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REVEREND SARAH SAYS

To some of you a new vicar might be quite a big deal, especially as the "old" vicar was so lovely. Others of you who reject God may think that, any vicar, whether old or new, is a total irrelevance except in a Vicar of Dibley type way; as a quaint old-fashioned part of village life and a figure of gentle fun. (Being dark haired, female and liberally proportioned I do see the joke!)

Whatever you think about Dawn French, vicars, church and God I can guarantee you three out of four here in Braunston (no prizes for guessing!) I'm not just here to look after the regular worshippers, although I shall do that as well as I can. I'm not just here to help with the mammoth task of finding money to repair the church roof although I feel a bit of that coming on too. I am here to build up all God's people in this village. That means that I am here to help spell out God's love for every single man, woman and child in Braunston, whether or not you choose to accept it.

In pale imitation of Jesus (without beard, sandals and other masculine accoutrements) I am here for you whoever you are, wherever you have come from, whatever you have done. My job is to counter the convenient view that God is dead and to show the relevance of faith to the everyday lives of all of us in these difficult times. I know what God has done for me and I didn't believe in him at all until I was thirty. Not for a minute.

Oh dear. This all sounds a bit religious doesn't it? Well I am a vicar. But oddly

enough I have no desire to suck anyone's soul out or brainwash your children. I won't beat you with the bible in the pub. You won't have to hide behind the sofa if I knock at your door. I won't wander round the village brandishing a cross and criticizing your behaviour and I don't own, a tambourine. Simply I am here for you if you need me. I'll help you worship and celebrate, remember and mourn. I'll baptise you, marry you and bury you (with permission obviously) and I will pray for you. Yes, even you. Especially you. And I hope you'll pray for me too.

To say a proper "hello" Church is coming out onto The Green at the Village Weekend for a village Songs of Praise service at 10 am on August 28th. Nothing complicated. Nothing cringeworthy. Just come along and sing some old favourites chosen by different village groups and celebrate living in Braunston. I'll look forward to seeing you there.

CONFIRMATION

If you are aged between 1 and 100 and would be interested to learn more about what is involved in becoming a Christian please contact Rev Sarah on 890298 or sarah@talkingdirect.co.uk. In September and 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
11.00 am
All Saints' Church, Braunston

Every first and third Sunday of the month

A warm welcome awaits children from 0 upwards. We meet in the Parish Room inside the Church during the service on the first and third Sunday of the month.

It's a safe, fun and caring place for children to find out more about Christianity.

Alice, Alice, Claire and Julie take it in turns to run the sessions because they love working with children and want to help them to understand bible stories in a happy and relaxed atmosphere. A new story or reading is introduced each time and complemented by a variety of games and craft activities.

Every child is welcome, but any under 5's need to be accompanied by an adult. All other Dads and Mums 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.

Any queries please ring - Alison Fiddes on 01788 891847



CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2011

July's Floodlighting so far...

3rd July - * Congratulations on your ordination Michelle - love Revd. Claire & friends at Braunston

5th July - Remembering our happy Wedding Day 25 years ago - missing you - love Kim

6th July - * John & Sally's Wedding Anniversary

12th July - We live on with our memories - love June, Fiona & Julia

14th July - In celebration of Peter & Brenda's 10 years of marriage

14th July - Happy 40th Birthday John - with love from Keren, William and Wendy

17th July - Nick & Diane Bush's Wedding Anniversary

18th July - * Susan & David's Wedding Anniversary

19th July - Happy Birthday Brenda - with love from Peter

20th July - Remembering Don & Mary Payne with love on their 65th Wedding Anniversary - Lesley X

21st July - * Happy 80th Birthday Mum (Joy), with love from Steven & Shirley

21st July - A huge thank you to Margaret Hick from all at Braunston School.

26th July - * With love to Jane on her fiftieth Birthday

27th July - * Remembering Harry

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.

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

* = Friends of All Saints - A huge Thank You

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



CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS AUGUST 2011

Friday	5 th	18.00 Treasure Hunt leaves from Church
Saturday	6 th	12.00 Wedding – Ricky O’Neill & Saffron Small
Sunday	7th	9.15 Holy Communion (A) : 11.00 Holy Communion (B) 18.30 Evensong (B)
Monday	8 th	No Little Fishers in School Holidays: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	10 th	19.45 PCC Meeting ??
Thursday	11 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	14th	8.00 Holy Communion (B) : 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Family Service (B)
Monday	15 th	19.30 Church Choir
Thursday	18 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	21st	8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Holy Communion (B)
Monday	22 nd	19.30 Church Choir
Thursday	25 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	28th	8.00 Holy Communion (B) 11.00 Songs of Praise on The Green
Monday	29 th	Bank Holiday
		(B) = Braunston (A) = Ashby

REGISTERS in JULY 2011

BRAUNSTON

BURIAL of ASHES :

08/07/11 Eric MOLL

FUNERAL:

22/07/11 – Tony THOMPSON

WEDDINGS:

23/07/11 Claire KNIBBS

& Michael FRANKLIN

30/07/11 Rebecca PETERS

& Simon PARRY-HALL

06/08/11 Saffron SMALL

& Ricky O’NEILL

ASHBY

BAPTISMS

24.07.11 – Alexander Boeuke
& Emily Dowler

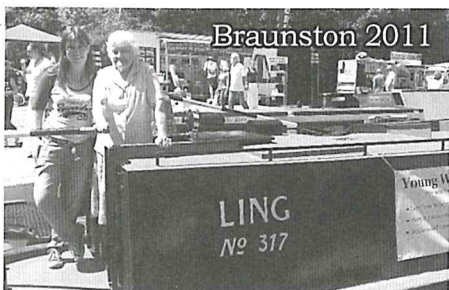
9th Historic Narrowboat Rally & Canal Festival

The last weekend in June saw the Annual Historic Boat Gathering taking place again at Braunston Marina. Tim Coghlan and his team have made Braunston the central event in the Historic Narrowboat calendar over the last few years, and with the help of the Historic Narrowboat Owners Club it has now become the event to participate in. Numbers of boats attending has grown since its inception and the magic figure of 100 boats was both reached and exceeded this year. Various people record the details and the lists are checked together, the final figure has now been quoted as 113 boats.

The daily parades have become the highlight for both the boaters and the public, this year another new record was established, the Saturday morning parade lasted for about 5 hours, and as a result many boats that were due to take part in fact were held back. Whilst some were disappointed, most people took it in their stride, and took the time for meeting and chatting with the boats coming in the opposite direction. There is a fantastic atmosphere right through the gathering all weekend (and for some time before and after) questions from interested visitors are answered willingly and many people learn for the first time just what it was like to work and live on a narrowboat not that many years ago. It is also lovely to see some of the original boaters re-united with boats that were their homes a few years ago.

The event does cause some inconvenience to a few surprised boaters, serious attempts are made by the organisers to make this as minimal as possible, and we do offer our apologies to anyone who was delayed, but it is only for 2 days per annum and it gives an awful lot of people a great deal of pleasure.

So, thanks to Tim and his team, to HNBOC and their team, BW and others, and a big thanks to all the boat owners who made the event possible. We all look forward to 2012 and the 120 boats taking part.



The picture above shows Sophie Scragg at this years' show where she spotted her old boat and managed to get from her wheelchair onto the rear counter of nb. Ling. She is with Sarah Edgson, the present owner of Ling. The other picture shows Sophie on Ling in 1947 when it was still operating for Fellows, Moreton and Clayton.

Article by Chris Burton. Pictures courtesy of Sarah Edgson

THANK YOU

The Friends' of All saints' benefitted from the Festival in the sum of £802.50 from the sale of tickets for the theatre performance of 'A long Weekend' which was enjoyed very much by over 100 people who attended. We were also given the opportunity to launch our new publication 'The Cathedral of the Canals' which is already proving to be very successful. Revd. Sarah Brown was stunned to have a cheque for £500 presented to her at the end of the Marina Service by Tim Coghlan - a very beneficial weekend for the Restoration Fund of All saints' Church thanks to the generosity of Tim.

MARINA SERVICE

A feature of the Braunston Historic Boat Gathering is the Marina Service organised by Marion Thomas which this year attracted around 150 worshippers.

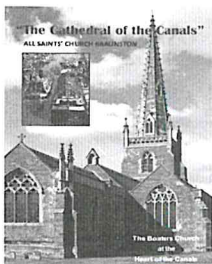
An enormous thank you to all of you who helped, Paula and the band, the people who turned up at 8.0am to set up all the chairs, the people who did the amplification which worked a treat. To Sheila who typed up the service and got it copied and brought all the things down from the church. To Tim Coghlan who read the Bible reading and has been so generous to us over the years. To Rev. Sarah who gave me free reign to do what I felt was right this time. And most of all to everyone who came and sang on a lovely day giving praise to God which is what it was all about. Without you all it would have been nothing, and as I have heard back, we did reach people who have felt that God or the church have let them down. I feel that it is so important that the faith that so many of us have should be shared. That is what God told us to do through His Son Jesus, and the peace which we have in the knowledge that God loves us all is so precious. If you came to the service and felt that you would like to renew your faith, or want to know more about Jesus and God's love for you, we would be glad to come and visit you and to welcome you into the family of God, if that is your wish. Everyone is welcome, it is not a private party. May God's blessing rest on all of us. Marian



New Publication

from "The Friends of All Saints' Braunston"

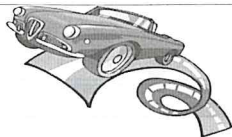
Price £5 all proceeds in aid of the Church Restoration Appeal



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

“An ideal small gift”



Car Treasure Hunt

Friday 5th August

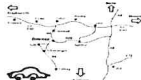
Cars leave from All Saints' Church
between 6pm & 6-30pm

£10 per person for Treasure Hunt,
Two Course Meal & Wine

(Family tickets are available, please ask at Church)

The meal is served at 8-30pm in the
Parish Room at Church

Come for a brilliant & fun evening!



Good Luck!

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Wednesday 3rd August 2011

From 11am - 1pm

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Wednesday 3rd August 2011

From 2pm - 3:30pm

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BRAUNSTON VILLAGE SPORTS DAY

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SUNDAY 21st AUGUST
at 3pm

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- DETERMINED
- ORGANISED ...well a bit!
- FANCY SOME FUN

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TEAMS WANTED...

All teams MUST INCLUDE 8 people of which 2 MUST be female

- KID'S TEAM (12-16y olds)
- ADULT TEAM
- ALL AGES CUP (At least 2 members must also be under 16)

THEN ENTER

REGISTER NOW

Telephone or Text: Wendi on 07749873187 or Email: bfpa@hotmail.co.uk



NORTHAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL MOBILE LIBRARY SCHEDULES - COMMENCING 3RD AUGUST 2011

The library will visit Braunston Village Hall
on the Fourth Friday of each month between
18.30 and 19.20

AIR AMBULANCE FUND RAISING DAY

It's that time of year again, Pam, Kim,
George & Friends will be on the Village
Green on the 24th September. There will
be cake stalls, hand knitted childrens'
clothes, tombola, books, 'make an offer',
raffle, wooden crafts, and who knows what
else!

Any donations gratefully received.

Tel 01788 891264 or see Kim at Londis
Shop

The Dick Herne Braunston History Society

We are still on holiday so our next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st September when we will be joined by Nick Hill speaking about Boating in the 1960's. Everyone will be welcome, further details to follow.

Dick Herne

Occasionally we are asked why we have 'Dick Herne' in our title. Dick regularly contributed 'Village Notes' to the BVN from his very extensive archives of Braunston Village History. When he died in July 2000, these archives were given to the village and the History Society was formed to maintain and expand them. His name was included in the Society's title as a tribute to him.

We propose to reproduce some of his notes from time to time and hope you will enjoy them. In April 1992 he wrote: -

"The former Methodist Chapel in the High Street has the date 1797 in a roundel on the gable. This is not the year when it was built but is the date when a congregation was registered with the Church of England Authorities. On April 27th in that year a group describing themselves as Protestant Dissenters notified the Bishop of Peterborough that they were holding services in a house set aside for that purpose. This was probably the house belonging to a leading member of the congregation, John Edmunds, adjoining "The Shambles" where he lived. The Methodist Society, as the group called themselves, were prosperous enough to proceed to build their own house of worship to spread the teaching of John Wesley.

A builder's account Of 1807 reveals that the vestry room was under construction, so presumably, the chapel was already completed. The passage between them led to the plot of land at the back referred to as the chapel garden. This was subsequently built upon to provide a separate room for the flourishing Methodist Sunday school which met in the morning and the afternoon.

On August 28th 1815 'the newly erected chapel with vestry, court and garden' was conveyed to a charitable trust made up of leading members of the congregation. "

In the May 1978 edition of the BVN the final service in the Chapel was said to have been on 30th April 1978. The property has been used as a workshop in recent years and is now undergoing conversion to become housing.

Programme - September - December 2011

Tuesday September 20th

Talk - Canals in Braunston and beyond in the 60's and 70's - by Nick Hill

(Nick has recently become involved with the working boat 'Renfrew')

Tuesday October 18th

Talk - Joseph Ashby's Victorian Warwickshire - by Anne Langley

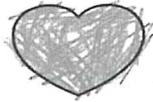
Tuesday November 15th

Talk - Pitsford Home Guard - by Sue & Colin Haddon

Tuesday December 20th

Christmas Lunch - at The Admiral Nelson

All meetings will be held at 7.30pm in the library at the Village Hall



Hope & Homes for Children

Hope and Homes for Children

Funds Raised since last published in BVN

Money raised from Penny Pots was	£ 174.49
Sale of Tomato plants at Church Fete	£ 8.50
Making the money raised since the 1 March this year	£ 594.64

Many thanks to all of you that bought tomato plants or have collected their lose 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
26.05.11	204	E Archer	£50
02.06.11	103	D Turner	£10
02.06.11	83	F Ford	£5
09.06.11	51	R Beavor	£10
09.06.11	136	I Griffin	£5
06.06.11	90	M Dawson	£10
06.06.11	118	G Powell	£5
03.06.11	69	H Hall	£50
03.06.11	197	A Baker	£10
03.06.11	6	M Clews	£5
07.07.11	185	S Longworth	£10
07.07.11	75	S MacDonald	£5
04.07.11	104	M Hick	£10
04.07.11	199	A Hough	£5

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES & EVENTS -AUGUST 2011

Monday	1 st	Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	2 nd	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group:19.30 W.I
Wednesday	3 rd	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	4 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Friday	5 th	Car Treasure Hunt 18.00 at All Saints'
Monday	8 th	Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club
Tuesday	9 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group
Wednesday	10 th	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	11 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Monday	15 th	Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club
Tuesday	16 th	Beavers: 13.00 Toddler Group: Braunston History Society
Wednesday	17 th	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	18 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Friday	19 th	Friendly Club Fish & Chip Lunch 12.15
Sunday	21 st	Braunston Village Sports Day
Monday	22 nd	Explorer Scouts : Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	23 rd	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group
Wednesday	24 th	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	25 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	27 th	BRAUNSTON VILLAGE WEEKEND: Braunston Cinema Club 14.00 and 19.30
Sunday	28 th	BRAUNSTON VILLAGE WEEKEND – 11.00 Songs of Praise on the Green
Monday	29 th	Bank Holiday - BRAUNSTON VILLAGE WEEKEND
Tuesday	30 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group



Braunston Village Weekend

Music, food and family fun

www.braunstonvillageweekend.co.uk

Saturday 27 August

Look out for pop-up events across the village, from a mini-motorcycle rally to a flea market (see below). The artist Steve Messam will lead a walk-and-talk to his Seven Spires floating installation on the Oxford Canal. In the Village Hall, the Cinema Club is showing *Where the Wild Things Are* at 2pm and then at 7.30pm, *Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll*, the biopic of Ian Dury, ahead of the appearance of *The Blockheads* on Monday.



Sunday 28 August

All Saints' will hold an open-air church service at 11.00am on the Village Green. From 10-1pm Braunston will have its very own Farmers' Market, further along the Green. Down in Jetty Field, live music and DJs are on stage from 11.30 until 7pm, including Mothers Jam and, at 3.30pm, a village barn dance led by Tautas Roks. Food stalls, bar, a wine garden and family tent are open all day.

Monday 29 August

Jetty Field hosts a fantastic line-up of live music and DJs from 11.30 until 7.30pm. Highlights include the Hackney Colliery Band (2.45pm), musical legends *The Blockheads* (4.15pm) and the return of Sheelanagig (5.45pm). Food, bar and family tent etc.



Full programmes available from Friday 19 August.

We need help. If you'd like to get involved over the weekend or before, please get in touch: pete@braunstonvillageweekend.com

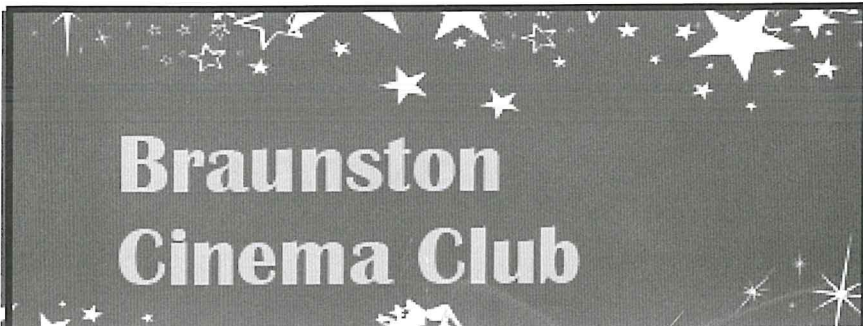
Pop-up Braunston

Ever wanted to put on an event of your own? Now is your chance...

On Saturday 27 August, the first day of the Braunston Village Weekend, the village will be full of unusual events in ordinary locations.

Could your garden be a pop-up cafe? Could you offer a bicycle repair service? Give canal-art workshops? Could you put together a pop-up band? Could your front room become a gallery? Could you tell ghost stories in Jetty Field at dusk? Or just put on a party...

Please send your pop-up ideas to abigail@braunstonvillageweekend.co.uk by Friday 5 August to feature in the programme and website. Get in touch sooner for more info/advice.



Braunston Cinema Club

Saturday 27 August

A Braunston Village Weekend double bill

**2pm Where the Wild
Things Are** (2009, PG)

**7.30pm Sex & Drugs
& Rock & Roll** (2010, 15)

Tickets £3 /£1.50

**book in advance from 07989 421836/
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Saturday

3rd September 2011

2pm at

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Admission: 25p

Refreshments

**Auction
4.30pm**

Cakes

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On The Green



Choose a hymn or worship song for yourself, for your street, your business or your village group.
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If you haven't been to Church for a while, **come along** and give thanks for our lives in this great community.

Come along and meet our new Vicar Revd. Sarah
Come along with the family
Come along!!!

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Angela Finch 1938 - 2011

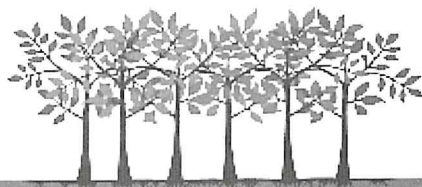
**Beloved wife, grandmother, golfing enthusiast,
and like many of her shots, sadly missed.**



We think burial means celebrating the life someone has had and the things they enjoyed.



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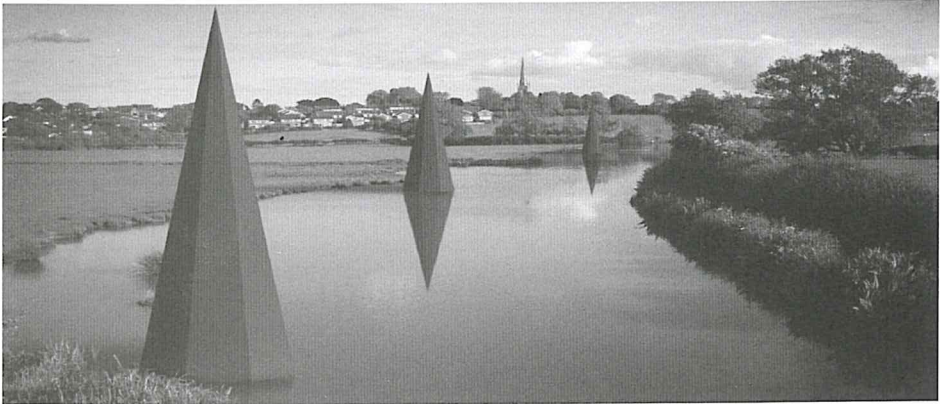
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FLOW

FLOW Northamptonshire

Seven Spires, Oxford Canal outside Braunston, Northamptonshire, 18-29th August

Site specific artworks by leading British artists alight on Northamptonshire's scenic waterways as part of the East Midlands Igniting Ambition Festival and the UK's Cultural Olympiad



This August will see the first of the major FLOW commissions being delivered by environmental artist Steve Messam titled Seven Spires.

This exciting commission will see seven 4-metre high red spires installed in the Oxford Canal on the approach to the Grand Union Canal junction and historic narrow boating village of Braunston, the heart of the UK canal system.

Seven Spires will be a striking installation set against a backdrop of All Saints Church 'the cathedral of the canals' within rural Northamptonshire that explores the county's relationship to its canal network and long-standing reputation for being 'the county of spires and squires'. Through solar technology and LED lighting the spires will emanate a soft red glow through the night, transforming the local landscape.

As part of the Braunston Festival weekend Steve will also be leading a walk and talk around and about his installation.

Steve Messam is based in the north of England. With his site-specific installations, he sets visual accents in rural or urban settings, which include historical relics and vacant

flow

architecture that make us perceive the familiar environment in a new way.

Steve has worked around the world, but is best known for his pieces in Cumbria and for founding FRED - Europe's largest annual site-specific art festival, when ran from 2004-2008. His works include *Beached*, 2007, in which he filled a beach with thousands of sandcastles and paper flags; *Landscape Bubble*, in 2006 in which a bubble was thrown over a redundant building in the North Pennines, and *Souvenir* in 2006 with a line of giant balls made from hundreds of red umbrellas in the heart of Shanghai.

Steve has a particular interest in the cultural reference points inherent in the work of artists living in rural communities and exploiting the assets of landscape, agriculture and community for challenging the preconceptions of contemporary rural arts practice.

A smaller installation titled *84 Spires* will act as a prelude to *Seven Spires* which will see 84 two-foot long 'mini' spires being installed as a temporary art installation on a lake at Barnwell Country Park outside the ancient market town of Oundle. The *84 Spires* relates to the number of spires that still exist in the county.

84 Spires begins with a free family workshop on the Friday 5th August with the installation of the mini spires on the 6th August and running over the weekend.

Seven Spires and *84 Spires* is one of a series of commissions within FLOW, a countywide visual arts programme that will deliver a series of new site specific artworks by leading British artists that explore and respond to the journey of water through Northamptonshire's rivers, canals, water towers and reservoirs as part of the Igniting Ambition Festival 2011 and UK Cultural Olympiad.

Key funders include Arts Council England, Legacy Trust UK, Northamptonshire County Council and Anglian Water, with further support from British Waterways.

For further information about FLOW visit www.flow-northamptonshire.com or contact gcallister@northamptonshire.gov.uk

Igniting Ambition, a Cultural Olympiad programme in the East Midlands, invests in projects and people that take the London 2012 Games as their inspiration to create once-in-a-lifetime cultural opportunities for audiences and communities.

Igniting Ambition is funded by Legacy Trust UK, an independent charity set up to create a cultural and sporting legacy from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, the European Regional Development Fund and the East Midlands Development Agency, with the support of Arts Council England and many others.

BRAUNSTON'S PARCELS

The grand total of 875 parcels have now been sent to our troops serving in Afghanistan. My sincere thanks go to everyone who have helped reach this incredible amount. Thank you all so very much!

On July 2nd, Cay and I were invited to the homecoming celebration and medal presentation of the 2nd Royal Tank Regiment. We both felt very privileged to be among the 'tankies' and their families on such a happy and auspicious day. (The medals were presented by H.R.H Duke of Gloucester.) We met many of the soldiers who had received Braunston's Parcels and every single person told us of their appreciation and joy at receiving them. Major Cameron told us that the parcels followed them from Camp Bastion to wherever they were operation:- sometimes they were sent out by helicopter, other times overland and some were even dropped out of a Hercules.

So from everyone, the 2nd ROYAL TANK REGIMENT, our current recipients the ROYAL SCOTS DRAGOON GUARDS and from me thank you all for your continued support. It is appreciated by so many. Nor must we forget everyone at the shop and Post Office who make this so successful. Thank you all!









NORTHAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL

MOBILE LIBRARY SCHEDULES - COMMENCING 3RD AUGUST 2011

The library will visit Braunston Village Hall on the Fourth Friday of each month between 18.30 and 19.20

Val Worrall

CRICKET FIXTURES

Date	Home Team	Away Team	Type
Wed 3rd Aug 2011	Sporting CC - 1st XI	vs Midweek XI	League 
Sat 6th Aug 2011	1st XI	vs Woodford Halse CC - 2nd XI	League 
Sat 6th Aug 2011	Priors Marston - 2nd XI	vs 2nd XI	League 
Sat 13th Aug 2011	<u>Syresham CC - 2nd XI</u>	vs 1st XI	League 
Sat 13th Aug 2011	2nd XI	vs Thornborough - 2nd XI	League 
Sat 20th Aug 2011	<u>Chipping Warden CC - 1st XI</u>	vs 1st XI	League 
Sat 20th Aug 2011	2nd XI	vs Brackley CC - 3rd XI	League 
Sat 27th Aug 2011	Evenley B - 3rd XI	vs 2nd XI	League 
Sat 27th Aug 2011	1st XI	vs Northampton Grange Park - 2nd XI	League



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 & ZUMBA

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+)
- 7.15pm - ZUMBA

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)

Acting, Performance & Singing

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange

- 4.00pm - Juice (3-5yrs)
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DOWN AT THE DEN

Down at the Scout Den we do all sorts of exciting things.

I joined the 2nd Braunston Scouts just over a year ago and since then I have done so much, from nights in the Den to much more adventurous challenges.

In the Den we have done cooking, making pancakes, smoothies and learning how to make a boiled egg in a baked potato, delicious. We also made Mexican food, decorated Yule Logs and enjoyed sticky toffee apples. I hope that you enjoyed our cake stall.

Also in the Den we have done hobbies and crafts, bin bag fashion and quizzes. We learned important skills like map reading, how to use a compass and First Aid.

Some of what we do in the Den helps towards outdoor challenges. We built a raft and rowed across the reservoir using the knots and lashings we had been taught. Our map reading helped when we competed in a Star Trek, navigating our way round a course near Evedon. We used our D.I.Y abilities to build bird and bat boxes for our Welton campsite, helping the environment.

One of our first camps I did was the Brass Monkey camp in January which was great fun especially putting up the tent in high winds. Since then I have done other camps and was chosen to represent Braunston at the County Camp.

I was also proud to march in my uniform to commemorate St. Georges' Day, 100 years of Scouting and on Armistice Day.

A very busy year and I haven't mentioned sports, bowling learning archery, helping with the Beavers, working for badges and the Christmas Party. Very soon we will be off camping again to sunny (hopefully) Barnstaple and I have learned a lot, gained a lot, made friends but most of all I have had fun.

Why don't you give it a try?

Keir Tyson aged 11

THANK YOU BRAUNSTON PLAYERS

I should like to take the opportunity to thank the Braunston Players for an exceptional evening on Saturday 16th July. This years' "Puddings and Performances" was the best ever with delicious puds and some excellent performances. All the proceeds went to the Village Hall refurbishment fund and a great evening was had by all.

The Royal British Legion Braunston and District.



Armed Forces Day. The Branch with Standard paraded at the ceremony at Barby on June 25th. The Parade assembled at the Church and marched to the village flagpole where the Union Flag was hoisted. A good number of villagers were present. The parade then returned to the Church for an Act of Remembrance and the Last Post and Reveille were sounded.

The Ceremony was concluded with a short service conducted by the Reverends P.Beresford and C.Cooper. The collection taken will be added to the annual Poppy Collection.

Galanos House Southam. A new wing has now been added to the Legion Retirement Home. A barbeque is to be held in the grounds on 10th August at 5.00pm and a fete on 3rd September at 2.30pm. All are invited to attend these events and there will be an opportunity to see the wonderful facilities provided by the home.

Events. Following on from the much enjoyed luncheon held at the Plough, there will be a further informal luncheon on Thursday 18th August at the Middlemoor Pub. Just turn up from midday onwards and select from the Pub menu.

It is planned to visit the RAF museum at Hendon on 18th October. The cost will be about £12 for the transport, entrance to the museum being free. Visit the internet to see full details of the museum. Non members of the legion welcome subject to space on the coach.

Band Concerts. The Annual concert given by the Black Dyke Band will be held on 29th October at the Derngate. Apply direct to the Derngate for tickets.

The very popular Christmas concert given by Daventry Brass in conjunction with the Legion will be held this year on 10th December.

70 years Married. Congratulates to Fred and Marjorie Warne of Barby on their 70th Wedding Anniversary and best wishes for the future from all their friends in the Branch. Fred was a very active member of the Branch and was Branch Chairman.

Next Meeting. Will be held at the George Hotel, Kilsby, on 9th August at 8.00 pm. and will be followed by the usual refreshments. New and prospective members welcome.

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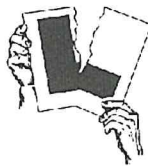
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Braunston Women's Institute



Next Meeting - August 2nd at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Our speaker, Mrs Susannah Marshal will talk to us about 'Coincidences'. Visitors and new members are very welcome.

Contact - Barbara on 01788 890452

Friendly Club

The Committee has been unable to arrange a coach outing in August as planned. Instead we are proposing a Fish & Chip lunch plus dessert on Friday August 19th. This will be held in the Village Hall at 12.15 for a 12.30 lunch. If you haven't booked your lunch ring Gill on 890763 or Janet on 890336

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The Gallie Wildlife Fund Annual Prize for Year 6 Pupils Living in Braunston

This award centres around the Wildlife Area of Jett Field Park, in memory of Duncan & Marjorie Gallie. Mr Gallie was a Headteacher of the local school and the prize money is provided by a fund set up for this purpose. During the time he was Headteacher he classified and arranged a "Flora of Braunston" based on collections of wild flowers brought to school by the children.

2011 PRIZE WINNERS

First Prize - Kelsee Porter whose poem is printed below

Second Prize - Emily Thurlow & Meg George

Third Prize - William Brown & Cory Flynn

BRAUNSTON WILDLIFE BY KELSEE PORTER

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So protect our plants and animals please,
And make sure the end not one of them sees,
Make sure our village remains a place of awe,
Wildlife so fabulous you simply can't ignore.

AUTUMN FAIR

All Saints' will be holding an Autumn Fair in the Village Hall on 05/11/11 at 2.00 pm.

We are asking that if you have any 'unwanted gifts' that you are willing to donate that you pass them to Brenda Hobbs who will sell them at the Fair in aid of HOPE & HOMES.

We are also asking that if you come across any non-perishable 'Buy One Get One Free Offers' and are prepared to donate the free one - we will sell them at a reasonable price to make a bit of money for Church Funds & at the same time provide some cheap items for those struggling to make ends meet at the moment.

If there is a glut of fruit and vegetables and you make jams and chutneys could you spare us a pot?

Full details next month!

BRAUNSTON C.E. SCHOOL



If you have a child who is due to start school September 2012 you need to complete an admissions form by **13th January 2012**. This can be done online at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions from 12th September 2011. On 20th September between 3.30 – 4.30 pm we are holding a Roadshow for new parents giving advice on the admissions process and online application.

The school will be open to new parents during the afternoon of 29th September between 1.30 – 3.00 pm and the morning of 5th October between 9.30 – 11.00 am. You are welcome to come and look around the school during these times.

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HELP WANTED

Is there anyone who is willing to come and do some boat art on our play boat in the school playground. Please contact Braunston School on 01788 890494 or call into the school office.

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