Brackenhurst Workshop for Group Leaders 30 June 2011 – Webmasters

Email to: John Hollins (Nottingham); Paul Geeson (Burton Joyce); Robert Watts (Sherwood); Marilyn Dillon (Sherwood); David Ling (Mansfield); David Hart (Beeston).

Hi everyone,
John Hollins (Nottingham) was not able to attend the webmasters meeting but asked for feedback so here are some notes. Feel free to correct and expand on anything!

Basics
Mansfield (David L) - Site developed in conjunction with Taghosting, hosted by Taghosting, maintained by David using Komposer.
Keyworth (Peter) - Site developed by Peter using Komposer, hosted by Taghosting, maintained by Peter
Sherwood (Robert) - Site developed and hosted by Taghosting, maintained by Robert and others
Burton Joyce (Paul) - Site due for review, Paul attended but is not the webmaster
Beeston (David H) - Investigating options

What we wanted out of the meeting
We didn't formally address this question. Paul and David H are clearly looking for ideas on what to provide and how to provide it. I would like maintenance of the Keyworth site to be less dependent on me and therefore was interested in the Sherwood arrangements.   There is background information from John in the forwarded email below below.

Brackenhurst
Although we could not use the site wifi, Alan Morris provided a laptop with phone dongle, and David L provided a projector, so we had access to the internet and a large screen. Robert showed the updating of calendar information on the Sherwood sites, though he was not able to show how the rest of the Sherwood site is updated from the laptop we were using.
David L demonstrated the significance of the webpage description tab in getting the website high up in Google searches.
David L showed how he uses Flickr to store photographs for the Mansfield site.
Peter showed how Komposer is used to create an interest group webpage on the Keyworth site.
We ran out of time and had to hurriedly pack up and go!
I think Paul and David H probably got a rather narrow view of the options available, we didn't look at free hosting sites such as Angelfire and Weebly for example.

Future
We all have different areas and levels of knowledge and are at different points in the website development cycle. I suggest everyone thinks about what they would like on the agenda for another meeting and we take it from there. I would like to learn more about the Sherwood updating facilities.

Peter Edge (Keyworth)