

Braunston Village News

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A Better Way Forward - Revd. Sarah

There is a man-eating Octopus at large in Britain. Nowhere is safe from its snaky tentacles and it seems to get stronger day by day. It can and will be conquered in the end (the whole point of the Christian message) but not before it has done a great deal of damage and taken many lives. That may sound rather melodramatic (what sort of a maniac vicar have you been landed with!???) but I truly believe that unless we get our backsides off the fence and make a strong moral and spiritual stand for what is truly important we shall lose what we hold most dear about life in this country.

In a couple of weeks time I am conducting a wedding here in Braunston. Maybe that is not big news for anyone except the happy couple and their family. But this couple currently live in Croydon, just around the corner from what remains of Reeves furniture store, which the whole nation saw in flames on the television and which has already come to be a iconic symbol of the riots that we have seen in the last few weeks.

I sat with the wedding couple last week here in Braunston and they told me what it felt like to stand at the window of their flat and see and hear the rioters and looters coming towards them. They described the confusion of knowing that seven floors up they were probably safe from looters but unlikely to survive if somebody torched their building. That couple are just one innocent degree of separation between the hell on our city streets and Braunston. I bet you know of other links too.

We tend to assume that villages like ours are insulated from the fearful things that happen in our towns and cities. Things like that don't happen here thank God. OK, the youngsters get a bit bored sometimes and we might get a bit of graffiti, the routine hurling of obscenities by boys on bikes at another boy not in their group, minor theft, a bit of drunkenness or someone we know high on low-grade drugs (bought openly by youngsters in at least one village I know) But basically we are OK here aren't we? Well I would say yes and no.

What we have seen on our streets has not been



the work of a starving and oppressed people rising up for justice. Gratuitous violence, callous disregard for the lives of others and the glee on the faces of the perpetrators are simply evil and Evil is like a huge man-eating Octopus. As with these riots the main body of trouble is clear for all to see but the sly tentacles of influence slipping in through crevices and cracks across all of society are often not observable or considered dangerous until it is too late. Look out! Its behind you! Nether Heyford Church (yes- little rural peaceful Nether Heyford) was violently trashed last week by vandals and will now be closed except for worship. Barbarians 1 Decent people nil.

There is general agreement that Britain is in the throes of moral disintegration allied to the collapse of marriage. It is also a symptom of a move away from the sense of a higher authority than our own- a symptom of our move away from God and a way of life ordained by Him based upon faith and respect for others and all of creation. After all if we only judge ourselves by our own standards (however well meaning) the only way is down because frankly our standards are not very high and tend to be just a teensy bit self-serving!

The Church has done some vile things in its time but in general modern society ie the last 400 years or so- has been based on an understanding of decency and morality and firmly Christian principles. Whether or not you are "religious" it is Christianity that underpins what is good and true about this society. It has been the Church that has initiated almost all social reform, abolition of slavery, education, health care, the welfare state - you name it. Perhaps you believe that faith has had its day but I do not see anything beneficial ready to fill the space. If people believe in nothing they will find something to fill the void and we've just seen a taste of what that looks like. Nether Heyford is not about doctrinal opposition to the church. Its about lawlessness and mischief making. The Daily Mail has been full of praise for the Islamic and Sikh faith communities standing up for family life. The implication is that Christians are too weedy to care. Perhaps for you one faith is as good as any other but if you cherish the good things that our society still rest upon then they need defending.

It is time to stop sitting on the fence as far as faith is concerned. Our children need to know how to defend themselves against the tentacles of the giant octopus of social Evil and to have some real values to rally to. I'm not asking you to pick up a tambourine and talk about Jesus. I'm asking you to think about what is important - not what is easy and convenient but important. A life lived for the common good. A life in which faith may grow and freedom and safety may prevail. A life in which nobody wants to perpetrate evil just for the fun of it.

So if you are on the fence, slip off it. Step forward if you want to retrieve a lost faith or discuss your anger with God and Church. Step forward if you would like to explore today's big issues with a God perspective. From the end of September I shall be running a series of classes for those coming forward to be Confirmed - those who are ready to make a commitment to God and His Church. Even if you are nowhere near that level of commitment but want to see a better way forward than the world seems to offer lets talk. For heaven's sake.



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Braunston

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REGISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

BRAUNSTON

Weddings -

9th September Paul Da
Silveira & Gemma Garside

17th September Robert
Oliver & Keira Madden

ASHBY

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2011

Floodlighting 2011

August's Floodlighting so far...

- 1st August - John Coote in loving memory from Kimberley and Darryl
- 2nd August - * Brian & Gloria's Wedding Anniversary
- 3rd August - Happy Birthday John with love from all the family.
- 6th August – Lit for Malcolm Dennis – Happy 70th Birthday.
- 16th August - George Brinkman – remembered with love on your Birthday & always – Gert, Lesley & Marilyn.
- 17th August - * Lit by Barrie. In memory of Gillian
- 17th August - * For the Mums - Jenni & Chris Burton
- 21st August - * In loving memory of Sylvia Tatham
- 31st August - * Katrina & Dave USA - your 20th Wedding Anniversary. Special love always. Mum xxx

September's Floodlighting so far...

- 1st September - For Gill & Alan Powell on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary
- 5th September - Gill Brewster – to celebrate a wonderful lady's 65th Birthday – we love you to bits – Cindy, Kelly, Sox & Ollie. xxxx
- 8th September - Remembering Lena & Ray Rushall on their wedding anniversary – with love – Hazel, Janet & Heather.
- 11th September - * Simon & Ann-Marie's Wedding Anniversary
- 28th September - * Alice's Birthday

* = Friends of All Saints – **A huge Thank You**

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline - **20th August 2011**



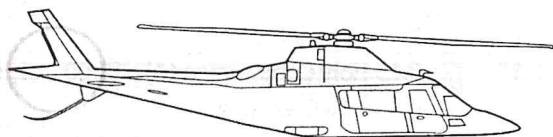
CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2011

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| Thursday | 1 st | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 4 th | 9.15 Holy Communion (A) : 11.00 Holy Communion (B) 18.30 Evensong (B) |
| Monday | 5 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Choir Practice |
| Thursday | 8 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Friday | 9 th | 13.00 Wedding of Gemma Garside & Paul Da Silvera (B) |
| Sunday | 11 th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B) : 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Family Service with Baptism (B) |
| Monday | 12 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 14 th | 19.45 PCC Meeting |
| Thursday | 15 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Saturday | 17 th | 12.00 Wedding of Sophie Davies & Mathew Smith(A) 13.30 Wedding of Kiara Madden & Robert Oliver |
| Sunday | 18 th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Holy Communion (B) |
| Monday | 19 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Choir Practice |
| Thursday | 22 nd | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 25 th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B): 11.00 Family Service (B) |
| Monday | 26 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Thursday | 29 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| | | (B) = Braunston (A) = Ashby |
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CALL TO PRAYER on 11/08/11

Rev Sarah sent out an invitation on 10/08/11 to a short time of reflection and prayer in All Saints' at 7 pm on 11/08/11 concentrating on 'riots in our cities and the economic crisis' - it was a focused and strengthening experience for the 25 people who gathered. Thank you Rev Sarah. If similar invitations are issued in the future I would recommend them.

Sheila



**Warwickshire &
Northamptonshire Air Ambulance**

FUND RAISING DAY

THE VILLAGE GREEN

24TH SEPTEMBER

9AM ONWARDS

CAKE STALL

HAND KNITTED CHILDRENS' CLOTHES

WOODEN CRAFTS

TOMBOLA

BOOK STALL

RAFFLE

'MAKE AN OFFER'

AND MORE

Contact Kim on 01788 891264

CONFIRMATION

If you are aged between 1 and 100 and would be interested to learn more about becoming a Christian please contact Revd. Sarah on 890298 or Sarah@talkingdirect.co.uk. In September & October I shall definitely be running a course in preparation for this year's service of Confirmation on November 17th where new Christians confirm their commitment to follow Christ. I am happy for anyone interested but not sure about committing themselves to come along, join in the conversations and see how you feel.

All Saints Kids Club (Sunday School)

Each week we have a new story, play a game and have a craft activity. Most importantly we have fun while learning about God. Activities for Children are included in the Family Service at 11am on the second Sunday in the month and the Family Communion Service at 11am on the 4th Sunday is designed for Children and adults.



At All Saints' Kids Club a warm welcome awaits children from 0 upwards. Mums and Dads can stay and enjoy the service while the youngsters have fun.

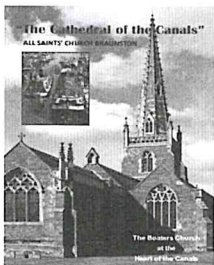
Why not give it a go? Just turn up, we would love to meet you.

Come and join us!

New Publication

from "The Friends of All Saints' Braunston"

Price £5 all proceeds in aid of the Church Restoration Appeal



A book documenting the history of the Church and its relationship with the canals and the boat people of Braunston.

Available from The Church, The Post Office, The Marina Office, The Boat Shop at Bottom Lock or ring to order 01788 890291

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All Saints' Church, Braunston

Harvest Supper

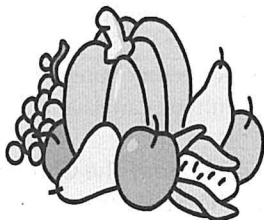
Monday 3rd October 7pm

Braunston Lower School

Two courses and drinks

Profits and proceeds from the Auction
To be given to charity

Don't forget to bring your own
plate, bowl, knife, fork & spoon!



£8 Adults, £6 Concessions & £1 Children

Braunston Village Best Garden Awards 2011

This year gardens have been recovering from the hardest winter we've faced in a long time and following a good spring and then a period of drought, different plants and gardens have suffered or thrived accordingly but the gardeners of Braunston have striven to maintain the standard! Ashby Road and Hill Row are both examples where the gardening bug is infectious producing displays to brighten the days of passers by.

Judging between such a wide variety of gardens is not easy and the decisions are based on such criteria as impact, careful use of colour, style, thought, special features and aftercare.

Paul Thornton - Head Gardener - Rugby School

Best Garden Category

1st Place:- 48, Ashby Road - The most eye catching garden in Braunston this year with colourful bedding and hanging baskets carefully arranged to give a seamless, flowing effect. Meticulously maintained.

2nd Place:- 86, Church Road -Relaxed and informal but with colourful perennials, beautifully maintained and presented.

3rd Place = 50, Ashby Road - A cheerful and immaculately arranged garden with a stunning use of seasonal bedding plants. Containers and hanging baskets give variation height to the display. Beautifully maintained.

3rd Place = 69, Church Road - Colourful roadside bedding draws the eye to the lawned garden, following the line of a curving driveway planted with shrubs and herbaceous plants towards the thoughtfully placed gazebo.

Highly Commended:

30, Archer Avenue - A dazzling array of colourful bedding arranged at several levels to give an eye catching effect.

3, Mill Close - Attractive and welcoming front garden featuring permanent planting complemented by well presented annual bedding at a range of heights.

18, High Street - A wander down the footpath alongside number 18 reveals a haven of relaxed beauty and tranquillity of this cottage garden.

Commended:

14, Maple Close - A small garden with everything you'd hope to find in a large one - flowers, vegetables - the lot!

52, Ashby Road - Bright and cheerful bedding with a tasteful colour scheme.

41, Ashby Road - A pleasant and colourful front garden with many amusing ornaments to put a smile on your face!

1, Hill Row - A lovely arrangement of mangers, baskets and containers drawing the eye to the top of Hill Row.

Hanging Basket and Container Category

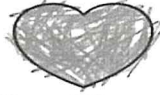
1st Place:- The Cottage, Braunston Marina - A beautiful garden containing a fascinating array of colourful and well kept containers.

2nd Place:- 41, Archer Avenue - Lovely garden with some of the biggest and best hanging baskets in Braunston.

3rd Place:- 6, Hill Row - With so many well planted containers in one place this makes a stunning display.

The Millennium Cup

The Winner:- Poppies - Making the most of a small amount of space - the roof of the shop window is massed with vigorous and vibrant colour.



Hope & Homes for Children

Hope and Homes for Children

I realise that there are a lot of different fund raising efforts in Braunston at present. We in Britain are finding things difficult but not as much as they are in the third world. I appeal for your help to raise funds for Hope & Homes. I am holding a stall at All Saints Autumn Fair on 5th. November "Gifts that are surplus to requirements". We all have over time received a gift gratefully but it is then popped into a cupboard or drawer. If you would like to donate the gift, give me a call 899086.

Funds Raised since last published in BVN

Money raised from Penny Pots was £ 137.06
Making the money raised since the 1 March this year £ 731.70

Many thanks to all of you that have collected their loose change for this worthy cause.

Thank you all so much
Brenda Hobbs on behalf of
Hope and Homes for Children

200 Club Winners latest results 2011

| Date | Number | Winner | Prize |
|----------|--------|---------------|-------|
| 21.07.11 | 65 | J Cooper | £50 |
| 28.07.11 | 106 | G Brrewster | £10 |
| 28.07.11 | 9 | J Reid | £5 |
| 04.08.11 | 71 | J Berry | £10 |
| 04.08.11 | 198 | R May | £5 |
| 11.08.11 | 207 | R Whittington | £10 |
| 11.08.11 | 29 | M Franklin | £5 |

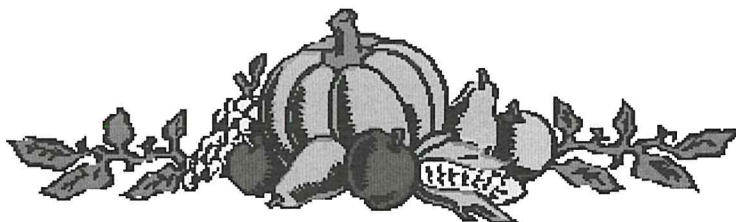
VILLAGE ACTIVITIES & EVENTS -SEPTEMBER 2011

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| Thursday | 1 st | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Saturday | 3 rd | 14.00 Braunston Show |
| Monday | 5 th | Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club |
| Tuesday | 6 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group |
| Wednesday | 7 th | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 8 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Friday | 9 th | 19.00 Youth Club |
| Monday | 12 th | Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club |
| Tuesday | 13 th | Beavers: 13.00 Toddler Group: 20.00 Royal British Legion |
| Wednesday | 14 th | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 15 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Saturday | 17 th | 9.00 Scouts' Cake Stall opposite Llundis |
| Monday | 19 th | Explorer Scouts : Explorer Scouts : |
| Tuesday | 20 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: Braunston History Society |
| Wednesday | 21 st | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 22 nd | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Friday | 23 rd | 19.00 Youth Club |
| Saturday | 24 th | Air Ambulance Fund Raising Day |
| Monday | 26 th | Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club |
| Tuesday | 27 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Braunston Folk Club |
| Wednesday | 28 th | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 29 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: 10.00 – 12.00 MacMillan Coffee Morning |

**All Saints' Church,
Braunston
Sunday 2nd October**

**HARVEST
Family Service
11am**

**HARVEST
Songs of Praise
6pm**



Come & Join us!

Braunston
folk club

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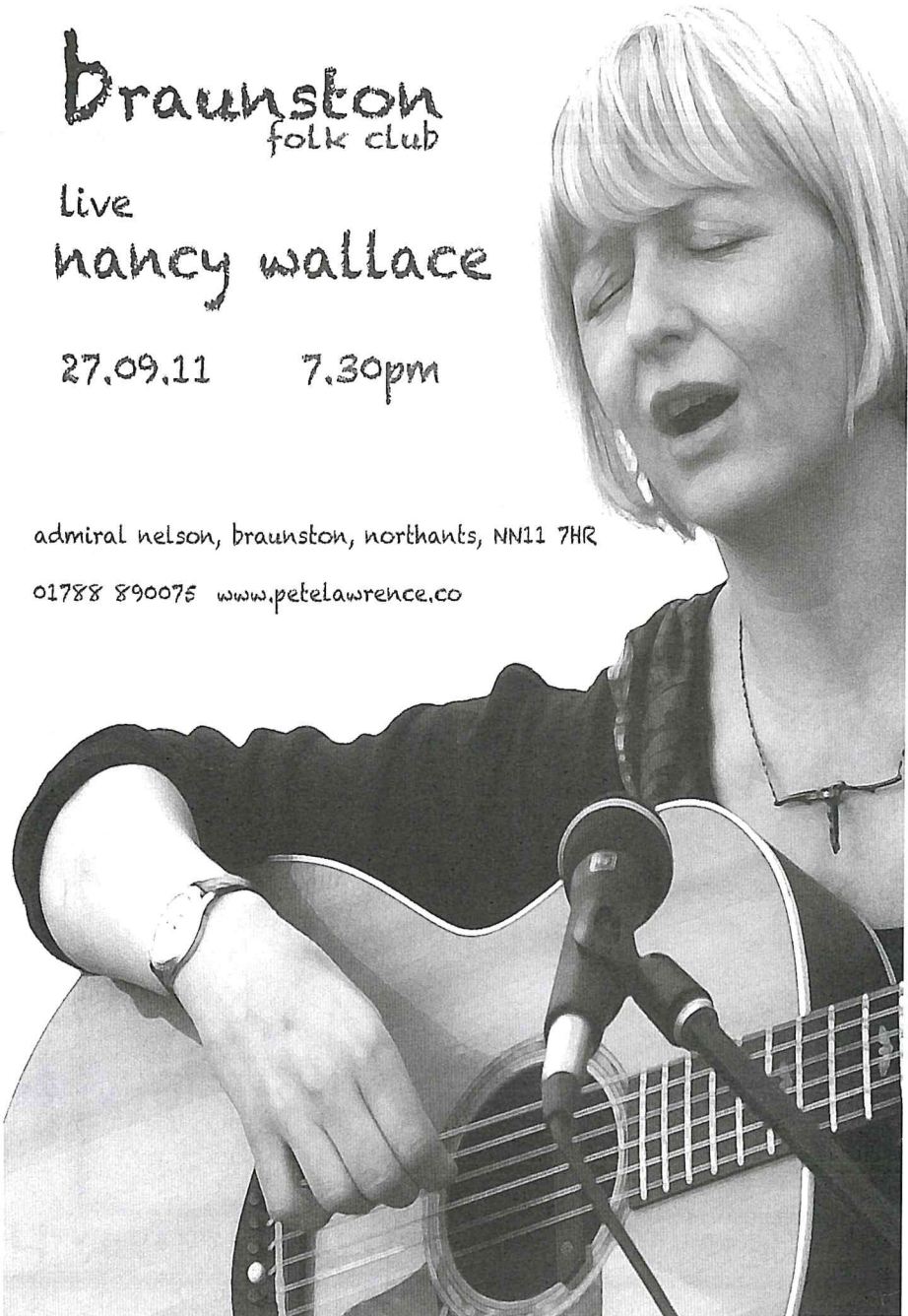
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Show

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Saturday

3rd September 2011

2pm at

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Admission: 25p

Refreshments

**Auction
4.30pm**

Cakes

Raffle

Tombola

Fruit

Flowers

Novelty

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899 parcels have now been sent to our troops serving in Afghanistan. This is all due to you who continue to contribute to "the box" and to the holiday makers who come to Braunston and read of our project while visiting our shop. It's just unbelievable, thank you all!

Recently I received a letter from the O.C. of our current recipients (The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards) in which he expressed his sincere thanks for all the parcels we send to his regiment. He wrote that the regiment is permanently based in Germany and will be returning there at the end of its tour of duty. He also said that they were operating in temperatures of 48 - 49 degrees centigrade and it was quite likely to go beyond 50 degrees. Let us hope that it will begin to cool down for them quite soon!

Major Williamsons' letter has been photocopied and is on display in the shop. Words cannot express my gratitude to those of you who support the project and my thanks go to everyone at the shop and Post Office who make it all happen so efficiently. Everyone's continued involvement is much appreciated.

Thank you all.

Val Worrall

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 29th September 10 - 12 noon

Raffle

16 The Green - Braunston

Betty Hargreaves

BRAUNSTON TWINNERS

We are arranging another CRAFT Fair on Sunday 6th November. Any crafters who are interested in having a stall, please phone 890491 for details

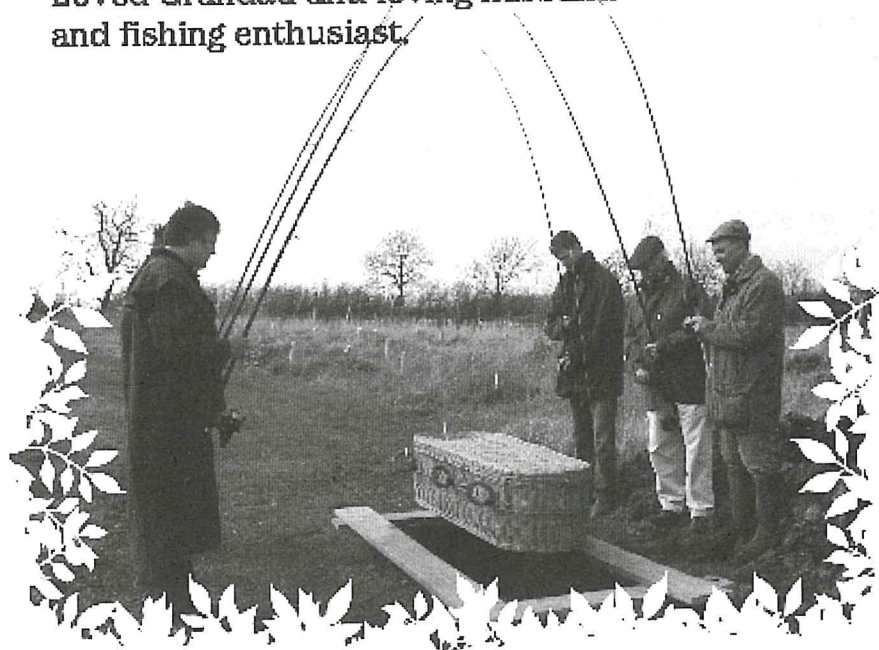
Thanks

Peter Grossart

BRAUNSTON OPEN GARDENS

Braunston Open Gardens held on June 10th was a great success and the Gardens Association would like to thank all those who took part. As a result, we were able to send a cheque for £700 to Macmillan Cancer Support. The money will go towards the County appeal for £1.5m to provide a new Haematology unit at Northampton General Hospital.

Dave Peters 1942 - 2011
Loved Grandad and loving husband
and fishing enthusiast.



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ALL SAINTS' CAR TREASURE HUNT was held on 05/08/11 with cars leaving All Saints' between 6.00 & 6.30 & everyone coming back in time for supper at 8.30. Alison, David & Margaret Coleman set the clues which kept everyone out and searching for two hours and all the people who left together in cars did come back together and as far as I could see were still speaking when they got back! The winners were Anne Parker-Tyler & David Noble who now have the dubious pleasure of setting next year's clues! The Parish Room was packed afterwards as everyone sat down to a well-earned supper and a glass of wine. All Saints' has some excellent pudding makers who came up with the goods and there was plenty for those who could manage more than one. Thank you to everyone who set the clues, made the puddings, served & helped clear up afterwards. Special thanks to all who came and enjoyed themselves making it so worthwhile. £155 profit was raised for Church funds.

Braunston Playing Field Association

Let there be light!!

The columns for the playing field floodlights are now in place.

All that is now required is to lay a cable from the pavilion to the lights!!

In order to reduce costs it was agreed that BPFA would dig the trench and not the contractor.

We are planning to hire a trenching machine but volunteer labour would be helpful.

If you could help please email bpfa@hotmail.co.uk.

Thank you

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

The Community Development Team from Daventry and District Housing asked me to give them a presentation last Tuesday to tell them about the needs of the Village Hall. This Team is made up of Daventry Council tenants who are able to allocate funds to projects to help improve the environment.

I subsequently had a telephone call from the Housing Department to tell me that the Development Team had decided to offer Braunston Village Hall a grant of £5000 for improvements but in particular the replacement and renewal of the floor in the Main Hall. This is a wooden, parquet tiled floor that is worn and lifting in places. We are already obtaining estimates and quotes. It is the intention that the work be carried out during the school holiday period when it will cause the minimum of inconvenience. This is a most welcome and generous donation.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR CLOTHING THIS AUTUMN

Plans for new weekly kerbside collections of clothing, shoes and soft toys in Daventry District and Northampton will be introduced this autumn.

Northampton Borough Council and Daventry District Council's new environmental services contractor Enterprise had initially hoped to launch the weekly textile collections this month alongside other changes to the waste and recycling service.

However, with residents making great efforts to recycle, there has been a large rise in the volume of other materials that have been collected. This has meant that the current collection vehicles do not have enough space to accommodate additional clothing.

Weekly textile collections will now begin this autumn when the contractor introduces new vehicles with larger recycling compartments.

In the meantime an appointment system has been put in place for residents wishing to request a textile collection and it will be collected from their homes within four working days.

Enterprise will continue to donate money from these collections in Daventry District to the Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance.

Enterprise Partnership Director Simone Wade said: "The kerbside vehicles being used at this very early stage of the new service unfortunately do not have the room to accommodate textiles collections. This is due to a large rise in the volume of other recyclates we have been collecting, following residents' efforts to recycle more.

"We apologise for any inconvenience that this has caused residents who were expecting new weekly textile collections as set out in their leaflets, but we can assure them that these will be in place in the autumn when new vehicles with larger compartments are introduced. We are putting alternative arrangements in place and if customers phone their council to request a textile collection, they will then be collected within four working days."

Daventry District Council's Environment Portfolio Holder Councillor Daniel Cribbin said: "It's encouraging news that we're seeing an increase in recycling during these first few weeks of the new joint service.

"We hope this slight delay in an improved textiles service does not deter residents from continuing their excellent recycling efforts."

Cllr David Mackintosh, Cabinet adviser at Northampton Borough Council, said: "One of the benefits of our new partnership is that it provides many more opportunities to recycle. I hope people will continue to keep recycling everything they are able to. While textile collections are currently available by appointment we will further improve the service when we introduce weekly textile collections to all households in the autumn."

To request a textile collection, please contact:

Northampton Borough Council - phone 0300 330 7000, email recycling@northampton.gov.uk or visit www.northampton.gov.uk/recycling

Daventry District Council - phone 01327 871100, email recycling@daventrydc.gov.uk or visit www.daventrydc.gov.uk/recycling

Is your garden too big for you?

Are you finding the work your garden needs too difficult?

You could find a solution and help others at the same time.

Braunston's Pocket Park includes allotments where villagers grow their own produce. Unfortunately, as in most places Braunston has a waiting list for allotments. People who have no access to land or who do not have a garden that is big enough to grow what they would like have applied for an allotment but all are being used.

The Jetty Fields committee whose responsibilities include the Braunston allotments would like to start a garden share scheme that is already operating successfully in dozens of communities around the country.

If you have an underused part of your garden you could allow a grower to use it. The Jetty Fields committee plans to put potential growers in touch with garden owners.

The benefit to the growers is that they can get cultivating without spending years on a waiting list. The garden owners have the pleasure of seeing a well-tended vegetable plot and the sense of community in being part of a sharing initiative.

If you have a piece of land that you think is suitable and would like to offer it to a potential grower please ring 890340.

The following questions were set in last year's education standards audit

These are genuine answers (from 16 year olds).....and they WILL breed.

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard, and vinegar

Q. Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink

A. Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists

Q. How is dew formed

A. The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire

Q. What causes the tides in the oceans

A. The tides are a fight between the earth and the moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins the fight

Q. What guarantees may a mortgage company insist on

A. If you are buying a house they will insist that you are well endowed



Tap & Street & ZUMBA

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



- 5.15pm - Little Tappers (3-5yrs)
- 5.45pm - Pre-Primary Tap (6-8yrs)
- 6.15pm - Adult Tap (no exp req)
- 7.15pm - Adult Street Dance (no exp req)
- 8.00pm - ZUMBA

Dance & Gym

Friday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



- 5.00pm - Funky Dance (4-6yrs)
- 5.30pm - Gymnastics 1 (4 - 7 yrs)
- 6.00pm - Gymnastics 2 (8yrs+)
- 6.30pm - Street Dance / Jazz (8yrs+)

Ballet Lessons

Monday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



- 4.00pm - Prima Ballerinas 1 (3-5yrs)
- 4.30pm - Prima Ballerinas 2 (3-5yrs)
- 5.00pm - Pre-Syllabus Ballet (5-6yrs)
- 5.45pm - Pre-Primary Ballet (7-8yrs)
- 6.30pm - Primary Ballet (8-9yrs)
- 7.15pm - Grade 1 Ballet (10yrs+)
- 7.45pm - Grade 2 Ballet (12yrs+)
- 8.15pm - Adult Ballet (no exp req)

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BRAUNSTON WALKERS

Return to Bradgate Park (c.10 miles)

Walk Saturday 20/8/2011

Last time we walked at Bradgate Park, deep in the heart of Charnwood Forest, we had to contend with mist and fog and everywhere was distinctly murky but everyone asked to do it again as, even in those unpromising conditions, it was still an excellent walk. This time we started with a mix of sunshine and clouds but dry as we started at the car park at Swithland Woods which is only £1 to park and not the exhorbitant £7.50 charged in the main car park. Not that I am mean but really £7.50!!! Leaving the car park, through a gap in the stone wall, twelve of us crossed the road and entered a tree lined lane that lead steeply uphill to the park. We could see Old John tower on the hill looming above and our path continued to rise before going through a high, deer proof fence into the park. Pausing for breath we enjoyed fantastic view as we climbed up through bracken and then on up an even steeper slope to reach the beer mug shaped Old John tower. We sat at the base of the tower to enjoy the spectacular views all around. We could make out the wind farm just north of Kilsby over the sprawling city of Leicester.

Fortified with Nigels sweets we walked down the hill through the bracken to reach the ruin of Bradgate hall, the ancestral home of Lady Jane Grey, who won the award for Shortest . Serving Monarch having ruled for only 9 days in 1553. The old brick built ruin with its interesting old diaper pattern brickwork was the home of her parents the Duke and Duchess of Suffolk. As we stood looking at the old ruin we could see a herd of magnificent deer next to the path that we were taking.

We crossed a river over an old stone bridge and then our path went off left to eventually reach another deer proof fence out of the park. We crossed a meadow and over a stile into a recently harvested field that leads up to a gate where we stopped to admire the views of Cropston Reservoir with a lovely old boat house and the magnificent back drop of Bradgate Park. Despite the recent rainfall this ground was extremely dry and dusty. Our path lead on alongside the lake to reach Cropston village, one of Leicestershire's linear villages, but unfortunately, not the one with our lunchtime pub! We walked through the village and then took a field path off to the left past a row of gently nodding sunflowers to reach a road where we turned right and carefully walked along the verge for a few hundred yards up to a sharpe right hand bend where we entered a footpath on the left and started to walk along the path to cross the clear river and then over fields in the middle of harvesting and eventually reach the village of Swithland with its houses built in local Swithland slate and more importantly our pub, the Griffin Inn.

With fond memories of how good this pub had been last time we had visited we were anticipating a successful lunch stop and it did not disappoint. Really quaffable Tiger bitter and delicious baguettes with crispy, large chips. A fantastic pub and of course highly recommended if you ever visit the lovely Bradgate Park. Superb!!

After lunch we set off along the village and then turned right over several fields to reach the old Great Central Railway bridge. This is a steam railway heritage line and although we didn't see a train this time out we certainly heard it as we were donning boots after lunch!

At this point we joined a footpath, the Leicestershire Round which is actually a 100 mile circular path taking in some of the best bits of the county. We walked up to a farm track and then along field paths at Rushey Field farm then took another field path eventually emerging at the western end of Swithland village. From this end of the village we munched mints supplied by Daxa before taking a footpath through beautiful, sylvan Swithland woods to reach the cars and home for a welcome cuppa. A great walk, good company and really great scenery.

Why not come and join us on our regular walks on the third Saturday each month. We are a group of friends who enjoy a walk as a great way to have some exercise, meet new friends, take in the occasional pub and make the most of our beautiful scenery. Please call either Philip 01788891437 or Ray 01788891384. We normally meet at 10 o'clock at the village hall.

16/9 - 18/9 Yorkshire Dales Weekend (Kings Arms Reeth)

If you wish to join us and haven't already told me please give me a call on 01788891384. The hotel is full but there are 5 small hotels/pubs in Reeth so I am sure we could arrange something.

15/10 Badby Woods (c.10 miles)

19/11 Welton and Ashby St Ledgers (c.8 miles)

17/12 Christmas Walk (c.6 miles)



Scouts Cake Stall

17th September 9am

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The Royal British Legion
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Hendon RAF Museum. Arrangements have now been made for this visit on Tuesday 18th October. The cost of transport will be £12, and entrance to the museum is free. Subject to space on the coach, non-members are welcome.

Galanos House Southam. The Legion Retirement Home will be holding a fete in the house grounds at 2.30 pm on Saturday 3rd September. Donations for the Bottle Stall should be passed to Jack Edwards.

Luncheon on 18th August. This informal event, held at Middlemore Pub, Daventry, was very enjoyable. It is intended to hold further events for members and friends regularly at different locations.

Next Meeting. Will be held at The Old Plough, Braunston, on Tuesday 13th September at 8.00 pm.

Tony Saunderson
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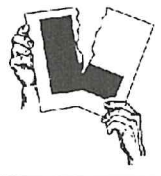
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Unfortunately no information on next meeting was received at time of BVN completion.

Friendly Club

Next meeting will be on Monday 12th September for tea, cake and a chat with friends. 2.30 in the Village Hall.

Monday 26th September - Birthday lunch to be held at 'The Rose' at Whilloughby. Cost £10. Probable time 12.00 noon for 12.30 to be confirmed. Names to the committee on September 12th please

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Village Clubs and Societies

| Club | Contact | Phone (01788) | Meetings |
|--|---|----------------------------|---|
| Angling Club | Chris Miller | 891938 | |
| Air Training Corps | Stuart Chadwick | 078844 02797 | Boys & Girls 13-18yrs Every Monday & Thursday |
| Army Cadet Force | David A Hurley | 890095 | Boys & Girls 13-18yrs Every Tuesday evening |
| Bell Ringers | Peter Wenham | 891935 | Thursday Evenings 7.30pm-9pm |
| Braunston Players | Chris Grossart | 890491 | Annual Show plus informal get togethers |
| Braunston Walkers | Phillip Ray | 891437 891384 | Walks of 7-10 miles around the area |
| Church Choir | John Viggars | 024766 7 9967 | Mondays 7.30-9pm |
| Conservation Group | Pat Herlihy | 890590 | |
| Cricket Club | Simon Stapley | 890475 | |
| Fishing Club | G Donald | 891264 | Bingo every Thursday evening 8pm village Hall |
| Friendly Club (for over 60's) | Gill Powell | 890763 | |
| Friends of Braunston School | A Thomas | 890494 | |
| All Saints' Kids Club Sunday School | Alison Fiddes | 891847 | Sunday School for 5+ years |
| Gardens Assn. | Chris Grossart | 890491 | |
| The Dick Herne Braunston History Soc. | Annie Rogers | 891179 | Meetings 3 rd Tuesday of the Month |
| Braunston Primary School | Sue Rigby Headteacher | 890494 | |
| Playing Fields Assn. | Linda Hawkins Wendy Wilson Louis Prat | 890583 890348 890766 | |
| Little Fishers | Kathleen Mynett | 890908 | Under 5's with parents Mondays 2pm All Saints' Church |
| Pre-School | Braunstonpres chool@google mail.com | 07950 246130 | Mon – Fri am during term time in village ha |

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| Royal British Legion | Colin D White | 890390 | 2 nd Tuesday of month At 8pm |
| 2 nd Braunston Scouts - Group Scout Leader Asst. Group Scout Leader | Joan Bishop Steve Rolt | 01327 878178 07956 682733 | Every Wednesday |
| Beavers for Boys and Girls | Joan Bishop | 01327 878178 | Every Tuesday 5 ¾ - 8 yrs |
| Cub Scouts for Boys and Girls | David Coleman | 07796 336985 | Every Thursday 8 – 10 ½ yrs |
| Scouts for Boys and Girls | Stuart Muddiman | Via Joan Or Steve | 10 ½ - 14 yrs Every Wednesday |
| Explorer Scouts | Steve Rolt | 07956 682733 | 14-18yrs Boys & Girls Alternate Mondays |
| Short Mat Bowls | Gill Powell | 890763 | Thursdays 13.45 Village Hall |
| Adult Tap Dance Classes | Julia Beattie | 890488 | Wednesdays 20.20 Village Hall |
| Toddler Group | Andy Canning | 891456 | Tuesdays 13.30 Village Hall |
| Twinning Association | Tony Ward | 07724 123363 | Social Events & visits to and from Quincy-Voisins |
| Village Hall Committee | Alan Dent | 07724 123363 | Village Hall Bookings villagehall@braunston.net |
| Women's Institute | Pat Steeton Gill Powell | 890753 890763 | 1 st Tuesday at 19.30 |
| Yoga Group | Sheila Beckett | 891831 | In Village Hall |
| Youth Club 9-15years | Peter Hobbs Tina Parsons | 899086 078125 38193 | Alternate Fridays in Village Hall |

Braunston Youth Club

Meets fortnightly on **Fridays** at
Braunston Village Hall 7pm - 9pm

Entrance fee is **still only £1.00**

Members starting age is 9 year old - 16.



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Meeting on

AUGUST - No Youth Club

SEPTEMBER - Friday 9th. and Friday 23th

Any queries ring Tina Parsons **07812538193**

Braunston Youth Club is affiliated to Northamptonshire Association of Youth Clubs (NAYC)

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