# Braunston Village News

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### CHURCH SERVICES

7th May

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Parish Eucharist

6.30 pm Evensong to commemorate VE &

VJ Days with Royal British Legion.

14th May

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Family Service

21st May

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Parish Eucharist

6.30 pm Team Evensong at Staverton.

28th May

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Parish Eucharist

6.30 pm Evensong

Churchwardens: Sheila Rowley 890559 and Trevor Minett 890908

The Sunday School meets at 10.15 am every Sunday in the Parish Room. All children of Primary school age are welcome - contact Marilyn (890032) for further details. The Sunday School is known as Ichthus and thanks everyone who gave to their sponsored event for Comic Relief and to the Bring & Buy. The Bring & Buy raised £35.90 and the sponsored wearing of night clothes to the Sunday School raised £109.10 - A grand total of £145. Very many thanks for a superb effort!

Morning Prayer is said on weekdays (including Saturdays) at 9.00 am and Evening Prayer most weekdays and every Saturdays at 6.00 pm. There is a Quiet Service on Wednesday, usually at 7.30 pm. Other services and

alterations are published in the Weekly Bulletin available in the Church.

#### Funeral

24th April Stanley Hall

We pray that he may rest in peace and that his family may receive the love and support that they need as they mourn his passing.

Lent Lunches
These were enjoyed by all who came and as a bonus raised the sum of £230 which has been sent to Christian Aid.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I hope you enjoyed your Easter celebrations and holidays. We certainly did at All Saints and our thanks are due to everyone who, at this time of interregnum, helped us in many different ways to celebrate Christ's victory over death.

By the time you read this we will be having the May Bank Holiday and looking forward to the Spring Holiday. Over the Spring Holiday Braunston, I hope, will be alive with many visitors to the Braunston Boat Show and Music Festival. Please make them feel welcome in our village.

May is also the time of 'Christian Aid Week' and an envelope will probably come through your letter box. Please give as generously as you can to those who really know what it is to go without the basic things of life which we now take for granted.

- Sheila

# BRAUNSTON BOAT SHOW & MUSIC FESTIVAL

### Events at All Saints

Friday 26th May - 7.30 pm. Northampton Concert Band Concert. Tickets £5 (Concessions £3)

Saturday 27th May - 12 Noon. Piano Recital. Soloist: Colin Middleton. Tickets £2

7.00 pm. Beauchamp Sinfonietta Concert. Tickets £5 (Concessions £3)

Sunday 28th May - 3.00 pm Recital of Cello Music. Soloist: Oliver Gledhill.

Pianist: Kathron Sturrock. Tickets £2

Monday 29th May - 12 Noon. Organ Recital. Soloist: Stephen Baden Fuller. Tickets £2

Wine will be available during the intervals

Concert tickets can be purchased from Brian Dawson (890609) or at the Marina Shop.

The Braunston Friendly Club

There will be a trip to Worcester on Tuesday, May 9th, leaving the Green at 9.30 am. The return journey will leave Worcester at 4.30 pm. The cost will be £4.00 per head. There are some spare seats so please let Janet McCarthy or Gill Powell (890763) know if you are interested.

On Monday, May 22nd we will be having a Fish & Chip lunch at 12.30 for 12.45 pm in the Village Hall. There

will be a Bring & Buy stall to raise funds for the Club. - Gill Powell

## Neighbourhood Watch

The Braunston Neighbourhood Watch is holding an

Open Meeting at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 10th May in the Village Hall

There will be a video presentation by the Police with a demonstration of Burglar Alarm Systems. This is your chance to come to air your views on how we keep Braunston a safe place. More help to co-ordinate small groups of members is needed. If you need transport to and from the meeting, please phone Beryl on 890814 - or for anything else you need to know about the Neighbourhood Watch!

Braunston Womens Institute

At our April meeting we "Dawdled thro' Daventry" with Blue Badge Guide, Mrs Pat Roll, and what a fascinating place it is with its Roman, Saxon and Celtic history. Mrs Roll pointed out numerous buildings of Elizabethan and Victorian architectural interest in this 18th century coaching town. Did you know that Sheaf Street was once one of the busiest thoroughfares in Northamptonshire and was one of the first places to have a one way traffic system?

On Wednesday, May 17th, we are hosting the County's "Grow, Gather and Gain" Day, commencing at 1.00 pm. There will be various stalls in the Village Hall and a floral display, choir recitals and a craft stall in the Church. Tea will be available in both places. A number of residents have kindly agreed to open their gardens to the public. These will be signposted. Inclusive tickets at 75p each will be available in the

Village Hall. Do join us. - Beryl Sampson

Village Notes - Braunston on V.E. Day 1945

Friendly Club members recall how flags and bunting soon appeared in many homes and shops. (Braunston had more and varied shops in those days.) Some homes even had "VVelcome Home" banners for the few lads lucky enough to get early leave. Food was rationed and in short supply but everything was pooled to provide sandwiches, cake, sausage rolls etc for a Village Party which was held in the Memorial Hall . This used to stand where Ray Hollis' bungalow has been built at the top of High Street. The present Village Hall was still being used as the village school with Duncan Gallie as headmaster.

Donny Wythall remembers that in the evening the piano was manhandled from the "Sheaf" onto the Green and he proceeded to play until the small hours. Everyone joined in the singing and dancing with plenty of beer to go round. Although many of the young men were still away in Germany or in the Far East the whole country was feeling optimistic for the future.

Wednesday 10th May at 8pm in the Plough.

Braunston Twinning Association

Next meeting

We also invite you to:

- · live jazz and a barbeece on Friday 16th June at the Plough and
- · a wine testing on Friday 14th July (what better way to celebrate Bastille Day!).

Boy Hankinson (891221) and Elizaboth Gwynne (891331) have more details.

Braunston V.E. Day Commemorations 1995

There is a VE Day party night at the Plough on Saturday 6th May with fireworks at dusk (pet owners please note in case your pets might be alarmed). The "Old Plough" continues with an event on Sunday evening. In Church, the Royal British Legion will attend Evensong at 6.30 pm on Sunday 7th May to remember both VE and VJ Days.

At the Parish Annual Meeting on 19th April it was announced that the Parish Council will instal two benches,

one on Ashby Road and the other on Nibbets Lane to commemorate the Anniversary.

Braunston Boat Show with concerts and more fireworks on 26-28 May

Material for the June Edition to Owen Davies, 63 High Street by 23rd May please