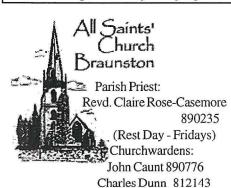
# **Braunston Village News**

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#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

#### Sunday 5th August

8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

6.30pm Evensong Monday 6th August

7.30pm Transfiguration of Our Lord.
At Ashby St. Ledgers.

#### Sunday 12th August

8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am FAMILY SERVICE

#### Sunday 19th August

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST and
BAPTISMS

Sunday 26th August

8.00am Holy Communion

## Vicar's Letter

Dear All,

Last time I wrote I was inviting you to our open air service at Braunston Marina. The event took place within the broader context of the Braunston Boat Gathering. The forecast was not that good! So we based the theme of the service on 'water' and choose as our readings the story of Noah's Ark and Jesus and the calming of the storm.

About 90-100 people joined with us in the service, to sing some good old faithful hymns like 'O for a thousand tongues' and join in the more contemporary children's chorus.. 'arky arky, arky..' which tells the story of Noah and has potential for all sorts of 'animal actions'!

Two things were reflected on in the talk. Firstly, the quality of things which last. Canals may have had their 'golden age' as far as transportation of cargo is concerned. Now canal boating has entered a new era, offering peace and a change of pace for those who live on the boats permanently, or who enjoy a holiday travelling the canals. The Church too, remarkably we might think, has survived the storms of history. If you go into All Saints,

or all Churches for that matter, and look up at the ceiling above the nave, you will find that it resembles the bottom of a boat. Indeed, it has been likened to Noah's Ark. A thing of quality, surviving the storms of history the torrential downpour of passing fashions. The only reason the Church has survived is that it is centred around a person who lived inside history but who holds the potential to change history.

When the disciples are in the storm tossed boat on the Lake of Galilee, and see their friend asleep in the bottom of the boat they wake him up and cry against the raging wind and rain, 'Don't you care that we are going to drown?' Jesus stands and rebukes them for their lack of faith, commands the storm to abate, and there is peace once more. The friends turn to one another and say; 'Who is this that even the waves obey him?' What they learn is that when they call upon him, things which look bleak can change.

The other remarkable thing about Noah's Ark is that the animals who enter two-bytwo are all so different. I can't imagine a zebra, lion, antelope and tiger enjoying such close fellowship! God is a wonderfully Creative God. He puts colours together in the rainbow which are very different and they create perfect light. The fact that different animals or people, can co-exist peacefully and creatively is a tribute to God who is both One and also the fellowship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are made in His image and so reflect Him when we do not marginalize or exclude others because 'they are different', but instead welcome them, and are changed in the encounter.

Church in the open air was refreshingly different and our thanks must go to Tim Coghlan who gave us permission to be a part of the celebratory week-end. Thanks also must go to the team who helped put the whole event together and to Mike and Janet with their input on 'The Boating Christian Fellowship'. I hope when we hold the next one — you will be able to join us!

Yours sincerely,

Claire Rose - Casemore.

Team Vicar of Braunston.

#### Notices...

The inside of the Church is being decorated! Good news but it does mean we will have scaffolding up for nearly eight weeks.

#### **HISTORY GROUP FORMED**

In response to the BVN questionnaire more than 20 people expressed an interest in setting up a History Group and two meetings have already been held centred mainly around Dick Herne's archives, which are now stored in the Village Hall. Everyone has been fascinated by their content and work has begun to categorize the vast quantity of documents. It is a very slow job as it is impossible not to stop and read as you go through!

In line with wishes of Dick's family, the intention is to produce a history of Braunston - format to be decided, but probably more socially biased than those of the past.

If you have any information or memories that you would be prepared to share, please contact Sue Burge 890310 or Phil Dunham 891437.

We are particularly interested in tracing a copy of H. Ruddy's - History of Braunston.

The next meeting will be held on 14 th August at 8pm in the Village Hall.

# A new career.....in your own home!

- Have you ever thought about becoming a Registered Childminder? Financial help available for training and up to £400 towards setting up costs. There is no upper age restriction subject to medical references.
- To find out more to see if this rewarding work is for you phone: Childcare Information Service, JIGSAW (NORTHAMPTONSHIRE) on 01604 828400.

## From the Registers.....

#### Weddings

7th July. Christopher Lilly and Victoria Williams. 14th July. Peter Hobbs and Brenda Long.

#### Friendly Club

# Peterborough Coach Trip on Wednesday 22nd August

our only event this month. Departs from The Green at 9.30 am. Leaves Peterborough at 3.30 pm. All welcome. Adults £7.50, children and Friendly Club members £5.00. To book phone Janet on 890336 or Gill on 890763

#### Tai Chi Classes - Recommence

Monday 3rd September in the Village Hall 7.00 to 8.30 pm



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### YOGA CLASSES

It may be possible to arrange a tutor and have regular sessions in the Village Hall.

#### Interested?

Then phone Lynne Whyte (890865) and leave your details.

To hire the Hall for parties, receptions, meetings, charity events etc. contact Clare on 07929 048396

The Hall Committee thanks British Waterways for letting us have a stall at the Boat Gathering. The Hall gained £400.

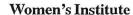
#### Other events this month

<u>Ist.Weds</u>. Police Drop in Session in Village Hall Library

Every Thursday 6.30 pm Computers 8.00 pm Bingo (both in Village Hall) 6th Monday. 7.30pm Parish Council consider Planning Applications (Village Hall)

#### **BVN** Deadline

The closing date for the September edition is 5-00pm on Thursday 23 August Leave your copy at the Post Office in an envelope marked BVN





Tuesday 7th August at 7-30pm in the Village Hall

"What are we Eating Today?"

Dr M Blades

# <u>VILLAGE SHOW</u> Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> September.

The schedules for the Village Show will be delivered to every house during the next week. Spare copies will be available at the Post Office. We hope to build on the increase in the number of new exhibitors last year, but we need YOU to take part. Full details are in the schedule, but we will remind you what you need to do in the next Village News.

# GARDEN COMPETITION RESULTS

Braunston gardens were judged on 17th July.

The results were:-

Gardens – 1st - 2 Field View,

2<sup>nd</sup> - 9 Cross Lane and 3<sup>rd</sup> - 48 Ashby Road.

Floral Display: 1st - 19 Brindley Quays,

2<sup>nd</sup> equal: 1 Countryside and 27 The Green.

Prizes will be awarded at Village Show.

Details and names of runners up will be

displayed

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Thanks to everyone who supported the raffle in aid of Macmillan Nurses, which was held recently. £126-00 was

collected.

Gill and family.

### **Computer Sessions**

The computer sessions which run at the Village Hall have proved very useful to those who have been along but unfortunately numbers have been very small. It has therefore been decided that the Tuesday session will be discontinued after 7 August 2001.

Thursday sessions between 6-30pm to 9-30pm will continue as previously. Nick Thompson, Information Officer, will be present to help with any aspect of computing and the Internet. He is also willing to help anyone who wishes to produce documents or posters or wishes to access information, either local or from further afield.

### Church Floodlighting

28th June In memory of Mrs. Blanche Green. Love & miss you always.

From Roy, Pam & all the Family.

6th July For John & Sally Lewis. Happy Wedding Anniversary.

Lots of love from the girls.

6th July Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Percival & Winifred Hutchinson

8th July Violet Russell - Happy Birthday

9th July On the 52nd Wedding Anniversary of Pauline & Roy Harper

14th July For John Andrews 30th Birthday.



One stop offers **information** on leisure facilities on the Canal, an **exhibition** by local artists and a **gift shop** offering something that little bit different!

# discover 200 years of waterway history in one dist

Exhibition from 1st August – 31st August 2001 Helen Harding – Painting Exhibition

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Normal Weekday Opening 0900 - 16.30

Mon - Fri

For further information please telephone The Stop House on 01788 890666



Summer Time Weekend Opening 1200 - 1600

Sat & Sun from 5th May 2001 to 23rd Sept 2001