

BRAUNSTON NEWS Village

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Braunston Football Club celebrating the double. See page 24

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BRAUNSTON REGISTERS

No funerals or Baptisms

Weddings

3rd July - Ashley Smith and Claire Goacher

17th July - Johnathan Edwards and Emma Rich

7th August - Adam Kelly and Kara Crampton

Parish Nurse

As usual, please contact me if you would like a chat, or I can now visit you, which I am looking forward to.

Maggie Murray 07495 873565

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Vicar's Letter

Your church needs you!

Anyone visiting All Saint's churchyard/cemetery recently will have seen that the grass in some parts of the churchyard/cemetery in Church Road has grown considerably. The shrubbery, hedges and weeds have also become rather overgrown, and the parochial church council (PCC) is very sorry for any distress this may have caused those visiting loved one's graves and those who have had to negotiate the uneven ground when attending a funeral.

The responsibility for maintaining the churchyard/cemeteries falls to the PCC and we have been very grateful to the Parish Council for their help and support with the grass cutting. This support however is temporary, and a more sustainable solution needs to be found. The PCC paid a contractor to cut back the overgrown shrubbery, bushes and weeds during the autumn which made a vast improvement.

The church has had a considerable reduction in its income over the past year. Parish churches do not receive funding from the national church and so we are dependent on local funding. We have not been able to hold any fundraising events and the giving from our church community is not sufficient to cover our current costs.

After further investigation I have discovered how other villages with church cemeteries operate and it appears that many of them have a team of volunteers from the village who help maintain their cemeteries. I wondered whether this could be possible in Braunston? Would you be willing to partner with us?

1. We need a working party to help for a day or half day or just a few hours to clear the cemetery of the overgrown shrubbery etc
2. Could you be part of a team of volunteers that would help maintain the cemetery once it is in a more manageable state?
3. Would you consider contributing towards the cost of mowing the grass or be willing to cut the grass? If there are a few volunteers, we could form a rota.

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The cemetery is a very important place for so many of you as it is to those in our church community. We do not have enough fit and able church members to be able to do this without help. Can you help us?

If you would like more information or are interested in being part of a team to help, please contact Pat Milner 01788 899157

Many Thanks
God Bless
Rev Nat

Church Service Pattern for June to September

1 st Sunday 6 th June Braunston	2 nd Sunday 13 th June Ashby	3 rd Sunday 20 th June Braunston	4 th Sunday 27 th June Welton	5 th Sunday
4 th July Braunston	11 th July Ashby	18 th July Braunston	25 th July Welton	
1 st Aug Braunston	8 th Aug Ashby	15 th Aug Braunston	22 nd Aug Welton	29 th August Time together/ serving others
5 th Sept Braunston	12 th Sept Ashby	19 th Sept Braunston	26 th Sept Welton	

Service times - 10am for coffee/tea & pastries - please bring a mug
10.30am the service starts

We are hoping to reintroduce Communion into our services from September.

Baptisms will take place on the third Sunday of each month, Starting from September, and will be held in whichever church the Baptism is to take place.

For further information please contact Rev Nat 01788 890298

Food Share and Care

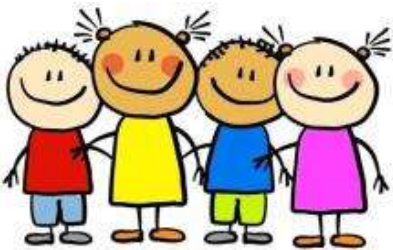
We will be opening the Food Share during the school summer holidays on Mondays 9-2 pm and Wednesdays 2-4pm.

We will not be taking any donations during August.

We would like to use up the current stock and review the future of this project.

Thank you for your incredible support

Jenni & Rev Nat



Tiny Treasures

We are on a break now during the school summer holidays, but we are all staying in touch through our WhatsApp group. We will be back in September.

The Friends of All Saints

Building for the Future



The Friends of All Saints are dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the church building and its contents. We play no part in funding the clergy, staff, or any religious activities. We were formed when the building's future was threatened through lack of maintenance. We remain committed to preserving one of the village's most iconic buildings for future generations.

Membership costs just £2 a month, or £20 a year (minimum subscription). All members are entitled to have the spire floodlit at no extra charge on a date of their choosing. To subscribe, please contact the treasurer, Ralph Maltby, at 8 Mill Close, Braunston. For more information please email the secretary, John Foster, secretary.foasb@allsaintsbraunston.org.uk.

Church Floodlighting

July's floodlighting

3rd - Congratulations Ashley and Claire as you celebrate your marriage. Love Mum & Dad

6th - * John & Sally's Wedding Anniversary

8th - * Jeff & Tracy's Wedding Anniversary

14th - To celebrate John Andrews 50th Birthday. With much love from All the Family

17th - Diane and Nick's Wedding Anniversary

26th - * To celebrate daughter Jane's 60th birthday. With love Sybil and Pat

28th - For Karen on her special birthday, love Mum, Dad, Julia and family

28th - * Babs & Graham's Golden Wedding Anniversary

August's floodlighting so far ...

2nd - * Brian & Gloria's Wedding Anniversary

3rd - To my darling Philip on your special day. Love & light, Sandy

12th - In memory of Rob Cooper's 50th Birthday

19th - * Hilary and Charles wedding anniversary

23rd - Philip Hutchinson – Remembering, with love on his birthday, Margaret

26th - In memory of Alan Cope on his 5th Anniversary. Sadly missed. Jacqueline, Amanda, Phoebe and Matt xx

* = Friends of All Saints – A huge Thank You

The current fee to light All Saints' is £7 per evening, although you can give more. 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 be left at the Rectory or the Post Office, but note that requests are only collected from the Post Office on the 18th of each month. Please mark the envelope 'Church Floodlighting'.

Parish Council Information and News



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Sandra Stapley, Welton Rd, School Cl, Maple Cl	t: 01788 890475
Tbc, High St from Old Plough to The Green	t: 0800 002 9783

Forthcoming Meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend the following meetings.
Unless indicated meetings are held at Braunston Village Hall at 7.30pm.

2nd August Full Council Meeting

5th September Full Council Meeting

Agendas and minutes are available on the Braunston website.

Vacancy for Village Handyperson

The Parish Council are looking to employ a village handyperson following on from the retirement of the current job holder. If you are interested please contact the clerk by the 6th August either by phone 0800 002 9783 (freephone) or via email clerk@braunstonpc.org

We are looking for an almost immediate start to ensure a handover period

Duties Include:

- Litter Picking (10 hours per week)
- Maintenance Tasks around the village, includes strimming & mowing, staining benches, cleaning and other ad hoc duties (10 hours a month)
- Assisting in Jettyfields, mowing of garden areas & general works (10 hours a month)

The Parish Council pays this role at the rate of the Living Wage (£9.50 per hour)

All work is outside and the required PPE will be provided.

Experience is preferred but training can be available.

Co-option of Councillors

Three new Councillors were co-opted onto the Parish Council. We welcome Dee Honeybill, Alisdair Rolt and Graham Newman.

Proposed Telecoms Installation

It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to the Unitary Authority to request the installation be camouflaged.

Resignation of Parish Councillor

Peter Hawksworth has resigned from the Council. We thank him for his contribution.

Village Hall Information

If you want to hire our hall please visit the website or phone 07890 072487.

braunstonvillagehall.org.uk,

email villagehall@braunston.org.uk

Contacts for village hall activities:

- Pilates (Sam) 07593 913686
- Learn to Crochet (Gill) 07711 742575
- Pop Mobility (Lorraine) 01788 890846
- Braunston Art Group (Alan) 01788 890164
- Yoga (Sheila) 01788 891831
- Short Mat Bowls (Bill) 01788 891145 or (David) 01788 891183
- Fishing Club Bingo (Julie) 01788 890720
- Brownies (Clare)
- Friendly Club (Jenny) 01788 890186
- Youth Club (Leah) 01788 891833
- History Society (Annie) 01788 891179
- Linus Group (Laura) 01788 890102
- Gardens Association (Kate) 01788 890340
- Climate Action Network (Abigail) 07989 421836
- Cinema Club (Arthur) 01788 890508

Pre-School Monday-Friday - 01788 891891

braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com

Braunston C of E School



We entered July to the sound of children playing outside in the bright, warm sunshine wearing their sunhats, keeping hydrated and liberally covered in suncream. Let me rephrase that – we entered July (the height of summer) to the sound of water crashing down to earth in heavy downpours and the sounds of children and staff screaming as they became soaked through without a moment's notice!

Open Gardens was well supported with a steady stream of visitors taken on a tour of the school grounds to admire the horticulture carefully tended throughout the year by Sue Barnwell and Sue Allinson. We look forward to reaping the rewards of our work when we harvest our vegetable patch.

Our Covid restricted sports events were held in small bubbles and no spectators were allowed – similar to how the Tokyo Olympics will now be run. They were successful despite the deluge that seemed to follow us, meaning a restart of year 5/6 on a different day. Our Year 4 team mirrored the success of England's Euro 2020 team and took part in a PDET wide sports competition. We came home with silverware and we now proudly display our 'Going for Gold' sports cup for third place – well done to all those involved. We are very proud that you all tried your very best and worked together as a team. After a wet and chilly start, the pool has been regularly used to improve water confidence of all children and ensure that by the end of year 6 they can swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres using a range of strokes.

This year we also entered a team from Years 5 and 6 into to the world of sequins and glitter by joining Strictly Schools UK at The Deco, Northampton. It was a fantastic experience for all the pupils who took part, they thoroughly enjoyed it and would like to have the opportunity to take part again. Mrs Storer worked hard on getting them all glitter ball ready!

Our in house residential was thoroughly enjoyed by all Year 6 children and staff alike and a new Braunston record was set for the earliest time that all children fell asleep at 11:30pm – despite their protests that no

sleep was had ! The children took part in an amazing residential displaying all the school values as they climbed, launched rockets, travelled on a canal boat and created metal sculptures amongst many other activities. Their behaviour was exemplary. I am very grateful to all the staff for the hard work that goes into organising such an experience, creating life long memories.

As I put together our final contribution for the BVN for our academic year, the sun is finally shining and summer may actually have arrived as temperatures are set to soar. I think of the last year, again riddled by COVID, and wish all of our Braunston School family a safe, healthy and happy break.

Thank you to everyone who works in partnership with Braunston School.

Mrs Lianna Willis



Clubs and Groups

Jetty Field

July's Saturday morning work party was brought forward a week to coincide with the Open Gardens to be held the following day. Unfortunately, heavy rain curtailed our efforts, and we were unable to get as much work done as was hoped. We did manage to complete the installation of the pool liner which now extends well into the Nature Reserve. We also made a start on moving the garden compost heap into the wild area and the allotment compost bins.



Not on the agenda though was the rescue of a grass snake which had been caught up in some garden netting in the allotments. Thanks to the intrepid efforts of Bob Tuck and Mike Gunn, the reptile was cut free and released. It slithered back into the undergrowth without a word of thanks.

Due to the cold and wet weather we have experienced earlier this year we have seen very few butterflies so far this summer. The allotmenters are happy not to see the Cabbage Whites as their caterpillars can do considerable damage to brassicas in a very short

space of time. Other species are missed though as they are very welcome pollinators.

On a similar note, pigeons and crow numbers appear to have dropped in the last few weeks. Perhaps this is due to our resident peregrine falcons.

Another 120 hedgerow saplings have been ordered from the Woodland Trust. These will be delivered and planted in November

Gallie Competition 2021

Once again the children of the Year 6 class at Braunston School learnt about the village's pocket park. In July they submitted a range of competition entries using various techniques in the competition for the Gallie Cup.

Imogen's winning entry included information about trees, bees, wildflowers and birds as well as the feather and leaves she had collected from Jetty Field and identified.



All the children deserve commendation. Of particular note were the entries from Amelia-Grace who made an accurate 3D map, Finn whose large art poster showed all aspects of Jetty Field and made the link between the pollinating insects and the food growing in the allotments and William who made a booklet and a sloping model to show the landscape at Jetty Field.

Braunston Village Gardens Association

Open Gardens 2021 Breaks All Records

Thank you for supporting our Open Gardens event in July.

There was plenty to see on 4th July when 22 gardens opened to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Visitors arrived all day from the village, the county, neighbouring counties and as far afield as Preston, Birmingham and London. Fortunately, the weather was kind to us and we avoided the heavy rain storm that fell on Flecknoe in the afternoon. We added to the funds raised by the gardeners organising plant stalls, refreshments and quizzes.

The beautiful gardens provided peaceful havens as well as ideas about how to create colourful, shady, productive, potted, wildlife, restful, playful, scented, intriguing and calming gardens with a wonderful range of planting ideas to admire, photograph and discuss with the owners. Oh, and also some sheep!

On the day we celebrated village businesses selling food and drink by promoting them as places to stop along the way. A special thank you to Avril and all the staff at Gongoozler's Rest Café where donations for Macmillan Cancer Support were given for every hot drink sold. We were also delighted that Braunston School Gardening Club joined us for the first time this year. Their vegetable plots and flowers looked wonderful and they too gave a donation from their refreshment and plant sales.

After a wonderful day chatting to people in our gardens or guiding people at the Village Hall Welcome Desk, we were delighted to discover that we raised over £2700 for Macmillan Cancer Support, a record breaking year!

The BVGA Committee would like to thank everyone involved for all their hard work both before and during the event.

If you would like to find out more about the BVGA and our events then please contact Kate Mawer 01788 890340 or mawerk@hotmail.co.uk or join us at our next planning meeting at the Village Hall on Thursday 12th August 7:30pm. Braunston Village Gardens Association

Braunston Show – September

A reminder that unfortunately Braunston Show has been cancelled for 2021. We look forward to seeing you in 2022.

Braunston CAN (Climate Action Network)

Our Air Quality Egg has arrived. It is an air quality monitor: we are calling it the Braunston Egg. It monitors the quality of the air by recording the amount of carbon dioxide, sulphur dioxide and particulate matter, the harmful particles given off by burning.

You can see the data by looking on the web portal at

<https://airqualityegg.wickeddevice.com/portal/>



This shows a map of all the ‘Eggs’ around the world with the Air Quality Index for each location based on the US Environmental Protection Agency scale. It is a global citizen science project.

For our project we plan to contact local schools and offer to demonstrate the use of the Egg. We will link with other groups in West Northamptonshire who are measuring air quality with other devices in order to share data. We also hope to work with West Northamptonshire Council. At present we are using it in the village to gain confidence in its use and data download.

The Braunston Egg has been financed by a grant that was awarded to us by Daventry District Council in the previous financial year.

We are a group of about twenty Braunston residents working to reduce the carbon emissions of the village and beyond.

Our webpage is in the ‘Village Info’ section of the village website, under ‘Climate Emergency’. If you are interested in joining us, please message 07989 421836 or 07554 264742. Let us know if you would like to receive our email updates.

Braunston Scout Group

You may have noticed the large marquee on our lawn which was the safe space for our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts to try out:



TOMAHAWK THROWING !

We also ran this activity for Braunston School Year 6 'Residential at school' so some of our Cubs had 2 sessions. All the young people enjoyed throwing at the wooden targets and were super excited when they stuck in.

Cub Garden in Open Gardens

Our Cubs planted their garden helped by Nicola of Braunston Village Gardening Association, who also taught them how to plant sunflowers and use gardening tools. Our garden below was in Open Gardens on July 4th



David Coleman 2nd Braunston Cub Scout Leader

david@braunstonscouts.co.uk 07484 157588

Braunston Friendly Club

We meet in The Gallie Room at the Village Hall. Members enjoy tea, cake, chat and a variety of activities that are organised through the year. Please come along and join us to find out more about what we do.

We're Back!

Monday 9th August 2pm to 4pm Braunston Village Hall

Members will get together for a chat after our very long break while enjoying tea and cake. We will discuss ideas for the year ahead, so share any thoughts that you would like to be included.

There will be a trolley raffle.

Monday 23rd August 2pm to 4pm Braunston Village Hall

Members will get together for a chat while enjoying tea and cake.

We will be sharing the plans for the autumn activities.

There will be a trolley raffle.

For more information telephone

Kate 01788 890340 or Jenny 01788 890186

Braunston Cinema Club

Have you all been missing the cinema club as much as we have? We are planning to show a film in September, date and film to be confirmed. This will depend on the situation and any restrictions at that time.

It will be a different experience in that we will not be able to supply our usual wonderful pre-film food but everyone will be welcome to bring their own picnic and drinks of choice. You might even get to buy a raffle ticket and an ice cream halfway through the performance.

All seats will have to be booked in advance and we are aiming at 6 tables each seating 6 people. If there is a good response, we could do a matinee and an evening viewing.

If you are interested then please email or phone us so we can have some idea of whether or not this will be a viable evening. We have a few ideas about which film to show but any suggestions welcome.

Tel: 01788 890508 or: batchelors.boxtree@btinternet.com

Braunston Paddox Cricket Club

The cricket club have continued with their curates egg of a season. Some excellent victories, a few nail-biting defeats and too many batting collapses.

The firsts beat Wollaston by 20 runs and Hardingstone by 5 wickets when Jordan Shingler returned his best ever figures of 6 for 17, but then lost on the last ball of the game by 3 runs to Abington despite half centuries by Shingler and James Goodwin, for which he was awarded his Honours cap. Unfortunately, our game against MK Air, who have not won a match all season, was abandoned due to the weather, almost certainly costing us the win points. This was even more disappointing in that it was the only game rained off across the whole of the Northamptonshire League's 110 matches that day.

The seconds have had similar results. 4 wicket losses to Haddon and Stewarts & Lloyds and a frustrating 1 wicket loss to Weldon, which went down to the last few balls. This was followed by the team's best result of the season. Playing away to league leaders Pytchley, we were not expected to win but following some excellent bowling by Kieran Bennett (2 for 35) and Tom Sabin (3 for 32) we restricted our hosts to 174. A record-breaking opening partnership of 137 between Bennett and Simon Stapley set us up for a comfortable victory. Although there were a few jitters as we approached the finishing line winning by 5 wickets with 3 overs to spare. Bennett's 84 was his highest ever score and it included 12 boundaries.

The Wednesday team have held on to third place in Division 2 of the Rugby and District League with wins against Long Itchington and Haddon and a loss to Dunchurch, despite a magnificent career best 81 runs by Adam Treen.

Two friendlies have been played. A win against Maids Moreton and an entertaining defeat to Marton which featured a huge six from Chris Eyles.

August Home fixtures

Saturday July 31st 1st XI v Kislingbury

Sunday August 1st Friendly XI v Farthingstone & Badby

Wednesday August 4th Midweek XI v North Kilworth

Saturday August 7th 2nd XI v Dunchurch & Bilton

Wednesday August 11th Midweek XI v Long Itchington

Saturday August 14th 1st XI v Kettering

Sunday August 15th Friendly XI v Grange Park, Northampton

Saturday August 21st 1st XI v MK Air

Saturday August 28th 2nd XI v Haddon

Sunday Sept 5th Friendly XI v Rugby



Braunston player Jordan Shingler.

For the away matches look us up online on Braunston Paddox Play Cricket where you can see all fixtures, results, averages, records, match reports and photos.



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Compassion*

Braunston Heart

Caring for our Community

Freephone 0800 0029066 

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

We are here to help everyone in Braunston.

Telephone us with your problem on

FREEPHONE 0800 0029066

If you get a recorded message, just leave your name and number and we'll be right back.

Alternatively

you can email us at



heart@braunston.org.uk

Good 
Neighbours

gofundme 

www.gofund.me/3be1e80f

Braunston Walkers

Staverton Shuffle

Saturday 17/7/21

In full sunshine and on what proved to be the hottest day of the year, eleven of us set off through Jetty Fields and down Nibbits Lane to reach the canal. We strolled along the canal and then over to St Peter's Church at Wolfhamcote. Turning left behind the church you go under the old railway to a field resplendent with blue linseed flowers.

Off the main path we crossed a concrete bridge over the River Leam and tracked the river, walking through overgrown grass along field edges to reach the Berryfields track and on to the Miry Bridge. A welcome spot of shade. Philip told us about the origin of the word Miry and how it was true to its name, a border between Warwickshire and Northamptonshire as well as the boundary between three parishes. It was good to have him and his knowledge back.

We left the shade and took a diagonal path through crops to Staverton bridleway. From here it is a steep and exhausting climb all the way to Staverton, but the views over the Warwickshire Plain are superb, particularly on a fine day. We passed through the old stone village to the Countryman. The drinks and food went down well. It was nice to sit down and gently cool off. We were all too soon off again, walking alongside Staverton Hall, through a gate and onto the path which drops steeply down the hill we had struggled up. On the recce I had been lucky enough to see deer in the fields, but not today. Following waymarked tracks, you eventually reach the back of Berryfields Farm.

From here it is a rollercoaster over rough fields, keeping the distant church spire in sight. You do get one of the best views of the village though. We paused several times in shady spots and finally reached Old Road. Like a malignant sting in the tale we had to climb Nibbits Hill. Someone suggested a drink at the Plough. There was no discussion, and we were soon sitting outside in the sun enjoying a post walk tippie.

Our next walk is. 21st August at Frankton with Pizza at Phil's.

September 6th to 8th Ironbridge

Braunston History Society

It's been a long time since our last meeting, but we haven't forgotten everyone.

Circumstances permitting and providing people actually are willing to resume meetings, we plan to have our first meeting on Tuesday October 19th. This will be a social evening so that people can meet up again and maybe discuss the way forward.

On Tuesday November 16th we hope to welcome our first speaker, one of our members John Pomfret, 'Railways in and Around Northamptonshire'. Those of you who have heard John speak before will know how excellent, interesting and well researched this talk will be.

The History Society is only viable with the support of its members and people in the village as we have to pay for the use of the village hall and also for speakers. Having just looked at what would have been our 2020 programme, I can see we have missed some very interesting and varied speakers.

Obviously, the resumption of meetings will be dependent upon the situation at the time.

Braunston Community Car

The Community Car is for you, available for all residents for journeys for hospital, doctors and other medical appointments and also shopping and local trips to visit friends when Covid restrictions allow.



Any payment is by voluntary contribution. Some journeys are provided in volunteers' own cars.

To request a journey call Community Car number 07984 412921 (24 hrs. notice where possible please).

The team would like to thank Zack of Vinetree Automotive of Staverton for his generous support in maintaining the Community Car.

WE NEED ANOTHER DRIVER!! Preferably one who can step in for a day or half a day to do local runs, (sometimes at only 24hr notice). For further details ring John on the Community Car number.

Braunston Canal Society

Over the last few months the signage along the canal network has been cataloged and reviewed by volunteers working in conjunction with CRT. June saw the start of BCS removing damaged or obsolete signs and replacing them with new ones reflecting current regulations and branding. This project is to be completed over the next few months.

This year's lock painting schedule was completed in record time. The painting of Locks 4,5 and 6 by the end of June has cleared the way for BCS to focus on other projects



such as lock maintenance and towpath issues

The Society is always keen to welcome new volunteers so if you would like to come along and have some fun you can email me at braunstoncanalsociety@gmail.com or phone/text me on 07817 435911. If you would like to see our previous activities check out our website at www.braunston.org.uk/bcs.

Clive Joynson



Braunston Football Club

Braunston FC win the divisional cup to secure a league and cup double!

Shortly after finally securing the league title back in May our attention quickly switched to trying to win the divisional cup. After winning all 4 group stage games whilst scoring 20 goals and conceding only 4 we moved on to the two-legged semi-finals where we would play Caldecott Arms. We knew this would be a tough couple of games as they were the only team to have beaten us this season. The first leg was a very tight game which saw us score an all-important third goal late on to give us a 3-1 lead heading into the 2nd leg. The away fixture however saw us put in our best performance of the season and we comfortably won the game 5-0 (8-1 on aggregate).

This result set up a final against the Jolly Abbott, who put in an excellent performance in the first half of the final but found themselves 1-0 down after Braunston's centre forward Lloyd Monger scored against the run of play. A second goal shortly followed when the top goal scorer in the Rugby & District League, Lewis Isom volleyed in his 24th goal of the season. Jolly Abbott did pull a goal back to reduce the deficit to 2-1 but were unable to breakdown a solid Braunston defence in the second half and the game finished 2-1, meaning the league and cup double was complete and all that was left was for Braunston villager and club captain Mark Dyson to lift the trophy and start the celebrations!

As has often been the case this season the team went back to The Old Plough to celebrate another hard-earned victory. Once the trophies have been engraved, they will be on display in the pub for all to see.

Thanks to everyone who has been down to the playing field supporting the lads this season, it really has been one to remember. We will be back in August for preseason training to help us get ready to tackle division 1 next season.

Your Café



The Braunston Community Café (Your Café) first opened its doors in December 2014 with a Manager, David Maltby and a management team consisting of Chris Maltby and Andrew & Ingrid Alsop. A group of volunteers were assembled and at its peak there were more than 25 people involved; sadly, this is no longer the case. The amount of time, hard work and dedication given to operating Your Café by management and volunteers cannot be overstated. The ongoing support and encouragement of Isabel and Louis Prat as landlords has been tremendous.

For more than 5 years, until closure due to Covid19 on 13th March 2020, Your Café operated successfully. Regrettably, the manager David Maltby and management team of Chris Maltby and Jenni Burton stepped down officially from their roles last year. David carried out this role voluntarily as did Chris and Jenni and we are extremely grateful to them.

In the 5 years of trading, Your Cafe has raised significant money for grant funding; to date a total of £18,475 has been donated across 25 different village groups and projects representing 47 successful applications. There are currently grant funds available of at least £10,500 that can be distributed over the coming years under the existing application process. This is a great legacy.

Without a volunteer café manager, Your Cafe cannot legally be re-opened and regrettably despite having made this clear in the BVN and correspondence to individuals over the last six months no one has agreed to take on this role.

Despite the closure of the Café on 13th March, there have been some fixed costs that have had to be paid and would need to still be paid whilst no income was coming in, thus depleting the grant funds.

Sadly, given this situation the Steering Group have needed to make a decision. It is that Your Café will close permanently. We do understand that this is a disappointment.

We remain open for applications to the fund for village organisations and projects.

Your Café Steering Group

Other News

Braunston Scarecrow Trail

10:00am on the 11th – 6:00pm on the 12th September 2021

Following the success of last year's event, we are pleased to announce that the Braunston Scarecrow Trail is set to become an annual event.



Anyone who would like to enter a scarecrow please email your name, address and name of your scarecrow to braunstonscarecrowtrail@outlook.com before Wednesday 8th September 6.00pm so that it can

be added to the official map. Maps will be available from The Green on the Saturday morning along with voting forms (£1 for a map and voting form, additional voting forms available free). There will be prizes for the adult visitors' favourite, the children's visitors' favourite and also a judges' favourite. The winners will be announced on Sunday evening after 7.00pm.

There will be refreshments available on the day.

If any other individuals or groups would like to have a tabletop at their address in the village for fundraising or other, please get in touch and you will be added to the map. If anyone has any questions, please email Jenni at

Braunston
scarecrowtrail@outlook.com

We look forward to seeing this years creations



Peregrine Fledglings

For those of us with less than perfect eyesight or photography skills, we are lucky to have these photographs of fledgling TFP taken by Kevin Starley, who is the son-in-law of villagers Mavis and Alan Eley.

All photos can be seen in colour on the website.



Braunston Village Charity

The Braunston Village Charity was formed in 2015 to bring together, in a single organisation, a number of smaller charities dedicated to assisting and supporting villagers by making small, one-off grants and gifts.



The Charity is managed by a board of Trustees selected to represent village organisations and areas of the village. The Trustees for the current financial year, April 2021 – March 2022 are:

Vicar of Braunston – Rev Nat White (Chair)

Chair of the Parish Council- Chris Johnson (Vice Chair)

Parochial Church Council – Jenni Burton

Parish Council – Sue Harrison

Friendly Club – Catherine Eastaff

Braunston Scouts – Steve Rolt

Braunston Pre-School Committee – Carrie-Ann Biggs

Governors of Braunston School – Deborah Gardner

Eastfields – Julie Leadbetter

The Marina – Graham Newman

Village Shop – Kim Donald

The Trustees have developed a webpage for the Charity which is hosted on the Village Website. This contains the revised Constitution and details of the Charity's structure and processes, including details of who the current trustees are. It also gives details on how to apply to the charity and more details on the type of help that can be given. To qualify recipients must live in the village and the grant or gift cannot be to provide something that should be provided by the state.

If you would like to suggest someone who might be eligible for help from the Charity or want to find out more please contact the Charity via the webpage, on 07943 486097 or via The Parish Council, c/o 82

Greenway, Braunston, but not the Trustees directly.

Steve Rolt is the Honorary Treasurer and I am the Honorary Secretary.

We will keep the village informed of the Trustees' activities through the village website, the BVN and the Parish Meeting each year, though obviously not of the details of the recipients of any grants or gifts.

Pete Morgan

Honorary Secretary

BVN Volunteer Deliverers

Would you like to join our group of volunteers who deliver the BVN to people's doors every month? We need more people either to take on a delivery round or to be willing to go onto the standby list to cover for people who are away or unable to do their round.

If you are interested please contact Deb Hope on:

deb21low@gmail.com

01788 891997

Braunston Community Café

The Your Café grant fund has received £415 from Chris and Claire at The Wheatsheaf, raised from three Coffee Club mornings held during Covid restrictions.



We are very grateful and thank them for their support.

Weather report for June

It was a month of two halves, with some lovely summer warmth at the beginning of the month, it then changed mid-month to become cooler with rain. We even had to put the heating on in the evenings, it felt more like autumn on the longest day of the year.

The temperature ranged from 5⁰C at 04.27 on the 23rd, with an above average 27⁰C at 18.07 on the 13th.

The barometer reached a high of 1028.5hpa on the 13th at 07.27 with a low of 1008.7hpa on the 17th at 02.20.

The last of the rain was on the 29th with a total of 36.9mm for the month. This is less than the village June 6 year average of 50.5mm. Averages are wonderful as we only had 1mm in 2018 and 109mm in 2019. Total rainfall so far this year is now 303.9mm

It was a relatively calm month with a single gust of wind 18.3mph at 18.27 on 18th.

The sun was at its brightest on the 26th with 1155w/m² at 12.20. The UV index was at its highest at a level of 11.

Bin collections

Wednesday	4 th August	Food, Waste and Recycling
Wednesday	11 th August	Food, and Garden Waste
Wednesday	18 st August	Food and Recycling
Wednesday	25 th August	Food, Waste and Garden Waste

Braunston News in the Daventry Express

I write in the Neighbourhood News about anything of interest in Braunston. For publication the following Thursday, please e mail me by noon on Sunday or put it through the door at 36, Welton Road.

Chris Grossart chris@multiplex.me.uk

Feature

Meeting the local plants: Tilia Species

Otherwise known as the lime or linden tree (no, not that sort of lime!). The Malvaceae family.

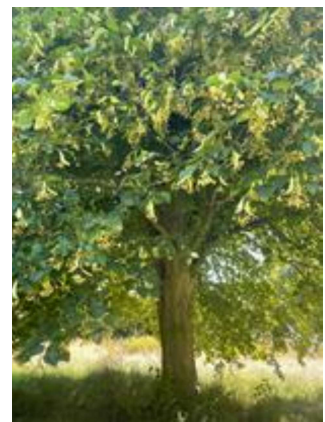
Turn into Jetty Field and we see these beautiful trees. Traditionally known as the tree of judgement and soothsaying, the soothsayer would wrap the leaves around her fingers and listen to what the tree told her.

Planted in the centre of towns and used as a meeting place for the authorities, the tree represented the community. A tree of good luck and fortune.

The leaves and flowers are edible. The sap can be tapped like birch. Leaves can be dried and crushed and used as a thickener (used for vegans), or ground and used as flour. Use like vine leaves after blanching first. Enjoy tea using the flowers, either fresh or dried. They smell heavenly! Make into cordials. For some recipes look at the Eatweeds website for links.

Medicinally, the flowers and leaves are used. Pick the flowers in sunshine and when just opened. Use newer leaves too (or on their own if you have missed the flowers). An easy way to use them is as a tea. Leave to infuse about 15 minutes and drink regularly. A cardiotonic, Tilia helps with high blood pressure and to prevent arteriosclerosis. A mild diuretic. Think how this plant makes you feel when you smell the flowers - that is how it will make you feel, it will help to lift and relax your mood, help calm the nerves. There are so many other uses, even externally as a poultice, but let's finish with Maurice Messegue's words as he describes Tilia as being one of the ingredients in his tea of happiness. 'peaceful nights, joyful awakenings and happy days'.

Jo Glover



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

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