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BRAUNSTON REGISTERS

There are no known registers.

Vicar's Letter

The church has left the building!

The church community has been meeting in the village hall for the past three months due to insufficient heating in the church building. I am very happy to report that work has been completed to install under-pew heating for a section of the church. Heating a church building is an impossible task, but thankfully we have found a way to heat the people instead.

These three months have been challenging but also very exciting. We have had to cope with change, which is not always easy, but even our more senior members have embraced this and supported the move. We have learned as a church community that the church is the people not the building.

Please don't get me wrong, the church building is hugely important, and we are committed to its upkeep and development so that it can be used as a resource for worship and for our community.

We are extremely grateful that our village has such a wonderful hall to enable us to hold our services in warmth and comfort over the winter months. This has also enabled us to try out new ways of doing church together. Our monthly all-age café church service (with fresh coffee, pastries, doughnuts, activities, music and opportunity to chat around tables) has been really successful and we have welcomed those who would not normally come along to a normal church service, particularly families.

We are moving back into the church for March but will be holding café church in the village hall every second Sunday at 11.15am from April. We would love you to join us. If you would like to know more, give me a call on 01788 890298.

Bless you,

Rev Nat

Church Floodlighting



February's floodlighting

- 10th February *In memory of Mansel Davies
- 10th February *Cedric hopes to be 95, DV
- 12th February * Gordon & Helena Lane Anniversary
- 19th February • In loving memory of my brother Rowan on his birthday. Miss you loads. Duncan x
- 23rd February * Happy birthday Zoe. Love, Mum
- 24th February Jim Bickerstaffe – happy 70th birthday. A very special brother. From Brenda & Peter

March's floodlighting so far ...

- 7th March Frank & Jenny's 60th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations. Love from all the family. Xx
- 13th March • In memory of Chris Woods, friend & ringer
- 14th March Tony & Barbara's 60th Wedding Anniversary
- 15th March • In memory of Ada Littlemore, Boatwoman
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- 20th March • For Richard, with love on his birthday.
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- 22nd March Barbara Bunn, 80th Birthday. Love from the family
- 26th March • Wedding Anniversary for Judith & Nigel Sykes
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- 27th March • Pat and Alison's Wedding Anniversary
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- 28th March * Our Wedding Anniversary. Jean & Brian Branch

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline – **18th February 2019**

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

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 18th of the month.

Braunston Village News

The cost of printing the BVN comes from three sources:

The businesses that pay to advertise in the Directory section;

A grant from Braunston Parish Council;

A contribution from All Saints' Church.

All the other work is done by volunteers at no cost.

Church Diary

Day	Time	Event
Fri	1 19:00	Sung Compline at All Saints' Church Holy Communion & Junior Church at All Saints'
Sun	3 11:15	
	17:30	Youth Church
	18:00	Evensong at All Saints' Church
Tue	5 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
Wed	6 12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church Ash Wednesday service at Ashby St Ledgers
	18:00	
Sat	9 17:30	Youth Church
Sun	10 11:15	All Age Service at All Saints' Church with Baptism
Tue	12 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
	09:00	Tiny Treasures
Wed	13 12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church
Sun	17 08:00	BCP Holy Communion at All Saints' Church Holy Communion & Junior Church at All Saints'
	11:15	
	17:30	Youth Church
Tue	19 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
	09:00	Tiny Treasures
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 All Saints' Church
	17:30	Youth Church
Tue	26 09:00	Morning prayer (Maple Close)
	09:00	Tiny Treasures
Wed	27 12:30	Peace at lunchtime at All Saints' Church
Sun	31 10:00	Mother's Day Café Church at Welton Village Hall
	18:00	No Labels Worship at All Saints' Church

Parish Council Information and News

Clerk's contact details

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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.

4th March
1st April

Full Council Meeting
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.

Planning in Braunston

Planning Applications made to Daventry District Council, for developments in Braunston Parish, including those for Listed Building Consent, are forwarded to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council is consulted but does not decide the response the applicant will receive. We indicate whether we believe the District Council should permit or not allow the development. Any other affected party, such as a neighbour, can respond in the same way.

The Planning Application documents are posted by DDC on their website. This is when the yellow forms are put up, often on a lamppost close to the proposed development. Notice is then circulated to all parish councillors who generally have about 3 weeks to respond.

Responses to applications are based on planning law. This means that councillors, as well as the district officers who give DDC the final advice, must do so with reference to the National Planning Policy Framework, which the government calls their 'planning rulebook', as well as to the Local Plan.

The Local Plan for Braunston consists of three major documents:

- Braunston Neighbourhood Plan:
- Daventry District Plan:
- West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy:

Planning Applications can only be supported if they conform to the policies detailed in these documents. Applications are put on the agenda for the subsequent Parish Council meeting when ratification is formally decided based on the indications of support or opposition given by individual councillors. All decisions on how we respond to DDC on planning applications are recorded on the parish website.

District Councillor's Report

In his District Councillor's report, Jason Pritchard, reported to the Parish Council on the process the government is going through to change local government in Northamptonshire.

The government has decided that Braunston will be part of the new West Northamptonshire Unitary Authority replacing Daventry District Council and Northamptonshire County Council. The new UA will take responsibility for the functions of the District Council, such as housing, and those of the County Council, such as Highways and Social Care.

Jason said that the Local Government Boundary Commission was beginning to draft boundaries for the electoral wards of the Unitary Authority. The Parish Council will monitor this and consider what response to make when official notification of boundaries is given.

Bin Collections

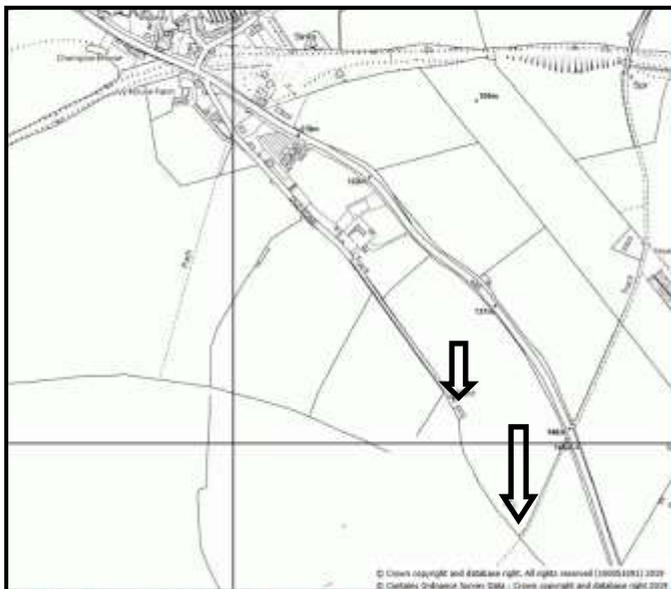
6 th Mar	Food, Waste and Garden Waste
13 th Mar	Food and Recycling
20 th Mar	Food and Garden Waste
27 th Mar	Food, Recycling and Waste
3 rd Apr	Food and Garden Waste

Willoughby Neighbourhood Plan

Braunston Parish Council agreed to respond to the consultation on the [Willoughby Neighbourhood Plan](#). In particular we supported their aim for a cycleway from Willoughby to Rugby as we felt this gave the potential for a link from Braunston.

Rights of Way

Following the request in the February edition of the BVN, regarding the track from Old Road, the Rights of Way Working Group received further statements of evidence from users. The group now has statements from Gina Rippon, Annette Cunningham,



Joanna Longworth, Ralph Maltby, Sonja King and Jean and Richard Dibben covering a total of fifty years. In addition Bob Cluett and Richard Dibben have provided historic maps to support our claim for a route between the points shown on the map.

Thank you to all who have helped with this application which the Parish Council has now submitted to Northamptonshire County Council, our Highways Authority.

On a separate matter, in 2007 the Parish Council applied for an extension of footpath ED8 from its current end, close to the Marina. We asked for the route previously walked, through the former railway land to the A45, to be added to the Northamptonshire Definitive Map.

As the County Council had not provided a response, we sought a direction from the Planning Inspectorate, appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural affairs. The result of this is that the Inspectorate has directed the County Council to determine the application not later than 31st July 2019.

Village Hall Information

News

The village hall trustees work very hard looking after our Hall and our hirers.

To make the team complete we need a minutes secretary.

The job involves taking the minutes at our monthly meetings. Please, if you can help, come and see me at the Boat Shop at Bottom Lock or call Fred on 01788 891310.



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 2 nd Mar	Braunston Twinners	10.00am	Liz	07890 072487
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Braunston C of E School



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This has been a very busy term in school with the children's learning moving forward in the classroom and enhanced by the many enrichment activities offered to them. We are very fortunate to have such a supportive school, church and village community who are keen to ensure that our children are all "learning for life in all its fullness".

Some examples of this fabulous support are:

Members of the community take on the role of governors of our school offering support and challenge in our drive to secure positive outcomes for our children.

Every week we have two members of the Braunston Twinners, Mesdames Lacey and Grossart who come into school to introduce our year two children to the French language before they begin formal lessons in Key Stage Two. The children love learning something new through simple vocabulary building games. The HMI who recently visited the school as part of a pilot OFSTED inspection was very impressed with their commitment to the school.

The children visited the Pocket Park to take part in the Gallie Prize organised by Alan Mawer on behalf of the Jetty Field Committee. Work completed by the children was exhibited at the Braunston Arts and Crafts Festival.

Braunston Cinema Club who provided the funds to enable children to work with Chris Bradley, a local animator, to create two animations called "The Great Escape" and "Back to School" both of which can be seen on our school website at <https://www.braunstonprimary.org.uk/>. This work led to the school winning a National Into Film Award for "The Great Escape."

The Friendly Club and Cinema Club both visited school recently to watch the children perform some drama and dance activities. Our choir also visited the Friendly Club at Christmas.

The Church Team come into school every Wednesday to lead the children in Collective Worship and who support our Christian ethos throughout the school curriculum.

Many members of the local community visited school to help with our local history study focusing on the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the current school building. The children were fascinated to hear about life in the past and had a particular interest in the punishments meted out in days gone by!

Parents regularly support the school in a myriad of different ways. We have an active Friends of Braunston School who, together with parents, have transformed our library into a wonderful learning environment for the children.

We are very grateful to everybody within the local community who works with us to ensure our children have the best possible learning opportunities. We will keep you updated next month with events and activities happening in school during next term. In the meantime, if

you are able to offer any skills or expertise which help us to give our children a diverse and ambitious curriculum please contact us.

Gwenda Barker

Headteacher

Clubs and groups

Braunston Women's Institute

Next meeting - March 5th at 7.30 in the Village Hall. At this meeting our very own Chris Bowerman will give us the second instalment of her "Life on the move" we are all looking forward to hearing what else Chris got up to.

Contact Barbara on 01788 890452 for more details.



Saturday 13th April
Braunston WI Jumble Sale
Braunston Village Hall, 1.30pm, entry 20p.
Clothes stalls, books and toys, bric-a-brac.

History Society

Tuesday March 19th 7.30pm in Village Hall

Tonight we are showing an interesting selection of Canal based DVDs.

Look forward to seeing our members. Guests welcome, £2 on the door.

Braunston Bakes

The next pop-up bakery sale will be on Saturday 9th March. The sale opens at 10.00 at the Wheatsheaf.

Please contact us if you would like to pre-order or if you are interested in joining the bakers.



Braunston Players

BRAUNSTON PLAYERS wants YOU!

The Braunston Players' annual **Puddings & Performances (P&P)** show is on **Saturday 6th July** this year. If you've ever fancied "*strutting your stuff*" on stage (or have before), it's an excellent opportunity for dipping your toes in some amateur dramatics in Braunston, at a level to suit you.

We're a small easy-going group who put on 2 shows a year. Our November show is a much larger affair, whereas P&P is a collection of short monologues, acts and songs – essentially "anything goes", and you can find one or more things to perform yourself, or we'll try find something for you to do.

There is only one performance, usually a full house, and not a lot of commitment of your time is needed in advance, so if you fancied having a go, please call Andre on **01788 891 604**, or send an email to us at braunstonplayers@braunston.net to find out more.

Braunston Twinners



THE FRENCH ARE COMING !

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 [**twinners@braunston.net**](mailto:twinners@braunston.net)



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BRAUNSTON TWINNERS



MAD MARCH FAIR!

Braunston Village Hall

Saturday

2nd March 2019

From 10.00am - 2.00pm



CRAFTS

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A WIDE RANGE OF INTERESTING AND BEAUTIFULLY MADE ITEMS

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BRAUNSTON TWINNERS



Braunston Scouts

2nd Braunston Cub Pack wins Daventry District Handicraft competition



On Saturday 2nd February Braunston Cub Pack entered the Daventry District Handicraft competition. The District is made up of about 16 packs and whilst not all had entered (it was the 1st time we had entered) I was super surprised when I went to the results and to collect our entries to find that Braunston Cubs had won all the following:

1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Decorated biscuit category

1st and 2nd in the Model category

1st in the Handicraft category

As a result Our Pack came 1st Overall

Well done to the whole pack. Pictured are some of the pack with their certificates and our overall Trophy taken at the Scout Den



Before the summer hols we will be ten pin bowling at Sixfields; up the high ropes and on a water adventure activity day at Willen Lakes; camping at The Quarries, Milton Keynes ('caving', archery, climbing, shooting and an obstacle course); Firelighting and open fire cooking at Welton, competing in Suntletrek as well as cooking pancakes, a bit of gardening, artwork, visiting the police and

learning how to use a map or help the disabled. If this sounds like something your child would love to do Join Cubs! We meet Thursdays 18:15 to 19:45 at our Den in the Village our members are boys and Girls over 8 years old and less than 10 1/2 most but not all attend Braunston School

E Mail David Coleman at david@braunstonscouts.co.uk or text him at:

07484 157588. Cub Scout Leader 2nd Braunston Cub Pack

Alisdair Rolt	Group Scout Leader	07756 629597
Tony Shipley	Beaver Leader	07432 132769
David Coleman	Cub Leader	07484 157588
Steve Irwin	Scout Leader	07545 833030
Stuart Muddiman	Explorer Leader	07875 066292
Jo Longworth	Chair Person	07930 263113

Jetty Field– Braunston’s Pocket Park

Our first work morning of the Year!

Luckily the snow stayed away at the beginning of February and we were able to hold our first work morning of the year. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who turned up.



We had a very productive morning where we managed to install the new stile into the Nature Reserve area and therefore begin our work on putting back into existence the right of way. As shown in our Nature Reserve plans, published on the village website, this is the first step in a number of actions for this site but it was great to get underway.

We also started removing the tree guards from around the larger trees in Jetty Field. As we are no longer going to put cattle into this site we felt we could do this and recycle this wood to create the new compost area in the allotments.

We will continue with this work on our next workday, which will be held on Saturday 2nd March, so 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 at the latest or earlier if the weather is not being kind to us. We will also be holding another workday on Saturday 6th April too so please put this date in your diaries.

Our next Jetty Field meeting will also be held on Tuesday 5th March in the library room in the village hall at 7.30pm.



Braunston Walkers

Saturday 19/1/19 - Staverton 9 miles

It was a grey, cold day as 13 of us met up and wandered down through Jetty Fields and along the footpath to reach the top of Nibbits Lane. We walked steeply downhill and over the canal and through Brindley Quays, over the A45 then steeply uphill along Old Road, puffing and panting as it does go on a bit, to reach the top at 150 metres above sea level.

Once we reached the Jurassic Way footpath, we walked across the first of many very muddy fields and dropped down to Braunston Covert. This was sticky and slippery but not a quagmire. The path took us up behind Berryfields Farm where birds wheel overhead and then on a muddy track at first downhill then more uphill to the summit at 171 metres above sea level. There are marvellous views over Shuckborough, Flecknoe and Braunston. I am told that on a clear day you can see the Malvern and Shropshire Hills but today it was too cloudy to see much. Staverton has a signpost on the village green which shows that it is 66 miles to Stamford and 21 to Banbury on the Jurassic Way footpath which we had been on all morning. Apparently, you could travel east from here and not find another higher spot till you reach the Urals! They have a First World War commemorative seat the same as ours in Jetty Field. We had arrived in the old stone village a little early for the pub and decided to visit the old church to use up a bit of time. St Mary the Virgin dates back to 1300 and is a fascinating church. We arrived at The Countryman dead on 12, to a welcome greeting and great service and were soon relaxing over pints of Brill bitter and some great food.

All too soon we had to tear ourselves away from the cosy pub and pull on soggy, muddy boots to walk back through the village passing the old Manor House standing in an elevated position with commanding views over Warwickshire. We walked back over more muddy fields to reach Berryfields Farm and then retraced our route back to Braunston for a refreshing cuppa. A great local walk.

If you wish to join us on these walks please let me know your email address and I will include you in my monthly reminders of time and place etc.

Our next walks are as follows:

16 th March	Shutford
27 th April	Tamworth in Arden
18 th May	Wetton White Peak District
15 th June	Hanwell

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

2019 BRAUNSTON OPEN
GARDENS - Sunday 28th July

Would you like to take part
this year?

We enjoy welcoming new
gardens to take part in this
event.



Organised by Braunston
Village Gardens Association to celebrate

gardening and to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Visitors enjoy the wide range of gardens; all shapes, sizes and
styles that show off the variety of gardening taking place in
Braunston.

To be more involved in any way or to ask for some more information
about the event please contact Kate Mawer

mawerk@hotmail.co.uk

or

telephone 01788 890340.

Tuesday 26th March BVGA Talk Paul Wyer from The Wildlife Trust Hedgehogs and other wildlife in the garden

Village Hall 7.30pm £3 on the door. Under 16s free.

Come along and find out how wildlife enjoys the garden from, hedgehog
enthusiast, Paul Wyer of The Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire,
Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire.

Braunston Football Club

From Team Photo:

Back row (left to right): Lee Twynholm (Club Treasurer), Andy Fincham (Club Manager), Connor Slasberg, John Cooknell, Joey Lau (Club Captain), Kurt Baker, Rob Loader, Liam Fuller, Eddie Buse.

Front row (left to right): Liam Barns, Nick Hammond, Jake Sanderson, David Margetts, Mark Dyson, David Sharpe (League Committee Member) , George Kelly, Liam Buckley.

Not pictured: Justin Boneham, Liam Evans, Will Brown, Joe Stewart, George Crozier, Paul Matthews, Will Sheridan, Adam Bosanko, Sam Bullock.



Since reforming in 2015, Braunston Football Club are now approaching the end of their 4th season in the Rugby and District Sunday League. This has been the most successful season so far both on and off the field, with 3 local sponsors (The Admiral Nelson, Braunston Print & Home Farm Events) providing the funds for new kits, tracksuits and training equipment, which the team are extremely grateful for.

On the pitch the team managed to reach the semi finals of the Rugby Hospital Cup, a competition that Braunston has a rich history in. Since it's inception in 1905, Braunston have managed to win the cup on 4 occasions, in 1926, 1927, 1934 & 1953. Unfortunately this year it wasn't meant to be, with the team eventually losing 3-0 to the Courthouse in what was for the most part an evenly contested game. There are still 2 other cup competitions to compete in, we have reached the Advertiser Cup & Divisional Cup quarter finals.

For those who aren't already aware the team play their home games at the playing field on Sunday mornings at 11am and the majority of away games are over in Rugby. The fixtures are usually advertised on the team's Facebook group the week before and on the league's official website which can be found by searching for the Rugby & District League on fulltime-league.thefa.com. As always we appreciate any support we can get from the locals who come along to cheer the team on.

The team is a good, sociable group, made up of local lads from Braunston and the surrounding areas. Anyone looking to join the team, training is on Thursday nights over in Daventry and we will be looking to sign on new players for next season during the summer months, when we begin our pre-season training.

For more information please contact the team on Facebook just search for @braunstonfc.

Andy Fincham

Braunston FC Manager

Braunston Canal Society

For the first Thursday task party of the year a nine strong crew took on the towpath at lock 5. With a great deal of enthusiasm the path was taken from a muddy track back to the original width of the boards. This completed the major towpath widening required on the flight. Some minor edging out of the more recently laid paths is required before BCS can start to repair dips and resurface.



The Saturday crew of ten set about replacing the tired fence on the bridge ramp at the Nelson pub. Dave Weller had previously organised the posts, postcrete and rails to be delivered by CRT in good time so work could begin as soon as safety issues had been considered. An old post hole auger was tested and proved to be a useful addition to the society's tool kit. As an added bonus three of the crew set about edging the towpath from lock 3 towards lock 4. By 2:30 pm the fence was complete and 100 yards of towpath had been edged.



Braunston Cinema Club

BRAUNSTON CINEMA CLUB

Sat March 30th 2019 7.30pm in the Village Hall

A FILM NIGHT WITH A DIFFERENCE.

Tonight we are showing 2 silent movies with a pianist, Vincent Byrne, accompanying.

“**Safety Last**” 1923 with Harold Lloyd. It includes one of the most famous images from the silent film era: Lloyd clutching the hands of a large clock as he dangles outside a skyscraper above moving traffic. The film was highly successful, is still popular and it is viewed today as one of the great film comedies.



“**The Goat**” 1921 with Buster Keaton. A series of adventures begins when an accident during photographing causes Buster to be mistaken for Dead Shot Dan, the evil bad guy.

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

Bring a bottle & a glass

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

Some tickets may be available on the door

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

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 are very welcome to join our meetings.

Monday 11th March – 2pm to 4pm – ALL WELCOME
Join us for a talk given by Nen about Boating with Horses.

Monday 25th March – 2pm to 4pm – ALL WELCOME
Join us for a table top games afternoon.

For more information telephone Jenny 890186

Community Car

BRAUNSTON COMMUNITY CAR IS

FOR YOU

**Available to ALL residents to make a short journey in or out
of the village.**

To visit friends, shopping, hospital, dentist, doctors, appointments

JUST CALL 07984 412921 (24HRS NOTICE PLEASE)

Any payment is by voluntary contribution.

At some point 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

Other News

Air Ambulance

This year's annual Air Ambulance fundraising day will be held on Saturday 21st September.

We are currently collecting any old ink cartridges and unwanted wool or part balls of wool. The wool will be used to knit toys, blankets and baby clothes.

We are also collecting glass, bric a brac and tombola items for the fundraiser in September.

Items can be dropped into the village shop for Kim or left on the doorstep at 33 The Green. Alternatively please call us on:

Kim: 07930 391128

George: 07792 020261



Annual Village Diary

The annual village diary will be added to the April edition; If you have an upcoming event you would like adding, please email bvn@braunstonpc.org or drop it into the Post Office by 12pm on 18th March.

Congratulations!

Many congratulations to the new BVN Editorial Team. I really enjoyed the first copy and would like to thank the editors for their kind words. I can now rest easy as my 'baby' is in safe and trusted hands.

Well done!

Jenni Burton

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

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Jan	55	62	55	62	25
Feb	47	24	47	24	
Mar	54	104	54	104	
Apr	12	70	12	70	
May	71	72	71	72	
Jun	32	1	32	1	
Jul	14	0	54	14	
Aug	53	42	53	42	
Sep	72	29	72	29	
Oct	11	50	11	50	
Nov	29	39	29	39	
Dec	92	72	92	72	
<u>Total mm</u>	542	565	582	579	25

Features

FROSTY'S NATURE NOTES

Otters are back

Several years ago I saw an otter from my breakfast table in the Gongoozler. The large size, the whiskers, the bright button nose all made it plain this was that rarest of Braunston's mammals the wonderful otter (*Lutra lutra*). That otter made its winter home in a boat in the marina shredding the boat's upholstery and leaving a horrible fishy smell.

Much more common than otters are the smaller mink. The two can be confused. Otters are much larger and have light brown fur with paler undersides. Mink fur looks almost black with distinctive white markings on chin and throat. Mink swim with the head and body high out of the water, otters swim with only the head and tail visible.

My old mate Wendy tells me the Braunston Fishing Club think otters have been raiding their expensively stocked private fishery. Large dog otters or pregnant females might eat four pounds (2 Kg) of fish a day. If the otter is back it may not actually be a Braunston resident. A dog otter may have as much as a dozen miles of canal-side territory, and have more than one female mate living along his stretch of waterway.

The anglers know that the otter is a European protected species and whatever happens with Brexit that won't change because the otter is also fully protected under Schedule 5 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

My only suggestion was to make sure it was actually otters taking the valuable fish. It is much more likely to be the much more common mink. Mink are a real non-native pest not protected by law. They may be trapped and if you do trap a mink it is illegal to return it alive to the water, it must be killed.

Otters are one of the UK's top conservation success stories. Now found in every British county they were driven to near extinction between the 1950s and 1970s by hunting with dogs until hunts were made illegal in 1978. Another major factor in the animal's decline was the widespread use of DDT and similar agricultural chemicals.

Watch out for that Braunston otter, seeing one will make your day – unless, of course, it is eating your fish!

Peter Frost

Braunston Friendly Club would like to share with the village a few tips from

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Services

Following a very useful talk given by Liz Armstrong at our February meeting members of The Friendly Club are each going to talk to two people in the village and two people from outside the village to spread the word and reduce the risk of fires in the home.

59% of all household fires start in the kitchen.

Top tip – Never leave your cooking unattended.

Key point about toasters - Check toasters are clean and not placed under kitchen cabinets or close to anything that can catch fire. Also if the toaster spring up mechanism is stuck turn off the toaster at the socket. It will overheat easily and may start a fire.

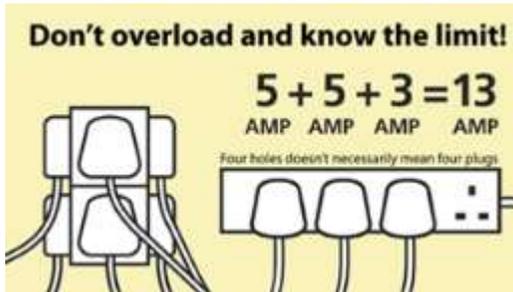


The second biggest cause of house fires is overloading electric sockets.

Top tip – know your Amps!

Extension leads, adaptors and multi socket devices in the past have been suitable for up to 13 amp use. TODAY many have only 10 amp totals. Are you overloading yours?

Key point about electric sockets – It is not the number of plugs but what those plugs are connected to that matters.



Do you know which items in your home are 3, 5 or 13 amp?

3 amp items include	Com-puter	Lamp	Phone charger	The most appropriate for a multi socket
5 amp items include	Micro-wave	Kitchen mixer	Vacu-um cleaner	A maximum of two items, but ideally plug into a wall socket.
13 amp items in-clude	Hair dryer	Kettle	Iron	Plug into wall sockets. Do not plug into multi sockets.

A few other things to check

Are your exits blocked, perhaps with a pushchair or bike or walking stick?

Can the keys to doors be found easily by everyone in the house?

Woodburners and BBQs give off carbon monoxide fumes. A detector for this gas should be placed at your nose height or below as the fumes do not rise to the ceiling.

How old is your electrical equipment? Is it safe? Does it need replacing?

When using an extension lead or vacuum cleaner with retractable lead do you pull all the cable out of the casing before use?

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