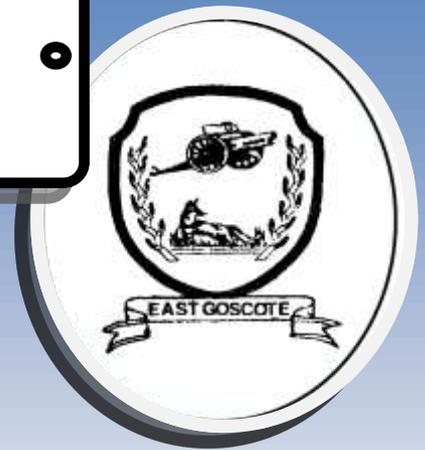


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EDITORIAL

" . .the fields are already white for harvest" . .often used in a different context, but we can see the time of harvest is drawing near. What a summer ! Apart from the Jubilee, and the Olympics, the weather has been quite spectacular as well. Looking at the fields we can see the effects of rain and hail on the crops. Oil seed rape suffered, yet wheat seems to have survived intact? Perhaps oil seed rape maturing too early was it's downfall? Sometimes we see that in Olympic competitions, where the early burst of energy fades towards the end.

The Olympics have certainly been inspiring this time. Almost everybody , including my non-athletic wife, have been jumping up and down in their seats at some of the races. However for most of us a more sedate , healthy lifestyle is what we aspire to. Look at the staying healthy program on p.19, and the other clubs and courses listed in these pages.

Physical, or mental health are often combined in hobbies. You may be surprised at some of the hobbies people enjoy. Knitting , pages 4 & 5, is very popular with some people, and some hobbies lead to future careers. Congratulations to Ryan, an East Goscote young man, who is pursuing a career in the Royal Navy. I know how strenuous and demanding the training can be. Sometimes it is difficult to remember that life in the services is meant to be a life in the service of others. Congratulations also to June Bishop, p.19, for a continual life of service to others. You may be interested in the letter from Ann Mackay, p.26, who is attempting to climb to Everest base camp, in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care. We often do not notice the quiet life of service.

Unfortunately, we have several articles on anti-social behaviour in this issue. Speeding on the village is causing concern and several initiatives are being suggested (Kelly Barber on p.9, and a report form on p. 26) . Dogs continue to cause concern, with one resident being fined at Melton Magistrates Court (p.17) . Finally look at the social media initiative being set up by the police (p.12) and the council (p.25) . .time to get involved ? . . .
Dennis Bishop

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all ages to help make this a reality.

Knitters can contact Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland to get a simple hat pattern and for those who don't fancy making a hat themselves, wool and needles can be sent to Clarence House at 46 Humberstone Gate (LE1 3PJ) or Lansdowne House at 113 Princess Road East (LE1 7LA), both in Leicester to help others reach their target.

For more information or to get copies of the patterns, ring 0116 2237344. In order for the hats knitted to raise funds locally, please send completed hats to Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland at either the Clarence House or Lansdowne House by the end of September.

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As we sit here writing this article, we have just broken up for the summer holidays, again you wonder where the year has gone. It has been an incredibly busy summer term as usual, packed with lots of exciting and fun activities.

In June we had visits from Brooksby Melton College (showing us lots of different pets) the children enjoyed learning about them and were encouraged to interact with them. Sheryl and James Freer gave us a fabulous demonstration and insight into Tae Kwon Do, demonstrating the benefits of healthy eating and importance of exercise. At the start of July Penny Chaplin visited us to demonstrate Zumba, the children enjoyed participating and learning the different movements.



Our outside garden is forever popular, where the children love to explore. One day a little boy found a snail this created curiosity, and some fabulous learning took place as children discussed the nature of a snail, see photo.

After all the rain we have had we thought it inevitable that we would have to cancel our sports day, but no the sun shone on "Bizzy Bees" as we had the one glorious day of the summer term for us to hold our annual event, again the children relished in their races and as always were well supported

by their families and friends. Thank you.

The last week of term we had our Teddy bears picnic each day, the children made their own sandwiches and were then treated to a cake.

Also during the last week we had to say our "happy goodbyes" to our school leavers, as usual the tissue box did its round. All the Bizzy Bees staff team wish the children all the very best with their continued learning in their chosen school and we look forward to an exciting Autumn term



Until next time,

Helen, Dianne, Karen, Tasha, Lisa, Jayne and Sarah.

EAST GOSCOTE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

I have received the following email from Councillor Kelly Barber.

If anybody is interested then please let me know.

Thank you

Ellen Hewitt 0116 2608224



Morning,

I've been looking into the issue of cars going over the speed limit in and around the village and am trying to revive the community speed watch program that we registered for back in 2008. To do this we need volunteers, it would involve doing a training session in August/September time then going out in pairs with a speed gun and recording any motorists exceeding the speed limit who would then get a letter from the police. Although the scheme will not result in any prosecutions, hopefully it will alert motorists to their actions and deter them from doing it again.

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Thank you.

Kelly Barber

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The weather was glorious all week with hot sunny days. There was 31 members including staff and we had a great time including: Outdoor Pursuit Centre, Mini wacky race Olympics, Inspection, Cross-country,

Midnight Expedition, the gun run, Quick Cricket, volley ball, Handball, water balloon battleships, Cromer crabbing on the pier.

Altogether the camp was a great week for all members to make new friends and we are looking forward to next year's camp which will be at Snettisham.

FENCING

This year we invited Frisby Fencing Club to come along and teach the Boys and Girls how to fence like they do in the Olympics.

The added Bonus of actually holding an Olympic torch which was used in the relay in Leicester.



Any boy or girl who would like to try The Boys Brigade and Girls Association from 4 1/2 onwards then please contact: J. Matthews **01664 850795**.



A view of the Rainbow guides releasing balloons on Jubilee Day

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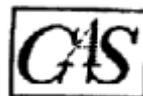
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Neighbourhood beat officers and the police Sergeant, Ian Stone, are using Twitter to send quick up-to-date messages to residents across Mountsorrel, Anstey, Thurmaston, Sileby, Quorn, Rothley, Swithland, the Wolds Villages and Seagrave, Barrow Upon Soar, Birstall, East Goscote, Queniborough and Syston.

Each of the ten beat teams is using Twitter to post messages about significant campaigns, operations and crime prevention messages. You can also follow them on Facebook at 'Charnwood Police'. It has been set up as a business page so viewers are encouraged to click on the 'like' button and keep in touch with their local police officers.

You can also get the latest news, updates and events direct from the police by signing up to Neighbourhood Link at www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk

Leicestershire Constabulary's Head of Online Media, Natalie Proffitt, said; "We are encouraging officers in key roles to use sites such as Facebook and Twitter because the numbers of people and organisations using social media are growing and will continue to grow. It is a great way of reaching people from all walks of life particularly the young and people who are confident with technology."

The police will continue to use mainstream media such as newspapers, radio, neighbourhood newsletters, leaflets, face to face meetings and beat surgeries as well as social networking sites.

Sergeant Ian Stone from Charnwood Local Policing Unit (LPU), said; "I am using Twitter to post short updates about significant events and issues that happen across the Charnwood policing area. It is not time consuming to do because it is only like sending a text message, it is a quick and easy way of keeping lots of people across the policing area informed about the work we are doing where they live." You can follow your beat team or local Inspector on the following Twitter pages;

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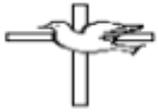
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Work has started on the new toilets including the disabled loo and a cleaning cupboard. This will be a huge improvement and of course it will mean that while work is in progress the building will be closed to hirers. We hope this will not cause too much inconvenience (excuse the pun!) but as this will be during the school holiday most of our hirers would not be using the building anyway.

Messy Church is growing in numbers and is proving to be very popular with children and parents (and some grandparents too). They celebrated their first birthday at the June meeting and Bishop Christopher came along to celebrate with them. It was a very happy and fun afternoon. The church is open from 3.30 – 5.30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month so why not come along and join in! The next meetings are 12 July, and 13 September. (no meeting in August).

Our next Christians Together meeting is on Sunday 23 September at 4.30 p.m. (note change of time) These are opportunities for all Christians of any denomination to meet together to pray, to worship, to discuss and to share fellowship. If you would like to join us you will be very welcome. The meeting after that will be Sunday 25 November.

Our Harvest weekend this year is 22/23 September. The Harvest Supper will be on the Saturday evening (please see notice board for details nearer the time) followed by the Harvest Family Service on Sunday morning at 9.30 a.m. As always we welcome visitors to any of our services, not just the special ones. We meet at 9.30 a.m. every Sunday morning.

Jane Mercy - Church Warden



On 14 June we had our first messy church birthday in East Goscote. We invited Assistant Bishop of Leicester, Christopher Boyle to celebrate with us. More than 50 people young and old came to join us that day. Bishop Christopher mingled with children and parents and had informal conversations with them. Bishop also taught us a song and challenged us to continue to share God's message of love and care with each other. He said that he was very much impressed and encouraged by the number of people attending and their enthusiasm. Bishop Christopher and Children helped us cut the cake and we sang happy birthday to Messy Church. The cake and food for the celebration were provided by the families. It is great to see that who attend Messy Church value it so much that they cover the cost of food through donations. Everyone enjoys



it so much, one of the little boys who attend regularly with his family said, "I enjoy it so much, it is shame it is not every week"

We Started "Messy Church" in June 2011 with help from the diocese through parish mission fund, which enabled us to buy the equipments and material we needed to start. Since then it has gradually grown. We now on average have 40 people attending including about 25 kids. We meet on 2nd Thursday of the month between 3:30pm and 5:30pm in the church. All our messy church attendees are not regular church goers. The beauty of the messy church is that it is for all the family, the whole family is encouraged to join not just children so the activities are for all ages of



family, and it includes a meal at the end so the families do not have to rush home for evening meal or worry about it. We are now growing in number, fellowship and faith.



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Parish Council Chairman's Report 2012.

Parish Council Election Results – The results of the first Parish Council Election in over 30 years were:- Mr Darren Eden received 227 votes and Mrs Sally Lander received 208 votes. 19.3% of the village voted and Mr Eden was duly elected. The Parish Council would like to welcome our new Councillor Mr Darren Eden.

Co-option of new members – Mrs Sally Lander completed the co-option procedure and was co-opted and welcomed by the Parish Council on 13th June 2012. We now have a full compliment of Councillors.

Police Matters – We have a new PCSO to replace Laura Grimley. Our new PCSO is Mr Brian Geeson (collar number 6507). Thank you to PCSO Laura Grimley for her hard work during her time with East Goscote.

Village Hall – Unfortunately the village hall will be increasing the hire charges from the 1st September 2012. Bouncy Castle Parties will increase to £75 for residents and £85 for non residents.

Rearsby Roses – Councillor Bob Black & Councillor Cathy Duffy attended the Plans Committee. The results for the proposal at Rearsby Roses were 11 against and 1 for, therefore resulting in the application being refused. You can view the grounds for refusal on the East Goscote Parish Council's website. The Parish Council would like to thank Mr John Lambert who spoke on behalf of Rearsby and East Goscote.

Youth Committee – We have now held the first meeting for our Youth Committee and there were some very interesting ideas being put forward. The next meeting will be held on Monday September 10th 2012 in the Sports Pavilion.

The Queens Diamond Jubilee Event – Thank you to all residents who attended the celebrations we had a really good turnout and fun was had by all. The event raised a total of £507.00 for charities within village. Please see our article within the Long Furrow for full details and photo's. The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who helped organise and run the events.

A Village e-communication Mailing List – Cllr Karen McCalman put forward a suggestion of creating an email Newsletter. This would enable the Parish Council to inform residents of Events, Neighbourhood Watch information and News. If you would like to be included in the mailing list please see the article included in this issue of Long Furrow.

A New Code of Conduct for Councillors – The Parish Council have adopted a new code of conduct and copies have been issued to all Councillors. The new Code of Conduct was supplied and suggested by Charnwood Borough Council.

Dog Out of Control – On the 4th July 2012, a resident of East Goscote appeared before Loughborough Magistrates Court and was convicted of 2 offences under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991. These offences related to a dog called Bruce, a Black Staffordshire Bull Terrier Cross that was under the resident's immediate control at the material times. As a result of the conviction the Dog has been placed under a control order and the conditions are as follows;
(1) Dog to be kept muzzled at all times
(2) Dog to be kept on a lead whilst in a public place
(3) The Dog shall not enter Jubilee Playing fields, East Goscote.

The order is to last indefinitely.

Please contact Leicestershire Police should there be a breach in the above conditions.

PC 914 Thomas Longden Local neighbourhood Officer for East Goscote

Speedwatch – Please help. Are you concerned about the speed of some vehicles on our roads? Could you spare a little of your time to help make the roads of East Goscote safer for everyone. Then join our Community Speed watch Programme today. We are looking for volunteers for the programme of running speed gun trials and will be undertaking training in Aug/Sept. If you can help please contact Kelly Barber on Tel: 07773022149 or kellybarber@live.co.uk. Alternatively call the Parish Council office on 0116 2602202

Charnwood Borough Council are also providing Summer Activities for children:-

1/ Weds 22nd August – Crazy Golf , 2pm – 4pm, 5 to 11 years.

Please visit our Parish Council Website at esstgoscote.leicestershireparishcouncils.org where you will find lots of village information.

Derry Walton

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THE GREENER GOSCOTE PAGE

CHARNWOOD DON'T MUCK AROUND AWARDS Isn't it great when years of hard work and dedication receive the recognition so richly deserved? No I'm not talking about me (although I was short listed for an award) ! My long-term friends and colleagues in the green world, "Complete Wasters" swept to victory winning both the Green Business Category and the Overall Winner Award at a recent Charnwood Borough Council environmental bash sponsored by Serco. Complete Wasters are based at The Green Place, 6 Cossington Road, Sileby (next door to Chine House Vets) and are well worth a visit whether you are looking for something different in green gifts, a refurbished affordable computer or laptop or just a quiet refreshment break in an idyllic wildlife setting. Check out their website www.completewasters.co.uk and look out for special events and volunteering opportunities. Complete Wasters is almost on our doorstep and so doesn't cost the Earth. Well done Darren, Deborah and team.

THE LATEST COMPOSTER AND FOOD DIGESTER OFFERS: I am told that stocks are beginning to run low on home composters and food digesters offered on the Leicestershire County Council website www.leics.gov.uk . No doubt there will be other offers when these run out but in the current economic climate, they are not likely to be quite so generous. Visit the Environment page and click on composters and food digesters for details:

220 ltr and 330 ltr home composters at £9 and £10.50 plus £5.49 delivery per order and buy one, get one half price.

Two home composters working side by side is quite a good idea – one active and the other maturing or you can club together with a neighbour and have two delivered to one address.

Green cone food digesters at £7.50 delivered – part above ground and part below and can digest all types of food waste. Install it yourself. Mine has been brilliant. It gobbles up lots of things my composter can't.

Bokashi bins £9.95 for two – can digest all types of food waste. Useful if you haven't much garden space.

Green Johannas @ £29.95 – a hot, fast composter, for all types of food and some garden waste.

If you are interested but are not sure what would suit your situation see **Contact Us** for free impartial advice.



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SUMMER COMPOSTING: Yes, I did say "Summer" . Well there's a lot of long wet grass around anyway. In composting terms, grass mowings are very green and you need to balance them with something very brown to prevent converting your composter to a mini-silage plant with aroma to match. The best stuff I have come across to do this is brown corrugated cardboard ripped up into small squares. Some fellow obsessives suggest one inch squares but even I wouldn't go that far – just however it rips until you get fed up. Brown corrugated cardboard is far too useful to recycle in the usual way. I stack it outside next to the composter and let the rain make it nice and soggy so it's easy to rip and easy for the mini-beasties to get cracking on. I recycle glossy corrugated cardboard in the usual way. It just doesn't compost so well and it's probably best to avoid the glossy inks.

PROGRESS ON THE NEW ZEALAND BOX COMPOSTER: Avid followers of this page will remember that I am planning to return to my composting roots and build a New Zealand Box composter. So far I've assembled an unlikely array of old bits of wood. I can visualise a thing of great beauty in the making but others apparently can not ! I'll keep you posted.

CONTACT US: Master Composters and Waste Action volunteers promote home composting and sustainable household waste management on behalf of the Leicestershire Waste Partnership made up of Leicestershire County Council and the seven Districts of Leicestershire with Leicester City Council as an associate member. For free, impartial information and advice on composting and recycling, contact David on 2606773, 07724891627 or david.cannon9@btinternet.com . Other useful links: www.recyclenow.com , www.lovefoodhatewaste.com , www.leics.gov.uk/index/environment www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/recycling .

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LOCAL HOME VISITING PRACTICE

- East Goscote - Staying Healthy Programme For September



East Goscote Village Hall, in conjunction with Chamwood Borough Council's 'Active Together' and our local Doctor, have successfully applied for a 'Staying Healthy Community Grant'.

This will provide a programme of talks on a wide variety of health topics and also a 4 week programme of exercise classes.

All the events are **FREE OF CHARGE** to our residents and will be held in the Village Hall.

The programme is as follows:

DATE:	DISCUSSION TOPIC	EXERCISE CLASS
Thursday's	1.00pm - 1.45pm	2.00pm - 3.00pm
6th Sept	Improving Your Heart	Seated Exercise
13th Sept	Coping with Diabetes & Healthy Diet	Zumba
20th Sept	Information on How to Access Welfare Rights, Including Benefits, Social & Services Support	Yoga
27th Sept	Keeping Your Children Healthy From Birth to Teenage Years	Seated Exercise



LOCAL RESIDENT CHOSEN AS ROTARY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

At its recent Presentation Evening the Wreake Valley Rotary Club presented its annual award for 'Service Above Self' to Mrs June Bishop of Ploughman's Lea, East Goscote.

In April 1989 June lost her son Christopher to cancer and during the time she was nursing him her husband Ron was also diagnosed as having cancer and he sadly died the following January. Whilst she was nursing them through their illnesses June started to undertake voluntary work for Cancer Research particularly in organising fund raising activities and she has already raised many thousands of pounds to support Cancer Research.

During this traumatic period in her life June commenced working as a volunteer for LOROS which she continues to do on a weekly basis.

Sadly, her daughter-in-law contracted cancer last year and died fairly soon after the diagnosis.

June is also the Co-ordinator for the Syston Lunch Club and acts as an attendance officer and transportation organiser.

The Club selected June for the award as being a lady who epitomises the Rotary motto and the reasons for the award – that is 'Service Above Self'.

The Award consists of a Commemorative Certificate; a cup

which June holds for a year and a cheque for her nominated charity. In recognition of the fantastic level of support given to June and the family during her daughter-in-law's illness June asked for the cheque to be made out to Macmillan Cancer Support.



The award, is known as **The Alan Morley Service Above Self Award** and is given to an individual who lives or works within the area of *Barkby; Barkby Thorpe; Beeby; Birstall; East Goscote; Queniborough; Ratcliffe; Rearsby; South Croxton; Syston; Thrussington; Thurmaston and Wanlip* who, in the opinion of a panel of judges, fulfils the criteria of giving service above self. The service **MUST** be voluntary and not given in connection within any paid appointment. The award comprises of a Trophy to be held for a period of one year and a Certificate together with a cheque for £200 to a charity nominated by the awardee.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

I would like to begin my report by welcoming Mr Eden and Mrs Lander to the Parish Council.

CORPORATE PLAN 2012-2016

A new Charnwood Master Plan has been launched which will help shape the Borough over the next four years. "Our Place" is the name of Charnwood Borough Council's new Corporate Plan which outlines what the authority aims to achieve between 2012-2016. It is split into five themes of safe and secure, grow and prosper, protect for future generations, celebrate and enjoy and belong and was devised following the Council's most successful ever consultation with residents.

The Council has said ~Quote~ "In these uncertain times, we know it will be a challenging journey, but we have taken steps over recent years to reduce our costs and put the Council on a sound financial footing. It is a confident plan which will help the borough grow and become more prosperous. It also sets out how we will ensure taxpayers continue to get value for money from the Council." ~Unquote~

It also forms part of the Council's longer term Vision which was revealed in 2011 and aims to enhance Charnwood's reputation as a vibrant place to live work and play.

CHARNWOOD DEMOCRACY:

Residents are being invited to help promote high standards of conduct amongst elected officials in Charnwood and elsewhere across the county.

Charnwood Borough Council is joining forces with a number of public sector organisations in Leicestershire to appoint volunteers called 'Independent Persons'. The role will involve considering and being consulted about complaints against borough, town and parish councillors, to coincide with the introduction of new national councillor conduct arrangements this Summer.

Whilst the appointments will be on a voluntary basis, expenses will be paid. Training will also be given to successful applicants. For further information, please visit: www.charnwood.gov.uk/independentpersons or call Michael Hopkins on Loughborough (01509) 634785 or email michael.hopkins@charnwood.gov.uk.

NEW HOMES:

Charnwood Borough Council launched a 3-week consultation to ask people's views and comments on the latest options in meeting its target on building new homes. The Borough of Charnwood has a requirement to build 17,380 new homes between 2006 and 2028.

The Council has already given permission to, or completed, 7,671 of that total and officers have previously recommended a further 6,250 homes to be provided in 2 Sustainable Urban Extensions (SUEs). That still leaves 3,459 properties to plan for, and residents are being invited to have their say on where they should be built. To find out more detail about the options and to find out how you can get involved, please visit the CBC website.

CHARNWOOD'S LEISURE CENTRES:

A £2 million investment programme to revamp Charnwood's leisure centres is set to go ahead. The investment is part of the contract the Council signed with its' leisure centre partner Fusion Lifestyle. The Council and Fusion signed a contract last October which will also see £2.4 million spent on new equipment and £3.9 million in repairs and maintenance over the course of the 10.5 year deal. The new contract will also save the Council around £4.6 million in that time.

REARSBY ROSES SITE:

Rearsby Roses site and the planned building of 74 homes on the separation land between Rearsby and East Goscote. Due to the numbers of complaints over this planned build it went before the Plans Committee. Both the Parish Council Chairman, Cllr. Black, and I attended this meeting on Thursday 24th May. The result was 11 to 1 against the build. A further consultation took place at the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th July. This time the planners reduced the number of houses to 60 and extended the separation land with the promise that no further building would take place at the area. They also offered a few other incentives.

"PORTAS" PILOT TOWN:

Big plans are on the cards to improve Loughborough town centre after it beat more than 400 applications to become a Portas Pilot town. The Government will provide funding for pilots across the country to try out some of Mary Portas' recommendations. Loughborough will be one of only 27 areas – out of 419 – which will receive a £100,000 investment, and which will grow to £275,000 with matched funding to be spent on the town centre.

CCTV:

Residents and businesses throughout Charnwood are being urged to share their experiences of the borough's CCTV network in order to decide its future use. The call for comments has been made by Charnwood Borough Council's CCTV Scrutiny Panel which is focusing on the way the 164-camera network is monitored plus the availability and cost of the cameras. The review ends in September. For more information on how to get involved, contact Democratic Services on 10509 634787 or email: democracy@charnwood.gov.uk

Staying Healthy Programme:

Cash grants have been offered to schemes which encourage people to get healthy. Charnwood Borough Council is running a Staying Healthy campaign and has a £17,000 pot available to help organisations deliver projects. The grants are funded via the NHS Leicestershire County & Rutland, and cover one-off spending such as new equipment, running of conferences, promotional campaigns and projects. Groups bidding for the cash could each get maximum of £2,000.

Many congratulations to the Parish Clerk, Mrs Liz

Pizer, who in conjunction with your local Dr, Dr. Shah, put such a super programme together for the benefit of all the residents of East Goscote and which, thanks to the funding, is free to all residents. There are four (4) more events taking place in September – check out dates & topics in the Long Furrow Magazine.

Queens Jubilee Celebrations:

I would also like to congratulate the Parish Council on the Queens Jubilee Village Celebrations, where many had worked so tirelessly in arranging and making sure the event was a complete success. A big ‘thank you’ must also go to our CC Dave Houseman MBE, for entertaining us with his musical skills.

Prosecution – Dog Control:

Dog owners are being reminded of the need to keep their pets under full control when they are in public. It follows a court case against an East Goscote resident.

The charges related to separate incidents on the Jubilee Playing Fields in August and September last year. There are lots of training providers which will help owners who may have difficulty with their pets.

Every dog should have its day – and for your pet it is Sunday, September 2 at Birstall. Charnwood Borough Council and its leisure centres partner, Fusion Lifestyle, are staging a “healthy dog walk” to encourage people to get out and about with their four-legged friends in pleasant surroundings with the added bonus of discovering new areas of interest. The dog walk starts at 10.30am from the School Lane car park in Birstall and will take in the lakes and pathways of Watermead County Park before finishing at the Old Plough Inn in Front Street, Birstall which welcomes animals and even offers non-alcoholic beer for the dogs! During the doggy day, renowned animal behaviourist Steven Havers will be available to offer advice. Mr Havers has worked with dogs for nearly 20 years and has a wealth of experience to pass on to owners.

Big screen brings Charnwood closer to London 2012:

A feast of family fun and games is being lined up to celebrate the opening ceremony of London 2012, culminating in the switch-on of a giant TV screen. The big screen will become part of Loughborough town centre’s skyline and will beam all of the Olympic action into the town for the duration of the Games which start with the spectacular opening ceremony on Friday, July 27. The screen will broadcast from 8am until 11pm everyday throughout the games until the closing ceremony on August 12, 2012.

Online guide to plans launched:

An online guide aims to help the public with planning applications and the building control process. The new digital planning guide has been produced by Charnwood Borough Council to help visitors to the council's planning section of its website, www.charnwood.gov.uk. The online guide, which can also be printed out, is part of on-going improvements to customer service in the planning department. The

guide is available to read online at: www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/planning_and_development

Public asked views on anti-social behaviour

Police and Councillors want to hear people's views on anti-social behaviour. They have arranged a series of road shows at which residents will be able to raise concerns about issues such as graffiti and noisy neighbours. The Charnwood Community Safety Partnership events will run until the middle of September.

Information on how to report anti-social behaviour, how complaints will be dealt with and how residents will be supported will be available at the road shows. There will also be details of projects to discourage crime.

For more information, call 01509 634533, or visit: www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/anti_socialbehaviour1

Please Note:

I have decided to end my monthly surgery meetings at the Village Hall because everyone that needs my help, etc, tends to contact me via the phone, email, or I do home visits. This will free up the time for the use of the Hall for residents should they wish to use it and save the Village Hall lighting & heating costs.

I can be contacted at any time as usual on my home Tel. No: 0116 2929419 or via email at cllr.catherine.duffy@charnwood.gov.uk

I am also available for home visits.

Kindest regards, Cllr. Cathy Duffy.

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Broomfield News



Our Year 6 pupils have written this edition of Broomfield News. Thank you Year 6 and good luck in your new schools next year!

Nichol's Nook

In memory of Mr Nichol, the whole school decided to make a memorial area of the playground called **Nichol's Nook**. Staff, their family and friends all spent a very wet day creating the Nook.



The beautiful new area includes a water fountain (which Mr Nichol always wanted), a large storytelling chair (because Mr Nichol told such wonderful and amazing stories), masses of beautiful flowers and some lovely ornaments including a butterfly wind



chime that Kimberley Nichol bought for us from **Portugal (one of Mr Nichol's favourite holiday resorts.)** A plaque was also unveiled during the opening.

Mr Nichol's children, Kimberley and Chris along with his good friend Andrea, officially opened Nichol's Nook for

us. During the opening, four children from each class got the chance to release a red or white balloon outside. We sent our memories and thoughts of Mr Nichol as we released the balloons and are hoping to see how far the balloons travel. Each of the balloons had a tag with contact information on it so people can reply to where they found them.



We have already had a few replies, but are waiting for the rest; our furthest so far is in Frisby.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if some went to foreign

countries, maybe even to Portugal! So let's hope people are kind enough to let us know.

Nichol's Nook will be open for the community on Saturday 15th September between 10am and 12 noon, so please come along and see for yourselves.

Foundation Stage

Our Foundation Stage has had a busy, fun packed summer term! They decided to get active at Beaumont Leys Leisure Centre and have also taken part in the following activities: Trampolining, Balancing and Gymnastics.

The following day they went to Alderman Richard Hallam Primary School to meet their pen pals. They really enjoyed that and made lots of new friends. It sounds like they had a lot of fun.

Mrs Whittaker

We are sadly saying farewell to one of our favourite teachers, Mrs Whittaker. She will be sadly missed by the whole school especially Year 2 who she has been teaching this year. Hopefully she will have a great time at her new school and she will **be missed by all at Broomfield. Please don't forget us Mrs Whittaker!**

Year 5 and 6 Residential

Between 25th and 27th of June, Year 5 and 6 went on a school residential trip to the Pioneer Centre. We said a goodbye to our Mums and Dads and got on the coach. The journey took 2 hours but we kept ourselves busy playing games and reading magazines.

When we arrived, we were given a tour of the Pioneer Centre and shown to our rooms. The boys were downstairs and the girls were upstairs. While we were there, we did so many exciting activities, including raft building, archery and the high ropes. Each group had their own instructor. They were really funny and made the trip most enjoyable.



We were sad to leave to go home. The trip was one that we will not forget!

The Olympic Torch arrived at Broomfield

On Wednesday 12th July Richard Sharpe, one of the Leicester torch bearers, kindly brought his Olympic Torch in to school for us all to see. Staff and pupils were really excited. After telling us all about his thrilling day and answering lots of questions, he then led an Olympic procession around our school grounds.



All of the children had been put into one of 30 Olympic countries, and in their groups they had made banners and flags to celebrate their given country. The

procession was really exciting with lots of cheering and flag waving, made especially memorable by following an actual Olympic Torch. Thank you Richard.

2012 Speaker's School Council Award

Broomfield has recently been awarded a prestigious Speakers Award from the Commons Speaker the Rt Hon John Bercow MP. The award was given to the school council to reward their fantastic contribution to school and community life.



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An Excellent Jubilee Celebration



East Goscote Parish Council would like to give a big 'Thank You' to all the Organisers, and to everyone who took part in the Jubilee Celebrations!

~
Funds raised for the Village Groups amounted to: £507.80



← Celebrations began with the 'King's & Queen's' Children's Disco

Followed by a 'Cake Competition' and Afternoon Tea.. →

The winning Cake was supplied by a member of the W.I.



The whole occasion ended with a fantastic LIVE Band Event



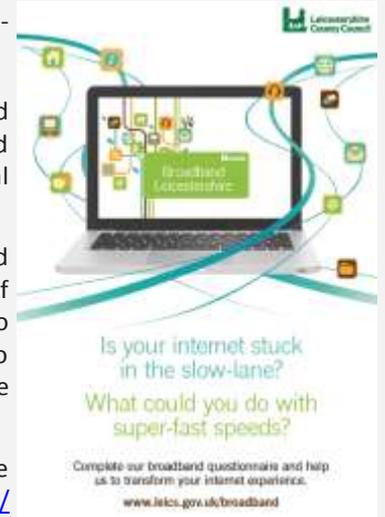
Is your internet stuck in the slow-lane? What could you do with super-fast speeds?

Broadband connectivity is emerging as a critical issue in Leicestershire. It is estimated that over 190,000 residents mainly in rural areas, will not receive improved broadband as part of BT's national rollout programme. This includes 89,000 residential households and at least 3,800 businesses.

Leicestershire County Council is working in partnership with public, private and voluntary sector organisations to identify and deliver the connectivity needs of communities, businesses, and public sector organisations. The County's vision is to deliver super-fast broadband to all premises in Leicestershire by 2017, subject to securing necessary funding. Deployment of super-fast broadband will commence during 2013.

As part of the programme it is critical we understand current issues and future broadband aspirations. **We need your support.** Please visit www.leics.gov.uk/broadband to complete the questionnaire and help the County Council to transform your internet experience. The questionnaire has now finished, and the results should be on the website by now.

For more information please contact Matthew Kempson (broadband@leics.gov.uk, 0116 305 6179)



JOIN THE PARISH COUNCIL MAILING LIST

Dear Villagers,

Where you one of the people who didn't know about the Diamond Jubilee celebrations until the last minute or after it had happened? Would you like to know about burglaries on the village as soon as we find out?

In a bid to join the 21st century we have now set up a mailing list so that important parish council information can be sent to you quickly and easily.

All you have to do is send an email to

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Speed Complaint Form

Leicestershire County Council
Leicestershire Constabulary

Road Name/Number:

Location:
(Include start and end point of length of road)

Speed Limit at location:

To help us to investigate your concerns as fully as possible, please give details of any specific problems experienced at this site: -

Day(s) of the Week:

Time(s) of Day:

Specific Events:

Type(s) of Vehicle:

Any other relevant information:

If you wish to receive feedback after we have visited the site, please provide your details below.

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Please return the completed form to Traffic Management, Leicestershire Constabulary, St Johns, Enderby, Leicester LE19 2BR or fax to (0116) 248 2327.

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80 The Ringway
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17th May 2012

Dear Editor,

My name is Ann Mckay, I am a resident of Queniborough. I am 65yrs old, I was a postie based at Syston for 21yrs, I'm now retired. I realise how lucky I am to enjoy reasonably good health and have the capability and determination to do this challenge I have set myself. I am going to trek to Everest base camp in October for charity. I have chosen to raise money for the very worthy charity 'Marie Curie Cancer Care' as I have had hands on experience of the care they provide, during the illness of my father up to his death...The trek is 17days at high altitude, to hopefully reach the highest point Kalar Pattar at 5545 mts. The trek is graded strenuous to tough, with long trekking days at high altitudes, occasionally across difficult terrain and possibly scrambling or crossing snow fields. Ascents and descents may be more than 1000mts per day... I have trekked at high altitude before, for charity, to the summit of Kilimanjaro . However, altitude sickness can be a problem and can affect anyone regardless of age , fitness or determination. It is life threatening if ignored, there is no test to ascertain whether or not one will be affected. Despite the draw backs, I have taken up this challenge and will have to work hard to reach and maintain the level of fitness required, which I am fully committed in doing. .Everyone, it seems, are touched in someway, by someone who has had cancer. Marie Curie Cancer Care are committed to giving THAT person the care and compassion they deserve... PLEASE support me in my goal to raise as much money as possible. Any donations however small, will be gratefully appreciated... please make cheques to Marie Curie Cancer Care or there is a sponsor form should you prefer... Thankyou for taking the time to read this letter and thankyou in anticipation of your support.

Ann Mckay
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U10's	Neil Adams	07976533337	Village Hall Bookings		2602202
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