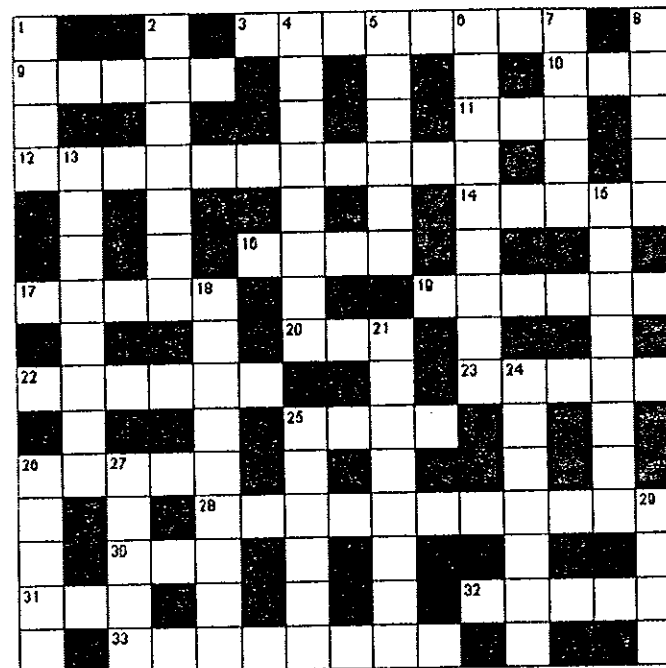
### Down

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2. Legal inquiry (7)
4. Unfortunate happening (8)
5. Beginner (6)
6. Telegraph messages (9)
7. Seaport in SW Spain (5)
8. Greeting (5)
13. Belonging to a nation (8)
15. Driver (8)
18. Chief source of sugar (5,4)
21. First public performance (8)
24. Inhabitant of Cyprus (7)
25. Lighted by the sun (6)
26. In front (5)
27. Excursions (5)
29. Paradise (4)

### Solution to January's Crossword



## PUZZLE CORNER



### SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

<b>St Peter's Church, East Bridgford</b>	
Rector	Canon Alan Haydock, 20218
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Michael Clarke 20682
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month
	(Coffee is served after this service)
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong
	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Methodist Church, East Bridgford</b>	
Minister	Rev. John Hudson 837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road 20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated
<b>St. Helen's Church, Kneeton</b>	
Churchwardens	Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## MARCH 2004

### Wednesday 3 March

11.30am Holy Communion at the Manor House

### Sunday 7 March

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 10 March

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 14 March

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's - Michael Clarke

### Wednesday 17 March

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 21 March: MOTHERING SUNDAY

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Hymns and Readings for Mothering Sunday  
in anticipation of Lady Day at St Peter's

### Wednesday 24 March

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Thursday 25 March

9.30am St Peter's School Passiontide/Easter Service at St Peter's

### Sunday 28 March: PASSION SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's - Patrick Mackie  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Monday 29 March

9.30am Pre-school Easter Service

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 4 April: PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm The Cross of Christ: Readings and Hymns for Passiontide  
at St Peter's

**PALM CROSSES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT ALL SERVICES**

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5	Bowls Club Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall
5	Women's World Day of Prayer, 7.30pm, St Peter's Church
6	Pre-School Coffee Morning, 10am - 12noon, Village Hall
7	Cricket Club Practice, 7-8pm, Hadlee Hall, Trent Bridge
9	WI AGM, 7.30pm, WI Hut
12	Fairtrade Coffee Morning, 10.30am - 12pm, Methodist Church
13	Kamuli Jumble Sale, 2-4pm, Village Hall
13	Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am-11am
16	Men's Society, 8pm, Committee Room, Village Hall
16	Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut
17	Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
20	Ciara Fund Jumble Sale, 2pm, Village Hall
27	Tennis Club Quiz Night, 7pm,

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## From the Rector

### The Ministry of Healing

CHRISTIANITY IS ABOUT HEALING. That is one meaning of salvation. In Jesus Christ, God heals the damaged relationship between ourselves and Him, and enables our relationships with others to be healed. By the Resurrection even the sting of death is healed. God's purpose is to make whole a world and its people broken by sin. Healing was prominent in Jesus' own ministry and was understood to be a sign of the presence of God's Kingdom.

Faith in God and membership in the reconciled and reconciling fellowship of the Church are themselves means of healing, for they enable us to receive God's forgiveness and love, and that of our fellow Christians. The Church is sometimes described as a healing community. Within that community certain occasions bring God's healing grace into sharp focus.

At the centre of the Church's life is the Eucharist or Holy Communion, which needs to be seen as the primary sacrament of healing. It proclaims God's saving love in Word and Sacrament and enables us to be drawn into a renewed and healing relationship with God and each other.

The other sacrament of healing is

known as anointing with the laying on of hands. Closely linked in the Epistle of St James with confession of sins – itself another means of healing – they make explicit what is implicit in the Eucharist and in the whole life of the Church. They are a tangible expression both of our prayer for healing and of God's healing grace freely given. It is appropriate to receive these sacraments not only in the case of physical illness, but also of mental anxiety. We stand in need of healing in all aspects of our being; body, mind and spirit.

Healing can mean different things. It can mean cure. It can mean the strength and courage to face and cope with disability or the burden of old age. We may be healed in ways we did not expect. In any case, healing is likely to be a process rather than an event for the roots of our frailty, sometimes lie deep within ourselves.

One thing is certain. The love of God is with us to heal. If we open ourselves to Him in trust, supported by faith and the prayers of the Church, we shall not be unchanged. In one way or another, God will continue the process of healing us, until we enjoy perfect health in the healed creation, which is the Kingdom of God.

Alan Haydock

### Farewell to Diocesan Director of Education

Mark Plater, the Diocesan Director of Education will be leaving his current post in June 2004. He aims to move on to a work context where he can be involved more directly in religious education and/or personal development. Members of the Diocesan Board of Education and the wider church will have an opportunity to wish Mark farewell and thank him for his work in education at an appropriate occasion after Easter. Mark and his wife, Dorothy are members of the St Peter's congregation.

### SUMMERTIME

starts  
Sunday  
28th March

Don't forget to  
put your clocks  
FORWARD  
one hour

## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

On Sunday afternoon, March 12<sup>th</sup>, East Bridgford will have the honour of welcoming the Lord Bishop of Southwell on his first visit to the village. He will hold a Confirmation Service at 3 pm, when the prayers of all are desired for the candidates, and as most people will wish to attend that service, there will be no Evensong in the Hut on March 12<sup>th</sup>. On the other Sunday evenings during Lent special courses of addresses are being given by Mr Williams and Mr White.

East Bridgford Players – The following plays will be performed in the Village Hall, on Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>, by members of the newly formed Drama Group.

*The Monkey's Paw, A Sister to Assist'er  
Mechanical Jane, The Bishop's Candlesticks*

Proceeds in aid of the Red Cross Prisoners of War fund.

#### SERVICES

Sundays-Holy Communion at 10.45am, except on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday when it is at 9.00am, Matins at 10.45am. Evensong is at 6.30pm. Weekdays – Holy Communion 8.00am or 10.45am Sunday School – 10am in the Church Day Schools

#### SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

Public Baptism – Sundays at Evensong (a week's notice to be given when possible)

Sacrament of Penance – Saturdays at 7.30pm, and by appointment

Holy Matrimony – By appointment with the Rector

Churching of Women – Before or after any Service, or by appointment

Burial – By arrangement with the Rector

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## Women's World Day of Prayer

This year's service will be held on  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at St Peter's Church.**  
It has been prepared by the women of Panama  
and is entitled

### **'In Faith Women Shape the Future'.**

Our guest speaker is Revd. Dr Hilary Geisow.  
This is a non-denominational service, to which  
everybody – men, women and children are invited.

Hilary Lee

## Marie Curie Cancer Care

**£900**

Many, many thanks for all the support that has been  
given for the Coffee Morning. Thank you for goods,  
gifts, baking, donations, time and attendance. It has  
been magnificent.

Any excess goods will go to Marie Curie events  
elsewhere, as well as their Charity shop. So nothing  
is wasted - it all goes to the same cause.

Mollie and Edna.

## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

February 28

James Max Anthony HANDLEY

February 29

Kai James ONYETT

With a service in memory of his twin brother  
Samuel Jack ONYETT

### Funerals

February 4

Kenneth William FINCH

91 years

February 10

Jean MARTINDALE

71 years

February 20

Mary MILES

82 years

February 24

Neil Alexander Ross JAMIESON

39 years

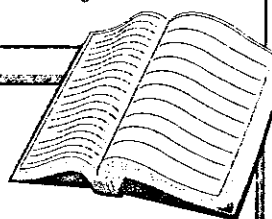
## Ciara Hennessy Fund

We will be holding  
a  
**Jumble  
Sale**

2pm on 20th March  
in the Village Hall  
in aid of  
Ciara's Fund

*If you have any  
jumble, we will be  
happy to collect.*

*Please phone either  
Pat on 20946 or  
Beverley on 20165.*



## Churchyard Working Party

This month's working  
party will take place on  
**Saturday 13th March**  
**8.30am – 11.00am.**

All holly wreaths and  
other artificial tributes  
will be removed from  
graves and from the  
Garden of Remembrance  
at 9.00am in preparation  
for Mothering Sunday.  
I am appealing, once  
again, for lots of help.

Alan Haydock



The editors wish to  
remind readers that  
we reserve the right  
to edit items at our  
discretion and to reject  
material if we believe  
it to be unsuitable  
for publication.

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name and number*

## The Mothers' Union

We meet every third Wednesday in the month  
at 2.00pm in the W.I. Hut.

We are always pleased to welcome visitors.

Our Next Meeting: Will be on  
**17<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm in the WI Hut**  
when Mr Bob Allen will speak about 'Bing and Friends.'

Our last meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> January was the Annual  
General Meeting and we were delighted to have so  
many members attending. The Rector expressed his  
thanks that this year, once again, he could say that  
our branch has members active in every area of  
church and village life.

Once the AGM was over, it was time to relax and  
enjoy a short entertainment by the 'Pulpit Puppets'.  
Mrs Noah and one of her sons told us tales of life in  
the Ark and Mr Noah sang a couple of lively songs for  
us. The show was written and produced by MU  
members, Lynne Brown and Rosemary Mills.

Rosemary Mills

## Parish Share – 2003

### A message from the Bishop of Southwell

Dear Friends,

I am informed that by the end of January the  
amount returned to Dunham House was 96.9% of  
what had been requested. This is a truly splendid  
achievement and I know only too well that this  
represents, in many cases, a truly sacrificial level of  
giving, and I am extremely grateful.

My warmest congratulations go to everybody who  
has played their part in bringing about this result.

Yours in Partnership  
+ George Southwell

East Bridgford's contribution was £36,178  
and Kneeton's was £5,908.

## Local History Group



OUR SPEAKER IN FEBRUARY was Jason King who brought a vast quantity of memorabilia and artefacts from the 1914 - 1918 War. He really brought alive what the conditions must have been like for the men involved in that awful conflict. He involved the audience with some active participation in handling rifles, dressing in uniforms and WW1 equipment, although a close encounter with a rat probably ruined one man's sleep that night! Everyone enjoyed the evening so much I will be asking Jason along next winter for one of his WW2 evenings.

### MARCH MEETING

Our next meeting is on **TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2004** at **7.30pm** in the Methodist Chapel. Our speaker will be **Jean Nicholson** from Lambley whose talk is entitled "**Feast, Fast and Famine**". She will be revealing the results of her research into Nottinghamshire's Country House cookery books and accounts. Why not come along and get an insight into what our ancestors really ate. Perhaps there will also be the opportunity to acquire some new/old recipes.

Everyone is very welcome at all our meetings - we look forward to seeing you.

There will be a requested voluntary donation of £1 towards Group expenses.

After the talk the Group will be holding the **FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**. This should not take too long.

### APRIL MEETING

There will not be the usual talk as we have arranged to visit the **RUDDINGTON VILLAGE MUSEUM** on **TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL at 7.30pm**. This visit is limited to 30 people and will cost £1 per head. If you wish to come on the visit please let me know **BEFORE** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Non members are most welcome to join us for the evening.

Bill Whitaker  
Secretary, Tel. 20982

## FUNNY BUT TRUE

A tourist, on a driving holiday in Britain was reported to have been overcome by the Cotswolds but astonished at the number of villages 'After Chipping Sodbury,' he said, 'there were three villages in a row called Loose Chippings.'

A Marseilles fisherman made the biggest catch of the day during the weekend. He hooked a 12st12lb skin diver blowing bubbles and a wide range of adjectives. *BBC Roundabout Programme*

Wanted to buy: Playpen, cot and high chair, also two single beds. *Hawkes Bay Herald Tribune. NZ.*

When examined by the Divisional Surgeon, defendant was very abusive and when asked to clench his teeth, he took them out and said, 'you clench them.' *Woking Herald and News.*

## The Watcher

YOU MIGHT REMEMBER that last month I mentioned the Mums who will do anything to ensure their child wins the Egg/Miniature Garden Competitions. Thank you to the many honest, but disgruntled, Mums who have voiced their support in the past few weeks. I was also reminded of two other Egg entries, which managed to fool the judges. The first was cleverly constructed by a particularly able 7 year old. It consisted of a 1:5 scale model of a fisherman made from papier-mache. He was wearing a hand - stitched Barbour replica, a knitted woollen vest and some small wellies formed from recycled plastic. In one hand he carried an egg and in the other, two salmon made from tin foil. Little Kimberley entitled it Poached Egg and walked off with a shiny gold medal.

The following year a precocious 6 year old built a 1:25 scale model of a monastery, complete with moat, ramparts, cellars and dormitories. Inside there gathered a crowd of 25 monks, who, at the press of a button were able to chant and sway around 3 standard eggs. This feat of ingenuity was entitled Eggs Benedict and enabled little Johnny to toddle proudly back to Mummy clasping yet another prize to put on the living room mantelpiece.

I would also like to thank the many readers who write in each month with their problems. I have decided to share a couple of these with you, in case there are others in our community who share a similar burden.

Dear Watcher,

I am at my wits end. I am applying for a new job and am having problems with the part, which asks me to describe my Hobbies and Interests. Well, I don't really have any except shopping and the tanning bed in Bingham. However, I have put down "Good food and wine", at the suggestion of my friend on Bridleways. She also suggested joining the Tennis Club, as it would look good on my C.V. What do you think?

*Watcher.* This is a common problem amongst the idle upwardly - mobile and quite frankly I don't think it matters what you put down on the form, you won't get the job.

Dear Watcher,

I have been recommended to turn to you for some advice. Last week I returned home from work early as I had developed a nasty headache. Well you can imagine my shock when, on entering my bedroom, I found my wife in bed with two entries from last year's scarecrow competition. At least that's what they looked like to me. Can you help? I am desperate.

*Watcher*

I can assure you that all the scarecrows were returned to their rightful owners at the end of the show and none came to any harm.

That's it, and be careful, I'm Watching you.



**It's time to get ready to Show!**  
Advance details of the Horticultural Classes  
will be available from the Post Office,  
Newsagents and members of the Garden  
Club and Horticultural Society.

## **The 2004 Village Show Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

### **Children's Fancy Dress Procession**

to be led by Mounted Police  
and the Seaforth Highlanders Pipe Band  
setting off from St Peter's School at 11.00a.m.

### **Show Day! Butts Field from 11.30a.m.**

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Programmes will be sold during early June throughout  
the surrounding villages - please give your support, it  
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## **COMING SOON**

### **CAR TAX - AT THE POST OFFICE!**

Great news! We will  
shortly be able to offer car  
tax at the post office. After  
many years of putting  
what we have always  
considered to be a very  
strong case, we have  
finally been offered vehicle  
licensing and hope to be  
'up and running' during  
March. The increased floor  
areas of the extension and  
new disabled access met  
the standards required by  
DVLA. We were short  
listed by the post office for  
full Motor Vehicle  
Licensing (MVL) status  
towards the end of last  
year. Finally, following  
recent written product  
based testing, we were  
selected as an MVL office.

As with the main on-  
line lottery and foreign  
currency services, we will  
only be able to continue to  
offer car tax if the demand  
for it exists and if we hit the  
targets given to us. We  
thank you for your  
continued support and  
hope that together we can  
continue to maintain and  
improve the services  
available to customers in  
East Bridgford and the  
surrounding villages.

Best wishes  
Jennifer & Charles

## **Fairtrade Fortnight**

**1st - 14<sup>th</sup> March**

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Alison Powell - 20985**

## *The Men's Society*

**W**E HAVE ENJOYED an interesting and well  
attended start to our programme for the year.  
The next meeting will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>  
March at 8pm in the village hall committee room when  
Keith Cottey will challenge us with the subject 'Bomber  
Harris - Victim or Villain?' I hope to see you there.

Graham Lomax

### **Yes, I'll Marry You**

By Pam Ayres

Yes, I'll marry you, my dear,  
And here's the reason why;  
So I can push you out of bed  
When the baby starts to cry,  
And if we hear a knocking  
And it's creepy and it's late,  
I hand you the torch you see,  
And you investigate.

Yes I'll marry you, my dear,  
You may not apprehend it,  
But when the tumble-drier goes  
It's you that has to mend it,  
You have to face the neighbour  
Should our labrador attack him,  
And if a drunkard fondles me  
It's you that has to whack him.

Yes, I'll marry you,  
You're virile and you're lean,  
My house is like a pigsty  
You can help to keep it clean.  
That sexy little dinner  
Which you served by candlelight,  
As I do chipolatas,  
You can cook it every night!

It's you who has to work the drill  
and put up curtain track,  
And when I've got PMT it's you who gets the flak,  
I do see great advantages,  
But none of them for you,  
And so before you see the light,  
I do, I do, I do!

# East Bridgford St Peter's School



Children got involved in celebrating Australia Day, we were very kindly lent a real Didgeridoo for children to examine and have a go at playing some tunes, even some of the staff managed to make some sort of noise down it. Children made their very own Didgeridoo from large cardboard tubes, which they decorated and continuing on the Australia theme, children had fun painting with corks.

The following week we continued our theme of Fairy Stories with the story of The Princess and the Pea, children planted some sweet pea seeds to take home, we look forward to seeing if any managed to grow. Children also created many wonderful patterns rolling dried peas in paint.

Week before half term we celebrated Valentines Day, children made a Valentines Biscuit to take home and eat and also some lovely Valentines collages.

When writing this we wish everyone a restful half term!

Pre-school Staff.

## School News

February was a very busy month in school. Year six put on a great show for parents and Governors at their D.A.R.E. graduation, including their own version of the T.V. quiz 'The weakest link.'

Mrs Orrey had some help in the kitchen when Jamie Oliver came to visit school for the day! The children sang beautifully in assembly for him. He was given a tour of their classrooms and spent time with them over lunch. He was so impressed that he returned for a second visit!

We have been successful in our reassessment for ECO School Status showing that we are still providing good environmental education.

Year 2 successfully organised a wear red day to fund-raise for the British Heart Foundation.

We have won the 'Song For Rushcliffe' competition and are to be invited to perform at the Nottingham Playhouse! Everyone was ready for a well-deserved rest at half term.

Helen Taylor

## East Bridgford Pre-School Coffee Morning

Join us for a relaxing morning of coffee, cakes and other refreshments in the Village Hall. Craft Corner to keep children amused, stalls of traditional handmade soaps, books, cards, paper, Virgin Vie products and much more.

*Lots of ideas in time for Mother's Day!*

Admission 50p

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March, Village Hall  
10am - 12 noon**

All proceeds to East Bridgford Pre-School

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during January 2004

Date	Location	Offence
1	Kneeton Road	Assault
1	Main Street	Damage to motor vehicle
12	Cross Lane	Criminal damage
21	Browns Lane	Burglary
22	College Street	Burglary
26	Crossways Drive	Burglary
29	Main Street	Burglary

The 12-month moving average is now **8.58 crimes per month.**

## Burglary

Of the four burglaries reported to the Police in January, three took place in the daytime.

Rushcliffe Community Watch, based at West Bridgford Police Station, advise that 69% of the burglaries committed in the Rushcliffe area last month were 'successful' because the burgled homes were insecure.

Take every additional measure possible to make your property, including garages, sheds and outbuildings, more secure.

Burglar alarms are an effective deterrent. They are simple to operate and if properly maintained, rarely malfunction.

Burglary can be a devastating crime but some of it is preventable, when you go out, if only for a short while, ensure your house is locked and secure with windows closed.

## Visa & Mastercard Scam

Beware of bogus telephone callers who indicate your card has 'been 'flagged' due to an unusual spending pattern. In short they will ask for the security number from the back of your card. **DO NOT DISCLOSE THIS.** Genuine Visa and Mastercard staff will never ask for this number.

If you receive any such call, ring off and contact your card issuer on a number you know to be correct and report what has occurred.

## Haycroft Way

No one has yet volunteered their services to become a co-ordinator for Haycroft Way. If any resident would like more information regarding the duties involved please give me a call.

## Mill Gate

A replacement co-ordinator is also required for Mill Gate, which includes Main Street from Haycroft Way to Kneeton Road.

If you see a crime being committed dial 999.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial **0115 945 5999.**

David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

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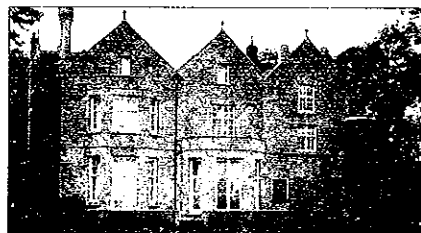
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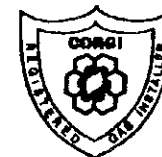
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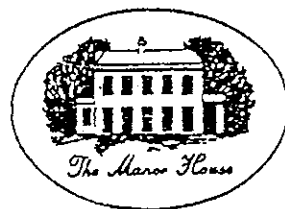
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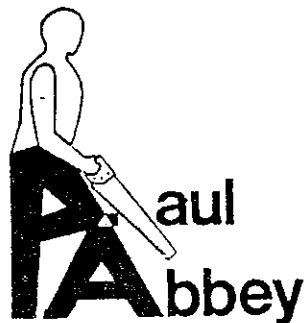
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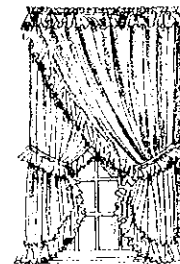
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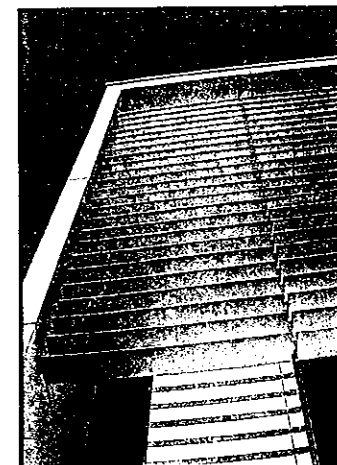
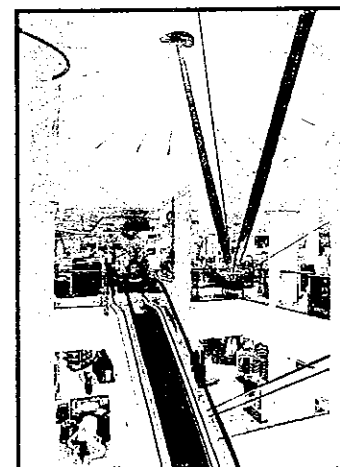
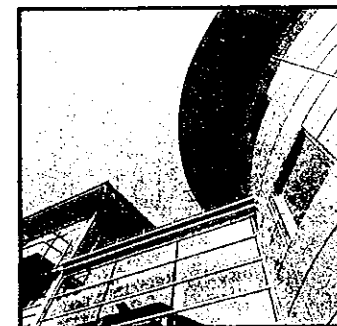
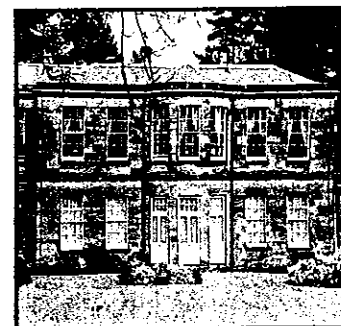
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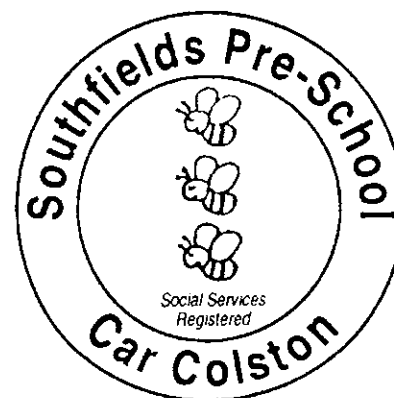
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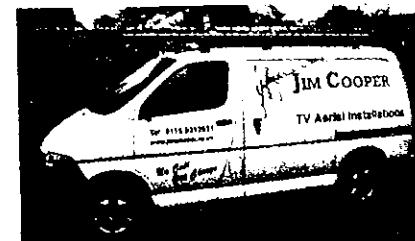
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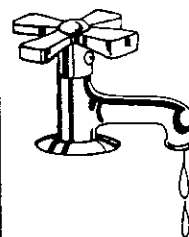
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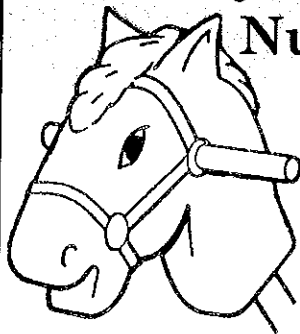
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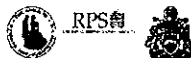
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### MARCH 2004

- 1 David - Patron Saint of Wales
- 3 In memory of **KEN SMITH**
- 5 In loving memory of **KENNETH HARPER**
- 7 In loving memory of **MICHAEL MAWBY**
- 8 Commonwealth Day
- 11 In loving remembrance of **MICHAEL LOMAX**
- 15 In loving memory of **DENNIS CURTIS**
- 17 Patrick - Patron Saint of Ireland
- 19 Joseph of Nazareth - Husband of the Virgin Mary
- 20 First day of Spring
- 21 Mothering Sunday
- 25 Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 27 In loving memory of **JOHN BINGHAM**
- 28 In loving memory of **ARTHUR JAMES CURTIS**
- 28 Start of British Summer Time

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# Tennis Club News

## Quiz Night

Our ever popular Quiz Night will be held on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> March in the Sports Pavilion, with a 7pm start. Tickets costing £5.00 will include a hot supper, and the licensed bar will be in action. Last year was a sell out with approximately 60 persons taking part, so book your tickets early to avoid disappointment from either Alan Philpott (0115 9269412) or Ann Kelly on 20019.

## Open Day & 'Play Tennis' Event

Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> is the date for the Club's annual LTA Play Tennis Day where everyone is most welcome to come along to pick up a racket and see if the old magic is still there. This will also be an opportunity to officially open our attractive new viewing lodge, which is already being put to good use. There will be various games organised for young and old, the ball machine and speed gun will be in action and much, much more. On hand will be our coach Terry Hunt to keep things running smoothly, who will be bringing along a number of different rackets to try out for possible purchase.

## Mixed Doubles Fun Tournament

The Club will be holding regular Fun Doubles tournament throughout the coming season, with the first to take place on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> April starting at 2pm. Open to adults and competent juniors. Partners will be allocated on the day.

## Club Membership

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in joining the Club, please contact Richard Watkins on 20080.

Ann Kelly, Club Secretary

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- Education: NCC supervises the Pre-School and provides education for the 5-18 age group including St. Peters School, Toothill & Dayncourt although all three are actually run by Boards of Governors. NCC also sponsors much adult education.
- Leisure & recreation: the playing field on Butt Close is leased from NCC, and it is maintained by NCC both as St Peters' playing field and on behalf of the Parish Council. The County also provides
  - The library service – including the mobile library
  - Leisure centres (jointly with RBC)
  - Country parks at Bestwood, Rufford & Sherwood
  - Leisure facilities for youth (but no longer in EB).
- Roads & Traffic: NCC Highways department maintains (or not?) our village roads and pavements, and is also responsible for all aspects of traffic and parking management. Note that the A46 and A6097 are both trunk roads

and are the direct responsibility of the Highways Agency.

- Public Transport: NCC manages the Strategic Plan and directly provides our subsidised bus services.
- Footpaths and Cycle ways: we have no cycle ways yet but maintenance of our excellent set of footpaths is provided by NCC under their Parish Paths Partnership scheme – overseen by our volunteer P3 team.
- Other services provided or managed by the County Council are
- Social Care & health, including "help in the home", residential care for the elderly and infirm, child protection, adoption and fostering, "care in the community" and much more;
- Rubbish disposal and recycling: RBC collects the rubbish but NCC runs the disposal sites and recycling centres (e.g. Langar and Gedling).
- Community services such as the Trading Standards Office, Consumer Rights advice and the Registrar for Births, Marriages and Deaths.
- Promotion of Tourism and Economic Development
- Planning. NCC develops the Local Structure Plan (jointly with the City) - this determines how many houses/ how much industry the Rushcliffe Plan must provide. They also issue guidelines to the local planners on things such as protection of the Trent Valley etc.

I am sure I have missed something, but this is not my area of responsibility. For a fuller explanation try looking at the NCC website – [www.nottsc.gov.uk](http://www.nottsc.gov.uk). Your County Councillor is Martin Suthers, Manor Farm, Flintham.

Nigel Lawrence

# PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

## Planning Applications

04/00040/FUL Mr D Richards, Grimes Close, 35 Kneeton Road. Two storey and single storey extensions, convert outbuildings to additional living accommodation. Council did not object. Observations: -

1. The matching of new roof tiles with the existing, both in colour and texture, will be challenging and the proposed solution should be submitted for approval.
2. No drawings of the garage are submitted and it is presumed that it is not part of the application.
3. The mature gated entrances may be adequate without alteration and a fine stone nameplate exists on the Kneeton Road entrance.
4. Several unusual and mature trees are on site and should be protected and kept.
5. The conservatory's south elevation is out of character and scale and not suitable for this conservation area.
6. The Council advise care in taking heavy loads across the Kneeton Road pavement, as there may be an early horseshoe storm drain at no great depth beneath it.
7. The garden is part of the village scene and a welcome break in the street line. Careful landscaping is now needed and a scheme should be part of the approval.

04/00047/FUL Mr S Gleave, 18 Ludgate Drive. Garden shed. Council did not object.

04/00061/FUL M Howkins, Burnham Cottage, 3 College Street. Dormer window. Council did not object. Observations: - It is suggested that as the existing dormers relate nicely to the ground floor openings, having one edge of the new dormer to line through with the left hand side of the garage opening would repeat the theme already existing, if possible.

04/00064/FUL Andrew & Helen Taylor, Uplands, 11 College Street. Erect wrought iron fence and gates (1.2 metres high). Council objected for the following reasons: -

1. The drawing shows the stump of a very fine yew tree at present on site. This tree contributes effectively to the village street scene and does not appear to be a nuisance. No notification has been given for its removal.
2. The (probable) lilac adjacent to the entrance (east side) is also worth keeping but is not shown on the drawing.
3. No indication is given of the distribution of the many paving materials listed.
4. It is questioned whether splayed openings are needed.

Copy Date for the April Issue is Monday 15th March 2004

## RBC Decisions

03/00898/FUL Mr S Turner, The Covert, 70 Main Street. Extend and increase height of roof to form additional living accommodation, dormers and alterations to front elevation and single storey rear extension (revised plans). Grant permission with conditions (PC approved)

## RBC Notification

That the following proposed works to a tree in the Conservation Area may proceed at The Barn, College Street: - Prune blue spruce.

## OUCH!


I shall not dance with you for three reasons. First, because you are drunk. Secondly, because this is not a waltz but the Peruvian national Anthem. And third, because I am not a beautiful lady in red, I am the cardinal archbishop of Lima.

*Legendary attributed response at a diplomatic reception to the drunken behaviour of George Brown, Labour Foreign Secretary 1966 - 8.*

*At a state banquet during a visit to Brazil, Prince Philip was introduced to a Brazilian General whose uniform was resplendent with medals and who, when Philip enquired, said they had been won in the war:*

Philip: I didn't know Brazil was in the war that long.  
The General: At least, sir, I didn't get them for marrying my wife.

## Fly Tipping around the Village

 F LATE WE HAVE HAD SEVERAL INSTANCES of rubbish being deliberately dumped on our village footpaths and bridleways, in particular Brunts Lane (at the A6097 end) and "Green Lane" (Bridleway 15 from Kneeton Road to the potteries/ fishermen's car park). Rushcliffe are being very helpful, but the last instance required them to send a JCB and lorry especially from the depot in West Bridgford. But clearly we cannot allow this to continue.

If you see anyone dumping rubbish on any of our footpaths please note the vehicle registration number and pass it to me at 20619 or at [cllr.lawrence@whsmithnet.co.uk](mailto:cllr.lawrence@whsmithnet.co.uk) - I will see it is put to good use.

## Information Wanted

The recent incidents, involving at least four vanloads of builder's rubble and 2 window frames, appear to have come from the refurbishment of a utility room/ toilet or possibly a bathroom. The rubbish has been transported in blue plastic sacks and has been tipped in the ditch by an unscrupulous individual. For the sake of saving a few pounds at the tip they have made an unsightly mess on one of our much-used paths AND blocked the drainage from a large area of land towards Kneeton. This could have flooded and seriously damaged the lane. If any of you recognise the description of the rubbish as coming from your home or a neighbour, please let me know.

Councillor Nigel Lawrence 20619

## THIS MONTH'S RECIPE

Nearly everyone wants to be able to prepare a meal quickly, and there's nothing quicker than cooking a Chinese meal.

### Fried Rice (Serves 4)

1¼ pints (700ml) of water  
10½ oz (300g) long grain rice  
2 eggs  
4 tsp cold water  
3 tbsp sunflower oil  
4 spring onions (sliced diagonally)  
1 red, green or yellow pepper (deseeded and thinly sliced)  
3-4 lean bacon rashers, rinded and cut into strips  
7oz (200g) fresh bean sprouts  
4oz (115g) frozen peas, thawed  
2 tbsp light soy sauce (optional)  
Salt and pepper

1. Pour water into a wok, adding ½ teaspoon of salt. Add rice to the boiling water. Stir well, cover the wok tightly with the lid and simmer for 12-13 minutes.
2. When the rice is cooked, remove from the wok and spread onto a large plate to cool and dry.
3. Beat each egg separately with salt and pepper and 2 teaspoons of cold water. Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in the wok, pour in the first egg, swirl it around and cook, undisturbed until set. Remove to a board and cook the second egg the same way. Cut the omelettes into thin slices.
4. Add the remaining oil to the wok; add the spring onions and peppers and fry for 1-2 minutes. Add the bacon and continue to stir fry for a further 1-2 minutes. Add bean sprouts and peas and toss together thoroughly. Add soy sauce, if you wish.
5. Add rice to ingredient in the wok, season to taste and continue to stir-fry for 1 minute. Finally add strips of omelette, and cook until rice is piping hot. Transfer to a warm dish and serve hot.

## Reach Out Community Awards

Do you know someone who has 'gone the extra mile' to help their neighbours, their neighbourhood or local community?

Perhaps you know of an individual whose work on behalf of others deserves a wider recognition?

The search is on for caring people who make a real difference to the lives of others, with small acts of kindness or generosity standing as much chance of being recognised as more substantial contributions.

BBC Radio Nottingham and the Nottingham Evening Post are hoping that members of the county's rural communities will be among those making nominations for this year's award scheme.

Reach Out nomination forms can be found in the Evening Post or on-line at [www.bbc.co.uk/nottingham](http://www.bbc.co.uk/nottingham) and at [www.thisisnottingham.co.uk](http://www.thisisnottingham.co.uk).

The closing date for nominations is  
**Monday 5th April**

**Get nominating!**

## AMUSING FACTS

A motorist was unknowingly caught in an automated speed trap that measured his speed using radar and photographed his car. He later received in the mail a ticket for £40 and a photo of his car. Instead of payment, he sent the police a photograph of £40. Several days later, he received a letter from the police that contained another picture... of handcuffs. The motorist promptly sent the money for the fine.

### Did I Say That?!

Police in Los Angeles had good luck with a robbery suspect who just couldn't control himself during a lineup. When detectives asked each man in the lineup to repeat the words, "Give me all your money or I'll shoot," the man shouted, "That's not what I said!"

## Garden Club

### March Meeting

The AGM will be held on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March** (and not 20<sup>th</sup> April as shown in the last edition of the magazine). This will be followed by a talk by Colin Shaw with the intriguing title of 'No Dig Vegetable Cultivation'.

### February Speaker

Jeff Bates made a welcome return to the Club at the February meeting and gave a very informative talk on herbaceous plants and planting. He showed us a variety of styles, from large borders favoured by Gertrude Jekyll, to small borders, more appropriate to the modern small garden. He took us through the garden year and showed how herbaceous plants can be used to give colour from January to December. With the early onset of mild weather, this was a timely presentation and Jeff gave us many valuable tips on how to achieve the best results in all types of borders and situations.

### Diary Dates

#### Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Plant Sale in the Village Hall.

#### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Summer outing to Woodside House, Barton under-Needwood, and the National Trust Garden at Biddulph Grange, Stoke on Trent.

#### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Evening outing to Helen Hutson's new garden in Owthorpe.

#### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Autumn Show.

I Seel

# Mewling Manor

## People Who Moan

HERE'S NOTHING MORE LIKELY TO IRK ME than other people's moans. It's as bad as finding that the only vacant seat on the Park and Ride is alongside a person who appears to be recovering from a maximum strength vindaloo.

For that reason alone I arrange my trips to the local shop when I know that Mrs Pine the Whine is not around. I'm not over keen on hearing the fine details of her latest operation.

Last month I was cornered only because I did not undertake my usual recce of the shop before entering. She was lurking behind the card display and of course homed in on me as soon as I set foot in the door. I suppose it's only natural considering she, one of the few people around I might say, has some vestige of deference for those who live in a Manor House. Mrs Pine immediately started complaining about the trouble she has when she sits down - of course the problem would have to be piles and she is no slouch when reporting the advice the doctor gave her. But I drew the line at helping her pick a suitable packet of elastic bands - apparently that's what the specialist will use if the cream doesn't work. Apparently it could save her a long wait for treatment on the NHS

Doreen my cleaner has an inclination to moan, usually about her 'old man' as she tends to refer to her spouse. It would appear that he has some dreadful habits. I for instance hadn't the slightest idea that some men went to bed in their socks and underpants and not proper pyjamas until she told me. He seems to scratch a lot too and is mean with his money. On the one occasion I met him, the most noticeable thing about him was a missing front tooth and his huge beer belly. I didn't find him particularly endearing and can't quite understand why Doreen doesn't take him in hand. For all his faults my Monty is clean about the house and never moans.

My biggest dread is a monthly visit from my brother Melvin and his misnamed wife, Bunny. Melvin could win a contest at grouching, for he is able, non-stop, to groan about his boring work, feckless son and dizzy daughter. He regularly conducts a diatribe on the latest actions of the Government and then starts on about the peculiar actions of his neighbour. They have had a running dispute over the positioning of a Cupressus Abramsiana\* on their boundary for over a year now. Monty often deserts me, claiming important business at the golf club and leaving me alone to entertain my brother and sister-in-law. I think it's Monty's duty to support me in stressful times such as those visits. However, regarding my brother somehow I do manage to insert one or two words into his fulmination. Afterwards I feel quite drained - I really can't comprehend why he's such a whinger. He's the only one in the family who's like it.

Augusta Mewling-Grype

\*This evergreen tree will grow to at least 70 feet high.



# RNLI

## East Bridgford RNLI Sponsored Walk

The RNLI walk will take place again this year on Sunday 2 May 2004. This year we are hoping, once again, to cross the river at Hazleford Ferry (subject to agreement) and with your help exceed the amount raised in 2002, which was £7,500.

You can walk any distance up to a maximum of 15 miles, starting at East Bridgford Village Hall between 9am and 11am. Marshals and patrolling cars cover the route to pick up anyone who does not wish to walk the whole way. Free refreshments are available along the way.

For further information and sponsor forms contact:

Rita Case 21297  
Rachel Barclay 20525

# W Report

WE HELD OUR NEW YEAR PARTY on 27 January when 50 of our members enjoyed, food, fun and festivities. A delicious three-course meal, provided by the committee, with puddings by some of the members, was followed by a very lively demonstration of Morris dancing by the New St. George Morris Dancers who amazed us by their bounce and energy as they performed the various dances. They even persuaded some of us to join in for the last 'dance' and all had a most enjoyable time.

Mrs Margaret Harrison was our speaker on 10 February, with the intriguing title of The Copper Kettle Club Revived, as her subject. She gave us an insight into some of the fascinating and obscure tales of old Nottingham. Amongst a myriad of examples, did you know that the origins of HP sauce began in Nottingham and which building in Thurland Street had the unfortunate reputation to be called Suicide Building? We certainly had great fun trying to guess which of these facts were true or false.

Our next meeting is the AGM to be held on Tuesday 9 March. Refreshments will follow the official business

Rita Case

## Cricket Club

Indoor net practice starts on Sunday 7th March in the Hadlee Hall, Trent Bridge. The weekly sessions are from 7 to 8pm and all cricketers are invited to come along and get fit for the coming season.

Please contact Chris Sapey on 20034 for further details.

# SHELFORD FEAST

FRIDAY 2nd JULY  
7.00pm

Songs of Praise, followed by Cheese and Wine

SATURDAY 3rd JULY  
10.00am - 6.00pm

Flower Festival  
(Theme - Nearer God's Heart in the Garden)  
Art Exhibition  
Horticultural Show  
Sports Day  
Refreshments  
Evening Event

SUNDAY 4th JULY  
10.00am - 6.00pm

Street Market  
Flower Festival  
Art Exhibition  
Open Gardens  
Refreshments

6.30pm - Patronal Festival  
(Preacher Rev Bernard Baines)

MONDAY 5th JULY  
10.00am - 4.00pm

Flower Festival

All proceeds to the Church Organ Fund

Interested stall holders telephone 0115 933 2192

Stephen Ward tells us that there is a direct website address for residents interested in registering for

## BROADBAND

Go to <http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register> you get straight to the "register your interest" page.

Thanks for that, Stephen.

# KAMULI

## JUMBLE SALE

Saturday  
13th March  
2pm - 4pm  
Village Hall

Proceeds to:  
Kamuli Primary  
School, Uganda

Contacts:  
Linda Oliver 20297  
Monica Vaughan  
20226

### Solution to February's Crossword

T H I M A G N E T I C H  
A M E N D C O E A C E  
X Q C V L I D L  
I N Q U I S I T I V E I L  
A E D C G I Z M O  
T S H E R E R O O  
D I E T S N R A R I T Y  
O U T I P M O  
E N E R G Y R S C O R E  
A A S E M Y I  
A L T E R U M P A S  
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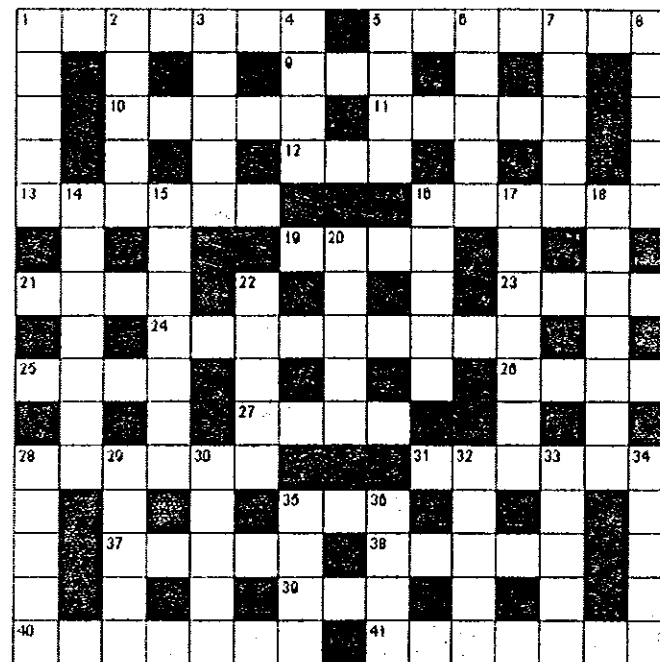
### Across

1. Mine entrance (7)
5. Prison (7)
9. Exclamation of disgust (3)
10. Wear away (5)
11. Scent (5)
12. Falsehood (3)
13. Simpler (6)
16. Oppose (6)
19. Bundle (4)
21. Oceans (4)
23. Way out (4)
24. Govern by terror (9)
25. Passport endorsement (4)
26. Route (4)
27. A corpse (4)
28. Fortified feudal residence (6)
31. Floor covering (6)
35. Cutting tool (3)
37. Worship (5)
38. Makes well (5)
39. Consumed (3)
40. Least difficult (7)
41. Convent for nuns (7)

### Down

1. Flat surface (5)
2. Numbers 13 through 19 (5)
3. Run away with a lover (5)
4. Contest between 2 persons (4)
5. Foot covering (4)
6. Isolated (5)
7. Thank you (French) (5)
8. Heat excessively (5)
14. United States (7)
15. Moment (7)
16. Gum (5)
17. Sleeping car (7)
18. Bowling pin (7)
20. Loudly (5)
22. Examine thoroughly (5)
28. Slatted wooden box (5)
29. Male deer (5)
30. Unfettered (5)
32. Once more (5)
33. Deputised group (5)
34. Yellowish brown colour (5)
35. Chair (4)
36. At what time (4)

# PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

**St Peter's Church, East Bridgford**  
Rector Canon Alan Haydock, 20218  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill  
Churchwardens Beryl Cottrill, Michael Clarke 20682  
8.00am 2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.00am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address  
Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month  
(Coffee is served after this service)  
3rd Sunday each month, Family Service  
10.45am Evensong and sermon  
6.30pm Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong  
7.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

**Methodist Church, East Bridgford**  
Minister Rev. John Hudson 837330  
Secretary John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road 20179  
10.00am Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd  
Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated

**St. Helen's Church, Kneeton**  
Churchwardens Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286  
8.00am 1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
6.00pm 2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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**RNLI Sponsored Walk**  
**Sunday 2 May**

**East Bridgford**

and Kneeton Village Magazine

# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## APRIL 2004

### Sunday 4 April: PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm THE CROSS OF CHRIST at St Peter's  
(Hymns and Readings for Holy Week)

### Wednesday 7 April

11.30am Holy Communion at the Manor House

### Thursday 8 April: MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.00pm Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

### Friday 9 April: GOOD FRIDAY

7.00pm AN HOUR AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS AT ST PETER'S

### Sunday 11 April: EASTER DAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.15am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

**N.B. - Please note the different pattern of worship for second Sunday in the month**

### Wednesday 14 April

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 18 April

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 21 April

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 25 April

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's - Michael Clarke

### Tuesday 27 April

10.00 am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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## What's on in APRIL/MAY

### Apr

2	Bowls Club Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall
6	Local History Group, 7.30pm, Ruddington Village Museum
10	Churchyard Work Party, 8.30am-12pm
13	WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
15	Yoga Class, 7.30pm, 18a Kneeton Road
17	Village Hall, Table Top Sale, 10am-1pm
20	Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut
20	Men's Society, 8pm, Village Hall committee room
21	Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
24	Scouts' Open Day, 10am-4pm, Scouts' Hut
24	Bowls Club Opening Drive
25	Annual Parochial Meeting, 10.15am, St Peter's Church and 6.40pm, St Helen's Church
26	Care Group AGM, 7.30pm, Methodist Church
27	Annual Parish Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
27	Wildlife & Conservation Group, 7.30pm, venue to be advised

### May

2	RNLI Sponsored Walk
4	Local History Group, 7.30pm, Methodist Church
4	Village Hall AGM, 8pm
8	Concert for Kamuli, 7.30pm, St Peter's Church
8	RBL Coffee Morning, Village Hall
9	Tennis Club Open Day, 10.30am
15	Churchyard Work Party, 8.30am-12pm
18/22	Drama Group Production, 7.30pm
18	Village Walk, 7.30pm, Car Park
19	Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
22	Care Group Strawberry Tea, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, WI Hut
22	B'ham Choral Society Concert, 7.30pm, B'ham Leisure Centre



# Rector's Annual Report 2004

IN MY ANNUAL REPORT THIS YEAR, I should like to reflect upon the work and mission of the Church in this place; how the Church relates to the village and the village to the Church.

The main task of the Church is the worship of God and at St Peter's there is a variety of services, which encourage us to worship in the way we find most helpful. If you like dignity and music, and enjoy seeing the children playing a full part, the Sung Eucharist at 9.00am may be the service for you. This service mixes readings and reflection; prayers, modern and traditional music and Holy Communion. If, however, you have fond memories of more formal services and love the language of the Book of Common Prayer, then try the Holy Communion at 8.00am or Evensong at 6.30pm.

The Family Service on the third Sunday in the month and the Family Eucharist on the first are more 'user friendly' when infants and young children are more involved.

If you find longer services difficult, but can make time during the week; our Wednesday Communion at 10.00am is half an hour long and attended by about fifteen to twenty people.

Our aim at these services is to include as many people as possible and we are always looking for new people to read lessons, lead prayers and assist as Sidesmen and women. Please let me know if you would like to help.

St Peter's is open each day and I know that a significant number of people pop in for a moment of quiet and prayer at various times during the week. You may wish simply to look round or to admire the children's work; to stay awhile in the quietness and experience the presence of God. The Blessed Sacrament, which, some find an aid to their devotion, is reserved in St Michael's Chapel.

The life of the Church is much wider than services on Sundays. The details of other activities are published in the village magazine and the Desk Diary at the back of the church. Here are some examples: -

Bible Study Groups, drawn from the different churches and denomination within the village meets on Monday evenings and Wednesday afternoons, and a weekly prayer group takes place on Mondays at 9.00am. These meetings are open to everyone. The Rector has details.

The Mothers' Union meets monthly and assists in wider concerns such as children's worship, the care centres in Nottingham and the Church both at home and overseas. The Men's Society, founded twenty-two years ago continues to meet once a month.

New members for St Peter's Choir are very welcome, particularly in the tenor, bass and alto sections. The choir at present has about thirty-two members and practises on Friday evenings. From time to time the regular choir is augmented by other singers from the village.

Our band of ringers number twelve or so and derive much pleasure from practising on Monday evenings, when they are joined by ringers from other towers, and ringing on Sunday evenings. New members receive special training, lots of encouragement and the opportunity to visit towers throughout the Midlands and North of England.

Part of the way we try to live out our faith is to offer care to those who are in need. A small group of people co-ordinates this ministry, working with me to offer friendship and support. We realise, of course, that there are many others in our community, who assist the Care Group and who look after their neighbours. Members of our congregation support this and other groups and are able to offer a special ministry of support around the time of a funeral and when people are in need of prayerful as well as practical help. For those who are no longer able to come to church, we hold home communion services. A service of Holy Communion for parishioners in the Manor Home is held on the first Wednesday in the month.

We aim to provide enjoyable opportunities for children and young people of all ages to share the life of the church. Baptism is the way that both children and adults can become part of the Church's family and mark the beginning of their journey of faith. Parents are welcome to contact the Rector to talk about what is involved. Baptism (or Christening - it means the same) takes place on most Sundays at 12 noon. Families often bring their children to the Family Service following, to be welcomed by the wider family of the church.

St Peter's School is our church school and we value the links we have through the Rector, who is a Foundation Governor and takes assemblies, through our other Foundation Governors, Terry Laver and Peter Golightly, who is chairman of the governing body, and through four members of our congregation who are members of staff. At least once each term the school comes to St Peter's Church for a service, to which all are invited, and the Year 6 children are encouraged to prepare for Confirmation.

We are always delighted, when a couple want to be married in Church and are happy to work with them to plan the service and look at what it says about the meaning of marriage. To be married in a church, the law still insists that one of the couple must have a home, or 'home address' in the parish and/or be a regular worshipper.

We are enormously thankful for the many people, who support the life and work of St Peter's Church in so many ways; from those who care for the fabric and the churchyard or who contribute to its beauty by cleaning and arranging flowers, to those who assist in worship or share the ministry of care, or who help in countless other ways. I believe we have a great army of volunteers who offer their time, skills and energy, because they believe that what the Church says about God's love in our world is important.

At this point I should like to pay tribute to Michael Clarke who, in addition to being a Lay Reader for over thirty years, has served as Deputy Warden for two years and Churchwarden for the past four. Local custom requires that he stands down at the Annual Parochial meeting, during these six years, supported by Pattie, his commitment and witness have been exemplary. He has willingly done everything asked of him and has always been available with encouragement for me and everyone, not least the children, linked with St Peter's Church. Michael has further extended his quiet qualities in the Drama Group, on the Village Hall committee with his support of the Flower Show and in other areas of village life. He retires from the post of Churchwarden with the assurance that the Rector, the Church and the village are indebted to him. ➡



Like all churches St Peter's is part of a bigger group. We value our links with the Methodist Church in the village, with our sister church of St Helen and with Christians of other denominations. We try to work together and support each other in different ways. We are also part of the East Bingham Deanery, which stretches from Flintham in the East to places like Willoughby on the Wolds, Wysall and Widmerpool. There are deanery events and services as well as synod meetings to attend. More and more St Peter's is called upon to make additional contributions towards the cost of the clergy throughout the deanery, in parishes which are unable or unwilling to meet the cost of salary, housing and pension of their priests. Then we belong to the wider Diocese of Southwell, served by our Bishop George, assisted by Alan the Bishop of Sherwood. This is all an indication that we are part of something much bigger than the Church in the village.

As I enter my twenty-fifth year as your Rector and retirement from full-time stipendiary ministry is a year closer, I give thanks that at St Peter's we work as a team. We regard the people of this place as special to God, and are convinced that a Giving Church is a Living Church. At a time when some in the national press and elsewhere would have us believe that the Church of England is in rapid decline, I am persuaded that God, through His Holy Spirit, is at work in this place. I invite you all to push on relentlessly and build on the foundations, which have been laid with optimism that will hasten the coming of His Kingdom in the future.

Alan Haydock

## Annual Parochial Meetings

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April

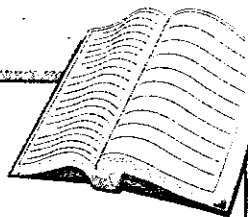
10.15am  
at St Peter's, Church  
East Bridgford

6.40pm  
at St Helen's,  
Church, Kneeton

I invite all parishioners  
on the Electoral Roll  
to attend these  
meetings.

(At St Peter's we shall  
be electing a new  
Churchwarden and  
deputy warden)

Alan Haydock



## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

March 6 Thomas William WEBSTER  
March 7 Oliver Jan SEMIRAS  
March 13 Georgina Rose MORROW

### Weddings

March 6 Trevor COOPER and Pamela GREEN

### Funerals

February 27 Elizabeth HAYDAY 57 years  
March 1 Leslie Kenneth WIGGINGTON 84 years

## Churchyard Working Parties

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April  
8.30am - 12 noon.  
and  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May  
8.30am - 12 noon.

As always, help is  
welcomed and  
appreciated

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## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

My Dear Parishioners

We all realise I hope that this year is the Jubilee year of the Diocese of Southwell. Some of our readers can remember how the Diocese was founded in 1884, being carved out from the two then unwieldy Dioceses of Lincoln and Lichfield, and was made to consist of the two counties of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire. And the majority of our readers now know how the increase of population made further subdivision necessary, so that Derbyshire was made a separate Diocese in 1927, leaving our Diocese of Southwell co-extensive with the County of Notts. Those of us, who like myself, started work in the Diocese of Southwell during the lifetime of its first Bishop, George Ridding, and have worked under his three successors, have thereby gained some insight into the blessings that have come upon the people of Notts through the great work that has centred at Southwell for the past half-century. Would that all our Churchpeople realised it too; but it is always hard to realise what we should have lost without blessings, which we have come to take for granted. Nevertheless I trust many of our parishioners here will be moved to respond to the call to Thanksgiving that will shortly be made, and to be present this summer at some of the celebrations at our glorious Minster. These celebrations will include a visit and sermon from each of our two Archbishops.

Yours faithfully

Rupert W. King

We are glad to state that the entertainment given in the Temperance Hall by the "Jolly Jingles" Concert Party, on April 19<sup>th</sup>, produced the amount of £5 for the Nottingham General Hospital.

Our Boys' Brigade Demonstration in the Temperance Hall, on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, surpassed, in the opinion of many of us, all their previous efforts of that kind. Captain Brown, the inspecting officer, and our old friend Captain Swain, spoke very highly of the work of the 24<sup>th</sup> East Bridgford Company, and we again have to congratulate Captain Bullers and his assistants on the success of their excellent work.

# CONCERT FOR KAMULI

7.30pm  
Saturday 8th May  
St Peter's Church,  
East Bridgford

Tickets:  
£5.00 Adults  
£2.50 Under 16s  
(Includes a glass of wine  
or soft drink)

Available from the Church,  
St Peter's School  
or on the door.

*All proceeds  
to the Kamuli  
Orphanage  
in Uganda*

## East Bridgford Village Hall TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday  
17th April  
10am - 1 pm

Admission 50p, including  
coffee and biscuits.

A few tables  
still available.

Contact  
Janet Richardson 20169

## The Mothers' Union

*We meet every third Wednesday in the month  
at 2.00pm in the W.I. Hut.*

*We are always pleased to welcome visitors.*

**Our Next Meeting on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**  
'Landlady with a Difference' a talk by Mrs M  
Rastall, (who will be accompanied by a four-  
legged lodger!)

**The May meeting will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**May** Mrs A Cooper will talk about 'History and  
Collection of Teddy Bears'.

At our last meeting in February, Mr G Oldfield  
entertained us with slides and tales of the history  
of Rushcliffe.

We were transported back to Norman days as he  
explained how the wapentake of Rushcliffe was  
formed and described the problems experienced  
by the Normans who had trouble saying  
'Screveton' and 'Wiverton'. They had to ignore  
the letter V thus producing their unique present  
day pronunciation.

Many strange people have lived in this area over  
the years, none more odd than the Squire of  
Tollerton who had a habit of putting a saddle on  
his butler and riding the poor man round the  
drawing room.

We saw an early medieval dovecote, which had  
belonged to the hospital at Sibthorpe, old  
gypsum works at Cropwell Bishop, a timber  
framed cruck cottage at Rempstone, the double  
pile house at East Leake, an 'overhung' house at  
Sutton Bonnington and finally the blacksmith's  
horseshoe tower at Scarrington, which is now  
maintained by the council.

Rosemary Mills

## The Men's Society

The last of the season's evening talks will be held on  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in the Village Hall  
Committee Room. The speaker will be Don Crossland  
of Lowdham, Secretary of the Nottingham Branch of  
the R.N.L.I., on the subject of 'Saving Lives at Sea'.  
Hopefully this may help to stimulate additional  
sponsorship for the lifeboat walk on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

There will be **no** meeting of the society in May.

Graham Lomax

## RNLI WALK 2 MAY 2004

Just a reminder to  
come along and enjoy  
the day, no  
matter whether you  
walk 5 or 15 miles.

We would also  
appreciate offers of  
help on the day  
i.e. road marshals,  
check point marshals.

*Please contact:*  
Rita on 21297 or  
Rachel on 20525.

## BROADBAND NEWS

I wrote in two months ago to say that BT  
will upgrade the East Bridgford telephone  
exchange (to ADSL) to provide us with a  
Broadband service (much faster Internet  
service and other benefits) when the  
number of people registering an interest  
has reached 300. The number that had  
already registered at that time was 171  
(mid January). As at 12th March, 204  
people have registered, so we have  
broken through the two-thirds barrier.

Even if you think it will be some time  
before you want the service, or are not  
sure, it's definitely worth registering your  
interest with BT as this gives the best  
chance of the service being there when  
you do want it (there is no obligation  
attached to registering). As suggested by  
Stephen Ward in last month's magazine,  
the most direct way to register is on  
<http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register>

Many thanks to those who have  
registered so far from those of us who  
are desperate to get the service!

Jerry Moore  
Wireless Rural Broadband Ltd

(WRBB) will launch its Sunshine  
Wideband  
Internet service early in 2004. Within 3  
months of launch, Sunshine will be  
available to businesses and  
communities within 10km of the  
following Points of Presence (subject to  
terrain): Bingham, Bottesford, Bourne,  
Elton, Scalford, South Witham,  
Stamford, and Uppingham. East  
Bridgford is within 10km of both  
Bingham and Elton so we may get  
some movement at last.  
The Sunshine service appears to offer  
services for domestic users (starting at  
£10/ mnth), home office (starting from  
£18/ mnth) and small businesses. To  
register your interest for these new  
services, and get more information, look  
at <http://wrbb.net/index.html>

Nigel Lawrence

## ***Diary of the Bridgford Flock of Wensleydale Sheep***

### **October 2003**

This year we decided to try pure-bred Black Wensleydale sheep and acquired a trio of two ewes and a ram. The ram of course would be used on existing white ewes – some of which already possess the black gene from a previous black ram. Our new ram, Oscar, we brought from Suffolk was getting on a bit, with balding forehead and a cauliflowers ear resulting from arguments with other rams. He also had a pungent ram odour in his curly but rather tatty black fleece. However, he possessed an excellent pedigree and a gentlemanly manner towards humans; which cannot always be said of younger rams!

### **December 2003**

The crayon Oscar wore under his chest to mark ewes during mating has not worked; it must have been too hard and dry. We therefore cannot tell the precise date the ewes were covered during the first sixteen days he was with them. Only Nellie has a coloured mark on her backside – the new crayon in the ram harness showing up better. So – even more careful watching of the ewes at lambing time would be necessary.

### **January 2004**

Oscar has now gone to the Lush Green Pasture in the sky. He was starting to lose his teeth and his previous owner said this would be his last season. I loaded him in the trailer with a last good feed and took him to Gary at the South Notts Hunt Kennels, where he was despatched quickly with a captive bolt pistol. Just as I was leaving the premises, a farmer arrived with a dead bullock in his trailer; disposing of carcasses is part of the service the Hunt

staff give to all 'fallen livestock.'

### **February 2004**

We hope all the vaccines given to ewes over winter will protect the developing lambs when they first suckle. This essential 'first milk' or colostrum staves off the worst of a whole battery of sheep diseases, including tetanus. Along with a copper injection (local soil tends to be copper-depleted) and anti-sheep scab injection (necessary by law as we don't 'dip' our sheep) the ewes must feel like pincushions when they eye me suspiciously as I approach with a syringe and needle yet again...

### **Early March 2004**

Disaster! Ewe Hattie's twin lambs are found dead early one morning – she must have given birth during the night and got into difficulties; possibly a breech birth, where lambs drown before they are born. She also had no milk coming off the teats even after two days of injections hurriedly obtained from the vet. Any lambs living would have had to be bottle-fed.

### **The following Day**

Nan starts to go into labour and after a long time of nothing much happening, I examine her and discover the birth canal is not opening up properly – 'ringwombs'. The vet is summoned about 10pm and examines the by now exhausted ewe. He decides to try acupuncture to try and relax muscles surrounding the unborn lambs. Thin silver needles are inserted through wool and skin on her hindquarters and along with the usual manipulations the ewe's cervix is dilated enough to allow the birth of a large black ram-lamb. We all heave a sigh of relief – but there is another lamb yet to arrive; smaller and when carefully

drawn out is determined not to breathe. After much rubbing and even swinging by the hind legs (to remove mucus in the air passages) this ewe-lamb decides to live. Our ever patient vet milks off some colostrum from Nan and passes it into the lamb's stomach by tube.

Offering him some soap and a towel to 'clean up' he decides what he really needs, after groping around inside a prone ewe, is a hot cleansing shower at home.

At last we leave ewe and ram-lamb to recover, whilst I take the weak lamb home to a fan-heater in the spare bedroom. More tubed colostrum milk is required when I am woken by hungry bleatings at 3 am.

### **A Few Days Later**

Nan and ram-lamb are doing well, but the weakened ewe-lamb succumbs to pneumonia. Even after plenty of TLC she just can't cope anymore, and there's another limp body to bury. Such is life.

### **A Week Later**

Ewe Silver gives birth to twins! Both white, even though she has black genes inside her 'white' fleece. At first all seems well – but are they feeding properly? The ewe's teats are very swollen with milk. I decide to milk off some colostrum and tube feed or bottle feed for the first day. Eventually, after two days the lambs can cope with Mum's milk bar and I can stop sterilising feed bottles and milking off from Silver's udder, (she was starting to object to my cold hands from the early morning chill). It will be good to see them out in the sunshine on a spring morning.

Sometimes I wonder, 'who would be a shepherd?' - lots of preparations and hard work, some disasters and disappointments, but great satisfaction when things go well. Let's hope the next ewes due to lamb have it easy – all lambs coming the right way round with the strength to stand and suckle and the will to live. *Sheila Brunt*

## **Village Hall Management Committee**

In May, Marilyn Wilson will be stepping down as down as Secretary of the Village Hall Management Committee. On behalf of past and present members of the committee, and all users of the hall, I would like to thank Marilyn for all her hard work and support over the last nine years.

This means that there is a vacancy to fill. If there is anyone who would be interested in taking on the role, please telephone me. The committee meets every 7 – 8 weeks and the meetings usually last 1 to 1½ hours (shorter if we can manage it!). Primarily, the role entails the production and distribution of minutes of the meetings, although general support of the committee's fund-raising activities is also welcome. Shorthand skills are not necessary, but access to word-processing facilities would be helpful.

Derek Bambury  
Chairman, Tel: 20640

**Tuesday 4th May at 8pm  
Village Hall A.G.M.  
to which all residents of  
East Bridgford are invited  
and will be welcome.  
They will be able to find out  
what is happening,  
comment...or ask questions.**

**Tony Ford**

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THE BOROUGH COUNCIL'S CONSERVATION OFFICER, Mr Simpkins, attended the February meeting to explain the Borough's hedgerow protection policy and, in particular, to explain why they had allowed a stretch of hedge running at right angles to Kneeton Road to be destroyed. He said that the criteria for serving a retention order on a hedge was complex but essentially depended on two factors. Does the hedge have historical importance or importance to wildlife? The number of plant species it contains largely determines the latter. The hedge in question was not pre-enclosure nor of significant importance for wildlife, which is why, they allowed it to be removed.

To help preserve hedges, Mr Simpkins recommended we carry out a hedge and tree survey and said he could provide training. This would give us more information and time to argue a case against hedge removal in the future. With regard to trees, he explained that Tree Preservation Orders (TPO's) are granted if they make a contribution to the public interest, usually in terms of visual appearance. Trees can be planted with TPO's provided it can be shown that they may face a possible threat in the future.

Mr Simpkins also gave us the welcome news that RBC supports a review of the Conservation Area and, in fact, sees it as a priority since it has never been reviewed. He said that they would like to work with the Parish Council particularly as it has detailed historical records available (courtesy of the History Group).

The chairman reported that a further meeting had been held with an officer of the Notts. County Highways Department on the provision of a yellow line to prevent parking obstruction and on a pedestrian crossing near the Medical Centre. Once again, the response was far from encouraging although there was a promise of a possible pedestrian and traffic survey some time in the future.

RBC have responded robustly to our letter questioning whether they are in breach of their legal obligations to collect bags left at the side of bins. However, the Chief Executive has requested a meeting with our Chairman and our District Councillor to discuss the matter. Meanwhile, we seek your forbearance in not leaving rubbish bags on the street or in the Main Street car park or in leaving bottles where the bottle bank used to be. The nearest bottle bank is in the Bingham car park. We urge dissatisfied residents to contact RBC on 0115 981 9911 since the more complaints they receive, the more likely we are to see some action.

There has been more vandalism to the sports pavilion and the Parish Plan Action Group are asked to consider ways of making greater use of the pavilion and providing an alternative outdoor meeting place for young people.

The Parish Council is asking for a rise of 6% in the local precept partly to offset the expense of the Haycroft Way development.

John Chater  
February 2004

A YEAR AGO, all council housing within Rushcliffe was transferred to the housing association called Rushcliffe Homes. Concerns have been expressed by some residents about the criteria for selecting people to be housed in these homes.

Two housing officers attended the meeting to explain the policy which is run jointly by RBC and Rushcliffe Homes.

The policy uses a points system, which is based on level of need and length of residence in the locality. When a home becomes vacant, the association sends out letters to all those on the housing list and people can apply. However, homeless people can and do take priority over those on the list.

If residents are unhappy with the Association's decisions, they should write to Mr George Lambert, Rushcliffe Homes, Civic Centre, West Bridgford, NG2 5FE providing adequate details of their concerns.

BT is seeking planning permission to increase the height of its existing communications tower on Springdale Lane by 5 metres so that it can be used to improve mobile 'phone reception. The total height of the tower will be 15 metres or 45 ft. The Council is registering an objection on the grounds that it will be an eye-sore.

The Council is very grateful for the gift of a seat by the Walster family, in memory of their parents Rose and Jim. Plans to resurface the car park with granite chippings are being investigated. We will be paying for a yearly inspection of the children's play equipment by Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents. The abandoned car on Lammas Lane has been reported and should be removed soon. We are sending a letter to remind

RBC of the need to remove litter from Trent Lane and Butt's Lane. Residents need to know that 'For Sale' signs can only be placed on the grounds of property to which it applies. The council is setting up a committee to deal with Parish Plan matters which will consist of Parish Councillors and representatives from each Action Group. The Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April will hear reports on progress being made on implementing the Parish Plan.

John Chater  
March 2004

## EAST BRIDGFORD CALENDAR 2004

Unfortunately, there has been an unforeseen error in the printing of the calendar this year.

The months of October and November have been reversed. The printed month of October is really November and the printed month of November is really October.

Those of you who have bought the calendar can do any of the following:

- Cross out 'October' and write 'November': cross out 'November' and write 'October.'
- Collect replacement sheets for these months from the Post Office or
- Ask for a £2 refund at the Post Office

My sincere apologies for any inconvenience the error may have caused.

John Chater



## Local History Group

AT OUR MEETING IN MARCH, we were entertained by Jean Nicholson who revealed to us some of the amazing feasts held to celebrate special occasions in the past. Massive banquets that in today's climate of healthy eating would undoubtedly have had to carry a government health warning! Many of her slides illustrated the formalities associated with the status of the participants at these events – the position 'above or below the salt' being of particular significance.

After the talk the Fourth Annual General Meeting was held and membership subscriptions (£5) are now due.

### APRIL MEETING

There will not be the usual talk as we have arranged to visit the RUDDINGTON VILLAGE MUSEUM on TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL at 7.30 p.m. Places are still available and it will cost merely £1 per head. If you wish to come on the visit please let me know BEFORE Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Non-members are most welcome to join us for the evening.

The museum contains many relics from a by-gone era including a Fish and Chip Shop, a Telephone Exchange, the Ironmongers and many more aspects of village life in the past.

### MAY MEETING

Our final meeting of the season will be a talk by Adrian Henstock, the former County Archivist, on 'Nottinghamshire in the Civil War 1642 – 1649' entitled "By the Sword Divided". With the involvement of the Hacker family and nearby Shelford Manor in the war this promises to be a talk covering national, county and local incidents.

The meeting will be held at 7.30p.m. in the Methodist Church on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Do come along to this talk about one of the most significant periods of our history in which our county was so much involved. An evening out for £1 (to cover expenses) cannot be beaten for value, as our speaker is outstanding.

Bill Whitaker

Secretary (20982)

## Yoga at Home

A Yoga class is starting in the village taught by Andrew James.

Andrew discovered yoga in his early fifties and enjoyed it so much that he undertook the British Wheel of Yoga Teaching Diploma to qualify as a teacher.

The class will be held at the home of Valerie and Andrew at 18a Kneeton Road on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm from April 15<sup>th</sup> and will be relaxing and reflective in character.

Class size is limited by space to six and both men and women will be welcome, no experience necessary. A fee of £18 will be charged for a six-week session, which will be donated to a charity of the class's choice.

Please ring either Valerie or Andrew on 01949 20512 for further details

## The Watcher

Dear Reader,

Like myself, I expect many of you have already planned your summer holiday. Of course there are those in the village who can go away several times a year, and will be abroad this Easter. On Bridleways, it has been said that nobody books their holiday until they have found out what their neighbours are doing. There is no point going to Brittany if the family down the road is going to Provence is there? And as for the family with a villa in Umbria organized, well nobody liked them anyway. You will just have to extend that conservatory again, won't you?

As far as I can tell, nothing much happened around here last month, at least nothing the editors will let me print. This is the most miserable time of year. It's enough to make you take up intense alcohol abuse. When is it going to get warm enough for me to sit outside the Reindeer at lunchtime, read the papers, smoke fags, drink beer and eavesdrop on people talking about their stock portfolio? I miss the sun on my face while listening to the birds in the trees and the idle chatter of four-by-four driving bimbos drivelling on about facials, pedicures and the size of their hubby's disposable income.

To cheer myself up I do of course have the letters you send me - some of them only mildly libellous. You know we can't publish that stuff about the couple who currently appear on [www.exhibitionists'r'us.net](http://www.exhibitionists'r'us.net), much as I would like to point you in their direction.

I can, however, share some less controversial correspondence.

Dear Watcher,

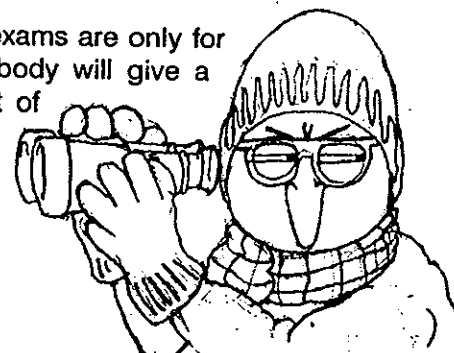
*I hope you can help me. It will soon be the SATS exams for both my talented children and I am worried that they won't get top marks. I have already spent £5,000 on private tuition for the little cherubs, and sent them to Switzerland for a SATS hothouse refresher crash course. Nevertheless, I fear that if they let me down, I won't be able to brag about their results to the other Mums down at the Health Club. What do you suggest?*

The Watcher,

Why don't you just chill out? The SATS exams are only for the benefit of the school. Next year nobody will give a monkeys about their SATS results, least of all you. Give your kids a break.

See you next time, but be careful,  
I am Watching you.

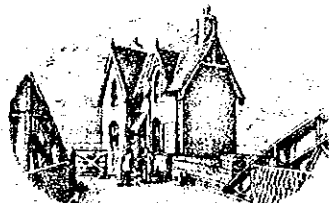
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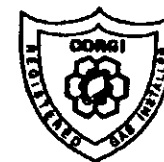
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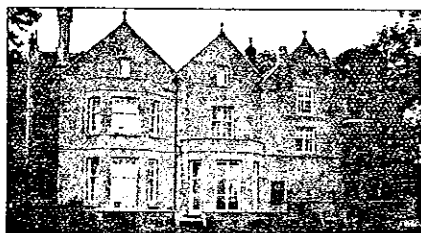
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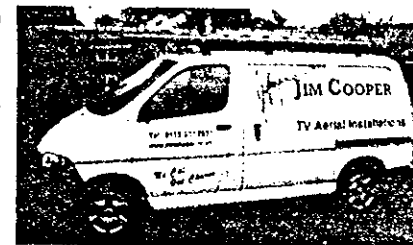
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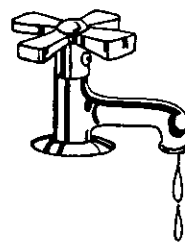


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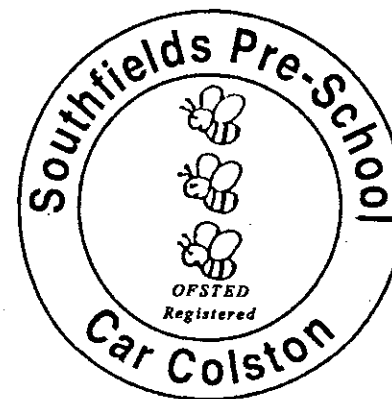
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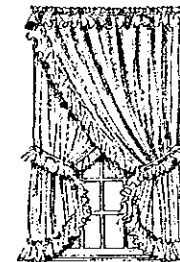
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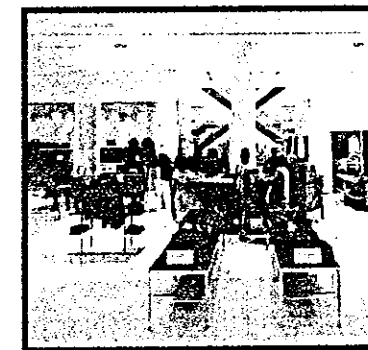
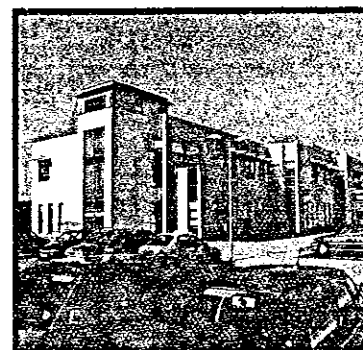
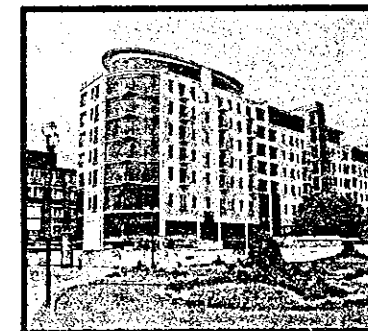
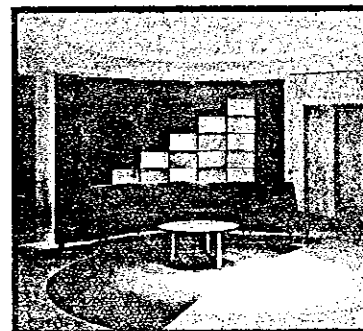
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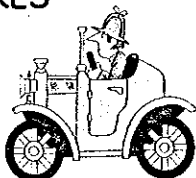
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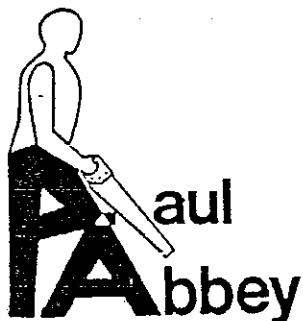
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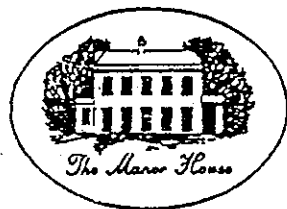
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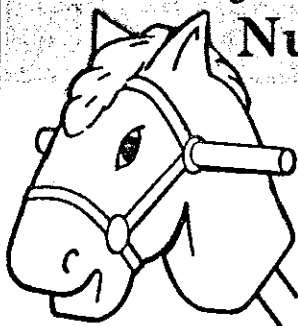
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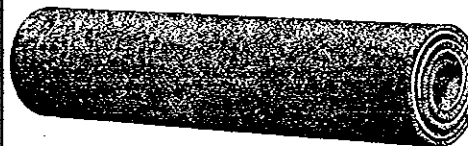
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# East Bridgford St Peter's School

## East Bridgford Pre-School

**W**ELCOME BACK after half term, continuing our theme of Fairy Stories we enjoyed the tale of the Gingerbread Man, children making their very own Gingerbread man from salt dough along with currant eyes, for them to take home. That week we also celebrated Shrove Tuesday, children decorating pancake-shaped paper with sugar and tasting scotch pancakes at snack time.

The following week we celebrated St David's Day, Nina's Mum very kindly made 'Welsh Cakes' for all children to try at snack time, which many tried and liked (staff included) Children had fun painting with leeks (using them as a paint brush!) and making St David's Day pictures in the form of daffodils. We then participated in the story of 'Peter Pan', children got involved in this with great enjoyment making Peter Pan hats or Tinker Bell wands, many a pirate was fought this week and thank you to Andy for the loan of his crocodile.

Pre-school had its Ofsted inspection which following the feedback given (very kindly in St Peter's school 'NEW' room) we were told was good. Each member of staff that participated in their visit was complimented on a particular strength, which was gladly received after a challenging few days! Well done everyone, thank you to parents/carers and committee's support during this time.

Next week (at the time of writing this) we will be celebrating a much deserved time of year 'Mother's Day'; children will develop their threading skills while

making Mum a lovely Mother's Day necklace present. Mother's Day cards will be decorated using string painting technique.

As we have to combine our articles this month, here follows a run-down of what is expected on the agenda for pre-school for the coming weeks:

Jack and the Beanstalk story - children will be using large wellies to do giant footprints and making beanstalks from paper and to finish this term we will be celebrating Easter making an Easter Bunny, recycling the milk cartons children have drunk from (thank you in advance to the parent/carers who will be washing these out for us the week before this activity) Children will also be making an Easter card using their own handprint in yellow paint to create a chick. Mr Maddison who has been asked to give an explanation of Easter will entertain the children in St Peter's church. We will be wishing children that are moving onto full time school after Easter, our best wishes for their future and look forward to our new arrivals. Our theme after the Easter holidays is 'People who help us' with many visits planned for the children to experience.

Pre-school staff

## St Peter's School

**W**ITH SPRING IN THE AIR, the Environment Club is thinking about the school garden. Our 'Walk of Faith' designed by the children is not quite finished but is still impressive, and we would like to plant up the edges of the path with perennials.

We are always grateful for donations

of young plants, so please bear us in mind when you are planting seeds, or splitting clumps of perennials in your gardens. To support the work of the Environment Club, children in Year 5 undertook an energy survey, and are in the process of collating a useful fact sheet to give to parents.

Our success in sports continues; some children in Year 5 and 6 have reached the short tennis finals, and the Year 4 athletics team recently came 4<sup>th</sup> in the Rushcliffe Athletics finals, so well done to the children concerned.

The 'Wear Red Day', organised by Year 2 to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation, raised £250 - fantastic!

With childhood obesity featuring in the news more often, Mrs Orrey continues to spread the word about healthy eating. She was recently invited to the River Café to talk about her approach to school meals with Rose Gray. SHE magazine has published an article about Jeanette and the quality of our school meals, and Jeanette has also joined a 'round table discussion' with Prince Charles and others.

As Mr Maddison would say, 'It's never boring here.'

Léonie Fox

## VILLAGE WALKS

Last year we did three evening walks which proved very popular, so by request, there will be three this year for the coming lighter evenings. They will be on:

**Tuesday May 18th**

**Wednesday June 16th**

**Thursday July 15th**

All at 7pm in the Village car park.  
We hope to see you then.

The Footpath Wardens,  
Hilary, Tony and Mollie.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

04/00184/GDOTEL

BT Wholesale (Mark Attenborough), re: Telephone exchange, Springdale Lane. Installation of 15m column (to replace 10m column) to support four dishes and two other antennae. Council objected for the following reason: - The proposed 15m column would be intrusive in the countryside setting.

### RBC Decisions

03/00255/FUL

Mr & Mrs Quine, 65 Kneeton Road. Retention of 1.8m high boundary wall and gate. (Application for erection of wall and gate) Grant permission (PC approved erection of wall and gate)

03/01472/FUL

Mr & Mrs Graham, re: rear of 56 Main Street. Dwelling and vehicular access. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved)

04/00047/FUL

Mr S Gleave, 18 Ludgate Drive. Garden shed. Grant permission (PC approved)

04/00061/FUL

M Howkins, Burnham Cottage, 3 College Street. Dormer window. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).

# Loose Ends....

## A Good Idea at the Time

IT SEEMED A GOOD IDEA AT THE TIME – getting up at six o'clock in the morning to go on a bike ride. Once we'd managed to open our eyes sufficiently and locate suitable bike riding gear and eat a fortifying banana, my husband gave me a large off-cut of foam rubber to stuff down my trousers to prevent saddle soreness - we weren't going to pay those high prices for cycle shorts with built-in nappies.

Night owls probably don't realise that early on some summer mornings, it can be misty. The sun had not been out long enough to burn off the dense haze that had descended to ground level. But we weren't deterred – oh, no – we cycled off intending to be back by eight o'clock, have breakfast, and spend the rest of the day catching up on jobs – while feeling extremely pleased with ourselves about the exercise.

Glasses, as other intrepid cyclists will know, are useful things. They cut down the sun's glare and they prevent insects and things from flying into your eyes, but when you are cycling through murk they have their disadvantages – they get misted up and the only solution is to fix automatic windscreen wipers. By the time we had cycled three miles to Bingham we were fed up with cleaning our glasses, and felt slightly damp as the drops from the cloud adhered to us like clusters of tiny silver balls. We still pedalled on, aiming to reach Whatton, cross the A52 and take a quick circular route around the Vale of Belvoir villages, Granby, Plungar, Harby, and Langar, then back to Bingham, East Bridgford and breakfast.

At Whatton, we discovered we'd brought the wrong map, so from then on we had to rely on signposts, our bad memories and intuition. Crossing the A52 like greyhounds out of the starting block, we found a road leading more-or-less in the right direction. Still the cloud had not lifted. We pedalled frantically along lengthy roads, dimly glimpsing green hedges through the gloom and misted glasses; and after all this effort we again reached the A52, having taken the wrong route.

While grinding back down the same road, my husband, short of something to look at, noticed his feet and discovered that in his rush to get out of the house, he'd forgotten to change out of his slippers. Fortunately, they were not the furry kind, or those poncy leather slip-ons jobbies you wear with a smoking jacket, so he convinced himself that they blended in quite well with his outfit – the only problem being that they weren't waterproof.

By now we had been out for over an hour and had not still completed half the route we'd intended. Getting home by eight for breakfast would be a

miracle, for the steam had gone out of us. From then on roads were endless, and signposts few and far between. On deciding to take the quickest route home, the pedalling was all up hill – even when it appeared otherwise. Rests became more frequent, which wouldn't have mattered, but people were starting to wake up and a jogger jauntily skipped by and had the cheek to shout, "D'you want a lift?" Husband remarked that he didn't know it was possible to cycle so slowly and not fall off.

The last few miles were relieved only by the pedal-free ride down Tithby Road in Bingham. At last we were making progress – home was in sight and despite soreness, weariness and dampness we reached home by nine thirty, just as the sun came out. Somehow we staggered in, forced a bit of breakfast down, then slumped into a chair and were rendered comatose for the rest of the day. Come to think of it, we dozed quite a bit in the evening and the following day too. *Sue Laver*

## East Bridgford Wildlife & Conservation Group

A new group is being formed to look at conservation and wildlife in East Bridgford and surrounding countryside.

We would like to invite people from the village to join the group and contribute ideas and help where possible with the following:

- 1 Tree and hedge survey
- 2 Involvement with tree and hedgerow planting
- 3 Wildlife survey
- 4 Involving children in wildlife awareness

We aim to hold our first meeting on Tuesday 27 April at 7.30pm (venue to be decided). If interested, please ring Caroline/Andrew on 20871 or Patty on 20464.

## W Report

AT OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on 9 March, Rachel Barclay was re-elected President with Jenny Finch as Vice President. Christine Salter agreed to continue as Secretary and Jean Mildren as Treasurer. We welcomed two new members to the committee, Julia Hilton-Bailey and Maire Gaskell. Margaret Foss thanked Rachel on behalf of all the members for bringing her own unique charm to the meetings in the past year.

After the official business everyone enjoyed a ploughman's supper, followed by a quiz. The questions and answers to this were all to do with 'old money'. i.e. £sd. It was certainly a brainteaser.

At our meeting on 13 April Mrs Margaret Robinson will talk about Thornton's Chocolate with may be some samples! We hope.

We welcome visitors and prospective members, do come along and try us. Our May meeting will be on 11th May starting at 7.30pm

Rita Case

# Floodlighting Diary

## APRIL

- 4 With loving birthday memories of SYLVIA LODDER
- 4 Palm Sunday
- 7 Loving birthday memories of KEITH DOUGLAS BRUNT
- 8 Maundy Thursday
- 9 Good Friday
- 11 Easter Day
- 11-17 Easter Week
- 21 Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II
- 23 George, Patron Saint of England
- 26 In loving memory of HORACE ISAACS
- 26 Mark the Evangelist  
(transferred from April 25<sup>th</sup>)
- 27 In loving memory of STANLEY WILKINSON

## MAY

- 1 Philip and James, Apostles
- 8 VE Day Memorial will be floodlit to honour those who gave their lives for our liberty
- 8 In loving memory of GEOFFREY GOOD  
\*The floodlights will be additionally lit on May 9<sup>th</sup>
- 14 Matthias the Apostle
- 19 In loving memory of VIC and STEPHEN HOUSEGO
- 19 Rogation Day
- 20 Ascension Day
- 26 In loving memory of CLIFFORD DAVIS
- 30 In loving memory of WILFRED METCALFE
- 30 Pentecost - Whit Sunday
- 31 Visit of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration. These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine or by a private dedication.

\*Floodlights may be lit on additional nights if there is a clash of dates

All requests for floodlighting to be included in June's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Copy Date for the June Issue is Monday 17th May

# East Bridgford Drama Group

Our next production is a comedy by Simon Williams  
entitled

## NOBODY'S PERFECT

Performances on Tuesday 18th to Saturday 22nd May  
at the Village Hall at 7.30pm

The cast - David Darby, Sarah Taylor  
Victoria Pepper and Jeffrey Casterton

Tickets at £4 each and concessions at £3 (available for the Tuesday and Wednesday performances only) may be obtained from East Bridgford News or the Post Office

In memory of Joan and Kenneth Finch ...  
late of Bacolet, 5 Moss Close.  
I would like to thank all their friends from  
East Bridgford for their help and kindness  
shown through Joan's and Kenneth's  
difficult autumn. Then for supporting  
myself and family when in January they  
both passed away so closely to one another,  
as ever.

Thalia Sayer

A big thank you to the East Bridgford  
Horticultural Society for their generous  
donation towards Brownie funds.

# Your Thanks

A collection of £57.20 was made from  
friends and neighbours of Holloway  
Close, East Bridgford, in memory of Liz  
Hayday. The money was donated to the  
Amnesty International - thank you all for  
your kindness.

Ann Hare

I am writing to express our family's sincere thanks and appreciation for all the help and support so freely given during our bereavements of January and February. Alan Haydock's guidance and the services he gave helped us get through the pain of those days more than words can express, and we would particularly wish to thank all the members of the church staff whose contributions to the funerals was so vital.

The warmth of St Peter's Church was not solely due to the central heating; it was the warmth of welcome and friendliness, which we felt at every turn. Iris and I both enjoyed the children's communion service on the Sunday following my mother's funeral. It was wonderful to see the way that the Church in East Bridgford relates so strongly to the community and across the generations.

Colin Hayday, Holsworthy, Devon

## SINGERS UNITE!

**B**INGHAM & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY recently held a very successful workshop in East Bridgford. Living up to the 'District' part of its name the choir sent out invitations to a number of other local choirs as well as to all those who wanted to try out their voices and there was an excellent response. The venue was St Peter's Church and the morning started off with a singing warm-up, followed by some short familiar and unfamiliar pieces.

Ann Marshall from the Cecilian Singers was our leader for the day. She then introduced us to some physical warm-up exercises and before long everyone was in hearty voice. Ann soon had us singing in four parts and at one point we had to find a different place in the church to stand and sing our part surrounded by others singing different parts - quite challenging, but very enjoyable. An excellent buffet lunch was served and the afternoon session followed in which rounds, variations on spirituals and folk songs were sung, finishing with a recap of items sung earlier on. All had a good day, many wishing we could sing for longer. Thanks go to the Rector and the church of St Peter's for the use of the church - being both comfortable and warm. The choir is now looking forward to its summer concert on May 22nd.

Beryl Cottrill

## BINGHAM & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

will be performing

### Harmoniemesse

by Haydn

and

Vespere

Solemnes

de Confessore

by Mozart

with soloists  
and orchestral  
accompaniment

**22nd May at 7.30pm**  
**Bingham Leisure Centre**

Tickets (£8 or £7 conc.)  
will be available from  
mid-April from choir  
members,  
Bingham and Radcliffe  
libraries, or by contacting  
01949 20076

## THE BRICKLAYER'S STORY by Gerard Hoffnung

(from his Oxford Union speech)

....I've got this thing here that I must read to you.

Now, this is a very tragic thing... I shouldn't, really, read it out.

A striking lesson in keeping the upper lip stiff is given in a recent number of the weekly bulletin of 'The Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors' that prints the following letter from a bricklayer in Golders Green to the firm for whom he works.

Respected Sir,

When I got to the top of the building, I found that the hurricane had knocked down some bricks off the top. So I rigged up a beam, with a pulley, at the top of the building and hoisted up a couple of barrels of bricks.

When I had fixed the building, there was a lot of bricks left over.

I hoisted the barrel back up again and secured the line at the bottom and then went up and filled the barrel with the extra bricks.

Then, I went to the bottom and cast off the rope.

Unfortunately, the barrel of bricks was heavier than I was and before I knew what was happening, the barrel started down, jerking me off the ground. I decided to hang on! Halfway up, I met the barrel coming down... and received a severe blow on the shoulder. I then continued to the top, banging my head against the beam and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley!

When the barrel hit the ground, it burst its bottom... allowing all the bricks to spill out.

I was now heavier than the barrel and so started down again at high speed!

Halfway down... I met the barrel coming up and received severe injury to my shins!

When I hit the ground... I landed on the bricks, getting several painful cuts from the sharp edges!

At this point... I must have lost my presence of mind... because I let go of the line!

The barrel then came down... giving me a very heavy blow and putting me in hospital!

I respectfully request 'sick leave'.

The Methodist Chapel, Main Street  
was opened on 8th July 1854

and

## 150th Anniversary Celebrations

will take place from

**Saturday 3rd July to Sunday 11th July 2004**



With acknowledgements to 'Local Government First' the free magazine published for the Local Government Association for officers and councillors.

# EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE SHOW 2004

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

*Horticultural and Homecraft Sections,  
including painting and photography*

Entry forms are now available from  
East Bridgford Post Office and East Bridgford News

**Help needed on Show Day**

Can you spare an hour or so on Show Day?  
We need as many helpers as possible to do the  
many different jobs that make our village show so  
successful. As little as an hour will make a real  
contribution.

Please contact Alec Hampson on 21386 for further  
details.

Your help will be most gratefully received

*If you have any other enquiries about the show  
please also contact Alec.*

East Bridgford  
Parish Council

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

To be held on

**Tuesday  
27th April  
at 7.30pm  
in the WI Hut**

*All electors of  
East Bridgford  
are invited to  
take part*

## East Bridgford Tennis Club *Play Tennis Open Day* Sunday 9th May

**We start at:** 10.30am - 11.15am for 4 to 7 yrs  
11.15am - 12.00pm for 8 to 12 yrs  
12.00pm - 12.45pm for 12 to 15 yrs  
1.30pm - 3.30pm for 12 - 90 yrs adults and competent juniors

**Featuring:** Tennis Fun, Games & Prizes  
Play against the Ball Machine  
New Rackets to try  
Test the speed of your serve against the Speed Gun  
Come and join in our Fun Family Tennis Day

For more information contact Ann - 20019 or Richard - 20080

## *East Bridgford Care Group*

### Strawberry Tea

Our Strawberry Tea will be held on  
**Saturday May 22nd**  
from 2.30pm to 4.30pm  
in the WI Hut, when the usual plant  
and bedding stall, cakes and  
tombola, raffle - and of course  
delicious strawberry cream teas will  
be available.

This year we are supporting Skylarks  
Winged Fellowship, a charity based  
locally at Adbolton Lane, West Bridgford  
providing holidays and day trips for  
the disabled, besides periods of 24  
hour nursing giving respite care for  
carers.

*We hope you will note this date in  
your diary and help us make it a  
great success.*

The Annual General Meeting will  
take place on Monday April 26<sup>th</sup> at  
the Methodist Church (downstairs)  
7.30pm. For those people who may  
not be aware, the Care Group is a  
voluntary organisation whose  
members help in and around East  
Bridgford with transport to and from  
the Medical Centre, hospitals,  
dental, eye, foot, clinics etc., to  
nursing homes and for social visits  
within the village. We also collect  
pensions, prescriptions and offer  
help with shopping. A befriending  
and sitting service for carers is also  
available.

Besides our members, we welcome  
anyone interested to come along on  
April 26<sup>th</sup> and learn more about our  
activities. Possibly even join us.

Alison Powell

## FAIRTRADE

Thank you to everyone who supported the Fairtrade Coffee morning on  
March 12<sup>th</sup>. Coming in from the cold and wet to drink Fairtrade coffee/tea  
and eat a selection of delicious homemade cakes helped raise awareness of  
Fairtrade goods as well as £122. This has gone towards Action Aid's work  
with the poor and marginalized people. Through buying Fairtrade marked  
products you help farmers in exploited areas of the world.

"Millions of farmers across the world want to be part of Fairtrade. Twenty-  
five million coffee farmers are facing immense economic hardship because  
they don't get enough for their beans. By switching to Fairtrade you open  
the way for more farmers to earn a fair price and live with dignity."



# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during February 2004

Date	Location	Offence
11	Kneeton Road	Burglary
19	Kneeton Road	Criminal damage
21	Crossways Drive	Criminal damage
21	Kneeton road	Burglary
21	Cross Lane	Burglary
22	Crossways Drive	Assault
22	Main Street	Burglary
24	Main Street	Burglary

The 12-month moving average is now 8.5 crimes per month.

## Burglary

Of the five burglaries reported to the police in February three took place in the day time and in two of these cases the premises were insecure.

There continues to be a high number of car key burglaries. Police advice has been amended concerning the security of car keys; it has now recommended that you hide your car keys at night rather than taking them with you to bed.

## Waste Paper Collection

Criminals are searching your waste paper left out for collection, looking for details relating to bank or credit card transactions, which they can use for fraudulent purposes. Ensure that all paper containing confidential information particularly credit card slips, receipts and bank statements is shredded. If possible put out your waste paper on the morning of collection rather than leaving it out overnight. This type of criminal activity has been witnessed in East Bridgford.

## Scheme Co-ordinator

A co-ordinator is still required to cover Mill Gate, which includes Main Street from Haycroft Way to Kneeton Road. The duties need not be onerous and if anyone would like more information, please give me a call.

## Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed  
**call the Police.**

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial 999.

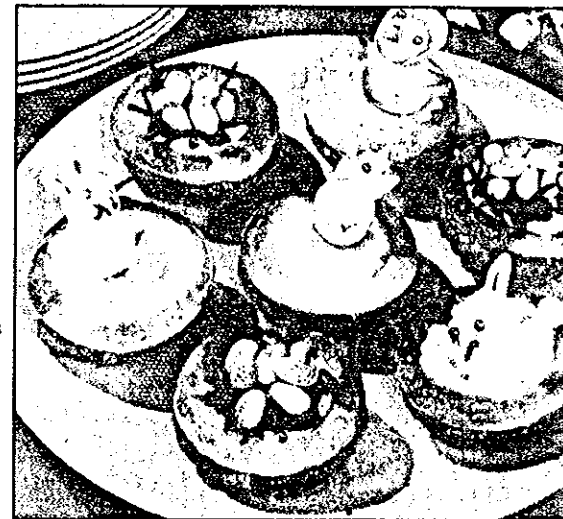
For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles)  
**dial 0115 945 5999**

David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

Have you thought of making some special biscuits or buns for Easter? Good fun for when you've got visitors for tea, especially if your guests are children – even if they're not, why not make some buns decorated with Bunnies or Easter chicks.

## Easter Bunnies

2oz (50g) margarine  
2oz (50g) soft brown sugar  
3oz (75g) self raising flour  
1 teaspoon of mixed spice  
a pinch of salt  
1 egg  
4oz (100g) mixed dried fruit  
1oz (25g) chopped glace cherries  
1oz (25g) chopped walnuts.



- Place all the above ingredients into a bowl.
- Beat together well until thoroughly mixed.
- Take a 12- bun greased tin and divide mixture evenly.
- Brush with melted margarine, and smooth the tops with a knife.
- Bake near the top of a moderately hot oven for 15 – 20 minutes – 350°F, 180°C, gas mark 4.
- Cool on a wire cake rack.

## Bunnies and Nests

- Brush the top of the buns with hot apricot jam.
- Knead approx 1lb (500g) of almond paste and take small pieces and roll into a sausage shape, long enough to fit around each bun, as a border.
- Bake near the top of the oven for 2-3 minutes until paste is lightly browned.
- Fill the centres with glacé icing.
- Make some buns into nests with tiny eggs moulded from almond paste, tinted and painted with dots of colour, using food colouring.
- Chocolate flakes and desiccated coconut can be used for nest material too.
- Make chicks or rabbits from the almond paste.
- For a rabbit or a chick make one large ball and a smaller one for the head.
- Toasted flaked almonds make good ears for rabbits, and eyes and noses can be made from silver balls.
- Hats or caps for chicks can be shaped with almond paste and painted different colours.



## 1st Shelford & East Bridgford Scout Group

I was both amazed and delighted when I received a letter from our County Commissioner recently, which informed me that our Group is now the 14<sup>th</sup> largest in the whole of Nottinghamshire!

*We now have over 80 young people in our Group.*

*We now have 37 in the Scout Troop alone – the most that we have ever had since the Group was formed.*

*We have a hardworking and dedicated group of Leaders – although we could do with a few more (see advert for details!)*

*We have an enthusiastic and lively Executive Committee.*

*What we also have is a small tin-clad wooden hut, which is over 100 years old, is showing its age and is not large enough to accommodate us comfortably!*

We have therefore decided that the time has come to replace the old hut with a purpose-built, two storey building which will not only suit our needs but will also provide a further valuable village amenity. The building will have disabled access to both floors and will also incorporate space required by the Drama Group and a number of small meeting rooms.

Obviously this is an ambitious plan, which will require a great deal of money and we will, of course, be applying to the Lottery and other Grant Making bodies. However, we will still have to raise a significant amount ourselves. We have already challenged the young people in our Group to raise some of the money themselves, as we believe that it is important that they should 'own' the project, particularly as they are the ones who will benefit the most. We are already planning a series of fundraising activities – watch this space for further details – but we will still need the help of our friends and supporters, not only in East Bridgford but also in the other fourteen villages supported by our Group.

So that you can see for yourselves exactly what our plans are, we are holding an 'Open Day' on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April between 10.00am and 4.00pm. We will be providing tea, coffee and biscuits so please come along to the Scout Hut, behind the Village Hall, have a look at our plans, view a model of the proposed building and see some of the ways in which we hope to raise the money needed.

We feel proud of our Village Group – please help us to continue to provide quality Scouting for this and future generations of young people.

Steve Cumberland  
Group Scout Leader



## SCOUT HUT OPEN DAY

On the previous page you will have read that we are planning to replace our elderly tin hut with a purpose-built two storey building which will not only enable us to accommodate our increasing numbers but will also provide a further village amenity which will be available to other village organisations, particularly during the daytime.

**We are holding an  
'Open Day' on  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April  
from 10.00am until  
4.00pm.**

Please come along and have a look at our plans for the future. There will be an opportunity to look at a model of our new building, to study the plans in detail and to see some of the ways in which we hope to raise the money required.

If nothing else, we can offer you a free cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit! So please make a note in your diaries now.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April  
10.00am – 4.00pm  
Scout Hall  
(behind the Village  
Hall on Main Street)**

## A Wonderful Opportunity

- Are you looking for a new and exciting challenge?
- Are you aged between 18 – 65?
- Are you able to spare between 1 and 2 hours a week to help young people?
- Are you willing to give up the occasional Saturday or Sunday?
- Are you prepared to receive appropriate free training?
- Would you like to be part of a happy, hard working and conscientious team?
- Would you like to be associated with one of the most successful Scout Groups in the County?
- Would you be happy to receive absolutely no pay whatsoever?

If the answer to any or all of the above is YES then maybe we have the ideal 'job' for you. Due to our continuing success we are looking to further strengthen our leadership team. We are looking in particular for additional Beaver and Cub Leaders. Beavers are aged between 6 and 8 and meet from 6.15pm to 7.15pm on Monday evenings. They also attend 2 or 3 District or County run events per year. Cubs are aged between 8 and 10½ and meet on Tuesday evenings between 6.30pm and 8.00pm. Cubs also take part in District and County events including the Annual Challenge and District Camps.

If you are looking for a rewarding and enjoyable way of spending some of your leisure time then maybe Scouting is for you. No previous experience is required as full training and support are provided.

We currently have approximately 80 young people in the Group and we do our best to provide quality Scouting through a varied, challenging and exciting programme ably supported by a hard working executive committee.

If you think that you may be able to help or if you would like further information, please give me a ring on 01949 20997.

**Please help us to put the 'OUT' in SCOUTING**

# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## MAY 2004

### Sunday 2 May

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR EASTER at St Peter's

### Thursday 6 May

N.B.  
11.30am Holy Communion at the Manor House

### Sunday 9 May

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm ROGATION EVENSONG AND PROCESSION at St Helen's  
No Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 12 May

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 16 May

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Thursday 20 May: ASCENSION DAY

N.B.  
10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 23 May

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's - Patrick Mackie

### Wednesday 26 May

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 30 May: WHIT SUNDAY

N.B.  
8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

Please note several changes in the usual pattern of services.

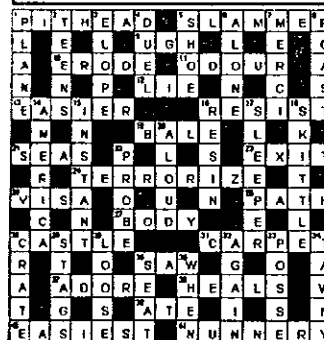
### Across

1. An inexact result (13)
8. Chatter (7)
10. Pleasure ride (7)
12. Family members (6)
13. Resume (8)
15. Toward the south (9)
18. Very small island (5)
21. Smith's block (5)
22. Mishaps (9)
27. Practise (8)
29. Treated with salt (6)
30. Submerging (7)
31. Trumpet flourish (7)
33. Sympathetic (6-7)

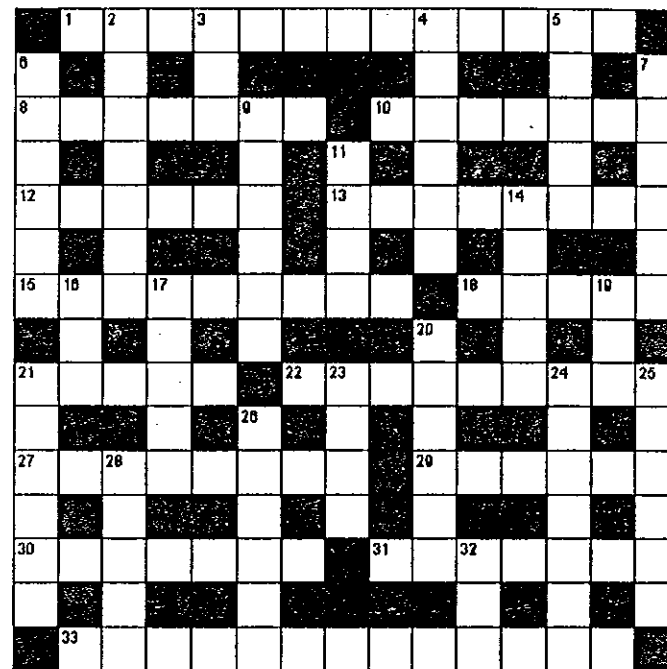
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2. Highland (7)
3. Decay (3)
4. Quantity (6)
5. Pungent bulb (5)
6. Uses money (6)
7. Freshest (6)
9. Reduce (6)
11. Kilocalorie (4)
14. Point in question (5)
16. Possess (3)
17. Two times (5)
19. Consume (3)
20. Midday nap (6)
21. Take into custody (6)
23. Cook (4)
24. Lunatic (7)
25. Abrupt (6)
26. Citrus fruit (6)
28. Pivot (5)
32. And not (3)

### Solution to March's Crossword



## PUZZLE CORNER



### SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

#### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector Canon Alan Haydock, 20218  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill  
Churchwardens Beryl Cottrill, Michael Clarke 20682  
8.00am 2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.00am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address  
Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month  
(Coffee is served after this service)  
10.45am 3rd Sunday each month, Family Service  
6.30pm Evensong and sermon  
7.30pm Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong  
Holy Communion (BCP)

#### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister Rev. John Hudson 837330  
Secretary John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road, 20179  
10.00am Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd  
Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated

#### St Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286  
8.00am 1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
6.00pm 2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## JUNE 2004

### Sunday 6 June: Trinity Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 9 June

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 13 June

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's - Michael Clarke  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 16 June

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 20 June

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 23 June

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 27 June: FEAST SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm FEAST SUNDAY SERVICE at St Peter's  
Members of Women's Section RBL, Ex-Servicemen and members of uniformed organisations are invited to parade at 6.15pm.

### Wednesday 30 June

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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## What's on in JUNE

- 8. WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
- 9. Scout Hut Fundraising Concert, 6.30pm, St Peter's School
- 12. Bowls Club Coffee Morning, 10am-12pm, Kneeton Road
- 12. Garden Club Plant Sale, Village Hall
- 13. WASPS Family Sponsored Walk, 1pm & 2pm, St Peter's School
- 15. Wildlife Group meet at 7.30pm, Reindeer Pub
- 16. The Mothers' Union Meeting, 2pm, WI Hut
- 16. Bingham U3A, 2pm, Methodist Hall, Bingham
- 16. Village Footpaths Walk, 7pm, Village Car Park
- 19. Garden Club Summer Outing
- 19. Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am—12pm
- 25. Sporting Challenge 2004, 6.30pm, Butts Field
- 25. Flower Show Children's Disco, 6.30pm to 8.30pm, Butts Field Marquee
- 26. Village Show Day & Fireworks
- 29. Bowls Club President's Day Bowls Match

### MAGAZINE COPY DATES

Issue	Copy Date
August	19 July
September	16 August
October	13 September
November	18 October
December	15 November

Copy Date for the July Issue is Monday 14th June

## From the Rector

### Giving thanks for the Past and Planning for the future at St Peter's

A Funding Campaign at St Peter's will take place over the next few weeks. The Church has a major drive every five years, but during the intervening years people move into the Village and become part of its life. They often develop links with St Peter's through their marriage, their child's baptism, through the Choir, St Peter's Young Singers, the Family Service or in some other way. Many tell me how grateful they are that their children are able to attend St Peter's School. The Church has close links with the School and is pleased to make a contribution, both practical and financial, towards the children's education.

St Peter's is also a Church of great historic significance and has been a focus for Christianity in East Bridgford for over eight hundred years. It is essential that we pass on this precious legacy to future generations. With this in mind, our Appeal will cover the annual running costs and general maintenance of this 13<sup>th</sup> Century

building, together with the upkeep of the large Churchyard, in which so many have been laid to rest.

Just as important is the Ministry and practical service our Church provides within the Community. Frequently I am told how much this is appreciated and how people would like it to grow. This work is underpinned by means of prayer and time willingly given, but it also requires money to pay the bills.

In the past five years, some families who have been part of our Regular Giving Scheme have moved away. Other individuals, sadly, have died. Our income has fallen as a result but our Church expenses have increased. For this reason we are inviting many who are new to the Village, together with those whose Covenants expire shortly, to a Supper on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

This will enable us to thank those whose support we have valued in the past and to explain our plans for the future. These invitations are not exclusive however. If you would like to attend, but appear to have been overlooked, please contact me at The Rectory. Everyone is welcome.

Following the Supper, when everyone has received the relevant information and has had time to consider their response, they will be invited to join



our new Regular Giving Scheme. Past generations have lovingly cared for St Peter's Church and provided for its needs through similar Funding Campaigns. Over the past twenty-five years the response has been incredible. I feel sure that this generosity will once more be demonstrated in response to our 2004 appeal. It will be our way of...

**Giving thanks  
for the Past  
and  
Planning for the future  
at St Peter's**

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The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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name and number*

## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

My Dear Parishioners,

The approach of Feast Sunday reminds us again of the wonderful traditions of the ancient Parish Church of St Peter, East Bridgford, and of the debt we owe to God for our religious privileges in this parish. No communicant in our village, who can be present, should miss the Early Communion on June 24<sup>th</sup>, and we suggest that members of the Parochial Church Council and our Churchworkers in Sunday School, Choir or Church organisations in any other sphere, as well as our Sidesmen, should learn to regard the Feast Sunday as a day of Corporate Communion at 8 a.m. The other services will be as usual and we hope that our Memorial Service, outside at 3 p.m., may be favoured with the usual good weather.

Among the local customs, which have gathered round the Feast Week, I have a reason for specially mentioning the Flower Show. The East Bridgford Horticultural Society was born in 1864, and held its first annual Show in 1867; the Show has continued ever since, usually with success, occasionally under difficulties. For the last two years the Treasurer's balance in hand, despite economies, has suffered a decrease, which would have been prevented if all the subscriptions of a few years ago had been maintained. We who live in East Bridgford today, and enjoy the amenities of the village, owe it to future generations to maintain those local institutions that are for the good of all, and I appeal very earnestly to all to do their little bit for the Flower Show. Give what you can and patronise the Show.

Yours faithfully,

Rupert W. King

## The Mothers' Union

**B**OB ALLEN was our guest speaker in March. Aided by his impressive looking equipment and some of the two and a half million 'Bing' tracks he has collected, Bob whirled us off on a musical journey that followed the singing career of Bing Crosby.

Bing (born Harry) took his name from 'The Bing Boys' a pre-WW1 nickname for soldiers. Bob's tales of Bing were accompanied by many familiar songs and also by singing and enthusiastic foot tapping from his audience. From beside me I heard the whisper, 'You realise this is showing our age!'

The Rhythm Boys, Fred Waring and the Drinking Club, Paradise Island Trio, Louis Armstrong, Jane Wyman, The Andrews Sisters, son Gary Crosby... was there anyone Bing didn't work with? As our magical journey ended, I heard another whisper, 'Thank goodness he didn't play 'White Christmas'! Well, he didn't and we loved every minute of our entertainment.

Margaret Rastall certainly is a 'Landlady with a Difference'. Accompanied by her four-legged lodger Dougie, Margaret had us howling with laughter as she described how she and husband Rex look after guide dogs, while their owners are in hospital or on non-dog holidays. As Margaret spoke, Dougie was free to wander around making friends with us, occasionally breaking off to collapse with a Labrador-like thump on Rex's feet.

Margaret explained how guide dog boarding is organised and how the dogs are cared for. Boarders use a special 'guide-dog lead'. This once caused confusion in West Bridgford when a 'blind' boarder was seen putting a dog into the back of her car... and driving off.

We learned a great deal about boarding, all of it accompanied by amusing (and true) doggy tales. My favourite was of an old lady who complained, 'I can't find the hole!' as she tried to push a 50p into the head of a real guide dog. I have overheard plenty of appreciative 'whispers' at MU recently, but this latest describes Margaret perfectly: 'That's the best speaker we've ever had.'

Rosemary Mills

Our Next Meeting is on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June

'Our New Linked Diocese' by Mrs P Atkins.

We Meet every third Wednesday in the month - 2.00pm in the WI Hut.

COME AND JOIN US

## Our Church is Grateful

- To E Gill and Sons (Memorials Ltd) Newark for a significant amount of work in the churchyard carried out willingly and without charge.
- Several donations in April and May.
- A donation in memory of Mrs Peggy Bishop.
- For donations to the Alzheimer's Society and The British Heart Foundation in memory of Peter Billyeald and Audrey Metcalf respectively.

## Churchyard Working Party

This month's working party will take place  
8.30am - 12 noon on  
**SATURDAY**  
**19th JUNE**

We really are in need of more help from as many as possible, if our high standards are to be maintained.

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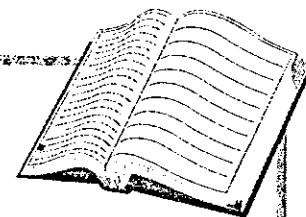


## The First Wednesday in the Month

On the first Wednesday each month the Communion will no longer be held at the Manor Home. It has been suggested, however, that the service be held in church at 11.30am. This may be a helpful time for those from our congregation, who used to attend the service at the Manor and more especially for those who wish to go on to the Wednesday lunch at school. If any would find a means of transport helpful, please contact the Rector.

Alan Haydock

## From the Registers



### Baptisms

2 May

Joanne PRIDEAUX  
Laren Victoria PRIDEAUX  
Connor Michael PRIDEAUX

### Holy Matrimony

15 May

James Guy BAKER and Lucy Jayne KENT

### Funerals

23 March

William Campbell WARSAP

74 years

13 April

Peggy Frances BISHOP

88 years

13

Roy GALLAGHER

72 years

19

Mary SMITH

98 years

20

Peter BILLYEALD

86 years

7 May

Glenys Maureen NICHOLSON

68 years

11

Harry WHITT

88 years

14

Richard Oliver STANION

90 years

17

Audrey METCALFE

84 years

29

John BATEMAN

62 years

# From your Borough Councillor

## THE LOCAL PLAN

**A**LL DEVELOPMENT within the Borough is controlled within the framework of the 'Development Plan'. This plan cascades down from the National Guidance (the PPG guidelines) through Regional (RPG) and City/County Joint Structure Plans to the Rushcliffe Local Plan (LP). Over the last quarter RBC has been redeveloping the 2001-2021 LP. The second draft has recently been approved by the Council and will be deposited for public consultation in early June.

The previous draft had significant implications for East Bridgford, with a plan for a housing development round the Medical Centre. Nearby 3,000 homes were proposed on the RAF Newton site, many houses in Bingham and a large commercial/ retail development between Margidunum roundabout on the A46 and the railway. The overall strategy was to 'develop along the A52 corridor'. This plan was dropped following objections from the Highways Agency due to the potential overload on the A52.

Subsequently, the National guidelines have been changed to allocate a higher proportion of new homes to the Southeast and the County Structure Plan was reviewed in November 2003, leading to major changes for Rushcliffe.

Firstly the overall requirement for new homes in Rushcliffe has been reduced as Nottingham City realised it was going to lose population and has found a way to accommodate many extra homes. Secondly the plan to develop along the A52 has been

abandoned. Instead we have a set of priorities that favour developments in, or adjacent to, major urban areas - preferably on previously used (brown) land.

Overall Rushcliffe has to find much less space for houses. The requirement is reduced from 14,400 by 2011, to only 5,600 by 2021. Permission has already been granted for more than 2,300. We can expect roughly 2,100 "windfall" applications (mainly infill) meaning that we have only to allocate space for around 1,200 homes. Most of these will be allocated to the area just south of Edwalton. There is a slight increase in the amount of land to be allocated for employment, mainly light industry.

So far as the East Bridgford is concerned, there is no new housing proposed outside the village envelope and the previous housing allocation round the Medical Centre is deleted.

Once again we are completely surrounded by green belt, and the only development anticipated will be from infill. This is in line with the wishes expressed by the village in the recent Appraisal and in the Parish Plan. Note that any development approvals already existing remain valid.

Elsewhere nearby there is no new housing allocation for Bingham, and the allocation of land near Margidunum for commercial use is deleted. The housing proposals for RAF Newton are dropped. Temporary permissions have recently been granted to allow the hanger area to continue to be used until 2007, (while the Asylum Centre situation becomes clear) and the plan proposes to allow permanent employment use of the existing buildings.

Cllr. Nigel Lawrence

## THE 2004 EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE SHOW

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

## SHOW Day

**Butts Field from 11.30 am**

Horticultural and Homecraft show in the marquee

**Bigger than ever this year - so plenty of space for all to enter**

**Bar, BBQ, Hog Roast,  
Refreshments by the W.I**

**RAF Fly-past**

**Dog Show**

**Parachute jump**

**Morris Dancers**

**Classic cars and tractors**

**Side shows and competitions**

**Music from East Carlton Scout Band**

**Two action packed arenas**

**Evening family disco**

**Plus Firework Finale**

Programmes will be sold during early June throughout the surrounding villages - please give your support, it ensures the continuation of the show

Helpers needed for the Butts Field clear up on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June from 7.00a.m.

If you are able to help we would be most grateful  
and will provide *Bacon Butties* at 8.00a.m



# Parish Council News

## APRIL

As a result of pressure from the Parish Council, a feasibility study is to be undertaken by the County Council's Highways department into creating a footpath from Ludgate Drive to the Medical Centre and providing a raised pedestrian crossing across Butt Lane. These measures if implemented would make access to the Centre easier and the crossing would reduce the speed of traffic entering the village.

The application (which the Council objected to) for a 15-metre telecom tower to replace the existing one on Springdale Lane has now been withdrawn.

The Council is making a formal request to RBC for a review of the Conservation Area in the village. As far as we know, it has never been reviewed and many anomalies exist as a result.

The Council has planted 500 trees in an area between the allotments and Springdale Lane in order to provide more woodland around the village. The Council is grateful to the farmer, Harvey Pickford for allowing his land to be used for this purpose.

The feature for Haycroft Way should be installed by the end of May and the Heritage Map will follow some time later. There are concerns about the use of this area for skateboarding – the noise is causing distress to

neighbours, there is damage being caused to some of the street furniture and there is a traffic safety hazard to the skate boarders themselves. If you are parents of skate boarders, we would be very grateful if you could talk to them about not using the area. There has been an outbreak of graffiti using red paint, which we think was used to repaint the skateboard ramp. We would be grateful for any information as to who is responsible.

The Parish Council are investigating ways of improving the car park on Main Street.

Suggestions that are being considered are extending the paved entrance area, having a concrete base for the paper recycling bins, and covering the area with granite chippings.

John Chater  
9<sup>th</sup> April 2004

## MAY

The Council considered a planning application to demolish the house at 52 Kneeton Road (the large detached architect designed house with unusual sloping beams that support the roof) and replace it with 5 detached executive houses in a 'farmyard grouping'. Two neighbouring residents were present to make public their opposition to the development. The council decided to object on the grounds that it would be in complete opposition to the

# Parish Council News

expressed wishes of the large majority of the residents of the village. Residents believe that the village is being over-developed and if building has to occur then 4+ bedroom executive houses are the least desirable – see Parish Plan. The council also feel that the development would not be in keeping with its surroundings and that if granted, the application would set a precedent for all such properties in the vicinity to be replaced leading to an estate of smaller executive homes.

Also present at the meeting were three representatives from Castlebeck, a care company that is purchasing the Manor Nursing Home and will be converting it into a residential treatment centre. They explained that when fully occupied, it will cater for 18 people between the ages of 18 and 65 all of whom having learning disabilities and some of whom exhibit challenging behaviour. The home will have well qualified staff including a psychiatrist and nurses as well as care assistants. There will be a minimum of 8 staff on duty each shift but it will not be a secure unit and residents will be allowed out with supervision.

The Annual Parish Meeting was felt to have been very worthwhile but disappointingly attended. The council hopes to have more contentious items on the agenda for next year in the hope that more people will be encouraged to take an interest in local affairs.

Members of the Council met with the chief executive and officers of RBC regarding our dissatisfaction with certain aspects of the Recycling 2 Go scheme. Unfortunately they were completely inflexible and unwilling to make any concessions to the local situation. It was reported that they have an 'almost religious fervour' about the need to cut down on our creation of rubbish.

The Council have requested over-seeding of the football pitch and any other bare patches on Butt's Close (the playing field). They have also given permission for the field to be used as a landing site for parachutists at the Flower show.

John Chater  
11<sup>th</sup> May 2004.

## New Business Development

Our Parish Plan action group is looking at ways in which we can improve the provision for businesses in the village.

This includes people working from home. If you have ideas, please contact us – on 20882 (John Chater).



## Nottinghamshire Libraries – Open longer hours

Bingham and Radcliffe Libraries are among those that will be opening for longer from 5<sup>th</sup> April.

The new hours at Bingham will be      The new hours at Radcliffe will be

Monday	9.00 – 7.30	Monday	9.00 – 7.00
Tuesday	9.00 – 7.30	Tuesday	9.00 – 5.30
Wednesday	Closed	Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9.00 – 7.30	Thursday	9.00 – 5.30
Friday	9.00 – 7.30	Friday	9.00 – 7.00
Saturday	9.00 – 4.00	Saturday	9.00 – 1.00

All libraries in Nottinghamshire now provide free Internet access.

To find out more details about this, or anything else about your local library phone us on 01949 837905. (for Bingham) and 0115 933 2312 (for Radcliffe)

## Floodlighting Diary

### JUNE 2004

1	In loving memory of <b>PETER CLEAVER</b>
2	Happy memories of <b>ALAN JAY</b>
6	Trinity Sunday
10	Day of Thanksgiving for the Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)
12	Queen's Official Birthday
11	Barnabas the Apostle
20	Father's Day
21	Summer Solstice
24	Birth of John the Baptist
29	Peter and Paul, Apostles
26 – July 3	Feast Week

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration.

These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine or by a private dedication.

All requests for floodlighting to be included in July's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing *Monday 14th June*

**Copy Date for the July Issue is Monday 14th June**

## Raising Money for the New Scout Hut

Come to our  
Concert  
on  
**Wednesday**  
**June 9th, 6.30pm**  
at  
**St Peter's School**

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musical talents  
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## Local History Group

### MAY MEETING

At a well-attended meeting on 4 May Adrian Henstock outlined for us the critical role played by Nottinghamshire and its families in the Civil War. As a village situated between the Parliamentary stronghold of Nottingham and the key Royalist centre in Newark it appears our community was fortunate not to have been actively embroiled in the conflict. Shelford Manor was the closest the fighting appears to have been to East Bridgford. Adrian's talk was well illustrated with a range of material, much of which is held in the County Archive.

Our programme of speakers will resume in October. Please let me know if you would like a copy of our winter programme.

### DIARY DATES

**Friday 23rd July 2004** – Our ever-popular **walking treasure hunt** around the village will be starting in the village car park at 6.30pm.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2004** – A conducted walk around Farndon has been arranged as a joint venture with the Men's Society. The Farndon Local History Society will be our hosts and will provide guides to take us around their village.

Further details will be published in the magazine next month.

**"EAST BRIDGFORD" by Rev. Du Boulay Hill.**

There may be people in the village who would like to own a copy of this important book about East Bridgford. If you have access to the Internet (or know someone who has) it is possible to find copies for sale at the following site: - [www.abebooks.co.uk](http://www.abebooks.co.uk)

A simple search on the site giving the author as "hill" and the title as "east bridgford" will bring up what is on offer. At the time of writing (20 May) there were 7 copies listed ranging in price from £8.80 to £75.00 depending on the condition of the book. Postage is likely to be an additional £2 for a copy purchased from a UK vendor.

Bill Whitaker  
Secretary  
Tel 20982

# Garden Club

## PLANT SALE IN THE VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE

Three specialist nurseries will be offering plants for sale –

**Mill Hill Plants** from East Stoke – Herbaceous plants

**Max Firs** from Tollerton – Shrubs

**Field House Alpines** from Gotham – Primula, Auricula and Rockery Plants

The sale will open from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Admission will be 50p for adults; children free. Refreshments will be on sale during the morning – tea, coffee, fruit juice, cakes and biscuits.

## THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO BOTH MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS

## SUMMER OUTING – SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE

The Club's summer outing will be to **Woodside House, Barton-under-Needwood (nr. Burton-on-Trent)** and to the **National Trust garden at Biddulph Grange, Stoke on Trent.**

We have booked a 49 seat air-conditioned luxury coach, which will depart from East Bridgford Village Hall at 9.00 a.m., arriving at Woodside House at 10.00 a.m. We will leave Woodside House at 11.30 a.m. and arrive at Biddulph Grange at 12.30 p.m. We will leave Biddulph Grange at 4.00 p.m. and arrive at East Bridgford at approximately 6.00 p.m.

A few places are still available. Anyone who is interested in going on this outing, whether they are a member of the Club or not, should contact Ian Seel on 01949 20526.

## VISIT TO HIGHROVE

On 4th May 25 members had the privilege of visiting the garden at Highrove, the home of the Prince of Wales. Despite the threat of torrential downpours, the weather remained fine for the visit and the party was given a fascinating tour of these very imaginative gardens. All in all, a very memorable day, thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

I Seel

# BROWNIES URGENTLY NEED YOU!

Unfortunately Brownies are in need of a new leader.

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## THANK YOU!

A very big thank you to Tracey (Barney) who has helped us for the past 4/5 years or so, you will be greatly missed!

# Your Thanks

## East Bridgford Care Group

The Group wishes to thank everyone who supported the Strawberry Tea afternoon on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, helping to raise over £400. The raffle for the model conservatory and the knitted clown will be continued at the Village Show on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Special thanks, as usual to Mrs Frances Wood and helpers for their wonderful work on the plant stall, and to all the kind people who donated cakes, tombola/ raffle prizes and money. Thank you also to our members who manned the stalls, provided the teas; and of course to all of you who came and made the afternoon such a pleasant sociable success.

Alison Powell

## Ciara Fund

Our Jumble Sale on 20<sup>th</sup> March raised approximately £500. Once again our grateful thanks to all our helpers and of course to all who found us some wonderful Jumble.

P West

## Audrey Metcalfe

Thank you from her family

John Metcalfe and family would like to sincerely thank those many people in the village and surrounding area who have given us their support at the difficult time of Mums recent death.

We were most touched to see so many of her friends from all walks of village life at the Church service and afterwards on Monday 17th May.

In addition we would like to say thank you to all those who sent cards and letters of sympathy and to the very generous donations to the British Heart Foundation. Not having lived in the village for many years it is not possible for me to speak to everyone personally and it is for this reason I have asked for this letter to be published in the village magazine.

John and Noreen Metcalfe and  
Grandsons Andrew and Steven

# East Bridgford St Peter's School

**W**E STARTED BACK AFTER THE EASTER HOLIDAYS with the theme 'People Who Help Us'. All new children have settled into the pre-school routine well. We have also taken the decision to accept children in nappies from the age of two years in our afternoon sessions. If anyone is interested please call in for an application form, places for the afternoon sessions are usually available and they are a fabulous introduction to pre-school life. Current afternoon sessions are Tuesdays and Fridays, 12.45 – 3.15pm.

We started by celebrating St George's Day, making England flags and models of Dragon's from clay. Children made some fantastic creations and I believe at the end of the week some parents were the proud owners of a family of Dragons.

We then had a visit from our new local Policeman, he brought along a police van which children really enjoyed climbing in and out of. Some children also enjoyed trying on the handcuffs for size. Back in pre-school children made their own police hat and walkie talkies, recycling the children's milk cartons. Thank you again to the parent/carers for cleaning these out the week before.

The following week we celebrated 'May Day', children created their very own garden, planting some grass seeds and adding various foliage, kindly donated from Nina's garden. Children also enjoyed painting pictures using false flowers as paintbrushes.

We then had a visit from a 'Life Boat person'; they gave the children an interesting talk and showed them some pictures of boats they had managed to raise money to buy. Children created water like pictures using wax candles and paint wash. Children also made their own lifeboat collage.

We then had our regular visit from 'Lesley' the optician, explaining to children all about our eyes, how they work, what they consist of. Children made a paperweight 'eye ball' from stones, looking at their own eyes in the mirror to find out what colour they were. Children also made their own eye chart, picking letters at random or just picking out initial letters that related to them and their family.

This week (at time of writing) we are talking about 'Lollypop Persons' children making their own lollypop sign and using the zebra crossing in pre-school, developing an understanding of road safety.

Practising for 'Sports Day' has begun and with half term now approaching we wish everyone a restful week look forward to seeing you on our return.

Following our AGM this week, we would like to thank all committee members stepping down from their roles; your hard work has been very much appreciated. We welcome all new committee members and thank existing members that are staying on and look forward to working alongside you making our pre-school the best place for your children.

Best Wishes

All Pre-school Staff.



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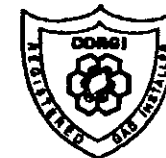
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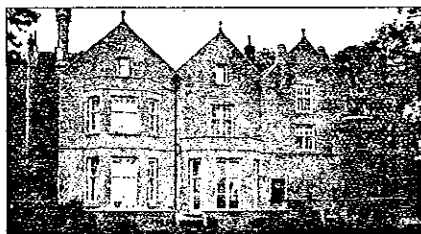
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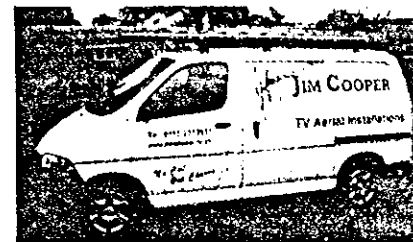
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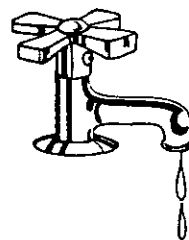


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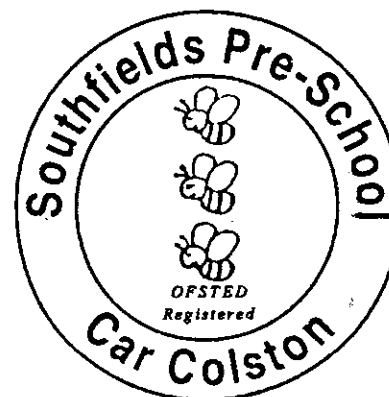
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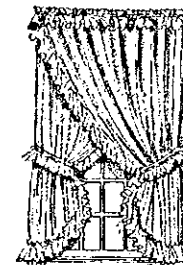
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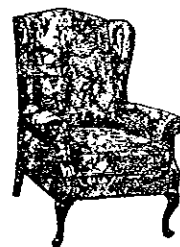
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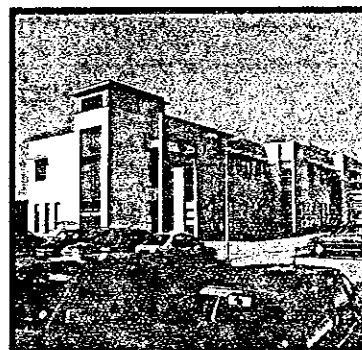
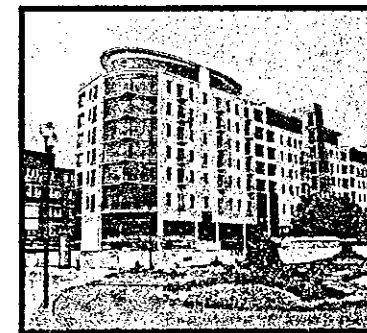
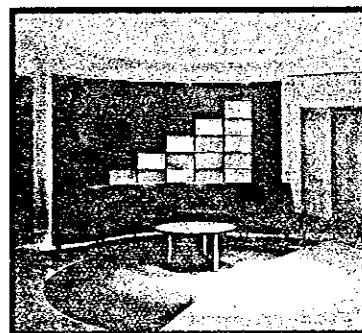
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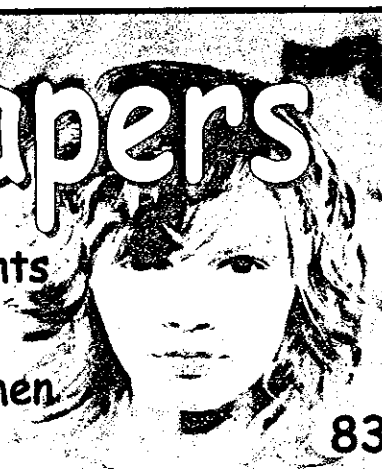
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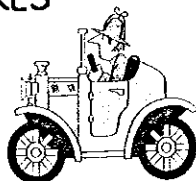
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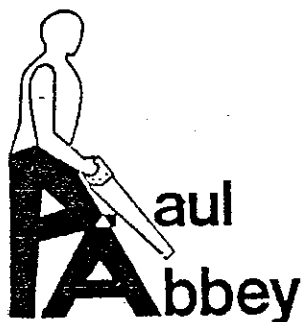
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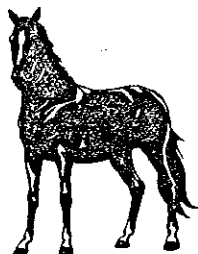
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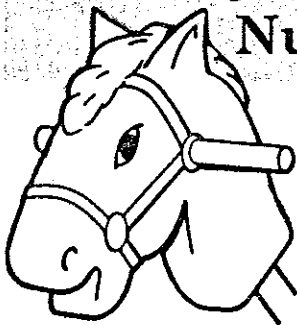
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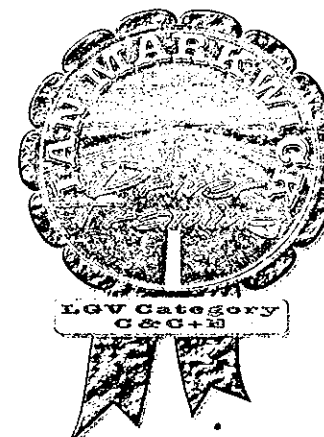
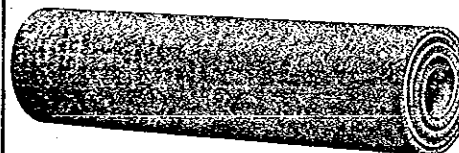
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## ADSL Broadband

Final Update (hopefully)

*Further to my ADSL (telephone line) Broadband article in the last Magazine, the following message has now appeared on the BT Website:*

"...On Exchange EAST BRIDGFORD..... There is good news. We are currently finalising the details of a rollout programme to bring broadband to every remaining exchange, which previously had a broadband registration trigger. All such exchanges will be enabled for ADSL by summer 2005, including this exchange. Details of the rollout programme including the date when broadband will be available from your exchange will be published on: [www.bt.com/broadband](http://www.bt.com/broadband) at the beginning of July."

*Perhaps we are nearly there.*

NB. The forthcoming wireless broadband mentioned by Nigel Lawrence is another option.

*I've certainly registered interest in that too.*

Jerry Moore



## SPONSORED WALK 2nd MAY 2004

THE DAY BEGAN IN GLORIOUS SUNSHINE, a most unexpected bonus considering the wet and windy weather we had been experiencing for the two weeks previously. We breathed a sigh of relief; our prayers had been answered for fine weather, especially as there was to be a river crossing again this year.

From 8.30 am until 11.00 am walkers arrived in one's and two's and family groups to test their stamina on the 15 mile walk, and of course to enjoy a lovely day in the countryside. Altogether 235 people registered, which certainly exceeded our expectations.

The river crossing was the highlight of the day, children, dogs and adults alike, enjoyed the excitement of a 'high speed' crossing of the Trent. Without the great help of Russell Hunt the crossing would not have been possible and we are most grateful for all his hard work. We would also like to say a big 'thank you' to the 40 plus villagers, friends and family, without whose great help the day would not have been possible or as successful.

We had £6,000 plus pledged on the day and are confident that, as in previous years, the final total will exceed the £7,600 raised in 2002.

A big thank you to all who took part in the walk and helped to raise so much for the RNLI.

Rita and Rachel.

**SUNDAY 20th JUNE**

**9.00am**

**Sung Eucharist at St Peter's**

Preacher Steve Cumberland,  
Parishes Giving Consultant

**FRIDAY 2nd JULY**

**7.30pm**

**Funding Supper in the WI Hut**

## POSTSCRIPT

A Letter from Jennifer and Charles Holt

We would like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to each and every one of our customers, both past and present. Without you, we could not have made it this far! We were told back in 1993 that we were 'naive' to take on the then closed post office and that there was no future for a village shop. With fantastic support from this village and from the surrounding villages, we have avoided becoming another statistic on the 'rural decline' list. Villages and rural communities are what we believed in then and are what we continue to believe in and support now.

Circumstances however, have dictated that we can no longer keep up the pace needed to take both Inskips and East Bridgford post office to the next level. Jennifer's long-term injury, sustained just after Christmas has made the decision to 'retire' an easy one. It is therefore our intention to leave the shop and post office on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

We are in the fortunate position of having readymade buyers for the business in the form of our son Tom and his business partner Will. Most of you know Tom, who has managed and worked in the business for the last year. We hope that you will get behind our youthful successors and encourage them to drive onwards and upwards, improving and adding services wherever possible.

Finally, we would like to say a big thank you to our staff, without whom, none of this would have been possible. Pauline Chambers, Diane Cumberland Lisa O'Hagan and our son Tom have been tremendous. An extra special thank you though, is reserved for Karen Allan, who has been quite magnificent.

Once again, thank you East Bridgford for making our time here so special.

Very best wishes to you all,

Jennifer and Charles.

## East Bridgford Wildlife and Biodiversity Group

This new group has now met on a couple of occasions and we have enjoyed walking around the village, along its footpaths and discovering different species of trees, hedgerows and wildflowers. Some of the highlights were finding a beautiful four hundred year old Oak Tree, exploring different parts of the village and its wildlife.

If you would like to join us for a summer evening walk (weather permitting) and learn more about the wildlife in and around the village, you are welcome to join us (for either a walk or help us with the tree and hedgerow survey).

We are planning to meet on **June 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm** outside **The Reindeer pub**.

For further details please ring Andrew or Caroline on 20871.

A couple of months ago, a worldwide survey was conducted by the U.N.

The only question asked was:

*'Would you please give your honest opinion about the solutions to the food shortage in the rest of the world?'*

The survey was, not surprisingly, a huge failure, because:

In Africa they didn't know what 'food' meant.

In Eastern Europe they didn't know what 'honest' meant.

In Western Europe they didn't know what 'shortage' meant.

In China they didn't know what 'opinion' meant.

In the Middle East they didn't know what 'solution' meant.

In South America they didn't know what 'please' meant,

and in the USA they didn't know what 'rest of the world' meant.

Steve Cumberland

## ***Teenagers – This is for You!***

Improvement of leisure facilities for teenagers – this is a recommendation arising from the recently published Parish Plan. In an attempt to do this, members of an Action Group have met with the Rushcliffe Youth Team. As a result of this, members of the Youth Team will be visiting East Bridgford on two evenings a week for three weeks from June 14<sup>th</sup>, to make contact with young people in the village. Some time in July at a venue to be decided, there will be a follow up meeting, when further information will be available and an exciting new project for a group of young people will be explained. Watch this space!

Any queries should be directed to Jill Carter, Rushcliffe Youth Team – 0115 933 6486

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## **News from the Tower**

The ringers held their AGM at The Reindeer on 5 April. Clive Allen reported that we had had a good year, with an improvement in the overall standard of the ringing. Three quarter peals have been rung, also a full peal by the guild officers in memory of Brian Mills. The hand bell practice held regularly after the main practice has been well supported. We have been pleased to welcome two newcomers to the team – Alex Evans and Sarah Bancroft. Both are making very good progress, as is our third youngster, William Bancroft, who rang his first quarter peal at Kneeton last year. Two of our older members, Fred Hunt and Bert Palmer, have been unable to ring recently for health and other reasons. Both are sadly missed, but we hope

they will be able to rejoin us at some future date. We are extremely grateful to Bert for his excellent work as steeple keeper. The bells and fittings are probably in better condition than they have ever been, and we now hope to brighten up the ringing chamber with the purchase of new carpeting and lighting.

Susan Dawson reported that the Kneeton bells have been rung regularly for Evensong. Three quarter peals have been rung and two outside bands have enjoyed the bells.

We are always pleased to welcome new members. Anyone interested can ring Clive Allen on 0115 9663224, or simply turn up on Monday evening. The practice starts at 7.45p.m.

**WASPS (St. Peter's School P.T.A.) are holding**  
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If you would like to take part - sponsorship forms are available from St. Peter's School, alternatively come along and enjoy the refreshments.

**Copy Date for the July Issue is Monday 14th June**



# A Beginner's Guide to Cruising

**S**AILING ON THE HIGH SEAS, cosseted in a water-borne five star hotel; drifting lazily from port to port in sultry heat – what could be better than that?

On boarding the ship, a month ago, with the rain beating down, a gale blowing and only two people on the gangplank at a time, we thought - what fun. Hatches were battened down and porthole covers fixed in all the cabins on our deck (steerage) and warnings over the public address system told us to hold on tight to the handrails when walking about and to take seasickness tablets. We dutifully followed the advice but they didn't work. The boat wobbled, moaned, rocked and lurched. Lying down was the only way to stop the queasy feelings. Twenty-four hours later, in desperation of never ever feeling well again, we phoned for the nurse to give us injections in our cabin, even though the Medical Centre was only just down the corridor. She was late arriving because five elderly ladies in a bingo queue had been bowled over like skittles when the ship was struck suddenly by a massive wave. It was not until the following morning that we emerged for breakfast resembling human beings.

Yes, bingo, bridge, quizzes, deck quoits, short tennis, ballroom dancing, port talks, cabaret and so on ... so many things to do when the ship was at sea. Those of a more retiring nature could find a place to sit quietly and read or when the weather picked up, scorch themselves at the less windy aft end of the ship where rows of bodies, red, brown, mottled and wrinkled bared their flesh to the sun's searing rays.

The average age of the passengers seemed to be around seventy. The number of elderly folk in wheelchairs pushing Zimmer frames or struggling along with sticks was quite amazing, so it wasn't surprising that the medical centre was kept very busy. Every time T and I passed by, we saw worried-looking folk waiting for treatment of some sort, and the number of people sporting bandages on arms, legs and heads just before the cruise ended was to be marvelled at. The cruise line must have made quite a lot of money out of the medical centre; perhaps it was in ratio to the nature of the sea crossings, or maybe the amount of climbing when ashore or even the takings on the seven bars on the ship – who knows?

We'd been warned that everyone's clothes get tighter on a cruise and we were no exception. It's easy to see why, for there were three regular, substantial meals every day in addition to morning biscuits, afternoon sandwiches and cream cakes and for the peckish - a late evening buffet. It was possible, so we were told, to eat all the time if you were canny, for there were five restaurants serving meals, and by timing it properly you could hop from one to another and stoke up with least two extra meal if not three.

Each afternoon in the main lounge a waitress rang a bell to announce that tea, coffee and cakes were available. The staff were careful to keep the cling film wraps on until the appointed time, but even so sneaky cruisers tried to lift a

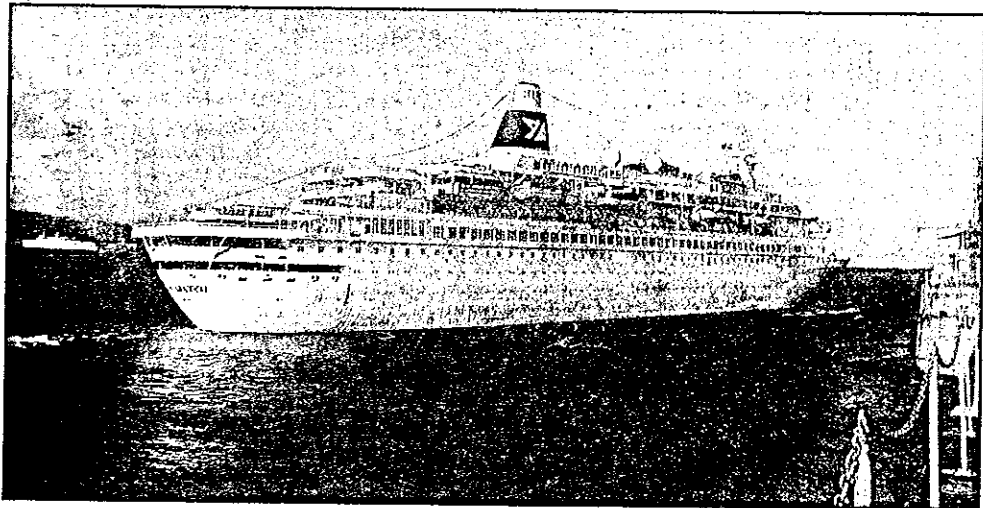
cake or two without being noticed. It wasn't advisable being in the line for the cake table at three-thirty, for you could be felled at a stroke by the rush of people using sticks and Zimmer frames as military hardware.

As the cruise line was Norwegian, it was only right that the Captain was Norwegian too, but many of his staff came from different countries - including the Philippines, Germany, Thailand and Poland. The captain made a broadcast twice a day, giving information about the weather conditions and temperatures of the two swimming pools, plus the Jacuzzi. His sing-song delivery reminded us of the Swedish chef in the TV comedy *The Muppets*, which unfortunately was enhanced by the fact that his English was only just understandable. Every day when doing his best to tell us what the weather was going to be, he would conclude by saying, 'What you see is what you get.' By the end of the cruise all the passengers anticipated this phrase and joined in – some of the staff did too.

Every time we visited a port it was well worth watching the ship dock, for unless you actually saw this, you often did not know that the ship was no longer moving, so smooth were the manoeuvres once we reached the calmer waters. We discovered that ships could go sideways to squeeze into tight moorings and if the weather was particularly bad, tug-boats were available to help push the boat into position. At one point during our cruise we visited the Bridge and spent over an hour there, when the Watch Officer explained the sophisticated navigational systems used on board the ship, but my eye was caught by the number of flags they had stored – one to fly the standard at each country they visited.

To finish, I must say that we both enjoyed the cruise tremendously and are planning to go again in the not-too-distant future. It's a very safe way of travelling, hence its attraction to older folk. Another benefit is that you can visit quite a lot of places that might be difficult to see by other means. In all we saw six countries, Spain, Greece, Croatia, Italy, Malta, and Portugal as well as Gibraltar, and made nine port calls – but that's another tale.

Sue Laver



# PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

## RBC Applications

- 04/00184/  
GDOTEL BT Wholesale (Mark Attenborough), re: Telephone Exchange, Springdale Lane. Installation of 15m column (to replace 10m column) to support four dishes and two other antennae. Council objected for the following reason: - The proposed 15m column would be intrusive in the countryside setting.
- 04/00365/FUL Mr Whittington, The Old Post Office, Main Street. Erection of fencing. Council did not object.
- 04/00460/FUL Mr & Mrs Grindrod, 115 Main Street. Single storey rear extension. Council objected for the following reason: - The style and appearance of the extension is not in keeping with the existing house or consistent with the Village Design Statement and could benefit from consultation with RBC's planners.
- 04/00576/FUL Mr A Talbot, 7 Cross Lane. Erection of 1.8m high timber fence and gates. Council objected for the following reason: - The height of the proposed fence is inappropriate and would damage the street scene. It does not conform to the Village Design Statement recommendations.
- 04/00564/FUL Chase Homes Eastern Ltd., re: Tacet Lea, 52 Kneeton Road. Erection of 5 dwellings following demolition of existing house. Council objected for the following reasons: - This is the second application to demolish a fine quality house and replace it with many others. It represents the making of a village very different from the present rural one. It is not part of a carefully considered change and whilst it puts an additional demand on village resources, it contributes no help. It is a downgrading. In character, it only relates to itself, being devoid of any local quality. The courtyard will be car crowded and unpleasant to view. An additional misfortune is that it is over intensive in a fine wooded landscape that has had houses put into it, which have remained concealed and dominated by a fine 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century landscape. The original developers recognised this and imposed covenants preventing further developments. The villagers and the Parish Council have been pressing for some years for the adoption of the Hall grounds as a conservation area. It is expected this process will be dealt with. The proposals are contrary to the wishes of the community as expressed in the recent Parish Plan. No attempt has been made to discuss the villagers' needs and feelings. The Council view with despair this example of ruthless and ill-considered development and ask the planners to assist in the making of changes that are improvements.
- 1) Other objections and observations are: -  
If there is covenant on the site, of one house per acre, either the original developer can revoke it or the neighbouring plot owners can claim depreciation of property value etc., which can be compensated for by the developer, Chase Homes Ltd.  
The proposal puts a high value on the site and could lead to the whole of the Hall estate being filled in this way, with access ways to five dwellings. This is not desirable. Please refer to the Village Design Statement, pages 35 & 37, zone 2.

- 3) None of the houses has any design merit.
- 4) The view from Kneeton Road of plots 1 and 5 show uncharacteristic and ill-defined structure. Plot 5 has a haphazard window pattern giving a pseudo village vernacular appearance belied by uncharacteristic bargeboards and a mammoth chimney.
- 5) Planning and orientation (NB - North point shown is inaccurate) is mostly unsuitable for the location - although having the appearance of individual design, dining rooms and living rooms face north (plots 4 & 5)
- 6) No choice of materials is shown.
- 7) It is doubtful that the vehicle provision is workable and no details of the entrance are given.
- 8) The development does not reflect the adjacent site density.
- 9) Many of the fine trees may, in time, be regarded as a threat to the properties and could be removed.
- 10) The existing sewer serving the Hall houses may be inadequate. There is no sewer in this part of Kneeton Road.
- 11) Plots 3 & 4 overlook 54 Kneeton Road.
- 12) No levels are shown, therefore, site relationships cannot be assessed

## RBC Decisions

- 03/00255/FUL Mr & Mrs Quine, 65 Kneeton Road. Retention of 1.8m high boundary wall and gate. (Application for *erection* of wall & gate) Grant permission (PC approved erection of wall & gate).
- 03/01472/FUL Mr & Mrs Graham, re: rear of 56 Main Street. Dwelling and vehicular access. Grant permission with conditions. (PC approved)
- 04/00047/FUL Mr S Gleave, 18, Ludgate Drive. Garden Shed. Grant permission. (PC approved)
- 04/00061/FUL M Howkins, Burnham Cottage, 3 College Street. Dormer window. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00184/  
GDOTEL BT Wholesale (Mark Attenborough), re: Telephone Exchange, Springdale Lane. Installation of 15m column (to replace existing 10m column) to support four dishes and two other antennae. Application withdrawn.
- 04/00040/FUL Mr D Richards, Grimes Close, 35 Kneeton Road. Two storey and single storey extensions, convert outbuilding to additional living accommodation. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00064/FUL Andrew & Helen Taylor, Uplands, 11 College Street. Erect wrought iron fence and gates (1.2 metres high). Grant permission with conditions (PC objected).
- 04/00365/FUL Mr Whittington, The Old Post Office, Main Street. Erection of fencing. Grant permission (PC approved).
- 04/00460/FUL Mr & Mrs Grindrod, 115 Main Street. Single storey rear extension. Grant permission (PC objected).
- RBC Notifications: That the following proposed works to a tree in the Conservation Area may proceed: -  
Fell horse chestnut tree at 47 Kneeton Road  
Prune 3 branches from willow, 18 Walnut Tree Lane  
Fell leylandii and prune eucalyptus tree, 35 Kneeton Road  
Fell cherry tree, 6 Mill Cottages

# Unofficial Travel Club

**F**ORTY FIVE PEOPLE LEFT EAST BRIDGFORD on a pleasant Monday morning in March and travelled north by coach. Coffee and delicious home made biscuits were enjoyed at our morning stop before we left the A1 and travelled through Harrogate, followed by Yorkshire villages and moor land. Lambs with their mothers enjoyed the sunshine and birds including buzzards flew overhead. Our lunch break was at a mill where many of us enjoyed shopping. We arrived at our hotel at Grange over Sands in time to unpack and relax before dinner. The hotel was on a hillside overlooking Morecombe Bay and it was just possible to see Blackpool Tower in the distance.

The following day we drove through Kendal and enjoyed a coffee stop at the Shap Wells Hotel, which stands in a hollow in the fells where a spa was built during Victoria's reign. A trout stream ripples by the hotel and deer come down for a drink. We drove on to the outskirts of Penrith and then along the shores of Ullswater, where we enjoyed the sight of the daffodils fluttering and dancing in the breeze, which reminded us all of William Wordsworth's famous poem. We then passed through Patterdale and over the Kirkstone Pass. Here we had a little flurry of snow, although generally throughout our holiday the weather was sunny. We then passed through Troutbeck, where we were reminded of John Peel and his hounds, before passing along the banks of Lake Windermere.

The third day we drove through the Lowther Estate; this belongs to the family of the Marquis of Queensbury, who is known for establishing the rules of boxing and who The Queensberry Belt is named after. We again drove by Lake Windermere and enjoyed a lunch break at Hawkshead. In the afternoon, we explored the delightful village of Cartmel with some visiting the Priory (spared during the dissolution of the monasteries, it recently celebrated its 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary). Others visited the shops and enjoyed sitting in the market square, or in a pub garden or courtyard. We also saw the racecourse, although it was not in use at the time of our visit.

The next day, we drove through the delightful villages of Ambleside, Rydal and Grasmere whilst enjoying the view of mountains, including Helvellyn, which had snow on their tops. Before driving on to Keswick and the pretty lake of Derwentwater, followed by Bassenthwaite Lake and the small town of Cockermouth. We returned via Crummoch Water and Buttermere, where the bracken on the hills still retained in autumnal colour, making it picturesque in the sunshine.

This was sadly our last day and we travelled home through Kendal and across the Yorkshire Moors. This was an excellent holiday with lots of good food, pleasant company and beautifully scenery. Our thanks to Malcolm for again driving us so safely and introducing us to some lesser known places as well as revisiting many much loved ones. Also to Mary and Sandy for organising a very successful trip.

Carol Habieb

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## VILLAGE WALKS

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walks during the  
summer.

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Wednesday  
June 16th  
and  
Thursday  
July 15th

both at 7pm in the  
Village car park.

We hope to see you then.

The Footpath Wardens,  
Hilary, Tony and Mollie.

## WI Report

**I**N COMMON WITH THE OTHER GROUPS in the village, we have had a busy time since our last report! In April we heard about Thornton's chocolates from Margaret Robinson (an excellent speaker who brought lots of samples!) and in May the resolutions to be discussed at the National AGM in Sheffield next month were ably presented for voting by Pam and Irmgard. On 4<sup>th</sup> May we were pleased to welcome nearly 80 ladies, including members from our 'sister' institutes in the Trent Valley Group, to hear the Duchess of Rutland tell us about her life at Belvoir Castle. We were delighted by Her Grace's charming manner and by her relaxed and entertaining talk - this was followed by a delicious light supper, carefully prepared by Irmgard and her sub-committee. At our June meeting the speaker is David Smith whose talk will be on 'Britain in bloom' - do join us at 7.30pm on 8<sup>th</sup> June if you can!

Members were saddened by the recent death of Audrey Metcalfe, a former President of East Bridgford WI. Audrey was elected as president in 1982 (and re-elected 5 more times until she stood down in 1988) and those of us who served on her committee remember her as hard working and enthusiastic with a wonderful sense of fun. Audrey could be blunt and outspoken - she could (and did) ruffle feathers but she had a kind heart and a most likeable personality. Audrey was a very talented woman - she had a fine singing voice and she sang in St Peter's Church choir as well as in the WI choirs at County and local levels.

She produced exquisite embroidery and knitted endlessly to complicated patterns but was also perfectly happy to mass-produce 'juggi jumpers' for the Third World and cot blankets for the premature babies at QMC. Audrey's talent for flower arranging was well known and her phenomenal general knowledge made her an asset to any quiz team. Her keen brain enjoyed the challenge of a hard fought game of Whist and, more recently, the cut and thrust of Bridge. Audrey performed many acts of kindness for others - all willingly done with no thought of thanks or recognition. She will be greatly missed by her many friends in the village and across Nottinghamshire.

Rachel Barclay

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during March & April 2004

Date	Location	Offence
March 6	Kneeton Road	Burglary
10	College Street	Theft
12	Main Street	Theft
12	Cross Lane	Theft of motor vehicle
12	Main Street	Attempted burglary
12	The Lyngs	Burglary
19	College Street	Burglary & theft of motor vehicle
26	College Street	Attempted burglary
April not known	Trent Lane	Attempted burglary
2	Holloway Close	Attempted theft of motor vehicle
2	Cherryholt Close	Theft of motor vehicle
3	Burneham Close	Attempted theft of motor vehicle
4	Kneeton Road	Theft of motor vehicle
4	Main Street	Attempted theft of motor vehicle
5	Kneeton Road	Theft from insecure shed
8	Main Street	Burglary
11	Kneeton Road	Burglary
22	Main Street	Theft
Various	Six instances of criminal damage	

The 12-month moving average is now 9.25 crimes per month.

## Bogus Officials

Criminals posing as local utility officials continue to succeed in tricking their way into homes for the purpose of theft. **DO NOT** allow any such persons into your home without checking their identity cards/authorisation. If they are genuine they will not object. If in **ANY** doubt phone the company but **DON'T** let them enter your home until you have checked and are entirely satisfied with their credentials.

## Cash point Machines

A sophisticated card fraud is being perpetrated in certain areas of the county. I am aware of people who have recently lost large sums of money to these criminal gangs. Machines **outside** banks and supermarkets have been targeted. A device is inserted into the cash point machine, which allows the card to be used 'normally' and your transaction completed but the device reads the magnetic strip on your card. A hidden web cam views your PIN number. The information is transmitted by the criminal gang, probably to London, and a card is replicated and used anywhere in the country to defraud your bank account.

Before using a cash point machine check that it has not been tampered with. Remember these criminals do not have to steal your actual card to defraud you. The cash point machines inside your bank are safer being more difficult to tamper with. **BE ON YOUR GUARD.**

## Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial 999.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial **0115 945 5999**.

David Linnington

Joint Head Co-ordinator – 20818

## Be a Volunteer for the Anne Frank Exhibition

**T**HIS AUTUMN Southwell Minster will be the venue for "Anne Frank – A History for Today", an internationally acclaimed exhibition put together by the Anne Frank Trust, a non-profit making educational charity. Through the tragic yet inspiring story of thirteen year-old Anne, the exhibition invites us to consider the ongoing problems of racism and intolerance.

The free exhibition, organised by Nottinghamshire County Council supported by Southwell Minster, will be open daily to the public but it is hoped that hundreds of children will visit as part of their Citizenship, History or Religious Education studies.

We are looking for volunteers to help with this exciting event. The exhibition opens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October and runs until Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November. We need volunteers to act as Guides and Stewards. Guides will lead a small group (maximum 15) round the exhibition explaining some of the story. This role will appeal to those who are confident interacting with young

people from about 10 to 18 years old, although each group will have their own teacher with them. Stewards will "meet and greet" the groups on arrival, hand out leaflets, help with the general running of the exhibition and will be available to direct the general public. Full training for Guides and Stewards will be given by the Anne Frank Trust.

Can you help? Even if you can only volunteer for a few sessions we would like to hear from you. You will be part of one of the county's major events of the year and will be contributing to the ongoing work of making our society more tolerant and harmonious. Feedback from volunteers at Hereford and Dudley stresses how enjoyable and worthwhile an experience it is for all involved.

If you think that you are the sort of person we are looking for please contact:

Valerie Pearson on 01636 814132  
or Dilys Carby on 01636 817281

*We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.*

## Bingham Tape Scheme

The Bingham Tape Scheme produces a free-of-charge monthly tape of news and items of local interest for blind, severely visually impaired, elderly, sick, disabled and other housebound residents of Bingham, Aslockton, Whatton and East Bridgford. If you know someone who might like to receive copies on a regular basis then please contact Hilda Smith on 01949 837781.

The Tape Scheme is looking for volunteers to help produce the tapes. It

is seeking help in all aspects of its work. It wants interviewers and presenters, short story writers and poets, recording, copying and electronics technicians, a liaison officer to provide the essential link to its recipients and people with general secretarial and financial skills. It would also like to hear from individuals who have the flair to lead its fund raising activities and applications for grants. The maximum time commitment would be about 4 hours per month.

Anyone who feels that they could help is asked to contact the Tape Scheme Chairman, Alan Howe on 01949 837996.

## The Mens Society

There will **not** be a meeting in June, but on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July we have been invited to join the Local History Group on an evening walk around the village of Farndon.

There will be further details in the July Magazine.

Graham Lomax



THE UNIVERSITY  
OF THE THIRD AGE

You are what you eat... so do you know what you are eating? This is the title of the talk that Sheila Smith is giving on June 16<sup>th</sup>. It sounds both intriguing and slightly alarming. Do we want to know? Of course we do, so come along to the meeting in the Methodist Hall, Bingham at 2.00pm to discover some of the secrets hidden in our food. The more we know the more power we have to pressure the unsavoury manufacturers.

To join the U3A contact Jean or Fred Mercer on 01949 877550, or at the monthly meetings.

**WASPS would like to invite you to join in the fun at**

## ST. PETER'S SCHOOL ANNUAL BBQ

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July  
starting at 6.30pm**

**Entrance : 50p children / £1  
adults**

**Lots of stalls, games,  
entertainment, children's  
refreshments, bar and a BBQ!**

## Rushcliffe Council Refuse Collection

In the responses to the Parish Plan questionnaire, a number of people expressed concern about collection of large items. The Council's service has recently changed. Full details are available on the Council's website:

[http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/recycling2go/refuse\\_collection/special\\_collections.htm](http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/recycling2go/refuse_collection/special_collections.htm)

However, the Parish Plan Action Group for Community and Essential Services has produced this short summary from the details on the website.

### Special Collections

#### What can be collected by the Special Collections service?

Household items such as beds, sofas, chairs, dining tables, carpets, cookers, fridges, freezers, washing machines, dishwashers, tumble dryers, televisions, microwaves. The new service will now collect garden furniture and items considered to be a part of the fixtures and fittings of a property (unlike the old system).

#### How to book the service & how much it costs

The service aims to collect your items within a few days of a booking being made. It is £10 for the first item and £5 for every other item. There are no concessions for those on low incomes.. Bookings can be made by calling the Customer Services Centre on 0115 981 9911 between 7.30am and 7pm, Monday to Friday. Payment will be taken in advance over the telephone using your credit or debit card.

Collections will be made on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and you must leave your items in an accessible location outside the property, but not on the public highway (ie road or path). A collection date will be confirmed with you when you call.

If you do not have a credit or debit card you can still use the service. Either go to the Civic Centre or Depot and pay in cash, or write to RBC enclosing a cheque/postal order and your details:

- Name
- Address
- Contact number
- Number of items for collection
- Description of items for collection

Once your payment has been received, you will be contacted to book a suitable date.

All payments are non-refundable.

RBC believes the new system will work more efficiently than the old one.

**Copy Date for the July Issue is Monday 14th June**

## ALL CHANGE AT THE MANOR CARE HOME

**C**ASTLEBECK have recently acquired the Manor Care Home in Kneeton Road, East Bridgford, and plan to re-open it as an independent healthcare facility catering for adults with learning disabilities. I am writing to introduce Castlebeck to local residents, and explain our plans for the former care home.

Castlebeck is a leading independent provider of healthcare, social care, and rehabilitation for adults with learning disabilities. The company currently operates 11 independent hospitals and nursing homes, primarily based in the North East of England and in Scotland. In total, we operate 184 beds, and employ around 400 staff. We work in partnership with the NHS, Local Authorities, and other statutory agencies, and have extensive experience in providing services to individuals from across the United Kingdom.

Castlebeck provides particular expertise in delivering care to those with challenging behaviours, and complex needs. In addition, we also operate specialist treatment centres for adults with autistic spectrum disorders.

The core values of the organisation are commitment, development, and value. These apply equally to our service users, our customers, and our staff.

For some time, Castlebeck has been seeking to acquire sites in the West and East Midlands. We have been working in conjunction with a number of Local Authorities and NHS Trusts, who either have unmet needs presently, or who wish to bring people who are placed a long distance away from their families and other relatives, closer to their roots in the Midlands. The Manor Care Home has been of interest to Castlebeck since it came on the market earlier this year, and we are delighted to have been able to acquire this substantial property, with such a sense of space and tranquillity, and its open views.

We have applied to Rushcliffe Borough Council for Listed Building Consent, to enable us to undertake some internal alterations to the property. We aim to refurbish it in two phases. The first phase will allow us to open 9 beds in September 2004. The second phase would see a further 9 beds open in February 2005. This will provide us with a total of 18 beds, a significant reduction on the numbers previously available within the nursing home. We have recently advertised for staff and hope to recruit as many as possible from the local community.

We will shortly be submitting Planning Applications to slightly enlarge the kitchen and laundry area at the rear of the main house; another to improve the boundary fencing; and another to demolish and rebuild external outbuilding that has lapsed Planning Approval on it, in order to provide a special day therapy unit for residents.

Detailed information about the sort of service that Castlebeck provides can be found on our website, [www.castlebeck.com](http://www.castlebeck.com). We very much enjoyed meeting the Parish Council recently to inform them of our plans, and I hope that we will be in apposition to hold a wider forum in the near future. In the meantime, if anybody has any particular queries, I can be contacted at Castlebeck, 1A Enterprise House, Valley Street North, Darlington, Co Durham, DL1 1GY.

We look forward to being part of your community.

D Cole  
17 May 2004

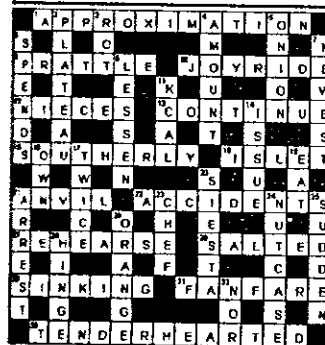
### Across

1. Snake (7)
5. Books of maps (7)
9. Souvenir (7)
10. Fortune-telling cards (5)
11. Unit of length (5)
12. Lever for rowing (3)
13. Liverpudlian (6)
14. Form of lottery (6)
15. Evening (3)
17. Electronic heart regulator (9)
21. Animal park (3)
23. Heavenly body (6)
24. Rupture (6)
27. Magazine (3)
28. A hand tool (5)
29. Rouse (5)
30. Native of modern Israel (7)
31. Endless (7)
32. Speaking (7)

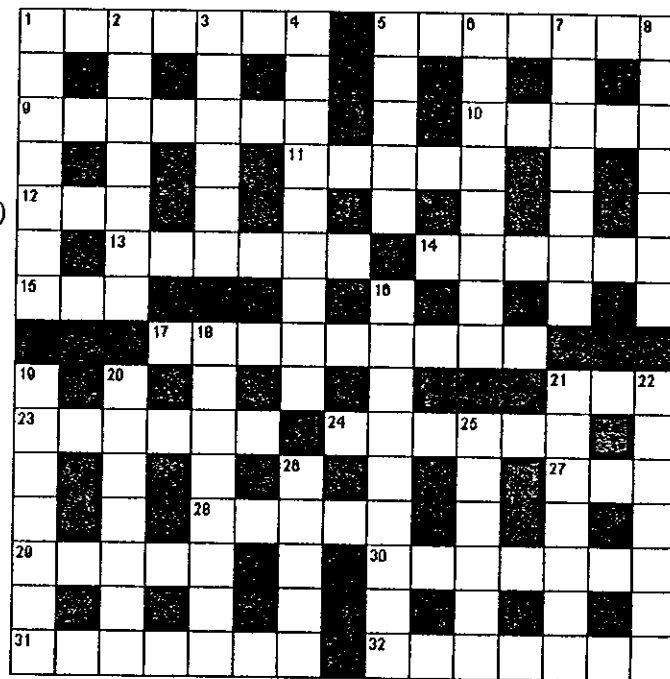
### Down

1. Somebody (7)
2. Regret (7)
3. Warm ocean current (6)
4. Vessel with two masts (3-6)
5. Sharp (5)
6. Able to read and write (8)
7. Untidy (7)
8. Small bag (7)
16. Member of a panel (9)
18. Town in NE Scotland (8)
19. Function (7)
20. Rubbish (7)
21. River in S Africa (7)
22. Continuing (7)
25. Pertaining to a nerve (6)
26. Polite (5)

### Solution to April/May Crossword



## PUZZLE CORNER



### SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

#### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector	Canon Alan Haydock,	
	The Rectory, Kirk Hill	20218
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Keith Cottee	20912
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address	
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month	
	(Coffee is served after this service)	
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service	
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon	
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong	
	Holy Communion (BCP)	

#### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister	Rev John Hudson	837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road	20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd	
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated	

#### St Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens	Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286	
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong	



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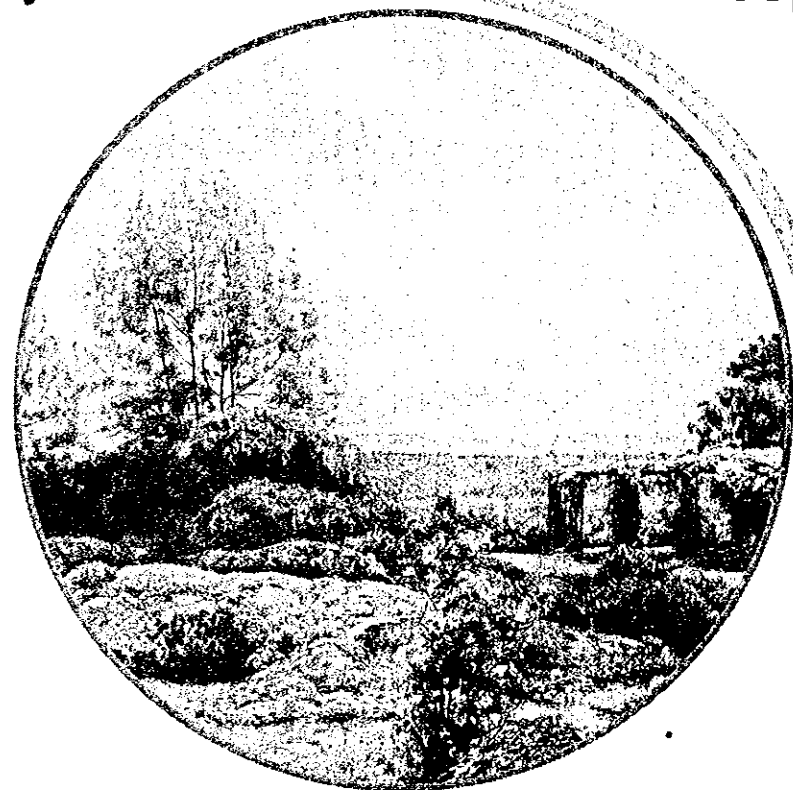


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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## JULY 2004

### Sunday 4 July

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm FEAST SUNDAY Evensong at Shelford  
No Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 7 July

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 11 July

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's - Michael Clarke

### Wednesday 14 July

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 18 July

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 21 July

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 25 July

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's - The Revd. Alfred Graham  
6.30pm No Evensong at St Peter's

### Tuesday 27 July

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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## What's on in JULY

- 1 St Peter's School BBQ, 6.30pm
- 2 EB Sports Club Golf Day
- 2 Parish Funding Supper, 7.30pm, WI Hut
- 3-10 Methodist Church 150th Anniversary Celebrations
- 6 Garden Club Evening Outing to Owthorpe, 6.45pm, Village Car Park
- 8 MU, Enrolment of new members
- 10 Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am - 12pm
- 12-15 St Peter's School Production
- 14 Drama Group AGM, 7.45pm, Village Hall Committee Room
- 15 Village Walk, 7pm, Village Car Park
- 17 MU Coffee Morning, 10am-12pm, 46 Kneeton Road
- 21 MU Annual Luncheon, 1.15pm, WI Hut
- 21 U3A Meeting, 2pm, Methodist Hall, Union Street, Bingham
- 23 History Group Treasure Hunt, 6.30pm, Village Car Park
- 27 History Group & Men's Society visit to Farndon, 6.45pm, Village Car Park
- 27 Garden Club Evening Outing to Newton, 6.45pm, Village Car Park

## MAGAZINE COPY DATES

Issue	Copy Date
August	19 July
September	16 August
October	13 September
November	18 October
December	15 November



*From the Rector*

## The Parish Funding Campaign

In last month's magazine I wrote about our new Parish Funding Campaign. Invitations to the Parish Supper on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July have been delivered to those whose covenants are about to expire and to those who have shown an interest in St Peter's more recently. The invitation is not exclusive however. If you have not received one, but would like to come, please have a word with me.

During the three weeks following the Supper, when everyone has received the information and has had time to consider their response, they will be contacted and invited to join the Regular Giving Scheme at St Peter's. Alternatively, we would encourage you to visit St Peter's Church between 10.15am and 6.00pm on SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY when someone will be available to receive your completed Promise Form or to offer confidential help if required. If you were to choose to do it this way, it would help our administration considerably.

We hope that many new people will want to join those who already support the Church on a regular basis, and that all who already Covenant or Pledge will take this opportunity to review their giving in the light of the Church's current needs and aspirations.

Over the next few weeks we shall all have an opportunity to respond to the essential needs of our Parish Church as generously as we can. **Our Village Church certainly needs increased funding.** If we all play our part, the finances of St Peter's Parish Church will be placed on a secure footing for the future.

Alan Haydock

*Please note: In the ordinary way, we shall not be approaching those families who took out Regular Promises in 2001. If, however, you wish to attend the Supper on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, please contact the Rector. You would be most welcome.*

## Our Church is Grateful

- A bequest in memory of Patrick Blandy
- Generous support for St Peter's Church by Henton and Chattell Ltd., Mower World, when it was urgently needed.
- Donations to the Multiple Sclerosis Society and Diabetes UK in memory of John Bateman.

## Churchyard Working Party

This month's working party will take place on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July.**

We really do need lots more help if we are to maintain our high standards.

AH



The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

East Bridgford  
Care Group  
Mobile answerphone

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name and number*

## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

Yezd Hospital, Persia – Of the six missionaries in charge of the Hospital at Yezd, each one is able and obliged to have a furlough every few years to revisit England; but they do not appear to rest much when they come. Miss Lloyd, who spoke to us in East Bridgford last October, spent much of her holiday in visiting parishes to appeal on behalf of the missionary cause; she again sailed for Yezd in March. Dr Stella Henriques, of Yezd, is now in England, and is adding to her qualifications by taking a study course on 'Eyes' during her so-called holiday, as so many of the Persians suffer from threatened blindness, and she is also visiting parishes to appeal for help to Yezd. In a recent letter from Yezd, Miss Nightingale describes a very exciting incident. While she and Dr Baillie were operating on a Persian woman, whose life they hardly hoped to save, a storm broke the skylight overhead, and an endeavour by two native girls to cover the hole only resulted in showers of glass and mud falling on the unconscious patient. In spite of these difficulties Dr Baillie and Miss Nightingale managed to complete the operation and the patient has recovered to tell how the Christians saved her life. Miss Nightingale recalls that during the incident she and Dr Baillie were conscious of laughing, and writes: 'I expect it was hysterical laughter at the time, but now the patient is out of danger, it has its humorous side,' and Dr Henriques comments, 'All the same you can be sure very thankful prayers are going up in Yezd – that the patient is all right in spite of all. You see, such awful things do happen to us in hospital that if we didn't laugh we should cry instead – and it is better to laugh than to cry, isn't it?' As usual, the members of the staff at Yezd appeal for our prayers on their behalf.

# Kamuli Fund Raising

The Miscellany of Music for May Concert held in St Peter's Church and co-ordinated by Eloise Marson, raised £670 towards ongoing projects in the Kamuli District of Uganda.

Richly deserved praise was expressed by many members of the audience for the quality and content of the concert. Thank you to all the talented singers and instrumentalists for their contribution to this delightful event and to those who continue to support relief work for the needy people of Kamuli.

The income from the concert, added to a generous donation of £150 from the Worldly Goods shop in Bingham, brings the total of funds raised locally so far this year to over £2,000.

Linda Oliver

PS - Congratulations to Eloise, who auditioned successfully to study at the prestigious Cheetham's School of Music in Manchester from September.

# The Mothers' Union

Last year's outing to 'Five Flower Festival Churches in Lincolnshire' was such a success that in April this year we made a return trip. The beautiful flowers in the churches, the lady in Donnington who sang for our group and the tasty hot meal provided for all forty-seven travellers in Pinchbeck church hall more than made up for the unpleasant weather. I understand Barbara Pepper has already been asked, 'Can we do it again next year?'

Teddy Bears of all shapes and sizes were the subject of our talk on 19<sup>th</sup> May, when Mrs A Cooper came to show us some of the bears from her collection and many she has made herself.

We heard too, of the history of Teddy Bears. A real baby bear was presented to Theodore Roosevelt in 1902 so he could shoot it and pose for a photograph. However, he wanted the little bear to be kept alive, and thus it became known as 'Teddy's Bear'. Marguerite Steiff, (founder of the Steiff Company) produced toy teddy bears the same year. Soon her teddies became so popular that she was known as the 'Stradivarius of stuffed toys'. Other companies followed in her footsteps and later different styles of bears came into fashion. Four years ago a vintage Steiff bear raised an amazing £130,000 at auction. The collective noun for teddies is 'a hug of bears' and we were all hugging bears long after the talk ended.

Rosemary Mills

*We meet every third Wednesday in the month  
2.00pm in the WI Hut.*

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July** at 7.30pm, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of EB Methodist Church including the enrolment of our new MU members.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July**, MU Coffee Morning at the home of Mr & Mrs Fred Hunt, 46 Kneeton Road, 10.00am - 12pm.  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**, Annual Luncheon in WI Hut 1.15pm.

*All Visitors Welcome*

# Children's Society Boxes

I should be grateful if those who have Children's Society Boxes in their homes would hand them into St Peter's Church or the Rectory during the course of this month. It would also save me time, if the boxes were opened, the money counted, a cheque made payable to the Children's Society and passed to me. I am aware, however, that several people prefer to hand in the box for receipting and re-labelling. Either way, many thanks to all who support the Society in this and other ways.

Alan Haydock

# VILLAGE WALKS

Don't forget that there is one more evening walk during the summer.

on  
**Thursday  
July 15<sup>th</sup>**

at 7pm in the Village car park.

*We hope to see you then.*

The Footpath Wardens,  
Hilary, Tony and Mollie.

# Local History Group

## WALKING TREASURE HUNT

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2004 - Our ever-popular walking treasure hunt around the village will be starting in the village car park at 6.30pm. Why not come along with family /friends and form a team. Four adults per team (maximum) but an unlimited number of children can be part of your team! Entry £1 per adult but free for children. There will be a prize for the winning team awarded at the end of the evening. The end point is more than likely to be a local hostelry!

## VISIT TO FARNDON

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July - The History Group and the Men's Society have been invited by the Farndon and District Local History Society to visit their village on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. They will take us on a conducted tour of their village and we will round off the evening with light refreshments.

There is an open invitation to anyone to come along but please let me have names by Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July. We will meet in OUR village car park at 6.45pm in good time to drive to St. Peter's Church, Farndon to meet our hosts at 7.15pm. There will be no charge.

Bill Whitaker  
Secretary  
E.B. 20982.

**FRIDAY 2nd JULY  
7.30pm**

**Funding Supper  
in the WI Hut**

# East Bridgford Methodist Church

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations 3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> July 2004

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 10.00am to 12pm Coffee Morning – Bring and buy and bric-a-brac

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July 10.00am Revd. Vernon Bullock  
6.00pm Songs of Praise

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 6.45pm Fish and Chip Supper (entrance by ticket)

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm Anniversary Service – Chairman Canon Alan Haydock – Speaker Revd. Wes Blakey (Chairman of Nottingham/Derby District) – Refreshments to follow – entrance free

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm 'Mission on Horseback' – a Musical life of John Wesley by Darnbrook & Mills – Followed by refreshments (entrance by ticket)

*All week there will be a display of memorabilia from the earlier days of the Church and the wider world of Methodism.*

Information and tickets available from  
John Hunter (01949 20179) or David Atkins (01949 20390)

### From the Registers

#### Holy Baptism

6 June Annie Hannah BRADFORD

#### Holy Matrimony

15 May Jonathan PEARCE and Amanda Jane BACKHOUSE

## This Month's Recipe - Yoghurt and Lemon Ice

2 eggs  
2 egg yolks  
7oz (200g) caster sugar  
Finely grated zest and juice of 4 lemons  
3oz (75g) of butter (in pieces)  
1lb 2 oz (500g) Greek yoghurt

- Place whole eggs, egg yolks and lemon zest into a bowl with sugar and butter. Add 6 fl oz of lemon juice.
- Stand the bowl over a pan of simmering water and gently stir for around 20 minutes, until the sugar has dissolved and the mixture has thickened. Remove bowl from heat, leave to cool, stirring occasionally.
- Put yoghurt in a separate bowl and then fold in the cool lemon mixture until evenly blended.
- Freeze in a shallow container, whisking two or three times during the freezing process to prevent large ice crystals forming.
- Soften slightly before serving, by transferring to room 20 minutes before serving.

## Floodlighting Diary

### JULY

June 26 to July 3 Feast Week  
2 CLAIRE HILLS – Head Chorister:  
Wishing you a Happy 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
3 In loving remembrance of MADELEINE PARKER  
Floodlights will be additionally lit on 4<sup>th</sup> July  
3 Thomas the Apostle  
18 In loving memory of KEN SMITH  
22 Mary Magdalene  
25 James the Apostle  
29 With loving birthday memories of ANN WRIGHT

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration. These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine or by a private dedication.

All requests for floodlighting to be included in August's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close or by phone (20528) before press closing - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Copy Date for the August Issue is Monday 19th July 2004

## Bingham and District Choral Society SUMMER CONCERT

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Bingham and District Choral Society held their summer concert in Bingham Leisure Centre where, in the first half, they performed Mozart's Solemn Vespers. This was written by the 24 year-old Mozart when he was employed in Salzburg by Prince Archbishop Colloredo who demanded simplicity and brevity. The young Mozart met this brief admirably with this setting for four soloists, chorus and orchestra.

The music has lovely melodies, especially the Laudate Dominum for soprano soloist (Sarah Flanagan). She was joined by Susan Marrs (Mezzo-soprano), Nicholas Mulroy (Tenor) and Leslie Flanagan (Baritone). Together they sang many sections as a very fine quartet.

The choir and soloists were accompanied by the Bingham Concert Orchestra all under the skilful baton of Neville Ward; the Musical Director and founder of BDCS. The orchestra also performed Mozart's Divertimento in D major to close the first half of the concert. This composition dates from 1772 when Mozart was only 16 and is light-hearted and good humoured in the first and last movements, these being balanced by the central slow movement that is restful and elegant in contrast.

The second half of the programme consisted of a performance of Haydn's Harmoniemesse. This was the last of his masses, written in 1802, and is so named because it is scored for a large number of wind instruments which gives the work an almost Beethovenian force. The dramatic opening of the Kyrie with its unexpected harmonies for the choir gives an element of surprise. The Gloria and Credo start and finish with vigour, changing to a more reflective mood with a beautiful alto solo sung with great feeling by Susan Marrs. A still and tranquil Sanctus changes to a Hosanna which dances for joy! The cheerful Benedictus is followed by an exquisitely scored Agnus Dei and the piece finishes with the Dona Nobis Pacem on a note of triumph. A triumph also for the conductor Neville Ward, who had trained the members of BDCS over the past five months, and on the night brought the different elements of the concert together so successfully. All those involved richly deserved the final applause of an appreciative audience who clearly enjoyed this rare musical experience in the Bingham Leisure Centre sports hall.

The next concert will be on 6th November in Newark Parish Church when they will be singing John Rutter's Requiem and will be joined by a choir from Kortrijk, Belgium.

Sylvia Aldworth

## Bingham and District Choral Society New Term

Our new term starts on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September and we always welcome new members to our friendly, active society for which no auditions are held, so if you enjoy singing, come along! We rehearse every Tuesday from 7.15 to 9.30pm. in the main hall of Toot Hill School.

The next term will be particularly exciting as we are preparing for a concert on 6th November when we will sing John Rutter's Requiem with a visiting choir from Belgium. We have already visited the Kortrijk Choir (pronounced Kortric) on their home ground, now they will be our guests.

The programme will include a short orchestral piece and a work commissioned by the Kortrijk Choir who will perform its première in November at St Mary's Church, Newark.

For further information and a copy of the B&DCS Newsletter, ring 839991, or you can visit our web site on [www.binghamchoral.org.uk](http://www.binghamchoral.org.uk)

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### *'I Wish I Hadn't Said That....'*

'Rail travel at high speed is not possible, because passengers, unable to breathe, would die of asphyxia' – Dr Dionysius Lardner (1793 – 1859), professor of natural philosophy and astronomy at University College, London. He also asserted that no large steamship would ever be able to cross the Atlantic, since it would require more coal than it could carry. Two years later the Great Western crossed the Atlantic.

'If Beethoven's Seventh Symphony is not by some means abridged, it will soon fall into disuse' – Philip Hale, Boston music critic, 1837.

'I played the music of that scoundrel Brahms. What a giftless \*\*\*\*\*! It annoys me that this self-inflated mediocrity is hailed as a genius. Why, by comparison with him, Raff is a genius' – Tchaikovsky's diary, 9 October 1886.

'Heaven and Earth were created all together in the same instant, on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 4004BC at nine o'clock in the morning' – Dr John Lightfoot, vice chancellor of Cambridge University, just before the publication of Darwin's Origin of the Species.

## WI Report

At our meeting in June, Mr David Smith gave an illustrated talk, 'Britain in Bloom'.

His talk depicted the beauty and in many cases the rarity, of our wild flowers, brought to life by his excellent photography. Many of his photographs had been taken in and around the area he lives near Mansfield.

We served refreshments once again at the Horticultural Show on the 26th June and were delighted to see so many villagers and friends on that day.

Our next meeting is our garden meeting, which this year, will be held on 13 July in Jane and Ian Seel's beautiful garden. We are sure the evening will be fine and warm, and ask everyone to bring a chair. If the weather is unsettled we will meet as usual in the WI Hut, a notice to this effect will be displayed on the WI Notice Board. We will then have our summer break and meet again on 14 September when Mrs Marian Atkinson will take us back to 'Costumes of a Bygone Age'.

## The Mens Society

There will be a joint visit with the History Group to Farndon village hall on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July.

If you wish to go, please inform Bill Whitaker (20982) by Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>, and meet at 6.45pm in our village car park.

The autumn speaker programme will begin on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Graham Lomax

## U3A

### THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Anyone who has been on the guided walks given by Val Henstock will know how interesting and instructive they are.

Come along to the meeting on **July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2.00pm** Methodist Hall, Union Street, Bingham, when Val will take us for a 'Ramble round the Vale of Belvoir'. You will be enthralled by her knowledge of the history and heritage of this area.

There will be no meeting in August but don't miss the AGM and 4th Birthday of Bingham U3A on **September 15<sup>th</sup>**.

To join the U3A contact Fred or Jean Mercer on 877550 or at the monthly meetings.

## The Watcher

Hello Readers,

While our editors were away on a luxury cruise I too was on an extended break. Sadly, the pony - trekking month in Wolverhampton was a bit of a disappointment - nothing like the brochure.

Next week we are off to Norfolk for a "learn mountaineering" holiday. According to the website, Foolsparadise.com, after 10 days intensive training we are guaranteed to be able to scale every mountain in East Anglia. For only £3,500 a head, including all equipment, oxygen tanks and cable car passes, I think we've got a bargain.

Since I've been away all sorts of things have been happening in and around East Bridgford's sordid underbelly. Several of you pushed notes through my door to tell me about the curious goings on in the west side of the village. It seems a party was thrown which started quietly enough, but ended up with three well-known couples playing 'Swap!' in the living room, whilst a troupe of acrobatic midgets hired for the occasion, gambolled in the garden. Wish I could have been there.

Your correspondence over the past few weeks has left me with a bulging sack, so to relieve the pressure slightly I shall share two items with you.

Dear Watcher,

I am very excited about the forthcoming Euro 2004 soccer tournament and want to place a bet on England. What do you think ?

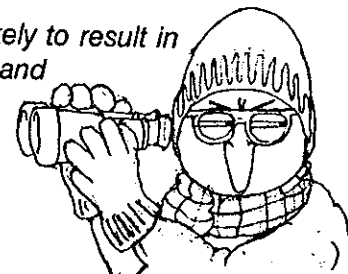
*W : Forget it. We will be beaten in the semi-final by Italy, after David James fists yet another corner into his own net, thereby finishing as England's top scorer.*

Dear Watcher,

Every time I go into Bingham I feel intimidated by a group of extremely ugly, baseball cap wearing, pavement - spitting, foul-mouthed low-lives that hang around by the off-license. Any suggestions ?

*W : I have several suggestions, all of which are likely to result in your doing a bit of time for GBH. Do what I do and make it look like an accident.*

The Watcher.





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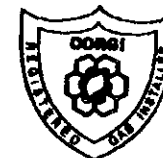
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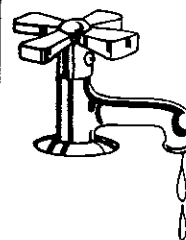


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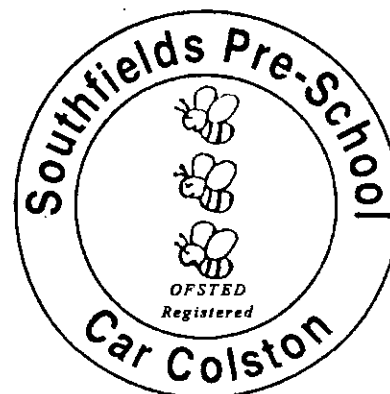
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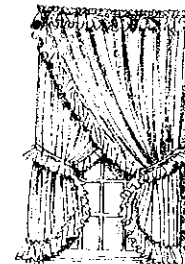
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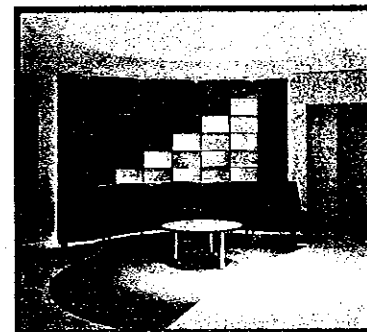
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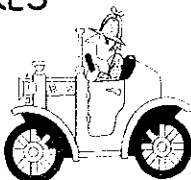
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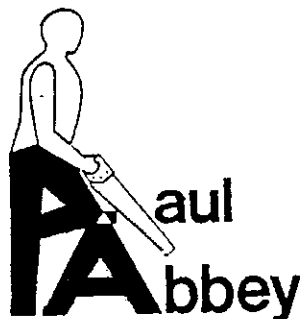
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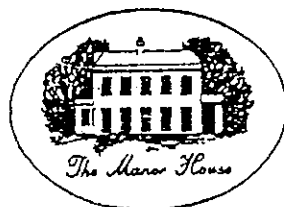
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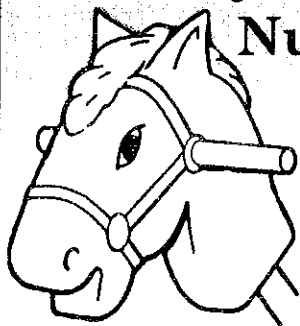
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# Garden Club

## PLANT SALE

The Club held a Plant Sale in the Village Hall, on Saturday 12th June. Once again this proved to be a popular event and the three nurseries selling plants enjoyed brisk sales throughout the morning.

## EVENING OUTINGS

The first evening outing is to Helen Hutson's new garden at Owthorpe on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Wine and refreshments will be served during the evening and the charge will be £1.50. Members and their guests should assemble at the village car park at 6.45p.m.

The second outing will be to Sandie Fearn's garden at Newton on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. Wine and refreshments will be served during the evening and the charge will be £1.50. Members and their guests should assemble at the village car park at 6.45p.m.

## AUTUMN SHOW

The Club's Autumn Show will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September and is open to both members and non-members. Show schedules will be sent to members in the middle of July. Non-members can obtain a copy of the Schedule from the Secretary, Freida Tweed, Tel: 01949 20432 or from the Chairman, Ian Seel, Tel: 01949 20526.

Ian Seel

## I Don't Wish to Know That!

Two men met each others on the beach in Majorca. One looked at the other and asked, 'Are you brown from the sun?' 'No, replied the other, 'I'm Smith from the Times.'

A man once walked into a shop which sold musical instruments and brought a very expensive mouth organ. As the shopkeeper wrapped up the purchase he said, 'You know, this is quite amazing. We normally don't sell many mouth organs, but this is the second I've sold today. 'Oh,' said the customer, that must have been our Monica.'

Why do elephants have big ears?  
Because Noddy won't pay the ransom.

Two seagulls were flying over the beach at a seaside resort one boiling hot August Bank Holiday afternoon. Every way they looked, there were so many people there wasn't a speck of sand to be seen. 'Ah,' said one to the other contemptuously, 'takes all the skill out of it, doesn't it?'

# Parish Council News

The Council approved the holding of an open day for all the clubs and groups within the village so that residents have better knowledge of what is provided. A provisional date and venue has been set of Oct 24<sup>th</sup> in the WI Hut.

We are unable to agree to pay for structural work to the wall that supports the school playground on Kneeton Road. Concerns have been expressed about its safety and these are being referred to Notts. County Council who have responsibility for major structural repairs to schools and school grounds.

RBC has agreed to our request for a review of the Conservation Area and officers from the authority will be coming to explain procedures. We were pleased to hear of an initiative (from a Parish Plan Action Group) to involve the young people in discussions with authority workers in order to improve provision for the youth of the village.

We are taking up the offer for a public meeting about the Manor Care Home when Castlebeck Care will outline their plans for how they will be using the property.

We have agreed a grant of £100 to Neighbourhood Watch and £100 for flowering plants for the triangle at the junction of College Street and Cherry Holt Lane.

We have received a report from RoSPA on the state of equipment in the children's play area which was largely satisfactory. Matters needing attention were classed as low risk. The council are concerned about the continued use of the football posts during the summer which does not allow the turf around them to recover sufficiently for the following season. It is hoped that they can be removed during the summer months.

Public comment centred on two issues. One was an objection to an application for planning permission on Moss Close which the council subsequently supported. The other was about a dangerous horse in a field off Cherry Holt Lane through which there is a public footpath. The council will be contacting the owners who have a legal responsibility for the safety of walkers.

As usual at this time of year, there is an excessive growth of hedges and trees which border public footpaths and owners are asked to ensure that public rights of way are not obstructed.

John Chater

15<sup>th</sup> June 2004

# A Beginner's Guide to Cruising - 2

I reckon the best way to arrive at any resort is by sea. Not only is the approach majestically slow, a ship with the benefit of height, offers a magnificent view. If you ever get the chance, approach Venice from the Adriatic Sea via the lagoons and the Lido. Our ship eased its way through the narrow shipping lanes, avoiding the large tripod posts that mapped a safe course for the captain and the pilot, while passengers, with cameras clicking, drank in scenes depicted by Canaletto – the Grand Canal, St Mark's Square, the Doge's Palace – all glistening brightly in the sun.

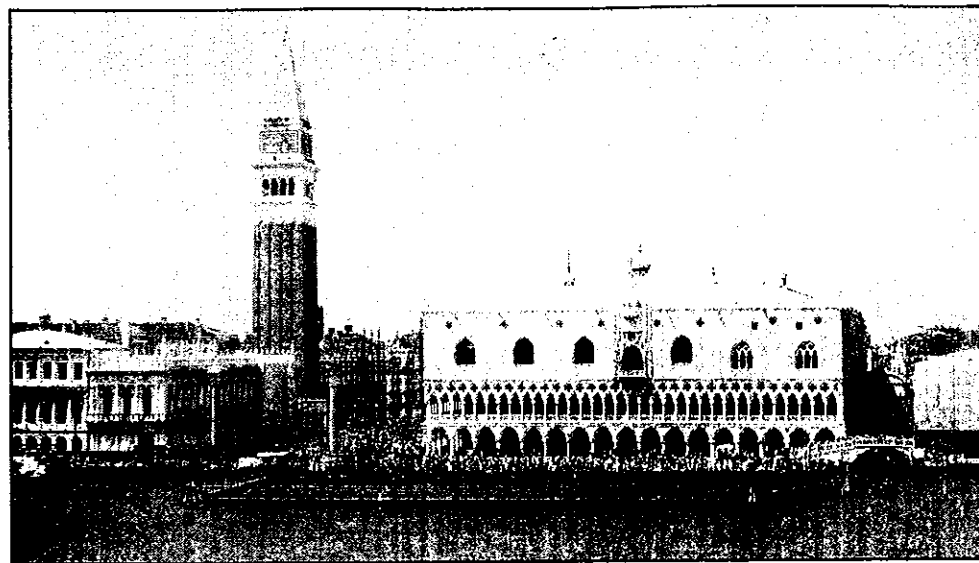
Venice was the midpoint of our cruise, where some passengers disembarked and an equal number joined us to complete the return journey. To our minds a fly-cruise holiday, complete with airport hassle, takes away from the cruise experience. Boarding at Dover and remaining on the ship for a whole three weeks until its return seemed to us to be the least taxing way to travel. And we took as much luggage as we could carry - not *quite* the full 90kg allowed for each traveller, making us wonder how we would have coped with the airlines' usual limit of 20kg. After all, I needed plenty of changes – evening gear, semi-formal, casual, cold spell clothes and so on...

We soon learned that we needed to organise our time ashore, as the ship only stopped at each port for one day, at the most. We dreaded not getting back to the boat on time, so we avoided visits to remote places, to ensure a decent time margin for our return. At a number of ports, we decided just to get off the ship and wander around taking in sights and sounds. This was a great success, except at Cartagena, in southern Spain, where, being Sunday, the town was closed. Still, a couple of museums were open, and we digested facts about the Carthaginians who ruled the port until the Romans took over.

In Lisbon, a vintage 4-wheel tram ride rattled us around narrow streets, while we listened to the driver who drew our attention to interesting sights, which included the allegedly, narrowest house in the world. In between his commentary, given in excellent English, he conducted his private business, by passing a handbag to a young woman on the pavement, stopping the trolley to speak to an older woman and hailing virtually every other Lisbon male sunning himself outside one of the numerous cafes.

Apart from Venice, we thought that the lovely ports of Split and Dubrovnik in Croatia were a real 'serendipity'. It's a country that is gradually getting back on its feet after civil war and the old walled city of Dubrovnik has been completely restored. Narrow streets and roads that led off the Main Street and square made a picture at every turn and a stroll on the top of the city's defence wall would have given a brilliant view, except that my legs weren't up to climbing a lot of steps.

Never having been to Valetta or Malta before, the architecture struck me as being particularly Arabic. The houses have flat roofs and the sandy coloured brick reflects the bright sun. There were few trees or greenery evident, except when we discovered a garden of remembrance, dedicated to men and women who'd lost their lives at sea. Valetta was the only port where we decided to forgo the ship's lunch and once settled in a restaurant we liked the look of, we both opted for a local speciality, grilled fish, with an unpronounceable name. It overwhelmed our dinner plate, as it did us. Choosing the best port tour can call for some inspired guesswork. We chose to



A View from the Bridge - well, the Observation Lounge, actually.

go on a trip where we thought the local port didn't have much to offer. All the tours were informative, but one walking expedition we took in Split became a problem because other things claimed our attention, while the guide expounded upon the intricate life of Diocletian. His Palace in the centre of Split had to compete with an unavoidable distraction - a loo stop that caused a massive queue in a local bar. However, we escaped to explore the bustling shops and market and admire the architecture, similar to that of Venice.

The guide was useful in Gibraltar, for I was mightily suspicious of the Barbary Apes, having heard how mischievous they are. Surprisingly, the apes live like tramps on the steep hillsides and venture into town at night to scavenge food from bins, but they didn't bother us for we left our bags in the bus and kept a safe distance from them. In Kefalonia in Greece, now more famous for the film 'Captain Morelli's Mandolin' than for its limpid turquoise seas and unspoilt countryside, we visited caves where Maria Callas once practised her singing. An opera enthusiast from our boat attempted to do the same, with ear splitting results.

Our last stop was at La Coruña, Northern Spain, where we drove inland to Santiago de Compostela, passing real pilgrims on their way to the cathedral that houses the bones of the apostle, St James. On this occasion Sunday was the day to visit, for at a quarter to ten, every bell rang in every church in town. It was a deafening sound, a cacophony to frighten away devils, according to our guide.

Having visited seven countries and nine ports, over the 3-week period we arrived at Dover early in the morning just as the sun was rising, making the white cliffs gleam in the early morning haze. We returned with a wonderful collection of snapshot memories. All the ports of call were sampled in a calm, stress-free environment with maximum security and comfort. If we ever feel more intrepid, I'll guess we'll book a white-water rafting holiday – but when I think about it, I guess not, for I do like my comforts.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

04/00761/FUL	Kingfisher Wharf Ltd., re: The Wharf, Trent Lane. Erection of building for use as office in connection with chandlery. Council did not object.
04/00684/FUL	Castlebeck Care (Teesdale) Ltd., re: The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Extension of laundry/boiler room, re-position external staircase, fill in swimming pool, repair/part rebuild wall to walled garden, new fence to new boundary. Council did not object. Observations: - The keeping of the building and fine landscape accords with villagers' wishes. Upkeep of the grounds is not mentioned.
04/00685/LBC	Castlebeck Care (Teesdale) Ltd., re: The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Extension of laundry/boiler room, re-position external staircase, fill in swimming pool, repair/part re-build wall to walled garden, new fence to new boundary. Council did not object.
MS112	Mr & Mrs Cornell, re: A6097 Lay-by. Licence for mobile snack bar. Council did not object. Recommend better maintenance of site, regarding litter and churning up verge.
04/00782/FUL	Mr & Mrs Wood, Cherrycroft, 44 College Street. Conversion of barn to Granny annexe. Council did not object. Observations: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The ancient boundary stone needs keeping</li> <li>2. The fine cast iron circular light in-fill at College Street gable and brickwork should be kept.</li> <li>3. The single storey roof is very elderly asbestos cement. If it is replaced, it should be by slates similar to the main roof.</li> <li>4. The skerry stone base at Cherrycroft Lane side should be kept.</li> <li>5. Drawing does not show wall deformation to 2 storey at Cherrycroft Lane end.</li> <li>6. It appears the connecting link roof between 44 and outbuildings is to be removed - not shown on the existing drawings.</li> </ol>
04/00790/FUL	Mr & Mrs Blades, 5 Moss Close. Two-storey side, single storey front and rear extensions. Council objected. Observations: - This proposal profoundly disturbs the pleasing spacing of Moss Close, is out of character and over intensive. It is contrary to the principles of the village development plan and is not an improvement. The Council has been advised that the site dimensions shown may be inaccurate, especially in regard to spacing between houses.
RBC Notification	That the following proposed works to a tree in the Conservation Area may proceed: - Reduce canopy of walnut tree by a third at 6 Kneeton Road.

## From your Borough Councillor

### Development Control - Planning Applications

Last month's article covered the Local Structure Plan. As the handling of Applications for Planning Approval is one of the most time consuming, and certainly the most contentious, of my responsibilities I will continue with the planning theme.

You will be pleased to be reassured that planning applications are not decided on the whim of the borough (or myself), they are all assessed strictly against the terms of the agreed Borough Local Plan and the regional and national guidelines - see last month's article.

#### The procedure followed

When a Planning Application is received a Notice is displayed on the highway adjacent to the premises involved, and on the village notice board. Consultation notices are sent to all immediate neighbours. Copies of the drawings and consultation forms are sent to the Parish Council. The target for reaching a decision is 6 - 8 weeks with at least 3 weeks for public consultation.

Anybody, not just neighbours and the Parish Council, may submit objections or comments about an application. Application drawings are available at the Development Control reception in the Civic Centre, West Bridgford.

Much more conveniently you can look at the application and its drawings on the Internet, and submit comments online. Take the Planning Reference from the notice, then go to [www.rushcliffe.gov.uk](http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk) and follow the links to "Planning and Development". (I view the applications this way - rarely do I need to look at the original drawings).

#### The Powers and Duties of the Borough Councillor

I have a statutory duty to consider all Planning Applications within my Ward. With the exception of very significant applications, the Planning Officer and the Ward Member can reach a decision between themselves under "delegated powers". About 85% of applications are so resolved. I can refer an application to the Development Control Committee for decision if I disagree with the Planning Officer's interpretation of the planning guidelines, whereupon I can argue my case to the committee. It will also go to the committee if I feel it my duty to "declare an interest" (eg a friend or neighbour is applying), but in this case I cannot be present whilst it is discussed.

I am prepared to listen to the views of residents on any application, and welcome seeing any letters of objection, but I cannot of course commit to accepting your opinion. I do also "take note" of the views of the Parish Council - although I am not bound by its decisions. It must be understood that my comments (and indeed yours) must be properly founded on the planning guidelines - "we do not like it" has no validity and would certainly be rejected on appeal. That said, there can be a lot to decide in the interpretation and weight given, in each case, to the many policies (the latest plan contains 85), and to the relevance of some phrases, for example "over-intensive", "exceptional circumstances", "preserving character", "inappropriate development". There is, I assure you, never a dull moment.

Nigel Lawrence

# Neighbourhood Watch

## Crime Figures

The crime figures for May have not been provided by the Police. Hopefully they will be available together with June's figures for next month's issue.

## Burglary

Rushcliffe has one of the highest reported rates of burglary in the County. In a large percentage of these cases the burgled premises were insecure. Police advice is

"If you want to avoid becoming a victim ensure that you lock your house properly, whether you are in or out".

It only takes a few seconds for a thief to gain entry to your insecure property and to steal your possessions.

Take extra care this summer. Don't leave doors and windows open at the front or side of your property whilst you are outside at the back.

## DON'T MAKE IT EASY FOR CRIMINALS.

## Car Theft

Car thieves operating in this area continue to target high value vehicles. Homes are being broken into specifically to steal the car keys enabling the vehicle to be stolen.

Ensure that your vehicles are secure with alarms activated as appropriate and that your car keys are not left where a thief can easily find them.

## Secure your Shed

Make certain you secure your garden and allotment sheds and also your garage. Summer is the time of year when criminals know that gardeners are replacing old equipment and tools. Stolen property of this kind is highly desirable to criminals as it is virtually untraceable once sold on at car boot sales or other cash in hand venues.

## Criminal Damage & Anti Social Behaviour

A very small number of individuals continue to cause annoyance, distress and fear within our village by behaving in an anti social manner. They are CRIMINALS and to stop them they should be reported to the Police who will take action when names/evidence can be provided.

## Scheme Co-ordinator

A co-ordinator is required to take over part of Kneeton Road from the Old Police House to Cherryholt Lane. The duties are not too onerous and if you feel you could assist our Scheme please give me a call.

## Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial 999.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial 0115 945 5999

David Linnington, Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

# East Bridgford St Peter's School

## WASPS (St. Peter's School PTA)

We would just like to say 'thank you' to everyone who participated or helped with the Family Sponsored Walk that took place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

The afternoon was very warm and we had an excellent turnout.

We hope that you all had an enjoyable walk

## School News

There has been so much happening during the summer term at St. Peter's. The sunshine yielded an impressive turnout for the WASPS sponsored walk to Kneeton followed by much needed refreshments back at school. Year 4 enjoyed a Greek day and came home with their very own Togas! Year 6 has been in Ashbourne for their residential trip.

In Sport the Lacrosse team succeeded in reaching the last 8 teams in the National Lacrosse Finals in Manchester, a fantastic achievement. There has been the usual preparation for sports day, it is great to see the children practising on Butts field. No doubt there will be some parents in training too! There will be services at St. Peter's Church for both Reception and Year 6 Children.

We are looking forward to The Village Show, Feast Week, the school BBQ evening on July 1<sup>st</sup> and the school production of "There's No Business Like Show Business" on 12<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> July.

Helen Taylor

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## A SIDEWAYS LOOK

*Harris kept on turning to the right, but it seemed a long way,  
and his cousin said he supposed it to be a very big maze.*

*"Oh, the very largest in Europe." said Harris.*

*"Yes, it must be," replied the cousin*

*"because we've walked a good two miles already."*

*From Three Men in a Boat, by Jerome K. Jerome*

Great news for the 'nimbys' of the village – which must mean just about all of us; Rushcliffe Borough Council no longer has an obligation to build houses within the village, the 75 planned on Butt lane near the Medical Centre springs to mind. Neither will 3000 be built at Newton; wonder what will become of that? We remain 'as is', and we are not going to be a suburb of West Bridgford. The sword of Damocles remains poised at a safe distance...for now.

I mention this because for those of you who are not familiar with the maze of footpaths that traverse this leafy village, more housing could mean more footpaths. Please do not think I wish to impress upon you that I have some sort of phobia against them and want to form an anti-footpath vigilante group, I do not. Nothing can be finer on a glorious summer's eve or on a crisp winter morn than meandering along a randomly chosen path, away from the traffic with only birds, the murmur of insects and the rustle of trees and hedges for company. After a while it ends and one has a choice of several other paths. But, and here's the rub, I do have rather a poor sense of direction coupled with an insatiable sense of adventure. Result: lost and bewildered.

Jungle survival training and that cub badge I was awarded for growing watercress are of no use at times like these, it's humanity against the elements and you are on your own. Rarely does one encounter a fellow wayfarer let alone someone who actually knows where he or she is going. Few other villages are blessed with such a spaghetti of footpaths, I implore you to sample the delights and also 'get lost' in them.

Some could date back as far as Neolithic times because I have observed a form of primitive artwork on walls and fences, but I suspect they actually emanate from twenty-first century human form encapsulating a primitive brain and armed with a paint spray can!

By the way, does anyone have a camel and compass they wish to dispose of...?

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### PARISH PUMPS WORKSHOP

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The next workshop will be held on Saturday 17 July at Southwell.

'Parish Pump' comprises a network of individuals active in their local communities who have registered to receive environmental news and information. Eventually the Foundation hopes that there will be at least one Parish Pump in every parish in the country. As editors of this magazine we have been receiving copies of the Parish Pump Newsletter, and have reprinted any items we have felt to be of interest to residents. If there is any individual or group within the village who would be interested in actively representing the village as the 'Parish Pump' you can contact The Conservation Foundation at the official website address:

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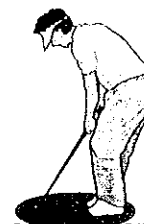
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Cost is £38 per person, which includes the evening meal.

Prizes for top team, longest drive, nearest pin, etc.

Maximum Handicap 24 will apply. Tee-off from 12.30pm.

Entry forms from George Whitt (20557) or Richard Watkins (20080)

# The Wonderbra

By Pam Ayres

I bought myself a Wonderbra  
For fourteen ninety nine,  
It looked so good on the model girl's chest,  
And I hoped it would on mine,  
I took it from the packaging  
And when I tried it on,  
The Wonderbra restored to me  
All I believed had gone

It gave me such a figure,  
I can't believe it's mine,  
I showed it to my husband  
And it made his eyeballs shine,  
And when I served the breakfast,  
The kids cried out, 'Hooray!  
Here comes our darling mother,  
with her bosom on a tray!'

I didn't really need one,  
my present bra, it's true,  
Had only been in constant use  
Since nineteen eighty-two,  
But the silhouette I dreamed about,  
Is mine, is mine at last,  
And builders on the scaffolding,  
Drop off as I walk past

Let's all salute the Wonderbra,  
The Wonderbra, the Wonderbra,  
Let's all salute the Wonderbra  
For fourteen ninety-nine!

## Self-Evident Truths

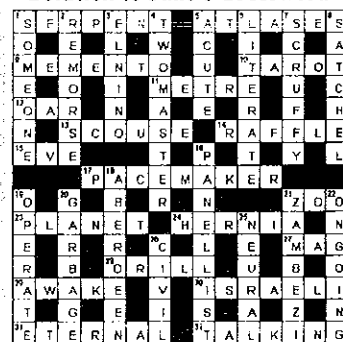
*Let us pause to consider the English,  
Who when they pause to consider themselves  
they get all reticently thrilled and tinglish,  
Because every Englishman is convinced of one thing,  
viz.:*

*That to be an Englishman is to belong to the most exclusive club there is.*  
'England Expects' (1938)  
Ogden Nash  
American Humorist

*One matter Englishman don't think in the least funny is their happy consciousness of possessing a deep sense of humour.*

'Mechanical Bride' (1951)  
Marshall McLuhan  
Canadian communications scholar

### Solution to June's Crossword



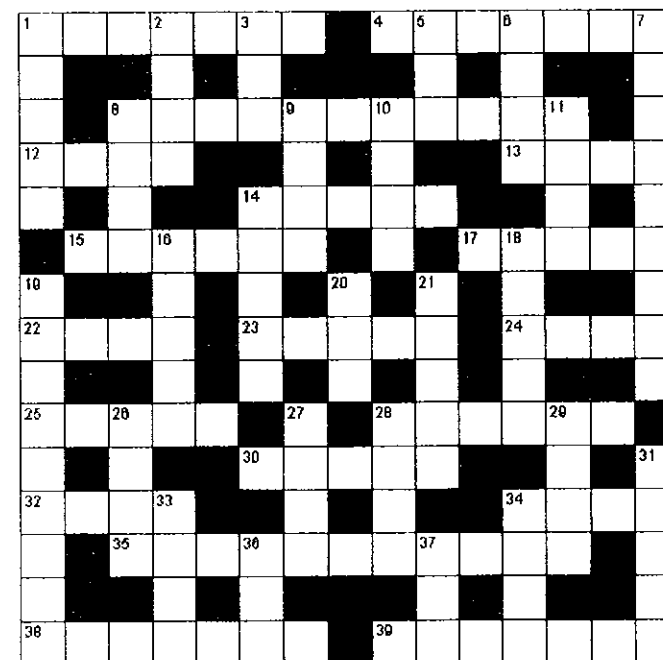
## Across

1. Smart (7)
4. Hits (7)
8. Lottery (11)
12. Monkeys (4)
13. Relocate (4)
14. Mix smoothly (5)
15. Tell positively (6)
17. Dull yellowish brown (5)
22. Doing nothing (4)
23. Poles (5)
24. Gaming cubes (4)
25. Go into (5)
28. Harsh (6)
30. Water holes (5)
32. Former Russian ruler (4)
34. Extent of space (4)
35. Act of performing (11)
38. Protected (7)
39. Government income (7)

## Down

1. Water vapour (5)
2. Rules (4)
3. Perceive with the eyes (3)
5. Light meal (3)
6. Separate article (4)
7. Now and then (9)
8. Hardens (4)
9. Heap (4)
10. Melody (4)
11. Couch (4)
14. For grooming hair (5)
16. View (5)
18. Barrier (5)
19. Leading (9)
20. Speak (3)
21. Small islands (5)
26. Snare (4)
27. Memorandum (4)
28. Shut with force (4)
29. Uncommon (4)
31. Temporary stop (5)
33. The back of (4)
34. Land measure (4)
36. Enemy (3)
37. Abraham (3)

## PUZZLE CORNER



### SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

#### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector	Canon Alan Haydock,	20218
	The Rectory, Kirk Hill	
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Keith Cottey	20912
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address	
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month	
	(Coffee is served after this service)	
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service	
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon	
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong	
	Holy Communion (BCP)	

#### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister	Rev. John Hudson	837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road	20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd	
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated	

#### St. Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens	Ann Neale	20236, Dennis Pepper	21286
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)		
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong		

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## AUGUST 2004

### Sunday 1 August

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's – The Revd. Alfred Graham

### Wednesday 4 August

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 8 August

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
*No Evensong at St Peter's*

### Wednesday 11 August

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 15 August

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's  
*No Family Service*

### Wednesday 18 August

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 22 August

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's  
*No Evensong at St Peter's*

### Wednesday 25 August

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 29 August

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 1 September

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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## What's on in AUGUST

*Not a lot, apparently.*

- 21 Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am to 12pm
- 28 RBL Women's Section Luncheon, 12.45pm for 1.00pm, Village Hall

### MAGAZINE COPY DATES

Issue	Copy Date
September	16 August
October	13 September
November	18 October
December	15 November

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## From the Rector

### Transfiguration

On 6<sup>th</sup> August the Church celebrates the Feast of Transfiguration of the Lord. Jesus takes Peter, James and John up the mountain and there, before them, he is transfigured and seen talking with Moses and Elijah. Peter, in his embarrassment, offers to build three huts for them, but all is overshadowed by the cloud of glory, the sign of the Father's presence. They hear the voice of God proclaiming his only Son. Their fear is put away by Jesus himself; alone once more.

These disciples, for a moment, see Jesus as he really is. The carpenter from Nazareth is revealed in a dramatic moment as God's Messiah, the Chosen One, destined to redeem Israel. They have already given intellectual assent to the idea that Jesus is the Messiah and now, in a strange and awesome way, their faith is confirmed. For a time his humanity cannot hide his true form.

We live long after the earthly life of Jesus and we know what kind of man He is. For us, Jesus is always transfigured. We enjoy forever that brief vision on the Mound of Transfiguration. We must never forget, however, that he was fully human too. Therefore, we see in Him what God wants us to be.

Because Jesus transfigured humanity, every human being is transfigured. We should try to see those near to us as they really are, in their true form, a child of God. Everyone shares this privilege; those we pass in the street, those we work with, and those we find hard to like. The disciples saw Jesus as he really is. We must try to have the same vision of our fellow men and women.

The miracle of human transfiguration happens because of God's love. When someone really loves us, life really begins. Once we accept God's love, our life's work can begin; the life's work of transfiguration: becoming what we are really meant to be.

Alan Haydock

### Our Church is Grateful

- For donations in memory of Ken Blagg and Mrs Edith (Jonny) Henson
- For the gift of a miniature chalice for use in Home Communion

### Churchyard Working Party

This month's working party takes place on

**Saturday**

**21<sup>st</sup> August**

**8.30am – 12 noon.**

Please give an hour of your time to assist the four or five regulars who turn up month by month.

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The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO


East Bridgford Rectory  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1934

My Dear Parishioners,  
The drought, which was not really broken till July 13<sup>th</sup>, may have its important spiritual lessons. Despite all the discoveries of modern science the utter dependence of our life upon the workings of Nature remains, and a drought, with all its inconvenience to the farmer and the rest of us, may at least teach us afresh the old lesson of our dependence upon Nature's God. How deeply did the men who wrote the Bible appreciate all this! How much they learned about God's dealings from 'the thirsty land' and the 'gracious rain'. Are we wiser that they – we, who may go out for our holiday among the beauties of Nature without really thinking about Him at all and with no desire to worship Him?

In speaking about holidays, it cannot be out of place in these days to include in a Christian message for the holiday month an exhortation to all Christian people to be careful on the roads. For, alas, the toll of the roads continues to grow as the holidays begin, and Great Britain beat all previous weekly records in the week ending July 7<sup>th</sup> with 180 killed and 5,800 wounded or maimed. We know that to the mind of the Saviour of Men a single human life is of more value than all the motors and cycles in the World. They who cause death and disaster through any selfish carelessness, or desire for thrill are not behaving as Christians.

Yours faithfully  
Rupert W King

# St Peter's on the Web

 OUR PARISH CHURCH is one of approximately three hundred Nottinghamshire churches listed on the Southwell Church History Project Website.

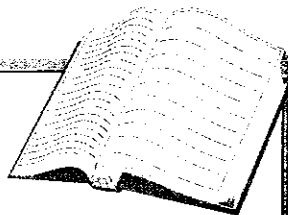
There you will find information relating to St Peter's Church together with many other churches and church sites in the diocese. The material is being collected by volunteers, working under the auspices of a co-ordinating committee.

Each entry includes an account of the history and archaeology of the church, and related information on a range of subjects, including church bells, monuments, war memorials and furnishings, backed up by plans, photographs etc, where available.

This project has been developing over a number of years and information is currently being gathered for a number of churches. When sufficient material has been collected for a church, and when the incumbent has been consulted, that church will appear on this site.

To find out more about St Peter's Church, log on to:  
[www.southwellchurches.nottingham.ac.uk/e11](http://www.southwellchurches.nottingham.ac.uk/e11).

## From the Registers



### Holy Baptism

20 June Sally Agatha ENSTONE

### Funerals

9 July	Philip Hadfield EYRE	83 years
14 July	Kenneth Walter BLAGG	63 years
15 July	Andrew Morrison ROBERTSON	71 years
22 July	Edith Tinsley HENSON	86 years

### Holy Matrimony

24 April Benjamin David Adam Bowley and Anna Victoria Swain

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## Pulpit Puppets



We are looking for extra hands for more characters, making scenery and general help.

We meet each Saturday (term-time only) 3 - 4 pm in St Peter's Church.

If you are ten years of age, or a teenager/adult and would like to know more, contact:

Mrs Lynne Brown --  
839677

or  
Mrs Rosemary Mills  
21224

Our next meeting will be  
11th September

## The Mothers' Union



OUR LINKED DIOCESE IN AUSTRALIA was the subject of speaker Pat Atkins at our June meeting. North Queensland and Carpentaria are the two areas of this diocese. North Queensland was originally settled by Europeans. Carpentaria, once known as a missionary diocese with many Aboriginal settlements, now has a higher population than Great Britain. Southwell diocese is tiny in comparison.

The Australian Mothers' Union was formed in 1892. Branches out there have similar activities to our own and include regular prayer for 'lone members' living out in the wilds. Indeed, in Pat's own words, 'The Mothers' Union is supportive in many areas of life and there is Christian teaching for youngsters given by Christ-living Christians.'

What a joy it was to hear of this excellent work done by Mothers' Union on the other side of the world.

We are delighted to welcome our four new members: Alice Castle, Judy Spendlow, Jennifer Hall and Estelle Roffey, who were enrolled at the Methodist Church on 8th July in the context of the service celebrating its 150th anniversary in East Bridgford. About one hundred people from all three churches were packed into the chapel to share in this very happy occasion.

We meet every third Wednesday in the month  
2.00pm in the WI Hut.

There **will not** be a meeting in **August**. We meeting again on **Wednesday 15th September** to hear Mrs C Wigram's talk on 'Insights from Africa'.

Come and join us in September.

## PCC DECISIONS

At a recent meeting of the Parochial Church Council it was agreed:

- To send £1,000 to our link missionaries Will and Doreta Niven in Albania, at present experiencing intolerable persecution.
- To send £500 to the Disasters Emergency Appeal for use in the Sudan
- To provide Bibles and Biblical picture books to mark the leaving of pupils in Year 6 and the welcome of the Reception children 2003/4 at St Peter's.

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during June 2004

There were no crimes reported to the Police during the month of May.

Date	Location	Offence
14	Trent Lane	Theft from horsebox
17	Main Street	Burglary
18	College Street	3 thefts of hanging baskets
18	Crossways Drive	Theft of motor vehicle (recovered in village)
19	Kneeton Road	Possession of drugs
23	Kneeton Road	Forced entry of exterior containers-no theft

The 12-month moving average has reduced, following the pleasing May out turn, to 8.83 crimes per month.

## Distraction Burglaries

Female as well as male criminals continue to operate successfully in this area committing distraction burglary offences targeting particularly older residents. Do **NOT** be fooled by these individuals. Do **NOT** let them trick their way into your home. If in doubt do not allow them access to your property. If they are aggressive or overly forceful call the Police.

## Suspicious persons/vehicles

Criminals are continually on the lookout for a chance to commit crime; they will steal your possessions whenever you allow them the opportunity.

## BE ON YOUR GUARD

If you see persons or vehicles giving cause for suspicion report these to the Police, providing vehicle details and registration number and descriptions of the individuals whenever possible.

## Repeat Warning

Take extra care over the summer months. Don't leave doors and windows open to allow access to your home, whilst you are in your garden. Thieves will be in and out within seconds.

## Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial **999**.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial **0115 945 5999**

David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

# From your Borough Councillor

## RAF Newton – What now?

In June my article on the Rushcliffe Local Plan mentioned that the project to build 3000 homes on the site had been dropped. We now have the news that the planning application to build an Asylum Centre **has been refused**. So – why have these schemes been dropped? and what now?

The proposed Asylum Centre generated a lot of controversy, and Rushcliffe refused the planning application by the Home Office. The appeal was heard in April last year at Holme Pierrepont, when RBC defended its decision and many local people presented their objections. After a long wait we now know that the Appeals Inspector rejected the application on the grounds that it would be an “inappropriate development in the Green Belt” and because of the transport implications. He **accepted** the concerns expressed locally about our “fear of crime” and the potential strain on community services (schools, health etc), but considered that neither provided sufficient justification to rejecting the proposal. In June 2003 the inspectors report went to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (John Prescott).

After a long wait and many subsequent questions from the ODPM, they have finally announced that they agree with the inspector on the Green Belt implications, and on “sustainability and transport” issues, and that the centre may not go ahead. The Home Office has accepted the decision, so that is the end of that.

Meanwhile, the County and Local Structure Plans have been moving

forward. The ODPM has decided that a higher proportion of the new homes the nation needs can be built in the South-East, and Nottingham City say they can find space for more homes locally. Consequently RBC no longer needs to find land for 3000 homes at Newton. This is fortuitous, because the Highways Agency objects to the strategy of developing along the A52 corridor (e.g. Bingham, Newton & EB) until the A52 is improved (2016 at the earliest). In addition, two thirds of the 3000 homes were to be on Green Belt land so it is no surprise that the proposal for a major development at Newton is not in the latest Local Plan.

However, the old base will not go away and much thought will be needed by planners. In the short term it is hoped that the 66 homes plus the other buildings in the old officers quarters can be brought back into use (possibly as affordable or “starter” homes). The central (hangar) area is developing into a centre of employment and this could be encouraged and possibly made permanent – particularly if it gets a dedicated access road as shown in the most recent proposals for the upgrade of the A46.

I have little doubt that we will hear of many more proposals for “RAF Newton”, but I am fairly confident that, for now at least, prospects for major development on that part alongside the A46 are dead. For the latest information on this and other issues, see [www.rushcliffe.gov.uk](http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk)

Nigel Lawrence

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## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

### Planning Applications

- 04/00804/FUL Hon. Alfred and Mrs Patricia Robens, 4 Kirk Hill. Use part of premises for holding civil marriages; use of land for temporary marquee and car parking. Council did not object: - Comments: The listed house and garden buildings must be protected. Materials for the car park surfacing to be appropriate. Disabled access may be required.
- 04/00921/FUL Mr & Mrs Fielding, 16 Kneeton Road. Two storey and single storey rear extensions. Council did not object. Comments: - Materials to match existing.
- 04/00923/FUL Mr & Mrs Fielding, 16 Kneeton Road. Detached garage. Council did not object.
- 04/00733/FUL Mr & Mrs Crafts, The Old Farmhouse, 103 Kneeton Road. Two storey front extension, entrance porch. Council did not object.
- 04/01004/FUL Mr S I C Hayward, 7 Walnut Tree Lane. Single storey front and rear extensions; pitched roof to garage; boundary wall. Council did not object.
- 04/00481/FUL Mr J Whitworth, Cuttle Hill Cottage, 5 Kneeton Road. Conservatory (revised plans). Council did not object.

### RBC Decisions

- 04/00564/FUL Chase Homes Eastern Ltd., re: Tacet Lea, 52 Kneeton Road. Erection of 5 dwellings following demolition of existing house. Refuse permission (PC objected).
- 04/00761/FUL Kingfisher Wharf Ltd., re: The Wharf, Trent Lane. Erection of building for use as office in connection with chandlery. Grant permission (PC approved).
- 04/00481/FUL Mr J Whitworth, Cuttle Hill Cottage, 5 Kneeton Road. Conservatory (revised plans). Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- MS112 Mr & Mrs Cornell, re: A6097, Lay-By. Licence for mobile snack bar. Street trading consent granted (PC approved)

## East Bridgford Village Website Project

[www.eastbridgford.com](http://www.eastbridgford.com)

As an outcome of the recent Parish Plan consultation it was proposed that a community website for the village would be beneficial. This idea has been taken up by one of the several working groups that have been set up as a result of the Parish Plan project.

The website will use the Internet address [www.eastbridgford.com](http://www.eastbridgford.com) and a prototype design page is already on the Web to show how the site will look.

The website will aim to reflect every aspect of life in our community. As such we need information to put onto the website about your organization. If you are involved with an organization and you are interested in having a dedicated section included on the website please contact Robert Wragg on 20995 or email: [rob@wraggs.org](mailto:rob@wraggs.org) for more details.

## Garden Club

### AUTUMN SHOW

Saturday 4th September

**E**AST BRIDGFORD GARDEN CLUB'S Autumn Show is open to all and entries will be welcome from members and non members. There is no charge for entries.

#### HORTICULTURAL SECTION

There are a total of 48 classes in the horticultural section, including vegetables, fruit and flowers. There is also a non-competitive section, which can include flowers, foliage or pot plants. There are cash prizes for winners in each section and there are 4 cups to be won.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION

Exhibitors can enter up to a maximum of four photographs, which must have been taken in their garden. All of the photographs must be mounted on a single piece of A4 sized white card (i.e. if four photographs are entered then these must be mounted on the same card). We will be asking visitors to the show to judge exhibits in this class and the overall winner will be announced at the end of the show.

Schedules and entry forms can be obtained from the secretary, Freida Tweed on 20432 or from the Chairman, Ian Seel on 20526.

### *It's Coming!*

BT have promised to install ADSL Broadband in the East Bridgford exchange by 6th October this year.

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# Parish Council News

**A**FTER MANY YEARS of nearing completion. Only a display-pressure from the Council, board showing a heritage map has Nottinghamshire County yet to be added. There will be an Council will be creating a opening ceremony at 6pm on footpath from Ludgate Drive to the Medical Centre (at a cost of over £10,000). This will make access much easier and avoid the need for crossing the road at an already dangerous junction. However, the council will continue to press for a pedestrian crossing with some method of reducing the speed of traffic entering the village from the Fosse Way.

The Council wishes to record its thanks and congratulations to the organising committee of the Flower Show. Their hard work and commitment paid off again despite the weather. The committee are already planning for next year and would welcome suggestions for displays/events for the show (please contact Alec Hampson - 21386 or Neil Yates-20917).

John Chater

The Haycroft Way development is 6<sup>th</sup> July 2004

## Jam Jars for Charity

Kath Ashton wishes to thank the people for giving their continued support in collecting jam jars. Watch this space in the next issue of the magazine for the next date of the preserves sale.

Proceeds from the sale of the preserves go to support charities such as the East Bridgford Care Group and the RNLI.

Anyone with spare jam jars should ring Kath on 20614 for collection.

*Your  
Thanks*

## Invitation for a Healthier Lifestyle

**R**USHCLIFFE'S PRIMARY CARE TRUST'S Annual General Meeting takes place on 16<sup>th</sup> September at the Assembly Hall, County Hall, West Bridgford. Refreshments and displays are open from 5.30pm (presentations begin at 6.15pm). The event will be an opportunity for residents to hear about their local health services, meet staff and find out about future plans.

Chief Executive Mark Morgan said, 'Our last two AGM's attracted about 100 people each. They have been very successful ways of summing up our work over the year for staff and patients. We hope that this year is even better!'

The meeting will last about one hour and will include an opportunity to have your say on local priorities and ask any questions.

Primary Care Trusts are stand-alone NH organisations, which manage budgets, staff and plan and commission the health care services for their population, whether in local surgeries or clinics, or in hospitals. They also analyse, assess and monitor public health in their area and across the district.

Rushcliffe Primary Care Trust covers a population of approximately 115,000 people. Locally it includes 18 GP practices and health centres (including the practice at East Bridgford), 23 dental practices, 17 community pharmacies and 13 opticians' practices. It also manages, for the whole of Nottingham, community rehabilitation teams, a day hospital at Highbury Hospital in Bulwell and 146 beds at Lings Bar (Gamston) and Highbury Hospitals.

Rushcliffe  
Primary Care trust



## I Don't Wish to Know That!

*There are always fortune-tellers at the seaside. Two of them met on the front at Frinton one sunny summer day. 'Lovely weather,' said the first fortune-teller. 'Yes,' said the second. 'It reminds me of the summer of 2005.'*

*A holidaymaker was complaining to his landlady about his room. 'Look. This wall's so thin you can almost see through it.' 'That's not a wall,' she replied, 'it's the window.'*

*Waiter, waiter, there's a small fly in my soup. I'm sorry, sir. Shall I get you a bigger one?*

*How did you find your steak, sir? I just turned over a chip and there it was.*

*Waiter, waiter, what's on the menu tonight? I'm not sure, sir, but it looks like last night's special.*

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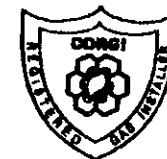
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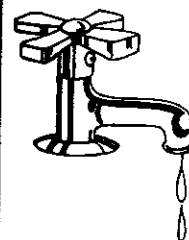


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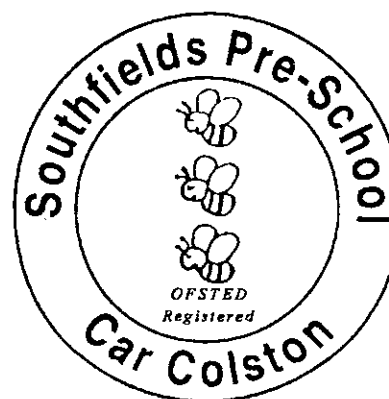
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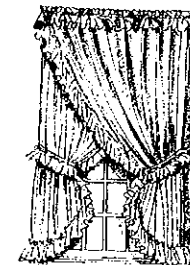
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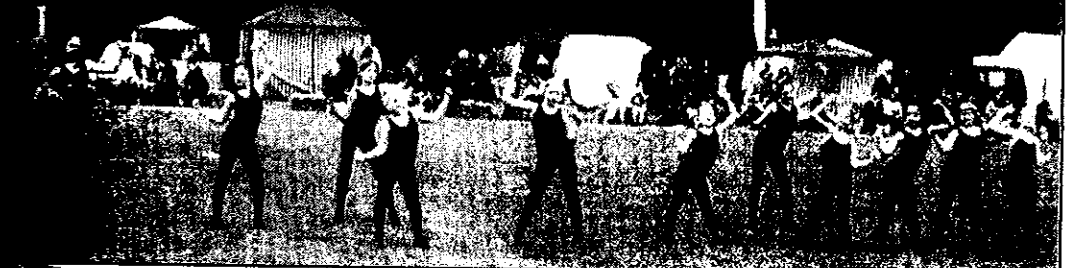
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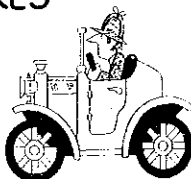
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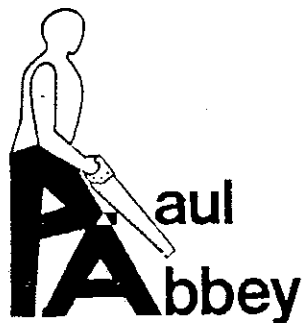
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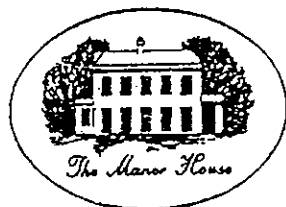
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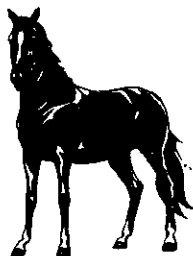
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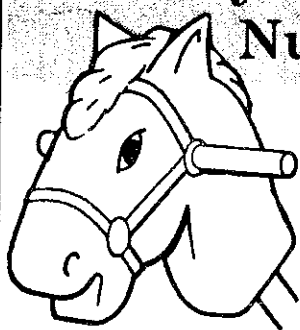
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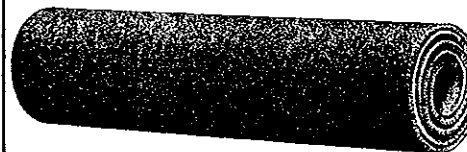
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### July

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We all enjoyed wine and nibbles as we strolled around the garden, trying to identify the many various and unusual plants. Jenny thanked our hosts for their hospitality; we were most reluctant to leave their lovely garden.

Despite the wet weather on the day of the Horticultural Show, we did a brisk business selling sandwiches, cakes and drinks, and thank everyone for their support. As a result we have been able to donate £200 to the Scouts' new hut fund. We wish them well in their fundraising venture.

After our summer break our next meeting will be on Tuesday 14 September when Marian Atkinson will talk about Costumes of a Bygone Age. We always welcome visitors and prospective members to our meetings so do consider coming along.

Rita Case

### School's Out!

The end of another school year - doesn't time fly when you're having fun!

The weather stayed fine for Sports Day, which was enjoyed by children and parents alike.

We all had a great time at the annual BBQ, organised by WASPs, and at the same time raised valuable and much needed funds for school.

The grand finale of the term has got to be both the KS1 and KS2 shows. Our little ones treated us to some wonderful singing and dancing around the theme of "Summer Holiday", putting us all in the mood for the long summer break.

The older children wowed us with their mature and skilful acting, singing and showmanship in "There's No Business Like Show Business". Everyone involved, including the set and costume makers, the supporting musicians and especially the children deserve the highest praise.

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Literacy Volunteers in Nottinghamshire Schools (LVNS), was formed in 1996 to train, support and provide Volunteers in City and County Schools to assist children between the ages of 5 and 11 who are having difficulties in reading overcome their problems and enjoy reading.

Volunteers may first have to build up children's self image by increasing the children's verbal skills, engage in confidence building and show that reading and books are fun. When reading starts it is done at the children's own pace with praise for every step forward, no matter how small. Volunteers do not impose themselves on the children; they work in partnership with them, showing an interest in each child.

Volunteers find the help they give very rewarding and it is also fun for the children; they get one-to-one attention, with books to read and word games to play (the children love to compete with the Volunteers and win!). When Volunteers see a withdrawn and inarticulate child blossom with confidence as their reading and communication skills improve it makes the investment of their time so worthwhile.

Helping children of this age group is a sound venture for the future. If we can help children to read now they will be better equipped to deal with the rest of their schooling and avoid truancy, which can lead to crime and anti-social behaviour later on.

There are currently some 200 Volunteers in over 117 schools in both City and County who give, on average, half a day each week (during term time) at a local school helping between 4 or 5 children each session. There are also over 26 schools on the waiting list for Volunteers. From the results of a survey carried out with participating schools in Easter 2004 it was found that there is a great need for the service LVNS provides.

The Charity also employs 5 part time staff who train and visit the Volunteers in their schools, deal with the administration of the organisation and manage the project as a whole.

An Executive committee elected from serving Literacy Volunteers governs LVNS.

## Rotary in the Vale of Belvoir

**R**OTARY INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATES ITS CENTENARY in 2005 and the incoming president of the Vale of Belvoir Rotary Club; Gordon Oldham has an interesting programme already set out for the year ahead.

During the last year the Club was able to raise £5000 thanks to the generosity of the local community, which has been donated to nearly 20 charities or community projects. Charities, which have benefited include Air Ambulance, Ash Lea School, Dove Hospice, Kids Out and The Samaritans.

International appeals were also supported with water filtration boxes for disaster areas, money towards polio eradication and re-cycling unwanted spectacles to developing countries. Hope and Homes for Children and the Jaipur Limb Trust received donations.

Members of Rotary have been able to give professional support in schools for Young Enterprise projects and provide mock interviews, to develop confidence for future employment.

Vale of Belvoir Rotary is an enthusiastic and energetic club with a varied programme of meetings or outside visits. Most meetings are on a Thursday evening at the Haven Inn on the A52 near to Whatton.

Membership is open to locally based business or professional men and women and visitors are always made welcome.

If you would like to find out more about Rotary or to come along to a meeting please contact Denis Bacon on 0115 933 4004 or e-mail [dbmbacon@talk21.com](mailto:dbmbacon@talk21.com)

## *Floodlighting Diary*

### AUGUST

- 6 With loving birthday memories of **STANLEY WILKINSON**
- 6 Transfiguration of our Lord
- 15 The Blessed Virgin Mary
- 22 In loving memory of **BEATRICE MAWBY**
- 24 Bartholomew the Apostle

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration.

These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine  
or by a private dedication.

All requests for floodlighting to be included in September's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August.

## FREEZING FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

The benefits of freezing fresh vegetables grown in your allotment or garden are well known, especially if you've grown them organically. But it takes time to prepare fruit and vegetables for the freezer, so below are a few tips for making this process much easier and quicker.

### Free-flow dry pack

- This method is best suited to fruit such as raspberries, strawberries, cherries, blackberries, gooseberries, blackcurrants and redcurrants.
- Pick the fruit over and only wash and thoroughly dry redcurrants and blackcurrants. Spread the fruit onto paper lined baking trays and put into freezer until frozen, then remove and place in freezer bags.
- If you wish, once the fruit is frozen, you can mix sugar with the fruit before bagging it up and placing in the freezer. For every 1lb (450g) fruit you need 4 – 6oz (100 – 175g) of sugar.

### Blanching

Some fruit and most vegetables need blanching before storing in a freezer. The reason for this is that the enzymes present need to be inactivated, otherwise the produce will discolour and the flavour and nutritive value will deteriorate during storage.

The prospect of blanching a lot of produce for the freezer puts many people off, especially when faced with pans of boiling water, colanders, ice-water for cooling, draining and then packing the vegetables as quickly as possible so as to maintain their fresh condition.

A quick way of preparing fruit and vegetables is by using the microwave. You can dispense with pots of boiling water and provided that the vegetables and fruit have been cleaned, peeled and sliced, they only need to be placed in a boil-a-bag (suitable bags for both microwave and freezer are available in most supermarkets) before cooling and then storing.

Take 1lb (450g) of vegetables at a time, clean as required, and then place in the bag. Blanch for the recommended time (see table below), cool rapidly plunge bag into iced water, dry, label and then freeze.

Vegetable & Fruit	Blanching	Time in microwave (650watt)
Asparagus	small stalks	2 mins
Aubergine	½" slices	2 mins
Runner beans	Sliced beans	1½ mins
Broccoli	Medium stalks	2½ mins
Carrots	Slices	3 mins
Cauliflower	Florets	2½ mins
Celery	Hearts	4 mins
Corn-on-cob	Medium	4 mins
Courgettes	½" slices	1½ mins
Leeks	Whole	3 mins
Onions	Small whole	3 mins
Peas	Small	1½ mins
Apples	Peeled & sliced	2 mins
Rhubarb	Washed and trimmed	1 min

### Labelling

Don't forget to write on the bag, the date and name of the fruit or vegetable you are storing and investing in a proper freezer pen for this task, otherwise you may find that your carefully labelled items are impossible to identify in nine or ten months'

## Jennifer and Charles Holt - An Appreciation

**T**HOSE OF YOU WHO READ the June village magazine will be aware that Jennifer and Charles Holt are retiring from their work at the Post Office and Inskip's General Store. Since re-opening the Post Office in 1993 they have worked hard with enthusiasm and dedication to supply essential services to our community.

In 1993 the Old Post Office opposite Walnut Tree Lane closed, and it looked as though Ian Lodder was to be our last sub-postmaster. However, most fortunately for the village, Jennifer and Charles were keen to ensure postal services continued and when premises in the front section of 12a Main Street (formerly the upholsterers shop) became available, they moved in. For three months they managed with limited space until the adjacent premises at number 12 were taken over, allowing minimal expansion. At this time Jennifer and Charles were involved in three businesses – the East Bridgford Post Office, the Car Colston PO (Tuesday mornings in a villager's outhouse) and a post office-cum-newsagents-cum-off-licence in Sherwood.

Those early days in the village were difficult. The first week's retail turnover was just over £1 with as few as a dozen customers. Many people by this time had changed to banks or other post offices, but Jennifer and Charles were not to be deterred. Not only did they persevere with our post office, but over the next five years at various times, took on both Aslockton and Orston post offices to help avoid their closure.

In 1997 they moved into a bungalow built by Albert Spring when he moved

from Sunnyside on Kneeton Road. They applied for registration as an organic smallholding on what had been Albert's market garden. Jennifer and Charles have had an active interest in organic and natural products for many years, also rearing pigs and chickens.

In 1999 the post office and store moved to 16 Main Street. It was formerly a dress-hire and gown shop and before that the site of the last village butchers, Stanley and Lancaster. This move provided more space to stock a range of goods previously not possible, including their own organic products besides those sourced from other suppliers.

Over the next three years, the business continued to grow until they decided to expand the shop further. Support and encouragement from villagers over the years, resulted in planning permission for the current extension. The result of a questionnaire showed that villagers would like to be able to get the lottery, beers, wines, spirits and the facility to tax cars from the shop. Disabled access was included in the plans and the extension went ahead.

Jennifer and Charles have aimed to sell quality local products. Hockerton Dairy supplies milk and cream; Maxey's Far Foods at Southwell deliver fruit and vegetables daily and the bread comes from a village bakery in Radcliffe-on-Trent. Locally baked homemade cakes (by Ruth) don't stay on the shelves for long. Produce from local villagers, such as eggs and in-season fruit, is sold alongside non-food items, for example paintings and cards created by local artists.

Besides supplying everything for our daily needs, East Bridgford post office and general store is the social hub of village life, always busy with shoppers from the youngest to the oldest, chatting, commiserating, laughing, joking and generally enjoying the friendly ambience. Had Jennifer not been so persistent back in 1993 in her determination to find premises for re-opening the old post office, then none of this would have been possible.

As she and Charles move on, they have ensured continuity with their son, Tom and Will, his business partner, taking over from them. We are delighted that this is happening and wish Tom and Will every success in their enterprise. We are sure they will receive full support and encouragement from the village people.

So finally, we villagers express our sincere thanks and appreciation to Jennifer and Charles and to their team of helpers for the years of work in the post office and shop – always thinking about the best interest of their customers. When Jennifer and Charles leave the village, it will be to realise their dream plan of life on a remote Scottish croft, providing bed and breakfast instead of post office services – maybe we'll meet again?

We send them our best wishes, hoping they will find happiness and contentment in their new venture

Alison Powell

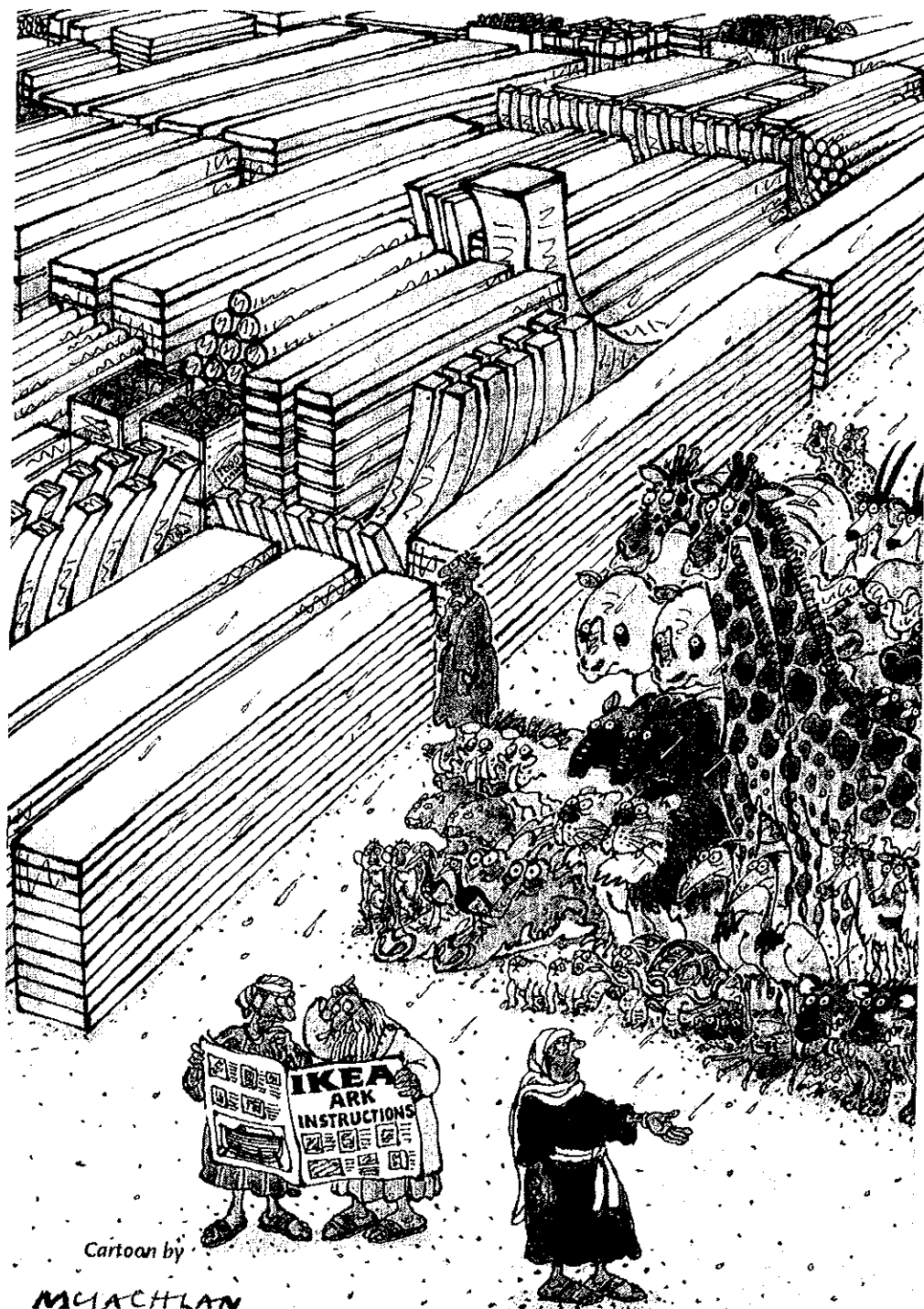
## Intercultural Theology

As part of their flexible part-time courses the University of Nottingham is offering a two-year part time certificate course in intercultural theology. The sessions will be held at the Jubilee Campus, Nottingham on Thursdays between 6.30pm and 9.30pm starting on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

This certificate is run by the Centre for Continuing Education in conjunction with CONTRAST (Christians of Nottingham Training and Studying Together), a body that was set up in 1991 to develop better theological education for lay people.

The two-year course of study will be of interest to anyone who wants to learn more about the Christian faith with people from different Churches and varied cultural and racial backgrounds.

For more information, write to: Undergraduate Office  
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(With acknowledgements to 'The Oldie' Magazine)

## LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE OLDIE

I HOPE YOU FOUND THE CARTOON on the previous page amusing - I laughed so much when I first saw it that I nearly fell out of bed! That's the best place to read 'The Oldie', by the way - far away from the interruptions of the day, when you can *concentrate*.

If you are totally bored with the advert-ridden glossy offerings clustered on the newsagents' shelves or nestling shrink wrapped with your weekend newspapers, and you would welcome an opportunity to enjoy some really good stories and articles without the need to wade through endless advertisements featuring goods and services you never knew you needed, this is the magazine for you.

Don't be put off by the title, there's something there for all age groups. You can order it from East Bridgford News; or download a new sample copy (pdf format) from their website: [www.theoldie.co.uk](http://www.theoldie.co.uk) and if you like what you see, take out an annual subscription (£28 for 12 issues)

Terry Laver

## East Bridgford Care Group – Raffle Result

THE RAFFLE OF THE LOVELY MODEL CONSERVATORY made by Ken Jackson and kindly donated to the Care Group for the Strawberry Tea was drawn at the end of the Village Show on 26th June. The winner was Mrs Montgomery from Bingham. Thanks to Ken, not only for making the model but also for the help he and his wife Mollie gave on the show day.

The intricately knitted clown was won by Mrs Nancy Ward of East Bridgford when her chosen name of Joe was first to be drawn out. Thank you to Mrs Gail Bush of West Bridgford for all that knitting on our behalf. The combined amount raised was £64 bringing the Strawberry Tea total to £470.

A cheque for £400 has been sent to the Winged Fellowship Trust (Skylarks Branch at West Bridgford – providing holidays for the disabled and their carers). Our help in providing equipment for the Medical Centre is on-going.

Thank you to everyone for the support you give us.

Alison Powell



# Mewling Manor

## We Live in Tiresome Times

DO MY BEST – my absolute best at all times. But often I think that people these days are deliberately awkward. Being a diligent member of our village community, and being placed in an important position in the populace by dint of living at Mewling Manor, I think it is my place to advise when I feel that something is not quite proper.

Twice a year I do my duty by picking up litter with one of those newfangled gripper things that comes in handy if I have to chastise a lippy youngster – not that I actually strike the little beast, but waving it about a lot while operating the pincer end seems to at least make the youth of the village fearful of dropping coke cans outside our abode.

Another blight on village life is a pooping dog; so whenever Monty takes our mutt out, I insist on arming him with a scoop and plastic bag. He says he feels conspicuous carrying all that stuff around, but I warn him that he'd feel a whole lot worse by not taking it, because I've threatened to put a nappy on the dog if I so much as I hear a whisper that he's not clearing up our dog's mess. I know that there are quite a few people in the village only too happy

to wag a finger at our transgressions.

However, I didn't expect the chairman of the Archaeological group to be such an ingrate. I phoned to invite him and his chums to set up a dig in a corner of our grounds. There is a Mediaeval Priory buried beneath our land somewhere. His reaction was most rude, and I use his words: 'Cough up a few grand and we'll happily come and dig up the lawn just to find a few Victorian coins and a broken pot or two.'

He went on to say that apart from money he would need positive proof rather than take my word for it before he and his gang would even start polishing their spades for a dig. Even though I told him about a copy of a 15<sup>th</sup> century map showing it on the exact spot where Mewling Manor was built, he dismissed it saying that the map was drawn up a hundred years ago by a fanciful owner of Mewling Manor who could not add up and had no sense of perspective and if the Priory had ever been anywhere near Mewling Manor, then he was an organ grinder's monkey. I told him not to take that attitude with me and he replied that it was amazing how many people could



find non-existent archaeological sites in a convenient spot for a new vegetable patch. I put the phone down on him. A vegetable patch indeed – admittedly Monty wants to re-turf that part of our acreage, but that's by the by.

I was still smarting from that contretemps when, on one of my occasional visits to the church, I couldn't help but notice several grubby hassocks. Of course I had to mention this to the vicar, but didn't expect him to respond by asking if I was volunteering to clean them. Naturally, I declined because they needed special dry-cleaning, so he then suggested that if I felt something had to be done, then how about organising a hassock cleaning fund-raising coffee morning at Mewling Manor. I would sooner save a fund raising event at Mewling Manor for something a little more substantial than hassock cleaning.

I do think that was a bit much, especially as I attend church at Christmas and Easter and not forgetting that Seabrook, my son was baptised in the church and when he gets around to it, he'll undoubtedly marry there, so I mean, what more does he want? I think the vicar really ought to ask the regular churchgoers to do the more mundane sort of things.

Augusta Mewling-Grype

## East Bridgford Clubs & Societies Showcase

The Village Plan Action Group for Village Facilities, Organizations and Communications is organizing an open day event to showcase all of the clubs and societies in the village. The aim of the day is to show the diversity of activities that are going on in the village and to introduce potential recruits to the organizations.

The Action Group invites all organizations to put on a display of your activities and to man the stall so that interested people may find out more about the group.

The display may consist of photographs, posters, printed material or other relevant items that show the organization, its objectives and its activities.

**The event will take place on Sunday, 24th October at the Village Hall from 10.30am to 4.00pm**

and we invite the officers of all clubs and societies that may be interested in taking part in the Showcase to contact Garth Powell on 20985 for more information or to reserve a stall.

## Local company to offer home installation service for broadband connection

**E**AST BRIDGFORD JOINS THE BROADBAND NET in October and East Bridgford based 1Extreme has agreed agency contracts with a leading national provider of broadband Internet services. This will enable the company to provide a full range of connection options backed by services to set up the equipment and software used for Web browsing and email. Installations can be arranged at home and in the evening.

Almost all suppliers send the new equipment and rely on the customer to do a "Do-It-Yourself" installation. 1Extreme believes that many customers are reluctant DIYers and would like an experienced hand to do the set up for them. This is the aim of the new service. Whether customers use a 1Extreme broadband connection or another provider such as BT or Virgin.net they can still have their equipment professionally configured.

1Extreme broadband connections start at £15.99 per month for a 512k service, which is ten times faster than normal dial up services and is always on so there is no hanging around for the modem to connect. From October for East Bridgford residents the "World Wide Wait" comes to an end.

Robert Wragg  
01949 829333

## The Royal British Legion Women's Section

# LUNCHEON

## Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August in the Village Hall

12.45pm for 1.00pm

Tickets £9 including wine

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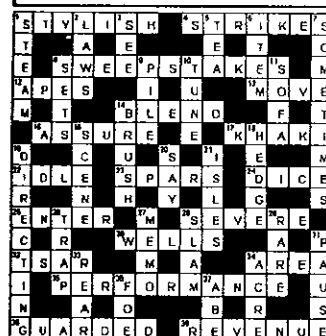
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9. Wife of one's son (8-2-3)
10. Self-esteem (3)
11. Place in Lincolnshire (7)
12. Repose (4)
13. Woody plant (4)
15. Fragrance (5)
17. Parts of feet (7)
19. Small assemblage (5)
21. Tree (3)
23. Something that causes fermentation (5)
24. Late (7)
25. Small fish (5)
27. Fastens a knot (4)
28. Title (4)
30. More than two (7)
32. Ocean (3)
33. Unpredictable (13)

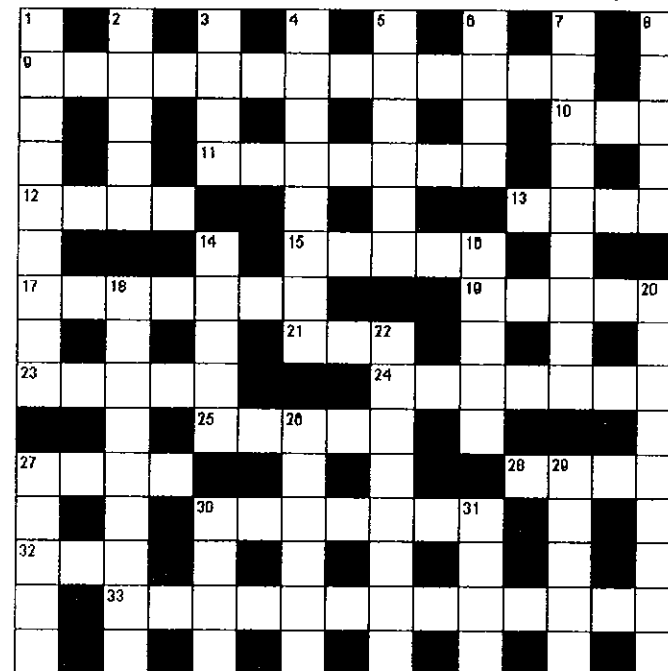
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1. Misfortune (9)
2. Breathes fast and hard (5)
3. Discharge of a firearm (4)
4. Reduce (8)
5. Ignominious failure (6)
6. An alcoholic (4)
7. Profane word (9)
8. Telephone (5)
14. Nuisances (5)
16. Give consent (5)
18. Deadlock (9)
20. Soon (9)
22. Automobile (5,3)
26. Critique (6)
27. Good-tasting (5)
29. Diminish (5)
30. Adds (4)
31. Told an untruth (4)

## Solution to July's Crossword



## PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector Canon Alan Haydock, 20218  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill  
Churchwardens Beryl Cottrill, Michael Clarke 20682  
8.00am 2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.00am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address  
Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month  
(Coffee is served after this service)  
3rd Sunday each month, Family Service  
10.45am Evensong and sermon  
6.30pm Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong  
7.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister Rev. John Hudson 837330  
Secretary John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road 20179  
10.00am Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd  
Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated

### St. Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286  
8.00am 1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
6.00pm 2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## SEPTEMBER 2004

**NB Tuesday 31 August**

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

**Sunday 5 September**

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

**Wednesday 8 September**

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

**Sunday 12 September**

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

No Evensong at St Helens

**Wednesday 15 September**

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

NB - Attended by the clergy of the East Bingham Deanery

**Sunday 19 September**

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

10.45am Family Service at St Peter's

6.00pm HARVEST THANKSGIVING at St Helen's: Preacher the Revd. Alistair Conn

No Evensong at St Peter's

**Wednesday 22 September**

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

**Sunday 26 September**

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

6.00pm HARVEST THANKSGIVING AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

No Evensong at St Peter's or St Helen's

**Wednesday 29 September: MICHAELMAS DAY**

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

**Sunday 3 October**

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's

9.00am Harvest Eucharist at St Peter's

6.30pm Harvest Evensong at St Peter's

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7	Bingham Choral Society, Toot Hill School, 7.15 - 9.30pm
8	Official Opening: Haycroft Way, 6pm
8 & 9	Art Classes, Village Hall
11	Churchyard Wkg Party, 8.30am - 12pm
11	CofE Flower Arrangers' Association, 10.30am, Village Hall
11	Home Preserves Sale, 9am - 12pm, 2 Crossways Drive
14	WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
15	Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
18	Bowls Club Jumble Sale, 2.30pm, Village Hall
19	Bowls Club Closing Drive, 2pm
21	Men's Society, 8pm, Village Hall Committee Room
24	World's Biggest Coffee Morning, 10am - 11.30am, Sports Pavilion
24	EB Website Launch, 7pm - 8.30pm, St Peter's School
28	Village Action Group, Teenagers' Meeting, 7pm, Sports Pavilion
28	Beginner's Bridge, Methodist Church
1 Oct	Bowls Club Bingo, 7pm, Village Hall
2	Drop-In Flu Clinic, 9am - 11.30am, EB Medical Centre

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## From the Rector

### Church and Village – An Inexorable Partnership

WITH THE CONCLUSION OF ANOTHER FUNDING CAMPAIGN, I am writing this month to thank all who support the work at St Peter's Church. It is to St Peter's that generations of East Bridgford people have come at moments of significance; to be presented to God in Baptism, to be confirmed by the Bishop, to be married or to end life's journey. As I visit in the village, more and more people express how much the Church has meant to them in the past and how grateful they are for its presence on Kirk Hill, overlooking the War Memorial, the Garden of Remembrance and Churchyard. East Bridgford without St Peter's at its centre is unthinkable.

The various Funding Campaigns we have held over the years and the continued generous support of over two hundred families has been of enormous benefit. It enables us to do a more worthy job in meeting the needs of those who live within the parish, who attend St Peter's School, or who live further afield but who worship with us on Wednesdays and Sundays.

Relieved of financial pressures, we have been able to maintain the quality of the music and worship and meet the needs of the seventy or so children who are members of the choir, the Family Service or who assist as altar servers. We have also been able to give generously to overseas appeals, to

several village projects and other smaller congregations, who have difficulty in meeting their Parish share towards the cost of Ministry in the Diocese. There is also an ongoing programme of repairs and maintenance.

Those who contribute to the life and work of St Peter's have made all this possible. I wanted them to know how grateful I am to them, and how grateful we are to each other.

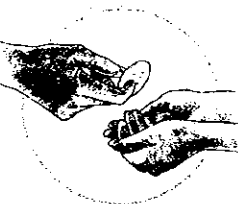
Alan Haydock

### CONFIRMATION GROUPS

A number of adults have expressed an interest in joining a Confirmation Preparation Group later this year, but to date, only four have expressed a definite commitment. During the course of the next few weeks, I need to order some of the books we shall be using, so it would help if others could reassure me of their interest as soon as possible.

I should like to hear from parents of children aged 11 years to 14 years as well, in order to prepare for classes in the autumn.

Alan Haydock



### Churchyard Working Party

The working party this month will be held  
8.30 – 12.00 noon on  
**Saturday 11th September**

We receive so very little help nowadays. With this in mind I am making an urgent appeal for those who have links with the churchyard to give just one hour. If age or distance prevents that, maybe you could delegate the responsibility to a younger member of the family, a neighbour or friend. We would all value this very much indeed.

Alan Haydock

The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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East Bridgford Rectory September 26<sup>th</sup> 1934

My Dear Parishioners

The Southwell Diocesan Board of Finance has recently passed a Resolution as follows: - 'That in the opinion of the Board every Parish in the Diocese should have a Fund for the maintenance of the Fabric of its Church.' The movement has arisen because of the many recent cases in which repairs, especially to ancient Churches, have been found to be urgently needed and no money has been in hand to enable Parochial Church Councils to apply even 'the stitch in time'. All Church people in every parish have to realise that the Parish Church is their own, and that the responsibility for keeping it in repair is theirs. The fact needs more widespread recognition. The old days in which the landed gentry could be relied upon for Church upkeep have now passed away, for estates are being broken up all over England through force of circumstances. Moreover the suggestion that there is money 'somewhere' in the hands of 'the Ecclesiastical Commissioners or somebody' to maintain the buildings in which 30,000 clergy preach the Gospel is utterly false, though too often blandly asserted as an excuse for personal meanness. The onus of maintaining their Parish Church rests primarily on ALL parishioners and no Church people worthy of the name, however poor they may be, are justified in avoiding their 'little bit'. When I received a copy of the Resolution of the Diocesan Board as regards these Fabric Funds I felt very thankful that we in East Bridgford have already started a Fabric Fund, for which we owe gratitude to the Ladies who have provided winter Tea-parties in its interests. Through their kindness your Parochial Church Council (which is elected by yourselves) have been enabled several times during the last year or two to keep the sacred building in order by applying the 'stitch in time'. Our most recent effort was to clean the walls of the Nave to the satisfaction of nearly all our worshippers, and other items will be required very soon. To be effective, such a Fabric Fund must always be 'in hand'; we commend it to the support of all Church people in the Parish.

Yours faithfully

Rupert W King

## The Men's Society

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE AUTUMN SEASON  
The first meeting of the autumn season will be on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September at 8pm in the village hall, committee room. **Charles Vallance** of Southwell will be speaking about 'Railways of Northern England.' I look forward to your support.  
Graham Lomax

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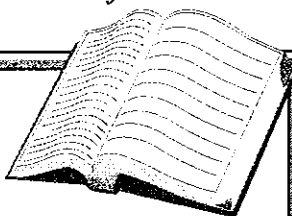
## Ciara Fund

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2.30pm  
at the Village Hall.

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## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

August 29 Luke Richard BILLSON  
Effie Grace BILLSON

### Holy Matrimony

August 28 Benjamin Robert LEE and Katie Lynn THOMAS

### Funerals

August 11	Thomas Edward FOX	84 years
August 12	Florence Mabel ELLIS	86 years
August 20	Brenda Elizabeth INGER	69 years

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## DROP-IN FLU CLINIC

East Bridgford  
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once again be holding  
the very popular  
drop-in Flu Clinic  
on  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
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usual cake stall and  
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## The Mothers' Union



OUR MU COFFEE MORNING on 17<sup>th</sup> July was both successful and well attended and we are grateful to our many faithful helpers. Due to the unstable weather it was held in the village hall, but we do thank Fred and Jean Hunt who, with their usual kindness, had offered the use of the their garden for the event.

Fifty-four people sat down for our Annual Luncheon on 21<sup>st</sup> July and enjoyed a good meal and a very pleasant couple of hours together. Our thanks go to the committee members who once again organised and served the meal.

We meet again on **Wednesday 15th September** at 2pm in the WI Hut to hear Mrs C Wigram's talk on 'Insights from Africa.'

### All Visitors Welcome

And finally, did you know that the Mothers' Union has three and a half million members active in seventy-four countries of the world? We ask for your prayers as we work to bring the love of Christ into present day families and homes.

Rosemary Mills

## Drama Group



Our next play, 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> November is entitled

### 'Off the Hook'

a farce by Derek Benfield.

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Patron members should obtain their tickets from the Rector.

## HOME MADE PRESERVES SALE

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# Parish Council News



ONE OF THE SEVEN planning applications that Rushcliffe Borough Council (RBC) asked us to consider was for three executive homes to be built at the Main Street end of Ludgate Drive. This would be on land, which at present is a single plot with a bungalow that has been sold to a developer following the death of its owner.

Although the final decision is that of RBC, the Parish Council is objecting on the grounds that the overwhelming view of residents as expressed in our Parish Plan is against more executive homes. There is a possibility that the developer could be persuaded to build affordable homes either for the elderly or as starter homes for young people and this would be more acceptable to the Council provided that the development was in harmony with the surrounding properties. The Parish Plan Action Group dealing with housing development will pursue this option along with alternative proposals, which will be presented at a future Council meeting.

A resident of Moss Close attended the meeting to register his and fellow residents' objection to the erection of a 5.5 metre telegraph pole between numbers 5 and 6. According to the resident, the only reason for erecting the pole is to comply with EU regulations that wires have to be 5.5 metres above the ground to allow the passage of high vehicles. Since no one is aware of plans to start a double decker bus service in the close, we

suspect that BT is using a specious argument to create work and the Council is writing to BT to express its concerns. Unfortunately, public utilities do not have to seek permission for such actions so we are pessimistic about the outcome.

Residents of Holloway Close are continuing to complain about the behaviour of some single young people who have been allocated flats there by Rushcliffe Housing Association. The Council have already had one meeting with the officers to express our concerns but will be writing to them about recent worries.

Ragwort is making an unwelcome appearance in and around the village. For those not in the know, Ragwort is a weed, which is poisonous to horses and is therefore a concern of horse riders and owners in the village. Efforts are being made to eliminate it from the Millennium Wood following recent reports of its appearance.

Residents will be disappointed to hear that Main Street is to be dug up yet again. This time, Transco are laying a new gas pipe. They anticipate the work will start on 19<sup>th</sup> August and take 5 weeks.

The Council is continuing to try to get RBC to clear up the graffiti in the village after their claim in the Evening Post that action is being taken within 48 hours of a report. The present graffiti appeared over 3 months ago!

John Chater

# PARISH PLAN DEVELOPMENTS



HOPEFULLY, ALL RESIDENTS now have a copy of the Parish Plan and the next stage is to implement the recommendations. Four action groups have been set up to do this and consist of Parish Councillors and volunteer residents. The action groups are Community and Essential Services; Conservation, Planning and Environment; Facilities, Organizations and Communication; and Transport and Roads. Most of these groups would welcome further volunteers so if you think you might be interested but would like more information please contact me.

Each month, I will report on progress. This month there is news that the village web site is soon to be created and hopefully, will contain such reports in future. The same group has been in contact with Youth Officers of the authority who are now talking to our

young people about what kind of provision is needed. Another group is setting up regular meetings with Medical Centre staff to ensure better communication and identification of needs. A survey of lighting will start once the darker evenings arrive in order to identify where there is insufficient or too much street lighting. The Conservation Area is being reviewed and one of the groups has established a good working relationship with the officers involved so that the views of the village are taken into account. The same group is looking at affordable housing for the elderly and young adults and will be presenting some proposals to the Parish Council in the autumn. A tree and hedge survey is underway with the help of enthusiastic volunteers and we hope that this will lead to a strategic plan for planting new trees in the future.

John Chater

## KING EDWARD CLUB - SNOOKER COMPETITION

IT IS INTENDED TO HOLD ANOTHER SNOOKER COMPETITION at the club. Anyone over the age of 18 wishing to partake should contact either P Skop (20654) or R. Hill (20811) after 6.30pm, before 25<sup>th</sup> September.



Entrance fee for the competition is free for members and £5 for non-members but this will constitute a year's membership. Members have free and unrestricted access to the Club until 10pm and the charge for an hour's use of the table is £2 (i.e. £1 per hour per person playing in pairs). The table is of championship standard and the use of a fine selection of cues is free. A set of pool balls is available.

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## Improvers' Bridge

**Tutor: John Chater**

Designed for those who know how to play bridge at a basic level, using the Acol system, but who would like to improve. It also equips participants with the skills and knowledge to play at duplicate bridge clubs should they want to.

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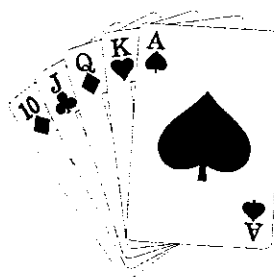
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# Beginner's Bridge



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED LEARNING BRIDGE? Not only is it the best card game in the world but it is very enjoyable and very sociable. As a result of lessons in the village 4 years ago, many people have made new friends and play socially at each other's homes. There is a bridge club that meets every Wednesday at the WI hut on 51 weeks of the year.

Bridge is a game for all ages and abilities and we have had members from 17 to 84 years old with a similar spread of ability. You do not have to be good at maths, nor experienced in other card games to be able to play Bridge.

Lessons for absolute beginners start on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September in the Methodist Church on Main Street. Why not come along? You can attend the first two weeks without paying and decide then whether or not to continue. If you want more information, please call me on 20882.

If you already play bridge and would like to improve, an improvers' course will be starting after Christmas.

John Chater

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## Beneath a starry sky...

*Camping is one of the finer arts. But few people realise it. In the last twenty years or so, camping has become enormously popular. For every one tent pitched in 1928, ten must have been pitched this year. Camping clubs are springing up. Farmers are becoming "camp conscious"; a good crop of tents they find, is more profitable than a good crop of turnips.*

From 'The Junior Weekend Book', 1929

'Let's go camping again' they all enthused.

'Devon was great last year, let's go there again.'

'No,' pronounced the "old-sweat" Jim, 'been there, done that, got the bus pass. It is Dorset for us.'

The double chin barely quivered as he stuck to his iron resolve.

'Hello, is that Hook Farm Campsite? Oh good. I'd like to book eight tents and ten people from our social club for the first two weeks in July.'

'Sorry,' replied the owner, 'we don't accept groups - loud music, noise, mess, drinking, loutish behaviour. If you want that sort of thing, try somewhere like Nottingham.'

'We come from around Nottingham...'

Jim sensed a sigh from the owner and the receiver hanging up.

'We are not lager louts,' he gushed, beating the dialling tone by a second.

'In fact we are all well into middle age, most can barely lift a pint glass, let alone drink the contents. And apart from the waft of freshly brewed Complan, snoring soon after nine pm and frequent sorties to the loo, you will have no trouble from us.'

The owner demurred and with a sense of relief, even reduced the rates for those over sixty.

The Saturday arrived, and, in dribs and drabs, so did we. To put up a modern tent one needs a degree in DIY from MFI and IKEA. Gone are just a couple of poles, a few wooden pegs and a sheet of canvas that weighs half a ton - before it gets wet. Now it's flimsy nylon-like fabric and narrow pipes that slot into each other, seem to go on for miles, have to be bent at incredible angles and when they suddenly spring back always manage to penetrate a delicate part of some unsuspecting innocent bystander several yards away.

Sitting smugly, beneath a soothing sun with a cuppa, absorbing the surrounding rolling hills and the prospect of exploring this inspirational county of Dorsetshire, the "old-sweat", his tent successfully erected, waited for the others to arrive.

After brief salutations, each stared blankly at the mass of nylon and spaghetti junction of poles spread before them. Following experimentation, expletives, exasperation, exhaustion and just as the thing looked something like a tent - the heavens opened up and all scampered back to their cars and with downcast eyes peering through misty windows stared at bedding, cookers and other camping requisites getting a thorough soaking. The sun returned; all piled out and tents eventually went up; effects dried. Other cars arrived and as if by a heavenly mystic force, as tents lay prostrate, rain came with a vengeance. What other country is blessed with such contradictory weather?

Someone once said that you can tell when it's summer in England; the rain is not so cold.

'Camping!'

I hear the cry from every quarter of the village, 'I did enough of that when the children were young - aargh!'

'Oh, no, for us it's a five-star hotel, a warm comfy bed and it must have a TV and Internet access.'

The voices of dissent may be manifold - But on the other hand...

Very few people, no newspapers, radios or TVs extolling reams of depressing disasters and scandals, no traffic noise, barely a mobile phone, no computers, no clock-watching, no hurry, no fast food, no p.c., no stress - instead - the sun (and the rain of course to compliment it), the birds, the rich wooded hills and valleys, thatched cottages and a one mile walk through woods and meadows to a secluded cove and the sound of gentle surf. In fact, a return to one's youth; nature and Mother Earth. And at the end of the day, a jug of ale in an *olde Englishe inn* - with no piped music or gaming machines, just the casual exchange of words among a people at ease with life.

Now, where shall we go next year? - No, can't wait that long; Derbyshire in August...

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We would like to take this opportunity to send our sympathy to Andy Robertsons's family. Andy supported the walk for many years, including this last one, encouraging many of his friends to take part, he will be greatly missed.

Once again many thanks to you all.  
Rita Case and Rachel Barclay



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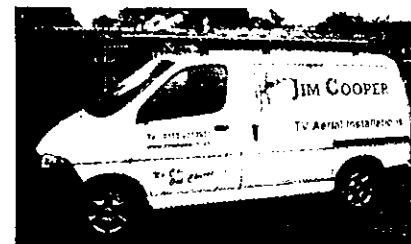
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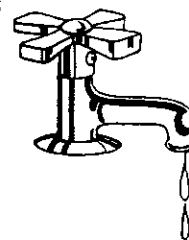


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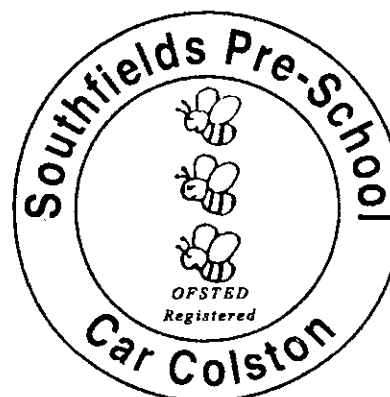
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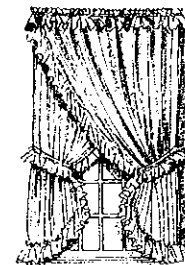
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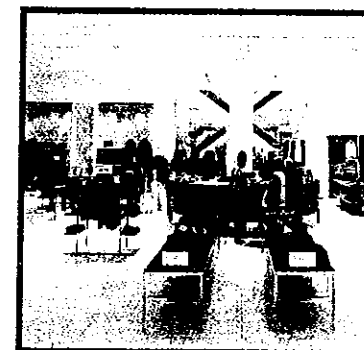
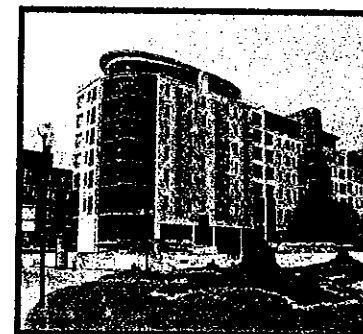
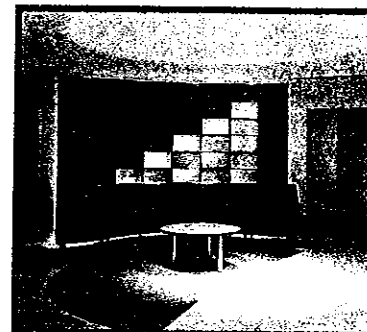
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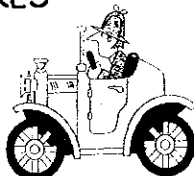
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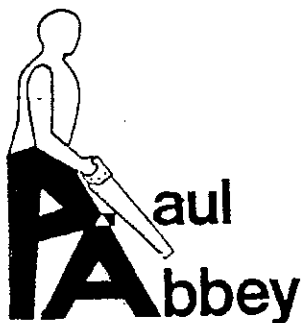
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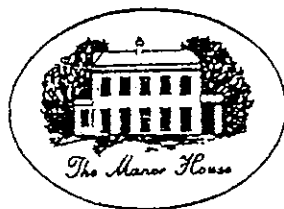
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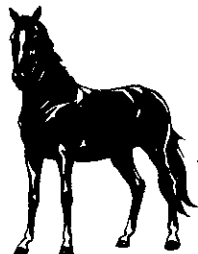
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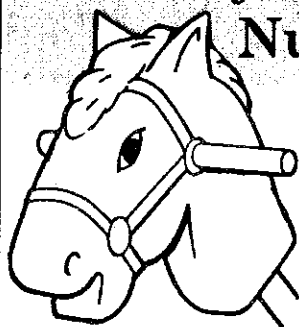
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## TEENAGERS – Your Chance to be Heard!

IN THE JUNE MAGAZINE you may have read about a  
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Plan) working with the Rushcliffe Youth Team to  
improve leisure facilities for teenagers.

The Action Group and Youth Team members would  
like to talk to all East Bridgford teenagers (13 – 19 years)  
who are interested in improving any aspect of their leisure  
time or a place to meet, what to do, where to go, etc.

This is a great opportunity for you to tell us what you  
want, so hopefully something positive can be made to  
happen.

Help us to help you by coming along with your  
friends to a meeting in the Sports Pavilion, Butt Field on  
Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 7.00pm.

You will also hear about an exciting new project in  
which some of you can take part.

Any queries or suggestions to Jill Carter,  
Rushcliffe Youth Team Tel: 0115 933 6486



## *A letter of reassurance sent by a son to anxious parents*

Dear Mum and Dad,

Our scoutmaster told us to write to our parents in case you saw the flood on TV and are worried. We are okay. Only one of our tents and 2 sleeping bags got washed away. Luckily, none of us got drowned because we were all up on the mountain looking for Adam when it happened. Oh, please call Adam's mother and tell her he is okay. He can't write because of the plaster cast on his arm. I got to ride in one of the search and rescue jeeps. It was really good. We never would have found Adam in the dark if it hadn't been for the lightning. Scoutmaster Keith got mad at Adam for going on a hike alone without telling anyone. Adam said he did tell him, but it was during the fire so he probably didn't hear him. Did you know that if you put petrol on a fire, the petrol will blow up? The wet wood didn't burn, but one of the tents did and also some of our clothes. Matthew is going to look weird until his hair grows back.

We will be home on Saturday if Scoutmaster Keith gets the bus fixed. It wasn't his fault about the wreck. The brakes worked okay when we left. Scoutmaster Keith said that with a bus that old you have to expect something to break down; that's probably why he can't get insurance. We think it's a great bus. He doesn't care if we get it dirty, and it it's hot, sometimes he lets us ride on the running board. It gets pretty hot with 45 people in a bus. He let us take turns riding in the trailer until the policemen stopped and talked to us. Scoutmaster Keith is a really cool guy. Don't worry, he is a good driver. In fact, he is teaching Jamie how to drive on the mountain roads where there isn't any traffic.

This morning all of the boys were diving off the rocks and swimming out in the lake. Scoutmaster Keith wouldn't let me because I can't swim, and Adam was afraid he would sink because of his cast, so he let us take the canoe across the lake. It was great. You can still see some of the trees under the water from the flood. Scoutmaster Keith isn't crabby like some scoutmasters. He didn't even get mad about the life jackets. He has to spend a lot of time working on the bus so we are trying not to cause him any trouble.

Guess what? We have all passed our first aid merit badges. When Andrew dived into the lake and cut his arm, we got to see how a tourniquet works. Steven and I threw up, but Scoutmaster Keith said it probably was just food poisoning from the leftover chicken. He said they got sick that way with food they ate in prison. I'm so glad he got out and became our scoutmaster. He said he worked out how to get things done better while he was doing his time. By the way, what is a pedal-file?

I have to go now. We are going to town to post our letters and buy some more beer. Don't worry about anything. We are fine.

Love,

Chris

*Sent in by Elizabeth Washbrooke, The Croft, Straws Lane.*

**Copy date for the October Issue is Monday 20th September**

## **EAST BRIDGFORD BADMINTON CLUB**

### **Welcomes New Players for October**

On Thursday 7th October come along and join us at the start of the new season for some great games of Mixed & Ladies Badminton held in the East Bridgford Village Hall on Main Street. We play each week between 8pm - 9:30pm until April and also enjoy an occasional Social Evening out for members and guests during the year.

Players of reasonable/club standard new to East Bridgford or any of the surrounding villages can ring *Sue Day* on 01949 21218 for further information on how to get involved with this friendly badminton club.



### *A message of thanks from the Village Show committee*

We would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's show another success. Our thanks to everyone who helped set up on the Friday, those who gave their time throughout the Show day and to those who rose early on the Sunday to help clear up (hopefully lured by the promise of tea and bacon butties) and return Butts Field to a pristine condition by lunchtime. We are very grateful for all this support. The show depends on all you unsung heroes to keep making it a success. We hope you will be as generous with your time and energy next year. Many thanks.

## *Your Thanks*

### **Kenneth Walter Blagg**

Gill and family would like to say a big thank you to relatives, friends and neighbours for their messages of sympathy and flowers in their sad loss of Ken. Special thanks to doctors and nurses at the medical centre and to Canon Alan Haydock for the perfect ending to Ken's life.

### **Raising Money for the New Scout Hut**

Thank you very much to everyone who contributed to the musical concert on June 9th at St. Peter's School. It was a really great evening and I've had many comments from the audience about how much they enjoyed it.

*We raised £232.90 which is fantastic - Well Done!* I will definitely be arranging another concert in 2005 so if you're learning an instrument - keep practising and you can join in next time!

Alison Sutton

## From your Borough Councillor

### Parking in East Bridgford

This is one of those "ever present" grumbles in the village. It figured highly in the Village Appraisal last year as a "dislike" and a "problem", it always comes up at Parish Council meetings and I get it "mentioned" to me several times every week.

The underlying problem is that there are too many cars for the available off-street parking. The Appraisal reported an average of 1.6 cars per household, and the 4-car household is not unknown. This reflects the modern view that car is essential in rural areas. Unfortunately many households have insufficient off-street parking, and a significant number of households have none. In East Bridgford the problem is compounded because we are the fortunate village with the active facilities (PO, shops, pubs, Medical Centre, halls etc) and the visitors come by car. Another factor is that many people do not use their off-street parking; they either fill the garage with something else or they cannot be bothered to turn onto their drive. Either way their car ends up adding to the congestion on the kerbside.

Let us clarify something – **there is no civil right to park on the highway alongside your own frontage.** The law is quite clear; obstructing the pavement is an offence. The Highway Code is also clear; cars should not be parked closer than 15 metres from a road junction. Whether outside your house or not, if you do either of these you are breaking the law. Furthermore parking across, or in some cases opposite a person's driveway is anti-social, as is parking in such a way as to cause an

obstruction. There are several "hot-spots" which are a regular source of complaint.

#### Outside the Medical Centre

There is a short length of pavement here with a large No Parking sign. Despite the provision of a large car park vehicles frequently park on it. "I am just popping in", "I have a bad leg" are regular "reasons". For the record the disabled spaces in the car park are nearer to the front door than the roadside. But when cars are parked on the road/ pavement they create a hazard by blocking the view of traffic coming up Butt Lane, and by making it difficult crossing the road.

We have been pressing for a crossing and some yellow lines, so far without success. When I, in jocular fashion, suggested to the Highways Dept that we would have to wait until someone was killed to get any action I did not get a rebuttal, I got an embarrassed silence. Please do not be the one that causes the accident, use the car park. If you see someone parking there, politely, but firmly, challenge him or her.

#### Junction of Walnut Tree Lane and Main Street.

This is a prime spot for parking too close to the junction and causing obstructions – often there is concern that an ambulance or fire-engine could not get through. There have been several near misses recently. Traffic coming up Main Street gets pushed over to the "wrong" side of the road by parked cars. Anyone trying to exit Walnut Tree Lane has their view obstructed by cars parked right on the junction. It is only a matter of time before someone gets his or her car

shortened. And yet the village car park is only 50 metres away and several off-street parking places are not used.

#### Near the School at drop off & pickup time

In the Appraisal 65% of respondents "strongly agreed" that this is a significant problem. Surely it must be possible to pick up the children without reducing the village to chaos twice a day. An issue for the WASPS to address?

#### Main Street

Would Main Street look any better with yellow lines? It is generally accepted that the parked cars act as a major source of traffic calming. Without them we might not be able to get across the road for speeding traffic. We can help ourselves in one respect. For many years there has been an unofficial agreement that everybody parks on the north (ie Teapot Row) side. Of late there has been a drift to parking on the south side as well, but this causes an obstruction and actually reduces the number of vehicles that can park. Any obstruction affects the buses and the emergency services (fire, ambulance etc) – lets try to avoid this and stick to parking on one side only.

#### Conclusion

The Parish Council has requested the police to act, and I will be reinforcing that with a request that, when they pass through (as they do quite often now) they "book" any cars causing an obstruction, or parked illegally. We can continue to press for yellow lines (but the county will claim lack of budget). What we can do however, is work together. We are agreed we need the motorcar. If we all make an effort to avoid inconveniencing our fellow villagers, we should be able to live with it.

Cllr Nigel Lawrence

## A Good Read

### The Bonfire of The Vanities

by Tom Wolfe

Picador - £8.88 paperback

**T**OM WOLFE has been acclaimed as a modern American Charles Dickens and it's easy to see why when you read one of his novels. His characterisation is very believable and his description of the various characters excellent in his stories about American life - situations that the average UK tourist is unlikely to experience.

In this book, the anti-hero Sherman McCoy, a Wall Street bond trader has the misfortune to get lost in the Bronx with his lover, a millionaire's trophy wife. Unfortunately, while escaping from a crude robbery attempt, a young black man is hit by Sherman's Mercedes. From then on Sherman's life goes from bad to worse.

If this book is to be believed then the American legal system operates on political lines, rather than straightforward justice. However, no one in this book comes out unscathed; from the ambitious prosecuting Assistant DA, Larry Kramer to the charismatic Reverend Reggie Bacon who can see political gain by ensuring the Wall Street bond trader is brought to his knees.

This is a book for those who like a meaty read and are fascinated with modern day American life.

Sue Laver

# Mewling Manor

## Making a Meal of it



**O**F LATE, I'VE BEEN MORE THAN A LITTLE DISPLEASED with our son Seagrave, for he has not visited us for over six months. His excuse is that he's busy at work. He's a broker in the City you know, and whilst I do understand that my boy has to work hard, I do feel he could find time to visit his folks in the Shires. I tackled him on this very point the other day and concluded from our conversation that he's gone off my cooking. He has a 'special friend' whom I would like to meet, except that he will not divulge any information about this person apart from an apparent aversion to Eel Pie.

Monty thought this a great hoot when I told him until he starting fretting whether or not 'the special friend' was a fellow. Recently Monty's had morbid suspicions on that front. I replied, 'Stuff and nonsense', and reminded him that our son had insulted me by implying that my cooking wasn't up to standard. Monty suggested that perhaps Seagrave had got used to going out to eat at high-class restaurants. That made me rather cross because my Eel Pie and other dishes I cook can be found on the menus of the best restaurants and didn't that nice Mr Pickard who came to our last dinner party take away my precious recipe to surprise his in-laws at Christmas. For some unaccountable reason Monty started sniggering again.

It brought to mind a most unfortunate visit a couple of years ago, when Seagrave brought a twittery sort of girl to our Manor who wobbled about in silly shoes even when walking along our muddy village lanes, and who had the temerity to say every time I brought out some of my best dishes, such as garlic soup, eel pie, spotted dick and spicy kedgerree that she was allergic to my style of country cooking. Since then, Seagrave has not brought anyone back.

Only the other week I supplied three of my fruitcakes for a charity raffle and I noted that they were snapped up – you know, it was one of those raffles that go on for ages. Monty very unkindly relayed to me a remark he overheard one of the winners saying that she'd been looking for a suitable doorstep for a while and wondered if the Mewling-Grypes ever suffered from indigestion. We don't. We have robust constitutions.

The problem to my mind is that folk nowadays don't know what is good for them. Recently I volunteered to help provide nourishing food for a Harvest Supper in the form of Irish stew and dumplings, but the woman who's organising it said quite pertly that nowadays people wanted to have organic wholefood that's low on carbohydrates and fat. I asked her to explain exactly what she meant by that and then she changed the subject and asked if I could supply some of my ginger beer, for she'd heard that it had quite a kick in it. I bit my tongue and walked away without saying anything, for I suddenly realised that Monty's been tampering with the ginger beer again.

Plain country food – that's what we like, for we often take walks in the surrounding countryside and of course Monty walks the dog, which I'm very pleased to say has calmed down considerably, probably because the mutt has put on quite a bit of weight.

Both Monty and I are in fine fettle, and at a recent overhaul at the doctor's all the man could find wrong with Monty was that his girth has spread, but that's more down

to age and an old problem with his taste buds, brought on by a nasty bout of 'flu many years ago. Fortunately, Monty can tell the difference between sweet and sour things, and seems to be able to distinguish between different types of whisky. As for me, I'm in tip-top condition, other than my skirts are a little tighter, but that's because the clothes manufacturers have been messing about with the sizing system.

Augusta Mewling-Grype

## Garden Club AUTUMN SHOW

The Club is holding its Autumn Show in the Village Hall on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September from 2.30pm – 4.15pm.

The Show is open to all and exhibits will be welcomed from members and non-members alike. There will be no charge for entering exhibits. Exhibits will be admitted between 8.15 and 10am.

There will be a total of 48 classes, including vegetables, fruit, flowers, foliage and pot plants and a separate photographic section.

Copies of the Show Schedule can be obtained from the Secretary, Freida Tweed (Tel: 20432) or from the Chairman, Ian Seel (Tel: 20526).

### Autumn/Winter Programme

The autumn/winter programme begins on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, with a talk by Judith Harry entitled 'Put Plants in their Place'. The second meeting is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, at which Hazel Kaye will give a talk on 'The Garden in Autumn, Winter and Spring'. The Christmas Social Evening will be held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

Ian Seel

## CHANGES TO THE SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD MEDICAL CENTRE

*From October 2004, only accredited 'OUT OF HOURS' providers will be allowed to function outside the hours of 8.30am-6.30pm weekdays, therefore the surgery will be closed on Saturday morning after 2nd October.*

If urgent medical care is required on a Saturday, as at other times when the surgery is closed, please phone the usual daytime surgery number and you will be given the number of the out-of-hours service. Alternatively you can ring 'NEMS' (Nottingham Emergency Medical Services) direct on 0115 934 3000. Your needs will be assessed and you will either be given advice or arrangements will be made for you to be seen by a healthcare professional.

You can also call NHS Direct, which provides a twenty-four hour advice and health information service on 0845 4647 or you can elect to go to the NHS Walk-In Centre on London Road (next to the BBC). This is a nurse led drop-in service offering health advice, information and treatment of minor ailments by experienced NHS nurses and health information advisors. It is open 365 days a year from 7.00 am to 9.00 pm.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

### Applications

- 04/01060/TPO A G M Hopwood, 1 Cuttle Hill Gardens. 5m height reduction of crown of horse chestnut tree. Council did not object.
- 04/01125/FUL Mr & Mrs Harcomb, 19 Browns Lane. Conservatory. Council did not object.
- 04/01130/FUL Mr & Mrs D Heyes, 12 Mill Heyes. Raise height of roof and install two dormer windows. Council objected. It is suggested that the most visible of the two overlarge dormer windows be removed. The raising of the roof is acceptable. The garden room appears from the drawings to be in damaging proximity to a fine tree. The drawings show unlisted difference between elevations.
- 04/01144/FUL Dr J Reidley & Dr S Page, 1 Closes Side Lane. Two storey rear extension; double garage. Council did not object.
- 04/01063/FUL Mr & Mrs Henwood, Greenacre Lodge, 50 Kneeton Road. Garage and utility room extension with rooms in roof space; new chimney. Council did not object.
- 04/01188/FUL Mr & Mrs Blades, 5 Moss Close. Single storey extension, entrance porch. Council did not object. Observations: the high level windows in the extension should be fitted with obscure glass. The height of the proposed extension should be limited to that of the existing garage and outbuildings.
- 04/01057/FUL Miss S Featherstone, Bungalow Farm, 106 Kneeton Road. Erection of 6 stables. Council did not object.

### RBC Decisions

- 04/00733/FUL Mr & Mrs Crafts, The Old Farmhouse, 103 Kneeton Road. Two storey front extension, entrance porch. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00684/FUL Castlebeck Care (Teesdale) Ltd., re: The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Extension of laundry/boiler room, re-position external staircase, fill in swimming pool, repair/part rebuild wall to walled garden, new fence to new boundary. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00685/LBC Castlebeck Care (Teesdale) Ltd., re The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Extension of laundry/boiler room, re-position external staircase, fill in swimming pool, repair/part rebuild wall to walled garden, new fence to new boundary. Grant Listed Building consent with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00804/FUL Hon. Alfred & Mrs Patricia Robens, 4 Kirk Hill. Use part of premises for holding civil marriages; use of land for temporary marquee and car parking. Refuse permission (PC approved)

## Neighbourhood Watch

The July crime figures have not yet been received from the Police and will be incorporated in next month's report.

### Portable Battery Operated Alarms

A small number of these alarms are available for purchase at £7.00 each. They are easy to install and are suitable for use as personal alarms, to protect garages, sheds and outbuildings or as a door or window guard for your home.

If you would like to buy one of these please contact your Neighbourhood Watch Street Co-ordinator.

### Police Community Support Officers

Hopefully you will have noticed one or more of these officers walking around the village over recent weeks. Their presence is most welcome and provides some additional level of reassurance for those concerned by increasing levels of crime in our community.

Please feel able to speak to these officers when you see them and do let them know of any concerns that you may have.

### Anti-Social Behaviour

Most of you will be aware of the high level of publicity being given to this type of crime by police and Government and a determination to significantly reduce this type of criminal activity. Anti Social Behaviour orders imposed by the courts are effective and recently in a nearby village a man was given a 12-month prison sentence for breaching such an order.

### Protect Your Home

Make full use of your burglar alarm. Always set your alarm when you leave your home during the day, even if only for a short time.

Criminals are less likely to attempt to break into a property that is alarm protected.

Don't make it easy for burglars. Wherever possible take extra security measures and make your property more difficult for a potential thief to gain entry.

When you go away on holiday make arrangements with friends and neighbours to keep an eye on your home so that anything suspicious can be investigated and reported to the Police if appropriate.

### Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial 999.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles)

dial 0115 945 5999

David Linnington

Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

## DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

The school was broken into at 10.00am on Friday 13th August and 16 laptop computers were stolen in broad daylight.

This will have a serious effect in the short term on the school's ability to deliver an IT assisted curriculum.

Anyone in the village who has any information should contact the police.

## Parish Council Hanging Basket, Window Box and Tub Awards to Village Householders

WHEN JANE AND I WERE ASKED TO JUDGE THIS YEAR'S AWARDS we naively assumed that it would be a pleasurable and simple task. Pleasurable it certainly was but simple it was not!

Judging was carried out at the end of July and the beginning of August (fortunately, before the rains came!). We began with a census of displays and we were astonished to find that almost 250 displays were visible from the highway. These ranged from a single tub or basket to complex, beautifully maintained and attractive displays. Because there were so many excellent displays our short list turned out to be a long list! Choosing the winners from this list was very difficult and involved several visits. In the end we were unanimous and confident that we had a very worthy group of winners.

### The winners were:

- 1st Mr & Mrs M Hobson 4 Cross Lane  
2nd Mr & Mrs J Archer 1 Holloway Close  
3rd Mr & Mrs P Lewis 3 Blenheim Gardens

### Highly commended:

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mr & Mrs P Chaloner 20 College Street | Mr & Mrs J Ellis 25 College Street   |
| Diana Lewis 2 Blenheim Gardens        | Mr & Mrs P Pacey 1 Cross Lane        |
| Mr & Mrs G Hobbs 3 Cross Lane         | Mr & Mrs B Smith 11 Cross Lane       |
| Mr & Mrs A Crosland 11 Holloway Close | Mr & Mrs R Hallam 28 Crossways Drive |
| Mr & Mrs J Smith 23 Main Street       | Mr & Mrs J Latham 2 Malthouse Close  |
| Mr & Mrs M Parker 6 Haycroft Way      | Mr & Mrs F Hunt 46 Kneeton Road      |

Sadly, during our tour of the village we learned that hanging baskets had been stolen from at least two houses in the village and, as a consequence, some people were reluctant to leave displays in front of their homes.

Commercial premises were excluded from the competition but we would like to commend East Bridgford News for their magnificent and cheerful hanging baskets.

Jane and Ian Seel (Chairman, East Bridgford Garden Club)

## Allotments Competition

The Allotments Competition has been judged and this year's prizewinners are: 1st place George Guy and 2nd place, Kath Ashton. We must add that as the years of competition pass the standards are being continually raised.

The Parish Council would like to congratulate all the Allotment Holders for the condition of their plots and the wonderful array of produce. Keep up the good work, as we shall be holding the competition again next year.

### Across

3. Warship (3,2,3)
9. Refund (5)
10. Large flightless bird (3)
11. Command to a horse (3)
12. Automate by computers (11)
14. Effeminate boy (5)
16. Shelter for honeybees (4)
17. Heaps (5)
19. Ripe (6)
20. Organ of sight (3)
22. Bank executive (6)
23. Incident (5)
25. Constituent (4)
26. Thick sweet liquid (5)
28. Brave (11)
30. Filled pastry crust (3)
31. American law enforcement agency (3)
32. Reptile (5)
33. Runaway (8)

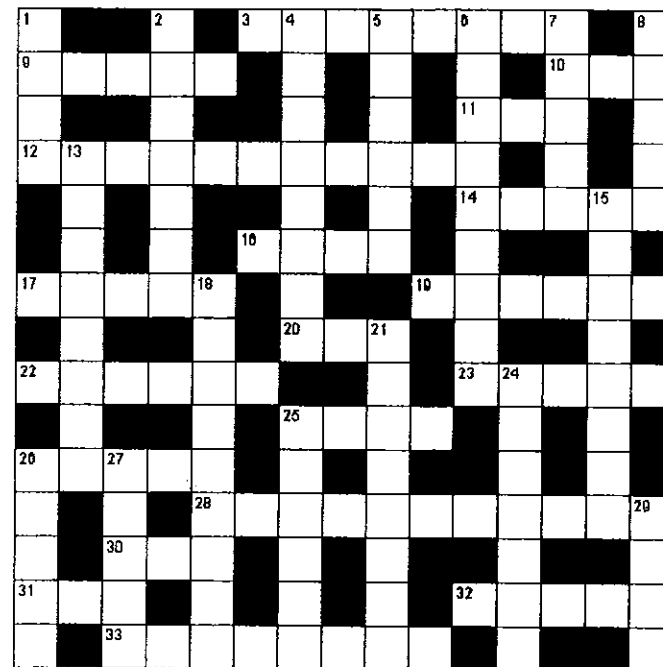
### Down

1. Crocodile (4)
2. Larva of frogs (7)
4. Desire for food (8)
5. Place where business is conducted (6)
6. Person who works for a wage (4-5)
7. Staggers (5)
8. Covered with dust (5)
13. Commonplace (8)
15. Throttle (8)
18. Without sleep (9)
21. Headset (8)
24. Vagabond (7)
25. Suitable (6)
26. Smell (5)
27. Swift (5)
29. Feat (4)

### Solution to August Crossword



## PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector	Canon Alan Haydock,	
	The Rectory, Kirk Hill	20218
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Keith Cottee	20912
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address	
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month	
	(Coffee is served after this service)	
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service	
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon	
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong	
	Holy Communion (BCP)	

### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister	Rev. Christine Perry	837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road	20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd	
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated	

### St.Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens	Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286	
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong	

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## OCTOBER 2004

### Sunday 3 October

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Harvest Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Harvest Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 6 October

- 11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 10 October

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00am Evensong at St Helen's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's - Michael Clarke

### Tuesday 12 October

- 9.30am ST PETER'S SCHOOL HARVEST

### Wednesday 13 October

- 10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 17 October

- 9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 20 October

- 10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 24 October

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's - Patrick Mackie  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 27 October

- 10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 31 October

- 9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 3 November

- 11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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7 Badminton Club, new season starts, Village Hall  
9 Ciara Fund Jumble Sale, 2.30pm, Village Hall  
12 WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut  
12 Wildlife Group Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall Committee Room  
14 Auction & Entertainment, Cotgrave Miners' Welfare  
16 Scouts' Jumble Sale, 2.30pm, Village Hall  
16 Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am - 12pm  
19 Men's Society, 8pm, Village Hall Committee Room  
19 Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut  
20 Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut  
23 One World Church, 10am - 4pm, The Dukeries Centre, Ollerton  
24 EB Clubs & Societies Showcase, 10.30am - 4pm, Village Hall  
28 Parkinson's Information Day, 10am - 2pm, West Bridgford Community Hall  
30 Tennis Club Extravaganza, 7.30pm, Village Hall

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## From the Rector

### Living Lord

There are two opposite ways in which we think about God. One way is to think of the great King over all things. He is the Creator and Sustainer of the universe; powerful beyond our imagination. He is the Eternal One, who has always been and always will be; God from everlasting to everlasting.

The other way to think about God is to think of Him as being interested in me personally and in the smallest detail of my life. He is there beside me, closer than any friend. He is concerned with everything about me; delighted if I do something of value; suffering with me, when I am in pain or find myself the victim of another's heartlessness.

These two ways of thinking about God certainly appear to be very different from each other. One suggests that God is way above us; the other that He is very close to us. So which of them is true? Or is the truth somewhere between the two?

I believe both these ways of thinking about God are true, even though they seem to be contradictory. God really is King above all things, but, at the same time, He cares deeply about all the little things that affect our lives. It is hard for us, though, to think of God in both these ways at the same time. To our minds they seem very far apart and we are inclined to choose one or the other.

But if we do that we shall lose something very important about the nature of God.

Some of us like to think of the greatness and power of God. We are impressed, maybe, by the vastness of His Creation. Thinking of God only in that way, however, can make Him feel very distant. We may be aware of His might or His holiness but we do not find it easy to believe that He really loves us as we are. That sort of belief may not give us much sense of how we live our lives, because it feels that God is too far away to take much notice.

There are others, who have discovered God to be real in their own lives; someone very personal. But it is possible to think of Him like that and lose our vision of Him as the One who reigns over the world. That way God can become rather ordinary, like any other part of life. We do not feel much sense of awe in His presence. We lose sight of His holiness, awe and splendour.

In Jesus, our Living Lord, God, who is Creator of all, has come to be one of us and to share our lives. God really is Lord of lords and at the same time is deeply concerned about each one of us. I find that, when we see something of who He really is, from both sides, that our knowledge of Him can really make a difference in our lives.

Alan Haydock

### Churchyard Working Party

The working party this month will be held  
8.30am - 12.00 noon  
on

Saturday 16th  
October

Much help is  
required, please.

Alan Haydock



The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

Our Harvest Festival Services were, as usual, bright and enthusiastic. The decorators this year have to be particularly congratulated, as the older worshippers tell us that the Church has never looked more beautiful than on this occasion. This year's crop of fruit and vegetables has been really good in this district, so that it is hardly surprising that the Harvest offerings were many, and that a larger supply than before reached the General Hospital authorities, who ask us to express their grateful thanks for these welcome gifts. We thank our Choir, Organist and Choirmaster for their preparation for the services and their appreciated efforts, and we thank the congregations for their offertories, amounting to £5 18s 1d., on behalf of our Sunday School expenses. Last, but not least, we are grateful to the visiting preachers, whose messages we hope have really gone home.

Mrs Mary Higgs, who has been laid to rest in our churchyard, had spent some 60 years of her life in this parish, to which she first came as a cook to 'Squire Martin' of the Manor. She became married to Mr John Higgs and some time before the latter's death in 1923, the happy couple had already celebrated their Golden Wedding. After her husband's decease, Mrs Higgs continued to reside here with her son at 'The White House' until he left for Newton in 1929. Mrs Higgs passed away at Shelford (in the home of her daughter, Mrs Briggs) and she is survived by seven children with whom, and their families and other relatives, we desire to express our sympathy. It may interest our readers to recall that Mrs Higgs was present at the opening of Old Gunthorpe Bridge in 1875 and saw its demolition upon the opening of the new bridge in 1927; on the occasion of the opening in 1875 it is recorded that her old employer, Squire Martin, asked her to dance with him across the bridge, and that she gracefully acceded to his request. Her departure at the ripe age of 88 years recalls to our older parishioners the happiness and affectionate nature of her disposition.



## ST PETER'S CHURCH, EAST BRIDGFORD

As we come to the end of this Programme at St Peter's, I am writing to express my thanks for the generous response.

With just a few more Gift Aid Responses to come in, seventy-four people have so far committed themselves to regular support for our Church and its work. The total promised through Regular Giving is currently £15,298 per year. When this is added to the Promises made in 2002 amounting to £40,886, the total sum promised is £56,184 per year. It is good to know that St Peter's means so much to so many people.

It is also very encouraging that the promised giving is more than the minimum Target figure. This places our Church finances on a more secure foundation and will enable us to pay our bills and meet the challenges of the next few years.

I should also like to assure folk of our continued care for everyone in the Parish, whether or not they help us financially. The Ministry provided is for everyone and there will always be a warm welcome at our Services. I am also pleased to hear of anyone who would appreciate a visit, for whatever reason.

We have much to thank God for and there will be an opportunity to do this at our Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong at 6.30pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

Please accept my personal thanks for the continued support and encouragement in this and other ways.

Alan Haydock

*May my horizon this day, Lord,  
not be so foreshortened that I notice little.*

*Instead, open my eyes  
that I may see afar and above  
as well as in front and beneath me.*

*Lead me to keep my life in perspective and balance  
and discover that the thread of your presence  
is interwoven through the events  
and people of this day.*

## Ciara Fund

We will be holding  
a  
**JUMBLE  
SALE**

on 9th October  
2.30pm  
at the Village Hall.

If you have any  
jumble, we will be  
happy to collect if  
you telephone Pat  
on 20946 or  
Beverley on 20165.

## The Mothers' Union

Mrs Catherine Wigram gave us some 'Insights from Africa' at our September meeting as she talked about the African approach to worship and family life, which she experienced with her husband during their fourteen years working there.

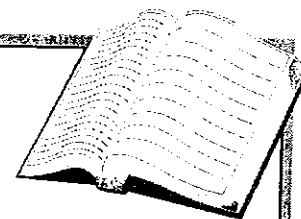
Using appropriate readings from the Bible as illustrations, Catherine explained how families and communities work together caring for the elderly, poor, jobless and homeless. Mothers' Union Parenting Courses teach the principles of 'strong, firm family life', which are so important to Africans. Their ability to share homes and belongings with others and to express great joy in worship is, she said, an example to all of us.

*Our next Meeting – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October  
'Footsteps along the Fosse',  
a talk by Mrs S Clayton.*

Ladies ... Do not hesitate to come and join us. If you don't want to leave your husband at home, bring him too. Anyone hesitant to come alone is welcome to ring me on 21224.

Rosemary Mills

## From the Registers



### Holy Baptism

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August 31	Irene BOOTH	84 years
September 9	Patricia Anne WARD	81 years
September 13	Alison TAYLOR	31 years
September 13	Joan Ann TAYLOR	87 years

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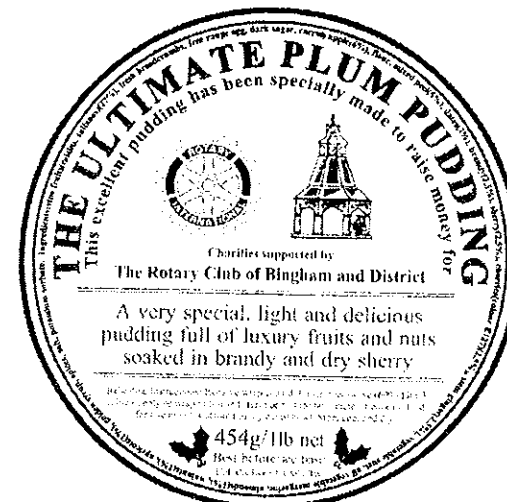
*If you would like to know more, come and join us on Fridays or contact our musical director – Ken Jennings*

Ken can be contacted at home on 209008 or Canon Alan Haydock on 20218

## Your Thanks

Andrew Morrison Robertson (Andy), Annie and family would like to say a sincere 'thank you' to everyone for their support and kindness at this difficult and very sad time. The letters, cards, messages and flowers were very much appreciated.

Special thanks to Canon Alan Haydock for a very moving service and to Dr Andy Harrison for his continuing support and care.



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## Important Notice

Would readers please note that the copy date for the November issue is

**MONDAY  
25 OCTOBER**  
the magazine will therefore appear at the end of the first week in November

The copy date for the Christmas issue is  
**MONDAY  
15 NOVEMBER**

## The Mens Society

Our next two speakers are both village residents with very interesting subjects to present to us:

On **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October**, Alan Woodcock will enlighten us about the 'North Sea Oil Industry', and On **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**, Keith Cottee will make a return appearance with the subject of 'Duels in the Night Sky'.

As Alan's job may require him to visit the rigs at short notice, Keith has kindly agreed to take the October meeting if necessary.

Meetings are held in the Village Hall Committee Room commencing at 8pm. Please support them.

Graham Lomax

# Parish Council News

At its September meeting the Council gave consideration to a Parish Plan Group draft document, regarding 'Affordable Housing for East Bridgford'. The draft document was approved, subject to some minor alterations to the text, for submission to RBC for informal initial comment.

The Council were advised of the development of a project to improve road safety on the A6097 at its junction with Trent Lane, following a letter to Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the condition of the concrete fencing posts on Trent Lane alongside the A6097. You may well have noticed that work has already commenced around Gunthorpe Bridge/Trent Lane area. One of the key objectives is to improve the safety for vehicles turning off the A6079 into Trent Lane. This work will include sorting out the fencing. It was also reported that it is possible that a proposed route for the duelling of the A46 will be published by the end of this year.

The Council are very disappointed that they have not yet managed to persuade RBC to clear the graffiti from around the village, which has now been around for several months. You may be assured that every effort is being made to deal with the problem.

Concern was expressed yet again with regards to the illegal and dangerous parking of cars within the village. The matter is to be discussed with the Community Police Constable with a view to prosecuting the

offenders.

It has been agreed that we will participate in the RBC's Village Planting Scheme 2004/05. This is a project where trees are provided to the Parish Council by RBC, for planting. Several sites have already been offered and there is still some room on the sites that were used last year.

Together with other Parish Councils we have been invited to submit bids to the RBC's 'Small Environmental Improvement Schemes' future rolling programme. Several possibilities were discussed, one being the refurbishment of the Car Park in Main Street. Further consideration is to be given to other proposals for inclusion within this programme by the Village Planning Groups.

Consideration is being given as to how the Parish Council can best raise its profile within the village. Thought is being given to publishing an Annual Report, holding open surgeries and placing information on the Village Web Site. Please let us know if you have any ideas.

**The next meeting of the East Bridgford Parish Council will take place in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, at 7.30pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2004.**

**All meetings are open to the public.**

Mike Handy

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

### Planning Applications

- 04/00923/FUL Mr & Mrs Fielding, 16 Kneeton Road. Detached garage (revised plans). Council did not object.
- 04/01254/FUL Miss S Featherstone & Mr B Magee, Bungalow Farm, 106 Kneeton Road. Conversion of barn to form holiday accommodation and living accommodation for dependent relative, stables and store (revised proposals). Council did not object. Observations: The property should not be for permanent habitation, other than by dependent relative and should not be sold separately.

### RBC Decisions

- 04/00782/FUL Mr & Mrs Wood, Cherrycroft, 44 College Street. Conversion of barn to granny annexe. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/00921/FUL Mr & Mrs Fielding, 16 Kneeton Road. Two storey and single storey rear extensions. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01004/FUL Mr S I C Hayward, 7 Walnut Tree Lane. Single storey front and rear extensions; pitched roof to garage; boundary wall. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01060/TPO A G M Hopwood, 1 Cuttle Hill Gardens. 5 metre height reduction to horse chestnut tree. Grant consent (PC approved).
- 04/01144/FUL Dr J Rieley & Dr S Page, 1 Closes Side Lane. Two storey rear extension; double garage. Grant permission (PC approved).
- 04/00923/FUL Mr & Mrs Fielding, 16 Kneeton Road. Detached garage. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01063/FUL Mr & Mrs Henwood, Greenacre Lodge, 50 Kneeton Road. Garage and utility room extension with rooms in roof space; new chimney. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01188/FUL Mr & Mrs Blades, 5 Moss Close. Single storey extension, entrance porch. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).

# Local History Group

## October Meeting

Our first meeting of the winter season will be held at **7.30pm in the Methodist Church** on Main Street on **Tuesday 5th October**.

We are starting the season with a visit from Beryl Cobbing, who is the joint author with Pam Priestland, of the excellent book "Sir Thomas Stanhope of Shelford". She will recount the events relating to 'The Dispute at Shelford Weir in 1593'. The conflict ranged far and wide involving the highest powers in the land at various times. A fascinating insight into both local and national life in the reign of Queen Elizabeth can be expected.

Our meetings are open to anyone who cares to come along and enjoys a stimulating evening learning something new about our community and its past. A voluntary donation of £1 per person towards the Group's expenses will be requested.

## November Meeting

The date of our November meeting is **Tuesday 2nd November** and will be held, as usual, at **7.30pm in the Methodist Church**.

This meeting will be an important one as we will be having a presentation entitled "**Pancake Hill and other Local Motte and Bailey Sites**" by James Wright, an Archaeologist working on "The Sherwood Initiative". Pancake Hill is, of course, the Motte and Bailey at the bottom of Trent Lane.

We have recently been in discussion with James and it is hoped to undertake a programme of fieldwork to fully investigate the site. The initial stages will include 'field walking' both above and below the site under the guidance of trained Archaeologists. If you are interested in finding out more about this important project or perhaps getting involved in working to discover the story of this Historical Site it is suggested you attend this meeting on **2nd November**.

As always everyone is welcome.

Bill Whitaker  
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20982.

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# From your Borough Councillor

## A46 Improvement Scheme

There have been some developments recently. You will all remember that earlier this year we heard that the A46 project had been approved in principle along with a large sum of money. A lead contractor (Balfour Beatty) and design consultants (Scott Wilson) have been appointed. They are working to develop the Preferred Route and detailed costing.

In early September the A46 team invited me to a meeting of the "non-motorised users group". The other attendees represented groups such as the British Horse Society, Sustrans (the cycle network), the Ramblers Association and the NCC Byways and Footpaths group. The purpose was to review the provision of bridleway & footpath crossings and routes across and along the line of the new A46.

On your behalf I protested about the way their "preferred scheme" cuts so many of our footpaths - though realistically we will not get footbridges for all 7 affected. We then discussed crossings and "desire lines" for horse/cycle/ foot routes. In the vicinity of East Bridgford a by-way bridge is proposed for Occupation Lane, connecting with the Car Colston network, and a road bridge on Butt Lane. I have inserted the following as desires, which apply whatever route is chosen:

- Safe crossings for horses from EB into the Vale using the proposed bridges
- Safe cycle (& foot) crossings into the Vale and onto Newark
- A safe cycle route to Bingham
- A foot crossing of the new route in the vicinity of Margidunum so we

retain a direct route from EB to Bingham via FP 25/ 24A.

- Connection of the severed ends of FPs 25, 24A & 21 and Bridgford Street, Springdale and Closes Side Lanes to create potential circular walks.

The maps they showed we have already seen so I was unable to gain any knowledge of current thinking on the route. They did confirm their planned schedule, which is

- Announcement of the horizontal alignment and junctions for the Preferred Route Late 2004
- Pre-order exhibitions Spring 2005
- Draft Order for Works Summer 2005
- Public Inquiry Spring 2006
- Commencement of works 2007
- Improvements open Early 2009

A word of caution - I was once warned never to rely in dates based on the seasons of the year. I have re-emphasised that we will need to see the vertical height of the road and its bridges before we can properly comment on the alignment - we shall see if they take any notice.

On another front, they have recently been taking some measurements of the noise from the existing roads for use in the Environmental Impact study. The measurements were taken from a property on Butt Lane, which is inside the "affected corridor", and from a sample of properties on the edge of the village but outside the corridor. The corridor is 300 metres either side of the centre line of the route under consideration.

Nigel Lawrence



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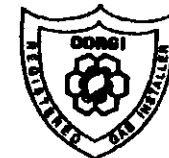
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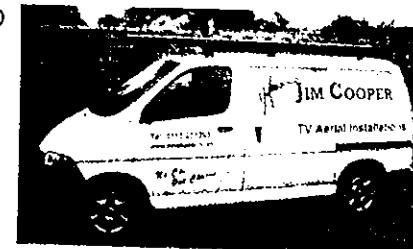
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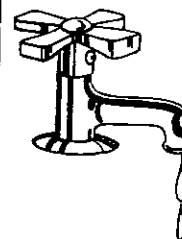


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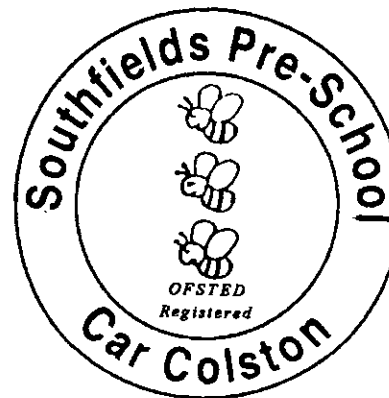
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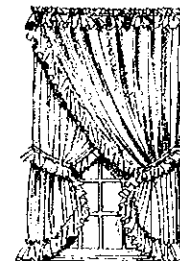
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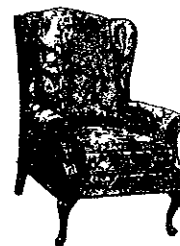
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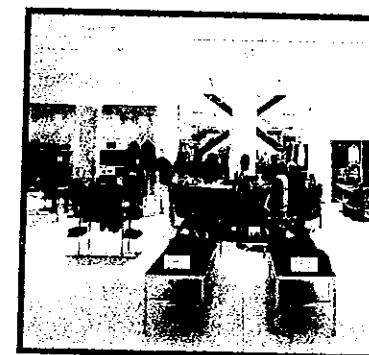
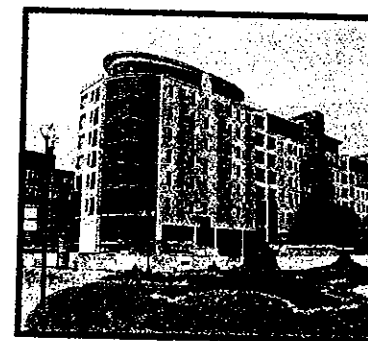
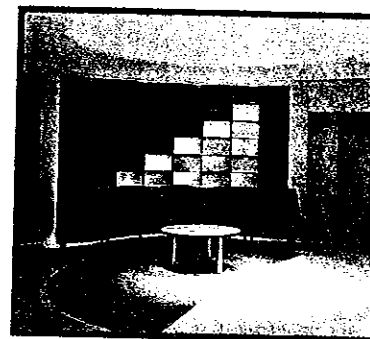
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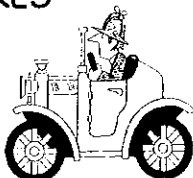
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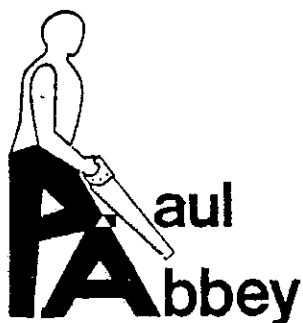
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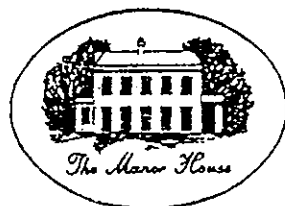
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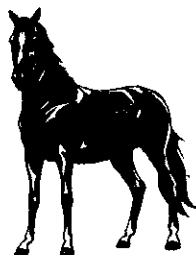
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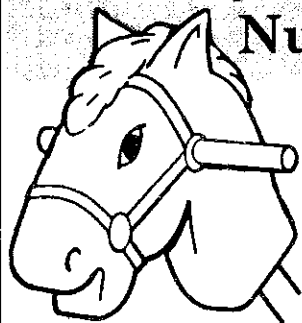
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## Your Letters

I refer to the article in last month's magazine entitled 'A letter of reassurance sent by a son to anxious parents'.

Whilst I appreciate that this was intended to be amusing and diverting, although I believe that Alan Sherman did a far better job with his song 'Hello Muvver, Hello Father', I do take objection to the reference to 'pedal-files' in the penultimate paragraph.

We in the Scout Association are acutely aware that, as an organisation whose entire raison d'être is the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, we, probably more than most, have to take every possible precaution to protect the young people in our care. Indeed, long before the introduction of the Criminal Records Bureau clearing system, the Scout Association made thorough checks on all adults who were likely to come in contact with young people. This not only included all those who volunteered their services as Leaders but also occasional helpers and Parents who may from time to time be asked to assist in transport, running games or at camp etc.

The Scout Association makes in excess of 75,000 CRB clearance checks each year and was instrumental in lobbying the Government to ensure that the proposed £10 charge for each check undertaken was not applied to charitable bodies.

As a long serving Scout Leader I am used to jokes about floppy hats and baggy shorts – both of which I wore as a Scout in the early 1960's! I expect the regular greetings of 'Dib, Dib, Dib' and 'Ging, Gang, Goolie' and treat them both as a term of endearment. I do, however, find references to Scouting and paedophiles; no matter how obliquely they are made, hurtful, unhelpful, unnecessary and ill informed.

Should anyone wish to experience first hand what it is really like to be part of the largest Youth organisation in the World, how rewarding it can be to see young people grow in confidence and experience, to have endless hours of fun at the weekly meetings and at camp and to develop life long friendships then I would be delighted to hear from you! We are currently looking for help at Beavers, Cubs and our soon to be formed Explorer Unit. The rates of pay are poor but the rewards are priceless!

If you think that you can help in any way or would just like more information please give me a ring on 01949 20997.

Yours in Scouting

Steve Cumberland  
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## WI Report

Rachel our President, welcomed everyone back after the summer break, and hoped all those who had been "under the weather" (there were quite a few!) were now fighting fit. She then welcomed Mrs. Atkinson who gave us a very interesting and fascinating insight into Victorian Dress as worn by the more affluent ladies of that era.

The clothes were displayed on a tailors' dummy, from the outer clothing, the dresses mostly made from silk and often with an extra bodice to match the very full skirt, complete with bustle, to the many layers of undergarments, down to the chemise and bloomers (these were worn only by the better off!).

Our very best wishes for a happy 95<sup>th</sup> birthday were sent to Jessie Shepherd who was unable to attend the meeting this month. She has been a member of East Bridgford WI for more than 60 years.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 12 October** when Jo Hallam and Lorraine Lonsdale will talk about 'The Work of Home Start'. We always welcome visitors and prospective members, so do come along and join us.

Rita Case

## The East Bridgford Wildlife and Biodiversity Group

Expert guest speakers from the **Wildlife Trust, Woodland Trust** and **Barn Owl Project** have been booked to give talks at the committee room in the Village Hall (7.30-9.30 pm):

- 12<sup>th</sup> October Bird and dragonfly recording
- 9<sup>th</sup> November Butterflies and moths
- 14<sup>th</sup> December Badgers
- 11<sup>th</sup> January Environmental work in Borneo
- 8<sup>th</sup> February Barn Owls
- 8<sup>th</sup> March The Woodland Trust

Contact Caroline Kordecki on 01949 20871 for further information. We will ask for £1 per person to contribute towards the cost of the hire of the room and the guest speaker's expenses.

## LOURDES - an Oasis of Peace

If you ever get the chance to visit Lourdes, take it. The pilgrimages to Lourdes grew from the experiences of Bernadette Soubirons, who in 1858 saw eighteen visions of the Virgin Mary at the Grotto of Massabielle by the river (Gave de Pau) on the outskirts of the town. Many people believed that drinking the water at the Grotto and praying to the Virgin had cured them of a serious illness from which they had previously suffered. Between 1858 and 1987 over sixty people claimed to have been cured, and ever since, pilgrims have journeyed to Lourdes following in Bernadette's footsteps, either to drink or bathe in the water by the Grotto in the hope of a cure for their disease.

The town is in the heart of the French Pyrenees, with its beautiful countryside, green because of frequent rainfall, with a temperate climate that brings many warm sunny days. At first sight the old centre of Lourdes could be mistaken for that a normal French country town, with its traditional shops, schools and a busy market; but less than half a mile away there is another part, one devoted to catering for the material needs of the pilgrims who travel here from many parts of the world.

Some people heartily dislike this very commercial section of the town with its dozens of souvenir shops standing shoulder to shoulder along the route to the Grotto. Statues of the Madonna, amulets of saints, candles, crucifixes, triptychs, mementos of all kinds are squeezed into the smallest of areas. But most, if not all pilgrims make one very important purchase - a plastic container - which can vary from a tiny phial to a 2 - litre bottle, in which to transport home precious Lourdes water.

Once past the retail area, a long tree-lined avenue leads to two basilicas, one built immediately above the other, which are of great architectural interest. However, it is alongside the river where the pilgrims first visit - to touch the rock walls of the Grotto and to pray. Many hundreds of pilgrims can be seen queuing sometimes for hours to do this, while others just watch and wait. Despite the fact that there are so many people around, there is silence except for the whispering of prayers, the rustling of trees and the murmur of distant traffic.

A little further along pilgrims purchase candles to light, to say a special prayer and then place the candle among others in a designated area. Many people visit Lourdes in the hope of being healed and head directly for the baths, a long narrow building containing several bathing stations hidden behind curtains. In front, relatives and friends sit waiting patiently on long, hard benches while their loved one queues to be dipped in the Lourdes water. To pass the time they pray and sing.

The sheer volume of people waiting to be blessed in this way is quite a moving sight. Some queues contain seriously ill people of varying ages and nationalities lying back patiently in special wheelchairs, waiting their turn. Lines of more able-bodied pilgrims quietly pray while fingering a rosary, or just listen to the strains of Ave Maria - Hail Mary.

These days, most of us are more used to the hustle and bustle of life, people rushing about, careless of others and their problems. Here, in this small town there is a palpable feeling of peace and serenity, which can affect even those who claim not to be religious.

Sue Laver

## BOWLS CLUB

East Bridgford Bowls Club will be pleased to welcome members and friends old and new to the new season of monthly Bingo Evenings in the Village Hall starting on **Friday 1st October.**

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## Bingham and District Choral Society

By the time you read this, we will have started work on John Rutter's Requiem for our next concert on **6th November in St Mary's Church, Newark.**

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We rehearse at Toot Hill School, The Banks, Bingham on Tuesdays at 7.15pm.

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Sylvia Aldworth

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Players of reasonable/club standard new to East Bridgford or any of the surrounding villages can ring Sue Day on 01949 21218 for further information on how to get involved with this friendly badminton club.



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All requests for floodlighting to be included in November's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing - 12 noon, Monday 25th October

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# Garden Club

## Autumn Show

The Club's Autumn Show was held on 4th September. While entries were down on previous years, mainly due to the absence of some major exhibitors who were on holiday, the quality of entries was well up to the standards set in previous years and there was a very colourful display for visitors to enjoy in the afternoon.

**Geoff Johnson** was the winner of the **East Bridgford Garden Club Trophy**, awarded for the highest number of points in the show. **Geoff** also won the **Crossland Brothers Trophy** for the best tray of vegetables. **Dianne Ponton** won the **Bridgford Garden Centre Trophy** for the best exhibit in the show. The **Peto Trophy** for the best flowering plant was won by **Anne Neale**.

## Winter Programme

The Club's winter programme starts on **Tuesday 19th October**, with an illustrated talk by **Judith Harry** entitled 'Put Plants in their Place'.

The second meeting will be held on **Tuesday 16th November** when **Hazel Kaye** will give a talk on 'The Garden in Autumn, Winter and Spring'.

The Club's **Social Evening** will be held on **Friday 10th December**.

Meetings are held in the W.I. hut and start at 7.45p.m.

## New Members and Visitors

Anyone who wishes to join the Club should contact **Freida Tweed** on (01949) 20432 or come along to any of our meetings. Visitors to individual meetings will also be made very welcome.

Ian Seel

*This is one of several cartoons drawn by Rosemary Mills some time ago. There will be another next month. Thanks Rosemary.*


**Copy date for the November Issue is Monday 25th October**

# East Bridgford Toddler Group

East Bridgford Toddler Group runs on Friday mornings from 10.00 until 11.30am in the Village Hall. For safety reason we use the side door.

We have a wide range of toys and activities for children from birth onwards. For the very young these include baby soft play area, gyms, bouncy seats and lots of toys. Older children can play with a wide variety of toys or use our art and craft tables. It is a great opportunity for you and your children to get to know others in the village. Forthcoming craft activities include:-

September		November	
3	Roller Painting	5	Masks
10	Dinosaurs	12	Diwali / Remembrance Sunday
17	Cake and Biscuit Decoration	19	Winter Pictures
24	Puppets	26	Badge Making
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October		December	
1	Autumn Pictures	3	2005 Calendar Making
8	Harvest	10	Christmas Craft
15	Moving Animals- Mechanisms	17	Christmas Craft
27	Teddy Bears		
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## Parkinson's Information Day

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**Thursday  
28th October,  
10.00am to 2.00pm.**

Admission and refreshments are free. People with Parkinson's, their families, carers and health and social care providers can drop in for a chat and refreshments whilst finding out about:

- The local Branch activities
- Local Services
- Carer issues and help
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- How to help us

*For more information contact Vina on 0116 2418012*



**Parkinson's  
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## East Bridgford Clubs & Societies Showcase

The Village Plan Action Group for Village Facilities, Organisations and Communications is organising an open day event to showcase all of the clubs and societies in the village.

The aim of the day is to show the diversity of activities that are going on in the village and to introduce potential recruits to the organisations.

**The event will take place  
Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> October  
at the Village Hall  
10.30am – 4.00pm.**

*From the Rushcliffe Council for  
Voluntary Service Newsletter*

## Dickie Bird Foundation

The Dickie Bird Foundation was launched at the end of May with the vision of assisting young people under 18 years of age to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice, irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity.

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Incidents in East Bridford during July and August 2004

Date	Location	Offence
<b>July</b>		
9	Kneeton Road	Theft of mobile phone
12	College street	Criminal damage
16	Moss Close	Burglary
18	Trent Lane	Forced entry (No theft)
20	Trent Lane	Theft of scrap metal
27	Occupation Lane	Theft of greyhound
?	Straws Lane	Theft of caravan
<b>August</b>		
3	Crossways Drive	Criminal damage
10	Cross Lane	Theft of fence panels (Later recovered)
11	Trent Lane	Forced entry (No theft)
13	Kneeton Road	Burglary
19	Kneeton Road	Burglary
21	Moss Close	Arson

The 12-month moving average is now 8.75 crimes per month

## Secure Your Outbuildings

Over recent months it has come apparent that a criminal or criminal gang has travelled into the area targeting outbuildings and stables and stealing whatever items of value they can find. Properties on the fringe of the village are particularly at risk.

Please remain vigilant and report any suspicious sightings to the Police with as much detail as possible i.e. vehicle registration and descriptions of individuals.

## Criminal Damage

Instances of this annoying crime continue to feature. Damage is caused to property, mainly fences, trees and garden plants, usually after the public houses have closed. If you are aware of the names of the people carrying out these mindless acts report them to the Police.

## Report All Crime

If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.

Remember, if you see a crime being committed

**dial 999**

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles)

**dial 0115 945 5999**

The extension number for Bingham Police Station is **6264**

David Linnington

Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

# Mewling Manor

## A French Diversion



Monty and I were so hacked off with the weather that we took ourselves off to France. My brother has a gîte he hires out, which initially he bought as an investment, but ever since he just moans about the costs of local tradesmen and their inability to turn up on time.

I suspect that my skinflint brother never bothers to get anything repaired and for a while I refused to go to the gîte, until this year when the weather got us down.

We flew to France by one of those cheap airlines and then hired a car at the other end. In the old days Monty took a leisurely drive down to Dover and once in France cruised southwards to Melvin's French pile. This year we felt it would be cheaper to fly, but it didn't seem that cheap when the 'bargain' air flight at £35 was doubled to make it a return and then airport taxes were added. In the end we kissed goodbye to the better part of £200. Car parking at the airport wasn't particularly 'giveaway' either.

These cut-price airlines are a bit of a bun fight, for Monty and I were positively trampled on and squashed when boarding the flight, clambering over people to bag a window seat. One piece of advice - never pat a seat before sitting on it, otherwise you won't be able to see anything for half an hour until the dust settles. Thank heavens we weren't plied with that awful plastic in-flight food - except that this particular airline had the cheek to expect us to pay through the nose for it - some people did.

Our hire car was waiting at the airport, but we only took possession after a row with the assistant, whose English seemed excellent until I pointed out that they were overcharging us. Monty tried out his limited French without much success, but eventually we settled it, as they hadn't make it clear that we would get a rebate provided the car was returned in good condition. I thought that a bit of cheek, Monty's driving is usually very good.

However, he did manage to give me many heart stopping moments, for he could not remember to keep to the right hand side of the road, and being used to an automatic car, he constantly wrestled with the gear lever, causing horrendous crunching sounds to emanate from under the bonnet. I lost count of the number of times he stalled the car and for some inexplicable reason the radio started up each time he fired the engine. I was in charge of switching off the radio. And as for the French drivers, you'd think they'd be pleased to get a few tourists instead of making impatient, incomprehensible Gallic signs when we weren't sure which way to go round the roundabouts.

The gîte had not been refurbished in any way whatsoever. Monty tried to make excuses for my lazy brother by saying that this was true rural living - stone floors, a few upright wooden chairs, a rickety table and a plastic shower cubicle that wobbled violently when the water gushed out of the showerhead! The only piece of furniture that offered the slightest bit of comfort was a bright red plastic chair that looked as if it had come from a Jacques Tati film set.





At least the French understand food, but I believe they prefer to keep the knowledge to themselves. Not having many words of French I always speak slowly to them mixing a little French with English. Monty trots out a couple of phrases he learnt in the army that I suspect would not be not suitable in mixed company. Anyway, we got by and managed to escape from an old woman in the market who was trying to sell us a live chicken for the pot – not that my brother would notice the addition of a few feathers in his gîte.

After a couple of days we booked into a comfortable Pension, which meant we needed to eat most of our meals out. We felt it would easiest to seek out cheap cafes and always went for the Plat du Jour. But it taught us something about the difference between the French and the English and cooking, for I suspect that the French have gained their eminence in cooking by naming their dishes properly – we English ought to learn by it, for one dish I sampled was called *Canard au Manchot en Jus avec des pommes frites* – back home it would be called Duck and Chips.

Augusta Mewling-Grype

## Did You Know?

In 1940 the sugar ration was 12oz per person per week, butter 4oz and meat approximately 1lb. Tea, margarine and cooking fat were rationed to 2oz per week.

In 1940 the use of sugar for cake icing was prohibited – tiered wedding cakes were frequently made of cardboard and hired from bakers.

In 1940 paper was in such short supply that wrapping of most items was forbidden – despite this English *Vogue* was published throughout the war years.

In 1941 the cheese ration was down to 1oz per week.

In 1942 you were asked not to exceed 5 inches of water in your bath to save fuel.

Which reminds me of a sketch that the late Bernard Miles did many years ago when he described how a railway station porter (allegedly) coped with the problem of identifying his station to passengers on arriving trains at a time when the nation's signposts and station name boards had been blanked out to confuse any enemy who might have the temerity to invade.

"Ere you are, for where you're a-going," he would call out, in that wonderful Hertfordshire accent of his:

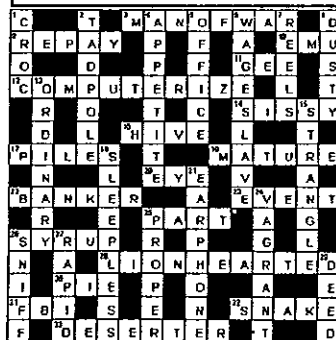
"All you in there for 'ere, git out!" Ed.

Don't forget to  
set your clocks

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One hour  
on  
Saturday 30th  
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Solution to  
September Crossword



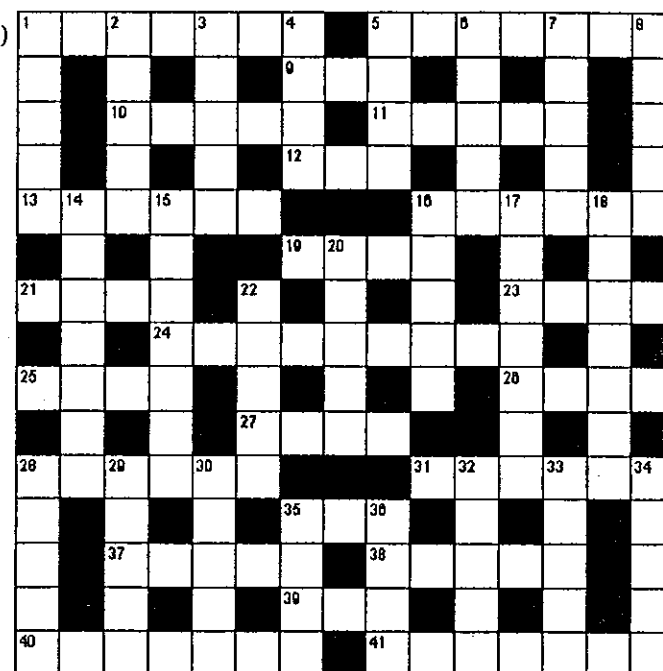
## Across

1. Prickly shrub (7)
5. Earphone (7)
9. Also (3)
10. Worn to protect the clothing (5)
11. Sift (5)
12. Malt beverage (3)
13. Cricket team (6)
16. Sweet baked food made of dough (6)
19. 2nd son of Adam and Eve (4)
21. Free from bias (4)
23. Long fish (4)
24. Custom (9)
25. Indonesian resort island (4)
26. Distribute cards (4)
27. Golf mounds (4)
28. Men of courage (6)
31. Make worse (6)
35. Gone by (3)
37. Elects (5)
38. Poliomyelitis (5)
39. Acknowledgement of debt (3)
40. Seedless raisin (7)
41. Wave riders (7)

## Down

1. Burn brightly (5)
2. Astonish (5)
3. Vessel (5)
4. Sicilian volcano (4)
5. Flexible tube (4)
6. Area used for sports (5)
7. Perfume (5)
8. Tiny (5)
14. Act of leaking (7)
15. Dizzying sensation (7)
16. Braid (5)
17. Thin (7)
18. Free from confinement (7)
20. Salt water (5)
22. Trousers (US) (5)
28. Small mountains (5)
29. Competitor (5)
30. Beyond what is usual (5)
32. Oilcan (5)
33. Small bread-like sweet cake (5)
34. Metal spikes (5)
35. Continent (4)
36. Literary work (4)

## PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector	Canon Alan Haydock,	
	The Rectory, Kirk Hill	20218
Churchwardens	Beryl Cottrill, Keith Conee	20912
8.00am	2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.00am	Sung Eucharist with hymns and address	
	Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month	
	(Coffee is served after this service)	
10.45am	3rd Sunday each month, Family Service	
6.30pm	Evensong and sermon	
7.30pm	Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong	
	Holy Communion (BCP)	

### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister	Rev. Christine Perry	837330
Secretary	John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road	20179
10.00am	Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd	
	Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated	

### St Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens	Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286
8.00am	1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)
6.00pm	2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong



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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## NOVEMBER 2004

### Wednesday 3 November

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 7 November

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 10 November

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 14 November: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

10.50am **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** at St Peter's

6.00pm Remembrance Evensong at St Helen's

No Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 17 November

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 21 November

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

10.45am Family Service at St Peter's

6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 24 November

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 28 November: ADVENT SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

6.00pm Evensong at St Helen's - Michael Clarke

6.30pm **ADVENT CAROL SERVICE** at St Peter's

\* On Remembrance Sunday Ex-service men and women, together with members of the uniform organisations are invited to meet at the Lych Gate at 10.45am.

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## What's on in NOVEMBER

5	Bowls Club Bingo, Village Hall
6	Scouts' Soup 'n Spud Morning, 11am - 1pm, Village Hall
9	EB Wildlife & Biodiversity Group, Village Hall
9	Bingham & District Choral Society rehearsal, 7.30pm, Toot Hill School
9	WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
13	Charity Christmas Card Sale, 10am - 12pm, Methodist Church
14	Service of Remembrance, 10.50am, St Peter's Church
15	Drama Group Dress Rehearsal, Village Hall
16	Garden Club, 7.45pm, WI Hut
16-20	Drama Group Production, 7.30pm, Village Hall
17	Mothers' Union, 2pm, WI Hut
20	Churchyard Working Party, 8.30am - 12pm
20	Radcliffe Ladies Choir Charity Concert 7pm, St Peter's Church
23	Men's Society, 8pm, Village Hall Committee Room
27	Pre-school 80s Disco, Village Hall
4 Dec	Alice in Wonderland, 6pm, St Peter's School Hall
5	Senior Citizens' Christmas Party, 2.30pm, St Peter's School Hall
6	Alice in Wonderland, 6pm, St Peter's Sch.

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The Rt. Revd. John Denis Wakeling MC died on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2004. He was Bishop of Southwell 1970 – 1985.

*Here we reproduce an article he wrote for the Southwell Diocesan News in March 1978. These prophetic words of twenty-six years ago could easily have been written yesterday!*

Alan Haydock

## Danger in New Pattern of Worship

Over the last twenty years the Church of England has spent much time and effort on liturgical reform. We have become used to new draft services issued for experimental use for a term of years. The process has been aimed at achieving two things in particular, a new and, as it is claimed, a more 'catholic' theology giving its own shape to the services and the use of modern English to express this theology; so that the worshipper is involved in a service that expresses the right truth in language which he can understand. Both of these aims are quite admirable.

The full impact of this reform is now being felt and it is worth assessment. The aim now is to provide for the Church of England an Alternative Service Book incorporating the new services. This should appear about 1980. What we call Series III versions of the services will thus be available for all the usual occasions for which we expect provision to be made. In theory this book will exist alongside the Book of Common Prayer which is still the document to which one is expected to turn for guidance about the faith and practice of the Church of England. Two recent reforms have however, seriously tilted the balance in favour of the new services. One is the provision of a new Calendar subtly different from that in the Prayer Book, and the other a new Lectionary and new Collects to support that Calendar. Thus the orderly pattern of Prayer Book teaching on which our Church has been nurtured for three hundred years is being superseded by a new pattern. It could well be argued that it is a better pattern, more logical and more able to engage the worshipper in the contemplation of the truths of the gospel in its fullness. We are being encouraged to think seriously about the Incarnation by an extended period of pre-Christmas themes and similarly to think seriously about Easter by an extended period of Lent and Passiontide themes and then to use the post-Easter period for an exploration of the wonder of our Lord's Resurrection and the impact of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Church at Pentecost.

The questions I ask are these. Is it possible to live with two Calendars? I think not. And are we intending to use this new liturgical provision as the basis of our instruction in the faith and the proclamation of the gospel? For centuries the Church of England taught the people what to believe by providing them with a



yearly cycle of prayer, scripture reading and worship which they came to know and which therefore became part of their mental furniture, a storehouse of truth learned by repetition from which they drew in times of doubt, stress or thankfulness. It was not what was said in the sermons but what was said to them by the invariable liturgy that they remembered. Liturgy in our own language has been the incomparable gift of the Church of England to our countrymen, a gift exported all over the world.

The tendency today is to treat what has been so carefully hammered out by our liturgical reformers as material from which the local congregation can concoct its own worship. We have lost obedience to the orderly use of the Calendar. Too often the local parson seeks to provide something new and strange, something he calls "meaningful", something which he sometimes claims is dictated by the freedom of the Spirit. The result of this personal choice is that the people are deprived of the most valuable teaching medium they have, namely liturgical worship, by means of which every year they live through the events of our Lord's life on which are based the whole gospel we proclaim. There is little regular teaching now being given because the clergy are seeking to express themselves in the worship they order rather than sharing with their people in the givenness of the liturgical provision and learning from it themselves.

Whatever we may think about the new services as being better or worse than the old, one thing remains true. It is liturgical worship which is in danger of being lost, perhaps the one thing for which formerly the Church of England was rightly loved and admired.

Yours sincerely

+ Denis Southwell

## Christingle Services on Christmas Eve

May I encourage all families who hope to be present at the Christingle Services to obtain a collecting tube, which are now available from St Peter's Church, St Peter's School, the Post Office or East Bridgford News? Last year we were able to send £1040 to the Children's Society; about £1.50 per head of those who attended the services.

The Society was very grateful indeed.

Alan Haydock



**Christingle**  
Shining light into darkness

## The Mothers' Union

What if God used call centres to answer prayer? We are all used to call centres as part of modern life, but just imagine what it would be like if you prayed and got the following response:

'Thank you for calling My Father's House. Please select one of the following options:

Press 1 for Requests

Press 2 for Thanksgivings

Press 3 for Complaints

Press 4 to find out if a loved one has been assigned to Heaven. Enter their National Insurance Number then press the hash key. In the event of a negative response please try area code 666.

Press 5 for General Enquiries.'

(Followed by)

'I'm sorry but all the angels are busy helping other callers at the moment. Please be assured that your prayer is important to ME and it will be answered in the order in which it was received, so please stay on the line.'

(Heavenly music is then played)

'For reservations at My Father's House please enter J-O-H-N followed by 3-1-6.'

or)

'Our computers show that you have already prayed once today. Please hang up and try again tomorrow, so that others may have a chance to get through.'

I'm glad that God doesn't use a call centre and that I can talk to and listen to Him as and when I want!

Anon

Our Next Meeting:

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November

'Christmas Flowers' with Mrs Hilary Lee.

Visitors will be welcome

Meetings every third Wednesday in the month  
2.00pm in the WI Hut.

Rosemary Mills

## Confirmation Groups

I have been encouraged greatly by the fact that fifteen young people have expressed the wish to prepare for Confirmation. There may be others, who have still to let me know. In addition to the classes, which will start in January, there will be groups for adults and I look forward to hearing from those who would like to explore this opportunity of preparing for Confirmation.

Alan Haydock

## SILLY SIGNS



Will he EVER get his umbrella up?



R.M.L.

## Churchyard Working Party

This month's working party will be held  
8.30am - 12 noon on  
Saturday

20th November

Once again I appeal for a good turn out for what should be the last working party of the year.

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## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 1934

My Dear Parishioners

We approach the solemn observance of Armistice Day under circumstances, which are, to say the least of it, disturbing to the minds of all but superficial people. For while in our own favoured land we are not torn by any terrible divisions, Europe as a whole is, we know, in a very disturbed condition. Abroad there seems to be that kind of continuous unrest which is so liable to lead to War, and we all realise now-a-days how quickly War, when once started, may involve us perforce. When responsible and clear-headed statesmen can use the words, "if our civilisation is to be saved" there must at least be some danger for the future, and we may well come to Church determined that our prayers (both there and in our homes) for Peace and for the guidance of the statesmen of all countries, shall be both sincere and intense.

But the Armistice Day also suggests other and more personal questions. It is now 20 years since the brethren, whose sacrifice we commemorate on November 11<sup>th</sup> were plunged into the awful hell of War. Again and again we have promised that we would "remember them" and take up, as from their hands, "the torch" in our own pursuit of the Great Ideal for which they gave their lives. Have we done so? Let us each ask, am I in my own life straining after that Great Ideal which alone can at last bring to the whole world the Kingdom of Peace, the Idea of Jesus Christ Himself? Twenty years have elapsed, and many of us must admit that the material rather than the spiritual seems to have gripped us, alas, with a power that is no weaker as the years go by; we think more of our own comfort and ease than we think of God.

Let us bring the matter straight home. Are you, reader, trying to live in your own village in pursuit of the Ideal for which 22 of your brethren here made the Supreme Sacrifice? Do you pray in dead earnest? Do you worship Jesus? Do you put Him first, and make worthy sacrifices for His Kingdom? Until you can answer these questions in the affirmative, you are not making your contribution to Peace, nor have you discharged your debt to your fallen brethren.

Yours faithfully  
Rupert W. King

## Charity Christmas Cards

THIS IS THE ELEVENTH TIME that the annual charity Christmas card sale has been held in the village. It will be at the Methodist Church on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November from 10am – 12 noon**. Do come along and swell the numbers, buy your cards and have a coffee... the more the merrier! There will be lot of cards suitable for children to give and many of the charities have stocking fillers, wrapping paper and Advent calendars.

We hope that the charities represented will be NSPCC, Cancer Research, Rainbows, Save the Children, Christian Aid, RNLI, Framework (Macedon), Shelter and the Winged Fellowship. Do come and buy your Christmas cards and at the same time support these worthwhile causes.

Maggie Teare

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The annual Service of Remembrance will be held at **10.50am on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

Ex-service men and women and members of uniformed organisations are invited to parade opposite the Lych Gate at 10.45 am.

AH

## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

10 October James Alexander HICKMAN  
17 October Jacob Harvey BOYES

### Funerals

24 September	Stanley John JENKINS	81 years
5 October	Doreen CORCORAN	67 years
4 November	Arthur Wallhead THORNTON	87 years

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## Men's Society

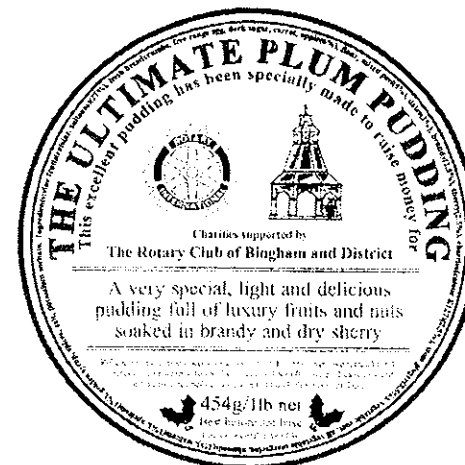
At the October meeting we were given an excellent talk by Alan Woodcock on the 'North Sea Oil Industry'.

Unfortunately the attendance was poor. I hope that more members will support Keith Cottee on

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

in the Committee Room of the village hall at 8pm, for the subject 'Duels in the Night Sky'. Due to the proximity of Christmas there will be no meeting in December.

Graham Lomax



## The Ultimate Plum Pudding

A very special, light and delicious pudding full of luxury fruits and nuts soaked in brandy and dry sherry is being sold by The Rotary Club of Bingham and District to raise money for charity.

Puddings, at £5 each - £2.10 of which will be donated to the Children's charity 'Wish Upon a Star', are available from the Rector, Canon Alan Haydock.

## Our Churches Are Grateful

- For donations from the Children's Society boxes, which amounted to £113.30
- For the gifts of time, energy, skills and produce, which made the Harvest Thanksgiving Services such joyous occasions
- For further responses to our recent Funding Campaign and to Steve Cumberland who advised and assisted from start to finish.
- To John Lawson for his sponsored cycle ride which raised £68 for St Peter's and a similar amount for the Notts Historic Churches Trust.
- To Henton & Chattell Ltd (Mower World) for their continued support for St Peter's

## Parish Council News

BT is proposing to get rid of the telephone box by the Medical Centre so that the new path from Ludgate Drive can be constructed. To re-site the box would cost £4000. The Council will find out how much it is used before deciding whether or not to support this decision.

The possible development at the Main Street end of Ludgate Drive is on hold and we suspect that there are problems of access. If they do go ahead, the Council has made it clear that our preferred option is for lower cost maisonettes rather than detached houses.

There has been more vandalism in the village particularly on Butt Field. A seat has been ripped off the wall of the pavilion and a goal post has been removed. The security patrols will continue but anyone with information about who is responsible should contact the police, neighbourhood watch or a councillor.

The Council was concerned to learn that the Village Hall Committee has not had a secretary for sometime and that other officers no longer wish to serve. The Village Hall is an important village asset and it is vital that new members for the committee are found. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact Garth Powell on 20985

The P3 organisers, Hilary Linnington, Mollie Burnett and Tony Ford are

stepping down after 9 years of excellent service. The impressive network of well-maintained paths in the village is a testament to their hard work and organisation. The regional officer regards East Bridgford as one of the two best villages for footpaths in the County. The Council is sending letters of thanks and are now seeking volunteers for their replacement.

The Council is sending letters of thanks to Robert Wragg and Mark Oakden who have set up and agreed to run the village web site. Parish Council News will in future also appear on the web site.

The Council is seeking grants for two projects from the Small Environmental Improvement Schemes Fund. These are for the development of the Bridgford Street bridle path (which runs along the side of the A6097) and improving the car park on Main Street.

The Council has received a letter underlining the nuisance that bonfires cause to residents. We would urge those needing bonfires to consider carefully the interests of neighbours.

Some residents are putting rubbish in plastic bags at the side of public litterbins but probably do not realise that the bin men refuse to accept them. They also object to them being squashed into the bins themselves.

John Chater

## PARISH PLAN DEVELOPMENTS

The Action Group on Village Facilities, Organisations and Communications arranged the open day in the Village Hall to give residents an awareness of all the clubs and societies that exist in the village. For those who were unable to attend, there will be a list in the December issue of this magazine with contact names and numbers. This group also arranged a meeting for the youth of the village to discuss what improvements in facilities they would like to see. The meeting was well attended with 25 young people present and follow up meetings with youth organisers from the Borough Council are planned (see additional article). Another initiative of this group has been the creation of the village web site launched on 1<sup>st</sup> October - [www.eastbridgford.com](http://www.eastbridgford.com)

The Action Group on Conservation, Planning and Environment has been working on providing affordable housing for the village. A report from the group is with RBC for consultation and will be presented to the Parish Council this autumn. If approved, consultation with residents will follow. The development will be quite small and will involve using agricultural land in order to keep costs down.

The group has been working with the newly formed Wildlife group to produce a tree and hedge survey, which will inform the planting of new trees and the preservation of old ones. The group is working with an

officer of the Borough Council to redraw the Conservation Area and has been active in opposing housing developments, which do not accord with the wishes of residents as expressed in the Appraisal findings. The group is making a bid for environmental project funding for the development of the Bridgford Street bridle path, which runs along side the A6097.

The Community and Essential Services Action Group have established an ongoing link with the Medical Centre in which matters of mutual concern can be discussed. A similar link is being established with the school. Poor street lighting was highlighted as a concern by many residents and the group will be conducting a lighting survey in the near future. The group needs assistance with this and other tasks so if you can help, please contact Chris Clarke on 20822.

The Transport and Roads Action Group has made little progress so far mainly because there are insufficient members in this group. This is regrettable because traffic, road safety and public transport were among the biggest concerns that residents had. If you share these concerns and would like to help, even in a small way, then contact the chair of the group, Paul Harrop on 20057.

John Chater



## Youth Forum

THE PUBLIC MEETING held in the Sports Pavilion on September 28<sup>th</sup> was well attended by a representative group of village teenagers. Ideas for the improvement of leisure time were suggested and discussed with lively enthusiasm.

The meeting led by Rushcliffe Youth Team Leaders, Bruce Starkey and Jill Carter also considered negative and positive aspects of living in East Bridgford. All present made a contribution and concluded that the village is a good place in which to live, but could be better with the improvements we are working towards.

Members of the Village Action Group for Teenagers who were also present found the level of interest and enthusiasm most positive and encouraging.

At the conclusion of the meeting several young people signed up to work with Jill and Bruce on an Action Plan to help make things happen – so for details of progress watch this space!

Alison Powell.

## What a Waste of Money!

*This is what is happening in our village.*

The amount of waste paper being re-cycled through the skips in the car park is reducing and as a result our village organisations will suffer. This year the Methodist Church raised £1,462 and was able to donate £950 to organisations associated with our village. These include the guides, scouts, cubs, beavers, Friendship Club, Ciara Hennessy, Luncheon Club, Pre-School Group, committee for WI Building, St Peter's School, Framework Housing and other associated charities.

Last year before the Borough started "Re-cycling2Go" we raised £1,810. With less paper being re-cycled through our village skips this has resulted in a loss of income of £348.

I know it is an extra job to take your waste paper to the car park but think of the benefits for our village. If you leave it for Rushcliffe to collect, the Methodist Church will lose the money raised and it will be lost in direct giving to our village.

Thank you for reading this article and I hope you will help by taking your waste paper for the car park skips. Thanks also to our loyal supporters who continue to support our scheme.

John Parker  
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THIS IS A VOLUNTARY GROUP offering help to people in East Bridgford and the surrounding villages registered with East Bridgford Medical Centre. Most of the help involves transport to the surgery, dentists, opticians, chiropodists etc., when public transport and taxis are difficult to access. The Group is finding it an increasing problem to assist with hospital appointments, especially to the QMC and the City Hospitals. If there is anyone with a few spare hours in the week who feels he/she could help with this or general Care Group activities, Alison Powell, the co-ordinator will be pleased to hear from them. Please ring Care Group mobile answer phone 07976 935476 leaving name and telephone number.

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# East Bridgford St Peter's School



The Pre-School continues to go from strength to strength, with the staff and committee currently working hard to ensure that the pre-school is re-accredited by the Pre-School Learning Alliance ("the PLA") for an unprecedented third time. The PLA demand rigorous standards in all aspects of pre-school child care before accrediting an institution, and East Bridgford is one of only a handful of pre-schools in the County, and the first ever, to have achieved the award.

The children have enjoyed themselves this autumn with a visit from a farmer and his tractor, and their own Harvest Festival service at St Peter's. They have been involved in creating lots of autumnal crafts, including Hallowe'en masks and bright firework pictures.

East Bridgford Pre-School is entirely self funding, and the committee organise a series of events throughout the year to help boost funds. On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November, everyone is invited along to the Village Hall for an 80s disco.

There will be a bar; prizes for the best fancy dress; an 80s quiz; a

raffle, and dancing till dawn – well, quite late anyway. Tickets are £5 each, and available from the Pre-School or by calling Jane Aspden on 20334. Other events on the horizon include a jumble sale on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2005.

If anyone has any queries about admission to the Pre-School, they should not hesitate to contact Tina Ward, Admissions Secretary, on 829075.

## Safer Sustainable Transport

Parents and teachers are being offered top tips and guidance on safer and sustainable transport issues such as walking buses and school traffic management in the latest phase of Learning Together. This joint initiative by Learning Through Landscapes and Sustrans offers practical advice on projects to encourage pupils, parents and staff to walk, cycle and use public transport in order to reduce traffic and its adverse effects and improve life in and around school grounds.

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## Eh? - Come Again?

It is surprising that the present bitter controversy has arisen between the Government and, on the one hand, the Labour Party – and to some extent the centre parties as well – and, on the other, The British Medical Opposition – British Medical Association. That is certainly my most Freudian slip of the tongue so far.

*Kenneth Clarke, Health Secretary, debate on NHS White Paper, 1989.*

We were unanimous – in fact we were all unanimous.

*Liverpool MP Eric Heffer, after a meeting of the Labour National Executive Committee, 1982.*

The future, where most of us are destined to spend our lives...

*Sir Geoffrey Howe, Foreign Secretary, A Week in Politics, Channel 4, 1986.*

But I mustn't go on singling out names. One must not be a name-dropper, as Her Majesty remarked to me yesterday...

*Conservative MP Norman St John Stevas, speech to the Museum of the Year Award lunch, reported Daily Telegraph, 1979*

## Local History Group

AT THE FIRST MEETING of our winter season, in October, Beryl Cobbing of Radcliffe provided us with a fascinating insight into the trials and tribulations of Sir Thomas Stanhope of Shelford in relation to his weir in 1593. Her talk really captured the atmosphere and the problems caused when two landlords were in disagreement in Queen Elizabeth's time. It was as though Beryl had been there to witness the events, so good were her descriptions of the events.

### November meeting

By the time the Magazine reaches your doorstep our meeting will have taken place!

In the next few months it is hoped we will be taking part in investigation work on the site of our Motte and Bailey Castle at the foot of Trent Lane. Pancake Hill, as it is known, has been the subject of some research undertaken by archaeologists under the Sherwood Initiative. They have invited the History Group and through us anyone else from the village, to take part in the field work at the site and in the later analysis and report writing. It should be noted, however, that the necessary funding has not yet been secured at this stage!

Our November meeting will have outlined the future programme of activity. If you would like to participate in this project please contact me on 01949 20982.

### December meeting.

If you enjoy a witty, lively and entertaining speaker together with a glass of wine and a mince pie make a note in your diary now for **Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm in the W I Hut**. More details next month.

### .....and finally

It is never too early to buy that inexpensive Christmas present for that friend, relative or acquaintance who enjoys East Bridgford. Why not buy them a copy of "Life in East Bridgford – The Twentieth Century"? A few copies are still available at £6.00 from Bill Whitaker.

Bill Whitaker  
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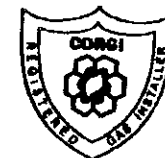
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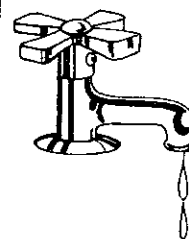


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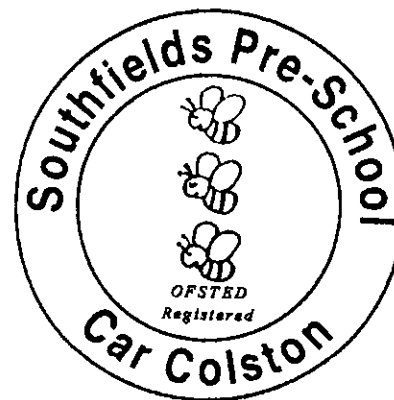
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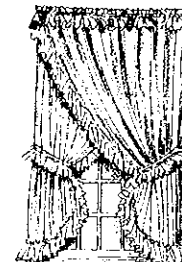
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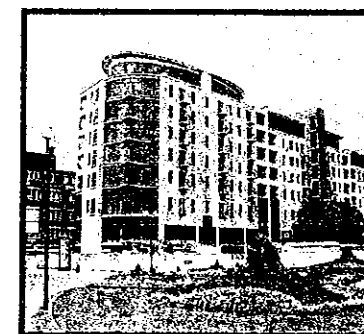
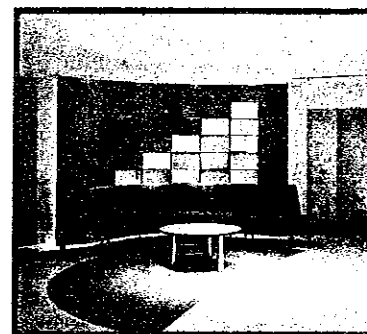
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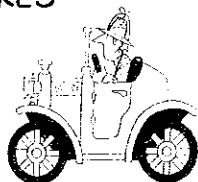
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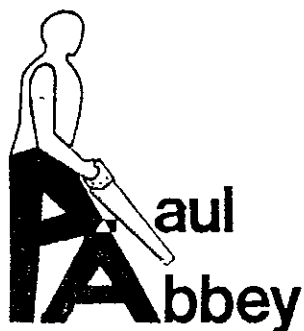
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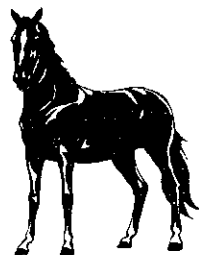
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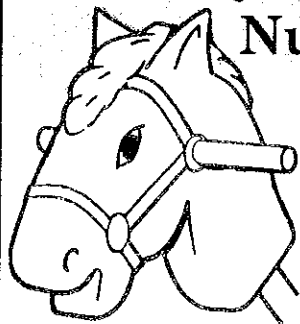
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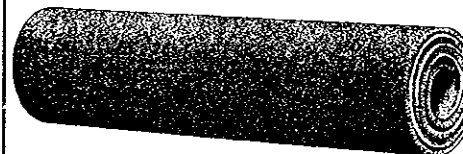
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# CHRISTMAS PARTY

East Bridgford Scouts and Walnut Grove Studio cordially invite all villagers over 60 to a gala party and performance of

## 'ALICE IN WONDERLAND'

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
St Peter's School Hall  
From 2.30pm to 5.30pm

*The scouts will serve their usual banquet tea after a performance drawn from Lewis Carroll's two 'Alice' stories.*

To attend please complete the form below and hand it in at the Post Office by Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November or telephone Steve Cumberland 20997 or Janice White 20702  
(See also page 27)

I/We would like to come to the free party.....

I/We would like transport to the free party.....

Name .....

Contact Address.....

Telephone Number.....

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## ON SONG AT ST PETER'S

Presentations were made to this year's winning choristers at the Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong.

### Awards:

Cup of Achievement:  
**Charlotte Hepples**

Most improved Chorister of the Year:

**Dominic Rech**

Choir Cup (Best chorister who served the Choir):

**Helena Bradbury**



## ECO TEAMS IN EAST BRIDGFORD

### Making small changes can make a BIG difference

EcoTeams is an enjoyable way to actively help the environment, meet new people and save money. An EcoTeam is a group of 6-8 people who meet with a coach once a month for four months, to share ideas and adopt simple yet effective actions to help them to live in a more environmentally friendly way. Each meeting focuses on different topics, which include rubbish and shopping, energy use, transport and water use. An EcoTeam is not simply a discussion group; it is a practical workshop where thoughts are translated into action.

### Does it work? Yes.

200 households in Rushcliffe have already taken part and on average significantly reduced their: rubbish by 43%; their gas by 15%, electricity by 9% and water by 21%, not only taking pressure off the environment but also saving money on household bills.

### What is involved and how much time will it take?

Team meetings are once a month; also, to see what a difference you are making, we just ask you to take a few simple measurements every week, such as reading your electricity meter. Surprisingly it only takes about 2 hours a month, which includes the meeting AND taking your readings.

We are now looking for people to take part in EcoTeams in and around East Bridgford; if you would like to know more please contact:

Cindi Miln on 0115 917 8080 / 07717 870336

Email: [cindi.miln@globalactionplan.org.uk](mailto:cindi.miln@globalactionplan.org.uk)

# Garden Club

## Winter Programme 2004/2005

### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Hazel Kaye  
'The Garden in Autumn,  
Winter and Spring'

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Social Evening  
Stuart Dixon  
'Tresco, a Plant Lovers Paradise'

### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January

John Page  
'The Contemporary Alpine Garden'

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Kate Garton  
'Rothschild Gardens'

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March

A.G.M.  
Speaker to be announced

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Andrew Ward  
'Woodland Gems –  
Shade Loving Plants'

**Meetings are held in the W.I Hut, at 7.45pm.**

*New members and visitors will be made very welcome*

### November Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November when Hazel Kaye will give a talk entitled 'The Garden in Autumn, Winter and Spring'. Hazel is a previous speaker who gave a very enjoyable talk on her last visit and we can look forward to an interesting evening.

### Social Evening - December

The Club's Social Evening will be held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. The speaker will be Stuart Dixon and he will be telling us about Tresco. A buffet supper with wine will follow the talk.

### 'Put Plants in their Place'

The speaker at the October meeting was Judy Harry, who gave a very informative and colourful presentation. Judy gave us lots of do's and don'ts in relation to the positioning of plants in terms of climate, soil type, soil condition and location. She went on to show a series of brilliant slides of stunning colour schemes and compatible planting.

Ian Seel

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# East Bridgford Drama Group

## 'OFF THE HOOK!'

Every single ticket has now been sold and the waiting list is growing day by day.

In view of this, we are inviting people to attend the final dress rehearsal in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 15th November.

There will be no charge for admission, but a voluntary retiring collection for a specified charity.

We are not issuing tickets but nevertheless extend to you a warm welcome.

If for any reason a ticket does become available, the Rector would value its return. Money, of course, would be refunded.

## Floodlighting Diary

### NOVEMBER 2004

- 1 All Saints' Day
- 2 In loving memory of **CHARLES CUMBERLAND**
- 2 In loving memory of **GUY OGLESBY**  
(floodlights will be additionally lit on the 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- 4 In loving memory of **MAY WALLIS**
- 5 In loving memory of **CISSIE SHAW**
- 6 Happy birthday memories of **GORDON GOLDIE**
- 8 The Saints and Martyrs of England
- 11-14 The Memorial will be lit to remember those who died  
defending our liberty
- 14 Remembrance Sunday
- 14 In loving memory of **KEN CUPIT**
- 19 In loving memory of **JOAN ARUNDELL**
- 21 In thankfulness for the life of **BARBARA ARCHER**
- 21 Christ the King
- 26 Happy birthday memories of **ALAN JAY** who would have  
been 100 today
- 29 In Thanksgiving for the Missionary Work of the Church
- 30 Andrew the Apostle

The Church will be delighted to receive your sponsorship requests for the floodlighting of the church, to mark a special memory or a celebration.

These can be accompanied by a dedication in the magazine or by a private dedication. All requests for floodlighting to be included in December's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close), by phone (20528), or by e-mail (pgolightly@easynet.co.uk) before press closing - Monday 15th November




# AUTUMN

by Christopher Brennan

Autumn: the year breathes dully towards its death,  
beside its dying sacrificial fire;  
the dim world's middle-age of vain desire  
is strangely troubled, waiting for the breath  
that speaks the winter's welcome malison  
to fix it in the unremembering sleep:  
the silent woods brood o'er an anxious deep,  
and in the faded sorrow of the sun,  
I see my dreams' dead colours, one by one,  
forth-conjur'd from their smouldering palaces,  
fade slowly with the sigh of the passing year.  
They wander not nor wring their hands nor weep,  
discrown'd belated dreams! but in the drear  
and lingering world we sit among the trees  
and bow our heads as they, with frozen mouth,  
looking, in ashen reverie, towards the clear  
sad splendour of the winter of the far south.

## Wildlife & Biodiversity Group

 ON OCTOBER 12TH John Ellis from the Wildlife Trust gave us a very entertaining and informative talk on bird and mammal recording which encouraged us to record what mammals and birds are seen in the parish. By doing this we can consider how best to protect and look after the countryside to encourage these species to thrive as so many are under threat, such as the water vole and hare.

We would be very grateful if you would inform us or keep a log of sightings around the parish. We need to know what animals, how many and when and where they were seen. Has anyone seen any hedgehogs? Apparently there is a scarcity. We will collate this information and send it on to the Wildlife Trust.

Please send sightings or monthly logs to: [nottsandy@hotmail.com](mailto:nottsandy@hotmail.com)

Photos of wildlife in the parish would also be gratefully received as we could post them on the village website. If you want to contact us please ring Caroline on 20871.

The next talk will be by John Ellis from the Wildlife Trust on butterflies and moths and how to identify them. This will take place on the **9th November** at the village hall. There will be a £1 entrance fee to contribute to the speaker's expenses and hire of the village hall.

## From your Borough Councillor

### Strategy, Policy and Detail

After a particularly busy few weeks at RBC, during which I also attempted to earn a legitimate "crust", I had cause to wonder if anyone understood what a Borough Councillor actually does. I certainly did not when I took the job on. Most obviously, at the local level there is the regular duty of commenting on Planning Applications. I receive a (mercifully) small number of issues or problems from residents requiring some assistance. Plus, I have been known to prod RBC and other service providers if the standard delivered to Oak Ward slips in any way. All that requires attention to detail (though very important to some).

What we Councillors do not do is run the services provided by RBC. We are fortunate in having a competent set of Officers at Rushcliffe, and the routine management of the Council is delegated to them. The Cabinet (six Councillors elected by the others) undertakes supervision of the Officers, in the same way that a Board of Directors supervises a public company. Some Councillors, but not myself, sit on the committees that decide on Planning Applications and Licensing Applications (soon to include Alcohol and Entertainment).

What we all do is long range planning: setting Strategy, reviewing the impact of Policy (& revising it) or looking at the performance of key services (the area in which I have most of my responsibilities). This quarter we are working on:-

- The Rushcliffe Local Structure Plan (against which all planning applications are assessed);

- The new Rushcliffe Community Strategy
- The Rushcliffe Crime & Disorder Reduction Strategy
- The 2005/6 Budget.
- I will try to cover the Rushcliffe Community Strategy in a future article, but in summary Community Strategies and Neighbourhood Plans will replace most aspects of Structure Plans. A number of public consultation meetings are being held around the Borough (see your most recent copy of "Rushcliffe Reports" for dates and venues). Residents of East Bridgford will be pleased to hear that our views will have significant influence as our Parish Plan is being fed directly into the RBC Community Plan. We are one of the 6 (out of 60) to provide such detailed input.
- The Crime & Disorder Strategy is under review by the Performance Management Board I am associated with. We are fortunate here in EB that we do not have much "Disorder" (really – we don't when compared with the rest of Notts), but our "Crime" record (as victims) is not so good. The Board will also start to look at Recycling, Affordable Housing and Leisure Centres Marketing soon. I welcome your opinions – if you see me feel free to tell me what you think.

Finally I would like to congratulate the Parish Plan Action Team that organised the Clubs & Societies Open Day last month, and all the clubs that participated. I thought it demonstrated what a vibrant community we have.

Nigel Lawrence

# East Bridgford Directory 2005

**M**OST OF OUR READERS WILL BE AWARE that at the end of each year we publish a Village Directory, which lists all the clubs, societies and other organisations that hold regular meetings and other events of interest to people who live in East Bridgford and Kneeton.

The Directory forms part of the December issue of the magazine and in order to ensure that the information shown is accurate and up to date we would ask those involved to contact Mrs Irmgard Finnegan on 01949 20215 to provide the following information as appropriate:

- Advise her that no alterations need to be made to the current entry
- Give details of any alterations you wish to make to the current entry
- Advise her that the current entry should be deleted
- Give details of any organisation formed since last December

*Please note:* Mrs Finnegan will need to have all information by **Friday 12th November** at the very latest to ensure that the entry appears in the December issue.

*The Editors*

## Village Website Goes Live

**T**HE NEW EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE WEBSITE at [www.eastbridgford.com](http://www.eastbridgford.com) went live on schedule on 24 September. The site offers news and events information as well as details about many of the organizations that are active in village life. Every organization that wishes to use the service may have its own section and will be able to have its own website address. For example the Bridge Club, which has taken up the web service with particular enthusiasm, can be found at:

[www.eastbridgford.com/bridgeclub](http://www.eastbridgford.com/bridgeclub).

The website is the result of work by the Village Plan Action Group looking at facilities and communications. Design and development work has been carried out pro bono by Robert Wragg and Mark Oakden, members of the Action Group. Robert and Mark are web professionals who wanted to ensure that East Bridgford has a first class web service fit for our village. The Action Group is committed to providing a free update service to help ensure that the material on the site can be kept up to date and provide a valuable source of information to villagers.

At the time of writing there are a number of groups and organizations that have not yet provided any content and the website team would like to encourage these groups to consider making a contribution for inclusion on the site. If you want to know more please contact Robert Wragg on 01949 20995.

## Bingham and District Choral Society

**W**E ARE LOOKING FORWARD to our Christmas Concert at St. Mary's and All Saints, Bingham on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm**. Tickets will be £6 from society members or on the door (subject to availability). The price will include wine or soft drinks and mince pies! This is a successful annual event, conducted by Neville Ward with Roger Bryan at the organ, featuring many carols, some well known (with audience participation) and others less familiar.

This year the programme will include the Christmas Music from Handel's Messiah with Lynne Holland, from Radcliffe, as Soprano soloist. Apart from enjoying her beautiful voice we will, again, be joined by the Toot Hill School Brass Ensemble who will add their distinctive, festive sound to the proceedings.

We are also looking forward to augmenting our choir for this occasion with former members and others who cannot commit to a whole term of rehearsals. Five weeks of rehearsals start on **Tuesday 9th November at 7.30pm** in the Main Hall of Toot Hill School, The Banks, Bingham. For more information ring 01949 839991.

Eileen and David Meylan would like to thank the very many fellow villagers who have supported us following Eileen's stroke. She is recovering steadily. We seem to be starting a campaign following our awful experience of the failures of the non-local NHS to see that stroke patients are taken direct to the City Stroke Unit, preferable within 3 hours of the stroke starting – not 24 hours. Should anyone have had a similar experience and wish to support our efforts, please contact us.

A very big thank you to everyone who came along and supported our World's Biggest Coffee Morning on 24th September, for all the donations of cakes, preserves, tombola and raffle we had a fantastic morning and managed to raise £545.00 and a further £30.00 in donations afterwards, which made a total of £575.00. A special thank you to East Bridgford Mother & Toddlers who raised £82.00 selling cakes and tombola so the overall total we were able to send was £657.00. Thanks also to Brian, Annette, Jennifer, Jo, Mary H, Cathy, Mary B, Ann, and Ruth for helping us it wouldn't have been possible without all of your help. Thanks again

Janet, Jackie and Allison

*Your  
Thanks*

# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during September 2004

Date	Location	Offence
3	Straws Croft	Attempted burglary
6	Lammas Lane	Theft from garden
8	Crossways Drive	Criminal damage
9	Main Street	Damage to motor vehicle

The 12-month moving average is **8.33** crimes per month.

## Take Extra Precautions

Last year there were 36 reported crimes in the village during October, November and December. This is the time of year that the level of afternoon and early evening house burglary increases.

Autocrime continues to be a problem throughout the Rushcliffe area with offences being committed by criminals travelling from other parts of the County.

- **Close** and lock all downstairs doors and windows when you leave your home or are in bed. Ensure that access cannot be gained to your property by any upstairs windows that are not closed and locked. Windows that 'lock' in a slightly open position are vulnerable and provide a thief with the opportunity to force an entry.
- **Take** extra care if you go out for just a short while to shop or collect children from school. If you see anyone you do not know watching your home or a neighbour's property report them to the Police. Don't put yourself in danger but let them see they have been spotted; it may stop a crime being committed.
- **Use** your burglar alarm whenever possible. Very few successful burglaries are committed against property protected by a properly maintained burglar alarm system.
- **Don't** leave items of value in your car. If your vehicle is left on your drive or the road overnight ensure that it is locked and if it does not have an alarm fit a quality steering wheel lock.
- **Make** sure that garages, sheds and other outbuildings are made as secure as possible.
- **Don't** make life easy for criminals.

### Report All Crime

**If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.**

Remember, if you see a crime being committed dial **999**.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial **0115 945 5999**.

The extension number for Bingham Police Station is **6264**.

David Linnington,  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

## A reminder from your local Police

Christmas is coming and we all hope that it is an enjoyable one for everyone in East Bridgford. However Christmas does give rise to concerns regarding security of your and other's property.

A few very easy security measures to ensure you won't become a victim of crime in the coming months. Ensure your large valuables are postcoded and smaller items such as car keys are kept out of sight. When you go out make sure you close all your windows and keep sheds and garages locked. Your local Police offer several free crime prevention services and by contacting The Crime Reduction Manager on 01159400999 extension 6150 you will be able to learn more about how you can have an enjoyable holiday.

On that note we urge all residents to report any suspicious activity to the police as soon as possible giving us as much information as you can. Make a note of the registration numbers of vehicles you see acting suspiciously and descriptions of people they are carrying.

If a crime is in progress or your safety is threatened ring us immediately on 999. If you are reporting a non-urgent incident or a suspicious incident please ring 01159400999.

If you wish to provide us with information but wish to remain anonymous then call CrimeStoppers free on 0800555111.

We also advise that you join your local Neighbourhood Watch.

*We have been asked to reproduce this letter from the Parish Council to Sgt Roberts at Bingham Police Station.*

Dear Sgt Roberts,

### Illegal and dangerous parking in East Bridgford

As you are no doubt aware, the Parish Council has been attempting to persuade Nottinghamshire County Council to extend double yellow lines to areas where the parking of vehicles is dangerous or causes an obstruction. Particular areas of concern are College Street (near Main Street), the end of Walnut Tree Lane (junction with Main Street), outside St Peter's School (Kneeton Road) and around the Main Street/Kneeton Road junction. Unfortunately, the Highways Department are reluctant to take this course of action, partially on the grounds of questioning whether a parking restriction would be effective and enforceable by the police.

As the Parish Council wish to continue pressing NCC for these restrictions, they would be grateful if you could take action when cases of illegal parking are observed, or the Community Support Officers speak directly to the owners of vehicles parked dangerously or causing an obstruction. If the Parish Council can show that police enforcement in the village is effective, they may be able to influence NCC but even if this cannot be achieved, some of the problems would be reduced.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the matter, otherwise I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,  
Angela Higgs  
Clerk to the Council

## WI Report

Members were shocked and saddened by the sudden and untimely death of our friend, Doreen Corcoran. Doreen was a committed and conscientious WI member and a stalwart of successive committees in East Bridgford WI. She was also greatly respected in the wider circle of the Nottinghamshire Federation and, even when ill health forced her to give up her committee work, she continued to help whenever and wherever she was needed. She had a wide knowledge of WI matters and the phrase 'Doreen will know' frequently cropped up – and if Doreen didn't know, she was always able to tell us who did! We had hoped that her operation would allow her to enjoy life to the full again and would give her the physical strength to match her willing spirit. We send our sincere sympathy to Doreen's family, Ray, Mike and Trish in their great loss and to her very close friends whose lives are so sadly diminished by her passing. We will all miss her wonderful sense of humour and her sensible advice.

### At Our October Meeting

We were touched and impressed by the talk and video presentation given by Jo Hallam and Lorraine Lonsdale of 'Homestart'. These two ladies are part of the Nottingham team of this national organisation which reaches out and offers support to families with children under 5 years of age.

We look forward in November to a visit from our own Margaret Foss whose subject will be 'A Healthy Lifestyle'. Please do join us if you would like to hear Margaret's talk – the meeting is at 7.30pm on 9th November in the WI Hut and you can be sure of a warm welcome.

Rachel Barclay

## Radcliffe on Trent Ladies Choir

### Charity Concert

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## Mewling Manor Eyes Right

DON'T YOU THINK THAT WEARING GLASSES gives one gravitas? I do, especially those half spectacles that sit on the end of one's nose, enabling one to see long distances by looking up and then down for the small print. In an attempt to make me stop wearing them, Monty rudely said I looked like a constipated headmistress. He didn't appreciate that I might take his comment as a compliment, for I'd rather look like a headmistress than Dame Edna Everidge – anyway he knows my bowels function properly. But then Monty has no taste whatsoever in glasses and has suggested more than once that I ought to buy some fancy frames.

I must confess that having to wear glasses if only for reading is rather a nuisance, for often I put them down and cannot find them for ages. The answer was of course to invest in one of those special cords that hang around one's neck. I didn't care for that, mainly because Monty did succeed in putting me off by continually saying 'Shut that door!' whenever I entered the room – a rather poor joke I felt for I never cared much for Larry Grayson's dress style.

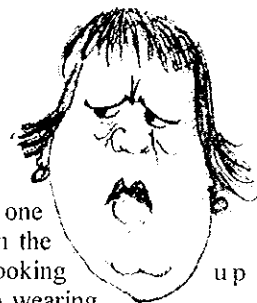
I wish Doreen my cleaning lady would wear glasses to work, then perhaps she might clean a little more thoroughly. She says she gets on more quickly working without them and anyway she's constantly breaking them. Her latest excuse for not bringing her glasses is that the arms keep coming off the frames because the retaining screws fall out, so her hubby has welded the arms on, resulting in her not being able to fold her glasses up.

I've a mind to buy her a pair of those cheap reading glasses from the chemists and have a stab at guessing which strength of lens to buy. I'll probably get the strongest for I was amazed how she managed to miss all those smears on our antique mirror last week.

Monty has worn glasses ever since he was a boy, but then he comes from a family with funny eyes. He and his sister Muriel always needed glasses because of short sightedness and now require one pair for reading and another pair for driving. His sister gets terribly confused as to which pair to wear, so in order to distinguish between them she bought brightly coloured frames. And now that she and her husband are living on the Costa del Sol most of the year, she also needed a sunglasses version for each of them too. At first she tried a pair of clip-ons, but whilst they fitted her large red butterfly frames, they looked rather odd with the small square ones. On discovering that she could have prescription sunglasses she ordered – rather extravagantly to my mind, another three pairs – so now she travels everywhere with six pairs of glasses.

Next time we see her Monty will no doubt brag about his solution, for he also needs three types of prescriptions but couldn't be fussed with several pairs of specs, especially on the golf course. His solution was reactor light vari-focals. I'm not convinced that with three different zones of focus to cope with that he manages as well as he claims, because he's scraped the car once or twice and his golf handicap has gone up to 28. But he does seem to be settling down now. Unfortunately it gives him a bit of a shifty, vacuous look because he tends to tuck his chin in and then swivel his eyes around.

Augusta Mewling-Grype



# PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

## Planning Applications

- 04/01377/FUL Mr I Tomlinson, 11, Cherryholt Lane. Extension to form orangery. Council did not object.
- 04/01130/FUL Mr & Mrs D Heyes, 12 Mill Heyes. Raise height of roof and install two dormer windows (revised plans). Council did not object. Observations: The planning officers should ensure that the new windows are smaller than the existing.
- 04/01437/LBC Castlebeck Care Ltd., re: The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Erection of building for Day centre following demolition of existing buildings. Council did not object. Observations: Materials to be agreed by the planning authority.

## RBC Decisions

- 04/01125/FUL Mr & Mrs Harcomb, 19 Browns Lane. Conservatory. Grant permission (PC approved).

## Planning Appeal

- 04/00564/FUL Chase Homes Eastern Ltd., re: Tacet Lea, 52 Kneeton Road. Erection of 5 dwellings following demolition of existing house (PC objected).

## RBC Notifications: -

That the following proposed works to trees in the Conservation Area may proceed: -  
 Fell spruce at 16, Browns Lane.  
 Pollard limes and reduce acer and birch at 6, Walnut Grove.  
 Crown thin holly and yew trees, reduce leylandii at 16, Kneeton Rd.

Pupils of Walnut Grove Studio present

## Alice in Wonderland

Adapted from Lewis Carroll's stories

Saturday 4th December and Monday 6th December  
 at 6pm in St Peter's School Hall

Ticket Programme Adults £4 Children £3  
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Proceeds for the benefit  
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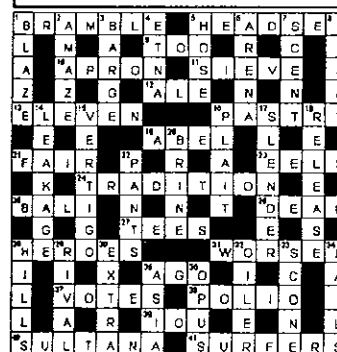
## Across

1. Sew on a sewing machine (7,6)
8. Purposeless (7)
10. Small fish (7)
12. Seat occupied by a sovereign (6)
13. Load to excess (8)
15. Kinsfolk (9)
18. Radio location (5)
21. Spanish Mister (5)
22. Under an assumed name (9)
27. Convince (8)
29. Group of six (6)
30. Membrane in the ear canal (7)
31. Crew of an aircraft (7)
33. Projector operator (13)

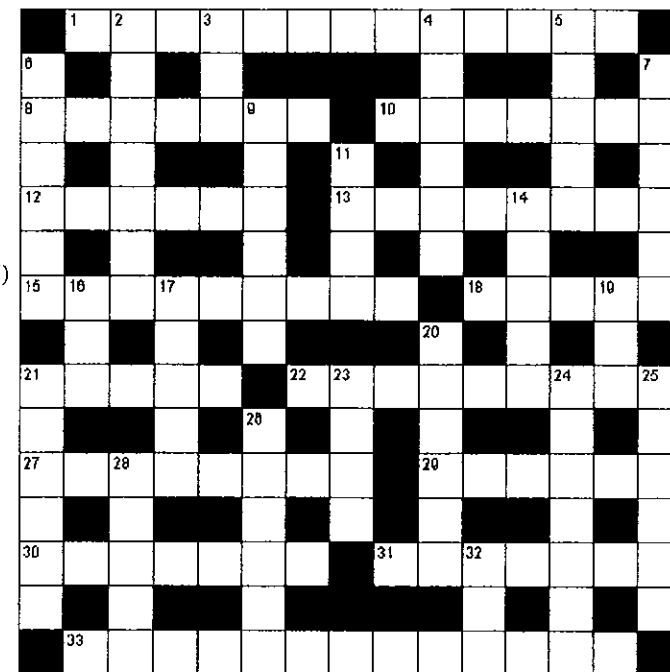
## Down

2. Commander in chief of a fleet (7)
3. Weeding implement (3)
4. River in S England (6)
5. Capital of Egypt (5)
6. Chatter (6)
7. Not tough (6)
9. Pertaining to scenery (6)
11. Flower (4)
14. Get to know (5)
16. Female sheep (3)
17. Tiny particles (5)
19. Insect (3)
20. Dwarfed tree (6)
21. Evening meal (6)
23. Requirement (4)
24. Doctors (7)
25. Capital of Canada (6)
26. Excrement used as fertilizer (6)
28. Less common (5)
32. Hurried (3)

## Solution to October Crossword



# PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

**St Peter's Church, East Bridgford**  
 Rector Canon Alan Haydock, 20218  
 The Rectory, Kirk Hill  
 Churchwardens Beryl Cottrill, Keith Cottee 20912  
 8.00am 2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
 9.00am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address  
 Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month  
 (Coffee is served after this service)  
 10.45am 3rd Sunday each month, Family Service  
 6.30pm Evensong and sermon  
 7.30pm Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong  
 Holy Communion (BCP)

**Methodist Church, East Bridgford**  
 Minister Rev. Christine Perry 837330  
 Secretary John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road 20179  
 10.00am Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd  
 Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated

**St Helen's Church, Kneeton**  
 Churchwardens Ann Neale 20236, Dennis Pepper 21286  
 8.00am 1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
 6.00pm 2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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# Services at St Peter's and St Helen's

## DECEMBER 2004

### Wednesday 1 December

11.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 5 December

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.30pm Evensong at St Peter's

### Wednesday 8 December

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Sunday 12 December

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
6.00pm TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS at St Helen's  
No Evensong at St Peter's

### Tuesday 14 December

7.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> Shelford & East Bridgford Scout Group Carol Service at St Peter's

### Wednesday 15 December

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's  
7.00pm St Peter's School Carol Service at St Peter's

### Thursday 16 December

7.00pm St Peter's School Carol Service at St Peter's

### Sunday 19 December

9.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's (Said Service)  
10.45am Family Service at St Peter's  
6.30pm TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS at St Peter's

### Wednesday 22 December

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Friday 24 December: CHRISTMAS EVE

3.00pm Christingle Service at St Peter's  
5.00pm Christingle Service at St Peter's  
11.30pm MIDNIGHT MASS at St Peter's

### Saturday 25 December: CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
9.15am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's  
11.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

### Wednesday 29 December

10.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's

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## What's on in DECEMBER

4	Village Hall Christmas Coffee Morning, 10am - 12pm
4 & 6	Alice in Wonderland, 6pm, St Peter's School Hall
5	Senior Citizens' Christmas Party, & 'Alice in Wonderland', 2.30pm, St Peter's School Hall
6	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall Committee Room
7	Local History Group, 7.30pm, Methodist Church
10	Bowls Club, 7pm, Village Hall
10	Garden Club Christmas Social, 7.45pm, WI Hut
11	Christmas Fayre and Coffee Morning, 10am - 12pm, Methodist Church
11	Bingham Choral Society Concert, 7.30pm, Bingham
14	WI Meeting, 7.30pm, WI Hut
15	Mothers' Union Meeting, 2pm, WI Hut
22	Carol Singing, 7pm, Village Car Park

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# The Rector's Page

## Tell Me the Old, Old Story!

Is it really five years since we were planning those Millennium Celebrations? In many ways we all had a good time and were grateful to those, who carried forward the ideas of celebration into reality. Do you remember the fears about what would happen to computers as the year changed from 1999 to 2000? In the end, there was no major catastrophe of a computer system crashing.

One of our abiding images of that year was the Dome; in many ways a remarkable structure, but suffering financially from far too optimistic estimates of attendance. Most of us who actually visited the Dome enjoyed the experience, but insufficient people felt inclined to make the journey.

In many ways this reflects the times in which we live. We tend to see life in terms of rapid change. New ideas and new gadgets come and go very quickly. Our greater affluence makes greater expenditure on the new, possible. This attraction to the new is not something, which has been uncommon in human history. There have been other periods and other places, where a sense of seeking new experiences has been a major influence in people's lives. So it is not surprising that the Millennium and the Dome should soon pass from popularity.

As we approach another celebration of Christmas, we can make that ancient journey an experience of meaning and purpose. The story has survived 2000 years and reflects the eternal story of God. For the birth of Jesus at Bethlehem was in the mind of God from the beginning, so that He could show Himself to us in a way we could understand. He then went on to rescue us from ourselves, so that we could become the people we were meant to be.

The Christmas story is one, which has several layers. It brings 'Comfort and Joy', but is also disturbing. A birth of any child changes our personal history. The birth of Jesus changed the history of the world. Those feet did in ancient times walk upon this earth. God is no longer an abstract and distant being. He has lived among us and continues to be available to us.

This is an ancient story, but is the one really new thing that has happened to our world. That is why it is still being told and changing lives today. Unlike the Dome it will never fade away or pass from popularity.

Joyce and Sally join me in wishing you a Happy Christmas

Alan Haydock

**A HAPPY CHRISTMAS  
TO ALL OUR READERS**

*A Quotation from the  
Most Revd. Henry  
Orombi,  
the Primate of Uganda*

**'This may be a church  
that still treasures  
the Book of Common  
Prayer, the King  
James Version of the  
Bible and Hymns  
Ancient and Modern,  
but it is also growing  
faster than any other  
part of the Anglican  
Communion.'**

**An interesting  
thought!**

**AH**

The editors wish to remind readers that we reserve the right to edit items at our discretion and to reject material if we believe it to be unsuitable for publication.

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## East Bridgford Magazine 70 YEARS AGO

The Rector desires to thank the congregation heartily for their response to his appeal that the East Bridgford share towards Diocesan and Central Church expenditure for 1934 should be completed by the offertories on November 18<sup>th</sup>. A little over £7 was required and the response in offertories (and donations thereto) amounted to £7 10s 0d. Fuller details will be given at our Parochial Church meeting in January.

Girls' Friendly Society – Our branch was represented by about 20 members at the Diocese G.F.D. Service held in St Mary's Nottingham, on Sunday afternoon, October 28<sup>th</sup> in connection with the Society's 'Extension Week'. St Mary's Church was very full and the service was most inspiring. Bishop Talbot preached on the significance of 'the G.F.S. Prayer' and led his audience to some solemn thinking on the missionary work of the Church. The G.F.S. Choir rendered some items of sacred music, which were splendidly sung and the whole service was very impressive. We are asked to announce that our East Bridgford G.F.S. invite their parents and friends to an Open Evening, at which an entertainment will be given, in the Women's Institute at 7pm on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In a village with a history like ours the decease of the oldest member of a well-known local family causes both sympathy and solemnity. Such is the case with regard to the death of Mr William C Millington, who was the eldest son of the late Mr and Mrs W Millington and has spent his life here, like so many of his forbears, in tilling the land; he inherited those qualities of godly honest, hard work, kindness and love of home, which we venture to think are still characteristic of our old English farming families. Born here over 78 years ago, he was happily married for the last 51 years and we extend our respectful sympathy in the first place to his widow (nee Miss Jane Smith of Kelham) and next to his three surviving children, Ernest, Arthur and Mary. Mr Millington is also survived, as most readers are aware, by his two brothers, Mr Charles Millington and Mr John J Millington (Grantham), and also by his three sisters at Farndon Fields; all of them may be assured of the sympathy of all their friends in East Bridgford.

# The Mothers' Union

Meetings:  
Every third Wednesday in the month  
2pm in the WI Hut

'Footsteps Along the Fosse' was the subject of our October talk. Mrs Sue Clayton took us on a delightful 'photographic journey' along the A46 from Leicester to Lincoln, stopping to explain details of many places of interest along the way. Sue was accompanied by her husband, who produced the excellent photos, and all present thoroughly enjoyed the talk.

OUR NEXT MEETING is on Wednesday  
15th December – Reading & Carols for  
Christmas (WI Hut at 2pm)

Visitors will be welcome.

Rosemary Mills



## Carol singing

Around the village  
starting at the CAR  
PARK, Main Street  
7.00pm  
Wednesday  
22nd December

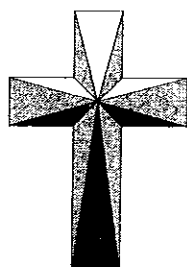
Singers and non-singers  
welcome

Collection for NCH and  
the Children's Society

## East Bridgford Methodist Church

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 12th December	10.00am	Morning Worship
	6.00pm	United Carol Service
Sunday 19th December	10.00am	Morning Worship
Christmas Day	10.00am	Family Worship
Sunday 26th December	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday 9th January	3pm	United Covenant Service at Bingham Methodist Church



NB There will be no Coffee Morning during January 2005

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE AND COFFEE MORNING**  
Saturday 11th December, 10.00am to 12 noon

## Christingle Services on Christmas Eve

May I encourage all families who hope to be present at the Christingle Services to obtain a collecting tube, which are now available from St Peter's Church, St Peter's School, the Post Office or East Bridgford News? Last year we were able to send £1,040 to the Children's Society; about £1.50 per head of those who attended the services. The Society was very grateful indeed.

Alan Haydock

## The Men's Society

There will not be a meeting in December, but please book two dates in your 2005 diary.

On Tuesday 25th January, Mark Cadogan from Bestwood Park will launch us into the New Year with the subject of 'Astronomy' and on 15th February one of our resident members Francis Meylan will explain the serious problem of 'Policing Drink and Drug Driving'.

Come and support us in the Village Hall Committee Room commencing at 8pm.

Compliments of the Season!

Graham Lomax

## Our Church Is Grateful

For the collection at the Service  
of Remembrance, which amounted to  
£350.40 for the Poppy Appeal.



1st Shelford & East Bridgford Scout Group

## CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE

Once again, courtesy of East Bridgford Post Office, we will be providing a delivery service for all your Christmas Cards to addresses in :-

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For just 10p per card!

Just take your cards and your money to East Bridgford Post Office and we will do the rest. This service will operate from

**Wednesday 1st December until Wednesday 22nd December.**

All proceeds to Scout Funds.

# Local History Group

## November Meeting

At a well-attended meeting on 2nd November we were given an impressive exposition on the role and position of castles in mediaeval society by James Wright an archaeologist with Nottinghamshire County Council. He then went on to describe the work being undertaken by the Sherwood Initiative and finished with details of the project as it relates to our motte and bailey at Pancake Hill. The enthusiasm and expertise James showed was most impressive and the prospects for this exciting project are looking very good.

James summarised the current position as follows: -

East Bridgford Local History Group is in the preliminary stages of putting together a Local Heritage Initiative bid in association with Nottinghamshire County Council and The Sherwood Initiative. The focus of the bid will be Pancake Hill, off Trent Lane, East Bridgford.

Pancake Hill is currently a very difficult site to interpret, as much of it is invisible due to undergrowth. It is widely held that this is the site of a small motte and bailey castle overlooking a major river crossing of the Trent. There is no direct reference in the documentary sources to the castle in the Mediaeval period, however this is a very common occurrence and often points to occupation in the early phase of castle building in the late eleventh and early twelfth centuries.

Today the site consists of a small motte on the shoulder of an escarpment, with a sub-circular bailey 40 x 30 metres across. There is speculation that another bailey may once have existed in the field between the motte and the river. A ditch cuts down the eastern limit of the site, and there is some evidence that this may be

associated with a small pool or spring in the field above. To the west of the main earthworks a significant hollow way curves up the escarpment.

Although the site appears to have gone out of employ as a castle relatively early, the site may have been reused in the post-Mediaeval period as a garden feature known as a prospect mound. Within living memory Pancake Hill was a venue for Shrovetide Games by local children, and this may be a link to much older traditions.

Permission has been obtained from the landowner and English Heritage to go ahead with work at Pancake Hill. Initially, the project will clear the site of scrub, undergrowth and some trees so that it is more visible. As there are environmental concerns the project is being guided by the Senior Nature Conservationist at Nottinghamshire County Council to ensure that the work is ecologically sound. The clearance will make a full topographic survey of the upstanding earthworks possible, and it is anticipated that this will bring to light features which have previously been invisible due to the overgrown nature of the site. The limit of the archaeological remains is not fully understood therefore field-walking will take place over the surrounding ploughed land. Further fieldwork, interpretation, and publication will follow according to funding.

This is very much a community project and volunteers of all ages, interests, and knowledge are welcome. Activities will involve site clearance, survey work, field-walking, pot-washing, public seminars and talks, photography, research and oral history."

**If you wish for any more information on the project or would like**

to participate in the work please do not hesitate to contact Bill Whitaker on 20982.

## December Meeting

Once again our December Meeting will be held in the **W I Hut** and will again be a light-hearted evening with an amusing speaker and will include a glass of wine (or a soft drink) and a mince pie. Our speaker this year will be **Margaret Harrison** whose talk is entitled "The Copper Kettle Club Revived (Christmas)". She will regale us with tales of fact (or fiction) about Christmas and about Nottingham and her work as one of the City Tourist Guides. The evening will **start at 7.30 on Tuesday 7th December** and will cost £2.50 per person.

All are welcome to this informal evening - Why not come and join us for a good laugh in convivial company?

## .....and finally

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# Garden Club

## CHRISTMAS SOCIAL EVENING

Our annual social evening will be held on Friday 10th December at 7.45 p.m. and we will be delighted to welcome member's guests.

A small charge will be made at the door to cover the cost of food and wine, £3 for members and £5 for guests. Stuart Dixon will be giving a talk entitled 'Tresco - a Plant Lovers Paradise' and this will be followed by a buffet supper.

## JANUARY MEETING

Our speaker at the meeting on Tuesday 18th January will be John Page, who will give a talk entitled 'The Contemporary Alpine Garden'

## NEW MEMBERS

If you are interested in joining the Club please contact the Membership Secretary, Mrs. Freida Tweed, Tel. No. 01949 20432, or come along to any Club meeting.

## THE GARDEN IN AUTUMN, WINTER AND SPRING

Hazel Kaye made a welcome return to the Club for the November meeting. Hazel runs a nursery at Rearsby near Lincoln and also lovingly cares for a spectacular one and a half acre garden.

The theme of her talk was colour in the garden from late autumn to early spring. She showed us a wide range of plants, shrubs and trees, all of which give colour throughout the period.

Colours were particularly spectacular in the late autumn and early spring but, even in the duller days of winter, there was colour to cheer the garden.

Ian Seel

# Parish Council News

## WHO WAS KING WENCESLAS?

Although most people only know Wenceslas as the subject of a 19th century carol, he was in fact a king who reigned in Bohemia a thousand years earlier. He became patron saint of what is now the Czech Republic. Being a duke or a king in the 10th century was a dangerous occupation, as people after power would go to any lengths to get it. And they might be your nearest and dearest. Wenceslas was raised as a Christian by his grandmother Ludmilla, but his ambitious mother Dragomir, who was a pagan, had her murdered and acted as regent until the young Wenceslas came of age. Meanwhile, according to the records, the young duke was pious and gained a reputation for good works that is recalled in our carol. When Wenceslas came to the throne he sought to end the conflict between Christians and non-Christians in Bohemia and he came to an arrangement with the German king to end the war. This angered some of the Bohemian nobles, who prompted Boleslav, the younger brother of Wenceslas, to get him killed. On his way to Mass, Wenceslas was murdered at the church door. The people were outraged and regarded the martyred king as a saint. Later, his remains were moved to the Church of St Vitus in Prague, which remains a site of pilgrimage to this day.

- At the November meeting the council were informed that Nottinghamshire County Council will be clearing the footpath on Butt Lane. We have also been approached by Nottinghamshire County Council and asked if we have any suitable schemes that could be included in the Local Transport Plan. We are going to submit a proposal for the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing on Butt Lane adjacent to the Medical Centre.
- A Rushcliffe Community Partnership Consultation meeting was held at Bingham on 21st October. This meeting was chaired by the Police and the public who attended expressed considerable concern regarding the removal of officers from the Bingham station. It was said that the area would benefit from a higher profile presence of Community Support Officers (CSO) in all the villages. I personally along with other residents on Mill Gate have been visited by CSOs and advised to be more vigilant and keep items secure, especially in garages and sheds. The outline draft of the Police Information Leaflet has been approved and we are awaiting a copy of the final proof from the printers. We expect these to be available in the New Year and a copy will be issued to every household.
- It has been brought to our attention that the road signs at the entrance of the village are either in need of cleaning or in some cases replacing; we are endeavouring to action this item.
- The format for the Annual Parish Meeting was discussed. We are trying to arrange speakers for one or two of the following subjects: - A46 Dualling, Crime Prevention/Policing and the Global Action Plan. We will keep you informed when arrangements have been finalised. We would encourage you to attend the meeting, which will be held in April 2005, the exact date is to be confirmed.
- The Parish Council would like to express their thanks to all the volunteers who planted bulbs around the village. We all look forward to seeing the fruits of their labour.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be in the committee room of the village hall at 7.30pm on Monday 6th December. All members of the public are welcome.

John Turner

# From your Borough Councillor

## Parish funding

Some of you may have seen in the newspaper that the Parish Grant is under review by Rushcliffe. We are one of the few Boroughs who attempt to pass to the parishes a share of the Central Support funding we get. The distribution calculation is fairly complex and over the years some distortions have crept in to allocations of grants to parishes, to the extent that something has to be done.

Over the last month RBC has been consulting with Parish Councils. Some parishes (those that currently gain) are vehemently opposed to any change, but most see the need for action, and a consensus is emerging. The solution will not be confirmed for a while, as there are some real issues to resolve. Since the distortion in the grant is unfavourable to EB, we as a village are likely to benefit from whatever is decided.

## 2005/6 Budget

The process of budget setting for next year has started. We had a joint councillor/ officer workshop during November to identify the major issues. This is not going to be easy. Inflation of local authority costs is well above the cost of living and the government regularly thinks of new tasks for us – with no extra funding (the latest is examining the work of electricians). Other things can hit us unexpectedly. For example, changes introduced by Notts County will increase the cost of disposing of household rubbish (the contents of your black bins) by about £250,000.

The intent remains to keep any Council Tax increases from RBC "to low single

figures of percentage". I foresee some bruising meetings whilst we review the cost of services and look for savings.

## Policing

You may have seen in the paper that Notts Police have made changes to the way they are organised locally. The Local Area Command at Bingham now looks after the whole of rural Rushcliffe – everywhere except West Bridgford, Gamston and Ruddington. A group of officers is based at East Leake to handle the southern area. This is good for that area, as they no longer have to compete with West Bridgford for policing. Regrettably the reorganisation means 4 less officers in Rushcliffe – they are transferred to Beeston. The East Bridgford beat has been combined with Radcliffe.

Hopefully you will have noticed a much greater presence in EB by the Police Community Support Officers. This is, at least in part, a response to a recent spate of housebreaking. However it does mean that, at last, we have succeeded in getting the Police to take notice of our concerns, and they are a very welcome sight.

## and finally

Internet and email broadband has, at last, arrived in East Bridgford. I am one of the first to get it and it is great – email rockets in and out of Walnut Tree Lane. I can send pictures from my digital camera for printing in about 10 secs each. If you are interested look on [www.eastbridgford.com](http://www.eastbridgford.com).

Nigel Lawrence

## EAST BRIDGFORD MARTIAL ARTS CLUB IS ONE YEAR OLD!

The Club, led by World Champion Sam Levey (Miss Sam) and Mr Mick and Mr Matt Levey, has now been running successfully for one year. The club has built up to a regular membership of 48 students!

The club has been a great success around the village and **new students are always welcome**. The training consists of Taekwondo as a base, but also brings in elements of Kickboxing, Keep Fit exercise and life skills. The classes last for an hour on Friday nights at St Peter's Primary School. The first class from 6-7 pm is a child-based class, for the under 12's mainly, which mixes the fun games with the understanding of Discipline, self-control, Respect, and Life Skills such as Stranger Danger.

The second class 7-8 is for the older ones and is based more on fitness and correction of technique, along with the same understanding of Discipline ETC.

Recently we have had some interest from some of our students' parents So for our 1st anniversary we are going to have a **parent class in Mid December**. So kids come training at your normal class, and then at 8-9 get your parents to come and join in. The class will slowly bring parents into the style of taekwondo --- but parents shouldn't worry we wont tire them out too much! It will be a fun, relaxed class.

For anyone who might be interested in trying out a class for the first time, just come along to one of the classes on a

Friday night. 6-7: 5yrs to 12 yrs. 7-8: 12yrs and over. Classes are charged per class at £3 each. Or if you are family members £5 for 2 people, £7 for 3 people and £10 for 4 people. If you don't have a child who attends our classes but you are interested in joining in with our parent class, don't hesitate. Ring 0115 9528820 to gain information and book your place.

The following students have gained their yellow:

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Isobel Carlin	Harry Pentowski
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Savannah Fishel	Millie Sharpe
Jake Gollings	Charlie Sharpe
Emma Hopewell	Matthieu Stapleford
Jack Hampson	Robert Yates
George Hampson	Lewis Wright
Daniel Hayes	Amea Wilson
James Hayes	Elizabeth Whitworth
Zoe Hodgeson	

Along with these yellow belts there is a wide group of White belts hoping to make the step up to Yellow belt very soon.

Thank you to Mr Maddison of St Peter's school for all his support and allowing the Club to use the school hall.

Simon Fishel

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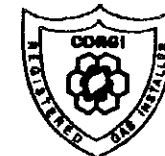
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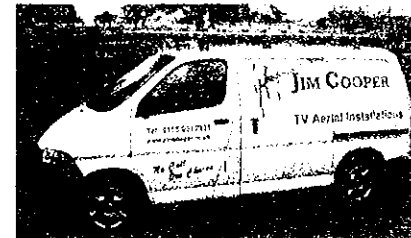
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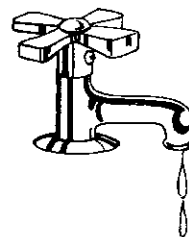


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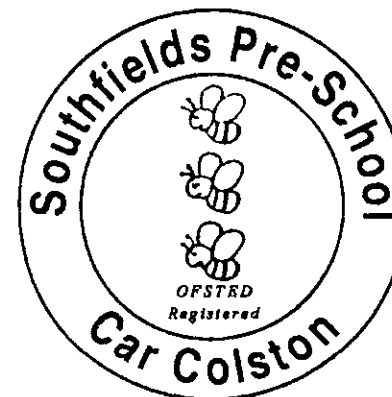
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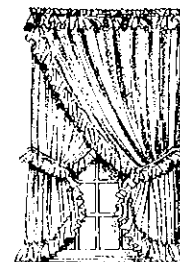
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Bingham & District Round Table	Mr David Waddington, Bingham	876453
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East Bridgford Care Group	Mrs Alison Powell, Bridleside, Bridleside, Cherry Holt Lane	20985 Mobile 0976 935476
Friendship Club	All Senior Citizens welcomed Alternate Tuesdays 2.00pm, Village Hall Mrs Janet Richardson, 34 Straws Lane	20169
Garden Club	3rd Tuesday in the month, 7.45pm, WI Hut Mrs Freida Tweed, 66 Kneeton Road	20432
Horticultural Society	Mr Alec Hampson	21386
Lifeboat Guild	Mrs Rachel Barclay, 42 Kneeton Road	20525
Local History Group	1st Tuesday in the month, 7.30pm, Methodist Church New members welcomed Mr Bill Whitaker	20982
Men's Society	3rd Tuesday in the month, 8.00pm, Village Hall Committee Room Dr Graham Lomax	20553
Radcliffe on Trent Lions	Mr Malcolm Fairy, 1 Crossways Drive	20489
Rotary Club of Bingham & District	Thursday, 12.30pm, Cotgrave Place Golf Club Canon Alan Haydock, The Rectory	20218
Royal British Legion Women's Section	Mrs Marion Willis, 53 Main Street	20666
Skittle Alleys	The Royal Oak    Frank Smith The Reindeer    Judy Kelly	20314 20227
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Bowls	Mr Eric Leedham - Treasurer	20099
Cricket	Mr W J Barclay, 42 Kneeton Road	20525
Duplicate Bridge (EBU affiliated)	Wednesday, 7.00pm - 10.30pm, WI Hut Mr John Chater	20882
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King Edward Club	Snooker & indoor games (brick building behind Village Hall) Mr Peter Ward, 10 Moss Close	20487
Tennis	Grass courts (entrance off Kirk Hill), Hard courts (Butt Close) Mr Richard Watkins, Cherry Lodge	20080

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Guides	1st East Bridgford Guides Thursday, 7.15pm - 8.45pm, Scout and Guide Hall, Main Street Mrs J Sapey	20034
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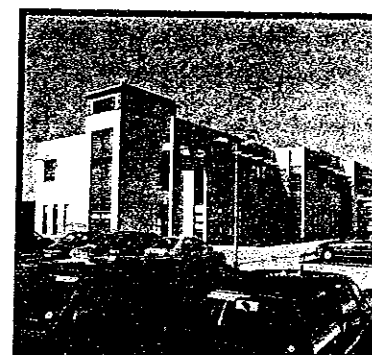
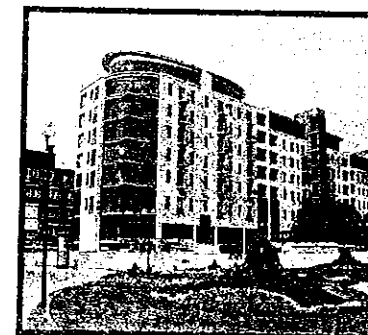
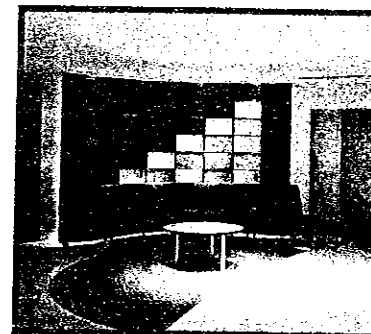
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Admissions	Mrs Tina Ward	829075
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## GENERAL

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Clerk	Mrs Angela Higgs, 6 Orchard Close	20671
Medical Centre	( Dr Andrew Harrison 2 Butt Lane ( Dr Rob Scaffardi ( Dr Ann-Marie Stewart	20216
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Post Collections	9.30am & 4.30pm Monday to Friday 9.30am Saturday, 12.00pm Sunday	
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Neighbourhood Watch		
J'nt Head Coordinator	Mr David Linnington	20818
Village Hall		
Letting Secretary	Janet Cornell	20858
Caretaker	Mr Grenvill Smith, 15 Cross Lane	20189
Luncheon Club	Lunch for Senior Citizens 12.30pm Tuesdays, Methodist Church Mrs Joan Lawrence, 31 Walnut Tree Lane	20619
St Peter's School		
Head Teacher	Mr David Maddison	20226
Ch. Of Governors	Mr Peter Golightly	20528
WASPS (PTA)	Mrs Lisa Hampson	21386
Mobile Library	Visits alternate Tuesday mornings: Post Office 10.05am - 10.15am Holloway Close 10.20am - 10.45am Straws Lane 10.50am - 11.15am Cherry Holt Close 11.20am - 11.40am Opp. Reindeer Inn 11.45am - 12.00pm St Peter's School 12.35pm - 1.10pm Village Hall 1.15pm - 1.30pm	

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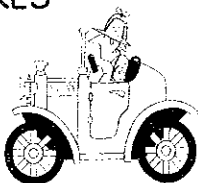
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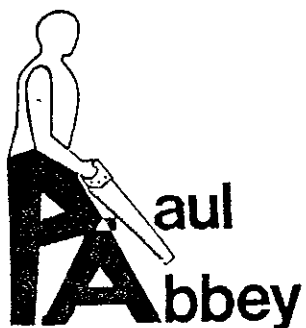
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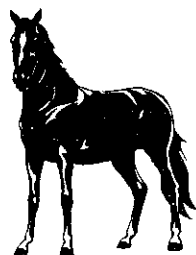
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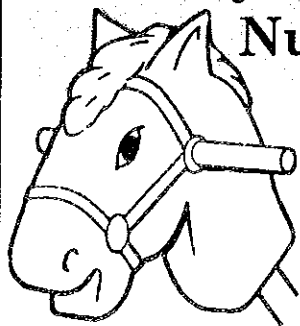
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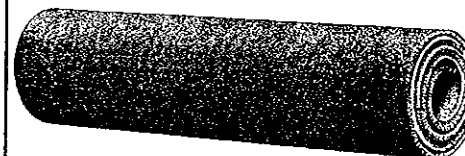
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## Drama Group

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### Dates of the next three plays in 2005

22nd – 26<sup>th</sup> February, 17<sup>th</sup> – 23rd May and 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Our next play 22nd – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2005 is to be

### **'PRESENT FROM THE PAST'**

By Richard Everett

Cheques should be made out to East Bridgford Drama Group (not EBDG) and the price will be £5 with concessions of £4 for Senior Citizens on Tuesday and Wednesday.

If you would like to become a patron member, please complete the slip below.  
*If you choose to become a patron member, there is no charge for your ticket.*

We look forward to seeing you in February.

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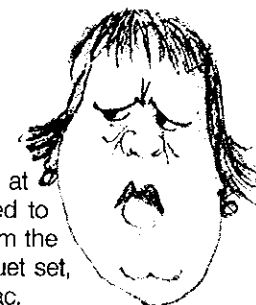
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## Mewling Manor Christmas Present and Past



When one lives in a Manor, the least one can do is to entertain at Christmas – in fact it's a duty and an obligation for those invited to attend. Our accommodation is spacious and functional, apart from the attic; so the last to arrive gets that room, sharing it with a croquet set, cricket pads, old armchairs, a commode and a huge box of bric-a-brac.

Invitations go out in August so that no one can offer the lame excuse that they are already booked up. The RSVP at the bottom serves to remind them to reply immediately in the affirmative. Seagrove, our son replied quickly this time, saying that he's bringing a gal with him. I hope this one is better than the last twittery totty who was allergic to my cooking. Let's hope that this new wench has some stamina, doesn't complain about the cold, the food, the bathrooms or give Monty an inappropriate Christmas present such as the previous one did – I think it's called a thong. Disgusting.

Our two bathrooms are fully fitted, containing old-fashioned baths as opposed to showers. The high wall-mounted cisterns have a very powerful flush, unlike the modern, energy-saving cisterns of today. Monty reckoned that he flushed a rat away with one pull, which I believe to be true, but I do wish he wouldn't mention it when we have guests to dinner.

Our career-minded daughter Myrtle has condescended to grace us with her presence this year. Ours has been a difficult relationship, for Myrtle is very headstrong. However, now she has reached the age of forty, she is starting to realise that we are the only family she has and therefore must make the best of it. Just why she never married puzzles us, as she is a striking woman, statuesque, rather dour admittedly, but with a clear complexion. Monty says that she could have easily mesmerized a man into marrying her because when she cross-questions defendants in court they soon confess all.

It pained me to send an invitation to my brother Melvin and his wife Bunny and their weakling daughter, Odella – even the name sounds as if she's got something malignant. I knew that they would accept because neither Bunny nor Odella have enough stamina to cook anything more complicated than beans on toast – anyway Melvin looks forward to grouching to someone different. They have a son they hardly ever mention, so we forget about him too, but then I have always had my suspicions that he's not really Melvin's – enough said.

Before Christmas Day, I send everyone an itinerary of the day's events. We start with a hearty breakfast at six-thirty prompt, and afterwards we are off to the early church service. Those who refuse to get up miss their breakfast and have to wait for lunch, for snacks are not allowed in between times. After church, we have our customary game of cricket (indoors if the weather is arctic) and then partake of a four-course lunch – that's when I demonstrate my culinary skills with an unusual dish, such as conger eel, sweetbreads or tripe. During the afternoon I insist on more exercise, so we power-walk for an hour, then back at the Manor to play consequences before opening our presents. Dinner is the highlight of course, starting with a nourishing broth, followed by turkey and trimmings, Christmas pudding, cheese and biscuits and then brandy or liqueurs. And to finish off the evening we play Monopoly into the early hours of the morning.

Quite why some of our relatives shilly-shally about stopping with us over Christmas, defeats me.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Shelford & East Bridgford Scout Group

Many thanks to all those who supported our recent Jumble Sale and the even more recent Soup'n'Spud which broke all records and raised £400.

I should also like to record my thanks to everyone who has supported our Group throughout the year. As I am sure you know, we are looking to replace our 'Old Tin Hut' with a purpose built Headquarters and the encouragement and practical help, which we have received from some many individuals and Organisations in the Village has been superb. We still have a long way to go but we know, that with your help, we will make it.

We are also busily raising funds towards our trip to Arizona next Summer and again we have received tremendous support from the Village. If you have not already bought a copy of our Quiz Book I think you may well be in the minority in the Village!

As ever, my thanks to all our Leaders and Helpers for their dedication and hard work. Unfortunately, at present we are without any Cub Leaders which means that Cubs has had to be 'mothballed' until at least the New Year. I am actively seeking new Leaders so if you think that you can help in any way, please do give me a ring.

**Merry Christmas**

from everyone at

1<sup>st</sup> Shelford & East Bridgford Scout Group

## Charity Christmas Card Sale

This annual event was a great success. All the charities were very pleased with the support that the villagers gave them again. The sales were in excess of £1,300. Many thanks to all of you who came.

Special thanks to the ladies of the Methodist Church who supplied refreshments and who plied the thirsty stallholders with coffee as well, at regular intervals.

Maggie Teare

## East Bridgford Bowls Club

We would like to remind all members and friends that this year's

## GRAND CHRISTMAS BINGO

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**Friday**  
**10<sup>th</sup> December.**

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## Words from the Wise

**Thoughts for anyone tempted to spend, spend, spend.....**

*If we have God in all things while they are ours, we shall have all things in God when they are taken away – Anon*

**As for giving generously over Christmas**

*He who is not liberal with what he has, does but deceive himself when he thinks he would be liberal if he had more – William Plumer*

**Wisdom for everyone with relatives coming to stay this Christmas**

*When we are out of sympathy with the young, then I think our work in this world is over – George MacDonald*

## Bingham and District Choral Society

We would like to thank all our friends in the area who supported our concert on November 6<sup>th</sup> in Newark. We had a wonderful, enthusiastic audience who enjoyed an amazing performance of 'Laudes', by the Kortrijk and Ultreya choirs from Belgium. This was the UK premiere of Kurt Bikkembergs' atmospheric work of praise. John Rutter's 'Requiem' was a fitting sequel, beautifully sung by all three choirs.

We are now rehearsing for our Christmas concert at St Mary's and all Saints Church, Bingham, on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm. Tickets (£6 including wine and mince pies) are available from Bingham Library, choir members and on the door, subject to availability. This is a very popular annual event so book early to secure your seat.

## WI Report

### NOVEMBER

We were given much 'food for thought' at our November meeting, when Margaret Foss talked about the do's and don'ts of 'A Healthy Lifestyle'. It was a really interesting and informative talk on the subject of which foods we should try to avoid and those which will encourage a healthy lifestyle e.g., too much salt in the diet and what type of fats are to be avoided. Margaret, as well as being a member of our own WI is a demonstrator at Denman College and also sits on a Food Advisory Committee so is well versed on these matters. And we always enjoy her informative talks

Our thoughts are with Di Turrall, a past President of our WI, and her family, at the sad loss of husband Steve who died suddenly this month.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 December, when we will be given lots of ideas for 'Christmas Crafts' by Ann Barnes. Visitors and friends will be very welcome.

Rita Case.

## The Twelve Days of Christmas

When people hear 'The 12 Days of Christmas' they think of the song. This song had its origins as a teaching tool to instruct young people in the meaning and content of the Christian faith. From 1558 to 1829 Roman Catholics in England were not able to practise their faith openly, so they had to find other ways to pass on their beliefs. The song 'The 12 Days of Christmas' is one example of how they did it.

The song goes: 'On the first day of Christmas my true love gave to me...

The 'true love' represents God and the 'me' who receives these presents is the Christian.

The 'partridge in a pear tree' was Jesus Christ who died on a tree as a gift from God.

The 'two turtle doves' were the Old and New Testaments – another gift from God.

The 'three French hens' were faith, hope and love – the three gifts of the Spirit that abide (1 Corinthians 13).

The 'four calling birds' were the four Gospels, which sing the song of salvation through Jesus Christ.

The 'five golden rings' were the first five books of the Bible, also called the 'Book of Moses'.

The 'six geese a-laying' were the six days of creation. The 'seven swans a-swimming' were seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.

(1 Corinthians 12:9-11, Romans 12, Ephesians 4, 1 Peter: 4:10-11).

The 'eight maids a-milking' were the eight beatitudes.

The 'nine ladies dancing' were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23).

The 'ten lords a-leaping' were the Ten Commandments.

The 'eleven pipers piping' were the eleven faithful disciples.

The 'twelve drummers drumming' were the twelve points of the Apostles' Creed.

So the next time you hear the 'Twelve Days of Christmas' consider how this otherwise non-religious sounding song had its origins in the Christian faith.

## Your Thanks

At our Golden Wedding celebration held on 24<sup>th</sup> October, we suggested, in lieu of any presents, donations to either the 'Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal' or to 'St Dunstons'. A sincere thank you to all our guests as we received £385, which has now been sent to the two charities – we are most grateful for your generosity.

Marian & John Wheeler

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Mollic Burnett.

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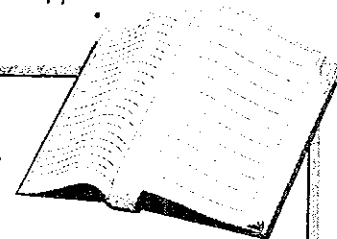
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Sunday 31 October

Sunday 7 November

Sunday 21 November

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### Funerals

Thursday 18 November

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## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

- 04/01583/FUL Mr J B Jackson, Kasserine, Trent Lane. Conversion and extension to outbuilding to form annexe for dependant relative. Council did not object. Observations: - There are deep concerns regarding the suitability of this development in close proximity to a working boatyard and the possibility of flooding. The building should not be allowed to be sold as a separate dwelling.
- 04/01629/OUT Cabinet Investments Ltd., re: 68 Main Street. Development of site as flats and car parking following demolition of existing building. Council did not object. Observations: - The development should not be more than two storey. It should be compatible with the Ludgate Drive/Main Street village scene, with appropriate scale and massing. The council are pleased that the developers have talked to them and believe that a further discussion between themselves and the planners would be a productive development.
- MS116 Davies Catering Services, Lay-by, Newton Side of A6097. Application for licence for mobile snack bar. Council did not object.

### Planning Applications Considered by the Executive and Policy Committee

- 04/01502/FUL Mr P Clarke, 27 Ludgate Drive. Pitched roof to replace flat roof to garage, dining and study. Council did not object.
- 04/01503/FUL Mr I Hayward, 28 Ludgate Drive. Single storey rear extension; pitched roof to existing flat roof. Council did not object. Observations: - It is suggested that the landing window should be fully enclosed within the higher roof to give a tidier verge.
- 04/01436/FUL Castlebeck Care Ltd., re: The Manor House, 93 Kneeton Road. Erection of building for day care following demolition of existing buildings; temporary access and underground pumping station. Council did not object.
- 04/01439/FUL Mr & Mrs Perry, 55 Kneeton Road. Two storey rear extension. (Previously no decision - drawings incorrect.) Council did not object. Observations: - The development will result in an excessively large building with no off-road parking space or possibility of provision.

### RBC Decisions

- 04/01057/FUL Miss S Featherstone, Bungalow Farm, 106 Kneeton Road. Erection of 6 stables. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01254/FUL Miss S Featherstone & Mr B Magee, Bungalow Farm, 106 Kneeton Road. Conversion of barn to form holiday accommodation and living accommodation for independent relative, stables and store (revised proposals). Grant permission with conditions (PC Approved).

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

- 04/01130/FUL Mr & Mrs Hayes, 12 Mill Heyes. Raise height of roof and install two dormer windows (revised plans). Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01117/OUT Cabinet Investments Ltd., re: 68 Main Street. Erection of four dwellings with vehicular access. Grant outline planning permission (PC objected).
- 04/01377/FUL Mr I Tomlinson, 11 Cherryholt Lane. Extension for form Orangery. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).
- 04/01439/FUL Mr & Mrs Perry, 55 Kneeton Road. Two storey rear extension. Grant permission with conditions (PC approved).

### RBC Notifications :-

That the following proposed works to trees in the Conservation Area may proceed:-  
Fell and prune trees at 59A Main Street  
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## Floodlighting Diary

### DECEMBER

2004

- 4 Happy birthday memories of GORDON BROWN
- 12 Happy birthday memories of GORDON NIELD
- 18 Birthday memories of ERIC SELBY
- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Stephen, the First Martyr
- 27 John, Apostle and Evangelist
- 28 The Holy Innocents
- 31<sup>st</sup> December *Floodlights will mark the beginning of the New Year*

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All requests for floodlighting to be included in January's magazine should be made in writing to the Rector or Peter Golightly (5 Orchard Close) or by phone (20528) before press closing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

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# Neighbourhood Watch

Incidents in East Bridgford during October 2004

Date	Location	Offence
5	Trent Lane	Burglary from stables
13/20	Crossways Drive	Theft from insecure vehicle
16	Walnut Tree Lane	Theft through smashed window
19	Kneeton Road	Burglary
22/25	Brickyard Lane	Burglary & theft of motor vehicle
27	Kneeton Road	Attempted burglary
30	Kneeton Road	Attempted burglary

The 12-month moving average is 8.17 crimes per month.

## AWAY FOR CHRISTMAS or NEW YEAR?

If you are away from home during the Christmas and New Year use this check list to make your property safer over the holiday period.

HAVE YOU:

- Asked a neighbour or friend to keep an eye on your home, collect your post or push it through the letterbox properly, perhaps they could come in and draw the curtains, which will help your house look more lived in.
- Set timers for lights, TV and radio.
- Kept presents and valuables away from windows and outside viewing.
- Locked your car in the garage.
- Cancelled the newspapers and milk deliveries.
- Locked all external doors and window locks on all opening windows.
- Locked your shed and locked away all tools and ladders.
- Installed outside lighting.

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### CASH MACHINE CRIMINALS

This is a growing area for concern with **£61million** obtained fraudulently from cash machines over the past year. **DON'T GET CAUGHT OUT.**

Fraudsters place a skimming device over the cash card insert, while a secret miniature camera above the keypad records the PIN number. If there is no camera in place, a fraudster may lurk near the cash machine spying on users in a bid to capture their PIN numbers. Skimming is a process whereby the data from a card's magnetic strip is electronically copied onto another card. The replica card is then used to purchase goods or withdraw cash, often on the other side of the world.

Look carefully at the cash machine before you use it, particularly that the card insert slot has not been tampered with.

Check also that no one else is 'hanging around' when you use a machine. By being aware of the problems that can arise and by remaining alert you can avoid being a victim of this unpleasant criminal activity.

## BE SUSPICIOUS

Any individual or vehicle seen acting in a manner that makes you suspicious should be reported to the Police. If you can give a description of the person and details of any vehicle (particularly make/colour/registration) this gives the Police the opportunity to check out your information against other reports received.

## REPORT ALL CRIME

**If you see any act of vandalism or criminal damage being committed call the Police.**

Remember if you see a crime being committed dial **999**.

For other incidents (including the reporting of suspicious persons/vehicles) dial **0115 945 5999**.

The extension number for Bingham Police Station is **6264**.

David Linnington  
Joint Head Co-ordinator - 20818

# East Bridgford St Peter's School

## School News

The school remains very lively with achievement being high. Recently we were accredited with Achievement Gold for sport and P.E. - only one of 160 schools nationally. Currently we are working to improve practice in creative arts through applying for the rigorous Artsmark Gold award.

Besides the excellent work being produced in classes, the children continue to participate in many extra activities, which enhance the spirit and flavour of the school. These include: - Cross country, Lacrosse, Hockey, Netball, Dance, Football, Recorders, Guitars, Singing, Environment, Art, athletics and Table Tennis! These opportunities help the children keep active minds and bodies and grow in confidence.

We recently received a visit from the new Assistant Director Of Education, John Slater, and appeared on the BBC's Fat Nation programme as a school promoting healthy living. You may already have seen some of the children and staff in Jamie Oliver's new book "Jamie's Dinners" and Mrs Orrey's first publication "Dinner Lady" due out in April.

Helen Taylor

## VILLAGE MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTION

GREETINGS; now that yet another year is drawing to a close, on behalf of all readers and all those connected with the magazine, a hearty and appreciative vote of thanks to our distributors and collectors of the subscription who have made such a good job of taking the magazine out as soon as possible in all sorts of weather. They are:

Dorothy Allwood, Kath Ashton, Ken Barnes, Mollie and Bob Burnett, Chris Castleden, the late Doreen Corcoran, Diana Cumberland, Ruth Curtis, Margaret Foss, Betty Heal, Claire Hills, Trudy Hollingsworth, Iris Lester, Stan Loach, Barbara Mallett, Margaret Palk, Mary Pratt, The Rector, Ann Romalla, Christine and Peter Salter, Jane and Ian Seel, Rosie Watkins and Audrey Weaver.

I would also wish to express our grateful thanks to East Bridgford News and the Staff at The Post Office for selling village magazines for us every month.

Tony Ford

## Magazine Subscriptions

The price of the magazine has remained unchanged at 30p for several years. However, increases in printing costs mean that as from January 2005 the cost per copy will rise to 40p and the annual subscription to £4.

We hope our readers will feel that the magazine continues to offer value for money. Anyone who does not at present receive the magazine can have one delivered by contacting Tony Ford at 46 Main Street, Tel: 20932.

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TRUNKS

Can you find all the words listed above? You can travel in any direction so long as it is in a straight line (don't turn corners). You will probably find other words as you go along.

## Across

1. Stored away (7)
5. Hardens metal (7)
9. Virgin Mary (7)
10. Hazardous (5)
11. Skinflint (5)
12. Curved bone (3)
13. Emissary (6)
14. Cloth (6)
15. I have (3)
17. Spoke quietly (9)
21. Israeli submachine gun (3)
23. About (6)
24. Individual (6)
27. High mountain (3)
28. Flight of steps (5)
29. Rhinoceros (5)
30. Family name (7)
31. Makes sorrowful (7)
32. Method of raising money (7)

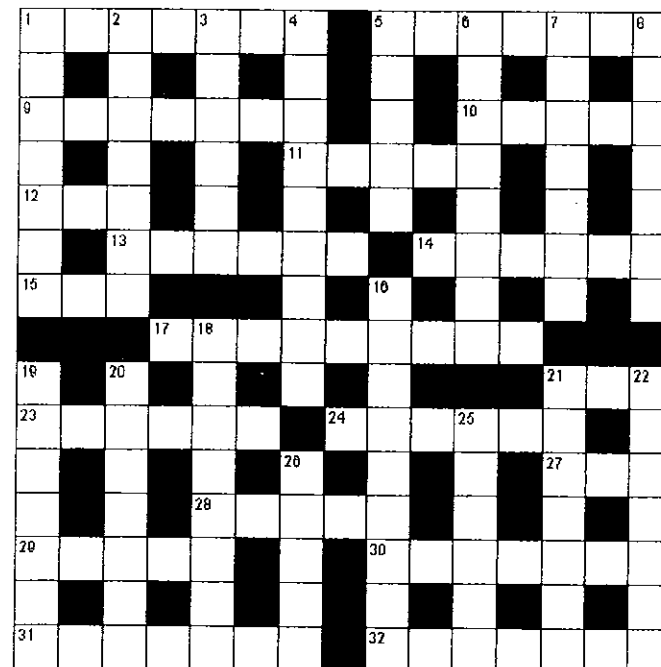
## Down

1. Warrior of feudal Japan (7)
2. Loud enough to be heard (7)
3. Sharpening (6)
4. Playwright (9)
5. Browned sliced bread (5)
6. Wedding (8)
7. Oriental (7)
8. Hijack an airliner (7)
16. Practice session (9)
18. Good-looking (8)
19. Inns (7)
20. Anxious (7)
21. Unconscious (7)
22. Irreverence (7)
25. Concealed (6)
26. Worries (5)

## Solution to November Crossword

W A C H I N E S T I T C H  
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P A N D A E E A  
E A R D R U M A I R C R E W  
R E R A N A  
P R O J E C T I O N I S T

## PUZZLE CORNER



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON CHURCHES

### St Peter's Church, East Bridgford

Rector: Canon Alan Haydock, 20218  
The Rectory, Kirk Hill  
Churchwardens: Beryl Cottrill, Keith Cottey, 20912  
8.00am 2nd and 4th Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.00am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address  
Family Eucharist - 1st Sunday each month  
(Coffee is served after this service)  
10.45am 3rd Sunday each month, Family Service  
6.30pm Evensong and sermon  
7.30pm Every 3rd Sunday each month after Evensong  
Holy Communion (BCP)

### Methodist Church, East Bridgford

Minister: Rev. Christine Perry, 837330  
Secretary: John Hunter, 33 Kneeton Road, 20179  
10.00am Morning Worship each Sunday except the 3rd  
Sunday when Holy Communion is celebrated

### St Helen's Church, Kneeton

Churchwardens: Ann Neale, 20236, Dennis Pepper, 21286  
8.00am 1st Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP)  
6.00pm 2nd and 4th Sunday, Evensong

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