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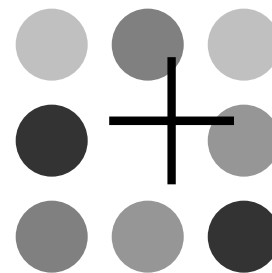
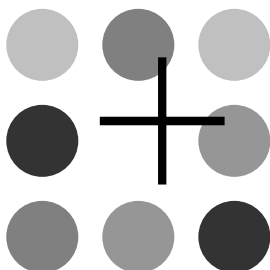
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# The Wiverton News

from your village churches and chapels

June / July 2007

## From the registers

### Baptisms

22 Apr	Matthew James William and Eliza Jane Gibson	St Giles, Cropwell Bishop
13 May	Stacey Alicia Starbuck	St Andrew, Langar

### Funerals

26 Apr	Doris Davis	Wilford Hill
1 May	Kevin John Betts	St Andrew, Langar
22 May	John Stuart Thompson	St John, Colston Bassett



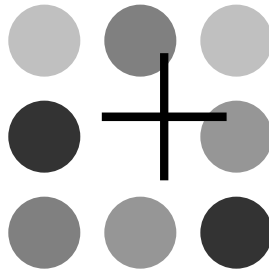
## You got rhythm?

Times and seasons

New bus service to Nottingham: Timetable inside

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## *The Rhythm of Life !*



*Dear Friends*

There is a song written by Pete Seeger and made popular by the "The Bryds" which begins "To every thing turn, turn, turn, There is a season, turn, turn, turn, And a time for every purpose under heaven." These words are based on chapter 3 of the book of Ecclesiastes in the Old Testament. The writer, an old man, reflects on his life, wondering what he has to show for it, where the time has gone, was there a purpose in it ?

One of the great privileges of being a Christian minister is the opportunities we have to share in the significant moments of people's lives: celebrating the birth of a child and welcoming them into God's family, conducting a Christian marriage service or a service of prayer and dedication after a civil ceremony, preparing couples for marriage or praying with someone in their bereavement and taking the funeral for them. All of these things are part of the times and seasons of our lives.

*A time and season  
for every purpose  
under heaven.*

The writer of Ecclesiastes came to the conclusion that most of his life was meaningless because he had not himself relied on God. He realised, all too late, that the seasons had come and gone and he had missed his "purpose under heaven" .

But it is not too late for us, there IS a purpose under heaven for each one of us. Now is the Time and the Season for you to seek and find yours. You can 'phone any of us listed under "Who's Who" on the back page as a starting point if you wish.

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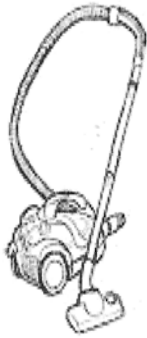
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## *Reconnect with the seasons*

These days you can get strawberries in the Spring, and Easter buns in the autumn. In the age of the freezer, summer pudding is no longer just for summer.

But don't you think we miss something? Eating food in season keeps us in touch with the cycles of nature. It reminds who we are—part of creation, and not apart from it. It has become easy to forget that we are 'made of earth', as the Bible puts it.

In our global, year round food chain, butter is shipped from New Zealand, while dairy farmers in Nottinghamshire struggle to make a living. Baby sweetcorn is flown to our supermarkets from Kenya, where worsening droughts mean local farmers are going hungry. It's a topsy-turvy world.

Buying locally grown food is a down-to-earth way of reconnecting with what we are and where we come from. Some intriguing eatables are grown within a few miles of here—for instance, when did you last have celeriac, kohlrabi, or Jerusalem artichoke? And you can buy them direct from the grower.

The Vale of Belvoir is served by a number of farmers who will deliver vegetable boxes to your door, butchers who sell locally reared meat, and don't forget the cheese! Another easy way to buy local veg, fruit and meat is to visit a Farmers' Market. Here are the ones in our area:

**Bingham Country Market:** Thursdays  
at the WI Hall, Station Street.

**Bingham Farmers' Market:** third  
Saturday of the month in the Market  
Place.

**West Bridgford Farmers' Market:**  
2nd and 4th Saturday on Central  
Avenue.

**Melton Mowbray:** Tuesdays and  
Fridays at the Cattle Market.



## Times & Seasons in the Church

In St Mary's Barnstone on 20th May, we dedicated some Church furnishings made over a period of time by two ladies from the parish of Langar cum Barnstone. Four sets of linens, each set a different colour and

each set bearing a different symbol. Each set representing a season in the church year and each design symbolising an aspect of our Christian faith and tradition.

Some people ask what relevance these have for us today, is it just to make our church buildings pretty? Is it just like decorating our own homes? Similar questions are asked about the objects we see or use in church whether it is the image of a dove representing the Holy Spirit and peace, an Easter candle, a stained glass window or a cross.

In the days when very few people could read or write, when possessing a calendar was not the norm, all of the colours, objects and windows we see today had a very significant purpose. Stained glass windows tell the stories from the Bible visually. The window in Holy Trinity, Tythby is of a shepherd carrying a lamb, what better way to illustrate Jesus' words from John's Gospel "I am the good shepherd." John 10.11.

In the days before calendars and global warming people knew the seasons by the weather, what was growing, the position of the sun and moon. But how would they have known when it was Easter or Christmas or indeed Ascension which we celebrated on 17th May. The colours we use in Church today have been used for centuries.

They change throughout the year: purple white, gold, green, rede. Each time there is a change, we are aware that we are in a different season or celebrating something special. If you were in church on 27th May you would have seen the red furnishings indicating that it was the Day of Pentecost, a day of celebration in the church.

On 4th June the colour will change to green and this will last through to November. Green is symbolic of life and growth as we see in the fields and our gardens. In the church, green is symbolic of us growing as Christians as we spend time in prayer, worship and Bible study. Today we live in a very visual society, road signs, advertising hoardings, logos, the TV; symbols and colours to communicate concepts and ideas. The church has been doing this for hundreds of years. Whoever said that the church isn't up to date? *Bronwen*



Don't forget that Cropwell Bishop and Cropwell Butler are also served by the regular **Radcliffe Line** and **63 service**.

In addition Granby, Barnstone and Langar are served by **Service 24**, which runs between Melton Mowbray and Bingham. An illustrative summary of the timetable is set out below.

<b>Service 24:</b>	Mon—Sat	am	am	pm	pm
<b>Vale of Belvoir to Bingham</b>	Melton Mowbray	8.30	10.30	12.30	14.30
	GRANBY	9.09	11.09	13.09	15.09
<b>(through tickets available to Nottingham)</b>	BARNSTONE	9.13	11.13	13.13	15.13
	LANGAR xroads	9.15	11.15	13.15	15.15
	BINGHAM	9.25	11.25	13.25	15.25

<b>Service 24:</b>	Mon—Sat	am	am	pm	pm
<b>Bingham to Vale of Belvoir</b>	BINGHAM	9.27	11.27	13.27	15.27
	LANGAR xroads	9.35	11.35	13.35	15.35
	BARNSTONE	9.37	11.37	13.37	15.37
	GRANBY	9.41	11.41	13.41	15.41
	Melton Mowbray	10.20	12.20	14.20	16.20

### Service 22: Nottingham to Vale of Belvoir via West Bridgford, Tollerton and Cotgrave

R - served on request by customers already on the bus. There is an additional late-

Monday—Saturday	am	am	&	pm	pm	pm	pm
NOTTINGHAM	9.15	10.08	h	3.08	4.15	5.08	5.45
CROPWELL BUTLER	9.53	10.53	o	3.53	4.53	5.53	R
CROPWELL BISHOP	9.56	10.56	r	3.56	4.56	5.56	6.26
LANGAR	10.01	11.01	y	4.01	R	6.01	R
BARNSTONE	10.04	11.04	t	4.04	R	6.04	R
GRANBY	10.08	11.08	i	4.08	R	6.08	R

## *New bus services for our villages*

FROM 29th MAY the number 22 bus service has a new lease of life, thanks to a subsidy from Nottinghamshire County Council—but only until October.

Saturday services have been restored to Granby, Barnstone, Langar and there is a later commuter bus back from Nottingham on weekday evenings. There will also be late night services on the Cotgrave Connection leaving Nottingham at 11.31 p.m. Monday to Thursday, and 1.30 a.m. on Fridays at Saturdays. A summary of the new services is set out below.

Nottinghamshire County Council are also exploring offering a 'demand-responsive' service for people who have plans to travel on a Sunday.

However the Council have said that the future of these services depends heavily on demand. The message is that if you want to see public transport continue to serve your village ... **use it or lose it!**

Please note that these timetables are for illustrative purposes only. Check times and departure points for yourself by visiting your local bus stop or calling **traveline** or the relevant company.



### **Service 22: Vale of Belvoir to Nottingham via Cotgrave, Tollerton and West Bridgford**

Monday—Saturday	<i>Not Saturday</i>				T h e n o u r i y T i l	pm	pm
	<i>am</i>	<i>am</i>	am	am			
GRANBY	-	6.55	7.43	9.12		4.12	6.12
BARNSTONE	-	6.59	7.47	9.16		4.16	6.16
LANGAR	-	7.02	7.52	9.21		4.21	6.21
CROPWELL BISHOP	6.32	7.07	7.57	9.26		4.26	6.26
CROPWELL BUTLER	6.35	7.10	8.00	9.29		4.29	6.29
NOTTINGHAM	7.11	7.51	8.41	10.03		5.03	Change at Cotgrave

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# Coffee Morning

Saturday 16th June 2007  
10.00am - 12 noon  
**On the Manor Cottage Drive**  
**Cake & Produce**  
**Plants**  
**Bric-a-Brac**  
**Tombola & Raffle**  
Contributions to the above gratefully received  
Admission £1 (includes coffee & biscuits.)

The National Gardens Scheme – Gardens Open for Charity



## Open Gardens in Cropwell Butler

*Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2-6pm  
and  
Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 5-8pm*

There are four gardens open in the village  
**Redland House, Main Street,  
The Malt House, Main Street  
Mulberry House, Back Lane  
and Laurel House, Tythby Road.**

There is a charge for adult entry,  
children are free

The NGS supports a number of charities in the field of cancer and related medical services

**Cropwell Bishop Village Weekend Concert**

ANOTHER "MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING" will be held in St Giles Church as part of the Cropwell Bishop village celebration over the weekend of 6th to 8th July. The concert will be on the Friday evening at 7.30pm. Tickets £5 for adults including a glass of wine, free for concessions and children under 16. Tickets will be available from the Post Office, Barlow's Butchers and the Church.

Proceeds from the concert will go towards the Church development project which includes the installation of a toilet in the church.

**Afternoon Tea, Flowers and Organ music.**

ALL SAINTS, GRANBY is one of our churches which is open during day-light hours every day of the year. On Sunday 29th July we would like to invite you to come and have a look at our church. Afternoon tea will be served and our organist will play as you eat and admire the flower displays.

**2.00pm to 5.00pm Sunday 29th July.**

**Heritage Fund support for roof repairs**

THE CHURCH ROOF will shortly be undergoing some major repair work and we are grateful for the grants which are being made available to us by English Heritage and the Heritage Lottery Fund. The overall anticipated costs exceed £92,000, the grants come to £81,000 leaving us to find the balance of £11,000. If you would like to help in any way, please contact the Rector (see the back page of this publication for contact details).

# for July 2007

<b>Granby All Saints Elton St Michael</b>	<b>Langar St Andrew Barnstone St Mary</b>	<b>Colston Bassett St John the Divine</b>
Holy Communion for all ages All age service Evening Fellowship		
St Giles Cropwell Bishop, See page 6		
<b>9.15am Granby</b> Morning worship (AA)	<b>9.15am Langar</b> Holy Communion <b>10.30 am Langar</b> Searchlights	<b>8.00am</b> Holy Communion *
<b>9.15am Elton</b> Morning Prayer*	<b>9.15am Barnstone</b> Holy Communion*	<b>11.00am</b> Morning Worship (AA)
<b>9.15 Granby</b> Holy Communion	<b>9.15am Langar</b> Morning Worship (AA) <b>10.30am Langar</b> Searchlights	<b>4.00pm St Mary's</b> Picnic followed by <b>5.00pm</b> Songs of Praise service
<b>6.00pm Granby</b> Evening Prayer*	<b>8.15am Langar</b> Holy Communion with breakfast	<b>10.00am</b> Open service

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*are appropriate for all ages.*

# Services and Events

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	<i>Tythby Holy Trinity Cropwell Butler Methodist Church</i>	<i>Cropwell Bishop St Giles Methodist Church</i>
<b>1</b>	<b>10.00am Wiverton Group Service, Langar :</b> <b>11.00am Cropwell Bishop Methodist Church :</b> <b>6.00pm Cropwell Butler Methodist Church :</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>7.30pm</b> "Music for a summer evening" concert.	
<b>8</b>	<b>11.00am Cropwell Butler</b> All-age service	<b>11.00am Methodist Church</b> Morning Service <b>6.00pm St Giles</b> Village celebration service
<b>15</b>	<b>11.00am Tythby</b> Holy Communion	<b>10.30am Methodist Church</b> Sunday Spread and <b>11.00am</b> Morning service <b>6.00pm St Giles</b> Evening Prayer*
<b>22</b>	<b>9.15am Tythby</b> Morning Prayer* <b>11.00am Cropwell Butler</b> All –age Service	<b>11.00am St Giles</b> Holy Communion with baptism (AA) <b>11.00am Methodist Church</b> Morning service
<b>29</b>	<b>6.00pm Cropwell Butler</b> Joint Holy Communion (Anglican Rite)	<b>11.00am Methodist Church</b> Village Service of Holy Communion (Methodist Rite)

\* Services marked with an asterisk use the Book of Common Prayer.

Services marked AA

## Rushcliffe Borough Councillors

COUNCILLORS DAVID BARLOW and GORDON MOORE were both returned as members of Rushcliffe Borough Council for the Wiverton Ward in the May elections. They thank the people of the Ward for their support.

## Langar school event in June

THE ANNUAL BIKE RIDE to Colston Basset and back has been organised for **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**. The ride is open to anyone in the community; we would love for you to join us in a pleasant bike ride along the gated road. The Bike ride starts at 4pm from the school. There will be a BBQ and band later in the day as well. This will be held on the school grounds.

## Langar school event in July

THE SUMMER FAIR is also coming up, **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July**. We are looking to increase the stalls we offer and so if you have home-made goods or crafts you would be willing to sell on a table top with a donation to the PTA, please contact us either via the school or email [langarpta@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:langarpta@yahoo.co.uk).

Look out for signs around the school nearer the time for more details of both of these events.

We're looking forward to seeing you there.

Langar School PTA



# Services and Events for June 2007

	<b>Tythby Holy Trinity Cropwell Butler Methodist Church</b>	<b>Cropwell Bishop St Giles Methodist Church</b>	<b>Granby All Saints Elton St Michael</b>	<b>Langar St Andrew Barnstone St Mary</b>	<b>Colston Bassett St John the Divine</b>	
<b>J U N E</b>	3	<b>10.00am Wiverton Group Service Langar:</b> Holy Communion for all ages <b>11.00am Cropwell Bishop Methodist Church:</b> All-age service <b>6.00pm Methodist Circuit service at Skillington</b>				
	10	<b>11.00am Cropwell Butler</b> All-age service <b>6.00pm Tythby</b> Evening Prayer*	<b>11.00am St Giles</b> Morning Worship (AA) <b>11.00am</b> <b>Methodist Church</b> Morning Service	<b>9.15am Granby</b> Morning Worship (AA)	<b>9.15am Langar</b> Holy Communion <b>10.30am</b> <b>Langar</b> Searchlights	<b>8.00am</b> Holy Communion *
	16	Saturday Coffee Morning 10.00am to 12 noon on Manor Cottage Drive at <b>Elton-on the-Hill</b> Cake & produce, Plants, Bric-a-Bac, Tombola & Raffle				
	17	<b>11.00am Tythby</b> Holy Communion	<b>10.30am Methodist Church</b> Sunday Spread and <b>11.00am</b> Morning service <b>6.00pm St Giles</b> Evening Prayer*	<b>9.15am Elton</b> Holy Communion*	<b>9.15am Barnstone</b> Morning Prayer*	<b>11.00am</b> Morning worship (AA)
	24	<b>9.15am Tythby</b> Morning Prayer* <b>11.00am Cropwell Butler</b> Pet service (AA)	<b>11.00am St Giles</b> Holy Communion with Baptism (AA) <b>11.00am</b> <b>Methodist Church</b> Morning Service	<b>9.15am Granby</b> Holy Communion	<b>9.15am Langar</b> Morning Worship <b>10.30am</b> <b>Langar</b> Searchlights	<b>6.00pm</b> Evening Prayer*

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