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'Braunston Family Fun Day'

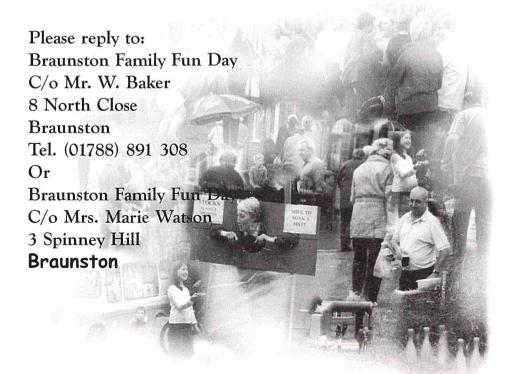
To be held on the Village Green and The Wheatsheaf Inn.

Dear All,

We are again holding the 'Braunston Family Fun Day' on The Green on August bank holiday Monday, which was a great success last year. We are seeking sponsorship and prize donations to make this day another success for our village. We are also looking for volunteers and helpers for the event. All proceeds will be shared between the Braunston CE 'After School Club' and the 'Braunston Skateboard Project'. Any donations would be gratefully received. All sponsors will be announced on the day if wished.

We hope you come and have some fun with us on the day. We hope you every success for the future.

The 'Braunston Family Fun Day' Committee.





Sheila Rowley 890559
CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS

Charles Dunn 812143

Sunday 1st June 8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Parish Eucharist 6.30pm Evensong

Monday 2nd June & <u>Every Monday</u> in June 2.15pm Little Fishers in the Church

2.15pm Little Fishers in the Church Parish Room for 0 - 5 year olds

Sunday 8th June 8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am. Family Service

Thursday 12th June 7.30pm Confirmation at Holy Cross

Saturday 14th June SUMMER FETE at Rectory - 2pm

Sunday 15th June 8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Parish Eucharist

Thursday 19th June

7.30pm Corpus Christi Eucharist Team service at All Saints

Sunday 22nd June

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Eucharist

5.00pm Tea at Hellidon Church for

6.00pm Deanery Baptism

Thanksgiving Service 27th-29th June Celebration Weekend

Friday - 7.30pm Concert(Details inside)
Saturday from 2pm Church open to see
History Society Exhibition and flower
displays. Also on Sunday from 6 pm
onwards

Sunday 29th June

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am SERVICE AT THE MARINA

BVN Deadline

Please leave material for the July edition at the Post Office before 5 pm on Monday 23rd June 2003 or by e-mail to: steve@rolt.net

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Daytime classes with Rugby College.

We had some encouraging responses from you last month and it looks like there is sufficient interest to start a couple of courses in September - probably a computer course and something "crafty". It's not too late to register your interest and let us know what you would like – call Lynne on 890865. We hope to be able confirm the details in the next issue of the BVN.

Our Annual General Meeting

Many people avoid AGM's thinking that if they turn up they will be pressurised into joining the committee, or, worse, having to take an officer's position. That may be the case with some other village groups, but the Village Hall committee is fortunate to have a very strong, eager and experienced team of trustees. There is even, sometimes, competition for the 6 places reserved for village representatives! So anyone interested in what is happening at YOUR Village Hall, who wants to ask questions, or has ideas and suggestions for its development, can attend our AGM on **Monday**, 30th **June**, safe in the knowledge that nothing more will be required of them. The AGM commences at 8.00 p.m. in the Library, to receive the Chairman's Report on the past year, to receive the Accounts of the Village Hall, and to elect the village representatives. We hope to see you there.

BROADBAND!! Having checked with BT today I see that 79 people have registered an interest in broadband. If everybody in Braunston who had internet access registered an interest in Broadband we might get nearer the target figure of 300. We have about the lowest % figure in the area.



Rugby Airport?

The last date for objections is the 20th June. Addresses to write to are in the November BVN or on the website www.braunston.org.uk

BVGA COMPETITION FOR JUNIOR GARDENERS



We are aiming to encourage the young people of Braunston with their gardening

The competition is open to anyone 11 years old or under. You have to plant and look after a space in your garden.

Prizes will include gardening tokens, gardening items and points to go towards other prizes available at the BVGA Show in September

To find out more details pick up an application form from the school or the Post Office counter at The Village Stores.



Open Gardens Day

On Sunday 6th July between 1pm and 5pm, nine gardens in the village will be open, with all funds raised going to Macmillan Cancer Relief. All the gardens are very different in size, layout, maturity and style - reflecting the tastes of the different garden owners.

We hope you will come and enjoy the opportunity to see gardens not normally open to the public and perhaps find new ideas for your own garden. Even if you do not have a garden yourself, we think you will enjoy walking around and having afternoon tea at the Village Hall.

Tickets costing £2.50 will be available to purchase at the Village Hall and at each of the open gardens. They contain a map and will give you entrance to all the open gardens. Accompanied children under 16 are free.

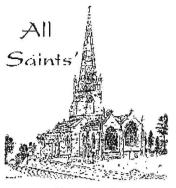
Further details from Jean Dibben on 890515.

After School Club...

After two years of planning, preparation and paperwork, Braunston C of E Primary School has at last opened the doors of a brand new After School Club. The Club provides term time after school care for children aged between 4 and 11. The children can take part in team games and craft activities, as well as having a quiet area for homework.

Apart from the benefits of the service it provides to parents, the Club has also created part-time jobs and childcare training opportunities in playwork which are not normally available in the local area. A grant of £7,200 from the New Opportunities Fund has contributed towards staff costs and purchase of equipment

Feedback from children attending the Club and their parents has already been very positive. Anyone requiring further information should contact the School Office on 890494.



Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to advertise two big events at All Saints this month. The first is our Church Fete. It will be held in the Rectory Garden on Saturday June 14th. The big attraction for children this year is 'A Punch and Judy Show'. Also there is the opportunity to outwit friends by flying a plane the furthest. The thing is the plane has to be made from an ordinary A4 piece of paper! (glue and sellotape allowed to hold it together within reason)

Also of course there is the 'tug of war' that was very popular last year. There are categories for older children, men and women teams. Last year the Wheatsheaf Pub came out on top. Create a team of four and see if you are the stongest and fittest in the Village! After all that strenuous activity you may want a cream tea or take a cake home with you- but hurry before they are snapped up! There are plenty of stalls for adults and children, and a lot of games of skill to have a go at, plus prizes to win! It would be great to see you, so please highlight this date on the kitchen calendar!

Just two weeks later All Saints is tying in its events with Braunston Marina's Steam Boat Rally week-end. On the evening of Friday 27th we are having a Canal Folk Concert with readings from David Blagrove and his new book 'At the Heart of the Waterways, a history of the Canal at Braunston' and musical interludes from our local Folk Group 'Braunston Pickle'. There will be an interval to chill out, drink wine and eat nibbles and also see the flower displays on a canal theme and the display put together by the History Society. The Church will be open all weekend (except Saturday morning) for you to see the floral and History Society displays of canal life. On Sunday 29th we will be having a Service down at the Marina at 10.30am - so do come and join us for this time of informal worship.

Look forward to seeing you!

Best wishes, and God bless, Revd Claire

Church Floodlighting

2nd April. Len Archer-in loving memory-Evelyn and family.(Apologies - omitted last month)

1st May. Wedding anniversary of Keren and John Andrews

9th May. In loving memory of Marion Ward on her birthday

9th May Betty May - Loving memories on her birthday from Rachel, Rob, Heidi and Joan.

17th May- Joan Buckley - Happy birthday Mum with love from Robert and Rachel.

From the Registers... Funerals
14th May Gillian THOMPSON
At Milton Crematorium followed on 23rd
May, at All Saints', by a service of
celebration in thanksgiving for her life
29th May John LONG

May they rest in peace and rise in glory

Obituary - Gillian Thompson

Gillian and her husband Barrie came to live in Braunston nine years ago The church welcomed them into the choir. Gillian's love of music had been a great pleasure all her life and she had made many friends because of her involvement in local music groups.

She was born in Hong Kong and her family moved to Australia at the outbreak of war. Gillian came to live in Rugby as a teenager

and attended Rugby High School. By profession she was a teacher, like her mother and after her retirement she continued to be involved in education, first as a school governor in Daventry and later at our village school becoming chairman of the governors in 2001.

Although ailing she put much effort into our millennium project to build a home for orphan children in Sudan. She produced photos and information about the ten girls who have recently moved into the home and encouraged the children at our village school to communicate with the orphans. Gillian maintained her choral and church interests with great bravery throughout her illness, her christian faith sustaining her to the end. She will be sadly missed.

JUNE FUN at ALL SAINTS'

Saturday 14th June

SUMMER FETE

At 2.00 pm in the Rectory Garden

Something for everyone

PUNCH & JUDY SHOW

TUG OF WAR



(If you are strong enough!!)

PAPER PLANE COMPETITION
COLOURING COMPETITION
CHILDRENSTREASURE HUNT
HOPE & HOMES STAND

PLUS +++++



ALL YOUR FAVOURITE STALLS:

CAKES RAFFLE BOOKS

WHITE ELEPHANT & loads more!

27th - 29th June

All Saints Church Celebration Festival in conjunction with the Rally of FMC

boats and Canal Festival at the Marina

Friday 27th June at 7.30pm Canal Folk Concert

Featuring:

Music from Braunston's local band: 'Braunston Pickle'

Readings by David Blagrove from his new book:
"At the Heart of the Waterways, a history of the Canal at Braunston"



Saturday Afternoon (2pm)-Sunday Evening (6pm)

Church open to see Floral and History Society displays on a Canal theme

Sunday 29th June 10.30am A Service of Celebration and Worship at Braunston Marina

Braunston Women's Institute



Tuesday 3rd June at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Demonstration by Renee Watts

"Keep Fit on a Chair"

This month's challenge will be an

"Favourite Recipe"

New members and friends welcome



Braunston & District Royal British Legion

30 members and friends enjoyed the visit to the Wild Fowl Trust at Slimbridge on 29 April. Further outings are planned for later in the year.

Attendances at Branch meeting average 25 - 30 members. The next meeting is at The Sporting Club, Barby, on June 10th at 8.00 pm.

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GARDEN SHOP

This is the final month that our shop at the Village Hall will be open for the sale of composts, growbags, fertilizers etc. We are open every Sunday from 11.00 a.m. for an hour. The last opening is on Sunday 29th June. By that date you will hopefully have everything you need to prepare your garden and hanging baskets, ready for the Garden's Competion judging sometime in July. There are 3 sections - for Best Kept Garden, Best Floral Display and Best Business display with prizes being awarded at the Village Show.

Need a meeting room?

When it is not possible to hold a meeting in your home or office why not hire the Library in the Village Hall?

Appropriate ambiance for productive meetings

Comfortable for 12 people around a big table.
Convenient car parking.
For details of availability and costs please contact Clare
Ashley on 07929 048396

