Braunston Village News

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the last Parish Council meeting it was decided that a sum £500.00 be set aside for village organisations to apply for a grant. If you would like to apply, please write to the Parish Council (Steve Rolt, Parish Clerk), 34 High Street, Braunston, NN11 7HR) with the amount required and the purpose for the grant.

All applications should be received by the 30th April 2006.

Vandalism in the Playing Field

This is what was found at the playing field one morning last week. Somebody must have attacked the swings with bolt croppers. For what purpose? It isn't as if they had wanted the chain. On one they just removed the seat and a short length of chain, on the other they cut a link and left the seat hanging.

BELLS NEED PEOPLE.

The sound of our bells on Sundays (and also for notable events) is a part of village life and of our national heritage. It is also an interesting and social activity, as one new village resident has recently discovered.

Bells need people to ring them, to carry this tradition of over 400 years into our future. To find out more, visit our ringing practices at 7.30 on Thursdays or ring Peter Wenham on 891935.







The Blessed Virgin Mary & St Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers

Parish Priest: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore - Tel: 01788 890235 (Rest day Fridays)

Churchwardens:

Charles Dunn - 812143 Sheila Rowley - 890559

Secretary:

Treasurer: John Lewis - 891149 Organist and Choirmaster:

David Noble - 815173

Churchwardens:

Bruce Turton 01788 335579 John Gray 01788 890796

PCC Lay Chair:

Mrs Sue Brooks 01788 890042

Secretary:

Dorothy Amos 01788 891491

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS APRIL 2006

Sunday 2nd April

8am Holy Communion 9.15am Holy Communion-Ashby Village Hall 10.30am Holy Communion with Fishers 6.30pm Evensong

Tuesday 4th April

7pm- Vestry meeting followed by 7.30pm AGM- Ashby

Wednesday 5th April

10.30am Holy Communion 8pm – 9pm Lent space – 'Come and be' after a busy day at work

Saturday 8th April

2-4pm Churches Together Easter workshop for children- Nene Hall

Sunday 9th April PALM SUNDAY

8am Holy Communion 9.15am Holy Communion-Ashby Village Hall 10.10am- 'Follow the donkey' from outside the Wheatsheaf Pub to Braunston Church for

PALM SUNDAY FAMILY SERVICE

at 10.30am-11.15am 2pm Deanery Lent Meeting with the Bishops at Holy Cross Church

Wednesday in Holy Week 12th April

10.30am Holy Communion 4.30pm Prayer at Ashby Church- with meditation

MAUNDY Thursday 13th April

7.30pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion at Braunston Church

GOOD FRIDAY 14th April

10am- 12 noon Children's Workshop at Braunston Church

2-3pm Meditation on the Cross- All Saints'

EASTER SATURDAY 15th April

8pm-9pm Easter Eve Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY 16th April

8am Holy Communion
9.15am Easter Day Holy
Communion in Ashby Church
**11am Easter Family
Communion at All Saints'
Church

Wednesday 19th April

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd April

8am Holy Communion 11am Parish Communion with Fishers

11 am Family Service- Ashby Village Hall

Wednesday 26th April

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 30th April

8am Holy Communion 11am Joint Ashby / Braunston Holy Communion at All Saints Braunston

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

NEW MORNING SERVICE TIME - 11.00 AM

Owing to Rev'd Claire also covering Ashby St Ledgers for sevices on a Sunday - Starting from Easter Sunday - 16th April 2006 - the main Sunday morning services at All Saints Church Braunston will commence at 11.00am for a trail period.

Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

'Behold, I am making all things new' says the Lord! (Revelation: 21:25)

As we look towards Easter fresh things are happening in the Daventry Team! This week we are interviewing for a new clergy person in the Daventry Team- who will spend a lot of her/his time involved in co-ordinating work in the 15 schools of our Team. This has been after years of thinking through how 'the Church' can respond to very present and real needs in our community- particularly among the young.

We have had to think of 'fresh ways' of being Church. We have an Eucharistic assistant team who take communion to over 100 folk in the elderly people's homes each month. We have Readers – who are lay people preaching in all of the seven Churches. At the same time my responsibilities have changed slightly to encompass Ashby St Ledger's and both PCCs have been thinking of how we can be inspired by 'God's Passion for the world!'- to be 'Church' in this small corner of God's kingdom. The Team may be joined by a Vicar from Seoul in September which will hopefully help broaden our outlook as we learn from the Church in Korea.

Why am I listing all these things in this Easter edition of the BVN?

Because I strongly believe the resurrection is not only an event which changed the world at a point in history-but it is the axle of light and hope on which the world turns. Just as Jesus was raised to life on Easter day- so God wants to raise to life situations in our own world. He wants the homeless poor to be housed, the oppressed to be set free, the

hungry fed, the demoralised to be given hope, those leading dull and dreary lives to be raised up. God is in the 'lifegiving' business!

In your life and mine too- God wants us to be given fresh beginnings. You may recall my letter was based on prayer a couple of months ago? When we are in communion with the living Lord, and have a peace about him being alongside us it is amazing how doors 'open' and fresh things happen. This is

because he is alive and loves us.

In Holy week we once again recall what our Lord Jesus went through in order to give us fullness of life now, and life eternal. Please do come and recall once more how much God loves you.

Wishing you 'life' in all it's fullness this Easter!

God bless, Revd Claire

Holy Week and Easter Services

MOTHERING SUNDAY

26th March

10.30am

FAMILY SERVICE
Braunston

11am

FAMILY SERVICE- Ashby



Worship with family songs, activities and flowers for 'Mum'.

PALM SUNDAY 9th April
9.15 Holy CommunionAshby
10.30am - Family ServiceBraunston

The Palm Sunday Procession will start on the green outside the Wheatsheaf Pub at 10.10am- ending up All Saints' Church, followed by a short family service at 10.30-11.15am



6.30pm Palm Sunday Evensong

Wednesday in Holy Week
10.30am Holy Communion at
Braunston
4.30pm Prayer with
meditation at Ashby Church

<u>Maundy Thursday</u> 13thApril 7.30pm Holy Communion with footwashing





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All Saints' Church Little Fishers



Every Monday 2pm

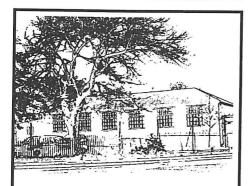
Little Fishers' is for all pre-school children and their parents and carers (0-5's).

We sing songs, play instruments, share stories, and do activities to find out about the wonderful gifts of God!

Afterwards we are served with squash / tea and biscuits.

<u>Please note – these sessions</u> <u>only run in term time!</u>

Everyone is welcome.



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Holy Week and Easter Services

Good Friday 14th April 10-12pm Children's Workshop

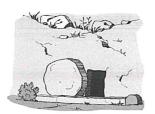


Fun, singing, craft making, hot cross buns! More details through School- or phone 01788 890235.

2-3pm Meditation on the Cross

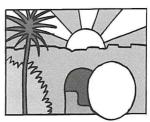


Easter Saturday 15th April Easter Eve Vigil: 8pm - 9pm



Easter Day 16th April

8am Holy Communion
9.15am Easter Day Holy
Communion- Ashby <u>Church</u>
<u>11am</u> Easter Day Family
Communion- Braunston



Come and worship the Risen Lord!



Come & Join the Fun!



CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

Fun, Food, Craft, Singing, Drama & loads more



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, Friday 14th April 2006 10am – 12 (Noon)

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| Child Name/s: | |
| Year / age: | |
| Please tick if able to attend | |
| Please tick if unable to attend | |

Please hand this in at school / post office / Church / Rectory

All leaders & helpers are CRB checked

A voluntary donation of 50p - will help fund a quality craft gift for your child / children to take home!

All Children at Pre-school must be accompanied by a parent / adult

Registers for 2006

Baptisms

5th March- Bethany and Antony Howard

Welcome to the Church family!

Funerals

We commend to God's gracious care...

1st March- Esther Humphries

16th March- Leonard Burt (burial of ashes)

21st March- Graham Brown 28th March- George Holloway

Lord grant them safe lodging, a holy rest and everlasting peace. Amen

Church Floodlighting for March 2006

5th March - Bethany & Anthony's Special day (Baptism) with love Tony & Jenny

15th March - Birthday memories for my Dad Ernest Clarke

15th March - Fond memories of Derek Fletcher with love

15th March - * In thanks for our new life at Braunston

16th March - In memory of the late Freddie Midson, from Thirza,

Peggy, Bert, Anne & Dennis

16th March - * Loving memories of a dear husband on his birthday - Miss you - Vi & Timmy

19th March - In memory of Gladys loving sister & auntie of Cis, Bill, Marian & Families

20th March - Always in my heart & mind, for Gladys Haynes

26th March - * On the wedding anniversary of Nigel & Judith Sykes

25th March - Dawn's Sharif's Birthday

28th March - * To celebrate the 47th Wedding anniversary of Jean & Brian Branch

28th March - * For my darling partner Julia Smiddy on her Birthday

- = Friends of All Saints Thank You
- = A special thank you to Peter Andrews

Please take note: - These are all floodlighting requests up until the BVN Deadline 20^{th} March 2006

If you would like the Church spire lit up for your celebration or special event, please fill in a form to be found at the back of church and post it in the Rectory letterbox with £5.



NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

COURT SUCCESS

Some villagers will be aware of an incident at the Hall about this time last year, when party-goers at the Hall suffered severe harassment and intimidation from a group of Braunston teenagers one Saturday night. Damage in the region of £300 was caused to the Hall - several broken windows and a battered front door - sustained over the course of many hours. There were several witnesses prepared to support the police in their investigation, although it was a painfully slow process, and we had to press them to take the incident seriously. After many months, we learned that a court action was being pursued against one of the culprits, and last month we were informed that it was successful and compensation has been awarded to us. The grand sum of £50 is due to be paid sometime, (although this does not even cover the insurance excess!) The trustees of the Village Hall are grateful to the villagers who helped us recover some of our loss, and hope that this serves notice that we will pursue anyone identified as causing damage to the Hall.

PRE-SCHOOL PLAY AREA

For several years, we have wanted to provide a safe and secure area in the grounds, primarily for the purpose of a play area for Braunston Pre-School. Outside play and physical activity are important facilities for pre-school children, and the lack of a playground for them has been identified in the OFSTED inspections. We have a specification which involves resurfacing and fencing an area of the grounds adjacent to the kitchen in the Welton Road

area. Unfortunately, the cost of this has been estimated at £25,000. We have received a donation from Bryant Homes for £5000, and the Parish Council has reserved £6000 for the project. We have also approached grant making trusts and so far have received £1800. It still leaves us well short of the amount needed. We have a few more responses to come in, and it is hoped that the Pre-School will be able to raise some funds. If anyone out there has any contacts with organizations that could give us some money, or has some fund-raising ideas, or is a business that is desperate to make a charitable donation, then please call Lynne on 890865.

RUNNING THE HALL

After quite a long search, we do have a new treasurer: Avril Dent volunteered to take over from Geoff Waghorne, and has now joined our committee and is responsible for our financial matters. Many thanks to Geoff for the several years he devoted to the Hall, and his excellent accounting and control at a time when large sums of money were being received and spent.

Kate, our new booking officer, has found the heavy demands of her job means that she cannot devote sufficient time to the Hall bookings, and will be relinquishing her post shortly. However, I was knocked over in the rush to replace her, such is the enthusiasm amongst some people for helping the Hall run efficiently and effectively, and I have a couple of volunteers who will be taking over from Kate. The telephone number will not change, as, sensibly, the Village Hall decided to buy a mobile phone, and have its own number for just such an occasion. We will

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL (cont'd)

confirm the names and the date of change-over shortly. Just for the record, we are ALWAYS looking for help in running the hall, and are open to anyone who wants to help us. Keep the last Monday in June free if you want to come to the AGM and offer your support. And anyone who thinks that running the hall 24/7 is a good idea will be particularly welcome.

Calling all dog owners

It has reported that the village hall car park is a depository for dog mess. One of the pre school ladies says children tread in it and bring it in



The majority of dog owners in our village are caring and responsible people but a few are spoiling it for everyone. Once again we are seeing an increase in dog fouling on our verges and footpaths. This is not only dirty but also a health hazard. There can be no excuse for this as it is an offence, punishable by a substantial fine.

To help prevent this problem

- * Please do not let your dog out unaccompanied or the consequence could be that it will be taken by the Dog Warden to the dog pound.
- * When you are out walking your dog, always make sure you have suitable plastic bags with you to clean up any accidents' and then either take it home to dispose of safely, or alternatively, use the red dog bins which are provided in various parts of the village.

If you know of a dog owner who allows their animal to foul the streets, please notify the Dog Warden, Sue Winters on 01327 302265.

Your call will be dealt with in confidence.

Youth Club Diary Of Events

7th April 2006

Paddy's Disco

Music and entertainment from the ever popular Paddy



5th May 2006

Bingo Night

Come and play prize bingo at Youth Club. There are lots of prizes to be won!!!



21st April 2006

Fancy Dress Night

Come and join in with our fancy dress night. The theme is

FILM STARS!!!

All those in fancy dress will get into the youth club for just 50p!!!



Hope and Homes for Children



Folk Concert 11th. March - A big thank you to all who supported this event. Not only was a good night enjoyed by all, but a fantastic £789.72 was raised for charity. This was divided equally between "The Thoracic Unit, Walsgrave" and "Hope and Homes for Children". It was such a great night we are planning another concert, on 21st. October 2006. Watch this space for details. Thank you again from Barbara Fletcher and Brenda Hobbs.

Forthcoming Fundraising for Hope and Homes

9th. April 2006 - Children Craft Stall - Easter Eggs, Chicks, Bunnies, Easter Crafts etc. at Barby Fayre, Barby Village Hall 11am-4pm. Please come along and see us.

Village Easter Egg Hamper Raffle- tickets on sale at Braunston Store, Brenda Hobbs 899086, and various sellers around the village. To be drawn on Easter Saturday.

Family Treasure Hunt 13 May - A family walk around the village looking for various clues. Prizes to be won.

Penny Pots - Pots can be obtained from Brenda (Tel: 899086) or from the back of the Church.

News During this years fund raising, you have raised £3,739.21. This will make an enormous difference to the girls in Braunston Home, Sudan.

Thank you so much,

Brenda Hobbs.

The Braunston "Dick Herne" History Society

Our AGM will take place in the Parish Room of the Church on Tuesday April 25th at 7.30pm.

Mrs H Mackichan 01788 890881

Braunston Village Gardens Association

The fertiliser store will be open on Sundays from 2nd April until 11th June 2006. The store is available to all residents of Braunston on payment of a small subscription. It supplies composts, fertilisers, garden canes etc.

On 6th May we will be holding a plant sale on the village green. Most of the plants will be home grown and will be sold at very competitive prices. If you wish to donate any spare plants or cuttings, please bring them along on the day.



Judging of the front gardens competition will take place during June/July, all gardens are viewed and there is no need to submit an entry, so why not make use of the fertiliser store and plant sale to get your garden ready!

The village show will take place on 9th September so please start thinking about what you might want to exhibit as the show is open to all villagers.

Chris Stevenson[braunstonstevo@hotmail.com] Secretary Braunston Village Gardens association

CALLING LOCAL TRADESPEOPLE

Braunston Playing Field Association has plans to refurbish the inside of the pavilion and would prefer the work to be done by local businesses. If you are interested in quoting for any of the work, including tiling, painting, electrics, plumbing or refitting the kitchen area, please contact Simon Skelcey on 01788 891220 for more details.



Braunston Rainfall

20th Feb to 20th March = 37 mm

Information supplied by D Humphries

FISHERS (SUNDAY

(SUNDAY SCHOOL)

NOW RUNS: -



1st Sunday of the Month:
FISHERS
2nd Sunday of the Month:
Family Service
3rd Sunday of the Month:
FISHERS
4th Sunday of the Month:
Family Communion
5th Sunday of the Month:
FISHERS

Braunston Paddox Cricket Club

The cricket season will soon be upon us and the village club is always on the lookout for new members of all ages. We currently run two Saturday sides in the Warwickshire League and a team in the Rugby midweek league. Following a disappointing 2005 season both Saturday sides will be playing in a less competitive division this year and will involve less travelling.



We have net practice at Lawrence Sherriff school in Rugby on Sundays from 3 to 4-15pm. These are open to prospective players as well as existing club members, and coaching will be available from at least one qualified ECB coach.

For more details phone Dick Stapley on 890475 or Chris Lodge on 07958 618607

Jetty Field - Two steps forward: one step back

[With apologies to the Folk Singers last month]

We can look to two major achievements: the completion of tree surgery and the clearing of the allotment area. Local tree surgeons felled some dangerous trees and cut back other dead or damaged wood. They left wood for villagers' use and also the chippings that were spread on the internal pathways during our best work day so far in early March. The grown ups [acting as kids] were joined by four real youngsters - our grateful thanks. And an area has been cleared totally by volunteer work for allotments. We have had to ask for some help from the local farming community to winch out some massive roots but this was given free as well - thanks again. Now two major requests. Children will be invited into the woodland and garden areas soon: please do not allow dogs to foul these areas. Food will soon be growing in the allotment area: please do not allow dogs to foul this area.

One step back. Well, yes - some thoughtless activity by some of our young people. Much of the wood left for villagers was burnt on the field and so was not available for use and some of the wood drying in the summerhouse was thrown into the pond. So our volunteers had to go into the water. It must be great fun to light a bonfire and throw wood around but - some one has to clear up. We have made it one of our clear intentions to make Jetty Field available to every single group and individual in the village and that includes the young people. So we invite them to come down and enjoy themselves at the next workday; and put their energies to good use.

So the five distinct areas of Jetty

Field are taking shape. Something for everyone. We hope that the coming year will provide enjoyment for all. If you have not taken a stroll through Braunston's very own park recently then we invite you to take a look.

One area of Jetty field has been devoted to wildlife - the section below the allotments and beside the spinney. The best way to encourage the birds, butterflies and bugs is to leave them totally alone. Could we please ask everyone to avoid any movements within this area by humans, dogs, or any other large mammals! Of course we have to do some occasional maintenance to the bushes and to keep down the growth of weed trees but this has to be done carefully and one part at a time to avoid any major disturbance.

The April workday may be a little awkward to arrange with the arrival of Easter but several ad hoc activities are taking place. Please give a ring, if you have any time available, to Carol 891310 or Dave 890826.

WHERE IS JETTY FIELD?

The entrance to Jetty Field is opposite the entrance to the Village Hall, over the green to the south, then down a narrow pathway beside the bungalows on the Green and the first of the row of houses. Right in the centre of the village! We hope to have some signs up before long.

Pat Herlihy 890590

APRIL DIARY OF EVENTS

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| Saturday | 1 | |
| Sunday | 2 | 8.00 Holy Communion, 9.15am Holy Communion at Ashby Village Hall, 10.30 Holy Communion with Fishers, 6.30 Evensong |
| Monday | 3 | Little Fishers 2.00pm - Tai Chi Club 7.00-8.30pm Church Choir - 7.00/8.00-9.00pm - Explorer Scouts Parish Council Meeting |
| Tuesday | 4 | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00 Village Hall WI - 7.30pm. Village Hall, 7.30 Ashby AGM, 8-9.00 Lent Space |
| Wednesday | 5 | 10.30am Holy Communion - Beavers - Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm, 7.30-9.00 Adult Tap Dancing |
| Thursday | 6 | Cubs - Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm |
| Friday | 7 | Scouts - Youth Club - Sports Night |
| Saturday | 8 | Jetty Field Work Day, 2-4.00 Churches Together Easter Workshop for Children – Nene Hall 11.00-2.00pm WI Easter Fayre in the Village Hall |
| Sunday | 9 | PALM SUNDAY 8.00 Holy Communion - 9.15am Holy Communion at Ashby Village Hall, - 10.10 Follow the Donkey, 10.30 Family Service |
| Monday | 10 | 2.00pm Little Fishers - Church Choir 7.00/8.00-9.00 Explorer Scouts, Tai Chi Club 7.00-8.30pm - Friendly Club 2.30pm, Village Hall |
| Tuesday | 11 | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00pm Village Hall, British Legion – 8.00pm The Old Plough, Braunston |
| Wednesday | 12 | 10.30am Holy Communion, 4.30 Prayers at Ashby, 7.45pm Braunston PCC, Beavers, Brownies at Barby 6.30 -8.00pm 7.30-9.00 Adult Tap Dancing. |
| Thursday | 13 | Cubs - Bell Ringers 7.30pm, 7.30 Holy Communion with foot washing at Braunston, Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm |

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APRIL DIARY OF EVENTS

| Friday | 14 | GOOD FRIDAY – 1000-12.00 Children's Worksho at All Saints, 2.00-3.00 Meditation on the Cross Scouts | |
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| Saturday | 15 | 8.00-9.00 Easter Eve Vigil | |
| Sunday | 16 | EASTER DAY 8.00 Holy Communion, 9.15am Morning Prayer at Ashby Village Hall, 11.00 Easter Family Service at All Saints | |
| Monday | 17 | Easter Monday | |
| Tuesday | 18 | | |
| Wednesday | 19 | 10.30am Holy Communion, Beavers, Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm ,7.30-9.00 Adult Tap Dancing | |
| Thursday | 20 | Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Cubs - Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm | |
| Friday | 21 | Scouts, Youth Club - Fancy Dress Night | |
| Saturday | 22 | Braunston Walkers to Culworth and Sulgrave. | |
| Sunday | 23 | 8.00 Holy Communion, 11.00 Parish Communion with Fishers, 11.00 Family Service at Ashby Village Hall. 10.00-4.00pmPersian Rug Sale Village Hall | |
| Monday | 24 | Little Fishers 2.00pm - Explorer Scouts - Tai Chi Club 7.00-8.30pm, Church Choir - 7.00/8.00-9.00pm. | |
| Tuesday | 25 | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00 Village Hall 7.30pm History Group AGM in the Parish Room | |
| Wednesday | 26 | 10.30 -Holy Communion, 12.15 Friendly Club trip to Blooms, Beavers, Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm, 7.30-9.00 Adult Tap Dancing, 78.15pm Yoga Group | |
| Thursday | 27 | | |
| Friday | 28 | 9.30am Braunston School Easter Service | |
| Saturday | 29 | | |
| Sunday | 30 | 8.00 Holy Communion, 11.00 Joint Ashby and Braunston Holy Communion at All Saints Twinning Visitors weekend | |



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skills, to access the internet and use email. Why not become a volunteer with Ryder-Cheshire Volunteers and make his wish come true?

For more information, please contact Ryder-Cheshire Volunteers Co-ordinator for South Northants Brian Morgan 01604 411100 Email brian.morgan@rcv.org.uk

Village News

BRAUNSTON TWINNERS

We are expecting our French friends to visit on the weekend of April 30th:-

For more details 'phone Chris on 890491

Chris Grossart

The Admiral Nelson Dark Lane, Braunston

Tel 01788-890075

Easter weekend:

- Bar open all day on Good Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday
- Treasure Hunt
- Charity Raffle
- Braunston Pickle Friday Night
- Easter Bonnet (What Is The Weirdest Thing You Can Have On Your Head?) competition on the Saturday night – be inventive!!!

St. George's weekend:

- Saturday 22nd April fancy dress evening, red and white, damsels and dragons
- Sunday lunchtime Morris Dancing come and join us.

We look forward to seeing you!

Braunston Walkers - Saturday 18/03/06 Shuckborough- Hellidon- Priors Marston (approx 10 miles)

Some folks brave crocodile and pirhana infested waters and impenetrable rain forests to find the source of the River Amazon but the Braunston walkers group found the sources of no less than three rivers the Leam, Cherwell and the Nene on this walk. One important local guide book described the walk as, "the lofty heights of Northamptonshire." Sixteen of us (our best turn out yet!) set off from the lay by at the canal at Shuckborough on a dry but cold day.

We walked past the ornate old church and crossed the Southam road to enter the deer park at Shuckborough. Narrowly avoiding the attention of a particularly frisky horse we set off up the side of the Shuckborough hills. The metal styles in the park have all been recently renovated and we could see the belvedere to our left with its cannon aimed at recalcitrant ramblers. We had fantastic views over to the conifers and church at Grandborough. We soon came in sight of the estates church and then the beautiful old stately home itself with views over the extensive parkland. The herd of deer grazing in the valley in front of the house spotted us as we made our way past the buildings of Home Farm.

We turned right on a farm track aiming for Park Farm and continued over fields until we joined the track leading to Gypsy Lane and the old stone village of Hellidon. From this track there are distant views of the rail viaduct and Catesby house with Arbury Hill (see 17th June walk) and Sharmans Hill behind.

In Hellidon we paused and Alison handed out toffees to the group to give us

the energy to walk to our next stop, the Holly Bush pub at Priors Marston. After a short pause we walked out of Hellidon and up the hill. There is a vineyard in Hellidon at Windmill Hill Farm but it was too cold to even imagine growing vines as we passed. The views back over to Shuckborough from here are wonderful but we needed our lunch and continued along the road past the Hellidon Lakes golf complex and turned right onto the footpath just before Fir Tree Farm. More wonderful views from here and this time over into Oxfordshire and the reservoir at Boddington.

We passed an electric fence which Terry tested. It works!! We arrived at the beautifully renovated house at Hill Farm with its unusual wicker fence and amazing views over Priors Marston and across Warwickshire to the Burton Dasset hills Down the steep hill we walked and arrived in the village to cut through the churchyard with the grave of Caroline Bradley the Olympic show jumper and then (at last) on to the welcoming Holly Bush pub where we had an excellent lunch. Highly recommended.

Finally dragging ourselves reluctantly away from the cosy pub we set off again through the church yard with its ancient Yew trees and after a quick visit to the church we followed the old ironstone path out of the village. This path made of the same stones as used in the high street at Braunston was apparently built so that a local man did not get his boots muddy walking from his house to another church in the village. Out of the village on the Southam Road we soon turned off the road onto a tree lined bridleway and across towards Napton. (cont'd)

Braunston Walkers (cont'd)

Our path took in two muddy field gates and then we turned right again crossing three fields of sheep and new lambs, narrowly avoiding several off roaders in Landrovers and finally arriving back at the road.

Although it was still cold the sun was peering out from behind clouds as we entered the last part of the walk on the old gated road with its trees planted to celebrate Queen Victoria's jubilee. They are chestnut trees and Jane told us that they have alternate white and pink blossoms. Worth another visit later in the spring. Over to our right we could again see the Shuckborough Hills and parkland as we returned to the cars ready for the drive home, a soak in the bath and a nice cuppa!

So no pihranas or crocodiles but a splendid walk and a great pub in the highlands of Northamptonshire.

Come and join us on our regular monthly rambles, normally on the third Saturday in the month. They are not too strenuous, are a great way to have some healthy exercise, meet new friends, take in the occasional pub and make the most of our beautiful Northamptonshire scenery.

Please call either Phillip on 01788891437 or Ray on 01788891384.

The plan for our next 3 walks is as follows:

22nd April - Culworth and Sulgrave (c.12 miles)

20th May - Everdon Bluebell Woods (c 10 miles)

17th June - Arbury Hill (c.12 miles)

BRAUNSTON YOGA GROUP

Our group is thriving and increasing by the week STILL PLENTY OF ROOM (as we can move to the Large Hall)

Don't be shy - come and try

Every Weds until Easter 7.00-8.15pm

Recommences April 26th

For more information ring Sheila Beckett on 01788 891831

shebeckett@yahoo.com

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| Sirloin Steak | £6.69 | £14.72 | |
| Topside | £2.59 | £5.70 | |
| Beef Cubes | £2.49 | £5.48 | |
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| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-9.00 | Tuesday | 6.00-11.00 |
| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-9.00 | Wednesday | 4.00-11.00 |
| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-9.00 | Thursday | 4.00-11.00 |
| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-9.00 | Friday | 12.00-11.30 |
| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-9.00 | Saturday | 12.00-11.30 |
| 12.00-2.00, 6.00-8.30 | Sunday | 12.00-10.30 |

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Clubs and Society Events

Braunston Women's Institute



Women's Institute

Tuesday 4th April
Open Evening - "Music with
Bells on". English Morris
Dancing. Mr Kevin Downham

Saturday April 8th
EASTER FAYRE 11.00 2.00pm in the Village Hall.
Nearly New Stall, Bric-aBrac and Cake Stall
Entrance 20p
COME AND BUY.

All Welcome

Mrs Mackichan 01788 890881

Braunston Fishing Club BINGO Every Thursday throughout the year 8.00pm in the Village Hall

G Donald 891264

Friendly Club

Monday April 10 A competition to make yourself an Easter Bonnet or decorate an egg.

Wednesday April 26th
Meet at The Green at
12.15pm for a trip to Blooms.
Transport will be by D.A.C.T.
bus and private cars. After
lunch and a look round the
garden centre we will return
home at 2.30pm.

New members welcome.

Phone Gill on 890763 or Janet on 890336

Adult Tap Dance Classes

7.30 - 9.00pm in the Village Hall Recommenced 8th March 2006

For details contact 01788 890488



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRAUNSTON & DISTRICT

The next meeting of the Branch will be held at the OLD PLOUGH BRAUNSTON at 8.00pm on 11 April 2006

Tony Saunderson 6 Greenway Braunston Tel: 01788 890797.

H.M The Queen's 80th Birthday

The Royal British Legion is arranging a special service to commemorate H.M The Queen's 80th birthday at All Saints' Church on Sunday June 18th at 3.00pm

All are invited.

Clive Cooper



200 Club Winners

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| 09February | £50 | 44 | David White |
| 16 February | £10 | 1 | N Olliss |
| | £5 | 4 | P Shrubb |
| 16th March | £10 | 141 | A Billingham |
| | £5 | 106 | G Brewster |
| 23rd February | 2006 £10 | 203 | J Nellist |
| | £5 | 116 | E Reader |

Clubs and Society Contacts

| Club | Contact | Phone 01788) | Meetings |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Angling Club | Chris Miller | 891938 | |
| After School Club | | | |
| Army Cadet Force | David A Hurley | 890095 | Boys and Girls from 13yrs to 18yrs. Every Tuesday evening 19.00 to 21.30 |
| Beavers (For boys and girls) | Jennifer Rolt | 890241 | 5% -8yr old Boys and Girls on Wednesdays |
| Bell Ringers | Peter Wenham | 891935 | Thursday evenings at 7.30 – 9.00 |
| Braunston Players | Tony Ward tony.ward@braunston.net | 899105 | Annual Show plus informal get-togethers - 1st Wednesday of each month |
| Braunston Walkers | Phillip Ray | 891437 891384 | Walks of 7 - 10 miles around the area |
| Brownies (at Barby School) | Karen or Nicola Holman | 891299 | 7-10 yr old girls Wednesday 6.30 to 8.00 |
| Church Choir | David Noble | 815173 | Mondays Juniors 7-8pm Seniors 7.30-9pm |
| Conservation Group | Pat Herlihy | 890590 | |
| Cricket Club | Simon Stapley | 890475 | |
| Cub Scouts(For boys and girls) | Linda Lewcock | 01327 878341 | 8-10½ year old on Thursdays |
| Fishing Club | G Donald | 891264 | Bingo every Thursday 8.00pm Village Hall |
| Friendly Club (for over 60's) | Gill Powell | 890763 | Village Hall 2.30pm on 2 nd and 4 th Mondays |
| Friends of Braunston School | Michelle Griffiths | 890345 | |
| Fishers (All Saints' Church) | Michelle Cotton Alison Fiddes | 890235 891847 | Sunday School for 5+ yrs Little Fishers (0-5's with parents) on Mondays |
| Gardens Assn | Chris Grossart, | 890491 | |
| Guides | | | |
| History Society | Chris Pardoe | 890448 | |
| Junior and | | 890494 | |
| Infants School | | 001006 | m : : : 0 1 10 20 |
| Junior Football | Shaun Tokley | 891206 | Training on Sundays 10.30- |
| | Robin Childs | 890728 | noon for 9+ years |
| Playing Fields | Simon Skelcey, | 891220 890583 | |
| Association | Linda Hawkins, Wendy Wilson | 890383 | |

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| Club | Contact | Phone (01788) | |
| Pre-School | Tracy Martins | 891824 | Mon – Friday am during term time in the Village Hall |
| Royal British | Colin D White | 890390 | 2 nd Tuesday of month at |
| Legion | | 0,000,00 | 8.00pm |
| 2 nd Braunston | Group Scout Leader - | | |
| Scouts | Steve Rolt | 890241 | |
| Beavers | Jennifer Rolt | 890241 | 5¾ -8yr old Boys and Girls |
| (For boys and | | | |
| girls) | | | |
| Cub | Linda Lewcock | 01327 878341 | 8-10½ year old boys and |
| Scouts(For | | | girls |
| boys and girls) | | | |
| Scouts (For | Joan Bishop | 01327 | 101/2 -14 yr old Boys and |
| Boys and | | 878178 | Girls |
| Girls) | | | |
| Explorer | Steve Rolt | 890421 | 14-18 yr olds |
| Scouts | | | (in Daventry) |
| Short Mat | Gill Powell | 890763 | Thursdays 2.00pm in |
| Bowls | | | Village Hall |
| Tai Chi Club | John Harford | 01327 | Mondays 7-8.30pm |
| | | 705807 | Village Hall |
| (Adult) Tap | Julia Beattie | 890488 | Wed 7.30-9.00pm in the |
| Dance Classes | | | School Hall |
| Toddler Group | Wendy Wilson | 890348 | Every Tuesday 1.30-3.00 |
| | Tracy Martins | 891824 | Village Hall |
| Twinning | Chris Grossart | 890491 | Organises social events |
| Association | Elizabeth Gwynne | 891331 | and visits to and from |
| | | | Quincy-Voisins |
| Village Hall | Kelly Brewster | 0772 412 | Village Hall bookings |
| Committee | Kate Mawer | 3363 | |
| | villagehall@braunston.net | | |
| Women's | Rosemary Harding | 891854 | 1 st Tuesday at 7.30pm |
| Institute | Sue Baker | 891967 | |
| WEA | Jackie Green | 890145 | Thursday evenings at |
| (Workers | | | School during Autumn and |
| Educational | | | Spring Terms |
| Assn) | | | |
| Yoga Group | Sheila Beckett | 891831 | Yoga in the Village Hall |
| Youth Club | Cindy Brewster | | Alternate Friday evenings |
| (9-15yrs) | | | in the |
| | | | Village Hall |



All Saints' Church Easter Services 2006

Sunday 9th April-10.30am in Church

Palm Sunday Family Service Start with 'following the Donkey' (meet outside the Wheatsheaf pub at 10.10am)

Thursday 13th April – 7-30pm

Maundy Thursday – Jesus' last supper

Friday 14th April – Good Friday

10 – 12 Children's Workshop 2pm - 3pm Meditation

Saturday 15th April – 8pm

Easter Vigil

Easter Day - Sunday 16th April

Holy Communion – 8am

Family Communion – 11am



Wednesday 29th March 8 – Wednesday 5th April 8 – 9p

Come & Join us!



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