

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB

Monday February 9th Mrs. Hazel Parsons of Raby will entertain with her singing accompanied by Mr. John Bradshaw at the piano.

Monday February 23rd Mr. Maurice Nurser of Coventry will give a slide show of some of his various holidays.

Mr. Nurser should have come for the first meeting in January but unfortunately this meeting was cancelled owing to the inclement weather.

BRAUNSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Unfortunately the proposed visit to the Pantomime in Rugby had to be cancelled, as this co-incided with the blizzards when Braunston was completely "cut off".

Our Darts Team are now through to the semi finals. Games to be played by March 16th. Tuesday February 3rd Mrs. Bedi will be giving an illustrated talk on "Life in India".

FRIENDS OF BRAUNSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

The School Choir sang carols round the village before Christmas raising £37.50 pence for the B.B.C. Children in Need Appeal.

Grateful thanks to all who participated and supported this event.

The F.B.C.E.S. will be holding a quiz evening on March 5th.

There will be a written quiz for teams of two adults and two children.

There will be a prize of £10 for the winning team.

Entry forms will be available from the School.

A fee of £2 will be charged. The competition will be open to the whole village.

VILLAGE NOTES

During the past few weeks, with frost and snow making life uncomfortable our thoughts and hopes turned to the lengthening of the hours of daylight and the coming of Spring and the blossoming of tulips, daffodils and crocuses. One remarkable feature of the mild weather in December and the early days of January was that roses, winter jasmine, pansies and other flowers were in bloom.

At the end of December a visit to one of our local reservoirs revealed comparatively few of our feathered winter visitors from Northern Europe - Bewick Swans, Greylag and Brent Geese. This may have been due to abnormally mild weather in December, or as some ornithologists fear may be due to the Chernobyl disaster. We hope that this accident was less serious than at first thought as far as bird life is concerned.

This event we hope will not affect our summer visitors coming from the south. We had a heavy snowfall in the early part of 1947 and this was followed by a very hot summer. Perhaps we will have a repeat performance this year.

Rainfall: In 1986 714.3 mm.

January 1987 to January 21st 17.9 mm.

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