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**AUGUST BRAUNSTON REGISTERS**

**Weddings**
18th Aug Alan & Evelyn Jackson - Renewal of Wedding vows for 40th Anniversary

6th Sept Becky & Stuart Clarke

7th Sept James & Kate Luke

21st Sept Andy & Kelly Darling

**Funerals**
29th Aug Jackie Green (Memorial Service 4th Sept)

25th Sept Eleanor Hankinson

**Baptisms**
29th Sept Grace Morris
Vicar’s letter

We’ll soon be celebrating harvest in the church and school and we realise that autumn is truly here. As I travel between the villages, it’s been good to see harvesting taking place and occasionally being stuck behind a tractor.

Having grown up and lived in towns all of my life, harvest always seemed an odd festival. We all brought food from the supermarket and occasionally from a keen gardener’s allotment. We gave thanks for the food we had but with little understanding of how or where that food really came from. Some years ago, a new hymn appeared that started, ‘God of concrete and of steel, God of piston and of wheel’. It celebrated the urban and mechanical world where many people live but it’s never taken over in popularity from the traditional hymn, ‘We plough the fields and scatter’ I think that’s because we know it’s important for us all to realise that we are dependent on farmers, the weather and the seasons for our food.

This year we’ll be taking advantage of the fact that we live close to several farms, by holding our Harvest Festival service at Bragborough Hall Farm, hosted by Geoff and Odette Phipps. Not only is there something special about worshipping God outdoors, amongst the beauty of creation, we can also give thanks for our food at one of the places where it is grown and learn first-hand about the joys and trials of modern-day farming.

I hope you’ll consider joining us and supporting our local farmers.

God Bless you,

Rev Nat.

Sunday 6th October at 11.15-12.15am, All-Age Harvest Festival Service in the cowshed. Followed by a Ploughman’s lunch. A collection in aid of The Farming Community Network. Please bring a coat/blanket.
Church Floodlighting

September’s floodlighting so far …

5th – To celebrate Becci & Stuart’s
Wedding tomorrow. All our love. Mum & Dad

7th - * Celebrating "What Villagers Do" at the Braunston Show
6th - Remembering Mum on her 100th birthday, Suzanne & family.
6th - Dolly Warltier. 100th birthday. Remembered always. A
wonderful life xx Victoria Batchelor

9th – Grace Bennett. Birthday memories on what would have been
Mum’s 95th Birthday. Loved and missed very much. Carol, Graham
and Gillian x

11th September - * Simon & Ann-Marie's Wedding Anniversary
24th September - * Sheila & David Parr's Wedding Anniversary

October’s floodlighting so far …

3rd October - * Lit by Julie Simpson for Debbie, Nina and friends
4th October – Tom Gooney. In loving memory. You are loved,
remembered and missed everyday

4th October - Joe, The Bowls Club is missing a Star Player R.I.P.
Avril x

5th October - * In memory of Rose Bray, Boatwoman

6th October - * Ralph & Gill Maltby’s Wedding Anniversary

31st October - * Remembering Joan & Bill Folkard and my brother,
Michael, Love Lin

* Friends of All Saints – A huge Thank You
Church Diary - October

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If you wish to have All Saints’ floodlit for a special occasion please use one of the request forms on the table at the back of the church. The current fee is £7 per entry, although you can give more. Please keep the length of the dedication to not more than 12 words and leave completed forms with the donation at the Rectory or the Post Office by the 18\textsuperscript{th} of the month.
Waterways Chaplains

On Sunday November 3rd. Kim and I will be commissioned as Waterways Chaplains.

People often ask what is it that waterways chaplains do?

Our brief is to walk the towpath for 1 mile a week, attend monthly meetings with other local waterways chaplains and attend a training day twice a year. We have to keep a log-book of our activities. Before we are commissioned, we have to undergo training and mentoring for about a year. We started that process in December 2018.

Waterways chaplaincy grew out of a recognition of unmet need on the canal system identified by a Salvation Army report. Many canal users are relatively prosperous such as hire boat holiday makers and those owning their own boats for recreation. However there are also many on the canal system who are there because they have nowhere else to go. They may have fallen on hard times, or have problems coping with modern society and think getting a boat will allow them to get away. Unfortunately if you are on a boat with no fixed mooring you give up your post-code. This makes it hard to get a bank account or access health care or benefits. Owning a boat may seem like a cheap option for living but they are expensive to maintain. There is a requirement for boat safety certificates, insurance and boat licence (about £1000 pa.) as well as mechanical maintenance. If there is no boat licence the Canal and River Trust may remove the boat from the water. The Waterways Chaplaincy exists to mentor such people, guide them through modern bureaucracy and sometimes to supply emergency rations of food (from food banks) or coal. We hope to help people through crisis and promote transformational change.

There are currently just over 80 waterways chaplains, all volunteers, the ambition is to have 200 by the end of 2020.

The Chaplaincy is a Christian organisation, but we are asked to be “Pastorally Proactive and Spiritually Reactive”, which means that we are not actively evangelistic. We are ready to help anyone whether of any faith or none.

Kim and I retired in 2017 to live on a boat. In the first few months we kept meeting waterways chaplains and it seemed quite clear to us we were being called to this role.

Fergus Mc Cloghry
HARVEST CELEBRATION
at Bragborough Hall
Sunday 6th October at 11:15am

All are warmly welcome to join in a joint benefice service of praise and worship with live band in the cow shed (cleaned out!), followed by a ploughman’s lunch.
Parish Council Information and News

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07956 682733 clerk@braunstonpc.org

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Chris Johnson (Chair), Greenway and closes t: 01788 891597
Graham Newman (vice chair) Marina, London Road, Hill Row, Old Road t: 01788 890143
Jason Pritchard, The Green t: 01788 891833
Joanna Longworth, High Street from Old Plough to The Green t: 07930 263113
Lizzie Iddins, High Street from A45 to Old Plough t: 07904 061548
John Pomfret, Eastfields t: 07817 234727
Peter Biggs, Ashby Road t: 07828 064906
Robert Davey, Spinney Hill and closes t: 01788 891591
Sue Harrison, Dark Lane t: 07769 589459
Sandra Stapley, Welton Road, Maple Close t: 01788 890475
Tom Sabin, Church Road, Barby Road t: 01788 891797

Forthcoming Meetings
Members of the public are invited to attend meetings. Unless indicated, they are held in the Meeting Room at Braunston Village Hall at 7.30pm.
Mon 7th October Full Council Meeting
Sat 26th October, 10am, Main Hall Parish Meeting re Parish Nursing
Agendas and minutes are on the Braunston website: www.Braunston.org.uk/bpc
and on the Parish Council notice board at The Green.
Parish Meeting

A full Parish Meeting will be held on Saturday 26th October at 10am in the Main Hall of the Village Hall. This meeting has been specifically called to give information on the Parish Nursing Service and for a vote to be taken on whether a request to the Parish Council for funding should be agreed or not.

The resolution for the meeting is as follows:

A resolution has been received from All Saints’ Church asking the Parish Council (via the Precept) to match fund up to a maximum of £8200.00 or 50% (whichever is the lower) for each of the next three financial years (2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23) for the continuation of the provision of The Parish Nursing Project.

This will be a major expenditure for the Parish Council and as the Parish Council does not have unallocated money to meet this request, additional money will be needed. This will affect the amount of Council Tax households will need to pay. Information on what this means will be given at the meeting.

The Church will be presenting on the proposal at the meeting.

It is important that people come along and let their views be known. This is your only opportunity for this to happen.

A vote will be taken at the meeting. If the resolution is passed the Parish Council will add the appropriate amount to the precept that Council Tax bills will be based on for the next three years.
News

Our village hall is the venue for many of the groups which provide excellent support for our local village community.

We have the Pre-school, the Café church, the WI, the Youth club, the Friendly club and many others. Now we are delighted to host a new Brownie group.

We wish them every success.

Hall hire charges

If you want to hire our hall please visit the web site. Your bookings mean that we can keep improving the hall for your enjoyment.

For all day or all evening events special reduced rates apply, see our website braunstonvillagehall.org.uk, email villagehall@braunston.org.uk or phone 07890072487. Details of special events can also be found on the website: www.braunstonvillage.org.uk.

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

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Contacts for regular activities in the Village Hall

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

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**Pre-School** Monday-Friday:

[braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com](mailto:braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com)

**Items for the Braunston Village News**

If you wish to have items included in the BVN please ensure that you provide your name and contact details. You may choose not to have your name in the BVN but we cannot include items where we have no contact details.

The deadline is midday on the 18th prior to publication. Please send to bvn@braunstonpc.org or take paper copies to the Post Office.
Braunston CE School

Pre-Admission visits

DATES:

Monday 7th October 2019 – The tour starts at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 15th October 2019 – The tour starts at 9.45 am

Parents of new children are invited to look round the school at the above times.
Braunston Cinema Club

Sat Oct 26th 2019 7.30pm in the Village Hall

“Le Weekend” 2013 cert 15

‘captures Paris in all its sensuous delights’

With Lindsay Duncan, Jim Broadbent and Jeff Goldblum

A British couple return to Paris 30 years after their honeymoon in an attempt to rejuvenate their marriage.

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

Braunston History Society

Tuesday Oct 15th 7.30pm in Village Hall

Mike Ingram will talk on: -

“FOTHERINGHAY”

Home of the House of York.

The now sleepy village of Fotheringhay has witnessed many important events. This highly illustrated talk examines its past, its famous inhabitants, and what remains of its past that can be seen today.

Look forward to seeing our members. Guests always welcome, £2 on the door.
Braunston Village Gardens Association

Braunston Show 2019 ‘To show what villagers can do’
“*What I like about Braunston Show is that anyone can enter*”
“*What I like about Braunston Show is … the cake!*”
“*I am so pleased that I have moved to Braunston; The Show was great*."
“*It is a good place to catch up with people I haven’t seen for ages*”.
“*I really should have entered something, remind me next year*”.

This year at The Braunston Show we enjoyed meeting many people who were new to showing. Interestingly, this was not just people who were new to the village. We had people entering for the first time who have lived in the village all their lives. **Thank you** for this and ensuring Braunston Show 2019 was a great success for all involved.

Our judges come from outside the village. They judge at many shows and were full of praise for the entrants who produce the varied items to create a colour packed Village Hall.

This year we would like to make a special mention to the Linus Project. The group meets once a month and encouraged each other to enter the show, many for the first time. They were on the First Prize list! Previously the Art Group and Braunston Bakes have encouraged each other to show for the first time. If you are a Braunston organisation why not enter some classes together in 2020.

We are fortunate in all the help provided by **BVGA Committee members** and **supporters, refreshment room cake bakers and the donors of prizes**. Thank you to **PumpkinPip Ltd** for their invaluable support with the online entry and results analysis and **Cay and Jay at Select Convenience Stores** for collecting entry forms.

Particular thanks go to the following **businesses and organisations** for their generous donations towards the prizes for the tombola and raffle, both of which are always very well supported on the day.

**Gongoozler’s Rest, Boat Shop, Admiral Nelson, Wheatsheaf, Old Plough, Boathouse, Charisma, Keith Westley Plumbing, Beauty Box, Village Meats, Braunston Fryer, Your Café, Braunston Bakes, Braunston Cinema Club, Barby Nurseries, hello Cheese!**
The BVGA would like to hear from you.
Do you have any suggestions for new classes, or any other ideas for improving The Show in the future?

If so, please contact Kate Mawer BVGA Chairperson Tel 890340 or drop a note through the door at 65 High Street.

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Braunston Paddox Cricket Club

The cricket club added the midweek division 3 title to the Knockout Plate won earlier in the season with an impressive final few matches.

The result went down to the wire with neighbours Willoughby also in the race for the title. Braunston topped the table with 56 points to Willoughby’s 50 and Network Rail third on 30.

Of the 14 matches played Braunston won 13 and lost just one. The last time the club won a midweek league title was in 2003.

BPCC 103 for 7 Newbold 102 for 9 win by 1 run
BPCC 144 for 6 Oakfield & Rowlands 119 for 5 win by 25 runs
Ashby St Ledgers 146 for 1 BPCC 148 for 1 win by 9 wickets

During the season a total of 48 players turned out for the club, a little under half of them with ties to the village through birth, residence, work or family.

Jordan Shingler was the leading run scorer and is the first in the club’s history to score more than a thousand runs in one season. He also took the most wickets, closely followed by Kieren Bennett and Shaun Harnett.

The annual Presentation Evening will be held in the Wheatsheaf on Saturday 9th November.

Indoor nets will commence in the New Year. Look out for more details nearer the time.

Fishing Club

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

Harry 01788 890396
Braunston WI

Tuesday October 1st 7.30

October is the month for Braunston WI’s Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting is when we appoint our new committee. We will need a vibrant group to steer WI through our Centenary Year in 2020, so we would, as always, welcome new keen members with enthusiasm and ideas.

Do come along and see what we are planning.

Contact Valerie on 01788 891975

Braunston Friendly Club

We meet in The Gallie Room at the Village Hall. Members enjoy tea, cake and a variety of activities that are organised through the year. Please come along and join us to find out more about what we do. We have extra cups, cake and chat ready for people looking to come along to their first meeting.

Monday 14th October 2pm to 4pm

Holidays of my past. Bring along a small memento of a holiday that you or someone you know took in the past. It may be a souvenir or a photograph or a memory. At the meeting we will enjoy hearing about the holidays and think about how holidays have changed from then to now.

There will be a trolley raffle.

£10 membership fees are due this month. Do not worry if this is your first visit, we will not be expecting you to pay until you have settled in.

Monday 28th October 12.00pm

Braunston Friendly Club Birthday Meal at The Waterside, Hillmorton.

Pre book and payment to Jenny essential. Meet at 12 noon on the Village Green.

For more information telephone
Jenny 01788 890186 or Kate 01788 890340
Braunston Canal Society

Do you use the towpath in Braunston?

Braunston Canal Society carries out regular maintenance of the towpath and locks (in association with the Canal and River Trust) within our specific ‘adoption area’. This area stretches from Humphris Bridge (89) and Tommys Bridge (95) which lie to the west of Braunston, through to the Braunston Tunnel entrance in the east (as shown on the map).

The maintenance tasks planned by the Society are many and various, but unforeseen issues that require immediate attention can often arise.

To help the Society identify these issues, we are looking for additional volunteers/towpath rangers - preferably those who are regular users of the towpath (walkers/runners/bikers etc.) - to keep a look-out for anything which might be identified as requiring special attention. Possible examples might include: large floating obstacles; damaged lock gates; empty pounds between the locks; dangerous overhanging branches; sunken potholes; uncut grass etc.

There would be no onerous expectations to make any special trips to actively search for problems –Just a willingness to ‘keep an eye out’ during your usual towpath routines.

If you think you might be interested in joining the BCS in this capacity, please contact the BCS for further information: (braunstoncanalsociety@gmail.com) or phone/text Alan Morgan on 07948581299.

![Map of BCS Adoption Area](image-url)
**Braunston Walkers**

We are a friendly and enthusiastic group who enjoy walking. We meet for the start of our walks at the village hall car park usually at 10:00am on the third Saturday of the month.

Our walks for the rest of this year are:

October 4th to 6th Llangollen Walking Weekend

November 16th Stockton

December 21st Christmas walk

Why not join us, let me know your email address and I will include you in regular invites. Ray Scrivens (rayscrivens@btinternet.com)

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**Braunston Village Gardens Association**

**AGM**

**on** 14th November

**at** 7.30

**in the** Village Hall

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**Community Car**

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2nd Braunston Scout group went camping at Buddens Scout Camp near Poole from Saturday 3rd to Tuesday 6th August.

Activities included bridge building, canoeing games and the highlight for Scouts and leaders alike, a day trip to Brownsea Island.

Scout Founder, Baden Powell ran his 1st trial Camp there on 1st August 1907 so it was the very same week. Scouting leaders, Stuart Muddiman and Steve Irwin took the opportunity to invest Felicity Bushill as an Explorer Scout using their brand-new Explorer Flag. David Coleman, the Cub Scout Leader awarded Dylan Wright (who recently linked to Scouts) his Silver Chief Scouts award - the highest award a Cub can earn. Scouts saw the original site and of course just had to buy Brownsea Island Scouting souvenirs & Badges. The warm sunny weather was perfect for a leisurely stroll round what turns out to be a beautiful, unspoilt Island with no cars or dogs allowed.

This was a real dream come true and made Brownsea Island not just a historic place name - but somewhere they have been. The pictures are of Felicity being Invested, Dylan receiving his silver award and the modern custom of putting a group necker round the statue Of Baden Powell.
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BRAUNSTON TWINNERS
This month saw the completion of our new fence going down Jetty Field, replacing the vandalised wire fence. I think you'll all agree this is a massive improvement and it wouldn’t have been possible without Your Café giving us a grant to fund half of this. We are very lucky to have such a wonderful facility in the village. Thank you to everyone who was involved with making this happen.

Looking forward, as we head into autumn, there is still plenty to keep us busy. Indeed, we have over 100 trees arriving from the Woodland Trust in November that we need to plant. We will publish the date for the tree planting on the Bugle and in our notice board in early November once we have confirmation on when the saplings will arrive so please keep an eye out for this.

Our next workday will be held on Saturday 12th October so please come along and join us if you’re free. 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 in not being kind to us.

Also, our next Jetty Field meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th October in the library room in the village hall at 7.30pm. Please come along and join us, we will be discussing the Nature Reserve and our tree planting plans. Further to this there will be a meeting on Tuesday 3rd December.
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30\textsuperscript{th} October  Food and Garden Waste
Raising a cool amount of cash

There was something a bit suspicious about the fridge in the vicar's garden.

Okay, The Friends of All Saints needed somewhere to keep the Prosecco at their Hog Roast, But that was all in the other fridge. What was the second one for?

And then the truth was revealed. It was full of money.

Well, maybe not exactly full. But it was serving as a very useful cashbox as winds threatened, quite literally, to blow away their takings.

Those takings were pretty substantial. Well over a hundred people turned up at the Friends major event of the year. After all expenses had been paid, more than £800 was raised.

Dire warnings that gales would send the marquees into orbit proved unfounded. The wind dropped until only the banknotes were at risk. The vicar's band soon had people dancing on the lawn and the hog roast soon had people queueing up for seconds. Free ice creams, served in the dark from an ice cream van, made it a memorable feast.

But while the ice cream was cold, the banknotes were not. The member who loaned the fridge had heaved it into his estate car, driven it to the rectory, dragged it across the lawn, plugged it in, and – Nothing. Hence Plan B.

Next day, it went to the tip – minus the cash. That has gone into the ongoing fund for maintaining and improving the fabric and contents of the church building. And next time the Friends will look for a rather lighter cash box.

John Foster

Obituary - Jacqueline Sarah Green - 19th Feb 1929 – 19th Aug 2019

Jackie was born at Stretton House in the High Street, the daughter of William and Nora Green. She had two older brothers, Peter and Jim. Jim, who was a bachelor, and Jackie moved from Stretton House to their new house in Church Road in 1963. Stretton House was then demolished and the present modern Stretton House built.

I first met Jackie in 1966/7 when Jean and I were leaving the BTH/GEC works in Rugby and we saw Jackie waiting for the bus; so we offered her a lift to Braunston. Cont…..
Thus started lifts to and from work which lasted for over 20 years until she retired in 1989 and a friendship for over 50 years that lasted until her death.

Over the past weeks I have realised that Jackie appears to have conducted her life in several separate compartments and that I have almost no knowledge of her life outside the compartment to which I was allocated. It does mean that my memories may be very biased. Throughout her life she has been a strong supporter of the Church. However, I must mention the friendship that she made with Malcolm Pollard who did much to help her and, I suggest, she him. Together Malcolm and I organised the installation of the stair lift without which she would have been unable to return home from hospital. She enjoyed visiting the Café and discovering all the local news.

Jackie was a member of the ‘Friends of Daventry Museum’ and provided Jean and I were going and were able to give her a lift, enjoyed listening to the lectures on a wide range of, sometimes, bizarre subjects.

Jackie was an enthusiastic supporter of the WEA Braunston Branch courses ran in the village between 1997 and 2011. For more than half of that period she was the branch secretary. On one of the later field trips to Kenilworth Castle, we borrowed a wheelchair for her as she had started having trouble with walking. She thoroughly enjoyed the trip, partly because her mother came from Kenilworth but also visiting parts of the castle that her legs couldn’t have carried her. I don’t believe that she ever realised how many times she nearly came to disaster on the steep slopes and precipitous edges!

In connection with the WEA activities, occasionally we had a visit to the Tolethorpe Open Air Theatre near Stamford. We must have taken Jackie on 3 or 4 occasions. I recall that we saw ‘As you like it’ and ‘She stoops to Conquer’. I think that she would agree that there is no better way of spending a sunny summer evening than a picnic followed by the theatre.

If we were to ask Jackie what her most memorable experience was, I suggest that it would be her visit to South Africa in 1993. She had organised two coach tours, the first based on Cape Town and the second a tour from Durban to Johannesburg where she was met by her cousin who was a descendant of her mother’s sister, Constance. Constance had married Charles Summers and then emigrated to Zeerust in South Africa. Jackie spent an idyllic week meeting all the members of the Summers family.

Richard Dibben
Tiny Treasures Teddy Bears Picnic

On the 20th August Tiny Treasures joined their teddies and other soft friends for a picnic in the garden of the rectory. It was a lovely sunny day. Perfect for a picnic.

Everyone, including the adults had lots of fun painting, making cars out of sweets, making bracelets, playing with the toys, and eating ice cream.

There was den building in the wood and a teddy bear trail.

Some teddies had such good fun they didn't want to leave!
Rainfall

Roger Buckley collects the rainfall data and sends it to the BVN.

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The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We had a very successful collection last year, despite the local members branch having to merge with Daventry due to lack of active members.

However, we intend to keep the door to door Poppy Collection giving as long as we can as we still have a good team of dedicated collectors in Braunston, Barby, Kilsby, Ashby St Ledgers and Welton and last year several additional people volunteered to help.

This years collection starts on Saturday 26\textsuperscript{th} October and I shall be contacting all the collectors/coordinators earlier in the month to arrange for the boxes and cans to be updated and available.

Colin White telephone 01788 890390
‘Bragborough Babes’ Reunion at Bragborough Hall

In 1940 The Mothers’ Hospital of the Salvation Army in Hackney and St Bartholomew’s Hospital suffered damage during the bombing and arrangements were made for some of the staff and services to be evacuated to Bragborough Hall. The house was commandeered by the Ministry of Health for the duration of the war. The evacuations started shortly after the ‘Blitz’ in September 1940.

Every fortnight a group of expectant mothers would leave London and travel by train or charabanc to the countryside. They stayed in a hostel for expectant mothers at Norton Hall while they waited to have their babies at Bragborough.

There were also a number of local mothers who gave birth at Bragborough Hall, some of the mothers arriving by taxi from Coventry during the bombing.

There were 26 beds available at the Hall and a total of 1469 births took place there between 1st November 1940 and 12th May 1945.

On the 31st August this year a picnic was held for any ‘Bragborough Babes’ who were born at Bragborough Hall. Despite the chilly and damp weather a wonderful and quite emotional time was had by all.

Eighteen ‘Babes’ attended the picnic some from locally and some from as far away as Suffolk, Hampshire, Surrey, Nottinghamshire and Ireland. For some of them it was their first visit to Bragborough since their birth and extraordinarily two of the babes were born within four days of each other so would have been here at the same time. It was a very special day with lots of stories to be told, many new friends made and many coincidences discovered.

Odette Phipps
Celebrating Hindus Festivals

Daxa and Bharat from the village will be celebrating two important festivals this month.

It is that time of the year when Hindus celebrate one of the two most important festivals in the Hindu calendar - **Navratri**, the joyous festival of nine nights, which is dedicated to the Divine Mother Durga. Virtually every Hindu community in the world celebrates Navratri. The holy festival of Navratri begins on **Sunday 29th September 2019** and concludes nine days later. It is a festival that spreads across nine nights and is celebrated across the world by all Hindus unanimously. One basis for the festival is the victory of Lord Rama over the cruel and demonic Ravana, who kidnapped his wife, Sita. The major story associated with Navratri is the battle between the great Goddess Durga and the demon Mahishasura, who represents Egotism.

**Diwali**, the second important occasion, is called the **Festival of Lights** and is celebrated to honour Lord Rama, the seventh avatar (incarnation of the god Vishnu). It is believed that on this day Lord Rama returned to his people after 14 years of exile during which he fought and won a battle against the demons and the demon king, Ravana, and Diwali is regarded as the symbol of good over evil. The villagers welcomed them by decorating and illuminating their village with diyas (oil lamps).

People will be making great preparations for this festival; new clothes purchased, cleaning and decorating the house with lights, flowers etc. Sweets will be made and distributed among friends and relatives.

They indulge in fun and frolic on the day of Diwali. At night, fireworks are let off and people illuminate their houses, walls and terraces with earthen pots. This year, the festival of Diwali will be celebrated by Hindus on **Sunday 27th October 2019**.
Getting to know Kurt Shingler

How long have you been in the village and what do you like about it?

We moved to the village in February 2015. My wife Denise wanted to move to a village and she has connections with Braunston. Her Mother’s family were boat people and her mum spent most of her time travelling between Braunston Birmingham and London and even at times to Ellesmere Port as a child. We also wanted to downsize to free up the 4 bedroom house we were in for a family.

I have been playing cricket here for 9 years and so I am now closer to the club. I just like the quiet life here. I also enjoy my local The Wheatsheaf, I can just stroll down the road to be there. It’s great to have a village shop and butchers. We enjoy the scenery and bike rides along the canal.

What’s your favourite music?

I listen to anything. Growing up Abba was one of my first albums. I like Bowie, Rap, Classical music, Clash, Pink Floyd, Supertramp. I have a CD of War of the Worlds in the car. If one of the kids put Rap on in the car I’m happy to listen to it.

What’s your favourite book?

I don’t read books a lot, but one book that has stuck in my mind is Holes (Louis Sachar). It’s about a prison for young kids where one of the boys shouldn't be there. The Governor makes them go out each day to dig holes to find a loot that her great great grand mother stole years ago. Its about a friendship between the boy and a black boy and saving people lives. It is also a film. It has a happy ending and is a feel good film.
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