



# Winter Newsletter

## Biodiversity in Charnwood

Biodiversity is "the variety of life". It includes every organism from mammals, birds, reptiles and fish to insects, plants and fungi as well as micro-organisms such as bacteria and viruses.

Here in Charnwood we have a team of ecologists and Francoise Scire who is Senior Ecologist will be talking to us at our next meeting which will be on February 12th at Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

We hope for a large attendance when we are sure of a most interesting talk. As usual we shall have a glass of wine and a nibble to give us all a chance to meet the speaker and ask questions.

If you would like more

information on the Charnwood Biodiversity Action Plan and ways in which you can be involved please contact :

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*The Birds & The Bees & The Bugs*

## Annual General Meeting

We shall be having our AGM at Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall on Monday 26th March 2001 at 7.30 p.m.

As well as the formal business (which should only take half

an hour) we shall have a talk on The National Forest, a project that we have supported from its inception, and a chance for informal discussion.

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### Coming Events

*Biodiversity in  
Charnwood....12th February  
The National Forest....26th  
March  
AGM....26th March*



## David A Arnold 1928-2000

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David Arnold, one of our members for many years, died early in the year 2000.

walls will be re-built during 2001 by the Woodlands Trust.

He had always supported the society's activities, particularly our appeal for funds for the purchase of Martin's Wood on Deans Lane, Woodhouse Eaves.

In his will David left the society a sum of money and asked that it should be used for our site. We are most grateful for his generosity and the committee has decided to use his legacy in two ways; first in providing a seat (with a suitable memorial plaque) so that we can all sit and enjoy the view, and secondly in helping towards the repairs to the stone walls.

The seat has been installed and the boundary



## Our summer visits ....(lets hear from you!)

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The first of our visits this year was to The Manor House, Donington le Heath on May 15. We had a splendid attendance and had to split the party up as the interior is quite small. As usual we finished with wine and nibbles and the curator (in mediaeval costume) was able to answer lots of questions on this fascinating house.

finished. Once again we thank Barbara and Frank Bassett and their helpers for the refreshments they organised. We should welcome members' suggestions for future walks and visits

In September we had another good trip to see the Moira Furnace and the reopened stretch of the canal. Fortunately it was a bright evening. Even so it was pitch black when we

*The wine and nibbles bring the members but they all enjoy the visits.*

## Subscription Time Again.....

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Subscriptions are due now for the year 2001 . We try to keep them low, just to meet the costs of our meetings and the necessary postages etc. They are unchanged for 2001:

Corporate Members (societies, schools, councils)	£10
Individual	£ 5
Family	£ 8
Junior (under 18) or Senior (over 60)	£2.50

Please send your cheque to:

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