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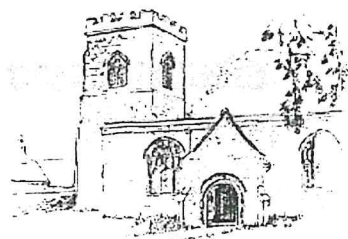
Last years' cygnet at Braunston



Photo by Chris Burton



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**REGISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2012**

**BRAUNSTON**

**Baptisms**

**13th Oct - Fergus, Rory &  
Marianne MITCHELL**

**Weddings -**

**Funerals -**

**10th Sept - Ray QUINNEY**

***May he rest in peace and  
rise in glory***

**ASHBY**

**Baptisms -**

**Funerals -**

## Speeding to eternity

My driving hasn't half improved over the last couple of weeks. In fact, I reckon that my car is running on a rich mixture of unleaded petrol and undiluted virtue - with perhaps just a drop of self-righteousness (which might be an irritant if it rubs off on other road users!) There are several old Volvos (or should that be Volvi?) in the village. Mine is the one which, these days, slows for junctions nice and early; that looks out for unpredictable pedestrian and tries to avoid them; that would never dream of frightening horses or even cyclists; that leaves lots of room between itself and the car in front and adheres scrupulously to speed limits. Honestly, it's spooky. Could it be that vicarhood has wrought a transformation and that I have become wholly holy at last, even behind the wheel?

Well no. I must confess that my new found virtue and driving skills (not to mention a renewed awareness of that seminal classic, The Highway Code,) stem from my recent participation in a training course to which I was cordially invited by the Northamptonshire Constabulary. My family refer to it as "Speed Borstal" but I prefer to call it "Speed Awareness Course" because that is its name. (In case you are wondering, the speed in question was 34 mph in a 30 limit. I was still going slowly enough to smile for the camera even if I was carelessly breaking the law.)

I was not pleased to attend but must admit it was brilliant. If you ever get the chance to go... no, let me rephrase that .... Should you accidentally find yourself invited then do go. It is an eye opener. There is much about the course that I could share but two pearls stand out. Both have parallels for life too. (Sorry but I am a vicar! Did you really expect this would only be about my speeding ticket?)

Pearl 1: If you make space on the road then you have the time and opportunity to deal with any situation that arises. I've been practicing and it is true. With no need for sudden braking or sharp turns, my stress levels are right down and I don't seem to get anywhere any slower. There is something deeply satisfying about watching some unreformed speed-demon roar past in a blast of exhaust fumes, only to coast gently in behind him at a traffic light a mile or two further on. (So far I've resisted the temptation to wave because I don't want to cause my brethren-on-the-road to stumble into sin but it is a marvellous feeling!) Making space and travelling with care is a good recipe for life too. The wisest folk are those who live mindfully, ensuring enough space to seek God before facing difficult situations. It is hard but I confirm that the days when I put time and space with God first are the days when everything works out best. You may see this as simple psychology. I know what I believe it is.

Pearl 2: Nobody else is going to pay your fines or take the ticket for you. Nobody else will take responsibility for your driving licence. If someone else hassles you into driving badly it is still your responsibility. If you are in the driving seat then you take the rap. That is true of our lives and our deaths too. Each of us is solely responsible for our own eternity. Not worshipping God because someone you love does not approve is foolish. It isn't their soul. Doing something wrong or harmful because you want to impress someone is stupid. It isn't their soul. Not caring for people because someone else doesn't want you to is silly. It isn't their soul, their life, their death or their eternity. As it happens Jesus took the punishment for us on the cross and we just need to acknowledge that and try gratefully to keep our license as clean as possible in order to have eternal life with God and the people we have loved.

Golly. Who'd have thought we would start with a speeding penalty and finish up with eternity? I hope that I can keep driving better. The challenge will be when I am running late for a funeral. To speed or not to speed? Think about it.

Best wishes

Rev Sarah



## CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2012

Not shown in September's edition...

31st August - Tim - Welcome home from Afghanistan & Happy Birthday - with love from Hazel, Alex, Mum, Dad & all the family

September's Floodlighting so far...

1st September - \* To wish Anna & Kristian good luck from Grandma & Grandpa Herlihy

1st September - In loving memory of Alan on our 61st Wedding Anniversary - from Gill

8th September - Remembering Mum and Dad on their Wedding Anniversary

10th September - \* To celebrate Ron Jones' 80th birthday, with love from Shirley & Steve

11th September - \* Simon & Ann-Marie's Wedding Anniversary

14th September - \* Lit for Melissa & Farrell's 10th Wedding Anniversary

22nd September - For the wedding and marriage of Margaret and Ashley

23rd September - \* Remembering Mary

28th September - \* Lit for Alice's Birthday



October's Floodlighting so far...

3rd October - \* Lit by Julie Simpson for Debbie, Nina and friends

5th October - \* Lit for Rose Bray who died 05/10/1971

6th October - Alan (Chick) & Mavis Eley - on our Golden Wedding Anniversary - still growing old "disgracefully" together!

13th October - To dear Fergus, Rory and Marianne on your Christening

20th October - Welcome to Philip and Vikki visiting from South Africa. Love from Dad and Mum

21st October - \* Dave & Claire's Wedding Anniversary

31st October - \* Remembering Joan & Bill Folkard and my brother, Michael, Love Lin

\* = Friends of All Saints - A huge Thank You

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline - 20th September 2012



## Braunston Village Gardens Association

### Braunston Show 2012 Celebrating 45 Years of showing "To show what villagers can do"



Thank you for ...

Entering - the highest number of entrants for at least 12 years.

Visiting - over 230 people walked through the hall on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

Trying something new - over 25% of the entrants were new to the Braunston Show.

Thank you to The Boat Shop, Admiral Nelson, Village Meats, Poppies, Select Convenience Store and Barby Nurseries for donating prizes.

Despite a busy year of celebrations with the Queen's Jubilee, the Olympics and Paralympics as well as a demanding year in terms of the weather the number of people entering The Braunston Show grew again this year to 95. With over 230 visitors calling into the village hall in the afternoon it was a delight that so many people took part in The Show on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. There was a wide range of skills to admire from vegetable and flower growing to handicrafts to baking to photography. However, for many it was a time to catch up over a cup of tea and cake. Once again the BVGA were delighted that 27 of the 95 were showing things for the first or second year, and that children were entering and at times winning in the adult sections.

Thank you BVGA committee members and Friends of the BVGA  
for once again hosting such a successful village event.

#### Congratulations to our winners.

The TUC Centenary Perpetual Challenge Trophy	Vicky Barnwell
The George Green Perpetual Challenge Trophy	Cindy Brewster
The Betty Hargraves Cup	Vicky Barnwell
The Novice Trophy	Andrew Alsop
The Jubilee Trophy	Finn Harris
The Busy Hands Shield	Jamie Harris

Congratulations  
to all the 114 first  
prize winners in  
their class.

#### Best in Group Awards

A	Vegetables	James and Andre Gibson	Any other non root vegetable
B	Fruit	Dennis Bancroft	Bowl of Fruit
C	Flowers	Dennis Bancroft	Three dahlias - not pompom
D	Novelty	Valerie Schofield	Something new made from recycled materials
F	Home Produce	Jackie Hall	A loaf of Bread - home made
G	Handicraft	Leyla Clayton	One item of beadwork
H	Photographs	Daisy Bunn	Animal close up
I	Juniors	Jamie Harris	A collection displayed
J	Seniors	Keir Tyson	A piece of handicraft

#### We would like to hear from you.

Do you have a suggestion for a new class for The Show?

Do you have an idea for improving The Show?

Would you like to be more involved with the BVGA as a Friend?

Would you like to join the BVGA committee?

For more information contact Kate Mawer, the Show Secretary.

Tel 890340 or drop a note through the door at 65 High Street.

## NEWS FROM JETTY FIELD.

Why is the grass so long on Jetty Field?

The simple answer is that we cannot interest anyone in cutting and baling it for use as animal fodder. Several farmers have told us that it is too polluted by dog faeces to be of use. We are hoping to get it cut in the near future and then later on in the year sheep will be brought in to graze on the field. It should be noted in a previous year the farmer had to remove the sheep prematurely because the dog faeces may have been an issue for any of the sheep that were in lamb.

Can we appeal to all dog owners to "PICK UP" after their dogs and to encourage other dog owners to do the same. Please note this applies to ALL the area, not just the pathways. Remember other people, in particular children, use this beautiful area for recreation. We, of course, thank all those who always clear up!

Would you like your child or grandchild to come home having trodden in dog mess? or worse catch TOXOCARIASIS

**Be a responsible dog owner**

### OTHER NEWS.

We are also hoping to replace the three trees that have died. They were part of a group of seven trees planted last year; four are growing well, two died and one was broken off in an act of vandalism. We are also putting up ten new, nesting boxes and also we will reposition a few that have been pulled down. A great deal has been achieved in the Jetty field area, in particular the garden. Much more work is planned for the coming months in order to make the whole area an even more enjoyable place to walk or just sit and look around!

The allotments are proving to be very popular at the moment. We have managed to reduce the waiting list down to just one or two people!

We are always looking for volunteers, if you can give an hour or two of your time or want to commit yourself to a greater involvement please ring Brian Oliver (899262) or Andrew Alsop (890826). We would be very grateful for your help and support!

### **BRAUNSTON PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION**

Dog owners are reminded that it is an **OFFENCE** under  
DDC Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2005  
To allow a dog to **ENTER** any area of the playing field'  
Fixed Penalty £75 fine

All Saints' Church, Braunston

# Autumn Fair

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>. November

In the Village Hall

Opens at 2pm

Handicrafts

**shut the Box**

Cakes

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Food Stall

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### Tap & Street & ZUMBA

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



5.15pm - Little Tappers (3-5yrs)  
5.45pm - Pre-Primary Tap (6-8yrs)  
6.15pm - Adult Tap (no exp req)  
7.15pm - Adult Street Dance (no exp req)  
8.00pm - ZUMBA

### Dance & Gym

Friday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



5.00pm - Funky Dance (4-6yrs)  
5.30pm - Gymnastics 1 (4 - 7 yrs)  
6.00pm - Gymnastics 2 (8yrs+)  
6.30pm - Street Dance / Jazz (8yrs+)

### Ballet Lessons

Monday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



4.00pm - Prima Ballerinas 1 (3-5yrs)  
4.30pm - Prima Ballerinas 2 (3-5yrs)  
5.00pm - Pre-Syllabus Ballet (5-6yrs)  
5.45pm - Pre-Primary Ballet (7-8yrs)  
6.30pm - Primary Ballet (8-9yrs)  
7.15pm - Grade 1 Ballet (10yrs+)  
7.45pm - Grade 2 Ballet (12yrs+)  
8.15pm - Adult Ballet (no exp req)

### Acting, Performance & Singing

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange

4.00pm - Juice (3-5yrs) 4.45pm - Rocket (6-8yrs)  
5.45pm - Upload (9-12yrs)

Limited places available - FREE TRIAL CLASS

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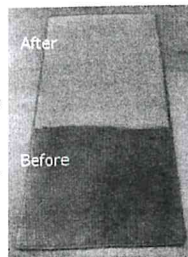
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hair cut, a consultation for other  
services, or just call in - we are  
here to help.***

***Families welcome, all ages,  
nothing too much trouble***



**Daventry & District Over Fifties Forum: Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Over Fifties**

## **Coming Soon!**

### **Braunston 'WISE & WELL' Event!**

**Braunston Village Hall  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012 2-4pm**

### **A FREE event for the over 50's**

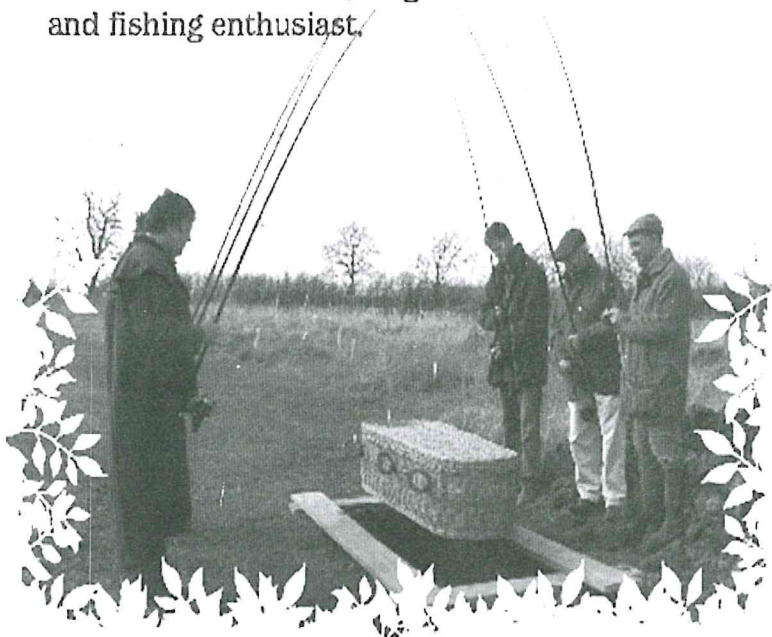
**Programme includes:**

- **Special Guest Speakers, Entertainment & Demo's**
- **General Health Quiz & Prizes; Free Mini Health Checks**
- **Plant Sale; Food & Cocktail tasting tables**
- **Promotional stands; Free gifts; Have fun & make new friends!**

**Enjoy free refreshments & homemade cakes  
Enter our free prize draw to win a luxury hamper!**

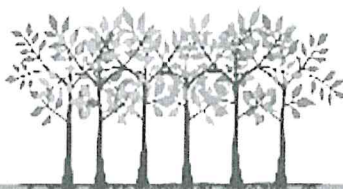
**Contact: Della Butcher (01327) 871100 for more info!**

Dave Peters 1942 - 2011  
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# Braunston Youth Club

## **Meets on this Autumn Term on**

OCTOBER        - Fridays 5<sup>th</sup>.  
NOVEMBER      - No Meeting  
DECEMBER     - Friday 14<sup>th</sup>.

**At Braunston Village Hall 7pm - 9pm**

Entrance £1.00

Why not on other Fridays?

Because we have insufficient adult helpers. We clearly can not continue like this. We need more adult helpers. If you can help, even if it's not on a regular basis ring Tina Parsons **07812538193**

Braunston Youth Club is affiliated to Northamptonshire Association of Youth Clubs (NAYC)



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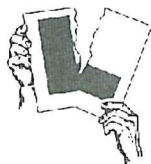
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## **CAN YOU HELP!!!!**

### **All Saints Autumn Fair - 3rd November**

#### **Food Stall**

There was a Food Stall at last year's event and it proved very popular/successful.

We would like to repeat it again at this year's event. We need your help.

If you are able to donate tins' or dried food items it would be appreciated.

BOGOF (Buy One Get One Free) is a good opportunity

Please leave your items either at Church or 30 Church Road

#### **Handicraft Stall**

If you can make any items for sale on the

Handicraft Stall they would be greatly appreciated.

# Braunston Cinema Club

**Braunston Village Hall**

**Saturday 20 October 7.30pm**

**The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**

PG-13 2011

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**Doors open 7pm**

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**Centre Screen (Big Country Rural Cinema Network)**

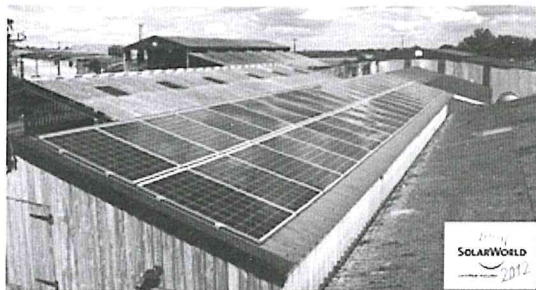




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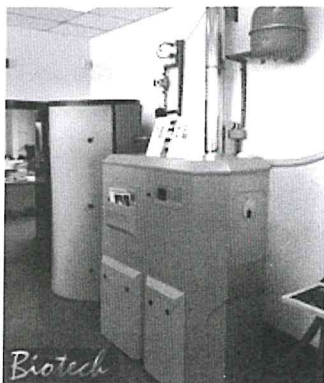
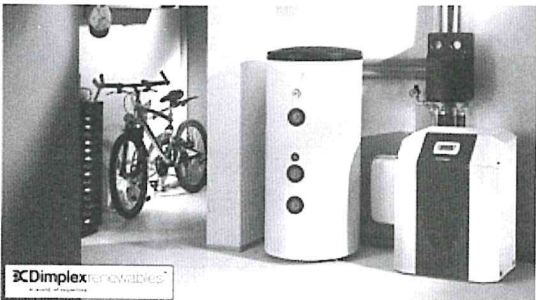


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# Harvest Supper

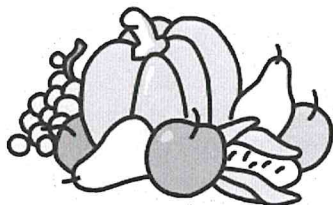
Monday 8<sup>th</sup>. October 7pm

Braunston Lower School

Two courses and drinks

Profits and proceeds from the Auction  
To the charity "Farm Crisis Network"

Don't forget to bring your own  
plate, bowl, knife, fork & spoon!



£8 Adults, £6 Concessions & £1 Children

Tickets on Sale at Braunston Post Office  
And at All Saints Church

## CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS OCTOBER 2012

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	19.30 Bell Ringers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Harvest Gift Service &amp; Family Communion (B) 18.30 Harvest Songs of Praise(B)</b>
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>	14.00 Little Fishers: 14.00 School Harvest Service in Church: Harvest Supper & Auction of Produce
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School 19.45 Braunston PCC
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup>	19.30 Bell Ringers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Family Service(B)</b>
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch::
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	19.30 Bell Ringers
Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Noon Wedding - Gatis Macs & Liva Zake-Ash: 19.30 Organ Recital by Raymond Lewis (B)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion(A) 11.00 Holy Communion &amp; Kids Club (B)</b>
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	19.30 Bell Ringers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 Holy Communion(B): 9.15 Breakfast Service (A): 11.00 Family Communion (B)</b>
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch:



## VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS OCTOBER 2012

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 W.I.
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.05am Braunston Pre-School AGM
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup>	19.00 Youth Club
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>	14.30 Friendly Club: Explorer Scouts : 19.00 Harvest Supper
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 W.I. Fashion Show
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga:
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: Braunston Canal Society
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Dick Herne History Society
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: 14.00 Daventry Over Fifties Event – Village Hall: Royal British Legion Barby Sporting Club
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup>	19.30 Braunston Cinema Club: 19.30 Organ Recital All Saints Church
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Explorer Scouts : Friendly Club Birthday Lunch
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts : 20.30 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 Twinners Craft Fair
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga

## **BRAUNSTON PARCELS**

Sometime ago I received a letter from the O.C. of "D" Squadron King's Royal Hussars in which he described the set up of the Warthog Group and I thought that it would be a timely reminder to us all of how the troops receiving our parcels are operating. (Major Smith' letter has been photocopied and displayed in the village shop)

The Squadron is made up of 120 soldiers and are equipped with Warthog vehicles, Wolfhound trucks and a Landrover which is used solely for administration purposes. Of the Warthog vehicles there are four variants:- an ambulance, a repair and recovery vehicle, a command vehicle and a troop carrying vehicle which carries eight soldiers in the rear module. Additional expertise is provided by specialist medics, signallers, Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers, ground to air controllers and sometimes explosive search dogs and their handlers. (All in all quite an operation!)

The number of parcels sent from Braunston since 2007 has now reached 1111. My sincere thanks go to everyone who continues to support this very worthy cause. The letters we receive from our troops continue to arrive and remind us all of the joy of giving as well as the joy of receiving.

We wish all our troops a safe and successful deployment.

Thankyou for your continued support.

Val Worrall

### **All Saints' Church, Braunston** **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>. October**

**H A R V E S T**  
**F a m i l y s e r v i c e**  
**1 1 a m**

**B r i n g y o u r H a r v e s t O f f e r i n g s**



**H A R V E S T**  
**S o n g s o f P r a i s e 6 p m**

**C o m e & J o i n u s !**

**All Saints' Church,  
Braunston**

**Saturday 20th. October  
7:30pm**

## **ORGAN RECITAL**

**Raymond Lewis**

Ticket price include  
interval refreshments of wine or soft drink and nibbles

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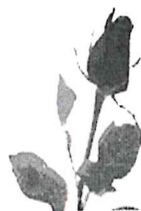
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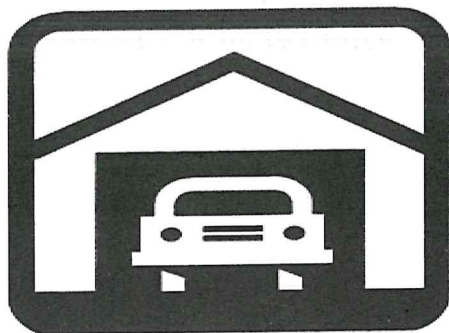
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# Wanted



## Braunston Community Car

We know of many people in Braunston without private transport. Bus routes are limited. Taxis are costly. Neighbours aren't always around to help with lifts to hospital, doctors, shops etc.

We are at the early stages of developing a community car scheme in Braunston. The Parish Council will be asking you more about it in the Neighbourhood Survey which will drop through your letterbox this autumn.

In the meantime we thought it made sense to ask if anyone knows of an unwanted car in good condition that we might 'adopt' for the scheme.

If you are able to help, please get in touch with us. Thank you!

Reverend Sarah  
vicar@allsaintsbraunston.org.uk

Abigail Campbell  
acampbell@daventrydc.gov.uk

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## WATCH THIS SPACE

The infamous Braunston Players are at it again! Their next production in November is

**Love is in the Air.**

Box Office opens beginning of October



## Braunston Canal Society

Our Sept scheduled workday went ahead in glorious weather, that seems to make us one of the lucky ones this summer. Twelve willing volunteers put in a good days work on preparing and painting Locks 4 & 5, we also again had assistance of Miriam from CRT and a visit from John Highmore who is the new CRT Volunteer Co-ordinator for the South East. It is very pleasing to be receiving such complimentary comments from CRT on the work achieved by our members this year. We are hoping to achieve one more painting day this year on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. our aim will be to complete all the work required on the three top locks to the high standard we have set ourselves. Anyone interested in helping us in any way is welcome to contact me on 01788891546.

Chris Burton

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## BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL

Braunston Pre-School has recorded another successful year building on the commitment of staff members, parents, volunteers and committee members past and present. There are exciting plans to enhance the learning environment further, with internet provision allowing liaison with other education providers accessing quality education programmes. The committee is now calling for **other members to join** and assist in the running and future direction of the pre-school. Meetings are informal and friendly and people from all aspects of life, especially current or prospective parents are encouraged to become involved. Committee roles such as Vice-Chair are available for allocation and the next AGM is on the 4th of October. 09.05 am at the village hall.

Jason Pritchard

On Behalf of the pre-school committee.

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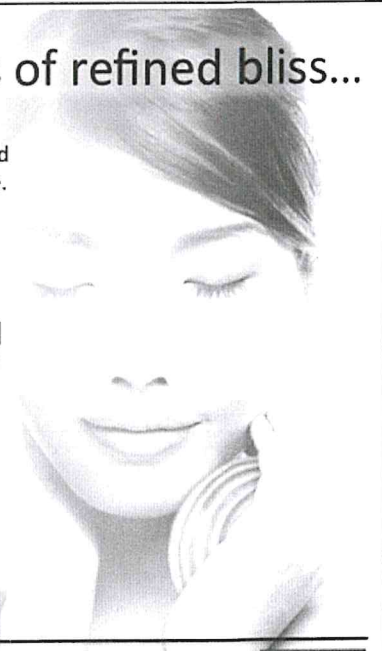
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### **Chris Hedge (27.2.42 - 20.8.12)**

Chris was a complex and multi-talented individual, a "real character" and someone whom his many friends and former colleagues will feel very grateful and privileged to have known. The reasons for this would surely include his unerring commitment to "getting things right" to the best of his (considerable) ability coupled with a mordent wit and wicked sense of humour.

Everyone who knew him will bear witness to his kindness and generosity and his eagerness to give of his knowledge and experience with no thoughts of personal gain. In fact it was his zest for life in all its aspects, from flying, aviation safety, real ale, malt whisky, and music of all periods that earned him the respect and affection of persons of such widely different backgrounds who now mourn his passing.

His early life and schooldays were spent between London, Nottingham, Bourneville and Surrey as the family followed his stepfather's work with Inland Revenue. Living close to the Test Match ground at Trent Bridge he gained an early love of cricket and the time at Bourneville allowed violin lessons at the Birmingham School of Music.

He then joined the RAF, trained as a pilot and for him the highlight of this phase of his life was flying the English Electric Lightning - at that time probably the "hottest" fighter in service with the RAF. He left the RAF and then began his life's work and career at the CAA where, such was his sheer professionalism that he gained steady advancement and gradually attained the well-deserved reputation that he later enjoyed. He joined a small and elite group of Aerodrome Inspectors, a role in which his talents found complete fulfilment. He always expected and insisted upon the highest standards but he coupled this with generously given advice and guidance upon how these could be achieved. As a highly skilled pilot he was acutely aware of the flight safety aspects of operation and these increasingly informed all aspects of his work. His early involvement with PAPI and his ability to bring to its application the knowledge and experience of an active aviator led eventually to him becoming a leading expert in the subject. His other contributions to flight safety included the standardisation of taxiway designation.

Although taking early retirement from the CAA, he never ceased his aviation work and was still advising on projects at the time of his death. His early escape from the "nine to five" routine allowed him more time for his other main interest - music. In 2003 a practical performing course at a local college in Rugby fired up his enthusiasm in playing the violin and viola in chamber groups and introduced him to a group of like-minded musicians with whom, and a growing number of others, he has played over locally the last 15 years or so. He bore his health problems of recent years with his customary dignity and pragmatism. Chris never married and died leaving no direct family. He did leave, however, many friends who will feel their lives sorely diminished by his absence.

## **BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE**

Presents a

### **FASHION SHOW**

By

**WANDA of DUNCHURCH**

Tuesday October 9th at 7.30

Braunston Village Hall

Tickets £3

Available from any W.I. member or phone 01788 891591

### **NEW CHURCH WEBSITE**

The All Saints Church now has a new website that we hope will be of use and interest to the whole community. Find us at [www.allsaintsbraunston.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsbraunston.org.uk) Our webmaster Joanne Gibson has done a terrific job. We hope you will agree. If you have sensible suggestions as to how we can make it even more useful please let us know.

### **Letters**

Dear Editor

In the previous village I lived in we all began to realise that the sending of Christmas Cards to other villagers was getting out of hand. So instead of sending numerous cards we wrote only one which was displayed in the church for all to see and then made a donation to church funds.

As Braunston has such a well used village hall, perhaps cards could be displayed there and individuals make a small donation to either church or the hall.

Jennifer Coy

Ed: Only one letter this month, perhaps just as well as the magazine is full to busting!

## The Royal British Legion Braunston and District



You are reminded that at the meeting on 17th October at the Sporting Club, Barby, a talk will be given by Malcolm Hancock on Rugby Radio Station. Visitors are welcome.

We are short of collectors in Braunston for this year's Poppy Day appeal in November. Anyone willing to give 2-3 hours to help in this worthy cause should contact Colin White or the undersigned.

A party of members have visited The National Arboretum at Alrewas combined with a visit to Lichfield Cathedral. This was an excellent day out and is recommended to anyone who has not been. Entrance to both is free. The Cathedral has a few small pieces of the Staffordshire Hoard on display. The informal lunches will recommence on Wednesday 17th October at the Boathouse at 12.00 midday onwards. No advance booking required, just come. The next Branch meeting is on Tuesday 9th October at the Sporting Club, Barby

**Please note the earlier starting time of 7.30pm.**

Submitted by Tony Saunderson Telephone No. 01788 890797

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# NICKI JAMES

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Tuesday	Zumba Gold	Woodford Halse Memorial Hall	- 10.30 to 11.30am
	Zumbatomic	Badby Village Hall	- 5.30 to 6.30pm
	Zumba	Badby Village Hall	- 7.00 to 8.00pm
Wednesday	Zumba	Badby Village Hall	- 10.00 to 11.00am
	Zumba Gold	Braunston Village Hall	- 2.00 to 3.00pm
	Zumbatomic	Braunston Village Hall	- 4.00 to 5.00pm
Thursday	Zumba Gold	Reach for Health Gym, Daventry	- 9.15 to 10.15am
	Zumba Gold	Limetree Village, Rugby	- 11.00 to 12.00am
	Zumbatomic	Woodford Halse Memorial Hall	- 4.30 to 5.30pm
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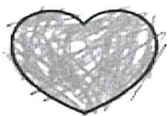
**The Dick Herne**  
**Braunston Historic Society**

Our October meeting on the 16th will bring thoughts of autumn and Bonfire Night with our speaker, Michael Deacon speaking about "The Gunpowder Plot"

You are welcome to join us in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Admission £1.50.

Any queries? Please contact our secretary, Annie Rogers at [www.davani@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:www.davani@tiscali.co.uk)

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Hope & Homes for Children

## Hope and Homes for Children

### Funds Raised

Money raised from Penny Pots since last shown £ 73.53

Total raised since 1st. March 2012

£1,009.09

I would like to thank everyone individually for their donations. For the penny pots left at Braunston Stores and the churches I would like to say thank you to you all. Your support for the children is greatly appreciated.

Thank you also to Braunston Stores for displaying the penny pots and for all their assistance.

Thank you all so much  
Brenda Hobbs on behalf of  
Hope and Homes for Children

### **Notes for your Diary (Fundraising Events for All Saints Church and Friends of All Saints)**

8th. October	Harvest Supper
20th. October	Raymond Lewis Organ Concert
3rd. November	Autumn Fair - Village Hall 2pm.
1st. December	Interdum Singers Concert
7th. December	Christmas Quiz - Village Hall
22nd. December	Carols in Village Hall
25th. January	Burns Supper - Village Hall

### **Chris Atkins**

Last July, our son, Chris, who works in the local convenience store was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia, which involved a five month stay in hospital where he undertook chemotherapy treatment, total body irradiation and received a life saving bone marrow transplant.

Following the transplant, he was allowed home but was not permitted to leave the house for a further six months until we were certain that the transplant had been successful and to build up his immunity.

We are happy to say that Chris is doing very well, and would like to take this opportunity via the Village News to say a very big thank you to Wayne and Angela and their staff, and all customers of the shop and Braunston Charities, and special friends in the village of my parents, Jennifer and Tony Griffiths, who enquired about Chris, sent cards and contributed to gifts for him. We were all overwhelmed by the messages of love and support and caring that came Chris's way during what was a time we would never want to see again or hope that no one else has to go through either.

As for the young man who donated his bone marrow to Chris, well, we can never ever thank him enough. We don't yet know who he is, but he is indeed a very special person. I would urge everyone who is between the ages of 18 to 30 to consider joining the bone marrow register please. The initial procedure is to just spit into a small cup that gets sent to you, which goes away for analysis and is put on a register in the hope that you can be a perfect match for someone whose life can be saved by your bone marrow which is taken from you much like a blood donation is taken. Lots of information can be found on YouTube and of course from the Anthony Nolan Trust website.

With thanks, Nicola, John and Chris Atkins and Jennifer and Tony Griffiths

## Clubs and Society Events

### **Braunston**

#### **Women's Institute**



Women's  
Institute

#### **Next meeting -**

Tuesday 2nd Oct in the Village Hall at 7.30. This is our A.G.M. after which we hope to have a quiz and Pheonix Cards will also be on sale. The challenge is 'My Favourite Fridge Magnet'.

Contact Barbara on 890452

### **Braunston Fishing Club BINGO**

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### **Friendly Club**

**Next Meeting:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October.  
2.30 in the Village Hall

One of our members will talk about the interesting places she has lived during her husbands' army career.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

We celebrate our 'Birthday' with lunch at The Shoulder of Mutton in Grandborough. Transport by car. More details of times cost etc at our next meeting

Contact Gill Powell 890763

### **ADULT BALLET AND TAP CLASSES**

**WEDNESDAYS**

**ADULT BALLET CLASSES - 7.35 – 8.20  
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## BRAUNSTON WALKERS

### Braunston Walkers

Weekend in Dorset 31/8 - 2/9/2012

Well this is our third weekend away as a group so we all hoped that Dorset would be as successful. We need not have worried and everyone agreed it was superb. We stayed in The Fairhaven Hotel, on the seafront, at Weymouth which was a collection of old buildings and a real maze. By the time we had walked around the hotel trying to find rooms we didn't need to go walking!

On the Friday, in sunshine, we met up at the Hardy Monument, a tribute to Admiral Hardy as in "kiss me Hardy" not Thomas Hardy the writer who made this area famous through his novels. This huge obelisk stands at 239 metres above sea level, in beautiful, heather clad moorland with views all over Dorset. We could see, off to the west, Golden Cap, the Chesil beach, and east to Weymouth and Portland harbour and all the way along the coast to Poole in the distance and what looked like the faint shape of the Isle of White beyond that. A great spot and spectacular start to a 5 mile walk and the strawberry ice creams from the kiosk on top were excellent. A bridle way lead down through trees shown as Hardy Coppice and we emerged from the woodland past the Hell Stone ancient burial chamber crossed a small road, walked behind Hampton Barn and up to the Hampton Stone Circle. Which was a bit overgrown but we could make out the shape. The path then skirted a bowl shaped valley to reach Bishop's Road which was crossed and then the footpath forks and we took the left hand branch which drops down to Abbotsbury nestling in the valley passing some particularly pretty sheep. It is a lovely old stone village with lots of flower bedecked, chocolate box, thatched cottages and more importantly our lunch stop, at the Ilchester Arms we were soon ensconced over pints of Doombar and doorstep sandwiches. After lunch we climbed a short steep hill to reach St Catherine's chapel which stands all alone on the top of a hill. It is a 14th century chapel built by the monks as a place of pilgrimage and retreat. We left and looked down over the swannery with its maze and the Chesil Beach which is eighteen miles long and is made up of 180 billion pebbles. We didn't count them all but that is what the web site says. It is spectacular and a fitting end to our first walk.

On the Friday evening we held our annual dinner in the Sense Restaurant in Weymouth, a fantastic place with a great, varied menu, something to suit everyone and the despite our numbers, service was excellent. A thoroughly enjoyable evening with great food and atmosphere.

On the Saturday we set off to drive to Ringstead Bay to start our main walk, an 11 mile romp along the coast to Lullworth. The weather was fine as we followed the path high up above the bay. We could see Weymouth and Portland across the bay glinting in the morning sunshine. The path lead down hill to reach an old wooden shed. Inside the shed is a beautiful old church with a splendid etched glass window behind the altar. We took a look around and then out onto the natural terrace which is the church yard. The views along the coast here are fantastic and such a peaceful spot. It contains the graves of one of the founders of the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England. We started our first climb of the day to reach the White Nothe a gigantic chalk headland which stands above the sparkling blue sea. We strolled along the top of the impressive cliffs on the South West Coast path to reach some coastguard cottages and a little way past one of the huge stone obelisks used by seafarers for navigation. Just after the beacon there is a fork in the path and the right hand path takes you along a roller coaster of hills with

serious steep climbs and drops but being wimps we took the, just as spectacular, but safer option of the left hand path running along the top of the sloping fields shown on the map as The Warren. We walked down a steep slope at the delightfully named Scratchy Bottom, sniggering all the way, to reach our first glimpse of Durdle Door, a wonderful natural chalkstone, much photographed, arch. Pausing for photos and to watch canoes paddling in and out of the arch before starting on probably the steepest uphill climb of the walk. Panting louder than the two old Labradors also making the climb we reached the top and sat or should I say collapsed onto the grassy bank enjoying the sun before clambering steeply down hill peering down into the perfect circle of Lullworth Cove. We then walked up through the old village of West Lullworth to reach our lunch stop at The Castle Inn. The pub panicked when fifteen of us arrived despite the fact that they had been told we were coming. Once they had calmed down and taken our orders we sat outside in the sun supping pints of Wildcat bitter and the superb food arrived. We were over halfway at this point and hoping for a nice gentle amble back we set off. Our path left the village and rose steeply straight uphill to a point at 158 metres above sea level where it thankfully levelled out to leave us to turn left and stroll along a level path past West Down Farm and Daggers Gate before getting back onto the path we had used in the morning and retracing our steps along to Ringstead. In the evening, back in Weymouth, the consensus was to have fish and chips as we were beside the sea. We went to the Marlborough Fish and chip shop and took them down to the harbour wall where we contentedly sat and ate. They were the best fish and chips ever! Afterwards we adjourned to the Ship Inn along the harbour which had a cosy area with enough seats for 17 people and we sat and had a beer or two. Badgers Fursty Ferret Ale superb!! (other beers are available)

After another excellent breakfast we reluctantly left Weymouth which had proved to be a super old fashioned seaside resort and whether it was the fact that they had hosted the Olympics it is great little place. Sunday after checking out we drove out towards Wareham and parked up at the sublime New Inn in Church Knowle for our last 5 mile walk. The path lead us over a sloping football field and then uphill again (you would think by now that we would be used to it) to reach the ridge track on the top of the Purbeck Hills over Church hill. This is good walking with views over on our left over Poole harbour and Brownsea Island where the scouting movement was born. It was gently drizzling as we walked but not enough to obscure the lovely surroundings and certainly not enough to dampen our spirits. In front of stood the top of the castle at Corfe which steadily grew as we got closer and finally revealed itself as we walked down hill into Corfe. It really is a fabulous castle. Even as a ruin it is spectacular. We arrived in Corfe and the rain had stopped as we walked along the narrow old streets ready for the walk back. We took a field path over to the narrow Church Knowle road and walked back to the pub along the small road. The pub was amongst the best I have been in and they accommodated all of us despite me getting the numbers wrong. Yet again! I think I may be diselxic! They were happy to shift some chairs and we were soon settled over refreshing pints of Doombar and plates of fantastic food followed by some superb ice cream deserts. After lunch we all departed home after a thoroughly enjoyable, excellent weekend away by the sea. It was just as good as our last two weekends away so I have come to the conclusion that its not the places that we visit even though they are excellent, it's the people that make the walking weekend such a great time.

Our next walks are as follows:

27th October Barby and Kilsby (c.10 miles)

24th November Everdon Woods (c.10 miles)





**If you go down to the canal today...** you're in for a treat. Volunteers from Braunston Canal Society have been braving the summer weather to paint locks and tend towpaths. Volunteer lock keepers from the village have been smoothing the passage of boaters in busy periods.

These volunteers are supported by the Canal and River Trust, the new charity which has taken over responsibility for the canals of England and Wales from British Waterways. Part of the Public Bodies Reform programme, this is the largest single transfer of a public body into the charitable sector, or, as Francis Maude put it, 'the big society in action'...

Since the opening of the canal in 1790 Braunston's identity has been firmly tied up with the waterways. In 1858 Charles Dickens despatched a contributor to his journal *Household Words* to travel by fly-boat from London to Birmingham. He passes through Braunston, and writes that it

was "the only place we had seen on our journey where the people on the land seemed to belong to the people on the water; where everybody knew everybody, and seemed glad to see everybody, and where there was some provision made for a boatman's requirements..."

Today there are over 20 canal-based businesses in Braunston, and many of the services and businesses in the village rely on trade from the canal.

Across the country the voluntary sector is absorbing increasing responsibility with limited power and decreasing resources. New planning policies give a presumption in favour of development. In this climate I think it is more important than ever that there is sufficient expertise in and knowledge about our canal heritage amongst officers and councillors at DDC and NCC, especially on large-scale planning applications such as that for the development of the marina at Onley.

I am clear that in Braunston I represent a canal-side community. I will work to celebrate and protect this vital local economy, as well as the volunteers who nurture the canal, those who live on and travel along it.

**Abigail Campbell**  
District Councillor

PS The canal will play a much bigger part in next year's Braunston Festival. Watch this space...

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**Walking surgery morning of Tuesday 2 October**

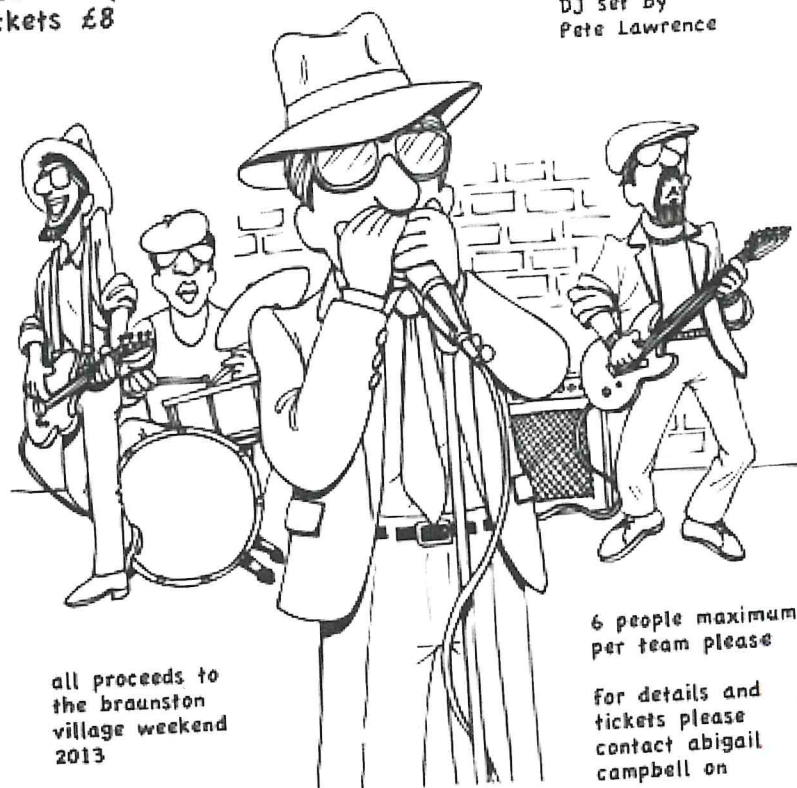
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Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - Live music performed by "Wild Fire"  
Sat 27th Oct - Karaoke Night

Please note there will be no food until further notice.

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#### **BVN Deadline - November Edition**

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