

WIVERTON NEWS

August & September 2004

Recreation and creation

August for me is a month a bit like that cupboard with a firm door into which everything is thrown to be out of the way, waiting for 'some day' when I will have a clear out: fix what needs fixing and sort what needs sorting.

August for me is a month with no entries in the diary – or hardly any. It's when I promise myself to set too, and tackle all the things that have got pushed to one side. Even if only a quarter of my dream list is eventually completed at least I guard this special space free from being contaminated by pressures of normal everyday busyness.

August is for recreation in my work calendar. It's the 'year-ending' month; so even if there are no holidays away planned it still has a holiday feel. It's for doing things I enjoy which are creative and relaxing. Maybe it's the same for you. You can take your time over it because there are no deadlines chasing you. You can savour your surroundings, your home and garden. You may like to try your hand at something a bit artistic – with paints and brush, a pen and notebook, with a camera, with tools for working wood or needles and threads for embroidery or tapestry.

Of course, August is the last month of summer; so the outdoors still beckon. You can pick and choose visiting places to enjoy other people's creativity: stately homes and gardens, nature trails, adventure playgrounds. Or you may prefer just to take a map, binoculars, and apt footwear and follow paths through countryside unexplored. You may be drawn to water, a river or a canal. The Vale of Belvoir has so much to lay before us, let alone the wider expanse of the East Midlands.

Creation and recreation fit together – not just the words but also the appreciation. Seeing creation – other people's, and God's – brings pleasure, admiration at ingenuity and beauty, and a sense of fulfilment. In order to reap the benefits of recreation it usually requires getting involved yourself - having a go, making the effort, taking the plunge, shaking off the "Oh I couldn't possibly!" excuses, summoning the inspiration. Recreation leads you into having a hand in creation.

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From page one – I look forward to August because of these expectations. I know that in the end it may not turn out as I hope. But I still value what I hold in anticipation: space to savour, look around, and especially to look up to the Creator, and to be re-created more into his likeness through his love.

Andrew Wigram

A Country Church

Written by T. H. Widdowson

I sat there, the peace deafening. A look to the choir stalls; where were the choir now scattered? Where were the congregation? Some, I considered with a smile, getting the Harvest in for the Autumn.

The peace was still deafening. I noticed a picture of an aircraft on the white stoned Church wall. A place of peace and relaxation for Airmen whose task it was to make peace out of the Second World War. I felt no cold, only peace and a certain amount of love. Yes, a country Church can instill love into a troubled heart.

At last, the peace was on my shoulders and somehow as if it were God's will, my body was at ease and the peace that only a country Church can bring, was everlasting.

Personal

Sister Kathy Lamb,

who has until recently been on the staff of the local Methodist Circuit, has written to say thank you to the Wiverton Group for our gratitude for her ministry expressed at her final service of farewell in Bottesford, and for the voucher and gift she received from the Group as a whole, and from Tythby and Cropwell Butler in particular. She has now taken a new full time prison chaplain appointment in Lancashire.

Fortissimo! Thanks

Catharine and Andrew Wigram would like to say a VERY LOUD thank you to all of you who have sent cards and loving greetings, and have managed to attend one or other – or both of - our two events over the weekend of 17 & 18 July. With such a volume of support from you we have celebrated our Ruby Wedding and Andrew's fortieth anniversary of ordination in great style!

THANK YOU THANKYOU THANK YOU....!!!

Parish Weekend 25 - 26 September

How great thou art!

Last September Chris Dolby ran the first Parish Weekend of recent years. It was based on the hymn *Do something beautiful for God*. It was an opportunity for people to display their talents and for others to learn about new talents. On the Saturday there was a variety of hands-on fun activities [candle-making, mosaic workshop, flower arranging, music making, drama, games for young people, bell-ringing, learning to relax....] Then on the Sunday the fruits of Saturday were brought together and offered within the worship. For those who took part it was a rich and rewarding experience. Everyone was asking the question *When can we do it again?*

Well, another programme is being planned for the weekend 25-26 September – same venue and timetable as last year's.

This year's theme, *How great thou art* is the title of another hymn, well known. The idea for the workshops will be to see how words from the hymn can be transformed into art forms. Some of the words speak of God's creation in nature. Others focus on God's re-creation in the life and death of Christ, his Son. All put together the hymn is a rousing statement of praise and worship.

The workshops will present different ways of expressing our worship through the medium of each art form. We are already promised another mosaic workshop, and also something outside (*When through the woods and glades I wander...*). We can expect a number of last year's activities to be in action again. But ultimately we will benefit solely from what people are willing to come forward and offer.

So, as you read this, please

- ◆ consider coming to the Parish Weekend this year
- ◆ think of someone else you could invite
- ◆ decide whether you have a talent to share
i.e. to offer to lead a workshop
- ◆ put the details into your diary now!

There will be more publicity with enrolment slips available in our churches later in August or early in September. Meanwhile, so as not to miss out, please make contact with Chris [01949 850127] and get your name on the list!

August & September Diary

AUGUST

- Sun 1** 11am Baptism of Lauren Scarborough – St. John's Colston Bt.
Sat 7 1.30pm Wedding of Lee Wright & Claire Heap – Granby
Mon 9 3pm Mothers' Union Members Tea Party – at June Hindley's, Cropwell Bishop
Mon 15 8pm St. Andrew's Langar Home Group – Church Cottage
Sun 29 11am Baptism of Victoria Alice Hunt – St.Giles Cropwell Bp
11am Baptism of Gracie Scotern – All Saints' Granby

SEPTEMBER

- Sun 5** 10.30am *Village Celebration Thanksgiving* – St. John's Colston Bassett
11am Baptism of Daisy Buxton – Holy Trinity Tythby
Sat 11 *Notts Historic Churches Cycle Ride*
1.30pm Wedding of Jim Spencer & Debbie Mecham – St. John's Colston Bassett
Sun 12 11am *Harvest Thanksgiving* – St. Michael's Elton
3pm Baptism of David Buxton - Holy Trinity Tythby
6.30pm *Racial Justice Sunday Service* in Southwell Minster
Mon 13 2.30pm Mothers' Union meeting: *Family Life [MU theme]*
Denise Killips – St. Michael's Elton
7.30pm Wiverton Group Council meeting – St. Andrew's church Langar
Wed 15 8pm Cropwell Bishop PCC – St. Giles church
Thu 16 12pm Blessing of Marriage: Sir Edward North & Helen Battenbury – St. Andrew's Langar
Sat 18 Mothers' Union *Fun Day* for International Year of the Family – Rufford Park
12.30pm Wedding of Paul Harris & Haley Christopher – St. Giles Cropwell Bishop

Sun 19 11am *Harvest Thanksgiving* – Cropwell Butler Chapel
 Wed 22 10am St. Giles Cropwell Bishop Funding meeting – Vicarage
 Sat 25 *Parish Weekend* – Activities in St. Andrew's Langar
Sun 26 10am **GROUP** service: *Parish Weekend Celebration*
 Tue 28 7.45pm Langar & Barnstone PCC – Church Cottage
 Thu 30 7.30pm Cropwell Bishop Heritage Group OPEN MEETING

From the Registers

BAPTISMS

June 13	Millie Anne Healing	Cropwell Bishop
20	Thomas Edward Besson	Langar
27	Madelaine Eva Richardson	Granby
27	Isabella Usher Higginbotham	Granby
July 11	Kate Olivia Perkins	Langar
11	Oliver Sebastian Colbeck Beech	Cropwell Bishop

WEDDINGS

May 29	Al-James Hannigan & Helana Elizabeth Prior	Granby
July 10	Vincent Edward Corley & Anne Louise Pickup	Granby
17	Andre' Wilfred Mould & Kay Louise Tinkley	Cropwell Bishop
24	Mark Gareth John Glover & Nicola Sarah Straw	Granby

FUNERALS

June 4	Margaret Georgina (Peggy) Mackie	Elton
14	Richard Cheetham	Colston Bassett
22	George Jarratt	Colston Bassett
28	Margaret Ann Branston	Tythby/ Cropwell Butler
30	Adeline May Marriott [Burial of Ashes]	Cropwell Bishop

Announcements

A new service for Colston Bassett

A new form of service, to be called *Village Service*, is happening on Sunday September 5th in St. John's church at 10.30am.

Invitations are going out to all in the village.

Villagers are being approached to take part.

COME AND JOIN US!

Racial Justice Sunday – September 12

Justice for all?.... since justice for some is not justice at all.

Southwell Minster is the venue for this event OPEN TO ALL.

3pm - 6pm Workshops in Trebeck Hall

6.30 - 8pm Celebration Service in the Minster

Guest speaker: Bishop Joe Aldred [a self-confessed radical]

For more information contact Rainbow Project office: 0115 970 1855

Christian Aid Week 2004

Sam Hunter and Gerald Hardy, the organizers and co-ordinators of the fund-raising on behalf of the Wiverton Group have written to say:

The total raised from collections in and around all the villages of the Wiverton Group is £2,490.29. This is an increase of £128.55 on last year's – and it represents a lot of hard and committed work by every body involved.

Very grateful thanks are due to all: the organizers, the collectors and the contributors. THANK YOU!

Andrew Wigram

Forthcoming Event

All Saints' Granby Harvest Supper – Saturday 16th October.

Bingham & District Choral Society

The Publicity Secretary has asked Wiverton News to make space for this announcement:

Our new term starts on 7 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 – 9.30pm in the main hall of Toot Hill School.

This term will be exciting as we will be joined by the Kortrijk Choir from Belgium to sing John Rutter's Requiem on November 6th.

For further information ring 01949 839991, or you can visit our web site on: www.binghamchoral.org.uk

Sylvia Aldworth

Anne Frank Exhibition

This takes place in Southwell Minster from 4 October to 4 November 2004. The organizers are appealing for volunteers for Guides and Stewards. Training is given.

"Whether you can offer a few sessions or a few weeks, we need you!"

Those interested should contact: Dilys Carby [01636 817281]

Email: Mail@southwellminster.org.uk

Please respond as soon as possible!

Cropwell Bishop Heritage Group announces

an Open Meeting in the Memorial Hall

on Thursday 30th September 7.30pm.

£2.50 to include cheese and wine

Guest Speaker and photo display.

Come and learn, and come and share your knowledge.

WIVERTON GROUP SERVICES: AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2004

Date	Tythby	C/Butler	Langar	Barnstone	Granby	Elton	C/Bishop	C/Basset
Aug 1 8th after Trinity	11.00am MP	6pm Fellp	9.30am HC All Age [CW]		9.30am MP	11am HC [1662]	9.30am MP 11am AAS	11am AAS with Baptism
Aug 8 9th after Trinity	9.30am MP	11am AAS	8.30am HC [CW]	9.30am MP	9.30am HC 1662 - Prayer for healing	11am AAS with Baptism	11am AAS	6pm HC [CW]
Aug 15 10th after Trinity	11am HC [CW]		9.30am AAS		6pm EP with Elton	6pm EP at Granby	9.30am HC [CW] 11am at Chapel	11am MP [CW]
Aug 22 11th after Trinity	6pm EP	11am AAS	9.30am HC [CW]	9.30am HC [CW]	11am MP at Elton	11am MP with Granby	11am HC [CW]	8.30am HC [1662]
Aug 29 12th after Trinity	11am MP	6pm HC	6pm <i>Songs of Praise</i>		11am AAS and Baptism		11am AAS and Baptism	6pm EP
Sept 5 13th after Trinity	11am HC [1662] <i>Prayer for Healing</i>	6pm Fellp	9.30am HC [CW]		9.30am MP	9.30am HC [CW]	9.30am MP 11am AAS	11am <i>Village Thanksgiving</i>
Sept 12 14th After Trinity RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY	9.30am MP	11am AAS	8.30am HC [CW]	9.30am MP	9.30am HC [CW]	11am Harvest	11am AAS	11am HC [CW]
Sept 19 15th after Trinity	11am Service at Butler Chapel	11am Harvest	9.30am AAS		6pm EP with Elton	6pm EP at Granby	9.30am HC [CW] 11am at Chapel	8.30am HC [1662]
Sept 26 16th after Trinity		11am AAS	10am GROUP Parish Weekend					

Key: MP – Morning Prayer
AAS – All Age Service

1662 – Service from the Book of Common Prayer
HC – Holy Communion EP – Evening Prayer

CW – Common Worship Service

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