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Village

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A historic door in Braunston.

The Parish Council have supported the Conservation Area Appraisal passed by Daventry District Council.

Hello

Regular readers may remember **Jenni Burton** announcing that she would be standing down as editor of the Braunston Village News.

We wish to thank Jenni for her hard work and diligence. It is a **remarkable achievement** to have edited every edition of the BVN for eight years, never missing a month and always meeting the deadline to get copies distributed around the village.

Jenni's legacy is a lively magazine that many in the village contribute to and is a useful source of **information and news**. Through the copies put in public places and on the village website, the BVN is also read by many others. We are pleased to have the opportunity to continue this.

The BVN is now edited by a team of 3 who have a total of more than 70 years living in Braunston. We want to be accessible to all. You can email us using the address **bvn@braunstonpc.org** to send in information you would like published. If you prefer to use paper, take your message to the **Post Office counter** in the Village Stores and ask for it to be put in the BVN folder. The deadline to submit contributions will continue to be midday on the **18th of each month** or on the previous Friday if the 18th falls at a weekend.

Advertisements for businesses are now in a **Directory** section. These businesses contribute to the printing costs of the BVN. We hope that when people in Braunston are looking for a service it will be easier to find a local business by turning to the Directory section of the BVN. If you run or work for a business in the parish and would like to be included, please drop us an email.
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BRAUNSTON REGISTERS

Funerals

5th December—Philip Binding

19th December—Clara Aldridge

(May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory)

There were no baptisms, weddings or funerals at All Saints' during January.

Vicar's Letter

Just before Christmas I watched a film that for me became the best film of 2018 – The Greatest Showman. It's the story of B.T. Barnum as he went from poverty to wealth through putting together a circus. He brought together a group of people who did not fit society's norms.



They were objectified as 'freaks' in a society that did not want them. He brought them together and put on a show to entertain people. His show was a way for those who were mocked and abused by society to claim some power and dignity and on the way, they found a place to call home, a place of love and acceptance.

That's a picture of what church is for me. We have just celebrated Christmas when God's Son, Jesus, comes into the world; Emmanuel, God with us. Jesus had a powerful, a story for those society considered outsiders, who were treated as 'other' and second rate. These people were really important in Jesus' eyes.

He welcomed the last, the least and the lost and spent a lot of time with them, showing them the same unconditional love and acceptance that Barnum gave.

That's what church became for me when I was younger. My hope for this new year is that All Saints' Church can be a place where all can find the unconditional love and acceptance that Jesus brings, a place to call home.

God Bless you

Rev Nat

Church Floodlighting

If you wish to have All Saints' floodlit for a special occasion please use one of the forms on the table at the back of the church. The fee is £7 per entry, although you can give more. Please keep the dedication for inclusion in the BVN to no more than 12 words. Then leave the completed form with the donation at the Rectory or the Post Office by the BVN closing date of the 18th of the month.

December's floodlighting * = Friends of All Saints. Thank You.

3rd * In Loving Memory of Our Mum

5th * Remembering with love my darling wife Thelma on her birthday - Bob

6th Remembering Judith – every day last 10 years

7th In memory of Sheila

9th Remembering Alan Cope on his 85th birthday, love Jaqueline, Amanda, Phoebe and Matt

10th Welcome to the World. India Rae Bates 2-11-2018. Love Great-Grandma & Granddad

12th Happy Birthday, Clare. Love Mum & Peter x

18th Remembering Ron Tait with much love from Helen xx

19th In memory of Mum, Dad & Brother. Love. Brian Lees

20th * In loving memory of Alan, from Gill and family

23rd Birthday Memories of Pamela Thompson. Mum, Love & Miss You. Sally

24th Carl Grant – Birthday Memories. Love you always. Sharon, Kyle, Siann and family

25th Remembering our wonderful Mother at Christmas time Gladys Elizabeth Wood

25th Treasured memories at Christmas of Alan Cope, love Jaqueline, Amanda, Phoebe and Matt

25th John Bartley, sadly missed this Christmas love from all your family xx

25th Missing our family at this time. Alf, Sarah Bodley, Joe & Lucy Allcott, Shirley Aldridge & Cliff Allcott

27th * In memory of Philip Hutchinson

27th Best Wishes on Your Birthday Fran. Love Mum and Dad

30th * Peter & Chris Grossart's Wedding Anniversary

31st Remembering Mum and Dad with all our love and affection

January's floodlighting so far ...

1st For Shirley Aldridge – Loved & missed. From Henry, Sally, Tracy and families

6th Ron Clegg - Birthday memories. Love you always. Audrey, Dave, Jane, Sharon and family

8th * Lit by Bryan & Janet Stuart, to Commemorate our son Jonathan

13th * In memory of Peter Wenham, friend & ringer

22nd Birthday memories. Gladys Owen. Always in our hearts. Miss you dearly. Love Lynn & Jim

23rd In memory of James Smith from his children - Autumn and Daniel

26th In loving memory of Shelley from Mum, Dad, Laura, Hollie and Craig

February's floodlighting so far ...

10th * In memory of Mansel Davies

10th * Cedric hopes to be 95, DV

12th * Gordon & Helena Lane Anniversary

19th * In loving memory of my brother Rowan on his birthday. Miss you loads. Duncan x

23rd * Happy birthday Zoe. Love, Mum

24th Jim Bickerstaffe – happy 70th birthday. A very special brother. From Brenda & Peter

Church diary for February

Fri	1	19:00	Sung Compline at All Saints' Church
Sun	3	11:15	Holy Communion & Junior Church at Village Hall
		17:30	Youth Church
		18:00	Evensong at All Saints' Church
Tue	5	09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
		09:00	Tiny Treasures at the Rectory
Wed	6	12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church
Sat	9	17:30	Youth Church
Sun	10	08:00	BCP Holy Communion at All Saints' Church
		11:15	Café Church at Village Hall
Tue	12	09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
		09:00	Tiny Treasures at the Rectory
Wed	13	12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church
Sat	16	10:00	Bring & Buy Coffee Morning
Sun	17	11:15	Holy Communion & Junior Church at Village Hall
		17:30	Youth Church
		18:00	No Labels Worship at All Saints' Church
Tue	19	09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
		09:00	Tiny Treasures at the Rectory
Wed	20	12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church
Sun	24	08:00	BCP Holy Communion at All Saints' Church
		11:15	Family Communion at Village Hall
		17:30	Youth Church
Tue	26	09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
		09:00	Tiny Treasures at the Rectory
Wed	27	12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Bring & Buy
COFFEE MORNING



SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY
10AM-NOON

AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BRAUNSTON
(IN THE PARISH ROOM - TO THE RIGHT AS YOU ENTER THE CHURCH)

Bring & donate unwanted gifts
Enjoy coffee & cakes
Browse & buy

Proceeds go to All Saints' Church funds (Reg. Charity No 1173187)

Parish Council Information and News

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Newly appointed Parish Councillor

Councillors voted to co-opt Robert Davey who had applied to fill the advertised vacancy on the council. In January Robert was welcomed to the council.

Forthcoming Meetings

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

4 th February	Full Council Meeting
4 th March	Full Council Meeting

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

Policing and Neighbourhood Watch

Julie Jarrett, Braunston's Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, introduced Craig Egdell to the Parish Council. He is the recently appointed PCSO for Daventry Rural Area.

Craig reminded the council that Braunston is in a low crime area, however he said that it is important to report all incidents. We can phone concerns to the police on 101 but use 999 for emergencies such as reporting a crime that is in the process of happening.

We can also contact Craig directly:

e: craig.egdell@northants.pnn.police.uk t: 07557 778055

For Neighbourhood Watch enquiries contact Julie Jarrett on 07952 858418 or 01788 890121.

School Close steps

Following requests from residents of School Close brought to the Parish Council by Terry Waddleton, the budget has been set aside for a handrail next to the steps at the bottom of the close. The council are obtaining quotes for this work.

Play area at the Playing Field

Following the successful application for a grant from Sports England, the upgrade of the Play Area at the Playing Fields will commence shortly once contracts have been finalised and signed.

Tree Work

The Parish Council has agreed to finance the reshaping and pruning of the yew tree alongside the noticeboard opposite the Old Post Office. This is because it has grown big enough for passing vehicles to hit it.

The Triangle

The sub-committee tasked with finding a structure to be installed on the Triangle at the Green met in January and are continuing to discuss an idea.

Bus Service

There have been changes to the bus timetable. Some afternoon journeys are now timed to run a little later.

The times below are from the stops by the Village Hall.

To Daventry and Northampton:

0725, 0817, 0948, 1053, 1153, 1253, 1353, 1458, 1615, 1715, 1810

To Kilsby, DIRFT and Rugby:

0756, 0932, 1032, 1132, 1232, 1332, 1432, 1532, 1637, 1737, 1850

There are no buses on Sundays. Live departures are on the 'Find your next bus' section of the Stagecoach website -

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/plan-a-journey>

Rights of Way

At the top of Old Road there is a track that continues up the hill then passes through a field to reach the bridleway to Staverton. This route follows what was the main road until 200 years ago when the current route was created with a less steep gradient.

The Northamptonshire Definitive Map of Rights of Way shows that this track is not officially classified as a bridleway even though it has been used as such over the years.

The Parish Council is hoping to apply for a Definitive Map Modification Order which, if successful, would confirm this as a bridleway. An application must be supported by statements of evidence from users and by any relevant historic documents.

Please let the council know if you have used this route on foot or horseback or if you can suggest an appropriate historic map that shows the pre-1822 main road.

t: 07956 682733

e: clerk@braunstonpc.org



Bin Collections

6 th Feb	Food and Garden Waste
13 th Feb	Food, Recycling and Waste
20 th Feb	Food and Garden Waste
27 th Feb	Food and Recycling
6 th Mar	Food, Waste and Garden Waste

Conservation Area

Daventry District Council has reviewed the Braunston Conservation Area. This is split into two parts, one covering the High Street and The Green, the other the canal and Marina from the Stop House to Crooked Cottage. Other parts of the canal are in further Conservation Areas that extend beyond the parish and were not reviewed at this stage.

There have been minor changes to the boundary of the Braunston Conservation Area in order to take account of changes to plots since the original area was designated in 1991.

The document is an interesting description of the village and its setting in the landscape. There is a section which analyses the architecture. Design guidance and a Management Plan are included.

The document can be downloaded from the DDC website <https://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/living/planning-policy/conservation-areas/>

A paper copy will be available for reading in the Community Café.

The report notes that historic walls are rare in Braunston due to the continuous and historic built line. This is one example on Bunyan Lane.



Village Hall Information

News

In addition to the regular activities the Village Hall Committee are pleased to be able to offer a warm welcome to parish churchgoers.



The church diary earlier in this edition indicates which services are being held in the hall.

Six parties are booked to use the Village Hall this month. We are delighted that our hall is found to be such a good venue for parties. Please visit our website if you are interested in booking a party in the hall.

Hall hire charges

	Braunston Residents	Non-Residents
Gallie Room	£11 per hour	£22 per hour
Main Hall	£11 per hour	£22 per hour
Both Halls	£20 per hour	£40 per hour
Meeting Room	£6 per hour	£12 per hour

For all day or all evening events special reduced rates apply.

Details:

w: braunstonvillagehall.org.uk

e: villagehall@braunston.org.uk

t: 07890 072487.

If your child attends Braunston Pre-School or Braunston C of E Primary School you are entitled to Braunston resident's rates even if you do not live in the village. You also receive an extra 10% off hall hire charges during the Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays.

Contacts for regular activities in the Village Hall

Some clubs take a break during school holidays . Please check with the contacts .

WEEKLY

CONTACT

Monday	Pilates	6.45pm	Sam	07593 913686
	Pilates	8.00pm	Sam	07593 913686
Tuesday	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	Alan	01788 890011
	Fishing Club Bingo	8.00pm	Harry	01788 890396

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	Barbara	01788 890452
Thursday	Gardens Association	7.30pm	Kate	01788 890340
Saturday	Cinema Club	7.30pm	Arthur	01788 890508

Pre-School Monday-Friday -

braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com

MAD MARCH FAIR

Sat 2nd Mar Braunston Twinners 10.00am Liz 07890 072487

Clubs and groups

Friendly Club

At the Friendly Club members enjoy tea, cake and a chat.

We meet in The Gallie Room at the Village Hall. Non-members of all ages are very welcome to join our meetings.

This month we have two meetings but not at our usual fortnightly interval. Please note the dates below.

Monday 11th February, 2pm to 4pm . A talk given by Northamptonshire Fire Brigade **Safety in the home.**

Monday 18th February, 2pm to 4pm – note date

Thank you to Braunston Cinema Club for providing today's **film show**. That Day We Sang. This is a Victoria Wood production. We will be in the main hall.

Monday 25th February – no meeting

For more information telephone

Jenny 01788 890186

Community Car

Many thanks from the community car team to Mike and Janet McCarthy for their kind and generous donation of their Citroen Xsara, to replace the ageing and well used current vehicle.

Later this year we will be having a craft stall at one of the village events to raise funds for the community car. If anyone would like to contribute either finished items, or just wool for this, please contact Lynda on 01788 311384.

Fishing Club

Braunston Fishing Club meets every Thursday at 8pm throughout the year for **Bingo** in the Village Hall. Non-members are welcome.

Harry 01788 890396

Braunston Women's Institute

Our next meeting is on Tuesday February 5th, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The speaker will be Krystal Kelly who will talk about **Women's Solo Travel**. This is something many of our group have to do these days. So come along and be inspired to be a bit more adventurous this year.

Contact Barbara on 01788 890452 for more information.



Health Walks

Put a spring back in your step by coming along and joining in our Health Walks in the Village. Walks start at 2pm, last about 30 or 40 minutes going from and finishing at the Community Cafe.

All are welcome but please wear suitable footwear as some walks will be across fields.

Please ring for the date of the next walk.

Leader: Rosemary Kendall (01788 890543)

Braunston Bakes

We are planning our spring pop-up. Look out for the date in the March BVN and on our posters.

Contact us if you would like to join the bakers.

e: braunstonbakes@gmail.com



Community Café



CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!

If you would like to display your crafts with a view to selling them why not use our community café?

We have three display areas, a glass cabinet, shelves and some hanging space on the walls.

We don't charge commission (although donations are always welcome).

If you would like any more information, please get in touch with me.

Jenni Burton 01788 891546

Braunston Twinners

Below is a reminder about Braunston's twinning and this year's visit from Quincy-Voisins and on the next page information about our fund-raising fair in March.

THE FRENCH ARE COMING !

LOOK OUT BRAUNSTON
HERE WE COME!

Braunston is twinned with Quincy-Voisins
and our French friends will be visiting us
this year for 3 nights from 2-5 May.

Come and join in the fun, the outings and socials
even if you're not able to host.

Make real and lasting friendships!

Everyone is welcome. For more details just email
twinningers@braunston.net



MAD MARCH FAIR !

Braunston Village Hall

Saturday

2nd March 2019

From 10.00am - 2.00pm

CRAFTS



CAKES



+ COFFEE

TO BOOK A TABLE :-

TEL 07890 072487

OR EMAIL LIZFRASER1551@GMAIL.COM



BRAUNSTON TWINNERS



Braunston Scouts

This year Alisdair Rolt has become the new Group Scout Leader, Jo Longworth the Chair Person and Sasha Kerriage becoming the Treasurer. Everyone would like to say a huge thank you to Steve Rolt for his role in all 3 positions for many years. He has been a true leader for the group and continues to support everyone in their roles.

The group would like to say thank you to the Community Café for the donation for us to purchase hammocks as an alternative to tents.

The group has also had a very successful year in 2018 with the Scouts and Explorers winning the annual raft race held at Daventry Country Park; the Scouts also took part in the annual star trek challenge where they had to work as a team to complete challenges and be awarded points whilst navigating through the night.

The different sections of the group take part in different activities throughout the year. The Cubs take part in the sun trek challenge where they have to work as a team to complete challenges similar to the Scouts star trek challenge, except they complete their challenges in daylight. All sections enjoy taking part in nights away whether it be a sleepover for the Beavers or a camp for the Cubs, Scouts and Explorers and these have a variety of different activities for everyone to take part in, from archery to building their own shelter and spending the night in it.

If your child is interested in joining the Beavers (ages 6-8), Cubs (8-10), Scouts (10-14) or Explorers (14-18) please contact the leaders below.

If you are an adult wishing to volunteer please contact us as we are looking for leaders, occasional helpers and committee members. All of this would not be possible without the amazing volunteers currently in the group and we always welcome any new member.

Alisdair Rolt	Group Scout Leader	07756 629597
Tony Shipley	Beaver Leader	07432 132769
David Coleman	Cub Leader	07796 336985
Steve Irwin	Scout Leader	07545 833030
Stuart Muddiman	Explorer Leader	07875 066292
Jo Longworth	Chair Person	07930 263113

Jetty Field– Braunston's Pocket Park

At our first Jetty Field meeting of the year it was something of a celebration as it was the 100th meeting of the committee which has now been running for 13 years. We are very lucky to still have existing committee members who have been with us for all that time, which shows a huge dedication to this wonderful area.

We are all looking forward to implementing our plans for the new **Nature Reserve** across this year. We published our document on this on the village website for everyone to see. If you haven't had chance please take a look at this.

w: <https://www.braunston.org.uk/org.aspx?n=Jetty-Field-Braunston-Pocket-Park>

We have the following work days planned already for:

- **Saturday 2nd February**
- **Saturday 2nd March**
- **Saturday 6th April**

Please come along and join us if you can. We start at **9am** and meet at the top of Jetty Field. Please bring along a spade and gloves if possible and we'll bring the coffee and cake. We are usually finished by 12 noon.

Our next Jetty Field meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th March in the Meeting Room in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.



Jane Simon

Braunston Walkers

Our final event of 2018 consisted a splendid walk on Barby Hill followed by an excellent lunch with Roz and Simon, two of our walkers. We enjoyed fabulous views over Braunston with the sun shining and glinting on the roofs below. There are two Giant Sequoia trees here which can be seen as far away as Hellidon and even Coventry.

Our walk continued alongside Ashby Home Wood, a shooting estate now in the hands of the owner of a BMW dealership. Despite muddy fields and awkward stiles we arrived at the front of Ashby St Ledgers Manor House. Nigel set up his flipchart and gave us a potted history of the gunpowder plot.

We continued through the delightful village to cross the A361 and join the Jurassic Way footpath and then walked along the top of Braunston Cleves which Simon's Farm is named after.

Back at the house we ate a veritable feast which we all enjoyed. What a great day out. Thanks to Simon and Roz.

As we were about to leave we persuaded Simon to give us a tune on the organ and then on a piano. We sang along on with some old favourites. He is really an accomplished musician and put us in the Christmas mood.

We meet at 10 at the **Village Hall** on the third Saturday each month. On the **16th of February** we plan to walk about 4½ miles to The Old Coach House at Ashby St Ledgers where we will have lunch. After taking a look around Ashby it will be gentle 3 mile stroll back to Braunston with fantastic views over Warwickshire.

You would be made most welcome to join us and it's free. Our planned walks for the first half of this year are:

16 th Feb	Ashby St Ledgers
16 th Mar	Shutford
27 th Apr	Tamworth in Arden
18 th May	Wetton in the White Peak District
15 th Jun	Hanwell

Ray Scrivens 01788 891384

History Society

Our next event is:

Tuesday Feb 19th 7.30pm in Village Hall

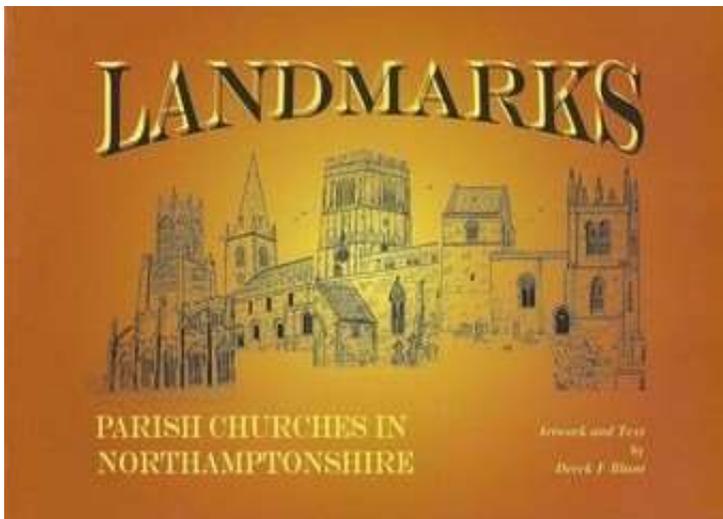
Derek Blunt will talk on: -

Spires and Shires of Northamptonshire

Derek can trace his family back to the 1500s all living and working in Northampton. Since retiring he has written and illustrated several books about Northamptonshire including the one shown below.

We look forward to seeing our members.

Guests are welcome, £2 on the door.



Braunston Paddock Cricket Club

Please see below for details of our winter nets.

e: Braunstoncc@gmail.com

Braunston Cricket Winter Nets **Wednesday 7:45pm - 8:45pm**

16th Jan - 3rd April

Parker E-ACT - Randolph Building

**Thinking about joining a club? Now is the
ideal time to come along. Free Taster
Session.**



Braunston Paddock CC E-Mail: Braunstoncc@gmail.com

Braunston Village Gardens Association

The store is open Sundays 3th March to 26th May from 11 till midday at the Village Hall and sells items listed below. Just turn up and buy.

Compost – multi purpose	40 litres	£3.60	
Compost – Peat Free multi purpose	50 litres	£5.00	
Compost – Ericaceous	40 litres	£4.00	
Compost – John Innes No.2 or No.3	25 litres	£3.80	
Growbag for 3 plants		£2.30	
Bamboo Canes	8 ft	60p	
Tomorite	1.0 litre	£4.00	
Doff Slug Pellets	350g	£2.00	
Bark Chips	75 litres	£6.00	
Fertiliser - Fish Blood & Bone	1lb 60p	7lb £3	14lb £5
Fertiliser – Bonemeal	1lb 70p	7lb £4	14lb £6
Fertiliser - Growmore	1lb 90p	7lb £6	14lb £9
Pelleted Chicken Fertiliser	1lb 50p	7lb £3	14lb £5

For **larger bags** please pre-order.

Put your order with the cost of the items (cash or cheque to 'BVGA') through the door at 65 High Street by 10th February. Indicate number required. Collect from Village Hall on 3th March or later if you wish. Please ask if you need delivery.

Any other garden items

Ring 01788 890340 and ask for prices on a wide range of items.

Fish, blood and bone 25kg Organic fertiliser	£15	___
Growmore 25kg All-purpose general garden fertiliser	£20	___
Bonemeal 25kg Sterilised, organic fertiliser for bulbs, shrubs, planting of trees and as a dressing on vegetable patches.	£18	___
Pelleted Chicken Fertiliser 20kg Sterilised, organic	£11	___

List other garden items:

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Name Tel Address.....

Braunston Cinema Club

On Saturday **23rd February** at 7 30pm in the Village Hall we present:

BAGDAD CAFÉ

1987 PG

Nominated for an Oscar and 14 other awards worldwide. Jack Palance nearly steals the show with his wonderfully underplayed role, but the ladies are the stars of the show - CCH Pounder and Marianne Sagebrecht.

Bagdad Cafe, not Iraq but USA, hence the spelling. A lonely German woman ends up in the most desolate motel on earth and decides to make it brighter. The film is a look into the minds and lives of people most of us have met but few of us know much about. A whimsical and lovingly photographed look at the vast wasteland that is too often ignored by much of humanity.

Homemade refreshments are available to buy. Please book tickets/ food in advance to help with catering.

Feel free to bring a bottle & a glass of your choice.

Film only: £4.50 members / £6.50 non-members

Some tickets available on the door

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

Braunston Canal Society

Three of our team are now assessed and able to helm tugs, with attached flat which has allowed us to borrow the tug “Pochard” to use for offside cutting at Braunston. We first had to get it here via Stoke Bruerne and finally on the 11th December it moored up near Braunston Marina.



Our first offside cut of the year focussed on improving the “line sight” opposite the Braunston Stop House. We arranged for a chipper early in the new year, so this has given us time to complete all cutting that will require chipping.

Seven task parties worked in December and early January, so we have made good use of “Pochard”.

This enabled us to finish cutting vegetation hanging over the canal below the lock flight and along all but a 50 yard section between Top Lock and the Braunston Tunnel.

We returned “Pochard “ on the 5th and 7th January to Weedon, then worked on this side of Blisworth Tunnel. Ten volunteers gave their time and effort during the recent holiday period to help make this happen. We are looking at options that will give us easier access to a tug and flat use for future projects.

The society is always keen to welcome new volunteers, so if you would like to come along and have some fun do contact me.

Clive Joynson

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Other News

Christmas Mail

Thank you to everyone who donated to the village Christmas card delivery service, £54.20 was raised and donated to Braunston Playing Fields Association. Tom Sabin, on behalf of the BPFA comments "The money will be put towards new play equipment. Thanks to all who have helped with this"



Thank you also to the band of volunteers who delivered the Christmas cards and to the Community Café and Church where the post boxes were located.

We hope the service will run again in 2019. If you would like to volunteer to be a postie, please let Keren Andrews know at keren.andrews@outlook.com



Young Carers Hamper Appeal

The Young Carer's Christmas Hamper scheme mentioned in the December/January edition of the BVN has had an outstandingly successful Christmas 2018 appeal.

The appeal is organised once a year by 7 residents at Brindley Quays and Braunston Marina.

Seventeen families in Brindley Quays and in Braunston village (and two families respectively in Kilsby and in Foxton, Leics) donated in total just over £1170.

With the very generous support of four organisations (Braunston PCC, Braunston Village Charity, Braunston Community Café, and Danetre Rotary Club), a final total of £2970 was quickly raised.

Braunston Marina Ltd contributed and loaned their van to assist in the transport of groceries and hampers. Student support staff, and students, at the Parker E-Act Academy and at DSLV E-Act Academy, both in Daventry, assisted with the assembly of the Hampers and with delivery of them.

In all 62 substantial hampers of food were provided to families with young children in Braunston and in Daventry whose lives have been blighted by serious illness, death of a parent, or by other serious circumstance. Many of the recipient families include an official Young Carer.

It was very gratifying for all involved that the number of hampers donated marked a substantial increase on the previous year's total.

The hampers not only provide vital sustenance to such families, but also a measure of psychological support because they come with the implicit message that people actually care.

The appeal team wish to thank all the residents and organisations who helped and/or contributed and without whose support such a successful outcome would not have been possible.



Braunston Literary Festival

The first Braunston Literary Festival saw over seventy book-enthusiasts attend two book launches with selected passages read by actors and canal enthusiasts Timothy West and Prunella Scales. The event was held at All Saints Church, Braunston, by kind permission of the vicar, Rev Nat. The event raised over £1,000 for the two charities, Crusader Community Boatings and Dementia UK.

The first book was a facsimile reprint by the CanalBookShop - and sponsored by Braunston Marina - of a now scarce and important book, A Summer on the Nene by BB about two voyages in a small boat on the River in 1966 in the twilight years of river carrying. The book is available for purchase at £15.95 – online from The CanalBookShop or from the Braunston Marina shop.

Next was Andree's War, How One Young Woman Outwitted the Nazis. It was written by her daughter Francelle Bradford White - based on her mother's diaries and Francelle's conversations with her. Aged 19, Andree was working in the Police Headquarters in Paris in 1940, when the city fell to the Nazis who turned it into an instrument of terror. Andree was asked by the French Resistance to stay on as informant and provide false documents, leading a dangerous double life. Later she was betrayed, but survived interrogation and the war.

The book is her previously unknown story of extraordinary courage and cunning. Copies of the book can be ordered through Braunston Marina. (sales@braunstonmarina.co.uk or 01788 891373)

Tim Coghlan tim@braunstonmarina.co.uk



(l/r) David Laing, The Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire, Chris Coles of the BB Society, Tim Coghlan of Braunston Marina, and actors and canal enthusiasts, Timothy West and Prunella Scales

Braunston News in the Daventry Express

I write in the Neighbourhood News columns in the 'Gusher' each week about anything of interest from Braunston. It is good to be able to show what is going on in the village.

I have to keep it short or the piece is pruned by the editor. If you or your organisation are doing something which might appeal to a wider audience for example raising money for charity or someone winning a prize or an award please let me know.

I send my copy on Sunday evening for publication the following Thursday. Either email me by noon on a Sunday:

e: chris@multiplex.me.uk

or put it through my door at 36, Welton Road.

Chris Grossart

Braunston's Rainfall

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Jan	53	72	55	62
Feb	31	37	47	24
Mar	25	79	54	104
Apr	14	43	12	70
May	45	33	71	72
Jun	25	68	32	1
Jul	48	8	54	14
Aug	44	60	53	42
Sep	33	43	72	29
Oct	48	16	11	50
Nov	61	74	29	39
Dec	72	21	92	72
<u>Total</u>				
mm	499	554	592	579
ins	20	22	23	23

Features

Getting to know...

Jo Longworth

How long have you lived in the village?

My whole life

What do you like about living in the village?

I love the fact you can leave your house and meet people in the street and you smile and say "morning" even if you don't know each other, the way the community rallies round when people need some help of any description, the groups in the village and the generous volunteers who take time to make a difference.

We have a huge array of different groups in the village from the community car, youth club, Jetty Fields and Scouts to name a few and all of these provide essential help and/or enjoyment within the village.

The surrounding countryside provides some lovely rides for all horse riders, walkers and other users.

What is your favourite book?

Sense and Sensibility by Jane Austen

Who is your favourite Singer/band?

Carrie Underwood

Where is your favourite place?

I love the Cairngorms National Park (but there is nowhere like home)



Braunston's Rainfall in 2018

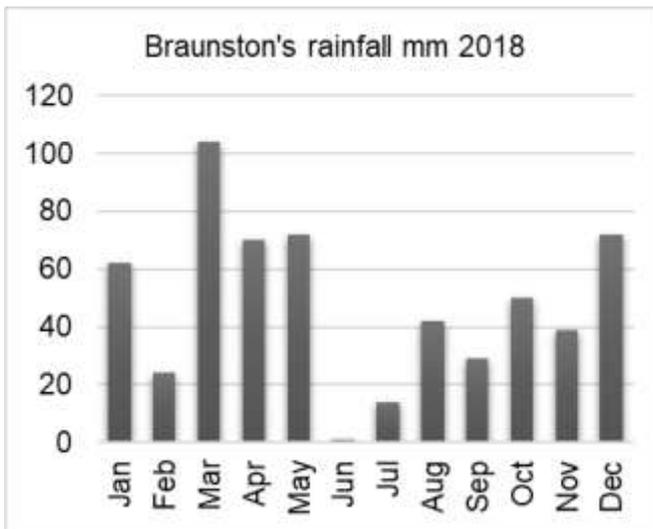
We are indebted to Rob Buckley for recording Braunston's monthly rainfall and reporting it to the BVN.

We now have data for four complete years. See page 29. The rainfall totals over these years are quite consistent. A variability of about 20% is not extreme.

What marks out 2018 is the wide range of monthly rain totals. June was an exceptionally dry month when the persistent high pressure, descending air, prevented air masses from rising and creating the conditions that lead to rain. Gardeners were relieved when some rain returned in July. The conditions were ideal for tomatoes with many reporting bumper crops.

The Met Office summary for 2018 stated that it was warmer than average, although not as warm as 2017. May, June, July and December were all much warmer than average. This was a very sunny year, particularly May, June and July. Notable extreme events during the year included a spell of severe winter weather in late February and early March.

Does anyone in the village record temperatures? It would be great if you could let us have these to include with the rainfall data we have.



Directory of local businesses

The businesses whose advertisements appear on the following pages have contributed to the printing costs of the BVN

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