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Mr & Mr Sid and their five ‘Sidlings’
Waiting for tea at nb Brimstone

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St Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers

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REGISTERS FOR JUNE 2015

BRAUNSTON

Marriage— 26th June—Kelly Ford and Thomas Ives

Funerals— 10th June—Eileen Alsop
  22nd June—Gladys Wood

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory
Braunston Parish Council

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

6th Jul Full Council Meeting
3rd Aug Full Council Meeting
6th Aug Jetty Fields Sub Committee

All Agendas and Minutes are available on the Braunston Website
Floodlighting 2015

June’s floodlighting so far …
1st June - * Thank you to all who join in with village organisations.
2nd June - Thanks Again Colin from all at Braunston Bowls Club
5th June - Vicky and Richard’s 50th Wedding Anniversary.
                  Love from James, Christine, Harry & Emily
7th June - Sheila, enjoy your second 35th birthday. Lots of love from
                  David and the family.
9th June - * On our Anniversary
9th June – Remembering Don Withall on his birthday. We love & miss you.
                  Never forgotten. Gill, Cindy & Kelly xxx
12th June - * With love to the Morgan girls and their families
28th June – Birthday memories of Sheila, with love. John & Hilda

July’s floodlighting so far …
6th July - * John & Sally’s Wedding Anniversary
8th July - * Jeff & Tracy’s 17th Wedding Anniversary
11th July - Love and Blessings to Rebekah and Aaron on the occasion of their marriage. From Grandad and Granny Kibblewhite
11th July - Love and good wishes to Rebekah and Aaron on your Wedding Day. From Mum & Dad, Leah & Ben
14th July - Love and Congratulations to Tim & Hazel Kibblewhite for their Silver Wedding. From all the family.

* = Friends of All Saints – **A huge Thank You**

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline – **20th June 2015**
On being back to front and inside out

When I was fourteen I was the only girl in my class without bosoms. I don’t mean they were small. I mean they were non-existent. In a girls’ school being quite without assets was a social disaster and I took a lot of teasing over my ironing-board chest. Mind you, I didn’t help myself. I clearly recall walking out of the changing room into the school swimming pool and being astonished when all the girls and the teacher burst into howls of laughter, crying real tears and falling about with mirth. I thought it was the effect of my new green goggles, which were admittedly a bit froggy, but it turned out to be because I had put my backless swimming costume on back to front.

A few weeks later and ‘off swimming’ with a cold I was left sitting idle in the changing room while the others swam. My envious attention was drawn to the bras hanging on every peg and I had an inspired idea. It was the work of just a few moments to switch all the bras around replacing little ones with big ones and hanging double hammocks where little lacy numbers had previously dangled. The Benny Hill-like chaos that ensued when 30 shivering, dripping semi-naked girls returned to the changing room to dress was worth every minute of the lengthy detention that I received for my pains when everyone was finally restored to their own lingerie. The teacher, who administered the punishment, was big enough to concede the evil genius of my act and the fact that it was very funny indeed. I base my life on the knowledge of God’s forgiveness of those who truly repent of their sins but I’m not sure that I have ever quite repented for the sheer joy of that day. I’m still a work in progress apparently.

We all worry about appearance to some extent because it matters to everyone else. If you see a group of lads watching a group of girls the odds are that they are not discussing their intellects- and it’s the same when the girls watch the boys. Our appearances matter to other people and therefore they matter to us too and large companies make squillions because they know we will spend money to look right – designer clothes, smartphones, sunglasses, cars- you name it, we’ll buy it. Even bosoms if things feel a little flat.

It is our way to look at the externals. God’s way is to turn things back to front. He looks at things the other way round. He looks at us from the inside out. He’s not interested in getting the “outside” right. What is on the inside- in our hearts- is more important to God because that is who we really are. And what is on the inside will always come out- which I guess is the spiritual equivalent of the back-to-front-swimming-costume episode. Nothing is hidden.

Best wishes, Sarah
NEWS FROM THE BRAUNSTON POCKET PARK

Thank you so much to everyone who attended the recent Picnic in the Park held in Jetty Field. The event was a real success. It was fantastic to see so many children and adults partaking in kite making, boules, the treasure hunt, face painting and corn dolly making. Thank you to everyone involved in making the event possible.

NEWS FROM JETTY FIELD.

A small work party completed the fence running between the woodland area and the conservation area. Thank you Paul Hart and Dennis! Brian and Gloria have worked extremely hard in tidying the garden area, preparing flower beds and tidying for the Open Gardens Day.

The large field continues to look magnificent. Most of the field will be “topped” to encourage further growth. An area will be left as there are wild flowers and grasses that were planted over the past two years. The whole field, we hope, will be cut and baled as we did last year in mid to late July.

The Friends of Braunston Pocket Park continue to support the work of the Jetty Field Management committee through fund raising and obtaining grants for specific projects. We hope to be able to provide a picnic bench with wheel chair and push chair access in the next few months. There are also plans for other improvements, including new fencing and user friendly access gates. Have you any suggestions? Contact one of the members from either of the committees!

Our next Saturday work morning is on Saturday 12th September between 9.00 and 12.00. Do put this date in your diary and come along and help! We can make the park even better – TOGETHER!

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Jenni’s Jottings

I am suffering from Empty Nest Syndrome. Our baby bluetits have fled and are hopefully happily involved in whatever bluetits do. Meanwhile we have so much to watch on the bird feeders. I love to see all the baby birds flapping their wings for the poor exhausted parents to feed them and then turning their backs to feed themselves when poor ma and pa hunt for more scraps. We have a large ‘flock’ of goldfinches which are so beautiful, a huge ‘flock’ of starlings noisily fighting over everything in sight. More exciting was a mum spotted woodpecker has brought her baby to feed. Stunning birds.

What a busy month June was. I hope those who watched the Mikron Theatre at the Admiral Nelson enjoyed it as much as I did, so very funny and talented people. The Church Fete was very well attended and made lots of money for the Church. It was great to see so many dogs entering the Dog Show and I hope they have it again next year.

After reading Reverend Sarah’s letter I thought I would share my embarrassing /foolish story with you. I was about 14 and spending a time in hospital. I was very bored and helped the nurses with some of their tasks. I took round the bowls of water and flannels to the patients and then removed them. One day I was asked to collect all the little pots of false teeth and to wash them. I duly did so and filled the basin in the sluice with warm water and washing up liquid and tipped everything in! False teeth, partial plates, little boxes – everything!! I will always remember the look on the nurses face when she came to collect the teeth! Apparently I was supposed to do one pot at a time!! It took ages to sort out, much longer than Sarah’s bras as every time someone tried the wrong teeth they had to be cleaned again (the teeth not the patient). Coincidentally I was suddenly well enough to be taken home. I don’t suppose 50+ years later there are any of those poor patients left who missed breakfast that morning.

So, what is in store for us in July? There is the wonderful Pudding & Performances which I always enjoy, get your tickets soon if you haven’t already as they always sell out. There is the Treasure Hunt and Fun Day in the Playing Fields and I am sure lots more to do.

Enjoy July every body and don’t forget to let me know what has been going on.

Jenni
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THE VILLAGE BELLS.

Did you wonder why the bells were ringing in the afternoon of Sunday 15th June?
It was part of a national celebration of the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta,
when churches throughout the land were asked to ring together at 3 p.m. Ringing
church bells for occasions of national importance is a ancient tradition with us;
there are records of London’s bells being rung to celebrate the failure of the
Gunpowder Plot!

Ringing for Sunday services is now well established in Braunston and the ringers
do receive compliments regarding this, but our numbers are marginal and
occasionally we have not been able to ring all six bells. The traditional source of
new recruits, choir boys growing up, is no longer viable and today our youngsters
have their priorities of school exams and preparation for University to consider.
There is currently a national trend of the more mature age groups, male and
female, finding bell ringing an absorbing occupation. Most Mondays at 2.30 p.m.
here in Braunston we have a meeting of learner ringers, mainly pensioners, from
surrounding villages, together with several experienced ringers as teachers. These
are social as well as practical instructional sessions. Please feel welcome to join
us and see what English Bell ringing is all about. Or, come along on the regular
practice night, Thursdays, 7.30 p.m.

Keep Braunston’s bells ringing! More information from :-

Peter Wenham,
891935.
Air Ambulance Fund Raising

If anyone has any odd balls of wool to spare could they please take them to Kim in the shop. They are to go towards knitted toys for the fund raising day. Thank you
Summer Fete Saturday 4th July
Dance from 11am / Fete from midday

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CHURCH FÊTE- 6 June 2015

A Tremendous Result!!!!!!

The organisers of the Fête wish to thank everyone who helped to make this event such a success. Grateful thanks to all those who donated prizes, made cakes and donated items to be sold. Thank you to all the organisers, stallholders and people that helped with the setting up and putting away of tents, tables and fencing, and general heavy lifting and transporting. A great deal of work went into this event and it is very much appreciated.

The Fête raised over £3,000, which is to be put towards Church running costs

RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS:

1st R. Barker
2nd K. Clarke
3rd C. Grossart
4th M. Hick
5th S. Bell
6th S. Lacey
7th S. Williams

DOG SHOW

The Dog Show attracted many visitors from both Braunston and elsewhere and there was a good atmosphere throughout the event.

Congratulations to all the winners. The 1st in each class were as follows:-

Handsomest Dog: Elaine Dawson of Braunston with Tweed
Prettiest Bitch: Marie Watson of Braunston with Molly
Cutest Puppy: Claire Harrison of Braunston with Coco Chanel
Best Veteran: John Dymond of Braunston with Rascal
Best Child Handler: No name/address on entry form but dog’s name Millie
Best Rescue Dog: Toyah Sutton of Braunston with Munch
Most Appealing Eyes: Chris Davis of Welton with Benny
Best Condition: Elaine Dawson of Braunston with Tweed
Best Crossbreed: Isabella Lane of Daventry with Daisy
Best Pedigree: Brooke Fisher of Braunston with Chief
Car Treasure Hunt
Friday 17th July

Cars leave from All Saints’ Church between 6pm & 6-30pm

£10 per person for Treasure Hunt, Two Course Meal & Wine

The meal is served at 8:30pm in the Parish Room at Church

Come for a brilliant & fun evening!

To book, please call Pat on 01788 899 157

Good Luck!
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There is a great deal of good news to tell you! There will be improvements to the lighting system in many areas of the village hall. LED lighting will mean increased safety and energy savings. We are making good progress regarding the resurfacing of the car park and the improvement to the mains water system is nearly complete. Lettings are getting stronger. Year on year comparisons show increased lettings and more use of this wonderful facility. A big thank you to our booking officer Leyla Clayson! The more lettings we have the greater revenue we receive. This means we can use the money to improve our village hall even more!

**A reminder that our A.G.M. is on MONDAY 20th JULY at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall.**

You are very welcome to come along and take part by asking questions and making suggestions on how we can continue to provide a better service to all those who use the village hall. We want to hear from YOU!
THE DICK HERNE BRAUNSTON HISTORY SOCIETY.

Chris. Pardoe, past Chairman of our society, gave an excellent talk on the Braunston cholera outbreak. Over twenty people attended this recent history society evening.

A group of members have booked to go on a walking tour of Warwick town centre. They will be given a guided tour which will be followed by a lunch in a local pub. A report of this trip will be made in the August B.V.N.

We take a break during July and August but return on September 15th when an old friend of the society, Malcolm Deacon, will give an illustrated talk entitled “Mission and Empire – A story of two Northamptonshire men.” Malcolm has given many talks to our society and is always very warmly received. A talk not to miss! More details in the September B.V.N.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

People who think they know everything are a great annoyance to those of us who do!

Isaac Asimov
‘‘GUN POWDER TREASON AND PLOT’’

In 1959 the Poet Laureate John Betjeman wrote:-
‘‘In England the best things are often hidden and unregarded, and of all the Churches of Northamptonshire the most exciting is that of Ashby St Ledger’s’’

The adjoining manor house is where the Gunpowder Plot was hatched.
In this connection some stalwarts of the Church have set up a display of photographs and other materials.
The exhibition is in the Minstrels Gallery with in the Church and we believe you may find it of interest.

If you have not visited our Church, which is on your doorstep, you really should. It is over 800 years old!

Betjeman said ‘‘The whole place is like an old English watercolour, delicate with the texture of centuries – each has given of its best to Ashby’’
The Church is open 7 days a week in ‘normal’ opening hours. Well worth a visit and a contribution in our collection tube would not come amiss and will help maintain the beautiful building

Arthur Old
P.C.C. Secretary Ashby Church

Marie Curie Tea Party

A very successful raising money for Marie Curie.
A fantastic figure of £410 was raised. A very big thank you to all who attended and the donations from those who could not join us. Thanks to those who made the fabulous cakes and scones. Thanks to the Braunston Singers who worked very hard setting up the Village Hall, serving tea and then performing. We must not forget the two boys, Chris Edge and Tony Shipley for making the tea and coffee and washing up.
Roll on next year!!!

Jacqueline Lancaster and Linda Harris
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Thank you to all those who supported our stall at the Braunston Church Fete. We raised £168 for Church and Legion Funds.

Our June Wednesday lunch at The Sporting Club, Barby, was well supported. The July Luncheon will be on the 22nd at the White Horse, Welton. All are welcome, no prior booking needed.

A number of our members and partners will be visiting RAF Brize Norton on 1st July. The visit has been organised by the RAF Association, Rugby. This is an operational Station with a well known recent history associated with repatriations from Afghanistan.

The next meeting of the Branch will be at the Sporting Club, Barby, on 14th July at 8.00 pm.

Tony Saunderson - Tel. No. 01788 890797.

AN EVENING OF FOLK MUSIC
On FRIDAY 24TH JULY AT 7.30 P.M IN THE VILLAGE HALL

A wonderful evening of FOLK MUSIC presented by The Friends of All Saint’s Braunston. We are proud to announce the return of the singers and musicians from “Folk at The Oak”.

** Light snacks and a bar ** Tickets £8 on sale from the beginning of July from Charisma Hair Salon, The Post Office, and Your Café. Also available after church services at All Saint’s Church and by telephone from Andrew Alsop.
Braunston Village Gardens Association
Gardening together in Braunston
2015 – Celebrating our 60th Year

July Events

Open Gardens
We would like to thank everyone for supporting the Open Gardens event this year, especially those gardeners who allowed us to visit their gardens. All were raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support and Friends of All Saints Church.

Thursday 9th July 7.30pm BVGA Planning meeting – Village Hall library. All welcome.

Tuesday 14th July 6.30pm visit to Rugby School Garden. If you would like to go please contact Kate 890340 to check availability of places.

Gardens Competition – it could be this month that the judge is visiting – or it may not be – we are all waiting to see! A reminder that all gardens visible from the public highway are judged and there are also trophies for Braunston businesses, one for in the High Street and one for those not in the High Street.

The Braunston Show – Saturday 5th September - last month we told you the titles for the handicrafts. This month we are focusing on the children’s classes ready for the summer holidays. All children will receive individual schedules via Braunston School and Preschool in July. Below are the classes that you can get ready ahead of time, so great ideas for wet summer holiday days.

Check out all the classes on line www.braunston.org.uk/bvgashow
Households will receive a copy of the full schedule in late July, early August.

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Remember there will be many other classes for children and you can enter all the adult classes too.

Please ring Kate Mawer on 890340 for more details about any of these events.
The Mobile Sight Centre will visit New Daventry on Wednesday 15th July 10am—1pm.

THE MOBILE LIBRARY

The Mobile Library will be at the Village Hall

On Friday 24th July

17.10 to 17.50
### FORTHCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

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Braunston CE School
Open Days

DATE: 8th July 2015 at 9.30 am

Parents of new children are invited to look round the school during the above times.

Please arrive promptly.
Abigail Campbell, District Councillor

Braunston Canal Partnership
The Canal and River Trust is supporting a new local partnership to develop events and projects, and raise funds to enhance the canal and celebrate its heritage, working alongside the Braunston Canal Society. If you’re a group or business who’d like to get involved in the partnership please email sa-rah.brown@canalrivertrust.org.uk.

The first event is happening on Sunday 13th September, one of hundreds of Heritage Open Days events taking place across the country. It’ll include an exhibition, a guided walk and boat trips. If you have any photos of the canal, or any memories to do with the canal, or any other contributions please get in touch with Sarah Brown. Look out for more details of the event in the next BVN.

Community Car
The community car is up and running, and will be supporting the Braunston Open Gardens Day this weekend. The free service is designed for residents without their own transport or with limited mobility. We can take you to visit friends, local shops and services, village events, church or pub! Just ring 01530 518983 to make a booking. We have a small team of volunteer drivers and are on the look-out for more – do get in touch with me on 07989 421836.

Daventry Park Run and Braunston Football
I’ve been running, off and on, since I was 13. I don’t go fast, nor that far. But I love being outside. It clears my head. And I always feel better afterwards – or at least, once I’ve got my breath back.

A few months’ ago I started taking part in the Park Run at Daventry Country Park, managed by volunteers and supported by Northamptonshire Sport. As, it turns out, have many other residents in Braunston – it’s like a village reunion at the starting line! About 120 people take part each week – all ages, all levels of experience. Your run (5km) is timed so there’s a bit of friendly competition.
Levels of obesity in adults in Daventry District are above the national average. It’s so important that initiatives like Parkrun exist – even if, like today, the route has to be changed because vandals have burnt a bridge in the Country Park!

In Braunston it’s fantastic that the Admiral Nelson has got Braunston playing football again -. I hope that in the not too distant future we’ll get some weekend football sessions set up for young people too.

**Braunston Skatepark**

The Braunston Skatepark committee has chosen its preferred supplier – Wheelscape. Wheelscape use concrete – the most hard-wearing, and quiet material for skateparks, and are highly respected by local authorities and communities across the country. They are holding a design event for young people to share their ideas on **Friday 10 July at 6pm in the Village Hall.** All welcome.

**Ward Walkabout**

I’m sorry that for family reasons I didn’t manage my scheduled Ward Walkabout last month; my next one will be on **Saturday 4 July 10-11 around Greenway and the Closes.**

*With best wishes, Abigail*

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**SIMPLY SOCIAL**

A successful club set up 21 years ago to give mature single people a social life again after a divorce, bereavement of a spouse, or for those who choose to live alone. Everything we do, is for club members only, so meals, coach trips, holidays, disco’s, regular weekend walks and social events are within the club and not shared with other groups to make the numbers up. We have two branches one in Rugby the other in Kenilworth.

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Next Meeting:-
7th July at Nelson’s Cottage at 2.30.

Please note change of venue and time.

Hopefully we will be able to enjoy an afternoon in the garden with a game of Boule for those who would like to have a go.

Contact Barbara on 01788 890452

Braunston Friendly Club

Next Meetings:-

Monday July 13th
Visit to Blooms with DACT bus leaving the Green at 1.30 and returning at 4pm

Monday 27th July
Ploughman’s Lunch in the Village Hall at 12 noon for 12.30.

Gill 890763

Braunston Fishing Club

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Leyla_geric@hotmail.com

RAINFALL—2014/2015

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All in mms

Information provided by Rob Buckley
I remember Adlestrop
The name because one afternoon
Of heat the express train drew up there
Unwontedly. It was late June..... Edward Thomas

When the magnificent seven of us met up at the village hall the day was not promising with a steady drizzling rain but we drove down to the Cotswold gem of a village at Adlestrop and the weather brightened up. This is an extremely literary walk starting in Adlestrop where the old South Western Railway station sign celebrated in the poem is now housed in the village bus shelter along with a plaque with the full poem which Debbie read beautifully. The walk takes in two country estates at Daylesford and Adlestrop Hall, Jane Austen’s inspiration for her novel “Mansfield Park” but enough culture we had a pub to get to and a deadline as the pub were not serving food after 1.30. The poet died in 1917 at war but his words live on. Look it up, it is a great description of a peaceful moment in time in England before the horrors of the great war. We walked up the road and turned off right onto a forest trail which lead us up to cross a main road to enter the beautifully manicured park land of Daylesford House owned in 1788 by Warren Hastings who became Governor General of India. We walked through the estate and its stable block. The owner now is a keen horse person and we soon passed several bronzes of horses as well as handsome, real ones. In one field was a bronze horse head sculpture some 20 feet high, the same as the one at Neville Holt in Leicestershire which we had seen on a previous walk. After strolling through a magnificent wild flower meadow complete with busy beehives we reached a road where Nigel handed out welcome sweets. We left the parkland and turned along the road passing the splendid Daylesford Farm shop and café, well worth a visit. Our path left the road and went along a track over the railway and a stream then over a field to a track passing an old church and finally reaching the village of Oddington. We still had to get to the pub in time so were soon on a field path which neatly lead us through someone’s garden passing right by their window and feeling a bit intrusive we made it to the main road and followed a verge to get on a bridle way that took us to a farm with the sinister name of Black Pit. It has a well in the yard. We passed a very friendly lamb and then after one field turned right through a wheat field. On the recce for this walk we had stumbled over the wrong, extremely wet, field, unwontedly with what we thought was the village with the pub in the distance only to find it was Stow in the Wold leaving us far from home and very wet. No problem this time and apart from a clamber over a fallen tree and several more fields we soon entered the lovely old Cotswold village of Broadwell. We walked
to the ford over the river, crossed the fantastic village green and were soon comfortably ensconced at The Fox Inn enjoying the local, Donnington Ale and tucking into splendid baguettes. We had made it early to the pub and were looking out as the rain hit. It is a cracking old pub with great food and in this area full of gastro pubs that is unusual and well worth a visit. All too soon we had to get on our way home which entailed a lot of road walking before we entered the grounds of Adlestrop Hall. A perfect English scene with the big house overlooking parkland and a cricket match in full swing. After another sweetie stop we walked into Adlestrop and paused for a cup of tea or an ice cream at the little hexagonal building that is the village post office. As we got back to the cars the heavens opened but we were in the dry and soon driving home for a well earned cuppa.

Our next walk is 18/7 Grandborough (c.9 miles)
Braunston Players present

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ALL SAINTS’ HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND DELIVERY
PROJECT
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As I write, we still await the official letter from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) but their emails confirm the success of our Second Round grant application and their eagerness for us to make a start on our restoration project. In agreement with them we completed and submitted their Permission to Start form on 9th June. Hopefully all the relevant HLF paperwork will arrive, as promised, in the next few days.

On this basis we held a meeting with our architect and contractor on 19th June. It was agreed that work will start on site on 29th June. Erection of scaffolding will start on 30th June so you will see some activity around the church building. With much to be done to the roof and high level stonework the contractor will be working on site until mid December.

Starting the physical restoration project allows us to reclaim the VAT spent on the earlier roof investigation etc. This process is now in hand.

Initial work on the associated heritage activities has started with the first designs of the Area Information Boards having been prepared for us to review. Work on all the other heritage activities will commence in July.

The view from my desk where these notes are written has changed a lot since 1 August 1895 – the day, 120 years ago the railway reached our village. The London and North Western Railway built a massive embankment to carry its Weedon to Leamington line. Since the line closed in 1963 nature has reclaimed the land. Today huge trees are home to a busy rookery. When the peregrine falcons arrive on a wood pigeon hunt from their eyrie on Braunston church the rooks noisily gang-up to see them off. These ancient trees are home to owls, green and spotted woodpeckers, jays, magpies and dozens of smaller woodland songbird species.

While we are counting perhaps I should mention the 1990’s survey of the embankment that discovered nearly eighty plants, some very rare. Today’s total would be over a hundred with primroses among others, appearing in the last few years. Butterflies, bumble and other bees, wasps and moths abound in the woodland.

Badgers are frequent dawn and dusk visitors making the short journey from their sett on the quieter far side of the embankment. Foxes dine regularly on rabbits and the occasional squirrel. Mice, voles and shrews all fall victim to the stoats and weasels. Tawny and little owls too appreciate the rich pickings of the meadow and woodland floor; indeed they tell us about it with their too-wit too-wooing all night long. Grass snakes hunt here for frogs, toads, newts and rare slow worms. The snakes are almost impossible to spot until they turn up in a nearby garden causing consternation if not panic. I have spotted roe deer just once, but muntjac are common if noisy visitors. They bark at each other and one female makes a regular appearance fat and pregnant every year using these woods to give birth to her unbelievable tiny and delicate fawn.

Even more spectacular are the several species of bats that roost in the cracks, crevices and abandoned woodpeckers holes of the ancient trees. Large numbers flit among the branches each eating over 3,000 tiny insects in a single night?
Sadly an unwelcome species is seeking to invade this corner of our unofficial countryside. Somebody wants to build two huge four bedroom houses on the meadow and cut back the ancient woodland. Already one large tree has mysteriously disappeared and the rest of this little corner of heaven is under severe threat. But Brock the badger, battalions of bats, birds, bumblebees, butterflies not to mention this BVN columnist are determined that this tranquil corner will last at least another 120 years!

Peter Frost

Hope and Homes for Children

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Thank you all so much
For all those who have supported us
In the above fund raising activities.

Brenda Hobbs on behalf of
Hope and Homes for Children
Tel 01788 899086
Braunston Show
To show what villagers can do

Saturday 5th September 2015

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Braunston Show this year. Find out more by looking through the Show Schedule available at www.braunston.org.uk/bvgashow and also delivered to your door this month.

Have you seen the open classes? In our house we are planning a friendly friends and family challenge!

I must remember the children’s classes for the school holidays.

Any questions? Contact Kate Mawer either via the website or by telephone 890340 with any questions.
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