

**BRAUNSTON**  **NEWS**  
**Village**

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Love where you live, live where you love

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*Licensing of Revd Nat White with Bishop John*

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## REGISTERS

### BRAUNSTON & ASHBY

**Weddings:** 30th April - Shaun Turner and Fiona Thomas  
30th June - Sophie Spedding and Oliver Crow  
30th June - Scott Gillum and Alexandria Hart  
(This is a Blessing)

**Funeral:** 24th May - Joyce Hunt  
24th May - Tony Gilbert

*May they rest in peace and rise in glory*



## PARISH PAGE

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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.

4th June	Full Council Meeting
2nd July	Full Council Meeting

All Agendas and Minutes are available on the Braunston Website  
[www.Braunston.org.uk/bpc](http://www.Braunston.org.uk/bpc)

# BRAUNSTON CHURCH FETE

SATURDAY JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup>

In the Village Hall & on the Green, 12-4pm

*BBQ, Teas, Cakes, Plants,  
Face Painting, Bouncy Castle,  
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# VICAR'S LETTER



Jed Bartlett once said at the start of a speech, “As I look out over this magnificent vista” is something I have always wanted to say as a West Wing fan. I often wondered what it might be like to have such a view in the first place to be able to make such a statement. Well now I know. I’m sitting in my garden looking out at the most beautiful view of trees, flowers, fields and the canal whilst being serenaded by the most wonderful bird song. I can’t quite believe I live in such a stunning place and I am so grateful to be here. Pete and I have been in the village for about a month and would like to thank so many of you who have given us such a warm welcome. Braunston is such a friendly place with so much going on. We are both looking forward to getting stuck into village life and hoping to get to know you. I’m always up for a cuppa so do pop in to the rectory to say hello or an invitation to visit you is always welcome.

Life has been full on since my licensing at the end of April and I am very conscious that as I rush from one thing to the next I miss the moments to enjoy the beautiful scenery, the bird song, the stillness and calm of the canal and the sheep idling away in the fields. I am reminded of a book in the Bible called Ecclesiastes chapter 3, that talks about there being a time for everything, that God has made everything beautiful in its time for us to enjoy and it is a gift from God.

The pace of life these days is a fast one for many of us, but I would encourage you as I am trying to do, to look up from the busyness and enjoy the abundance of beauty around here and to make the most of living in this amazing village because it’s not just about the beautiful scenery here, it’s the beautiful, amazing people that make this village so special.

Chapter 3 of Ecclesiastes also says that “there is nothing better for a person than to enjoy their work”, well I love mine, it is a joy and privilege to be your vicar and I pray that I serve you well.

Rev Nat White

## FLOODLIGHTING 2018



We regret that due to an administrative problem, the previous edition of the BVN. omitted to show the two floodlighting bookings then known for May.

### May floodlighting

5th May - \* Rowena & Mark's Wedding Anniversary

10th May - Bob. Thinking of you always

13th May – In memory of EliMerchant on her Birthday from all her family.

22nd May – Birthday memories of our dearest za Mother Gladys Wood. Sandra, Pamela,  
Patricia, Robert

26th May – Celebrating Iris Fearn's birthday. With Love from Pete, Kate, Heath, Ben & Libby

31st May – Grateful thanks from Braunston Bowls Club to Colin Allen for all his recent help

### June floodlighting so far ...

9th June - \* On our Anniversary

10th June – With loving memories of my Dad on his 100th Birthday. Chris G.

12th June - \* With love to the Morgan girls and their families

13th June - \* Patsy & Colin wish to send love to all Friends & Family

17th June – Remembering my wonderful dad Alan Cope on Father's Day. Missed everyday.  
Love, Amanda xx

24th June – \* Happy Wedding Anniversary Trevor & Angela

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

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received  
before the BVN Deadline – **18<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

### Floodlighting

If you wish to have All Saints' floodlit for a special occasion it is very helpful if you could use one of the request forms from the table at the back of the church. The current fee is £7 per entry, 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 form with the donation can then be left at the Rectory or at the village Post Office.

Please ensure that your request is submitted in good time before the BVN closing date of the 18<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## JENNI'S JOTTINGS

My idiot dog has decided that 5.30 is the time to get up in the morning! Although I mutter and groan I am secretly pleased to be up and about. This morning looked to be a lovely day. Still a bit of a ground frost but the sun was shining. As I walked along the towpath and up through Jetty Field I thought how lucky I am to live in such a beautiful place. The birds were singing so loudly it was difficult to identify which birds were there. I think I heard a cuckoo but it could have been one of the pesky pigeons. The Spinney looked gorgeous with the cow parsley, a few bluebells and the scent of wild garlic everywhere. I noticed a couple of dens made by the children in the spinney and remembered 60 years ago that that was one of my favourite things to do when not at school. I am always surprised that more children don't use Jetty Field but I was sad to hear that someone had tied wire between a couple of trees to trip people up. I wonder if it was same gang that pulled up the newly planted trees last year. It is such a shame that some people find it more pleasant to cause damage than to apply their 'talents' in other directions. I am sure the Jetty Field Volunteers and The Braunston Canal Society would welcome some extra help. I am really looking forward to the Church Fete where we have our usual wood turning stall. There will be lots of things to do including the tasty hot dogs!

We moved here at the end of June 9 years ago and it was the weekend of the Historic Narrowboat Rally. We hardly unpacked but went straight down to the canal to join in the fun. If you haven't been before it is worth a visit. The boats are wonderful, there are lots of stalls, music, food and of course beer!!!! I am sure we will be spending most of the weekend there again this year. There will be a very interesting show on the Thursday night in the Beer Tent. A couple of friends of mine will be reliving the lives of the Idle Women of the Wartime Waterways.

It is always lovely to welcome newcomers to our village and hope you will join me in welcoming Revd Nat and her family. I know she is trying to meet as many people as possible. I wonder if she has heard the screeching of the young Peregrine Falcon babies which so amused Sarah when the parent birds fed their babies during the sermon and the noise got louder and louder!

I hope you enjoy this wonderful month of June and I wish that the sun shines down on you all.

See you next month if not before.  
Jenni



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Prima Ballerinas 2 (3-5 yrs) 4.30pm - 5.00pm	
Pre Syllabus Ballet (5-6 yrs) 5.00pm - 5.45pm	<b>Friday</b>
Pre Primary Ballet (7-8 yrs) 5.45pm - 6.30pm	Gymnastics (all ages) 5.00pm - 5.30pm
Primary Ballet (8 yrs+) 6.30pm - 7.15pm	Street Dance & Modern (8 yrs+) 5.30pm - 6.30pm
Grade 1 Ballet (9 yrs+) 7.15pm - 7.45pm	Grade 3 Ballet (13 yrs+) 6.30pm - 7.15pm
Grade 2 Ballet (11 yrs+) 7.45pm - 8.15pm	Grade 4 Ballet (15 yrs+) 7.15pm - 8.15pm
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## BRAUNSTON WALKERS

Saturday 21/4/18 Harbury

We parked at Bishops Itchington in blazing hot sunshine. Eleven of us started the walk and Bill, who had gone astray, joined us as we left the village along what had been extremely muddy footpaths but were, after a week of sunshine, very dry. We skirted Elms Farm crossing bright yellow rapeseed plants. A week ago, these fields were dull green but now were a blaze of yellow.

After crossing a road, we entered an area of allotments and several fields covered in Solar Panels whirring in the sun. Eventually our path led on to a kind of obstacle course through trees, several of which had fallen across the path making the going difficult. We pressed on and after two or three more fields we reached a cattle grid on the narrow Chesterton road with its delightful old church. St Giles was built in the twelfth century. It's a beautiful old church in a stunning spot opposite a series of lakes and we had a look around being welcomed by a couple of locals who said had they known we were coming they would have supplied teas and coffee! We must go back soon. We left the church through fields full of lambs. Bill went back for Ros's stick inadvertently left at the church. What a hero. We just had to wait eating Nigel's sweets. We walked up the hill passing the ancient old corn mill to reach the track that leads up to Chesterton Mill, built on 5 arches and designed by Inigo Jones in 1632. It still looks great standing on top of the hill overlooking the site of a Roman town. Next to the Fosse Way. A great spot, well worth the climb, super views all around. We coerced some innocent bystander to take a group photo before making our way down hill and then into Harbury. The Crown pub was sadly at the far end of Harbury and there were some murmurings of discontent as we passed other pubs in town. We were soon supping welcome pints of a tasty Butcombe Ale and then served with excellent food. A great pub and after a 6 mile walk in the hot sun, very welcome. After a short delay where the leader was clearly lost we found the path and it was a short 2-mile stroll over fields passing Bishops Bowl Lakes back to the cars and home for a cuppa. A super walk and lots of interest and great weather despite a shower while we were ensconced in the pub.

Our next walks are as follows:

19/5/18 Broughton

16/6/18 Carsington (Peak District)

## VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

### 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
	Bingo Club	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](mailto:braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com)**

### Hall hire charges

Braunston Residents		Non-Residents
Gallie Room	£11.00 per hour	£22.00 per hour
Main Hall	£11.00 per hour	£22.00 per hour
Both Halls	£20.00 per hour	£40.00 per hour
Meeting Room	£ 6.00 per hour	£12.00 per hour

For all day or all evening events special reduced rates apply ask Leyla 01788 899138 for details.

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

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We aim to collect photographs (we can make copies) and memories of your time at Braunston Primary School so we can collate a verbal and photographic history of our school.

You are invited to share your photos and memories at a coffee afternoon organised by our current pupils

on:

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 2pm**

or

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm**

Our pupils will have lots of questions for you and they will be very interested to hear the memories you have of your school days.

If you can attend either event please email or ring the school so we can get an idea of numbers. You can also email in any photos or information if you are unable to attend the above dates.

Thank you for your support.

**Tel: 01788 890494**

**Email: [bursar@braunston.northants-ecl.gov.uk](mailto:bursar@braunston.northants-ecl.gov.uk)**



## CHURCH ACTIVITIES & EVENTS FOR JUNE 2018

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
Fri	1 19:00	Sung Compline
Sat	2 14:00	Wedding: Phipps & Purvis
Sun	3 09:30	Holy Communion at Ashby
	11:15	Parish Communion Br
	17:30	Youth Church Br
	18:00	Evensong - Br
Tue	5 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close) - Br
Wed	6 12:30	Peace at lunchtime
Sat	9 12:00	Summer Fete
	17:30	Youth Church Br
Sun	10 08:00	BCP Holy Communion Br
	09:30	Holy Communion at Welton
	11:15	Family Service Br
Tue	12 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close) - Br
Wed	13 12:30	Peace at lunchtime
Sun	17 09:30	Holy Communion at Ashby
	11:15	Holy Communion & Junior Church Br
	17:30	Youth Church Br
Tue	19 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close) - Br
Wed	20 12:30	Peace at lunchtime
Sun	24 09:00	Outdoor Service at Braunston Marina
	17:30	Youth Church Br
	18:00	No Labels Worship
Tue	26 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close) - Br
Wed	27 12:30	Peace at lunchtime
Sat	30 13:00	Wedding: Crow & Spedding
	15:00	Wedding Blessing: Gillum & Hart

## VILLAGE ACTIVITIES & EVENTS JUNE 2018

Monday	4th	Explorer Scouts
Tuesday	5th	W.I: Beavers
Wednesday	6th	School Coffee Afternoon: 19.00 Yoga 13.45 Short Mat Bowls: W.I. Trip: Cubs:
Thursday	7th	20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	9th	Church Fete
Monday	11th	Friendly Club: Explorer Scouts:
Tuesday	12th	School Coffee Afternoon: Beavers
Wednesday	13th	19.00 Yoga 13.45 Short Mat Bowls: Cubs: 20.00
Thursday	14th	Fishing Club Bingo:
Saturday	16th	Gongoozlers Rest Fathers Day
Sunday	17th	Gongoozlers Rest Fathers Day
Monday	18th	Explorer Scouts
Tuesday	19th	Beavers: History Society
Wednesday	20th	19.00 Yoga 13.45 Short Mat Bowls: Cubs: 20.00
Thursday	21st	Fishing Club Bingo:
Sunday	24th	Picnic on the Green
Monday	25th	Friendly Club: Explorer Scouts
Tuesday	26th	Friendly Club: Beavers:
Wednesday	27th	19.00 Yoga 13.45 Short Mat Bowls: Cubs: 20.00
Thursday	28th	Fishing Club Bingo:
Saturday	30th	Cinema Club
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>21st</b>	<b>Historic Narrowboat Rally &amp; Festival</b>
<b>to</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24th</b>	

# OUTDOOR MARINA SERVICE

at the Historic Boatshow 2018

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## **Hope and Homes for Children**

For our local fundraising since the end of February 2017

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As explained previously Peter and I will be putting our feet up and will no longer be co-ordinating your support for Hope and Homes.

However Joanne Pawlett (tel: 07824534190) will be taking on that role.

We know that you will continue to support Hope and Homes via Joanne as you have us. So please keep filling those Penny Pots which are available at Braunston Stores, All Saints', and Ashby Church.

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**Look forward to seeing our members.  
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**HEALTH WALKS**

All are welcome to come along and join in our Health Walks in the Village. There is no charge! Walks last approx 30/40 minutes starting and finishing up at our Community Cafe.

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Leader: Rosemary Kendall (01788 890543)

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WHERE

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- Braunston Playing Fields (3)
- Braunston Pocket Park (3)
  - Braunston Cinema Club (2)
  - Braunston Friendly Club (2)
  - Braunston Paddock Cricket Club (2)
  - Braunston Twinning Association (2)
  - Braunston Scouts (2)
  - Braunston Football Club
  - Wheatsheaf Ladies Skittles Club
  - Braunston Art Group
  - Dick Herne Braunston History Society
  - Braunston Singers
  - Braunston Youth Club
  - BVGA
  - Braunston Village Hall
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## **50 YEARS OF UNITED CANAL CARRIERS**

Many will know that the canal is at the heart of Braunston village, but few may know that Union Canal Carriers has been in the village for 50 years still with the same family at the head of it.

Born in the dying days of the carrying trade on the Grand Union and Oxford canals, UCC pioneered narrow boating for pleasure. Iris Hewitt, now in her eighties has been with the company since she and her late husband, Robin, together with Janusz and Ruth Rokick first started to run camping boats from Braunston in 1968, using converted British Waterways ex working boats., arrived in Braunston

Many enthusiastic, resourceful people, came to Braunston where there was a small community based at Bottom Lock, with couples living on board pairs of boats, skippering the same boats during the hire season and carrying coal at other times. Following the decline in carrying generally winter employment changed dramatically when UCC built tugs, bought work boats and moved into waterway maintenance, gaining contracts with British Waterways, the Environment Agency and others, working throughout the midlands and on the Welsh canals.

In 1968 boat holidays on the rapidly deteriorating canals were in their infancy. Scores of school children, Scouts and Guides bunked aboard boats that once carried a wide variety of goods from coal to tractors delivering from midland coalfields to London factories, docks and paper mills, spending blissful, parent-free days just messing about on canals. Year after year, recognising the benefits, teachers and leaders returned, with other eager groups of children. Days which are long gone as health and safety issues have put paid to such simple pleasures. It was the 'sixties' then, that time when there was a general feeling that dreams could be made to happen.

Iris has lived in Braunston for many years and is in touch with the day to day running of the business with sons Jonathan (Jonno), renowned engineer across the canal network for his expertise with modern and vintage engines. Tim, trained in design and cabinet making skills, who joined the company in the early eighties with partner Heather, who skippered one of the last pairs of camping boats from Braunston in 1998, now to be found busily putting her excellent knowledge to good use advising customers and managing the bookings. Iris's youngest son Will keeps up the traditional look in the boats with his signwriting, and traditional canal art of roses and castles. Braunston is once again very much at the hub of the canal network and during the season the office at Bottom Lock can resemble a Tourist Information Centre.

Now 50 years later, Union Canal Carriers operate a fleet of hire boats to be proud of. All built in Braunston ranging from 35 ft to 70ft, two to twelve berth boats with timeless, professionally designed and fitted interiors and up to date well maintained engines. The distinctive hull design, large front and safe semi-trad stern decks all with seating are a prominent feature of these boats. The three 'Barney Boats' sleeping two to four people, much loved for their single cylinder Saab engines, coal stoves and traditional decoration are very popular with the canal enthusiasts and those who are seeking something a little different. Ouzell11 a self steer day boat seating up to twelve is available every day throughout the season. A new two berth boat to be launched later this year, and, like most of UCC boats was built by Roger Farrington of Ivy Bridge Marine is currently being fitted to the usual high standard throughout.

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## FORTHCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION
<b>JUNE</b>		
9th	Summer Fete	All Saints' Church
16th /17th	Fathers Day Celebration	Gongoozlers Rest
21st/24th	Historic Narrowboat Rally	Braunston Marina
23rd	Visit to Winterbourne House	BVGA
24th	Picnic on The Green	The Great Get-Together
<b>JULY</b>		
14th	Puddings & Performances	Braunston Players
<b>AUG</b>		
3rd	Car Treasure Hunt	
18th	Visit to Wistow Rural Centre	BVGA
<b>SEPT</b>		
1st	Braunston Show	BVGA
8th	Ride & Stride	All Saints' Church
	Air Ambulance Fund Raising Day	
22nd	Last Night of the Proms	All Saints' Church
<b>OCT</b>		
6th	Quiz	All Saints' Church
13/14th	Craft Fair	All Saints' Church
<b>NOV</b>		
22nd -24th	Braunston Players	
<b>DEC</b>		
1st	Christmas Fair	All Saints' Church
14th	Christmas Extravaganza	All Saints' Church

Please do let me know if you are planning an event in Braunston so that I can add it to this list. This may help others decide on suitable dates when planning their events should they want to avoid a clash

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## CLUBS AND SOCIETY EVENTS

### Braunston Women's



#### Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on June 5th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Please note that we have a different speaker to the one advertised on your programme. We are now having someone from Daventry District Council to talk us through the new waste collections. If you are not sure what is happening with regards to the collection of your rubbish, come along and join us, you will be most welcome. There is a charge of £3 for visitors which includes a drink and biscuits.

Contact Barbara on 01788 890452

### The Braunston Friendly Club

**Next Meeting:** Monday 11th June – Outing to Hatton Shopping Village is planned. Jenny will discuss the details during the May coffee morning meeting. If the outing does not run then there will be tea, cake in the Village Hall at 2pm.  
 Monday 25th June - 2pm to 4pm Village Hall  
 Members will be enjoying a cream tea. Braunston School choir will be visiting to sing songs.  
 New members are always welcome.  
 We meet in The Gallie Room at the Village Hall.  
**Jenny 890186**

### RAINFALL— 2016/2017/2018

	All in mms			
	<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	<b>104</b>
Apr	14	43	12	70
May	45	33	71	
Jun	25	68	32	
Jul	48	8	54	
Aug	44	60	53	
Sep	33	43	72	
Oct	48	16	11	
Nov	61	74	29	
Dec	72	21	92	
<b>Total</b>				
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ins	20	22	23	

Information provided by Rob Buckley

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## **Braunston Historic Narrowboat Rally & Canal Festival 2018 - Poirot back on the case!**

After an absence of 10 years, the distinguished actor and waterways enthusiast, David Suchet will return to Braunston Marina to open the 16<sup>th</sup> Braunston Historic Narrowboat Rally & Canal Festival – co-sponsored by Braunston Marina and TOWPATH TALK.

On David's last visit in 2008, the theme of that year's Rally was the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the launch of the *Raymond*, the last wooden narrowboat built for the English canals. Ten years on, the theme will be its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The *Raymond* was built at what was then Barlow's Yard – now Braunston Marina – and launched on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 1958. The boat was rescued in 1996 in a derelict state by the then newly formed *Friends of Raymond*, who then carried out a major restoration to it, so that since completion of that first restoration in 2002, it has become 'The Pride of the Cut!' But as a wooden boat, the work goes on, and again this winter the boat has been undergoing major works to be ready in time to show itself off in the opening parade of the Rally, with David back at the helm.

From its small beginnings in 2003, the Braunston Historic Narrowboat Rally has become the premier rally and festival on the English canals. The 2017 event attracted 93 historic narrowboats, making it by far and away the largest such event on the canals. Its success-formula is now much copied, with similar events springing up all over the canal network. This is good for the canals and the precious collection of surviving working narrowboats – but Braunston Rally remains the original and still the best.

The Rally's location is at the heart of the canal network, in the beautiful setting of the historic Braunston Marina and the canal and village at Braunston. But probably most importantly for the boaters and visitors, is the ability for the boats to parade in a sort of figure of 8 – a challenge for the steerers, and a spectacular site for the visitors to see and photograph from so many vantage points. And these viewing points include the famous quayside beer tent – the *Wet Dock!*

Other attractions will include fast food, music, Morris dancers and fun. Saturday entertainments include Phil Underwood's *Canals of Old England* on the Saturday evening, and a David Blagrove commemoration jam session in the beer tent.

With the now established Rally, over the years other entertainments have been added before and after it - thanks to generous sponsorship from Braunston Marina. This year the line-up of entertainments pre and post the Rally has made the Rally into a true canal festival week. Events start on the evening of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, when Tim Coghlan will give a presentation to the Braunston Historical Society in the village hall on *The Life and Times of David Blagrove 1937 – 2016*, who was a canal legend in his own lifetime. All are invited with ticket sales at the door. On Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> June, canal-borne Mikron Theatre will perform its new play to celebrate 70 years of the NHS - *Get Well Soon* lock-side at the Admiral Nelson Inn at

Braunston. On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Alarum Theatre will be back in the beer tent with last year's highly successful *Idle Women* play, *Women of the Wartime Waterways* – with all ticket sales going to Braunston Church. And on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00 pm, Fiori Musicali will give what is billed as a concert of 'Glorious choral music by English Tudor composers.' It will be performed in the nearby deserted-village church at Wolfamcote.

There will be an admission charge for the public of £20 per car. All profits from the Rally will be donated, as usual, to canal and local causes, the main recipient this year being the canal charity, the *Friends of Raymond*.

The Braunston Historic Narrowboat Rally & Canal Festival is sponsored by Braunston Marina and Towpath Talk magazine, with support from the Canal & River Trust.

Tim Coghlan 12.4.18

### **PROJECT LINUS IN BRAUNSTON**

I wrote an article in the April edition of BVN inviting people to join me in making quilts for children. I was delighted by the response and we have held two sewing days and started making.

Future sewing days will be held in the library at the village hall from 10 am to 3 pm. Do think about coming along. There are kits of fabric ready to sew together, just bring your sewing machine. Or just pop in for a cup of tea and to see what we are up to.

The group has a small supply of fabric but it won't last us for long so I am looking for any spare fabric you could donate. If you have any quilting or other cotton fabric please consider donating it. The fabric must be cotton and quilt weight. That is lightweight like dress fabric. Curtain fabric is too heavy.

To find out more about Project Linus see the website at <http://projectlinusuk.org.uk/>

To find out more about the Braunston group and the dates of future sewing days contact me by email [laura@whitenap.plus.com](mailto:laura@whitenap.plus.com) or on 01788 890102.

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Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August**



We will be visiting Wistow Rural Centre with a wide variety of shops in beautiful rural surroundings, including an extensive garden centre, cafe/bistro and model village. You will buy your lunch here. We will continue on to the gardens by coach. Holding the national collection of hardy fuchsias and skimmias August is a wonderful time to enjoy the guided tour of the University of Leicester's botanical gardens.

**Cost £27 to include a guided garden tour of the botanical gardens followed by tea/coffee and cake.**

**Also coach travel to both venues.**

**Leave Braunston at 10 am. Home by 5pm.**

If you would like to be included please complete the form below and put it through the door, with the £10 deposit, at 65 High Street, Braunston. (Cheques payable to BVGA)

Please contact Kate by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to confirm numbers.

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**Braunston Show Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018**  
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Are available via the BVGA Show pages on the  
Braunston Village website.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**

- 103. Out and about in Braunston
- 104. Gardener's Delight
- 105. White
- 106. Movement
- 107. Urban landscape
- 108. My family and other animals
- 109. Water
- 110. Creative Fun!

**HANDICRAFT**

(The Betty Hargraves Cup to be awarded to the person with the most points in this group).

- 84. A hand-knitted item
- 85. A piece of crochet
- 86. A piece of counted thread work
- 87. **(OC)** A piece of patchwork, quilting or appliqué (max size 46cm x 46cm)
- 88. A piece of patchwork, quilting or appliqué, larger than in class 87.
- 89. A card for a special occasion, any materials
- 90. A soft toy for a baby, any materials
- 91. **(OC)** An item of jewellery, any materials
- 92. **(OC)** An item of embroidery
- 93. A watercolour, framed or unframed
- 94. A painting in oils or acrylics, framed or unframed
- 95. **(OC)** A drawing, any materials, framed or unframed
- 96. A cushion, any material(s)
- 97. A collage called "Votes for women", glued not sewn
- 98. **(OC)** A fascinator, any materials
- 99. **(OC)** Something new made from recycled materials. List those used
- 100. Any other 2 dimensional craft not in class 84 to 99
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- 102. Any unfinished piece of work

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