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Jo Glover (Heart) and David Cary (B CAN), accept the Gold Level Award on behalf of Braunston from James Saunders Watson (right), Lord-Lieutenant of Northamptonshire. Full story on pages 20 and 21.



All Saints' Church Information

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BRAUNSTON REGISTERS

None up to the BVN deadline

CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

5 th September	Braunston	Holy Communion	10-30
11 th September	Ashby	Holy Communion	10-30
18 th September	Braunston	Morning Service	10-30
25 th September	Welton	Holy Communion	10-30

Church Letter

Worzel Gummidge – Outstanding in his field

The annual Braunston scarecrow trail is nearly upon us. I have done a bit of scarecrow research. Did you know that Egyptians made the first scarecrows about 3,000 years ago? Or that Greek farmers originally fashioned their scarecrows to look like Priapus who, according to myth, was very ugly? (Caution: If you are thinking of looking him up be aware that he should come with a public decency warning!)

Anyone about my age may remember the TV show 'Worzel Gummidge', about a scarecrow and his friends. Worzel had several different heads made from various vegetables, such as mangel wurzels, turnips and swedes. Among them were a 'handsome head' to help him go courting, and a 'clever head' to help him with problem solving. Wouldn't it be great to have a selection of heads that we could use to help us deal with the situations that confront us daily?

Scarecrows get a mention in the Bible too. In the Old Testament, Jeremiah the prophet warns against worshipping false idols, saying they are "like scarecrows in a cucumber field" (Jeremiah 10:5). In other words, they can't help you. In the New Testament (Romans 12.2) in a similar message, we are urged not to let our heads be turned by the things of this world.

We shouldn't let the world around us squeeze us into its own mould, but we should instead be transformed by letting God re-mould our minds from within so we will know what his good and perfect will is for us. That's something all Christians should be working towards and strikes me as a head worth having!

I hope you will come and see the scarecrows at Braunston church on 24th & 25th September, and enjoy a cup of tea and a slice of cake with Worzel Gummidge on the afternoon of Saturday, 24th (full details on page 22 of this BVN). I promise that Worzel will be wearing his most handsome head.

Anne Parker-Tyler

Lay Minister - Reader

Church Floodlighting

The complete **August** list

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 Philip on his birthday. Margaret

26th - In loving memory of Alan Cope. Love Jacqueline, Amanda, Phoebe and Matt xx

26th - Darling Chick on your Birthday, death parted us. I will love you forever. Mavis

27th - Remembering Alison on her Birthday. Love from Paul, Harry and Will

September list so far ...

5th - Tomena 5/9/21 We miss you everyday x

5th - Happy Heavenly Birthday to Gill Brewster. Love always from your girls xxx

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

20th - * Martin and Debbie's Wedding Anniversary

24th - * Sheila and David Parr's Wedding Anniversary

* = Friends of All Saints – A huge Thank You

These are requests received before the BVN deadline – 12:00 midday 18th August

The current 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 be left at 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'.



Outdoor Family Church

Our three churches are working together to give families a fun way to worship God and learn more about Him.

Saturday 24th September, 11am-1pm.

At the Scout Den, Cross Lane, Braunston

Take the lane to the left at the bottom of Cross Lane

Family Games and activities outside and inside.

A short Bible story.

Sausage hot dogs provided (or you can bring your own picnic)

All families welcome (you don't have to live in one of the villages).

No charge, but donations towards costs are welcomed.

Tiny Treasures

Will restart on Tuesday 13th September

Parent/Carer and toddler group for pre-school children. We meet on Tuesday mornings during term time 9.00am to 11.00am



Come along and enjoy playtime, stories, craft time and singing.

We meet in the Parish Room All Saints' Church Braunston. The Church door will be open. Just come on in.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be included in the prayer chain and receive a copy of the prayer chain or receive prayer for yourself, please contact either suejennens21@gmail.com or your church warden. The list is updated each month (first names only).

Braunston Community Larder

This is a valuable resource for the village and visitors and to ensure it can continue we have secured a permanent home inside the church. It is on the left as you go into the church at the back.

Donations can be left and those in need are welcome to access it as needed.

Thank you

The church wishes to thank the volunteers who regularly maintain the cemetery. If anyone else is willing to help they would be most welcome.

The team meet each Saturday morning at 10:00 am at the cemetery.

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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.

John Foster, Secretary, The Friends of All Saints
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Chair: Sandra Stapley, Vice-Chair: John Pomfret

This list shows which councillor to contact for the area you live in:

Archer Avenue and Cross Lane	Alan Mawer	01788 890340
Ashby Road		0800 002 9783
Church Road and Barby Road	Pete Morgan	07805 677559
Dark Lane	Sue Harrison	07769 589459
Eastfields	Jo Glover	07973 278052
The Green	Graham Newman	07710 290265
Greenway and Closes		0800 002 9783
High St (Old Plough to The Green)	Rhianna Conway	01788 890453
High St (A45 to Old Plough)	David Cary	07775 514840
London Rd, Hill Row, Old Rd, Marina	John Pomfret	07817 234727
Spinney Hill and Closes	Carrie-Ann Biggs	07796 712408
Welton Rd, School Cl, Maple Cl	Sandra Stapley	01788 890475

Forthcoming Meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend the following meetings at Braunston Village Hall.

5th September 7.30pm Full Council Meeting

3rd October 7.30pm Full Council Meeting

15th October 10.00am Public Parish Meeting

Agendas and minutes are available on the Braunston website.

Parish Council Surgery

We are holding monthly surgeries to enable villagers to raise issues of concern or interest with councillors. A surgery will be held on Thursday 15th September from 11.00am in the Meeting Room in the Village Hall when Sue Harrison and Jo Glover will be available to speak to.

Future surgeries will be held at different times and on different days of the week to make them more accessible; they will be publicised on the Braunston Bugle, in the BVN and on the Parish Council website.

If the surgery times are not convenient please get in touch to let us know your concern using the contact details on the previous page.

Daventry Community Larder

WNC Ward Councillor, Rosie Humphreys reported that the Community Larder has now opened in Daventry. This is located at Southbrook Community Centre, Hood Road, NN11 4JS and can be used by people from surrounding villages. It was established by Tow Food, (www.towfood.org.uk/larder). From their website:

We operate a membership programme that provides access to surplus groceries at heavily discounted rates. A consistent supply chain is guaranteed due to our subscription to SOFEA, a charity that works closely with FareShare, to distribute surplus food from supermarkets and businesses.

Speed Recording Sign

The sign has been taken down from The Green and the data from that location downloaded. There were a total of 18595 vehicle movements. Just over 2% of these exceeded the 30mph speed limit. 85% of vehicles were being driven at 24mph or slower but vehicles travelling at less than 16mph were not recorded.

The speed sign has now been installed in the High Street. It registers the speeds of vehicles and will provide us with useful information.

We are able to move it to different areas of the village to monitor speeds. West Northamptonshire Council have authorised the Parish Council to use the sign at the following locations:

The Green	High Street	Welton Road
Ashby Road	Greenway	Church Road

Parish Councillor Sue Harrison

I joined Braunston Parish Council in 2015 because I consider the Parish Council should be the expression of local views to influence local policy. I hope that by listening to the opinions and ideas of other residents, it is possible to achieve this.

I have been a teacher for over thirty years and am still very much involved in our family farming business and my event business here in Braunston.

We have a vacancy on the Parish Council and I would encourage anyone who wants to be engaged in making decisions that help to shape the environment in which we live, to consider applying.

A successful Council needs diversity in outlook, experience and age of members. Training is given and is very useful, but we need members who can bring a common sense approach and look for viable outcomes.

If you are considering the role and have some questions, do give me a call and I will be happy to help. 07769 589459



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Contacts for Village Hall activities

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The Hive	Valerie	01788 891975	1 st Weds 2-4
Art Group	Alan	01788 890526	Wed 2-4
Yoga	Sheila	01788 891831	Wed 7-8
Short Mat Bowls	Bill	01788 891145	Thurs 2-4
	David	01788 891183	
Brownies	Clare	07544 936589	Thurs 5.30-7
Friendly Club	Jenny	01788 890186	2 nd and 4 th Mon 2-4
Learn to Crochet	Gill	07711 742575	1 st and 3 rd Thurs 9.30-12
History Society	Annie	01788 891179	3 rd Tues 7-9
Climate Action	Abigail	07989 421836	1 st Weds 7.30-9
Braunston Quilters	Laura	01788 890102	4 th Thurs 9.45-1
Gardens Ass'n	Kate	01788 890340	2 nd Thurs 7.30-9
Cinema Club	Arthur	01788 890508	Last Sat 7-10

Please check with contacts listed whether groups are currently meeting in the Village Hall.

Pre-School Monday - Friday 01788 891891

braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com

Braunston C of E School



Dates:

1 st - 2 nd September	Teacher Training Days
5 th September - 21 st October	Pupil Days
24 th - 28 th October	School Holiday
31 st October	Teacher Training Day
1 st November - 16 th December	Pupil Days
19 th December - 2 nd January	School Holiday
3 rd January	Teacher Training Day

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Clubs and Groups

Braunston Quilters

Our group was formed in 2018 to make quilts for Project Linus whose aim is

to provide a sense of security and comfort to sick and traumatised babies, children and teenagers through the provision of new home-made patchwork quilts and knitted blankets and give volunteers across the UK the opportunity to contribute to their local community.

Website: <https://projectlinusuk.org/>

We were happy to welcome Rose Ward (the new Daventry, Northampton, Towcester Area Co-ordinator) to our July meeting. She gave an update on the distribution of our quilts and Linus in general, including funding, as well as giving feedback on fabrics, colour choices and finishing techniques for future projects.

In our area, Project Linus have donated quilts in recent months to organisations such as Northampton Domestic Abuse Service, Cynthia Spencer Hospice, Homestart Northampton, Child Bereavement Services, Northampton General Hospital (Disney Ward and Gosset Ward), Good Shepherd School, Caritas (Ukrainian refugees) and Omnipresence Nursery.

Facebook: Project-Linus-UK-Northamptonshire-Northampton-Daventry-Towcester

In addition, we have also been able to provide quilts directly to Braunston Village Charity for distribution. The school's wellbeing room was one beneficiary where children have been spending time reading and talking and generally relearning social skills that diminished during lockdown.

If you would like to get involved, there are several ways:

- Nominating charities local to Braunston or Daventry that can be added to our Area's list of contacts,
- Donating any surplus unused 100% lightweight Cotton Fabric,
- Joining the group – all levels of experience welcome.

Meetings are held monthly in the village hall with the first 15 minutes or

so going through any news, updates, admin etc and the remainder of the time being informal for members to machine or hand sew, plan projects, cut fabric, layout wadding and to generally share experience, techniques, and ideas ... or just chat!

For more information, contact me at laura@whitenap.plus.com or on 01788 890102.

Laura Sturrock

Braunston Cinema Club

Saturday Sept 24th 7.30pm in Village Hall

THE SENSE OF AN ENDING

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Jim Broadbent, Charlotte Rampling, Michelle Dockery, Emily Mortimer

Tony Webster, an ageing, divorced Londoner has a quiet life. The unexpected arrival of an unsettling letter will disrupt the delicate balance of things in Tony's orderly life, reconnecting him with his first love from college, Veronica, and the nostalgic yet clouded memories of a distant past. Now, as Tony scavenges for bits and pieces through flashbacks, more and more, the out-of-focus picture of his youth sharpens; nevertheless, is he ready to face the truth?

You are welcome to bring your favourite drink & a glass. Ice Cream for sale in the interval

Tickets £4.50 members/£6.50 non-members

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

Braunston Community Car

The Community Car is for you, available for all residents' journeys for hospital, doctors and other medical appointments, shopping and local trips to friends.



Any payment is by voluntary contribution. 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.

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Braunston Friendly Club

We meet in The Gallie Room at the Village Hall, 2pm to 4pm.

Members enjoy tea, cake 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 have extra cups, cake and chat all ready for people looking to come along to their first meeting.

The Friendly Club would like to take this opportunity to remember our dear friend Anne Billingham. In recent years Anne organised our Bring and Buy sales as well as our DACT bookings. However, her link to the club goes back many years, members remember her delicious cakes and her busily working behind the scenes in the kitchen and with organising meetings. We are delighted to have known such a lovely woman and miss her wisdom and company.

Monday 12th September – Beetle Drive

Starting back after our summer break the beetle drive provides us with the opportunity to chat and catch up. There will be a paying raffle this week, with each member paying just £1 for one ticket. Lovely prizes to be won.

Monday 26th September – Celebrating the Friendly Club's birthday.

More information will be provided at the meeting on the 12th September. The plan is to go out for a meal.

For more information telephone

Jenny 01788 890186 or Kate 01788 890340

Braunston Village Charity

The Braunston Village Charity can assist and support villagers experiencing hardship by making small, one-off grants and gifts. The grant or gift cannot be to provide something that is the responsibility of the state.



The Charity has developed a webpage which is hosted on the Village Website and gives details of how to apply to the charity and the type of help that can be given.

To suggest someone who might be eligible or to find out more please contact the Charity via the webpage, or by phone on 07943 486097.

Braunston Hive



Braunston Hive

For ladies living in and locally to Braunston Village –
come along, enjoy a historical talk, make new friends at our next meeting.
You'll enjoy the companionship & a cuppa!

NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

Village Hall 2.00 pm

Talk – The History of a Braunston Farmhouse – Kate Mawer

Members 50p (includes tea/coffee and biscuits)

Visitors are always very welcome £3.00

Contact Valerie, 891975



A date for the diary, please come

Hive Coffee Morning & Craft Fair

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Northamptonshire Village Awards

Last month I reported that Braunston achieved a Gold level certificate. These rewards are designed to:

‘celebrate how inclusive and sustainable a village is, two strands that reflect a thriving community and that add to the quality of life for all residents’.

Having received the judges’ lengthy report, here is a summary:

‘On our visit we were introduced to a wide cross-section of the residents of the village, all of whom had considerable and genuine pride in it.... Overall we were very impressed by this village and all it has to offer its residents; it should be highly commended’.

The full report is on the Braunston website, under Braunston Heart news or click [here](#) if you are reading the BVN on the village website.



Thanks go to The Wheatsheaf, where the tour started, Braunston Heart users, the allotments, members of Braunston CAN, Parish Councillors, Braunston Pre-School, Serendipity Art Studio, The Boat Shop, Braunston Marina and The Village Café where we finished. We met many villagers on the way who sang their praises of living here.

Our certificate will go on display in the Village Hall

Important - Household Support Fund

Braunston Heart, as one of West Northamptonshire Council's distributing partners, is able to apply, on your behalf, for £100 vouchers from the Household Support Fund. These can be used in a range of supermarkets (you choose which one on application). Simply contact us. The vouchers are available for ANYBODY who finds themselves in financial need, not just for families or pensioners. They are not means-tested. Obviously, this is a confidential service and we will need to take details and an assessment will be made. If you know of anyone who could do with some support, please encourage them to make contact. Available until the end of September, the vouchers have a 12 month expiry date. One per household can be awarded for this particular fund.

Information about the Twinkle Team

The Twinkle Team was set up initially as a collaboration between the Parish Council and Braunston Heart (BH). BH took the lead as it was deemed more appropriate for funding the Christmas event and subsequent jubilee events, also taking the risk of any potential shortfall. Any profit was kept by BH to assist in supporting the community and towards future events.

It has been decided that for organisational simplicity and clarity reasons, that The Twinkle Team shall now be fully under the umbrella of BH and will be their events team. There is a new team. (Please make contact if you wish to contribute in some way). Our aim is to have a range of activities which we hope will bring the community together, provide enjoyment and enable connections to be made. Making a profit is not the purpose but any profit will go back into Braunston Heart.

Scarecrow Trail – 24th & 25th September 2022

Jenni and Chris Pearce have approached the Twinkle Team to arrange the scarecrow competition. They did such a great job in previous years but have now had to step back. We were delighted to take this on so please take part and see what your imagination can produce!



A list and map will be compiled of all the entrants – please let us have your name, address and name of scarecrow before 21st September. Send the detail to our event address - hearttwinkleteam@gmail.com.

From a couple of days before and on the day maps will be available to buy for £1 from:

- stalls on The Green,
- at the church (see page 3 for their scarecrow plans)
- and from the W heatsheaf, the Admiral Nelson and the Old Plough.

Friends of Raymond will set up over the weekend and other community groups are welcome to ask for a stall.

There is no charge to vote for your favourite scarecrow, so don't forget to pick up a form.

Please submit your voting forms by 8pm to 63 High St. Prizes will be awarded for adults', children's and judges' favourite scarecrows.

Twinkle on the Green

Save the date - Sunday 4th December - Volunteers appreciated.

If you would like to support with helping on the day or would like a stall, please do get in touch. Finally, I would like to thank the patrons of The W heatsheaf who donated £35 via the collecting tin.

Jo Glover

Kindness and Compassion

Braunston History Society

Our first meeting following the summer break will be on Saturday October 1st when we will be doing a guided tour of Weedon Depot known as The Royal Ordnance Depot starting at 10.30am. Built early 1800s it fulfilled its function from the Napoleonic Wars through to the end of National Service. The tour costs £6 per person including a coffee and a biscuit. Numbers will be limited so please book early with Annie Rogers davani@tiscali.co.uk

or Jenny Coy jcmail@bsw26.co.uk

Future Programme 7.30pm in the Village Hall unless stated differently

Oct 18th. Braunston Then and Now. We showed some photos at The Platinum Jubilee and have added many more from our collection.

Nov 15th John Frearson will give an illustrated talk on the History of Lime and Cement Works of Rugby and surrounding area.

Dec 10th an early Christmas get together. Lunch Venue to be decided nearer the time, perhaps following a walk weather permitting.

Jan 17th John Pomfret. Water Mills of the Nene and Avon Valley.

Braunston CAN (Climate Action Network)

Our next meeting is at 7.30pm on Wednesday 7th September. You are welcome to attend. Please message 07554 264742 to receive confirmation of the location.

We were pleased that the Village Award judges noted the climate action Braunston is taking:

Braunston (has) grasped the need to address the challenges posed by climate change.

Information about our projects is on our webpage, in the 'Village Info' section of the village website, under 'Climate Emergency'. These projects have a direct impact on carbon emissions and climate as well as bringing co-benefits that will come with the post-fossil fuel age.

If you are interested in joining us, please message 07989 421836 or 07554 264742. We are on Facebook as Braunston Climate Action Network (B-CAN).

Braunston Canal Society



The first BCS task party in July saw the continuation and completion of the removal of vegetation from the Stop House. Shrubs blocking doors, windows and paths were removed along with any likely to promote damp in the walls. The way is now clear for scaffolding and renovation.



The maintenance of all 6 locks, by a crew of 9, was the task for the second party. Collars and paddle mechanisms were greased and oiled. A check was made for loose nuts and bolts. Copings and bollards edged, signs cleaned and cill markers repainted. Vegetation on the gates and ladders will be removed next time we take our workboat 'Skippy' up the flight.



After a series of ad hoc task parties, the rebuild of the BIFA bin compound at the Stop House was completed.

The Society is always keen to welcome new volunteers so if you would like to come along and have some fun you can email us at braunstoncanalsociety@gmail.com or phone/text us on 07817 435911.

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BEAVERS

What a fantastic end to a wonderful term! We earned lots of badges that we have all been working so hard to achieve both at Beavers and outside. We took a walk around the village and drew a picture of all the different things we saw! Our last day of term was on the hottest day of the year so we played lots of fun water games which helped cool us down! We are already looking forward to an exciting new term in September!



Beaver Leader: Michaela Robinson
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Braunston Paddox Cricket Club (BPCC)

Rugby and District Midweek League

BPCC 158 for 4 (James Goodwin 52) Stretton 141 for 8 BPCC won by 17 runs

Willoughby 97 all out (James Goodwin 4 for 17) BPCC 99 for 2 (Jordan Shingler 52 not out) BPCC won by 8 wickets

Newbold 156 for 8 BPCC 100 for 9 Newbold won by 56 runs

Long Itchington 155 for 5 BPCC 155 for 4 (Jordan Shingler 49) Match tied.

Northamptonshire Cricket League

Stony Stratford 192 for 7 BPCC 140 for 8 (Simon Stapley 41) Stony Stratford won by 52 runs

BPCC beat Raunds

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BPCCC celebrate victory over Willoughby

Jordan Shingler on the way to his maiden century



Kislingbury 237 for 3 BPCC 227 for 8
(Jordan Shingler 66 Elijah Glover 58)
Kislingbury won by 10 runs

MK AIR 170 all out (James Goodwin 5 for 32) BPCC 173 for 3 (Ryan Haynes 52 Ollie Dunn 50) BPCC won by 7 wickets

S & L Corby 210 for 8 BPCC 102 all out S & L Corby won by 108 runs

Wollaston 223 for 6 (Steve Haynes 4 for 37) BPCC 224 for 5 (Jordan Shingler 105 not out Elijah Glover 72) BPCC won by 5 wickets

Brixworth 167 for 9 BPCC 168 for 9 (Saurabh Garg 55 not out BPCC won by 1 wicket

Abington Phoenix 203 all out BPCC 141 all out (James Goodwin 49) Abington won by 62 runs

Wellingborough O G 142 for 6 BPCC 143 for 9 BPCC won by 1 wicket

Sunday friendly

Napton 188 for 8 BPCC 187 all out Napton won by 1 wicket

A number of the matches in the past month have been close affairs where we have won or lost by the odd wicket or just a handful of runs, just as it should be. Highlights were a much awaited for maiden century from Jordan Shingler and a comfortable victory over Willoughby.

The 1st XI will probably finish 4th, missing promotion by one place. The RDCL midweek team have also finished a very creditable 4th in Division 2, their highest league position in the club's 43 year history.

Braunston Walkers

August walk - Flecknoe

I assumed people would be holidaying and told the pub it would be about 10 people but 22 turned up! After letting the pub know we set off through Jetty Field to Bottom Lock and took the path up hill over the old railway.

At the next field we came across a dreadful stile. It is a double one and neither has the cross bar needed to climb up and over. We finally clambered over and then under barbed wire to stroll on to join the Jurassic Way down to Braunston Covert which is normally a muddy swamp but was bone dry.

We continued behind Berry Fields on the Staverton bridleway and turned sharp right to Miry Bridge over the River Leam. Nigel handed out sweets as we paused in the welcome shade.

The path to the pub goes through several fields with distant views of Braunston and All Saints' Church. There were lots of hay bales strewn over the fields following the harvest.

Eventually we reached the Old Olive Bush pub in Flecknoe. The pub had a music afternoon planned in their garden and we were all seated in their marquee where they served us with a great buffet. Considering they were only expecting ten people they coped really well with the 25 who arrived .

Nigel took us to Wolfhampcote Church to see the 23rd artwork on the long distance Via Beata footpath which has various artworks along its route from Lowestoft to St David's. It is a hand carved sheep on a wooden board with the words of Psalm 23. Look into the eye of the lamb and you can see Jesus with a lamb. It's worth visiting.

Our next walks:

September 12th to 15th. We will be walking in the Gower Peninsula.

October 15th. Walk to be advised.

Ray Scrivens (rayscrivens@btinternet.com)



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Brownies



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If you would like to join please email:

secondbraunstonbrownies@hotmail.com



Jetty Field, Braunston's Pocket Park

Late July and August have been very dry causing allotmenters and others connected with Jetty Field considerable headaches. Without water vegetables will not grow, although the weeds are not doing too badly. The allotment's only source of water is a spring which feeds a cascade of four baths. These baths can soon be emptied, although they do refill within ten hours or so. If the spring ever dries up the allotmenters will have major problems.

The other area of concern caused by the drought is the Community Orchard at the bottom of the main field. 21 sapling fruit trees were thriving until the recent extreme dry period. Without water the most recently planted ones would be in danger. Some volunteers from interested village organisations rallied round getting water from various sources to revive the thirsty trees. Most appear to be recovering well and are expected to bear fruit in the next few years.

The other issue concerning the tinder dry grass in the field is the possible threat of fire. Several glass bottles have been found. Broken glass is an obvious health and safety hazard for both humans and other animals, but in the current weather conditions the glass could easily be the catalyst to start a fire.

The path leading to the garden from Eastfields will be repaired in September. The date is yet to be confirmed. It will be closed for a couple of days to allow the concrete to set.



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Other news

Open air yoga

There are open air classes in the Braunston playing field through the summer on Tuesdays 6pm till 7, weather permitting. Contributions in aid of the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

Sheila 01788 891831

Braunston Weather Report for July 2022

Total Rainfall	17.1 mm
Wettest Day	5.8 mm on Friday 1 st
Highest Temperature	39.2°C at 14.41 on Tuesday 19 th
Lowest Temperature	7.7 °C at 05.54 on Wednesday 27 th
Highest Pressure	1034.3 hpa at 07.55 on Friday 8 th
Lowest Pressure	1007.0 hpa at 05.38 on Monday 25 th
Strongest Gust	23.9 mph at 19.03 on Monday 25 th
Brightest Sun	1253 w/m ² at 13.14 Sunday 31 st
Highest UV Index	12 at 13.14 on Sunday 31 st

The average rainfall for July since 2015 has been 38.8 mm. So we have received a little less than half the average rainfall this month.

Adrian

Braunston Community Café (Your Café) Grants Fund

Grants are typically made for the purchase of items that have benefit and longevity, for clubs and societies primarily but not solely for residents of the village. Max £1000.



Our constitution is on the village website with the application form. You can find us by searching under 'Clubs & Societies' and we are listed in various sections including charities, community and volunteers.

Wanted - used stamps, postcards and coins

I would like to say a big thank you to everybody who has delivered stamps, coins and bank notes. The total now raised for this year is £4100.

We still need your used stamps, postcards and coins to help continue to raise money for dog's charities. Please keep sending them to:

Val Ward, 51 High Street, Braunston.

Northants Open Studios 2022

Programmes for the largest visual arts festival in and around Northamptonshire are available in Braunston at The Village Café and in the handicrafts section of the Braunston Show on 3rd September.

Launch event Friday: 2nd September, 6pm onwards. Lamport Hall Northamptonshire NN6 9HD

Opening dates: 3rd-25th September, Wednesday-Sunday 10am-4pm.

Entry to exhibition and car parking is free. The exhibition is manned by all taking part so it is also a chance to speak to an artist about creativity.

Closing Ceremony and Awards Evening:

Saturday 24th September, 5.30pm onwards

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Bin Collections

Small electrical items and batteries can be recycled by putting them in a carrier bag and leaving on the lid of the black waste bin.

Wednesday	7 th September	Food , Garden and Waste
Wednesday	14 th September	Food and Recycling
Wednesday	21 st September	Food and Garden
Wednesday	28 th September	Food and Recycling and Waste

Frosty's Country Notes

The Marina Monster

Forget Loch Ness, Braunston has its very own lake monster - actually more than one. My old mate, and much missed Brindley Quay's neighbour, Owen was a keen angler although he never actually got me to try the worm drowning game. When he first told me about the huge carp that swam in the waters of Braunston Marina I thought he was pulling my fin. A photograph of him cradling a fish the size of a dustbin lid convinced me.

Pop music producer Pete Waterman visited Braunston Marina for a Radio 4 programme. Waterman told how he had grown up in Coventry close to the canal and how every holiday his Dad would take him to Braunston to try to catch one of the already legendary giant marina monster carp.

The nearest I ever got to seeing these giants close up was the time I was lucky enough to see the Canal and Rivers Trust electro-fishing the Marina. The small crew had a little work punt mounted with an electric generator shocking coil. They plunged two electrodes into the water, flicked the switch and a huge number of stunned fish floated to the surface. One was really a metre plus giant eel.

The electro fishers were after zander, a non-native predatory night hunting fish that is depleting our smaller native fish. The zander were netted and taken away. After a few minutes the other fish including roach, perch, and a few bream, shrugged themselves awake and, slightly discombobulated, swam off. Some of the stunned fish were indeed huge carp that Owen had shown me.

Zander is the most delicious fresh water fish after salmon. I've eaten it in Holland, Germany and the Czech Republic and can vouch for its great eating. The fisherman politely refused my offer to buy a couple of zander. Cowardice meant I didn't ask if I could take that giant eel back to my kitchen. I guess it is still lurking in the murky marina waters - so watch out.

Peter Frost

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