

# Braunston Village News

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## Recycling at Braunston School

As part of our Eco Schools project, we are collecting shoes for recycling. This is in support of the Blue Peter Shoebiz Appeal. The money raised will go towards Unicefs work with children who have lost their parents to aids in Malawi.



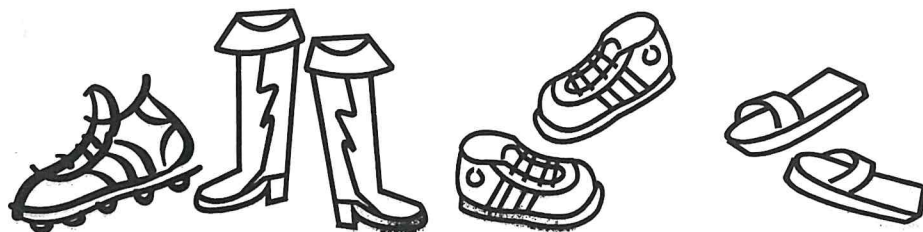
We have had a good response so far! Any donations would be appreciated, shoes, boots and sandals of any size, in good condition and tied together in pairs.

Collection points are Braunston Village Stores and All Saints Church who have kindly agreed to collect on our behalf, as well as Braunston School.

For further details about the appeal go to [www.shoebizappeal.org.uk](http://www.shoebizappeal.org.uk).

Thank you very much!

Braunston School





**The Blessed Virgin Mary & St  
Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers**

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

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Sheila Rowley: 890559

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Mrs Sue Brooks: 01788 890042

**Secretary:**

Dorothy Amos: 01788 891491

**CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS FEBRUARY 2007**

**Friday 2 Feb**

7.30pm Team Candlemas

Eucharist - Braunston

**Sunday 4 Feb**

8am Holy Communion

9.15am Morning Prayer - Ashby

11am Parish Communion and  
Fishers

6.30pm Evensong

**Monday 5 Feb**

2pm Little Fishers

7.30pm Big Questions Course -  
Staverton Vicarage

**Wednesday 7 Feb**

10.30 Holy Communion

**Saturday 10 Feb**

5.30pm Saturday Express - Holy  
Cross

**Sunday 11 Feb**

8am Holy Communion

9.15am Holy Communion Ashby

11am Family Service Braunston

**Monday 12 Feb**

NO Little Fishers - half term

7.30pm Big Questions Course -  
Catesby Church

**Wednesday 14 Feb**

7 pm Holy Communion

7.45pm PCC Braunston

**Sunday 18 February**

8am Holy Communion

9.15am Holy Communion -  
Ashby

11am Parish Communion with  
Fishers

**Monday 19 Feb**

2.pm Little Fishers

7.30pm Big Questions -  
Braunston

## Vicar's Letter

### Wednesday 21 Feb

7.30 Team Ash Wednesday  
Eucharist Holy Cross

### Sunday 25 Feb

8am Holy Communion  
11am Family Service - Jont Ashby  
and Braunston at Braunston

### Monday 26 Feb

2pm Little Fishers  
7.30pm Big Questions -  
Staverton Vicarage

### Wednesday 28 Feb

10.30am Holy Communion  
7.30 Lent Course Parish Room,  
Braunston

### Friday 2 March

Women's World Day of Prayer -  
Holy Cross

### Saturday 3 March

12.30-2pm Lent Lunch - Village  
Hall

Dear friends,

February is the month for 'lurv' and a lot of people on the evening of 14th February will be enjoying a candlelit meal with their loved one- or those new to the game bashfully offering a card with 'guess who? xxx'

There are many legends surrounding St Valentine and the connection of this Saint with the celebration of lovers. One popular legend has it that that as a priest he continued to marry young couples even though Emperor Claudius forbade it. (Apparently Claudius thought that married soldiers weren't as good as single soldiers.) Another legend has it that, on the eve of his death, he penned a farewell note to the jailer's daughter, signing it, "From your Valentine." His love for God and concern for those around him led him to being martyred in 269 AD.

There is only one word for 'love' in the English Language. But of course in Greek there are different words: Eros (???? ér?s) is passionate love, or romantic love. Philia (????? philía), means friendship and it includes loyalty to friends, family, and community. Agap? (????? agáp?) in the New Testament refers to a total commitment or self-sacrificial love for the object loved. It may involve loving someone who is not necessarily lovely or loveable.

Though Eros love is enjoyed and to be celebrated, the relationships we enjoy daily probably reflect to some extent the other two types of love. It is our custom during Lent to have an

evening to stop think and reflect. This year we intend to follow a course called: 'Better Together?' And we will be looking at different aspects of relationships; family relationships, relationships within the church, relating to strangers, broken relationships, and our relationship with God. Our 'guest speakers' for the evening will be Nicky Gumble (Minister at Holy Trinity Brompton and writer of Alpha) Jane Williams (Theologian and Archbishop Rowan's wife!) John Bell (Musician, Theologian and member of Iona Community)- they will be speaking on CD and then we can get going on how what they have said has or has not resonated with our own experience. Jesus said to his followers: 'Love one another as I have loved you'. The spirit of Christ helps us to live joyfully, and reach out. There will be moments when through Lent I realise I fall well short of

the mark, not offering philia or agape love. But our relationship with a God who is always more ready to forgive than I to say 'sorry' - helps me and I hope helps you -to get up, brush yourself down and start again. I've just been listening on Radio 4 to that popular song 'Lord of the dance' The composition of this piece evokes a picture of God who is fun, a friend, reaching out to us to join in the dance. Our Lord is totally irrepressible. Nothing will keep him down, 'he leaps up high'.

We are meeting every Wednesday night during Lent, starting on 28th February. Please come and join us for any or all of these evenings.

Meanwhile 'Happy Valentine's day'- and may you know and give 'love' on all sorts of levels this year.

God bless you,

Revd Claire

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## **All Saints' Director of Music leaves Braunston after 9 years.**

All Saints' Day 2006 saw the departure of David Noble as Director of Music at All Saints' Church.

After nine years at the helm, David is leaving to concentrate on his duties with the School choir.

Our picture shows David and Rev'd Claire at his last performance on All Saints' Day 2006

Our best wishes go with David for his continued success and our thanks for all his hard work whilst at Braunston.

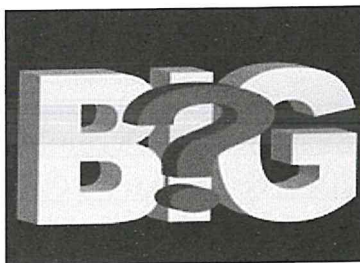


*Photo - Cerdric Wasser*



## **'BIG questions'**

**...which we may have  
found ourselves asking!**



Speakers will suggest some ways to think around these *BIG* questions. A relaxed evening- with opportunity for discussion, food and sharing.

*Meetings throughout February...at 7.30pm*

**'Don't you think God has better things to do than guide me?' - February 5<sup>th</sup> -Staverton Vicarage**

**' The Church doesn't really matter anymore...does it?'- 12<sup>th</sup> February - Catesby Church**

**' Religion is a private thing...isn't it?'-  
Braunston Rectory - 19 February**

**'Can I make a difference to the world?' 26<sup>th</sup>  
February-  
Staverton Vicarage**

*'Everyone very welcome'*

**Please contact Revd Claire (01788  
890235) Revd Liz (01327 702466), or the  
Daventry Team Office  
(01327 315818) for more details**

## CHURCH NEWS

### Registers for December 2006 & January 2007

#### Funerals

*We commend into God's gracious  
care:*

12<sup>th</sup> December - Keith Owen  
20<sup>th</sup> December - Terry Gospel  
4<sup>th</sup> January - Bert Brown

*May they rest in peace, and rise in  
glory*

#### Baptisms

Natasha Anwen Thomas

Welcome to the Church Family

#### Weddings

17 December  
Abbey Lewis and Adam Stubbs

Congratulations to the happy  
couple

## Church Floodlighting for February 2007

### February 2007

- 1<sup>st</sup> February - \* Judith Sykes Birthday with love
- 2<sup>nd</sup> February - The spire is lit up for Mrs Joan Wood
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - \* Happy 60th Birthday Toby!
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - \* In memory of Mansel Davies
- 14<sup>th</sup> February - \* For Brian Seymour on his Birthday
- 16<sup>th</sup> February - \* Keren Andrew's Birthday
- 18<sup>th</sup> February - \* For Bill's Birthday - with Love
- 21<sup>st</sup> February - \* Benedict - all our love on your Birthday from Mummy & Daddy
- 25<sup>th</sup> February - For my wife Pat on her Birthday much love & affection love Maurice
- 26<sup>th</sup> February - \* For uncle Tony, as pit fire pilot shot down over Malta - aged 22 yrs
- 27<sup>th</sup> February - \* In loving memory of Roy Bennett sadly missed love Sue, family & friends



\* = Friends of All Saints - **Thank You**

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN  
Deadline - 20<sup>th</sup> January 2006

## Church Floodlighting for December and January 2007

### December 2006







- 1<sup>st</sup> December - \* Happy Birthday Nick, love from Lin, Louise & all the family  
2<sup>nd</sup> December - \* Happy 40th Birthday Katrina (USA) I so love you – Mum  
3<sup>rd</sup> December - \* In loving memory of Jean Purvey on her Birthday love you  
always Michelle xx  
3<sup>rd</sup> December - Remembering a lovely mother Doris Webb on her Birthday  
4<sup>th</sup> December - \* In loving memory of Nesta & Leonard Burt  
5<sup>th</sup> December - \* Birthday memories of Cyrel Hall love Wendy & Geoff  
6<sup>th</sup> December - Birthday memories of Don - Missing you so much love always  
Mary  
11<sup>th</sup> December - In loving memory of Spencer Lee  
14<sup>th</sup> December - \* Happy Birthday Kurt, love Nan  
16<sup>th</sup> December - \* Gordon, the brightest Star  
16<sup>th</sup> December - \* Welcome to Sue & Brian from Portugal  
17<sup>th</sup> December - \* To celebrate Abby & Adam's wedding day love Mum & Dad xx  
18<sup>th</sup> December - \* Remembering Ron Tait with love Helen  
21<sup>st</sup> December - \* For my wife Denise from Peter  
22<sup>nd</sup> December - \* In memory of Pamela the wife of Harold & mother of Sally &  
Roger  
23<sup>rd</sup> December - Simon home for Christmas  
24<sup>th</sup> December - \* For Stuart's 70th Birthday  
25<sup>th</sup> December - \* In memory of Albert & Sarah Kendall  
26<sup>th</sup> December - \* Thank you Claire for all your hard work  
26<sup>th</sup> December - \* Happy Birthday Fran love Mum & Dad  
29<sup>th</sup> December - \* Golden Wedding Anniversary of Pat & Dave Streeton  
30<sup>th</sup> December - \* Peter & Chris Grossarts wedding anniversary

### January 2007

- 4<sup>th</sup> January - \* Happy New Year to all my friends & neighbours love Elizabeth  
Gwynne  
8<sup>th</sup> January - \* Jim remembered  
12<sup>th</sup> January - \* Iris's Birthday - with Love  
16<sup>th</sup> January - \* To celebrate Prim & Aubrey Berrimans birthdays  
17<sup>th</sup> January - \* Return to Braunston Val & Eric  
19<sup>th</sup> January - Especially for Ric love Peggie  
21<sup>st</sup> January - \* My late husband Richard's Birthday with love June  
22<sup>nd</sup> January - Happy Birthday Uncle Bob from all in California  
22<sup>nd</sup> January - To Brian Allen Happy 70th Birthday with love Irene  
22<sup>nd</sup> January - Remembering my mum Helen Britten on her birthday with love  
Charlie x  
23<sup>rd</sup> January - Best wishes to Braunston from Sue & Geoff Woodward –  
Hertfordshire  
30<sup>th</sup> January - In loving memory of my mum Helen Britten love Michelle x

*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.*

**Monthly Calendar of Worship at All Saints Church,  
Braunston and the Church of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary & St Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers**

| Week  | Ashby-<br>Sunday                                                                                             | Braunston-<br>Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                | Ashby-<br>Wednesday         | Braunston-<br>Wednesday   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| One   | 9.15am<br>Morning<br>Prayer                                                                                  | 8am Holy<br>Communion<br>11am Parish<br>Communion<br>with Fishers<br><br>6.30pm<br>Evensong                                        | 4.30pm<br>Evening<br>Prayer | 10.30am Holy<br>Communion |
| Two   | 9.15am<br>Holy<br>Communion                                                                                  | 8am Holy<br>Communion<br>11am Family<br>Service<br>                                                                                | 4.30pm<br>Evening<br>Prayer | 7pm Holy<br>Communion     |
| Three | 9.15am<br>Holy<br>Communion                                                                                  | 8am Holy<br>Communion<br>11am Parish<br>Communion<br>with Fishers<br>                                                              | 4.30pm<br>Evening<br>Prayer | 10.30am Holy<br>Communion |
| Four  | 11am Family<br>Service<br> | 8am Holy<br>Communion<br>11am Family<br>Communion<br>                                                                            | 4.30pm<br>Evening<br>Prayer | 10.30am Holy<br>Communion |
| Five  | 11am Joint<br>Parish<br>Communion<br><i>at Ashby or<br/>Braunston</i>                                        | 8am Holy<br>Communion<br>11am Joint<br>Parish<br>Communion<br><i>at Ashby or<br/>Braunston</i><br><i>with</i><br> <i>Fishers</i> | 4.30pm<br>Evening<br>Prayer | 10.30am Holy<br>Communion |



# Lent Course: Better Together?



## What's in it?

A five session course on different aspects of relationships; family relationships, relationships within the church, relating to strangers, broken relationships, and our relationship with God.

Each session has an 'interview discussion' on CD with the 3 main participants (Nicky Gumbel, Jane Williams, and John Bell) plus a summary from the Abbot of Ampleforth.

## Who is it for?

Particularly appropriate for those who want to apply their faith to everyday living in all it's complexity!

## Where is it?

The Parish Room, All Saints' Church at 7.30pm

## When is it?

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> February, Wed 7<sup>th</sup> March, Tues 13<sup>th</sup> March, Wed 21<sup>st</sup> March, Wed 28<sup>th</sup> March.

*A note from Revd Claire:*

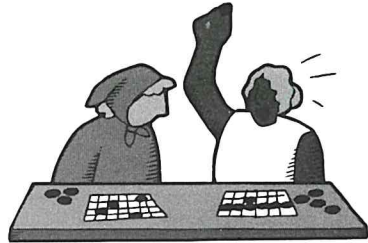
*'This is the 2007 York Course- very good value. This one has v.good speakers on a theme which are pertinent to us all - would be interested in what you think...'*

# Youth Club Diary Of Events

9<sup>th</sup> February 2007

Clubs own Sport Night

Avril's Sports night.



23<sup>rd</sup>. February 2007

Bingo Night

Join in Pete's Bingo Night



9<sup>th</sup>. March 2007

Street Dancing

This will keep you fit

# Hope and Homes for Children



A New Year of fund raising begins. We hope to have the following Hope and Homes fun raising events, so make a note in your diary.

**Easter Egg Hamper Raffle** - Easter Week End

**Coffee Morning - Bring and Buy** - 12<sup>th</sup>. May 10am – 12 Mid-day.

**Name the Teddy** - Church Fete 16<sup>th</sup>. June

**Craft Stall Braunston Steam & Canal Boat Rally** - 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. June

**Craft Stall Cummins Community Fete** - July 2007

If you feel you are able to help with any of the above events, or make and donate any craft items we would be very grateful.  
Contact by telephoning 01788 899086

## **Funds Raised since last BVN**

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Donation                     | £ 42.00 |
| Craft Stall at Angling Fayre | £ 42.10 |
| Sales of Crafts from Home    | £101.60 |
| Penny Pots                   | £225.23 |

Increasing the money raised since March 2006 to £3,824.64

On behalf of the Children at Braunston House, Sudan  
Thank you so much

*Brenda Hobbs*

## Braunston Playing Field Association

A piece of Barcelona comes to Braunston Playing Field

Sorry we can't offer you a piece of La Rambla or the Old Quarter, or the sunshine, but we can announce the installation, thanks to Braunston Parish Council, of a litter bin identical to those seen all over Barcelona.

More good news from Braunston Playing Field

Thanks to the financial support from Braunston Parish Council, Awards for All, The Horne Foundation, and Daventry Youth Forum, Braunston Playing Field Association will be doubling the size of the Arena hard play area, enabling competitive games and also installing a youth shelter. All that remains to be done is dot the 'T's and cross the T's for the work to commence.

Just before Christmas the hedge leading down to the playing field was blitzed by two skilled hedge layers. We now have a much neater and tidier hedge. The work revealed a very large lump of concrete (can anyone explain where it came?), various bollards and a load of scrap metal. You can now have a glimpse of the repainted play equipment as you drive past.

Things ARE happening down at the Playing Field but many hands make light work, can we count on your hands?

Louis Prat





## Proposed Extension of Daventry closer to Braunston

Application No: WN/2006/0003

Description: Construction of three B8 units  
and ancillary offices,  
together with landscaping,  
access, parking and associated  
infrastructure

Location: Land North West Of Parsons Road,  
Drayton Fields Ind Est, Daventry.

This is a proposed extension to the existing Prologis site on the side of the A45 (currently used by Wincanton) and will fill completely the field closest to Braunston (with units matching existing size and height), if you wish to make an comments on this application you need to write to:

E McDowell at Daventry District Council or phone on 01327  
302571 or email emcdowell@daventrydc.gov.uk.

The closing date for comments was the 21st January but we were unable to bring this information any sooner due to publication dates

## **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**

**A 10-day pilgrimage for the Daventry Team  
and friends**

**Led by  
The Revd. Liz Cowley  
& Revd. Claire Rose-Casemore**

**16 - 25 May 2007**

***To find out more please phone  
01788-890235***

# FEBRUARY DIARY OF EVENTS

|               |           |                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday        |           |                                                                                                                                          |
| Monday        |           |                                                                                                                                          |
| Tuesday       |           |                                                                                                                                          |
| Wednesday     |           |                                                                                                                                          |
| Thursday      | 1         | Cubs – Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm                                                                                   |
| Friday        | 2         | Scouts - 7.30 Team Candlemas Eucharist, Braunston                                                                                        |
| Saturday      | 3         |                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Sunday</b> | <b>4</b>  | <b>8.00 Holy Communion Braunston - 9.15am Morning Prayer at Ashby - 11.00 Parish Communion with Fishers Braunston - 6.30 Evensong</b>    |
| Monday        | 5         | 2.00 Fishers, All Saints - Church Choir – 7.00/8.00-9.00pm – Explorer Scouts – Friendly Club – 7.30 Big Questions at Staverton Vicarage  |
| Tuesday       | 6         | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00 Village Hall - 7.30pm WI Meeting in the Village Hall -                                                           |
| Wednesday     | 7         | 10.30am Holy Communion – Beavers – Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm , 8.20 - 9.35pm Adult Tap Dancing Village Hall – 7.00-8.15 Yoga Group – |
| Thursday      | 8         | Cubs – Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm – Daxa Baby Massage Course Starts                                                 |
| Friday        | 9         | Scouts - Youth Club Sports night                                                                                                         |
| Saturday      | 10        | 9.am Jetty Field Work Day<br>5.30pm Saturday Express at Holy Cross                                                                       |
| <b>Sunday</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>8.00 Holy Communion - 9.15am Holy Communion at Ashby - 11.00 Family Service Braunston</b>                                             |
| Monday        | 12        | No Little Fishers, - 2.30pm Friendly Club - Church Choir 7.00/8.00-9.00 Explorer Scouts - 7.30 Big Questions Course at Catesby Church    |
| Tuesday       | 13        | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00pm Village Hall – British Legion at The Sporting Club, Barby                                                      |
| Wednesday     | 14        | 10.30am Holy Communion - Beavers – Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm , 8.20 - 9.35pm Adult Tap Dancing Village Hall – 7.00-8.15 Yoga Group – |
| Thursday      | 15        | Cubs – Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Fishing Club Bingo 8.00pm                                                                                   |
| Friday        | 16        | Scouts -                                                                                                                                 |

**COPY DEADLINE - 20th**

# FEBRUARY DIARY OF EVENTS

|           |    |                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-----------|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday  | 17 | Braunston Walkers to Three Rivers (c. 12 miles))                                                                                                                                          |
| Sunday    | 18 | <b>8.00 Holy Communion, -9.15am Holy Communion at Ashby - 11.00 Parish Communion with Fishers at Braunston</b>                                                                            |
| Monday    | 19 | 2.00 Fishers, All Saints - Explorer Scouts - Tai Chi Club<br>7.00-8.30pm - Church Choir 7.00/8.00-9.00pm. -<br>7.30pm Big Questions Course at Braunston                                   |
| Tuesday   | 20 | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00 Village Hall - 7.30pm History Society in the Parish Room                                                                                                          |
| Wednesday | 21 | 10.30am Holy Communion - Beavers, Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm , 8.20 - 9.35pm Adult Tap Dancing Village Hall - 7.00-8.15 Yoga Group - 7.30pm Team Ash Wednesday Eucharist at Holy Cross |
| Thursday  | 22 | Bell Ringers 7.30pm - Cubs - 8.00pm Fishing Club Bingo                                                                                                                                    |
| Friday    | 23 | Scouts - Youth Club Bingo night                                                                                                                                                           |
| Saturday  | 24 |                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Sunday    | 25 | <b>8.00 Holy Communion Braunston , 11.00 Joint Ashby and Braunston Service at All Saints</b>                                                                                              |
| Monday    | 26 | 2.00pm Fishers, All Saints - 2.30pm Friendly Club - Explorer Scouts - Church Choir 7.00/8.00-9.00pm - 7.30pm Big Questions Course at Staverton                                            |
| Tuesday   | 27 | Toddler Group 1.30-3.00 Village Hall                                                                                                                                                      |
| Wednesday | 28 | 10.30am Holy Communion - Beavers, Brownies at Barby 6.30-8.00pm , 8.20 - 9.35pm Adult Tap Dancing Village Hall - 7.00-8.15 Yoga Group - 7.30pm Lent Course at Braunston Parish Room       |
| Thursday  | 1  |                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Friday    | 2  | Women's Day of Prayer - Holy Cross                                                                                                                                                        |
| Saturday  | 3  | 12.30-2.00pm Lent Lunch at The Village Hall                                                                                                                                               |
| Sunday    |    |                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Monday    |    |                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**COPY DEADLINE - 20th**

## Clubs and Society Events



### Braunston Rainfall

20/11 – 20/12 = 104mm

20/12 – 20/1 = 112mm

Information supplied  
by D Humphries

### Braunston Fishing Club BINGO

Every Thursday throughout the  
year

8.00pm in the Village Hall

*G Donald 891264*

## Braunston Village Gardens Association

### Open Gardens

The Braunston Village Gardens Association will once again be organising an Open Gardens in aid of Macmillan Nurses this summer. For those new to the village, we normally open about 12 gardens on a Sunday afternoon at the end of June or the beginning of July. The gardens vary in size and character, which makes it an enjoyable experience for the many visitors, who tour the gardens. I will be contacting those gardeners who have opened in the past, but if any other garden owner is interested in joining in, please contact Jean Dibben for more details, on 01788 890515, or e-mail [dibben@btinternet.com](mailto:dibben@btinternet.com).

### Plant Sale

The BVGA will be running a plant sale on the Green on Saturday 28th April. If you are sowing seeds would you be willing to sow some extra for us to sell?

Jean Dibben



## 200 Club Winners

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Prize</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Winner</u> |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| 16/11/06    | 172          | £50           | A Pearse      |
| 23/11/06    | 189          | £10           | D Baker       |
| 23/11/06    | 98           | £5            | B Arrowsmith  |
| 30/11/06    | 87           | £10           | P Hobbs       |
| 30/11/06    | 199          | £5            | A Hough       |
| 7/12/06     | 93           | £10           | G Brewster    |
| 7/12/06     | 27           | £5            | E Frazer      |
| 14/12/06    | 78           | £50           | H Shears      |
| 21/12/06    | 22           | £10           | S Baker       |
| 21/12/06    | 204          | £5            | E Archer      |
| 28/12/06    | 201          | £10           | S Lawrence    |
| 28/12/06    | 198          | £5            | R May         |
| 4/1/07      | 29           | £10           | M Franklin    |
| 4/1/07      | 193          | £5            | E Hargreaves  |

## Braunston Twinners

Braunston Twinners plan to run a photo competition and the best entries will be used on a 2008 Braunston Twinning Calendar. Our friends from Quincy Voisins will also be able to enter photos and there will be photos from both communities in the calendar. The photographer's name will appear at the bottom of each photograph. So why not start looking for your photos of Braunston or Quincy Voisins, or take some in the next few months.

- 1: Photos taken should be of Braunston or Quincy Voisins.
- 2: Entries be limited to a maximum 24 photos per person (Single photo entries are very welcome)
- 3: The photos may be in film or digital format and must be in Landscape format (Portrait format photos cannot be entered)
- 4: The final entry date for the competition and entry conditions will be announced soon.

*Chris Grossart*

**“Walk the famous London  
Bridges to help promote  
awareness of kidney disease  
and fund research to save  
lives”**



## **London Bridges Walk – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

Want a walk with a difference? Fancy seeing the stunning sights of London, while raising money for charity? See London's spectacular sights while raising awareness of kidney disease and supporting research to save lives by walking eight of London's bridges on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

The Bridges Walk starts and finishes at Potters Fields near Tower Bridge, and walkers will snake across eight bridges, including the Tower, London, Southwark, Millennium and Blackfriars bridges.

Registration fee is £7.50 per walker and there is no minimum sponsorship requirement but walkers are encouraged to raise as much sponsorship as they can. Proceeds will be used to further the work of Kidney Research UK and help improve the lives of people living with kidney disease.

Kidney Research UK is the leading national charity funding research to save lives from kidney disease. This cutting edge research focuses on the prevention, treatment and management of kidney disease. The charity also dedicates its work to patient care and educational initiatives. Currently in the UK, 2.5 million people are suffering chronic kidney disease. This figure is set to rise to 12.5 million people over the next 10 years, so we need to act now!!!

Community Fundraising Manager, Elizabeth Wright, says, “The walk is a wonderful opportunity to view the many historical sites along the Thames, and the route offers great views of the London. The atmosphere on the day is second to none and it is open to anyone who wants to help make a difference.”

For more information or to take part in the London Bridges Walk please call Kidney Research UK on 08456 121226 or visit [www.kidneyresearchuk.org](http://www.kidneyresearchuk.org)

## Braunston Walkers - Saturday 21 January 2007 - Barby, Willoughby and back to Braunston (c. 8 Miles)

fter a week of devastating storms with winds of 80 mph and lots of rain we awoke with some epidation to find the sky sparkling blue and the sun shining. There was still a bit of wind but only enough to cool down a hot walker. We set off, seventeen intrepid hikers, on our first walk in 2007, taking the Barby Road. We circumnavigated the first of many puddles. This one spread right across the road leaving only an extremely wet and muddy bit of grass at the side. We stomped on up the road and past the S bend around the site of the ancient Fawcliffe village and up the steep and long hill with magnificent views over the Warwickshire plain, to Barby.

staying on the road we decided to walk through the village rather than take the muddy path past the old mill and lakes. Our route continued through the village and just before the shop we branched off left past old farms one of which had a heap of mangel wurzels ready to feed their cattle. Humming "I've got a brand new combine harvester" we continued past another farmyard and two newly born, wet, lambs bleating for their mother who was nowhere to be seen. At the crossroad of paths we went across to a field and ploughed our way through a quagmire in which our boots, trousers etc. were tested as to their waterproof

value. The fields were like a sponge in this area as we tried to avoid the worst mud and continued over stiles. We recalled a summer walk in the same field where Carol had handed out fresh cherries. This time it was Werthers old originals that we were handed out as we paused for breath looking up at a lonely trig point at 161 metres above sea level. We dropped down on field paths until we crossed a bridge over the Oxford Canal next to the prison at Onley then walked along the old railway before turning off under the railway and past a fishing lake then on more muddy fields to reach the A45. Braving the fast moving traffic we crossed the road and took the footpath diagonally over a ploughed field that brings you out by Willoughby cricket Club. Our pace quickened as we knew we were getting near our lunch pub stop. Walking into the village past the old duck pond we found a small path on our left. Thoughtfully concreted and taking us above the waterlogged fields and conveniently coming out right next to The Rose pub. Removing the by now disgusting muddy footwear we stepped into the warm and inviting pub. The beer was superb and the food we



all thought was wonderful. I had a fish finger sandwich which was the best, none of your frozen preformed who knows what kind of fish but a fantastic piece of fresh battered fish between two slices of crusty bread. It was so good I took the family back on Sunday for a magnificent roast beef dinner. It did not disappoint! Highly recommended! We will be back.

Reluctantly dragging ourselves away from the cosy wood burning stove we set off again, although not at quite such a good pace, through the old village and taking the field path on the left we crossed ridge and furrows to the imposing Willoughby House and then under the old railway and over more muddy fields towards home. Just when we thought we were almost home the field became a swamp of evil smelling mud and try as hard as we like there was no alternative but to wade through and hose down back at home. This was an excellent walk all the more memorable for the fine weather and the excellent pub stop.

Why not come and join us on our regular monthly rambles, on the third Saturday each 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. We normally meet  
at 10 o'clock at the village hall.  
The plan for our next 6 walks is:

17<sup>th</sup> Feb Three Rivers (c.12  
miles )

17<sup>th</sup> March Ashby and Norton  
(c.12 miles)

21<sup>st</sup> April Herb Garden (c.12  
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19<sup>th</sup> May Dovedale (c.9 miles)

16<sup>th</sup> June Borough Hill (c.12  
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## JETTY FIELD

### **Mud, Mud, Glorious Mud - in Jetty Field**

Everyone talks of the mild winter but forgets to mention the amazing amount of rain that has fallen. Everyone except our volunteers and workers in the park who know only too well how difficult it has been to do the simplest tasks. Since last September we have been battling in slidy, squelchy, clinging, oleaginous muddy mess to lay paths, plant hedge lines, clear undergrowth, prune trees, light fires and open up the garden area. We were very grateful to be able to accept much needed help from Darren Ridley from Ashby St. Ledgers Farm Care who offered to bring in some heavy machinery to move the mound of stone up the field. And work is well under way to complete the upgrading of the entrances to the field. So, much has been achieved against the odds.

We are quietly confident that conditions will be near perfect for our next workday Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 9am to 12. There are steady lines of tasks as we near the time when we can contemplate the end of the first phase of setting up Jetty Field for the future.

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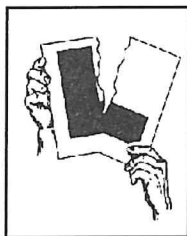
Afterwards we are served with squash / tea and biscuits.

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## Clubs and Society Events

### *Braunston Women's Institute*



Women's  
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#### Tuesday 6 Feb

Mrs Rosemary Leonard will entertain us with Songs from the Shows

**Challenge** - A Homemade Get-Well card

7.30pm at the Village Hall

*Honor Mackichan*

### Friendly Club

#### Monday 12 Feb

Making Cards for  
Vlaentine's Day - materials  
provided

#### Monday 26 Feb

Mavis and Alan Eley will tell  
us about their holiday in  
Peru - illustrated with  
slides

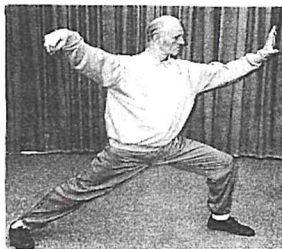
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## THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRAUNSTON & DISTRICT

The Branch held it's annual dinner at The Sporting Club, Barby, on 16 January, which was attended by 40 members and wives. Major Krishna Gurung, the Queen's Senior Signals Officer, and his wife were guests of honour.

Major Gurung thanked the Branch for the support given by it to the Gurkha Trust and said that the help given by the Trust to many ex-Gurkha servicemen and their families in Nepal was very much appreciated.

The next meeting of the Branch will be held at The Sporting Club, Barby, on 13 February, 2007, at 8.00pm.

Tony Saunderson  
6 Greenway  
Braunston Tel: 01788 890797.

### The Braunston "Dick Herne" History Society

Our next meeting on Tuesday Feb 20 - 7.30pm in the Parish Room of the Church

Extract from "Braunston" by H E Ruddy, now in the Society's archives:

"In 1895 all the traffic on the canal was at a standstill for 10 weeks. The ice on the reservoirs was so thick that bonfires of hedge clippings were made on the ice

A form was provided for folk to sit on, putting on their skates before the fires. To him (Mr Rodhouse) as a child, it seemed very strange to set fire to the ice!"

More next time.....

*Honor Mackichan 01788 890881*

## Clubs and Society Contacts

| Club                           | Contact                                                                           | Phone<br>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                     | 5¾ -8yr old Boys and Girls on Wednesdays                                          |
| Bell Ringers                   | Peter Wenham                                                                      | 891935                     | Thursday evenings at 7.30 – 9.00                                                  |
| Braunston Players              | Tony Ward<br><a href="mailto:tony.ward@braunston.net">tony.ward@braunston.net</a> | 899105                     | Annual Show plus informal get-togethers - 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month |
| Braunston Walkers              | Phillip Ray                                                                       | 891437<br>891384           | Walks of 7 - 10 miles around the area                                             |
| Brownies (at Barby School)     | Karen or Nicola Holman                                                            | 891299                     | 7-10 yr old girls<br>Wednesday 6.30 to 8.00                                       |
| Church Choir                   | David Noble                                                                       | 815173                     | Mondays<br>Juniors 7-8pm<br>Seniors 7.30-9pm                                      |
| Conservation Group             | Pat Herlihy                                                                       | 890590                     |                                                                                   |
| Crickets Club                  | Simon Stapley                                                                     | 890475                     |                                                                                   |
| Cub Scouts(For boys and girls) | Linda Lewcock                                                                     | 01327<br>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 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Mondays                |
| Friends of Braunston School    | Michelle Griffiths                                                                | 890345                     |                                                                                   |
| Fishers (All Saints' Church)   | Michelle Cotton<br>Alison Fiddes                                                  | 890235<br>891847           | Sunday School for 5+ yrs<br>Little Fishers (0-5's with parents) on Mondays        |
| Gardens Assn                   | Chris Grossart,                                                                   | 890491                     |                                                                                   |
| Guides                         |                                                                                   |                            |                                                                                   |
| History Society                | Chris Pardoe                                                                      | 890448                     |                                                                                   |
| Junior and Infants School      |                                                                                   | 890494                     |                                                                                   |
| Junior Football                |                                                                                   |                            |                                                                                   |
| Playing Fields Association     | Simon Skelcey,<br>Linda Hawkins,<br>Wendy Wilson                                  | 891220<br>890583<br>890348 |                                                                                   |

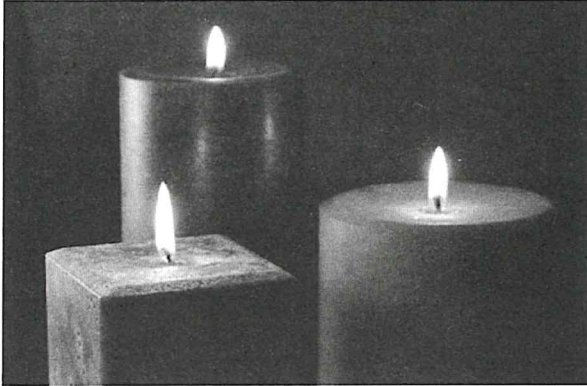
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| Club                             | Contact                                                                                                  | Phone (01788)    | Meetings                                                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pre-School                       | Tracy Martins                                                                                            | 891824           | Mon – Friday am during term time in the Village Hall          |
| Royal British Legion             | Colin D White                                                                                            | 890390           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month at 8.00pm                    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Braunston Scouts | Group Scout Leader – Steve Rolt                                                                          | 890241           |                                                               |
| Beavers (For boys and girls)     | Jennifer Rolt                                                                                            | 890241           | 5¾ -8yr old Boys and Girls                                    |
| Cub Scouts(For boys and girls)   | Linda Lewcock                                                                                            | 01327 878341     | 8-10½ year old boys and girls                                 |
| Scouts (For Boys and Girls)      | Joan Bishop                                                                                              | 01327 878178     | 10½ -14 yr old Boys and Girls                                 |
| Explorer Scouts                  | Steve Rolt                                                                                               | 890421           | 14-18 yr olds (in Daventry)                                   |
| Short Mat Bowls                  | Gill Powell                                                                                              | 890763           | Thursdays 2.00pm in Village Hall                              |
| Tai Chi Club                     | John Harford                                                                                             | 01327 705807     | Mondays 7-8.30pm Village Hall                                 |
| (Adult) Tap Dance Classes        | Julia Beattie                                                                                            | 890488           | Wed 8.20-9.35 in the Village Hall                             |
| Toddler Group                    | Wendy Wilson<br>Tracy Martins                                                                            | 890348<br>891824 | Every Tuesday 1.30-3.00 Village Hall                          |
| Twinning Association             | Tony Ward                                                                                                |                  | Organises social events and visits to and from Quincy-Voisins |
| Village Hall Committee           | Kelly Brewster<br>Kate Mawer<br><a href="mailto:villagehall@braunston.net">villagehall@braunston.net</a> | 0772 412 3363    | Village Hall bookings                                         |
| Women's Institute                | Rosemary Harding<br>Sue Baker                                                                            | 891854<br>891967 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 7.30pm                             |
| WEA (Workers Educational Assn)   | Jackie Green                                                                                             | 890145           | Thursday evenings at School during Autumn and Spring Terms    |
| Yoga Group                       | Sheila Beckett                                                                                           | 891831           | Yoga in the Village Hall                                      |
| Youth Club (9-15yrs)             | Cindy Brewster<br>Peter Hobbs                                                                            | 899086           | Alternate Friday evenings in the Village Hall                 |

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