

BRAUNSTON NEWS Village

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Love where you live

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Jim & Jenni planting spring bulbs in the Stop House Garden for the
Braunston Canal Society

Photo by Peter Andrews



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**The Blessed Virgin Mary & St
Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers**
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Mrs Sue Brooks: 01788 890042

Secretary:

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REGISTERS FOR April 2013

BRAUNSTON

Baptisms

23.4.13 - Callum Pedelty

Weddings

25.04.13 - Natalie Smith and
Justin Smith

Funerals -

2.4.13 - Greta Reeves

18.4.13 - Peter Graham Rushal

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

ASHBY

Baptisms -

Weddings

Funerals -

Annual Parish Council Meeting

**on
Tuesday**

**21st May 2013
at 7.30 pm**

**in the
Village Hall**

**All parishioners
are
invited to attend**

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2013

April's Floodlighting so far...

5th April - * Love to all the family, from Geoff & Jean
8th April - * In memory of Anna
10th April - * Happy Birthday Phyl - with love from Ken
11th April - * Francesca's 5th birthday
25th April - * Henry Corbin 4th birthday
26th April - * Julie's Birthday
28th April - In loving memory of my dearest friend Gladys Owen. God bless her. Lynn and Jim



May's Floodlighting so far...

1st May - * Thank you to all who join in with village organisations
4th May - 4/5/1865 Elizabeth Reeve, grazier of 65 High Street. Remembered at the DHB History Society Open Day 11/5/13
5th May - * Rowena & Mark's Wedding Anniversary
6th May - * Lit by Barrie. In memory of Gillian
10th May - 1904 to 1942. Elizabeth J Norman, owner of "The Cottage", High Street. Remembered at the DHB History Society Open Day 11/5/13
11th May - 1955 to 1987 Owen and Marjorie Tucker remembered for their village contributions.

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

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline - 20th April 2013

Council Tax increases

Dear All

As many of you will be aware the council tax bills shows the Parish Council portion increasing by 4%, we would like to explain how this is the case. The National Government changed the way it funds Council Tax payments for those household that receives benefits, in the past it has directly funded this to District councils, however this has changed and now grants are being allocated and these are not included in the District Councils percentage calculation. Our real terms increase was 2% and full details can be found at www.braunstonpc.org (click on Parish Council and then Finance) This is the first increase since April 2010 and we have managed to keep increases to zero despite costs like street lighting electricity rising by 42% in the same period. If you require any further please do not hesitate to contact me
Steven Rolt

Clerk to the Parish Council - Tel : 01788 890241 - Email : clerk@braunstonpc.org

What wouldn't I do for £10 million!?

I love my job but sometimes, I have to admit, it is hard being a Christian leader. Often it is a wonderful privilege and joy but sometimes it is tough and exhausting and I occasionally wonder what on earth I'm doing! (I expect you do sometimes too!) A couple of nights ago, tending slightly towards this frame of mind, I had a dream. Not in a Martin Luther King kind of way - more an "I'm- tired- and- I- saw- the- Jehovah's- Witnesses- around- Braunston- cost-of- state- funeral- mental- stew kind of way! In my dream two smartly dressed young men (see what I mean?) came to my office and offered me £10 million to give up my ministry. They opened a case and showed me the money and said that if I agreed to stop serving God they would leave it with me. £10 million!! How many church roofs could I fix with that and still have a cosy retirement!!?

But in my dream I sent them away sharpish with their money and when I woke up I knew exactly why. Although there sometimes are the black and weary times when I wonder if I am on a fools errand there are also the joyful, bubbling, energy-filled times when I know that I am not and when the only thing to do is dance and sing and share the excitement of the gospel. If this Jesus, on whom I stake my life, exists and if everything I talk about is true then I can laugh and cry. I laugh because of what he has done for us and for what he gives us. I cry because of what they did to him. Because of what they still do to him; Because of what I do to him. Because I don't always understand. Because I feel his pain and his unquenchable love for lives and hearts and minds and bodies that are broken and lost. My mind may lose its way sometimes but my heart believes.

And he gave me a job to do. And eventually I may hear him say - "Well Sarah, you made a bit of a mess of it sometimes but you kept trying. I finished my job and now you've finished yours. Come and join me."

I think that is worth £10 million.

Every blessing

Sarah



CALLING ALL CHRISTIANS!

Imagine 25 churches from the Daventry area praising God together. Lets do it!.

3.30pm on Sunday 12th May. Come to the beautiful grounds of Everdon Church for an informal pre-Pentecost outdoor (we pray) service of communion and praise. Join in with local churches from across the Daventry Deanery and Bishop John Holbrook. Bring folding chairs or a blanket to sit on and either a picnic or some money for hog roast, cakes and other refreshments. If it rains we have indoor plan B. This is a first for the area so come and join in! Share cars if you can as depending on numbers parking could get tricky.

News from Jetty Fields.

Spring has taken a long time to arrive and so for the second month running we have not been able to achieve a great deal. The whole of Jetty Fields has been "topped" so that spring plants can grow through. It also looks much neater as last year's growth has been removed. The village mowing contractor has also started work in the garden area and at the top of the field. Dennis has worked hard over the winter period and all the metal fencing and gates have been re-painted.

A REMINDER!!! OUR NEXT WORK MORNING IS ON SATURDAY 4TH MAY. ALL ARE WELCOME! JUST COME ALONG TO THE AREA OUTSIDE THE ALLOTMENTS AT ABOUT 9.00 A.M. AND WE WILL WORK TOGETHER ON VARIOUS PROJECTS IN THE JETTY FIELDS AREA. LOOK OUT FOR OTHER NOTICES ON OUR NOTICE BOARD. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU BROUGHT BASIC TOOLS SUCH AS RAKES, SECATEURS AND SPADES.

200 Club Winners latest results 2013			
28.02.13	138	J. Crabtree	£50
07.03.13	105	J. Hutchinson	£10
07.03.13	029	M. Franklin	£5
14.03.13	136	I. Griffin	£10
14.03.13	119	B. Cook	£5
21.03.13	147	Y. Hough	£10
21.03.13	140	R. Barnwell	£5

Raffle Tickets

All Saints' Church
Braunston



SUMMER FETE 2013

£250 Cash Prize

Please find a book of raffle tickets enclosed. To be drawn at the Church Fete on the 15th. June. We hope you might buy some of these tickets. They are 50p each, £2.50 for the book. If you wish to buy complete the counterfoil, and return with the money to either Braunston Post Office or 30 Church Road, Braunston.

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Tap & ZUMBA

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



5.15pm - Little Tappers (3-5yrs)
5.45pm - Pre-Primary Tap (6-8yrs)
6.15pm - Primary Tap (8yrs +)
7.00pm - Adult Tap (no exp req)
8.00pm - ZUMBA

Dance & Gym

Friday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



5.00pm - Pre-Syllabus Modern (3-7yrs)
5.30pm - Funky Dance (3-7yrs)
6.00pm - Gymnastics (all ages)
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 (3-6yrs)
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) 4.45pm - Rocket (6-8yrs)
5.45pm - Upload (9-12yrs)

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Braunston Cinema Club

Braunston Village Hall

Saturday 25 May at 7.30pm

Quartet

12th 2012

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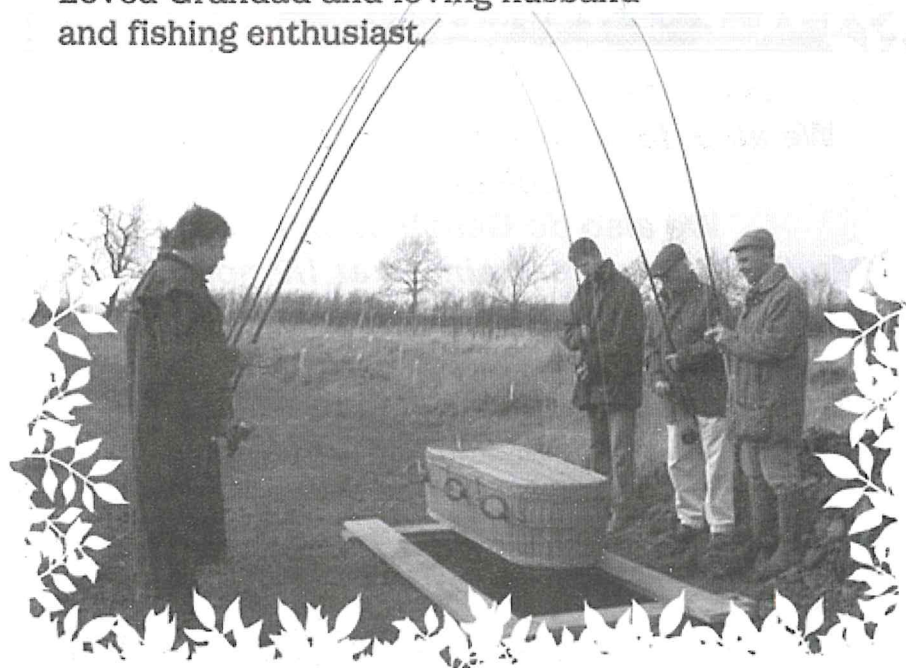
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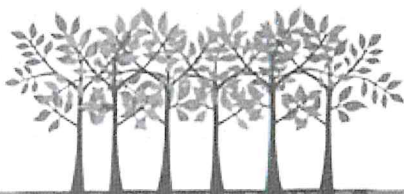
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BRAUNSTON LADIES GROUP

Friday 17th May
Local Walk & Pub visit
Meet at 6 School Close at 7.30

DOG OWNERS BEWARE!!!

No, this is not another rant about dog poo but something equally sinister. We have been alerted to the fact that there is a gang of dog nappers in the area stealing dogs to train as fighting dogs. Apparently one of the gang who spots a 'potential' dog will leave a sticker or some such mark on the garage or fence where the dog resides. Another gang member will then try and take the dog away.
Please be alert and don't leave your dog unattended.

MACMILLAN

FUND RAISING WEEKEND

Held at the Braunston Marina

On the 23/24th March raised the fantastic amount of £801.10

Thanks to everyone who helped out and supported us.





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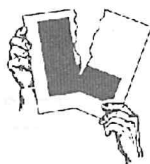
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DICK HERNE BRAUNSTON HISTORY SOCIETY

" Two important dates FOR your diaries!

" On Saturday 11th May we have an "OPEN DAY" IN THE VILLAGE HALL. It has a theme of "YOUR HIGH STREET". The hall will be open from 11.00 a.m., and there will be light refreshments available all day. Do come along and see the display prepared by members of the society. It reflects the history of our High Street by looking at various buildings along its length.

" The following Saturday, 18th MAY, we have an outing to THE HOOK NORTON BREWERY. We leave at 8.30 a.m from the village hall and return about 3.00 p.m. £20 for member, £25 for non members. This includes coach travel, a buffet lunch in a local pub and the entry fee for a guided tour, plus a beer tasting! There is also a museum, shire horses and a steam engine. Tickets available from David on 891183. There are only a few left so book now - "first come, first served"!

" Do join our society. We have an interesting programme throughout the year; there is something for everybody! YOU WILL BE MADE VERY WELCOME. LOOK FOR OUR POSTERS AROUND THE VILLAGE!

BRAUNSTON PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION

Fun in The Park

SUNDAY 12TH MAY

2 - 5 pm in the
PLAYING FIELD

FREE FUN including:



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Giant Jenga, Space Hoppers and more.

Refreshments available in our PAVILION POP-UP CAFÉ

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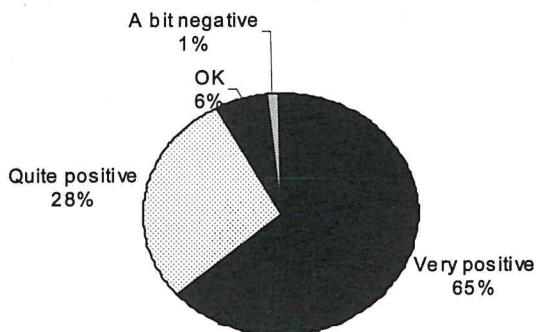
Breaking News!

We are waiting for confirmation that Rubicon
Skateboards will be running some training
sessions. Watch out for the details on our
Facebook page!

BPFA is a registered charity, number 274911, run by local community volunteers to support the ongoing provision of a community activities and games spaces in the village.

Information from Braunston Parish Council Village questionnaire

We are continuing to collate and analyse the results from the questionnaire



The overwhelming majority of respondents were either quite positive or very positive about living in Braunston.

The things that people like about living in Braunston are being part of a friendly, rural community that is quiet and peaceful with no traffic noise, but within easy access to motorways. People praised:

" The excellent variety of shops including the post office, and the many clubs and organisations in the village.

" The local school and pre-school.

" The canals, marina and many good walks across open countryside.

" The choice of Public Houses and eating places.

" The Church floodlit in the evening and hearing the bells ringing.

" The Braunston Village News for providing notification of local events and services.

" Events including boat shows, The Village Show and Village Festival amongst others.

When it comes to suggesting improvements the number one complaint in a large majority of responses to the questionnaire is dog fouling and owners failing to clear up after their pets. Negotiating pavements and footpaths while attempting to stop toddlers and pushchairs from becoming contaminated causes many concern. There have been requests for more dog poo and litter bins to be provided.

The next most common issues are traffic and highways related including:

" The blind corners at the approaches to the village and speeding on the High Street and Church Road especially during school run times.

" Car parking on the High Street, around The Green and in the vicinity of the school. Cars parking on the pavements impeding pedestrians and pushchairs and wheelchair users.

" There are suggestions for upgrading road surfaces including Harrow Lane and opposite the school in Barby Lane.

" It was felt that narrow footpaths and uneven surfaces make them treacherous in inclement weather. Improved gritting to roads and footpaths was requested;

" A zebra crossing at the end of Church Road to help those walking to school;

" A cycleway to Daventry and bus stops outside the shops;

Other improvements suggested were:

" Mains gas supply;

" Low cost housing:

" More facilities/activities for older children;

" A market for local produce;

" The Braunston Festival to be an annual event;

" Faster broadband speed.

It was felt that the towpath towards the tunnel could be improved, water supplied to the cemetery, more trees could be planted and that the green field separation from Daventry should be maintained.

All of these issues and other results of the questionnaire will be considered by the Parish Council when looking at a possible neighbourhood plan and when making other decisions.

More detailed information about the questionnaire will be provided at the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday May 21st at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS MAY 2013

		For more details of these services and events please see the Church Website <u>www.allsaintsbraunston.org.uk</u> or ring the vicar
Wednesday	1 st	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School Hall: 19.30 Christianity Explored Course – Parish Room
Saturday	4 th	8.30.-12.30 Car Boot Sale – Old Plough Car Park
Sunday	5th	9.15 Holy Communion (A): 11.00 Parish Communion(B): 18.30 Evensong (B)
Monday	6 th	Bank Holiday – No Little Fishers. 19.30 Church Choir
Tuesday	7 th	9am Morning Prayer (B) 19.30 Wedding Preparation Evening
Wednesday	8 th	12.30 Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 19.30 Christianity Explored Course – Parish Room
Thursday	9 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	12th	8am BCP Communion (B) 11am Family Service (B) 15.30 Big Outdoor Deanery Service at Everdon
Monday	13 th	14.00 Little Fishers (B) : 19.30 Church Choir
Tuesday	14 th	9am Morning Prayer (B)
Wednesday	15 th	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School Hall: 19.30 Christianity Explored Course – Parish Room
Thursday	16 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Friday	17 th	13.45 School Pentecostal Service & Picnic
Saturday	18 th	Quiz Night in the Village Hall
Sunday	19th	PENTECOST 8am Communion (B) 9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Family Communion (B)
Monday	20 th	14.00 Little Fishers (B) : 19.30 Church Choir
Tuesday	21 st	9am Morning Prayer
Wednesday	22 nd	12.30 Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 19.30 Christianity Explored Course – Parish Room
Thursday	23 rd	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	26th	8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Pyjamas & Breakfast Service – Ashby Village Hall: 11.00 Family Communion
Monday	27 th	9.30 Church Choir
Tuesday	28 th	9am Morning Prayer
Wednesday	29 th	12.30 Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 19.30 Christianity Explored Course – Parish Room
Thursday	30 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
		(B) = Braunston (A) = Ashby

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS MAY 2013

Wednesday	1 st	Scouts : 19.35 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga:
Thursday	2 nd	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo:
Saturday	4 th	9.00 Jetty Fields Work Morning: 8.30 Car Boot Sale Old Plough car park
Monday	6 th	10.00 Pre School May Bank Holiday Madness at Playing Field: Explorer Scouts : 14.30 Friendly Club
Tuesday	7 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group :19.30 W.I.:20.00 Royal British Legion – Old Plough Braunston
Wednesday	8 th	Scouts : 20.30 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga:
Thursday	9 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	11 th	11am History Society open Day – Village Hall
Sunday	12 th	14.00 Fun in the Park – Playing Field
Monday	13 th	10.00 Friendly Club Boat Trip: Explorer Scouts:
Tuesday	14 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group:20.00 Royal British Legion – Sorting Club Barby
Wednesday	15 th	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga:
Thursday	16 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Friday	17 th	19.30 Braunston Ladies Group
Saturday	18 th	History Society Brewery Visit: 19.00 Quiz Night
Monday	20 th	Explorer Scouts: 14.30 Friendly Club
Tuesday	21 st	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Annual Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	22 nd	Royal British legion Lunch Sporting Club Barby: Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Thursday	23 rd	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	25 th	19.00 Cinema Club – Quartet
Monday	27 th	Explorer Scouts
Tuesday	28 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group
Wednesday	29 th	10.00 Friendly Club Coffee Morning Village Hall
Thursday	30 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo

All Saints' Church Car Boot Sale



**in the Old Plough's Car Park
Braunston**

**Cars - £6
Vans - £12**

**8:30 am until 12:30pm
On Saturday May 4th.**

Refreshments Available

Reservation forms from Peter Hobbs 07976 802612

BRAUNSTON PARCELS

It is now 7 years since we started sending "goodie" parcels to our troops serving in Afghanistan and during that time 1233 parcels have been sent from Braunston - quite an incredible achievement!

Therefore, my sincere thanks go to everyone who has, and continues to donate to the "box".

The Royal Dragoon Guards are nearing the end of their tour of duty. During their deployment we have received 26 letters from them thanking us for the support we show them and telling us how much they enjoy receiving our parcels. Such letters tell us that our efforts are appreciated and worthwhile.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Val Worrall

HEALTH WALKS

Help yourselves get fit by joining in our 30/40 min Health Walks around the village.

Walks in May will take place on the Friday 3rd May at 2.15pm, and Thursdays the 9th and 16th also at 2.15pm all walks departing from outside The Cake Slice Tearooms, in the High Street.

All are welcome but please wear suitable footwear as some walks may be over fields.

Leader Rosemary Kendall (01788 890543)

The Royal British Legion - Braunston and District Branch.

A note for your diaries - Armed Forces Day this year will be held on Saturday 29th June. The District Church Service will be held in Barby Church, details to be announced.

The May Lunch will be at the Sporting Club, Barby, on 22nd at midday. Usual arrangements, no need to book just come along. Friends welcomed.

The next meeting of the Branch will be at the Sporting Club, Barby, on Tuesday 14th May at 8.00pm.



**BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL
MAY BANK HOLIDAY
MADNESS**

Date: Monday 6th May

Location: Braunston Playing Field

Time: 10am-4pm

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Book now for a place in our craft stall area or on the car boot – braunstonpreschool@googlemail.com (£8 Craft Stalls, £4 to pre book car boot (£5 on the day), Vans £5 to pre book (£6 on the day).

All Saints' Church



Quiz Night

**Braunston Village Hall
Saturday 18th. May**

**7:00pm for 7:30pm
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Hope & Homes for Children

Funds Raised

Money raised from Penny Pots in April	£ 93.06
Donation	£ 10.00
Total raised since 1st. March 2012	£ 310.70

Tombola at Church Fair 15th. June 2013

Any donations of Toiletries would be gratefully received.
Tel Brenda on 899086

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

Dog Day Jetty Field, 8 June

A day to celebrate responsible dog ownership. Dog health checks, dog portraits, dog grooming tips, free dog poo bags.

Badge-making and poster-making for kids.

Sponsored by Daventry District Council

To get involved or find out more, contact Abigail Campbell on 07989 421836, acampbell@daventrydc.gov.uk

More details in the next BVN

If your dog fouls in a public place and you do not clean it up you will be breaking a Dog Control Order under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. If an authorised officer witnesses you not cleaning up after your dog, you may be given a fixed penalty of £75. If you refuse to pay the fixed penalty you may be taken to court and be fined up to £1000 plus court costs.

The neighbourhood surveys recently sent out by the Parish Council showed that dog fouling is one of the biggest environmental concerns people have about living in Braunston. The overwhelming majority of people find dog waste unacceptable. If you witness someone letting their dog foul without cleaning it up afterwards in a public place, you should report this to the dog warden on 01327 302277 with as much information as possible.

Saturday 15th June 2013
Braunston Church Fete

Floral Arrangement Competition

£1.00 per Entry

A floral arrangement in a Tea Cup.



Theme: Here Comes Summer

***Arrangements to be no more than 8 inches
(20cms) in diameter.***

Prize: A Garden Voucher

**Competition entries required by 11:00 at the
Village Hall on Sat. 15th.**

All Saints' Church, Braunston

Pentecost Family Service



Sunday 19th. May

11am Family Communion and Celebration



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**Notes for your Diary
(Events for All Saints' Church and
Friends of All Saints)**

4th. May	Car Boot Sale at Old Plough
18th May	Quiz Night
15th June	Church Fete on Village Green
2nd. August	Car Treasure Hunt
14th. Sept.	Historic Ride & Stride
21st Sept	Proms Concert (new programme thiyear)
7th. Oct	Harvest Supper
19th. Oct.	Quiz Night
16th Nov	Autumn Fair
21st. Dec	Christmas Extravaganza (Dunchurch Silver Band)
25th. Jan 14	Burns' Supper

**AFTERNOON TEA
IN AID OF MARIE CURIE**



The Ritz is brought to Braunston

- * Bottomless tea pot
- * Home made cakes

* Home made scones with jam and butter or cream

* The piece de resistance - cucumber sandwiches !!

And if this was not enough, you will have entertainment from
our own

BRAUNSTON SINGERS

You are now asking yourselves, where is this extravaganza?

It is in the Village Hall on Saturday 1st June at 2 pm.

To book your place for only £5, please call Pauline on 01788
891456

**HOUSE SALE
Saturday 11th May
10am - 12
16 The Green
Braunston**

All proceeds to MacMillan Nurses



BVGA

Braunston Village Gardens Association

Welcomes all Braunston residents and their friends to take part in the

Braunston Show

Saturday 7th September 2013

Start getting ready now...

Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Home Produce, Handicrafts

Photograph titles for 2013 are

Out and about in Braunston

In the garden

British weather

Close up

People

"Splash!"

Handicraft changes for 2013 are

A homemade decoration, any medium Theme Harvest.

A collage called Winter - glued or sewn. Max size 40cm x 40cm

As last year we are dividing the patchwork, quilting and appliqué into two classes. One for quilts and a separate one for items with a maximum size of 18" x 18" or 46cm x 46cm.

Novelty will include

A flower arrangement called Autumn Basket.

Remember that this is an open class, so talk to your friends and see if they would like to enter this class and fill the Village Hall with beautiful autumn colours.

Flowers - we have amended last year's new class to read: A collection of seed heads and berries, so gathering can start now.

Open classes. Throughout the show we have classes that are open to any member of the public to enter. Please encourage your friends and family to get involved this year. Here are the items that will appear in the Open Classes in 2013:

Runner beans, a vegetable box, salad items, bowl of fruit, chrysanthemums, gladioli, roses, flower arrangements, chocolate brownies, preserved fruit, chutney, soft toy, beadwork, collage.

The children only classes will be published in the BVN in June and the complete show schedule will be delivered to homes in July. So make this a bumper year for entries and join together

TO SHOW WHAT VILLAGERS CAN DO

If you have any questions or suggestions for the Braunston Show please contact

Kate Mawer 01788 890340

Finally, can you help? Please contact Kate Mawer if you are able to help with any of the following items.

- ❖ We have been given a number of plain leather key rings and bookmarks. We would like to use these to raise funds for The Show. We are looking for someone who may be able to decorate these items.
- ❖ We are looking for people to join our Braunston Show Support Team to help set up the Village Hall the night before The Show.
- ❖ The tombola has long been a key part of The Show. We know that many Braunston organisations are asking for similar donations, but if you have any items for The Show's tombola prizes we would be happy to come and pick them up from you.

Abigail Campbell District Councillor



I went to give a talk to local sixth form students about being a Councillor this week.

To be frank, I was terrified.

Inevitably, I over-prepared... I had reams of notes on Margaret Thatcher's legacy (I was a sixth-form student when she resigned), on youth unemployment, on women in politics.

In the end we had a very informal and relaxed conversation about bus subsidies, town centre shops and the lack of facilities for young people. But my preparations really made me really think about why I decided to stand for election as a District Councillor, a year ago.

The students' teacher introduced me as a local politician. This threw me. It's actually the last thing I feel I am.

My political beliefs are very important to me. But on a day-to-day basis they hardly figure. Councillors are public servants, elected to serve not just some of you, but all of you. I stood for election as a District Councillor because I wanted to do something for the people and places where I live. It was as simple as that.

Politics hardly come into an anti-dog fouling campaign, community transport projects, dealing with parking obstructions or litter-picking. Even when it comes to campaigning to get a bus service that meets our needs, representing those affected by welfare reform, protecting our canal heritage and our open countryside, supporting our local businesses - for all this, what you need most of all is a committed local champion, not a local politician.

I'd like to thank everyone who has supported and encouraged me over my first year as District Councillor.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any queries or concerns.

Abigail

Next surgeries:

8 May

Walking Surgery with PCSO Thompson 3pm The Green, 3.15pm school,
3.30pm Shop

25 May 10-11

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BRAUNSTON CANAL SOCIETY

The planting of the shrubs took place on the Junction Island in April and that, along with the daffodils that are now blooming, is making for a very attractive display to welcome visitors to Braunston. We have received a great deal of positive comment about the island. We are doing a major litter pick this Sunday 21st April, I am very pleased to report that the area from the tunnel to the junction which we have adopted has remained virtually litter free since we did it last year. As per last year we will be clearing down to the Puddle Banks and part of the North Oxford as well.

We appealed last year for anybody with surplus bulbs or plants that we might be able to use to contact me on 01788891546, we had a good response and would welcome more this year.

Chris Burton - www.braunstoncanalsociety.org.uk

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

The Easter Egg Raffle raised over £400 for the Church funds.

1st Prize was won by Alan Kirk, 2nd Prize was won by Sarah Wade, 3rd Prize was won by Patsy Clarke.

A very big thank you to all those who provided the prizes, sold the raffle tickets and to those who bought them. Thanks also to Charisma and The Plough who supported us, and to the Village Shop for letting us sell raffle tickets.

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Clubs and Society Events

Braunston Women's Institute



Next Meeting:

May 7th at 7.30pm

A county advisor will attend to help in the discussion of this year's National Resolution on the plight of the High Streets.

There will be a quiz and a chance to buy from Phoenix Cards.

The challenge is Home Made Toffee.

**There will be a coach trip to
Rockingham Castle on Tuesday
June 18th.**

Open to members and friends.

Tickets are £20 to include coach, admittance and guided tour.

Leaving the Green at 9.30 and returning approx 6pm.

Contact Gill Powell 890763

Friendly Club

Next Meeting:

May 13th or 14th

Thanks for the generous gift of a canal boat trip from Prim & Aubrey Berriman.

We will be travelling to the Bridge Inn at Napton for lunch by narrow boat.

Pick up at the bottom lock at 10am and return at about 5pm.

Date to be confirmed.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 29th May.

Coffee morning in the Village Hall with a Bring and Buy table. 10 am until Noon.

Contact Gill Powell 890763

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Braunston Fishing Club BINGO

**Every Thursday throughout the
year**

8.00pm in the Village Hall

Non members welcome

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BRAUNSTON WALKERS

Walk Saturday 20/04/2013 - Harlestone Firs (c.10.4 miles)

This really is a magnificent walk around Althorp House and takes in the little known, Upper Harlestone, a perfect old stone village that does a fair impression of The Slaughters in The Cotswolds but is only ten miles away from home. We had unbroken sunshine, a real Spring day, as sixteen of us set off into the woodland at Harlestone Firs. We left the shady woodland, crossed a field and emerged on the busy A428. After walking down through the lovely old stone village our path took us left off the main road and soon became a footpath through parkland and then we turned left by a ford over the rushing river and up to a stone balustrade by a fantastic lake. A great spot for a pause to suck Nigel and Judith's sherbet lemons and bask in the spring sunshine. The path then takes us back to Harlestone church before crossing a golf course. It continues past the ornate village hall and past Upper Harlestone, a beautiful stone village, before we joined the Midshire Way, a portion of the 225 mile which stretches from Buckinghamshire through Northants, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire, across Derbyshire and up to Greater Manchester. It also is labelled up as the Northamptonshire Round a 51 mile circuit both too far for today but we will save them for another day. We walked over fields around Nobottle Wood with its carpet of white Anenomes. Eventually this path leads over a cultivated lawn by a cottage to emerge on the road for 25 yards or so before taking a field path over muddy fields and down into Little Brington and The Saracens Head. An award winning food pub and I could see why as we tucked into baguettes and pints of foaming IPA beer. A real slick operation and, of course, highly recommended!!

All too soon we had to put our boots on and set off again out of Little Brington on a tree lined track which leads to Althorp House. After about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile we turned left on a field path over ridge and furrow fields with fantastic views of the side of Althorp House over the fields, to reach Great Brington. The path then turns sharp right and leads out of the village over fields and into the woodland of Chinkwell Spinney. The track reaches a small B road which runs around the magnificent parkland at Althorp. We followed the road alongside the house and grounds past a family having a picnic on the verge where the wall around the estate is low enough to give a view of the old house. We had to climb up a hill to reach a T junction where the spinney is called Chinkwell Clumps. On the map it shows several features in the parkland called Garden Stew, Great Stew and Oaktree Stew and also Dog Pond. We would have loved to see them but the park was not open so we continued down into Upper Harlestone past some really picturesque thatched cottages before turning left over fields to reach the road and then taking a field path right through the forest at Round Oak plantation and back to the cars and home for a cuppa!

Our next walks are as follows:

18th May Braunston! (c.10 miles) 29th, June Strines Moor (c.11 miles)

As both are a fair distance away we will meet at 08.00 at the village hall.

Saturday 15th June 2013
Braunston Church Fete
Children's Fancy Dress Competition.



Come as you like.
Entry Free !!!
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