Love where you live

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A different but lovely view of Braunston
Thank you Ann-Marie Morris
REGISTERS FOR September 2015

BRAUNSTON

Weddings - 2nd September—David Bodily and Laura Hennessey
- 12th September—Guy Foster and Rebecca Whitlock

Ruby Wedding and Renewal of Wedding Vows
6th September - Glenda and Derek Parton

Baptisms: 13th Ruby Terry, Michael Ive, Orlaith Watts and Polly Nixon
Parish councillors: -

Abigail Campbell t: 01788 891782
Alan Mawer t: 01788 890340
Chris Johnson t: 01788 891597
Graham Newman t: 01788 890143
Louis Prat t: 01788 890766
Mark Fitzhugh t: 01788 890732
Peter Biggs t: 07828 064906
Pete Morgan (Chair) t: 01788 891462
Richard Patchesa t: 01788 899212
Sandra Ashford t: 01788 899287
Sue Harrison t: 07769 589459

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.

1st Oct Jetty Fields Sub Committee
5th Oct Full Council Meeting

2nd Nov Full Council Meeting
16th Nov Budget Meeting – Full Council

All Agendas and Minutes are available on the Braunston Website
I am sorry but I had to send the magazine to the printers before the Floodlighting Information arrived.

I will publish it in next months magazine.

HEALTH WALKS.
All our welcome to join in our Health Walks in the Village. Walks last approx 30/40 minutes starting and finishing up at our Community Cafe. Please wear suitable footwear as some walks may be across fields. Walks will start from outside the Community Cafe at 2pm on Fridays the 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th
Leader: Rosemary Kendall (01788 890543)
On beating the odds
Not even the greatest optimist could pretend that it is still summer. We may still be seeing a few radiant days (am I the only one who is always wearing either too many or too few clothes?) but they have that autumnal bronziness, that air of fading glory and hint of transformation.
The news reports are also pregnant with change - new Labour leadership, new rules of political engagement, Islamist extremism in the Middle East and at home, European borders in turmoil, mass migrations and unprecedented political decisions to be made.

And within that framework unfurl all the unsettling changes of life; children growing up, going to school, leaving for university, work or war; parents growing older; friends and family becoming frail in body or mind; death.
Maybe I’m noticing it more as my daughter goes to university for the first time.
But the hymn, “Abide with me”, sung at countless funerals and cheerfully hi-jacked for Rugby matches, resonates with the season: “Change and decay in all around I see. O thou who changest not, abide with me”

It is a plea for stability in all the change, expressed in faith in Jesus Christ who is the same yesterday, tomorrow and today. The non-believer may say that faith is only for people who need a crutch, for weak people who cannot cope with life on their own. The believer will understand things differently and know that it takes strength to face up to our weakness and the worst of what it means to be human. To be able to see change and decay and illness and wars and rumours of wars in the context of a greater hope, a greater justice and a renewed society is a marvellous gift. Someone said to me recently, “I don’t understand much of this Christianity business really and I’m not even that sure about God but if there is even a one in ten thousand chance that I will see my wife again when I die then I’m in it for the long haul.”

Change is inevitable. Some of it is nasty and we have choices. We can understand our lives to be futile and subject to cruel randomness; we can try to fight against it in our own strength in a vain effort to remain in control or we can deal with the realities by learning to trust in God’s promises whether or not we understand them. St Paul says in Hebrews 11 “Faith is being sure of what you hope for.” No more no less.

So come death or life, political upheaval, fundamentalism and war, sickness or health, parental redundancy or learning to be a carer, the person of faith, though enjoying the suffering no more than anyone else, can say “O thou who changest not, abide with me.”

Every blessing,
Sarah
NEWS FROM JETTY FIELD.

News from Jetty Field.
We had an extremely successful work morning that involved SEVENTEEN local residents! We managed to clear a large part of the conservation/wild area and achieved a great deal in tidying up the garden, as well.
Many thanks to:- James Bickerstaff, Alistair Robertson, Karl Pryce, Carol Barnes (who supplied the tea and coffee), Chris Burton, Zara Corbin (who supplied the cake), M Clews, George Midson, Tricia and Paul Chamberlain, Peter and Ann Biggs, Brian and Gloria Oliver, Pat and Sybil Herlihy and Andrew Alsop.
Also, many thanks to Chris Burton for supplying the new fronts to the bird boxes and for helping replace them and also for cleaning out each one ready for spring!
There are plans for the further development of the conservation/wild area and also for replacing some of the fencing alongside the garden.
The next Jetty Field meeting will be held on Thursday 5th November. The meetings following this will be on Thursday 7th January and Thursday 10th March.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP PLEASE LOOK AT OUR NOTICE BOARD FOR CONTACT DETAILS.

Braunston CE School
Open Day
Date: 7th October 2015
At
9.45 am
Parents of new children are
Invited to look round the school during the
Above time.
Please arrive promptly
JENNI’S JOTTINGS

Can anyone tell me where September went? Was it just me or did it flash by? Now here we are in a season of ‘mists and mellow fruitfulness’. I am trying very hard not to put any heating on or light the fire at least until the end of the month but I have resorted to the occasional pair of socks and a fleece!

I went to a couple of great events in the village, The Auction of Promises was a fantastic success and many thanks to all who organised, helped, attended and bid for lots. The food was delicious, however I must apologise for the shortage of sausages in the canapes—my dog managed to get into the kitchen and ate about 70 of them!!! The other goodie was the Proms at the church on Saturday night. The Church looked very patriotic covered in flags and a few people dressed up in red white and blue. The Coventry Town Brass Band blew their collective hearts out and Jenni Rolt and her partner sang Rule Britannia beautifully. I must admit I am not keen on brass bands but this is the third Proms I have been to and just may be converted a tiny bit!

Many people have remarked to me how sad that our wonderful café had to close for a couple of weeks in September. We hadn’t enough volunteers to keep going. Hopefully things are back to normal now but PLEASE if you could spare the odd half day we would welcome your help. It is good fun and the customers are very friendly.

There are some good things to look out for in October not least the Braunston Bakes, not that any cakes pass my lips but it would be rude not to buy any wouldn’t it.

There is an interesting suggestion on page 38 about a possible street party. Do have a think about it and surely between all the shops, businesses, residents and groups and societies we should be able to come up with something memorable.

Have fun in October everyone. Cheers Jenni
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**Monday**
- Mime Classes (9-11yrs) 9:30am - 10:15am
- Mime Classes (11-16yrs) 10:30am - 11:15am

**Tuesday**
- Acting, Performance & Singing (9-11yrs) 4:15pm - 6:00pm
- Acting, Performance & Singing (11-16yrs) 6:00pm - 7:15pm

**Friday**
- Contemporary and Jazz (5-8yrs) 6:00pm - 6:45pm
- Grade 1 Ballet (5-8yrs) 7:15pm - 8:00pm
- Grade 2 Ballet (6-8yrs) 8:00pm - 8:45pm
- Grade 1 Tap (5-6yrs) 6:45pm - 7:15pm
- Grade 2 Tap (6-8yrs) 8:45pm - 9:15pm
- Adult Dancing (entry level) 9:15pm - 10:15pm

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Dave Peters 1942 - 2011
Loved Grandad and loving husband
and fishing enthusiast.

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Abigail Campbell
District Councillor

W.L. Centenary
I was really pleased to be invited to attend Braunston Women's Institute centenary celebration. The W.I. was formed in 1915 to revitalise rural communities and develop local food production. The W.I. is now the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK, with over 212,000 members and plays a unique role in providing women with opportunities for learning, participation and to campaign on issues that matter to them and their communities.

I think this role is more important than ever, I'm proud to be Braunston's District Councillor, and to work with our vicar, Rev. Sarah Brown. But only three members of Braunston PC are women; just under a third of members of the District Council & County Council are women and in public life generally, women (despite Jeremy Corbyn's majority women shadow cabinet), are outnumbered 3:1 by men. Women earn on average 15% less than men and make up the majority of low paid jobs. Women's average personal pensions are only 62% of the average for men and they make up the majority of pensioners living below the breadline. Women are disproportionately affected by government spending cuts.

The W.I. are always looking for new members – contact Sue Goodchild on 07432 508065. And in May next year, Braunston Parish Council will hold an all-out election. I really hope more women will consider standing. If you'd like to talk more about what's involved, feel free to get in touch with me. the

Chair, Pete Morgan, or the Clerk, Steve Rol.

Public Space Protection Orders
Daventry District Council will be voting on new dog control orders on 1st October. The new orders require dog owners across the District to show they have the means to clean up after their dog, and to have dogs on leads in a limited area (near the cafe area) of Daventry Country Park.

Police and Crime Commissioner visit
I am accompanying Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner on a tour around the village from 1pm on 9 October. If you would like me to raise specific issues with him, or show him particular areas in the village of concern to you, please let me know in advance.

Ward Walkabout
My next District Councillor will be on Saturday 17 October 10-11.30 along Ashby Road, Spinney Hill and the closes. I'll drop a card round in the week beforehand and if you'd like to talk to me about anything just put it in your window on the day so I know to call.

With best wishes, Abigail
BRAUNSTON ART GROUP

The Art Group meets every Wednesday between 2 and 4 pm in the library of the Village Hall. All abilities welcome

Nick Strivens 890764

Hope and Homes for Children

Money raised from Penny Pots / donations since 1 March 15 £ 448.77
This would not be possible without your continue support. So please keep filling those Penny Pots which are available at Braunston Stores and All Saints' Church.
“Future Gifts” are to be purchased from this years donations i.e.:

- Shoes for children in Africa
- A food Pack for a family
- A Child’s first toy
- Daily support for street children,
- Changing children’s lives for the better

Thank you all so much - Brenda Hobbs on behalf of Hope and Homes for Children

Tel 01788 899086
Braunston Parish Council

Clerk’s contact details: -
Steve Rolt
C/o 82 Greenway, Braunston, NN11 7JT
T: 07956 682733  E: clerk@braunstonpc.org

Christmas Tree Scheme
So sorry that last months BVN missed out the address of where to send the order forms. The closing date is now October 14th so if you want to join the scheme, please get in touch with Steve Rolt before that date.

Parish Councillor Vacancy

Due to a resignation of a councillor there is a vacancy on the Parish Council.

If you are interested in being co-opted on to the Parish Council please contact the clerk either by phone on 07956 682733 or emailing at clerk@braunstonpc.org

Please could you contact the clerk by Friday 14th November at the latest, there will be a short interview process after this date to select the successful candidate.

Some more accidental funnies from a northern Church magazine!

Remember in your prayers members who are sick of our church

He was a talented photographer of scenes of lakes, rivers, streams and ponds, indeed he could never pass water without taking a photo of it.
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The BVGA would like to thank everyone who helped, entered and visited the show in this anniversary year.
A special thank you to the local businesses that ensure we can organise a show each year. Through their generosity and villagers support buying refreshments, tombola and raffle tickets on the day we continue to run a self-financing show.

Admiral Nelson Barby Nurseries Boat Shop Boathouse Braunston Bakes
Braunston Fryer Charisma Community Café Gongoozler’s Rest Old Plough
Select Convenience Stores Village Meats Wheatsheaf
PumpkinPip Ltd

To celebrate the 60th anniversary we introduced a new prize: the public choice enabling all visitors in the afternoon to vote for their overall winner. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for taking part so enthusiastically and here are the winners:

- First place – June Arrowsmith and Carol Middleton’s stunning flower arrangements celebrating our 60th anniversary.
- Second place – Chris Grossart’s beautiful quilt/applique.
- Third place – Jamie Harris’ innovative Vegetable look-a-like entry.
- Fourth place – Richard Thornton’s flight photograph for “High Speed”.
- Others that were chosen by the public included;

  Joshua Canning (Scarecrow), Dennis Bancroft (Dahlias, single bloom/spike and Bowl of fruit), Jamie Harris (Flower arrangement, piece of handicraft), Mick Batchelor (An ornamental vegetable and Veg box), Harry Barnwell (Heaviest pumpkin), Katie Ronch (Heaviest marrow), Pauline Canning (Potted cactus), Kate Mawer (Collection of garden flowers, seed heads), David Parr (Loaf of homemade bread), Ron Middleton (A watercolour, Photograph “Out and about in Braunston”), Chris Grossart (Something made from recycled materials, jam), Jennie Hearn (The snail – 2D craft, counted thread work),

Jacob Canning (Sprouting potato), Oscar Owen (Decorate biscuit), Bill Hearn (Photographs “Friends” and “Shadows”), Sheila Parr (3D craft), Ann Beck (Cushion), Lisa Wadd (Lemon drizzle cake), Gina Rippon (carrot cake), Harry Beck (Bizarrely shaped vegetable, potted succulent), Helen Morgan (Indoor pot plant, foliage), Julie Capell (Indoor pot plant, flowering, fuchsia blooms), Rachel May (Hydrangea head, vase of six stems), Marianne Holloway (Any other fruit).

If you would like to know more about the show or the BVGA then contact
Kate Mawer 890340 or via the link on the website
BRAUNSTON VILLAGE HALL.
KEEPING YOU INFORMED!

For reasons beyond our control, it was not possible to resurface the village hall car park in September. It will be completed as soon as possible. Notices will go up to inform people about the new date and it will also be put on the village website. Further improvements to the interior of the hall are planned and we hope to complete these in the near future.

The next meeting of the village hall committee is on Thursday 1st October at 7.30 p.m.

STOP PRESS!
A new date has been confirmed for the resurfacing of the village hall car park. The work will start on MONDAY 12TH OCTOBER. It will be closed from the afternoon of SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
BRAUNSTON & DISTRICT BRANCH

The next meeting of the Branch will be at the Sporting Club, Barby, at 8.00pm 13th October.

The October monthly luncheon will be at the same venue at midday on the 21st.

Tony Saunderson - Tel. No. 01788 890797
**Macmillan Coffee Morning**

The Macmillan Coffee morning will take place on **Saturday October 24th**

in the Village Hall from 10.00am until 12 noon.

We hope to improve on last year's total of £535.65

Come along and enjoy a delicious home-made cake
with your coffee or tea whilst helping to support cancer care in Northamptonshire.

There will be cakes for sale, a bring and buy stall and a raffle.

If you would like to help in any way - by making a cake, running a stall, helping on the day, or making a donation' please contact Janet McCarthy on 01788 890336.

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**BRAUNSTON & DISTRICT TWINNERS**

*French Life, French Cooking,*

*New Friends, a Family Weekend Away.....*

**Could this be for you?**

**Thursday 2 - Sunday 5 June 2016 (end of school half-term holiday)**

You have the opportunity to join in the Braunston & District French Twinning visit next year. This time it's particularly focused on families so this is the chance for you and your children to experience real French life.

Not all the English visitors speak French, nor do all the French visitors speak English, but we always match hosts with visitors so communication is possible.

In June 2016 the French will be welcoming us to the twin village of Quincy-Voisins, near Paris. Travel will be by coach and the cost will be about £100 for adults and this time children will be heavily subsidised.

Look out for our flyer giving more details in the next BVN and in the meantime visit the Braunston & District Twinners website for a flavour of what the visits are like:-www.braunston.org.uk/

If you email the Secretary, Eric Baker, eric.baker@sky.com, you can receive more information about the 2016 trip as soon as it is available, along with the dates and venues of forthcoming social events when you can talk informally to Twinners about arrangements and what to expect.
THE DICK HERNE BRAUNSTON HISTORY SOCIETY.

Our old friend, Malcolm Deacon, gave an excellent talk entitled, “Mission and Empire”, at our September meeting. It was a pity that there were so few people in the audience to hear such an interesting presentation. There were a few of our regular members on holiday!

Our October meeting welcomes Charles Dunn to speak to us about the history and architecture of All Saints’ Braunston Church and some of its more important contents. Charles, a member of the church congregation and the Friends of All Saints’, undertook a tremendous amount of work in applying for the funding that has made the restoration work possible. The talk is on Tuesday 20th October at the village hall at 7.30 p.m. ALL ARE VERY WELCOME!

A REMINDER! Have you got any information about Public Houses, past and present, in Braunston? Have you got any photographs? If so, please contact Annie Rogers 891179. We hope to produce a book about the pubs and need all the information we can get!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH
Life is like a camera,
Focus on what's important.
Capture the good times
Develop from the negatives,
And if things don't work out...
Take another shot!
All Saints’ Church, Braunston
7pm - Monday 5th October
HARVEST SUPPER
at Braunston Lower School
Two courses and drinks
Please bring your own plate, bowl, knife, fork & spoon

£7 Adults, £1 Children

Please add your name to the list at All Saints' Church

FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS’ BRAUNSTON.
DINNER AND AUCTION.
IT IS ALL ABOUT COMMUNITY EFFORT!
Over seventy people enjoyed an excellent meal and helped raise about £5,500! The guests were welcomed with a reception that included a string quartet, canapés and wine.
The auction would not have been possible without a magnificent response from Braunston residents of all ages. Many thanks go to the following people:- The members of the string quartet, Alice, Imogen, Alice and Jenny. Youth Church members:- Alana, Nancy, Bradley, Bea and Jasmine who were very efficient waiters! The catering team produced a fantastic three course meal. They were led by Ingrid and included Barbara, Veronica, Jenni, Kate, Sheila and Avril. Our fabulous duo, Joanne and Andre, who masterminded all the I.T. and publicity. Zara who designed the decor and table decorations and John who organised the wines and was a generous benefactor in giving three items for the auction. Our bar staff:- Pat., Peter and Sam. Jim helped set up beforehand. Revd. Sarah, Richard and their son Edward helped in several ways.
The auction could not have realised such a wonderful figure if it was not for the generosity of the people who gave the auction lots – many thanks!
Over 28 people gave their time and talent for the benefit of the church and the village. This is a practical example of how a community comes together to provide an enjoyable and successful event.
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Aubrey Berriman

Aubrey asked the Jetty Field Committee if a bench could be placed in the garden of the Pocket Park in memory of his late wife, Primrose. She spent many a happy hour sitting on the bench when it was in their garden in Church Road. The committee was pleased to agree to this. The bench is now in place with a brass plaque that ends- “sit a while and smile”.

The Berrimans came to Braunston from Devon in 1957. Aubrey came to work as a boat builder at Samuel Barlows; he then worked for Blue Line Cruisers and Ladyline before retiring. We all hope that people can enjoy sitting on this special bench and to enjoy the wonderful view!
SUE HARRISON—PARISH COUNCILLOR

I recently joined Braunston Parish Council because I consider the Parish Council should be the expression of local views to influence local policy. I hope that by listening to the opinions and ideas of other residents, it will be possible to achieve this.

I have been a teacher for over thirty years and am still very much involved in the family farming business and my event business here in Braunston.

We now have another vacancy on the Parish Council and I would encourage anyone who wants to be engaged in making decisions that help to shape the environment in which we live, to consider applying.

A successful Council needs diversity in outlook, experience and age of members. Training is given and is very useful, but we need members who can bring a common sense approach and look for viable outcomes.

If you are considering the role and have some questions, do give me a call and I will be happy to help. 07769 589459

And a couple more ………

*The Slimmers Club will meet at 7pm on Thursdays in the Methodist Hall. Please use the large double doors at side entrance.*
*For those of you who have children and don’t know it, we have a nursery downstairs.*
*Eight new choir robes are needed due to the addition of new members and the deterioration of some of the older ones.*
The Mobile Sight Centre will visit New Daventry on Wednesday 21st October 10am—1pm

THE MOBILE LIBRARY
The Mobile Library will be at the Village Hall
On Friday 30th October
17.10 to 17.50
## FORTHCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

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BRAUNSTON CINEMA CLUB

Sat 31st Oct at 7.30pm in the Village Hall
Sir Ian McKellen as “Mr Holmes”
An aged, retired Sherlock Holmes looks back on his life, and grapples with an unsolved case involving a beautiful woman.

Homemade refreshments available
Bring a bottle

Tickets £4 members/£6 non-members
Book in advance or tickets available on the door
Tel: 07989 421836 or braunstoncinema-club@gmail.co.uk
Daventry Town Vikings U13s

Daventry Town Vikings U13s (for year 8's) play in the Northampton District Youth Alliance League C league. We are looking for players to help strengthen our squad.

We train and play our games on the Sports Field, Browns Road, Daventry, NN11 4NS, . Friday training (6:30 – 8:00pm) and we play Sunday morning, 10:00 warm up, 1030 start, finish approx 12:00. Home and away (away is around Northampton)
With the evenings advancing, we will be restricted to the time on sports field, so we will likely move to the Daventry Town training courts. Times will be shared out between teams.

Everyone gets to play, there are no prima donnas and the kids help each and encourage each other. Whilst it is football, it opens the door to life skills – gracious winning, respect, losing, commitment and team working. We are on bare numbers, sometimes not fielding a full side, but our players enjoy the game, work hard for each other and want to play football. Lift shares to games and training is not uncommon. Junior players get free admission to the senior team games at Communication Park, and discounted season tickets are available to parents.

For more information contact Nigel Parkinson - 0744 341 7303 or Jason O Farrell - 07894 230969 who is our manager and Daventry Town’s ‘Junior Welfare Officer’
BRAUNSTON C OF E SCHOOL

Autumn term at Braunston School began with a whole school topic based on World War1. Each class carried out a range of work across a myriad of curriculum ideas based on the Great War. Mrs Lawson, our History Leader planned the topic overview and provided sources for the teachers to use. Each teacher then planned what areas they would teach based upon a range of subjects, not just history but literacy, art, geography etc..

The learning atmosphere around the school was even more amazing than usual, with the children motivated to find out more about our Country’s history and produced some really good work.

The whole two weeks ended in an assembly to show and explain some of the learning which had taken place. This was a great opportunity for the children to share learning across the school. Many parents joined in this assembly and gave positive feedback. We shall continue learning about this war across the year. In October we will look at the role other countries played in supporting this country in the war. In November we will be creating poppies which we are hoping to display around the school grounds, and at Christmas we want to base our performance on the Christmas Truce. Finally in July 2016 we will commemorate the Battle of the Somme, basing some of our learning about this battle within the Great War.

Some comments from the children about their learning:
“I liked learning about the trenches and the firing line. I liked making the mini people because it was a great experience. It was really fun and I learnt about the Battle of the Somme” Mitchell

“I liked our topic based on WW1 because it gave me more interesting information. I learned about how horrid the food and trenches were. I enjoyed writing poems and looking at videos and facts” Faith

“I liked making a soldier from WW1. The materials I used were tin foil and masking tape and they are on our display of a trench in the entrance hall in our school” Thomas.

I have enjoyed learning about Pals Battalions because I didn’t understand what it meant before I studied WW1 and now I do. It’s where people who are neighbours go to war together. They are called Pals Battalions because they are pals who were neighbours before they fought in the war” Grace
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**CLUBS AND SOCIETY EVENTS**

**Braunston Women’s Institute**

**Next Meeting:**
Tonight, not only will we have our AGM, we will also celebrate the 95th anniversary of Braunston W.I with cake and a drink. This follows the many celebrations there have been this year for the Centenary of the W.I. Movement which was founded in 1915. In September we enjoyed a nostalgic Afternoon Tea when it was delightful to reminisce with friends and previous members of our W.I. As our records, and our memories do not go back very far we may well have missed one or two people, for which we sincerely apologise.

Contact Barbara on 01788

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**Braunston Friendly Club**

**Next Meetings:**
- **Monday Oct. 12th** Our club birthday lunch will be held at the Duncow pub Dunchurch. Transport by DACT from the Green at 12 noon for a 12.30 lunch.
- **Monday Oct 26th.** Have fun with a game of Beetle! Usual venue 2 30pm in the Gallie room Village hall.

Gill 890763

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**Braunston Fishing Club**

**BINGO**

Every Thursday throughout the year
8.00pm in the Village Hall
Non members welcome

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**TO BOOK THE VILLAGE HALL**

**CALL:**
Mrs Leyla Clayson
62 High Street
Braunston
Leyla_geric@hotmail.com

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**RAINFALL — 2014/2015**

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Information provided by Rob Buckley
All Saints’ Church

Quiz Night

Saturday 17th October
Braunston Village Hall
6:30pm for 7pm start

Teams no more than 6
£8 per person

Includes Quiz & Fish (or Sausage) & Chips Supper
Sign up at Church or phone Pat on 01788 899 157 by 11th October
Please book by 11th October - BYO drinks/glasses

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2015 – Celebrating our 60th Year

October Events

Tuesday 27th October 7.30pm Speaker – Village Hall
Chris Smith the Gardens and Park manager of Canons Ashby.
Talk title – Canons Ashby – A labour of love.
Ticket price - £2, including tea/coffee
Tickets available from Your Café; the Community Café, Kate Mawer 890340 or Chris Grossart 890491 or any BVGA committee members.

Sunday 18th October 10am Community Gardening – Village Hall
Join us for an hour or so to weed the Jubilee Garden and to continue with the plans for the herb garden.

Hen’s eggs – do you have some?
I have received two requests to consider having a class in The Show for hen’s eggs. Would you enter this if we included it next year? If you think it could be something you are interested in please either ring me (890340) and leave a message saying so or contact me via the link on the website.

Photographs or information about shows of the past.
As we look forward to introducing new BVGA activities we are also looking to collect any information about shows of the past; photographs, newspaper articles, family memories. We have some minute books from the 1950’s and 1960’s and someone has provided me with some information that indicates shows taking place between the wars. We would love to hear from you if you have any information to share.

Please ring Kate Mawer on 890340 or contact me via the link on the website for more details about any of these events.

ADVANCE NOTICE!!!
BARN DANCE – Saturday 31st October
7:30pm at Braunston Primary School  £8 including supper  Bring your own drinks

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Oh yes it is!

November 25-28th - Braunston Village Hall
Tickets £6 from
The Boat Shop, Bottom Lock - Tel 01788 891 310
Doors open 7:15pm - Licensed Bar
Currently the work on our restoration project is progressing well. The contractor has started fitting the new lead sheets to the gutter being worked on. Agreement has been reached on new stone and mortar samples to match the existing building.

New timber access platforms have been built in the bell chamber to provide safe access to the tower parapet for maintenance. A key feature of the work in all areas is to provide easier access for maintenance. A new Maintenance Procedure document was produced at the start of this project to ensure we can keep the building in good condition once the restoration is complete.

Overall the project is on programme (work on one rainwater hopper had to be delayed until the nesting pigeon had reared its young!).

Financially the project remains on budget. We have received the £5000 grant from the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust. Reclaiming VAT is ongoing as invoices are received. At the end of September the initial grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund will have been used up and we then apply for their second large payment (leaving only the 10% on completion to be claimed).

At the time of writing the first of 2 open afternoons at church has been held on 6th September. 30 visitors from the village and marina came to view the displays of the restoration work. They also enjoyed refreshments and a guided tour of the church building and contents.
Frostys Nature Notes - Towpath Tipples

In 1827 Northamptonshire poet and agricultural labourer John Clare wrote in his Shepherd's Calendar: -

*When winter comes in earnest to fulfil,
His yearly task at bleak November's close,
And stops the plough and hides the fields in snows;
When frost locks up the streams in chill delay.
And mellows on the hedge the purple sloes ...".*

John Clare hated the job he was doing. He was enclosing the huge open countryside with hated hedgerows for rich and greedy landowners. Poor John planted thousands of blackthorn (Prunus spinosa) which today makes up much the hedgerows beside the canal and along the lanes in Braunston. At this time of year we can benefit from sad John's planting. Search out the matt black berries as they begin to ripen with their promise of sloe gin. Take care, the thorns can cause a vicious wound. Wear heavy gloves and long sleeves. Pick your sloes after the first frost or if you want to speed up the process and have your gin ready by this Christmas pick them now and pop them in the freezer for a week. Freezing also means you won't need to prick the fruit, always a tiresome part of the process.

You will need: One pound (450g) wild sloes; Half a pound (225g) of caster sugar; One and three quarter pints (1 litre) good, but not too good, gin.

Prick the skins of the sloes with a needle or pickle fork and place in a large, clean jar with a good tight lid. No need to prick if the sloes have been frozen. Add the sugar and the gin, seal tightly and keep in a cool, dark place and shake well every day for a week. Then shake once a week for as long as you have the patience. A month before you plan to bottle or drink it stop shaking and let it stand and settle. When clear, decant into a pretty bottle. Like many liquors it is much better kept for a year or two. If it won't come bright, either be more patient, or if that is out of the question, desperate philistines have been known to use a coffee filter. You can use the same basic technique to make Bullace Brandy, bird cherry or rosehip vodka and many other towpath tipples.

BRAUNSTON ALLOTMENTS

There will be an allotment coming free shortly. If you are interested please contact Bob Cluett on 01788 890630
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THE QUEEN’S 90^{TH} BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A proposal has been put to the parish council that Braunston should celebrate the Queen’s 90^{th} birthday in 2016.

Research indicates that the last Braunston street party was for the Queen’s Coronation 62 years ago. It is perhaps time we had another!!

Please let Louis Prat, 29 High Street, louisgprat@hotmail.com know your support.

At this stage the parish council only wants an indication of the level of support. Date, venues and format are still to be clarified.

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First Meeting 7th October 3.30 to 5 for 9 weeks
Venue: Baptist Church School Rooms, Long Buckby

Please phone Joan Holah 01604 770030
jholah@aol.com for further information
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The next newsletter will be published on 1st November 2015 Please leave material at the Post Office before NOON on the 20th October or by Email to the Editor: Jenni Burton jenni_burton@btinternet.com Tel: 01788 891546