

BRAUNSTON NEWS Village

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Braunston cricketers with former England fast bowler Devon Malcolm. See pages 12 and 13.

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BRAUNSTON REGISTERS

Funerals

8th July - CORRECTION John Berry's funeral was at Rainsbrook

20th August - Rachel Webster

24th August - Robert Hargrave

Opening the church

We hope to reopen the church in the autumn depending on our ability to meet the regulations and criteria set by the government.

In the meantime, we plan to hold some outdoor services in the churchyard. We will organise a booking process and publicise this on the church website, Facebook page and outside the church itself.

The church continues to meet online, and worship resources are emailed and posted out to those who request this. We have a YouTube channel – search for All The Saints Online Church YouTube – where you will find videos of Sunday morning worship and family friendly all age services.

If you would like to know more, please contact Rev Nat 01788 890298.

Vicar's letter - What a Wonderful World

'What a Wonderful World' is reported to be one of the most uplifting, life-affirming songs of all time, with its inspiring message. It was written by Bob Thiele and George Weiss and was recorded by Louis Armstrong in 1967 for Paramount Records. The song did not do well in America but reached number 1 in the British charts and stayed there for a month, selling half a million copies.

When my granddaughters asked me to sing to them recently, I chose to sing this, and they loved it. Now, I sing it to them before they go to sleep either via FaceTime or in person. I want them to know that the world is a wonderful place because they are in it.

Do you know that for yourself?

The phrase, 'What a Wonderful World' is repeated four times throughout the song to make the point that even though we may not feel it, if we focus on the right things, there is still beauty and a chance for us to make the world a better place because of the way we are and what we do.

It may be hard for us to say that when life is hard and especially during the last few months, but the song reminds us to look for the signs of hope and goodness in the world around us. Many of us have had more time outdoors and to notice 'the trees so green, the red roses too'. The reference to 'the colours of the rainbow, so pretty in the sky' reminds me of the hope-filled promise given to Noah, but also of the rainbows we see around our village, honouring key workers. But it also tells us to see them 'on the faces of the people going by'. I always look for the good in everyone I meet and recognise that all of us are made by God and part of this wonderful world.

Louis Armstrong was a black American who faced racism, prejudice and hatred, yet despite this he still felt a strong enough sense of joy and hope within himself to produce such a positive and loving song.

The song continues to inspire me and many others today. It tells us no matter what we look like, who we are, or what our circumstances are, we live in a wonderful world and, when we live with that in mind, we can all help to make it even more wonderful.

God Bless,

Rev Nat

Church Floodlighting

* = Friends of All Saints – A huge Thank You

August

2nd - * Brian & Gloria's Wedding Anniversary

19th - * Hilary and Charles wedding anniversary

21st - In loving memory of Sylvia Tatham and Karen

23rd - Philip Hutchinson – Remembering with love, Philip, on his Birthday.

27th - In memory of Alison on her birthday. Love Paul, Harry and Will

September's floodlighting so far

5th - Celebrating our Golden Wedding Anniversary, Doug and Diane Howe

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

24th - * Sheila & David Parr's 54th Wedding Anniversary

These are the floodlighting requests received before the BVN deadline, 18th August 2020.

The fee to light All Saints' is £7 per evening, although you can give more, and we ask that you try to keep the length of the dedication for inclusion in the BVN to not more than 12 words. The completed message with the donation can then be left at the Rectory or at the village Post Office. Please mark the envelope 'Church Floodlighting'.

Please ensure that your request is submitted before the BVN closing date of the 18th of the month.

Parish Council Information and News

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Chris Johnson (Chair), Greenway and closes	t: 01788 891597
Graham Newman (Vice Chair), Marina, London Rd, Hill Row, Old Road	t: 07710 290265
Pete Morgan, The Green	t: 07932 362768
Jo Glover, High St from Old Plough to The Green incl Chapel Court	t: 07973 278052
David Cary, High Street from A45 to Old Plough	t: 07775 514840
John Pomfret, Eastfields	t: 07817 234727
Peter Hawsworth, Ashby Road	t: 01788 891900
Robert Davey, Spinney Hill and closes	t: 01788 891591
Sue Harrison, Dark Lane	t: 07769 589459
Sandra Stapley, Welton Rd, School Cl, Maple Cl	t: 01788 890475
Tom Sabin, Church Road, Barby Road	t: 01788 891797

Forthcoming Meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend meetings. Unless indicated, they are held in the Meeting Room at Braunston Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Mon 7th September Full Council Meeting
to be held electronically. Please send your email address if you wish to attend.

Mon 5th October Full Council Meeting

Agendas and minutes are at: www.Braunston.org.uk/bpc and on the Parish Council notice board at The Green.

The Annual Parish Meeting is cancelled.

New Councillors

Following the co-option of Jo Glover and David Cary, we now have a full cohort of 12 councillors.

Jo moved to Braunston in 2019 and has already contributed a lot to the village as the creator of Braunston Heart. Since joining the council Jo has looked at how the council can assist with the provision of health and well-being within the parish.

David has moved to the village recently. He is passionate about maintaining a more sustainable environment and has worked with government, industry and other groups in this field. David is a volunteer with Braunston CAN (Climate Action Network).

Local Plan Monitoring Group

Parish councillors Chris Johnson, John Pomfret, Sandra Stapley, Sue Harrison and Alan Mawer have volunteered to be part of the group which will monitor the Braunston Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) alongside the Daventry District Settlements and Countryside Local Plan and documents prepared by Northamptonshire County Council.

We envisage that the next monitoring of the NDP will be carried out later this year. This may show that a full review is necessary, in which case parts of the NDP will be rewritten.

Butlin's Hill mowing

Following a request from the Braunston Climate Action Network, the Parish Council supported the planting of wildflowers in the central part of the verge on the east side of Butlin's Hill with the aim of increasing biodiversity and reducing carbon emissions by mowing this area less frequently.

Planning applications

At the time of writing two applications were pending for discussion at the next council meeting on 7th September.

Dark Lane

The council has received complaints about vehicles going at dangerous speeds on this narrow road. As detailed in the July edition of the BVN, the council has recently submitted a suggestion that a 20mph speed limit would be appropriate for the whole village. As Dark Lane is within the current limit, it would be included if Braunston were to be selected for this expenditure.

It was noted that standard speed limit (currently 30mph) signs cannot be put up on Dark Lane or any other road within the village because they are covered by the signs at the village entrances. The smaller 'repeater' speed limit signs are only permitted where street lights are spaced at intervals of more than 183 metres.

The Parish Council does not have any powers over highway matters such as speed limits but will request Northamptonshire Highways install a speed monitoring box on Dark Lane so that they can be made aware of the issue.

Parish Councillors Network Event - Increasing the biodiversity of your parish

36 parish councils from across the county took part in this event. Alan Mawer represented Braunston Parish Council. It was advised that a whole village approach is taken to encourage actions that lead to greater biodiversity in village greens, pocket parks, churchyards, verges and gardens.

We were told that many parishes are undertaking tree-planting but that meadow habitats should also be considered as these have been greatly reduced in area.

Northamptonshire County Council has a Biodiversity Action Plan. Councillor John Pomfret has volunteered to look into making a proposal for a Braunston Biodiversity Plan.

During the event we were told about energy generating schemes in rural areas. Community Energy England provides advice and the government provides support through the Rural Community Energy Fund. As yet there are no examples of schemes in Northamptonshire.

Play areas

Some items of equipment failed inspection even though they have been purchased recently by the council. This matter is being taken up with the suppliers.

Spinney Hill road and pavements.

The council has received a complaint about the road surface and the condition of the paths on Spinney Hill.

On previous occasions the road surface has been referred to Northamptonshire Highways who have inspected it and said that it does not require work. They will, though, come and inspect the paths.

Street lights

The programme to replace Braunston's street lights with LEDs is still going ahead. This will lead to substantial energy and cost savings.

The council has received one quote and is attempting to get more. An interest-free loan is available for the work but may not extend to the whole programme as the loans are limited to a certain number of lights and Braunston has more than this number.

If the loan provider will not extend the number in our case the council will investigate alternative ways of funding the remainder.

BVN paper archive

The council has agreed to ask the History Society if they would like to keep the back copies of the Braunston Village News. Electronic copies from 2012 onwards are stored at <https://issuu.com/braunston> and from 2013 at <https://www.braunston.org.uk/>

Village Hall Information

Contacts for regular activities in the Village Hall

Currently, groups may not be meeting in the Village Hall. Contact numbers are provided in case you wanted to find out about any alternative arrangements.

Weekly

Monday	Pilates	7.30pm	Sam	07593 913686
Tuesday	Learn to Crochet	10.00am	Gill	07711 742575
	Pop Mobility	2.00pm	Lorraine	01788 890846
Wednesday	Braunston Art Group	2.00pm	Alan	01788 890164
	Yoga	7.00pm	Sheila	01788 891831
Thursday	Short Mat Bowls	1.45pm	Bill	01788 891145
			David	01788 891183
	Fishing Club Bingo	8.00pm	Julie	01788 890720
	Brownies	5:30pm	Clare	

Fortnightly

Monday	Friendly Club	2.00pm	Jenny	01788 890186
Friday	Youth Club	7.00pm	Leah	01788 891833

Monthly

Tuesday	History Society	7.00pm	Annie	01788 891179
	Women's Institute	7.30pm	Valerie	01788 891975
Thursday	Linus Group	10.00am	Laura	01788 890102
	Gardens Association	7.30pm	Kate	01788 890340
	Climate Action Network	7.30pm	Abigail	07989 421836
Saturday	Cinema Club	7.30pm	Arthur	01788 890508

Pre-School Monday-Friday - 01788 891891
braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com

Braunston C of E School



Tel: 01788 890494

The school is very pleased to have received the money raised by the Braunston Village Garage Sale.

We will use the money donated to help finance the Braunston Forest School and the School Gardening Club. We will buy essential equipment to enable the children to explore and engage in their natural surroundings.

This will make a huge difference and enable us to support our children outside the classroom to develop their connections with nature.

Thank you to everyone who participated and donated. Please know that you have made a huge difference to the children of our school community.

Sue Barnwell was part of the team that organised the event. She commented that she was absolutely amazed to find that, after 'balancing the books', the Village Garage Sale raised £1,016.49.



Clubs and groups

The Royal British Legion

Poppy appeal

There will not be a collection this year in the Daventry and Braunston area and poppies will not be available. Existing business collecting boxes will remain in situ for the time being but in any case the future is uncertain due to the reduced local RBL branch membership and organisation. Things will remain on hold until the present Covid-19 emergency is over and the situation can be reassessed. Meanwhile, many thanks to all have volunteered and contributed in the past.

The Legion will continue to support all those requiring assistance and help and details can be found on the Legion's website. The Legion shop remains open and orders can be placed on line.

Tony Saunderson. Tel. 01788 890797

Jetty Field, Braunston's Pocket Park

Following weeks of drought, at the time of writing we are in the middle of a period of thunderstorms. The resulting rain is sorely needed in Jetty Field, especially as we plan to plant wildflowers in the bog garden at the monthly Saturday work morning on September 5th. We start at 9am, please feel free to join us. Tools will be available, but please bring your own if you have them. We will also spend time tidying up and on general maintenance.

The Jetty Field committee would like to say a big thankyou to those that have anonymously taken it upon themselves to tidy up and tend some of the borders in the park. It is appreciated.

We are currently seeking quotes for work to be done on the boundary hedge with Eastfields and we are working with the CAN group on a proposed village mowing schedule.

Friends of Braunston Pocket Park

If you would like to help towards this wonderful site but are unable to give your time you can become a member of the Friends of Braunston Pocket Park. We only ask for an annual donation of £10 and this goes towards buying flowers and shrubs for the Pocket Park. Leaflets with all the details can be found in the Village shop.

Braunston Paddock Cricket Club

Usually in mid-August the cricket club struggles to raise two competitive sides on a Saturday, but 2020 is not a normal year. This year we have been in the position of having more players available for selection than we need, some new to the game, others are returners having not played for a few years, and some just want to make the most of the Covid enforced short season.

In the 17 games played, the club has used 47 different players. Care has been taken to ensure that everybody gets a fair chance of playing at least once each week, meaning that we have not always fielded our strongest teams. However, with no promotion or relegation in the leagues this season, the club feels that it is far more important to develop players for next year when we may return to some form of normality.

That said, we have won ten of our seventeen matches.

August Saturday results so far:

BPCC 182 for 6 beat St Michael's 82 for 3.

BPCC 156 for 8 lost to Grange Park 193 for 5.

BPCC 60 for 6 beat Barby 56 all out.

BPCC 68 all out lost to The Haddons 71 for 1.

BPCC 218 for 8 beat Kettering 90 all out.

BPCC 113 for 9 beat Dunchurch & Bilton 106 all out.

Honours caps were awarded on 15th August to players who have scored their first 50 or taken 5 wickets in a game. At this presentation ceremony caps were awarded to Adam Treen, Kieren Bennett, Ryan Haynes, Jordan Shingler, Lee Tozer and Ben Jones.

August Wednesday results so far:

BPCC 106 for 7 Black Horse 88 for 8 BPCC win

BPCC 181 for 3 beat Network Rail 65 all out. James Goodwin and Ethan Hart club record 3rd wicket partnership of 117 runs.

Former England fast bowler Devon Malcolm umpired the Braunston 2nd XI match with Brixworth in July. Devon played in 50 internationals and took 144 wickets.

Devon played most of his professional cricket with Derbyshire, but played for Northamptonshire between 1998 and 2000 before moving on to Leicestershire.

When he retired from the professional game in 2003, he continued to play for Brixworth in the Northamptonshire League. His teenage son now plays for Brixworth and he often umpires matches when he is playing. For a while he was one of the fastest bowlers in the world and was a crowd favourite with his eccentric batting and fielding.



Braunston's Dom Goddard bowls as Devon Malcolm umpires.

Braunston Cubs

Cubs Mask up for their community !

All Braunston Cubs signed up to make a face mask in August and do their bit for the community, after all “A Cub Scout thinks of others before themselves and does a good turn every day”.

The Braunston Cub Scout Leader issued a challenge - make a facemask from the ground up in August and was delighted when every single Cub signed up for the challenge. The masks are double sided with a Nature theme on one side and Space on the other so the wearer can choose from 2 positive themes to show to the world.

Making the mask was an opportunity for inter-generational learning - the instructions were on Google Drive and YouTube but mastering stitching (with or without a sewing machine) needed help from a parent or grandparent.

Pictured below are Christoph ironing the pleated folds, Josie using a sewing machine and Maya & Logan wearing their finished face masks.



David Coleman Akela 2nd Braunston Cub Pack

david@braunstonscouts.co.uk Website: www.braunstonscouts.co.uk

Braunston Scouts

Scouts Celebrate The great indoors!
Braunston Scouts meet weekly via Zoom meetings to stay in touch & have competed in virtual treasure hunts using Google street views, Cluedo, Monopoly and even a map reading kind of battleships game of 'mappleships'. AND...



The great indoors Weekender !

This was an international 'camp at home' event using online resources to build rockets and dens to sleep in. Chief Scout Bear Grylls and other major celebrities joined via zoom and it all ended with online cooking of roti & parathas which were loved by our Scouts AND...



The great indoors Badge!

Scouting launched this badge to challenge Scouts to complete 9 challenges ranging thru practical, creative, physical, spiritual, community to social action and our Scouts have been working thru these AND... in addition to this.



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The number of badges already earned by Braunston Scouts whilst 'Scouting at Home'

Braunston Walkers

Saturday 15/8/20 Bragborough

Seventeen people joined our second stroll after lockdown. It was great to get some younger ones along. Socially distanced, we set off up Ashby Road, under cloud with the sun fighting its way through, and were soon on the track away from the village. It's a rollercoaster all the way up to the road. We paused often, to enjoy the great views back over the village and across the Warwickshire Plain.

We turned right along the road in single file to avoid the cars who were driving as though it was a Formula 1 qualifying lap! We turned right into fields where we met Geoff Phipps from the Bragborough estate. He gave us a very interesting talk about the various wildflower edges to the fields, a government scheme to attract hosts of pollinating insects which were buzzing around, and of course that in turn attracts a host of birds. Geoff went through a list of some of the birds that have been seen including reed buntings which are not normally found in this area. It was like walking with David Attenborough as Geoff shared his extensive knowledge. It was interesting and great to see a responsible farmer doing what he can to attract birds and insects.

We strolled past a new mixed woodland they have planted that includes oak and other species and saw a clearing that Geoff explained was the site of an Iron Age fort which had been spotted from the air and could not be planted on. After meeting a herd of noisy cows above an ancient forest shown on the map as Bragborough Hole, we made it to the farmyard and were soon walking through a new orchard including plum trees and apple trees brimming with fruit.

We passed through the beautiful walled garden and then passed the Hall and lawn with a water feature. Facing west was a splendid view over the valley to the church and the village. Fantastic! We dropped downhill and emerged on Welton Road where it was a stroll back to the Old Plough who did us proud as we sat outside enjoying the lunch.

Many thanks to Geoff for his informative chat and for guiding us so well.

Our next walk is 11/9/20 in Patterdale on a walking weekend in the Lake District and then 17/10/20 when we will do another local walk, probably to Barby.

Ray Scrivens 01788 891384 rayscrivens@btinternet.com

Braunston Neighbourhood Watch

On several occasions in July and August a drone was flown low over properties in Mill Close, Church Road, High Street and elsewhere. This invaded privacy, was potentially dangerous and broke the Drone Code. If this happens again please report it to the police.

If you have a drone, you must pass the drone test and register with the CAA before you fly.

If you wish to be kept informed of issues relating to the police or Neighbourhood Watch, you can sign up at Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Alert which is a free messaging service.

Julie Jarrett coordinates information for our local group.

Tel: 01788 890121 or 07952 858418

Craig is our local PCSO Tel: 07557 778055

Braunston Community Car

The car is available for hospital and doctor appointments.

Only members of one household may travel together.

All passengers need to sit in the back.

All passengers are required to wear a mask.

All passengers will be required to use the hand sanitizer provided.

For our part, the driver will wear a mask and the car door handles will be sanitized after each trip.

Mileage in July totalled 504. Some journeys were provided in volunteers' own cars.

Braunston Bakes

It was good to be back with the bakes on The Green in fine weather on 9th August. We had a bumper sale. Thank you.

Braunston Heart

Braunston Heart was set up as an emergency response to a fast moving situation, namely Covid19. We have helped many people in our community and have some fantastic volunteers who help out when they can. My thanks goes out to them, for without them, the much needed assistance could not have taken place.

Call figures have dropped again. Although this means our call handlers are not kept so busy – it does mean that life is resuming for many people, if still a little differently, which is a positive thing.

Currently, calls after 6pm and at weekends go to voicemail and then drop into everyone's email boxes any of whom may phone you back. The message also gives the Samaritan's phone number if anyone phones in difficulty.

We have begun the transition into a Good Neighbours Scheme, the name will remain Braunston Heart but you will begin to see the GNS logo added to literature. This means that the village will always provide the kind of support you have seen during these unsettled times.

A reminder of our Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/braunstonheart>. I hasten to add that making a donation is not a requirement to receive help. Many thanks to those of you who have made a donation. This page will be closed at the end of September.

Commitment -

Although changes have been made, I would like to reassure you that Braunston Heart is not going anywhere and we can be contacted for help by either phone or email.

Jo Glover

Braunston Heart

Kindness and Compassion.



*Kindness &
Compassion*

Braunston Heart

Caring for our Community

Freephone 0800 0029066 **anytime**

Loneliness Shopping Medication Dog walking Getting online
Scared General errands Signposting We will try and help

Braunston Heart has a team of call handlers and numerous volunteers just waiting to help **ALL** people in Braunston who may be in need of any kind of assistance.

Do make a note of our Freephone number

0800 0029066

and telephone us if you have a problem.

Alternatively

you can email us at



heart@braunston.org.uk

Braunston CAN (Climate Action Network)

We are pleased that the Parish Council supported the planting of wild flowers on part of the Butlin's Hill verge. August, particularly the heatwave at the start of the month, was not the ideal time to do this. We did the planting at this time because the plants became available at no cost.



Bragborough Farm gave us more than 80 plants consisting of bird's-foot trefoil, wild carrot, knapweed, oxeye daisy, campion and crimson clover, all flowering plants naturally found in this area.

The week after planting was very hot and dry, so it took regular watering to keep the plants alive. A few may not survive the transplanting but the more recent rain has helped.

As flowering plants they will attract more butterflies, grasshoppers, shield bugs, spiders and moths. The taller plants will provide cover for small mammals. Birds should benefit from a wider food supply.

Instead of being mown every week, the area will be cut twice a year, thereby avoiding much of the emissions currently generated. A strip next to the road will be kept short.



After a few weeks to allow the plants to develop their roots they will be cut back and the area will be mown in mid-September.

Cutting back at that time helps the plants establish and get stronger.



The area will be mown again in early spring. Removing the grass cuttings will reduce the fertility of the soil. The flowering plants prefer a less fertile soil so this process will allow them to steadily spread within the area where we have planted them.

It takes about 4 years of this type of management for a flowery sward to look its best. In the first couple of years it may not look particularly colourful but amongst the flowering plants there will be the seed heads of fine grasses which are also beneficial for wildlife.

Thank you for the positive comments about the planting. The volunteers who did the work appreciate this. Do get in touch if you are able to help with the project. If you can identify different species of flowers, butterflies and bugs your knowledge could help us survey the area. It would be good to accumulate a record of the increasing biodiversity.

We are a group of about twenty Braunston residents working to reduce the carbon emissions of the village and beyond. If you are interested in joining us, please message 07989 421836 or 07554 264742. Please let us know if you would like to receive our email updates.

Other News

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Due to current circumstances we cannot hold our Macmillan Coffee morning in the church as usual. So, we are asking people to have their own coffee morning gatherings with social distancing, in their gardens, as a street, or you can have a virtual coffee gathering and for people to donate to Macmillan.

The official date is Friday 25th September, but you can hold yours whenever you like.

Macmillan say:

‘Nothing Stops a Coffee Morning

If cancer doesn’t stop neither do we

However you host your event, you will be helping millions of people living with cancer, who need us to raise a mug more than ever.



Donations can be handed in to the village post office, in an envelope addressed Macmillan Donation.

Please hand donations in by Friday October 9th.

Air Ambulance Fundraising Event

We are sorry that the event this year is cancelled.

If you would still like to help this charity please use the collection box in the village shop.

Kim and George Donald



Thank you

Kim, George and family would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and cards upon the death of mum.

Thank you

A big thank you to best friends, for my lovely flowers. They are so beautiful and made me feel so good just looking at them.

Regards to you all, Janet.

Bin collections

Bins will continue to be emptied on Wednesdays. At the time of writing the rota for September had not been finalised. All households should receive a leaflet from the contractor, Daventry Norse, with the calendar for September onwards.

West Northamptonshire Council

The new council that will take over from Daventry District and Northamptonshire County in 2021 has designed three possible logos. To help them choose, they would like residents and others to give their opinion at:

<https://futurenorthants.citizenspace.com/west/new-west-logo/>



Weather report

July has been a bit like June. It has been very warm and dry at times and it has also been very windy and wet at other times.

The beginning of the month was quite mixed, wet for a couple of days then nothing for a few days then quite wet for a few days in a row. It was then on and off again until the end of the month. This all gave a total of 55mm for the month, slightly more than the 47mm of last year.

I also recorded on the 21st of July a minimum temperature of 5°C and on the 31st of July a maximum temperature of 35°C, making it the hottest day of the year to date. The maximum wind gust speed was recorded at being 37mph on 5th July.

Adrian Pell

Rainfall chart:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Jan	53	72	55	62	25	67
Feb	31	37	47	24	36	103
Mar	25	79	54	104	47	22
Apr	14	43	12	70	23	33
May	45	33	71	72	36	3
Jun	25	68	32	1	109	68
Jul	48	8	54	14	47	55
Aug	44	60	53	42	64	
Sep	33	43	72	29	76	
Oct	48	16	11	50	102	
Nov	61	74	29	39	115	
Dec	72	21	92	72	78	
Total mm	499	554	582	579	758	351
Total in.	19.6	21.8	22.9	22.8	29.8	

Features

Nature notes

Over a number of years Frosty's Nature Notes have kept us informed of aspects of the natural world in Braunston. Peter Frost continues a role carried out for many years in the 1970s and 80s by Duncan Gallie. He titled his pieces 'Village Notes'. Below is what he included in the September 1982 BVN.

We have added paragraph breaks. In 1982 the BVN was a single sheet of A4 containing all the church news as well as information about the village clubs including the Friendly Club, W.I., Braunston Dancing Club, Braunston Badminton Club and the Braunston Village Gardens Association, so there was no room for breaks.

In some ways mankind has been slower than the animal kingdom in its discoveries. Men of the Ancient Chinese civilisation have received the credit for the invention of paper, but wasps were making paper before our ancestors had learned to use flakes of flint as cutting instruments.

A wasp will alight on a piece of timber and scrape tiny slivers of wood - chewing these to form a pulp. This is used to build a platform, on the underside of which it constructs cells of paper like those which a bee builds from wax. The Queen wasp lays an egg in each cell, and workers feed the newly hatched grub until it is ready to change into an adult. They then seal the cell, leaving it to emerge as a fully fledged perfect insect.

Most of these nests are built in underground hollows, though others - like the Norwegian wasp (more common in the north of England than in Braunston) build a nest around the branches of a tree. This is sometimes as big as a football and as round, with the exception of an elongation at the base where is the entrance. The outer covering is like brown paper and it is wiser to leave the structure to its builders.

Left to their own business, wasps do not attack people, and in fact are good friends to gardeners, as they take caterpillars, etc. to feed their grubs. A wasp not trapped or molested, goes cheerfully about its affairs without attacking anyone.

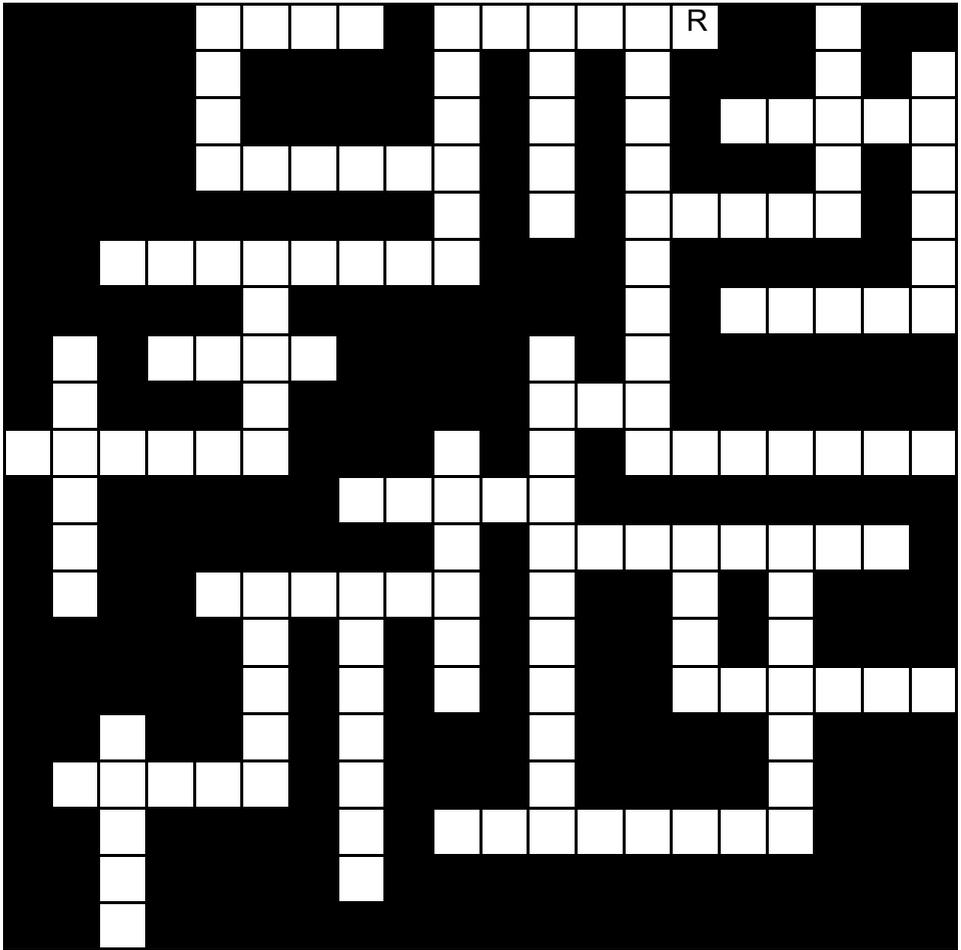
Braunston puzzle

How well do you know the road names of Braunston? The grid on the next page has spaces for all of the road names in Braunston.

- Firstly, the road names have to be abbreviated to one word. Four roads have names that consist of only one word printed on the name plate so do not need to be reduced.
- All others have two words. The first word of one of them is 'THE'. In the grid, this word is missed out. For all other two-word names it is the second word, such as Close, Road or Row that is omitted. For example, Church Road becomes 'Church' and North Close is 'North'
- When you have found all of these you should have 32 names. 30 of them appear on name plates and on one or more published maps. One is only on published maps. One is only on a name plate.
- Historical names such as Butlin's and Bunyan's are not included.
- Daventry Road which runs from Barby towards Welton is not included even though the boundary between Braunston and Ashby parishes runs along it.
- If you are using Google Maps beware their errors and an omission. Google misses out one letter of an eight-letter name, separates a one-word name into two words and misses out one name altogether. Where Google has made a mistake the grid uses the name from the correct postal address and name plate.

The solution will be posted on the village website and issued on 16th September.





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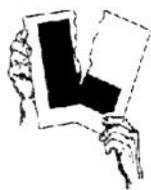
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