

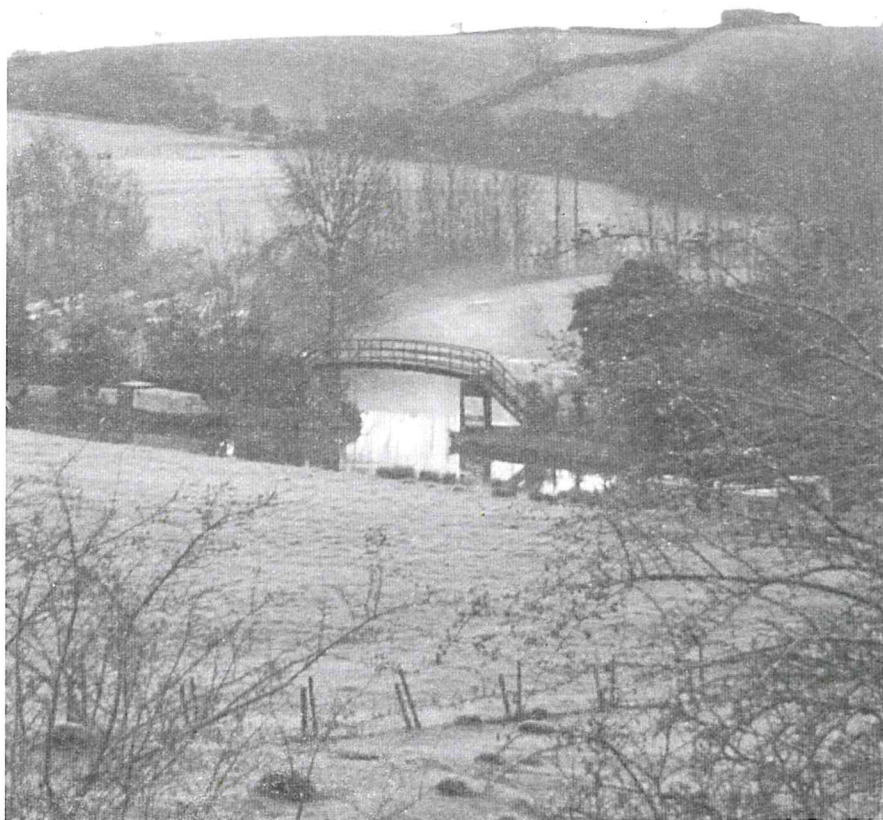
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A taste of things to come!



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REGISTERS FOR OCTOBER 2012

BRAUNSTON

Baptisms

Weddings -

Funerals -

16.10.12 - Arthur Harry

SHARPE

31.10.12 - June Iris **HAYES**

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

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Baptisms -

Weddings - 20.10.12 Gatis

Macs & Liva Zake

Funerals -

16.10.12 - Terence Albert

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

EDITORIAL from the Editor

Quite a few people have asked who the new editor of the BVN is. Well here I am, even knocking our wonderful page 3 girl out of her usual place! Chris and I have lived in Braunston just over 3 years now and still feel like we are on holiday. We decided to move from Foscote in Buckingham with our enormous garden to a village somewhere near the canal with a shop etc. It was either to be Crick or Braunston and once we found our lovely home at the bottom of Cross Lane there was no going back. We still feel like we are on holiday and love the village. You probably have seen us walking round with our two lurcher dogs, Scrumpy & Bramble, or on our boat Fat Rascal.

I started helping Alan Cornford with the BVN when he took over from Peter Dickenson. Since Alan moved to Norfolk my husband Chris has helped me to edit the magazine. We are both new to this and it would be really helpful if you could let me have your articles in Word format for those who send in by Email. You may have noticed that for the last few months we have tried to keep the front page for a photograph. It would be great if you, the readers or organisations could send me some of your pictures of local interest or of events in the village. (Remember these pics will appear in Black and white (no colour I am afraid)

On a different note I am going into hospital at the end of November and therefore need to bring forward the closing date for the December / January edition to **18th November**. I understand this may cause some difficulties but please help me by getting your articles etc in as soon as possible, or at least contact us with an idea of space required and when we can have the article. Normal service will resumed in the New Year.

Best Wishes to you all

Jenni Burton

Down at The Den

2nd Braunston Scouts have just come back from Summer Camp. This year eleven Scouts plus the Leaders and Explorers went to Beaudesert near Cannock Chase. We arrived and started to set up camp in a rain storm closely followed by a local supermarket that went beyond the call of duty to deliver our food to us in the middle of the campsite. All the food was necessary to fuel a busy week of activities. We tried our hand at archery, greasy pole climbing, crate stacking, rafting and climbing on a climbing wall. We also got the chance to use coracles which are almost impossible to stay in! Everybody got very wet on that activity what with falling out and coracles getting flooded. Of course there were the day to day activities around camp such as collecting wood, cooking - which had very mixed results, collecting water and keeping the place tidy. The local squirrels had been ninja trained and raided our sweets. Who knew that squirrels are partial to liquorice, Starburst and Chewits! The Troop had a day out at Drayton Manor Park where we rode all the rides, even Skip had a go on Apocalypse though he really doesn't like rides like that and it was said that he looked a bit pale at the end. After a busy and exciting week we came home and unloaded the van to find we had a stowaway. We all hope that the mouse we relocated from Cannock to Braunston is happy in their new life!

Thank to the leaders for organising the camp and being with us all week, thank you also to Jed for doing the driving and loaning us the van - sorry again about the mouse! Why don't you give Scouts (or Beavers or Cubs) a try? You learn a lot, you make friends and you have a lot of fun.

Keir Tyson, Aged 13

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2012

Floodlighting 2012

October's Floodlighting so far...

3rd October - * Lit by Julie Simpson for Debbie, Nina and friends

5th October - * Lit for Rose Bray who died 05/10/1971

6th October - Alan (Chick) & Mavis Eley - on our Golden Wedding Anniversary - still growing old "disgracefully" together!

13th October - To dear Fergus, Rory and Marianne on your Christening

16th October - Happy 80th birthday John, Love Di

21st October - * Dave & Claire's Wedding Anniversary

31st October - * Remembering Joan & Bill Folkard and my brother, Michael, Love Lin

November's Floodlighting so far...

1st November - All Saints' Day

12th November - * Happy Anniversary Mick, with love

* = Friends of All Saints - A huge Thank You

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline - 20th October 2012

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who supported the Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning in the Village Hall on 22nd September. A big thank you to the businesses and individuals who made donations, and a special thank you to all the generous ladies who provided the most wonderful and mouth watering assortment of fancy cakes to tempt every palate. A total of £450 was raised and all of that sum will go towards the appeal to raise £1.55 million for the refurbishment of the Haematology Unit at Northampton General Hospital. With your help the newly restored unit will drastically improve conditions for patients affected by blood cancer such as leukaemia and lymphoma who are receiving chemotherapy. This unit will be a bright and welcoming space in which patients and family can be as comfortable as possible.

Janet McCarthy

Great Expectations

Once upon a time (more than thirty years ago) vicars were lovely. They cycled around their rose covered villages greeting and blessing their parishioners who all looked exactly like characters out of Miss Marple, (or latterly, Midsommer Murders). They never, ever, ever got cross with their banks or had unfortunate records with uniformed youth organisations or forgot to do those things that they ought to have done, such as applying their brakes in built-up areas. If they had to leave the village to go and consult the Bishop, they saddled their trusty Morris Minors and puttered away humming Onward Christian Soldiers or, on very special occasions if the conversation with the Bishop was likely to be trying, Fight the Good Fight. They knew all their parishioners down to the last Jack Russell, not biblically, but very well indeed. Everyone was visited regularly and everybody knew that the Dear Vicar was their Dear Vicar. It is anecdotally acknowledged by those who know about these things that vicars drank 95% of all the tea imported into this great nation (thus doing their bit for the economy and overseas aid as well as possessing magnificently well- functioning bladders) and were indirectly responsible for at least 57% of all the Victoria Sponges baked in rural Britain during the last century.

Ah. Those were the days, when every little village had its church and its vicar! When a vicar could do a really good job of attending to the pastoral and spiritual needs of 200 people and turn out one good service on a Sunday morning before going home to be with his family. Now the average rural vicar has 7 sprawling villages and 7 churches with 7 fetes, 7 church councils, 7 collapsing roofs, 3 schools and frankly, not a hope in Hades of knowing or visiting most of his or her parishioners. I'm better off than some. I only have two villages but am required to spend around a third of my time in Daventry which has a population of 24,000 people. This means things have to be done differently! I love my job so I'm certainly not seeking sympathy here, but it is very different to how most people imagine of course this means that I am continually falling short of people's expectations.

I know tha there are people who feel disappointed that I have been here over a year and have not visited them yet. I am so sorry about that. I know that there are people who were in hospital for weeks "and the vicar didn't even visit once" (The vicar is many things but not telepathic! Please tell me if someone is in that situation!) I know that I found myself yesterday apologising to a lonely gentleman who needs at least a weekly visit and a daily phone call from somebody to feel that it is worthwhile being on the planet. When he turned up at my door for the third time in a week asking for nothing but some company, to my shame I told him off for making too many demands on my time. What????! Like many in these villages, (let alone on some of the estates in Daventry) his needs and expectations far exceed my ability to deliver and I hate how that makes me and him feel.

I think there is a solution. Most of the day to day stuff does not require a vicar so if you think that you might have time once a week or once a fortnight to go and have a chat and a cuppa with someone who is unwell or housebound or just a bit lonely or low please get in touch with me. If you are someone who would enjoy a visitor every now and again get in touch too. I'm talking about social contact here. If pastoral or spiritual matters come up then of course I will get involved. Think about it.

Still on the subject of expectations - just a quiet word about BVN but don't let Jenni know I'm saying this. Being editor is a huge voluntary commitment, especially when your health is not brilliant. To have people writing sharp letters or accosting you in the shop over small errors in titles or English grammar is soul destroying and the fastest way to encourage an editor to step down. Some of the criticism that flies the way of the editor is unacceptably unkind. This is neither a paid or professional role. It is voluntary and time consuming and I would ask the critics to adjust their expectations accordingly and when things are not right to think carefully how to communicate that lovingly. I'm off now to rev up (geddit?) my morris minor (I genuinely do have one but it's a bit chilly and damp at this time of year and my Mum doesn't like the fact that it has no seat belt so I use it sparingly) Have a good month. Don't forget our service in Braunston on Friday November 2nd to remember and light candles for those you have loved and lost over the years. If you need transport let me know.

Every blessing
Sarah

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES

Families who'll be celebrating a child's fourth birthday between now and the end of next summer are being urged to apply on time for a primary school place for September 2013.

And with the current pressure on capacity in the county's urban schools Northamptonshire County Council is reminding parents of the importance of identifying the three schools they would prefer to send their children to.

Cabinet member for children, learning and skills, Councillor Andrew Grant said: "The admissions system gives families the chance to tell us which schools they'd prefer to send their children to.

"While most people are successful at getting a place at their preferred school, there are steps that parents can take to maximise their chances. Submitting an application form in time is the most crucial followed closely by nominating a second and third choice school.

"The bottom line is that there are no guarantees of getting into a preferred school but the chances of a successful application will be higher if parents tell us before the deadline which three schools they'd prefer."

Applications are being accepted online from this week until Tuesday 15 January 2013 for primary school places for children who will be four years old between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013.

Applications received after the deadline can result in parents being unable to secure a place in any of their preferred schools.

This year, 931 primary school applications were received outside the application period. The majority of those applications were for reception and years 1 and 2.

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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)

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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RAINFALL FIGURES

20/9 to 20/10 - 102mm

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION

The AGM of the Braunston Village Gardens Association is at 8pm on Thursday December 6th in the Old Library at the Village Hall.
Everyone welcome.

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hair cut, a consultation for other
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All Saints Church Calendar 2013

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Price £6

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- " Poppies
- " Braunston Marina
- " Gongoozlers Rest
- " Or at the Church.

Copies are limited so please do not delay!



Photo John Lewis LRPS

If you purchase your calendar at the church please give your money to one of the church wardens, or duty side person so that the cash can be identified. All proceeds from the calendar is used to support All Saints Braunston

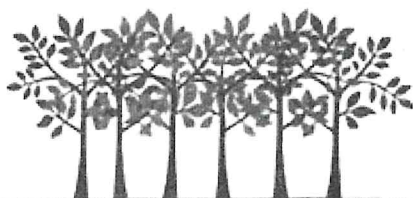
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07812538193**

Braunston Paddox Cricket Club.

Despite experiencing the worst summer weather in living memory and many matches cancelled, the cricket club enjoyed a particularly successful season. The first eleven placed second and as a result gained promotion to Division 2 of the South Northants league. This is their third promotion in the last four years. The second team finished in their highest ever league position in Division 5, with most of their matches very tight affairs often being decided in the last few overs. The Wednesday team just missed out on promotion to division 2 of the Rugby and District league and were far more competitive than in recent seasons.

At the recent presentation evening the following awards were made. 1st team batsman and bowler awards Warren Courtney, 2nd team batting and bowling award Rich Hunt, fielder of the year Ryan Haynes, most improved player Lewis Batchelar, junior player of the year Kieron Bennett Wednesday league bowler Zane Doe and the Captains award for services to the club Chris Lodge.

The club would like to thank the PFA for their continued support and also the Braunston Family Butchers for their generosity at the end of season 6 a side competition. It should also be noted that the quality of the outfield has been much improved this year, thanks in no small part to the vastly superior mowing arrangements.

The date for the AGM will be announced shortly, as will details of indoor nets which are planned to start in the New Year. For more information contact Richard Stapley 890475.



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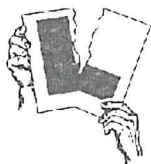
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Dual Fuel opportunity. We are currently investigating a new opportunity for further savings for those who use both oil and electricity. Our professional negotiators would be able to take the electricity needs of our oil members and negotiate bulk purchase of their electricity too. A dual fuel opportunity for those reliant on oil! However, before we take this further we would ask for your feedback as to whether it is something that would be of interest to you. For more details on these opportunities, please contact Northants ACRE. - 01604 765888

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Night



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Friday 7th. December

7:00pm for 7:30pm

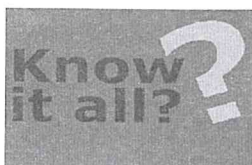
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FREE TREES

- albeit rather small ones: but they will grow.

Jetty Field have a delivery of 100 native trees coming in December. They are a variety of several species and are about 18" tall. There are more than we need for patching and would be delighted if anyone might like to have one, or two, or more. Please ring Pat Herlihy on 01788 890590.

Protect your Village Halland possibly save lives

Your Village Hall is a charity for the residents of Braunston.

It is funded by the hire of accommodation and some very kind donations. Over the last two years over £20,000 has been invested in re-decorating, installing a new floor, some new windows and new Main Hall curtains.

All this has been done for the people of Braunston.

All this could be put in jeopardy by the risk of rain damage.

Let me explain: Just one dislodged tile could lead to terrible flood damage and undo all the good work. Over the last few weeks householders near the Hall have reported seeing young people, usually boys, climbing over the roof, although two girls have been recorded. The roof structure is not designed to carry such weight without proper roofing ladders and support.

This is obviously a very dangerous situation. Teenagers think they are immortal and somehow immune from harm. The rest of us know differently. Please protect our young people from themselves and protect our Hall from flooding. If you know who they are, then, for their sake, quietly warn their parents. In any case the Trustees, in accordance with their legal duty, have advised the police what is happening. In case of structural damage the Trustees are legally bound to seek recompense from the parents.

If you see anything suspicious then please call the Police on 101.

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CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS NOVEMBER 2012

Thursday	1 st	19.30 Bell Ringers
Friday	2 nd	18.00 All Souls' Service: 18.00 Last Confirmation Class
Saturday	3 rd	14.00 Autumn Fair in Village Hall
Sunday	4 th	9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Festival Communion (B) 18.30 Evensong (B)
Monday	5 th	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Choir Practice
Wednesday	7 th	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch
Thursday	8 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	11 th	8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Family Service(B): 15.00 Remembrance Day Service
Monday	12 th	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	14 th	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School; 19.45 PCC
Thursday	15 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	18 th	8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion(A) 11.00 Holy Communion & Kids Club (B)
Monday	19 th	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Wednesday	21 st	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch:
Thursday	22 nd	19.30 Bell Ringers
Sunday	25 th	8.00 Holy Communion(B): 9.15 Breakfast Service (A): 11.00 Family Communion (B)
Monday	26 th	14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir
Tuesday	27 th	20.00 Friends Meeting in Parish Room
Wednesday	28 th	12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School
Thursday	29 th	19.30 Bell Ringers
Saturday	1 st	19.30 Interdum Singers Concert
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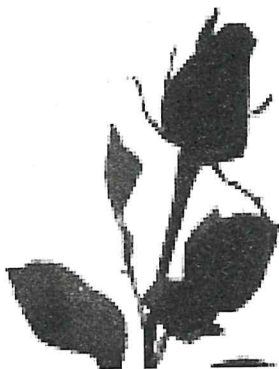
VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS NOVEMBER 2012

Friday	2 nd	NO YOUTH CLUB THIS MONTH
Saturday	3 rd	All Saints' Autumn Fair – Village Hall
Monday	5 th	14.30 Friendly Club: Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	6 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Womens' Institute
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:
Saturday	10 th	Twinnings 'Brain of Braunston' Quiz –Village Hall
Monday	12 th	Explorer Scouts: 12.00 Friendly Club Coach Trip
Tuesday	13 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Dick Herne History Society: Royal British Legion AGM – Kilsby
Wednesday	14 th	Scouts : 19.35 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga:
Thursday	15 th	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: Police & Crime Commissioner Elections – Village Hall
Saturday	17 th	19.30 Braunston Cinema Club - Goldfinger:
Monday	19 th	Explorer Scouts :
Tuesday	20 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group :19.30 Dick Herne History Society
Wednesday	21 st	Scouts : 20.30 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: 21 st to 24 th Braunston Players – Village Hall: Royal British Legion Lunch – Boathouse;
Thursday	22 nd	Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo
Saturday	24 th	10-11 Councillor Abigail Surgery – Village Hall
Monday	26 th	Explorer Scouts: Friendly Club – Village Hall
Tuesday	27 th	Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 15.00 Street Surgery with PCSO Thompson & Abigail
Wednesday	28 th	Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga
Friday	30 th	NO YOUTH CLUB THIS MONTH

***All Saints' Church,
Braunston***

**An Informal
ALL SOULS' SERVICE**

**(Come, Light a Candle
& Remember a loved one)**



**Friday
2nd. November
6:00pm**

ALL VERY WELCOME

**Braunston
School
Junior Road
Safety Officers**



Over the past year we have been working with PC Kevin, Braunston's village CSO, to monitor the parking around Braunston school. Four of us from year 6 have been going out for about half an hour each week. We have been looking to check that cars have not been parked on the yellow zigzag lines, across driveways, on the pavement or too close to corners. Pc Kevin told us that cars should not be parked any closer than a lorry's length to a corner (that's 10m away). We have been recording details in a booklet which tells us the date, time and registration of cars not parked properly. Each term PC Kevin comes in to collect our data and talk to us about the parking. These are some of the things we have talked to him about;

"People don't seem to bother about their parking when we are not on duty."

"Some people have been checking when we are out on duty and making sure they're parked correctly."

"Sometimes we have asked people politely to move, because they were in a dangerous place, and they have ignored us."

"We think it is really important for people to park safely, and not put children at risk."

"Some of the people living near our school also find the parking dangerous"

We hope that next year we will find the parking around the school to be safer.

Braunston School JRSO (Junior Road Safety Officers)

Daventry Health Walk Scheme

30/40 min Walks will take place in Braunston on following dates

Wednesday 7th November 10.30am from Poppies Tearooms

Friday 9th " 2pm " " " "

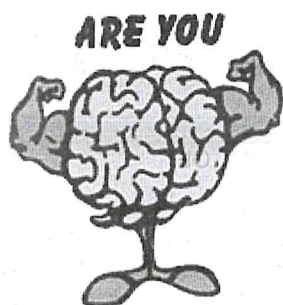
Thursday 15th " 11.15am " " " "

Monday 19th " 11.15am from outside All Saints Church

Thursday 29th " 10.30 from Poppies Tearooms

Walks are free and open to all, but please wear suitable footwear as some walks are through fields.

Leader Rosemary Kendall (01788 890543)



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BRAUNSTON TWINNERS



Braunston Canal Society

We had our workday on the 11th Oct., our intention was to try to complete the three top locks we have been painting. The weather was far better early than forecast but rain at lunch time did halt progress. There is some bits to complete but they will hopefully get done before the end of the year. We had excellent news from our CRT reps., we will now be issued with all our own tools and materials + a storage facility and become self supervising. This is quite a feather in our caps, the group is not yet 12 months old. We are busy with plans for the winter and for next year, the support from our members has made this all possible and we hope to have some news for them shortly. A mention also for Avril at Gongoozler, I am sure the thought of one of your bacon sandwiches encourages our members to turn up on the day.

New recruits are always welcome.

Chris Burton 01788891546

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06.09.12	163	R. Harper	£10
06.09.12	14	R. Dibben	£5

The Dick Herne Braunston History Society

7.30 on November 20th will find us in the library at the Village Hall where we will be plotting our project for next spring in more detail. Also on the agenda will be some interesting ideas for future speakers and of course, where do we go for our Christmas lunch?

It is hoped that as many members as possible will be there for what should be a very interesting and productive evening.

Visitors are very welcome, why not come and join us?

Any queries? Please contact our secretary, Annie Rogers at

www.davani@tiscali.co.uk

Ed: Many apologies for the mistake in last months BVN by giving the society the incorrect name. I hope it didn't upset too many people. Jenni.

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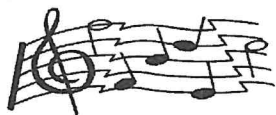
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Accompanied under 16's FREE

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or ring 01788 890826 for ticket reservations

2012/13 Annual appeal

You will find a leaflet giving details in this BVN. We hope you will be able to donate.

All Saints' church is not just for worship, weddings and funerals. It is a place for concerts and other community activities for the whole village. It is a building that gives Braunston a distinctive character. We hope it is something that everyone should want to support.

A pound donated can be worth more than 100 pence. Not only is there a possibility of winning money back from tax by 'gift aid' but major grant giving trusts may donate matching funds if they see we have raised money by our own efforts. There is still a long way to go !

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When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the 2 Beers.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he wordlessly picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full.. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes.'

The professor then produced two Beers from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed..

'Now,' said the professor as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things---your family, your children, your health, your friends and your favorite passions---and if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house and your car.. The sand is everything else---the small stuff.

'If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life.

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you.

Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.

Spend time with your children. Spend time with your parents. Visit with grandparents.

Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and mow the lawn.

Take care of the golf balls first---the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the Beer represented. The professor smiled and said, 'I'm glad you asked.' The Beer just shows you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of Beers with a friend.

author unknown -- happy to attribute if somebody knows

Free Halloween Events at Daventry Country Park

Monday 29th October 2012 - 10.00 am - 12 midday - Wicked Woodland Adventures

Wednesday 31st October 2012 - 3.15 pm - 6.30 pm Halloween Spooktacular - scavenger hunts, competitions and a spooky night time walk.

Our Narrowboat Trip

While attending 'A Dinner with an Auction of Promises' in Braunston on May 19th, my husband Graham bid for a day-trip for four on a narrow-boat. As the hammer fell we were curious and excited to have the opportunity to step once more into this peaceful slow-paced world. Having invited two of our friends to join us, on Sunday August 26th we found ourselves standing on Braunston Marina watching the blue and cream boat glide into view.

Our hosts welcomed us on board cheerfully. We were delighted to see inside. I was amazed to find a fully equipped kitchen, a cosy sitting-room with arm-chairs, wood-burning-stove and television. As we made ourselves comfortable in the prow of the boat, We were served freshly-brewed coffee and the scenery began to float past at a gentle speed. I can understand how charmed people become by this way of life. Stress, modern-living, traffic noise and fumes - all these things were left behind as the narrow-boat made its way under bridges, passing ducks with their ducklings (which we fed with duck pellets kindly provided) swans and the wild-life so characteristic of rural England. Sometimes it's easy to forget we live in such a beautiful part of the country.

As our "Captain" steered us towards Lower Shuckborough, people on other narrow-boats waved as they went by. It was fascinating to see all the different variations of 'narrow-boat' with their coloured livery, hand-painted kettles and buckets, pretty pots of geraniums as well as the occasional dog standing proudly at the helm. I was interested by the sight of a derelict boat shrouded in canvas and sinking into the water, its history concealed behind peeling paint. It was then I began to dream: wouldn't it be great to buy an old boat and renovate it? Most definitely not, I was told by the more realistic among us!

When we reached Napton-on-the-Hill and a wider section of the canal, The Captain turned the boat round. By now it was lunch-time - where had the morning gone? Soon the boat was moored up alongside a grassy canal bank. Our hosts set out tables and chairs, poured chilled wine and served us all a delicious buffet lunch. It was then the sun chose to shine as we all enjoyed our meal followed by strawberries and cream. Perfect heaven!

On the journey back to Braunston Marina I think we all could have easily drifted off to sleep it was so relaxing. Special thanks to our hosts for making our trip so enjoyable and memorable, or as one of our friends said afterwards, "Just wonderful!"

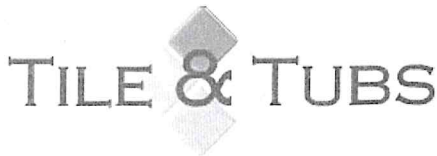
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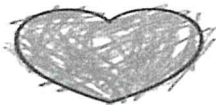
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We will be holding a Children's Lucky Bag and Balloon Stall at All Saints Church Autumn Fair on 3rd. November at 2pm.

Thank you all so much
Brenda Hobbs on behalf of
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THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - BRAUNSTON & DISTRICT BRANCH

Remembrance Day. The district Church service this year will be held at Ashby St. Legers at 10.45am on 11th November. The service in Braunston Church will be in the afternoon at 3pm. All members are requested to parade outside the Churches 20 minutes prior to these times.

Poppy Collection. There will be a house to house collection and collection boxes in shops and businesses. Please give generously to this worthy cause. We could still do with another couple of collectors in the village. If anyone has a few hours to spare would they please contact Colin White or the undersigned.

Annual General Meeting. The next meeting of the Branch will be at The George Hotel at Kilsby, on November 13th. It will be preceded by the AGM. Please note the earlier starting time of 7.30 pm. Anyone having nominations for the officers and committee of the Branch should forward them to the acting secretary. Bill Musgrove. We are particularly anxious to receive nominations for the position of Secretary.

November Lunch. This months' informal lunch will again be at The Boathouse, Braunston, on Wednesday 21st November as 12.00 midday onwards. No need to book, just come along. Friends welcome.

Christmas Concert. The annual Christmas Concert "Music for your pleasure" given by the Legion in conjunction with Daventry Brass will be held on Saturday 1st December at 7.30pm at Daventry Community Centre, Ashby Road, Daventry. Interval refreshments included and there will be a raffle. Tickets £7.50 from Colin White or at the door.

Tony Saunderson - 01788 890797

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

3rd. November	Autumn Fair - Village Hall 2pm.
1st. December	Interdum Singers Concert 7:30pm
7th. December	Christmas Quiz - Village Hall 7:00pm for 7:30pm
22nd. December	Carols in Village Hall 6:00pm
25th. January	Burns Supper - Village Hall Piper & Live Music NORTHAMPTON VOLUNTEERING



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Ed: I have read through some of the information (far too much to include here) and some of the activities look really good.

Clubs and Society Events

Braunston

Women's Institute



Women's
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Next Meeting:-

Tuesday November 6th at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Gemma from Orange Blossom Florists in Daventry will give us a demonstration of Christmas Flower Arrangements.

There will be a raffle and the Challenge is a handmade Christmas Decoration.

Contact - Barbara 01788 890452

Braunston Fishing Club BINGO

Every Thursday throughout the year

8.00pm in the Village Hall

Non members welcome

G Donald 891264

Friendly Club

Next meeting - November 12th. We are running a coach trip to Touchwood Shopping Centre in Solihull. Coach leaves The Green at 9.30am. There are still some seats available for villagers - cost £12. We leave at 4pm to return. For more information please phone Gill on 890763 or Janet on 890336.

Monday 26th November - Ray Hutchinson will entertain us again on piano with songs from the past. Come along and sing-a-long or just listen to the music. Visitors are most welcome. Gill 890763

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BRAUNSTON WALKERS

Walk Saturday 150912 - Gumley (9 miles)

Gumley lies in a beautiful part of rural Leicestershire and this walk includes the perfect pub. Ten of us met up on a lovely sunny day outside The Bell where the landlord was ready and waiting to take our lunch time order. Unfortunately we had to get the walk out of the way before lunch so we set off, briskly, along the main street, uphill, passing an Italianate tower which stands on the site of Gumley Manor which was used in the second world war to train resistant fighters and SOE agents. Reaching the old stone church we skirted Gumley Wood on the footpath which is part of the Leicestershire Round (a 100 mile circuit around the county) and walked over a field where the pub landlady was exercising her dog, crossed a road and re-joined the footpath down a steep hill. What goes down must go up as they say and we soon found a very steep climb up onto Smeeton Hill with spectacular views from the summit over the blue, sparkling, Seddington Reservoir and all around Leicestershire's rolling farm land. We followed the top of the hill and then plunged downhill to cross a manmade channel which takes water from the reservoir to top up the nearby canal, over a natural stream and steeply uphill (there is a theme here!) into the village of Seddington where we turned left past the pub and then left again in front of the old church through Manor farmyard and along a path to reach the Mowsley Road. To avoid a difficult path along the valley we turned left and followed the road happily sucking Nigel's sweets and then took a field path off left opposite Brook Farm. We romped down to a valley then along several fields to reach an old track leading into the lovely, sleeping old village of Laughton. From the village just after the tiny old school our path lead over a field of sheep. We passed several dead sheep and some others that were obviously neglected and in need of some care. This did not seem right and we contacted the RSPCA who subsequently sent someone out to investigate. We crossed a small road and followed several fields dropping gradually downhill then branched left to cross an old railway and over another field. In front was a really steep hill but as the pub was at the top we were soon up the top and passing some horses to emerge in the main street. In the pub we were quickly ensconced over Wellingborough bitter and a fantastic two course lunch for £5.50. Splendid and the service was excellent well worth another visit. Publicans take note and check it out to see how it should be done. In the afternoon we emerged replete and turned right out of the pub, left at a junction then left again onto a path crossing fields to reach the amazing ten lock flight at Foxton. A great spot with lots of interest. We walked over a swing bridge and followed the peaceful canal to reach Foxton itself and back over several fields to reach a bridge over the canal and then a steady climb back to the cars at Gumley and home for a cuppa! This is a great walk in a fabulous area with super views. Why not come and join us? We meet at 10 at the village hall and our next walks are as follows: 17th November Everdon Woods (c.10 miles) 15th December Christmas Walk (c.6 miles)



Over half of the concerns shared with me since I've been a District Councillor are traffic-related, principally speeding and parking. Braunston, like most villages, simply wasn't built to accommodate the volume of traffic now on our streets. On both matters I work closely with the local police, chiefly with our PCSO. From April 2013 parking enforcement, both on-street and off-street, will be decriminalised, becoming a civil responsibility of the local authority.

One of the parking pressure points in Braunston is at the school. Consultation will soon begin about introducing parking restrictions at the junctions of Barby Road with Church Road and Greenway to make the area safer. Yellow lines alone don't solve the problem; I'm also working with the school, Parish Council, DDC and NCC to explore the potential for a Walking Bus in the village.

The Daventry Transport Strategy, currently out for consultation, identifies the need for increased parking facilities in Daventry town, but not for any villages. I have responded, to point out what seems to me an obvious omission.

Northamptonshire Police is re-launching Community Speed Watch (CSW) in 11 pilot areas, training local people to use hand-held speed monitors. They say they'd like to extend the scheme across the county if more funding is secured. CSW runs alongside the Force's mobile speed vans and existing

speed monitors, both used regularly on the A361 and A45 and sometimes in the village itself.

Northamptonshire Police has made close to the national average of a 6% cut in frontline policing since 2010. In neighbouring Warwickshire the cut is 16%. Decriminalising parking enforcement and introducing CSW may reduce demands on pressured police resources. But I don't believe that council contractors and volunteers are a substitute for a regular, visible police presence in our village.



Street surgery, with PCSO Thompson and Julie Jarrett, Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator

Councillor Surgery

**Saturday 21 November 10-11am
Braunston Village Hall**

Street Surgery with PCSO Thompson

Tuesday 27 November 3-3.30pm

Police and Crime Commissioner Elections

**Thursday 15 November
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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 Canal Society	Chris Burton	891546	
Braunston Cinema Club	Sandy Mac Donald	891488	
Braunston Players	Chris Grossart	890491	Annual Show plus informal get togethers
Braunston Singers	Jacqui Lancaster	891018	Alternate Weeks
Braunston Walkers	Phillip Ray	891437 891384	Walks of 7-10 miles around the area
Church Choir	John Viggars	0247667 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	R. Undy r.undy@hotmail.co. uk	0781469 5160	
All Saints' Kids Club Sunday School			No Kids Club at the moment
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 parent Mondays 2pm All Saints' Church
Pre-School	Braunstonpreschool @googlemail.com	07950 246130	Mon – Fri am during term time in village hall

Club	Contact	Phone (01788)	Meetings
Royal British Legion 2 nd Braunston Scouts - Group Scout Leader	Colin D White Steve Rolt	890390 07956 682733	2 nd Tuesday of month At 8pm
Explorer Scouts Boys & Girls Beavers for Boys and Girls	John Driver Joan Bishop	07798 645581 01327 878178	Every Monday 10 ½ - 14 yrs Every Tuesday 5 ¾ - 8 yrs
Scouts for Boys & Girls	Stuart Muddiman Via Steve	07956 682733	Every Wednesday 10 ½ - 14 yrs
Cub Scouts for Boys and Girls Explorer Scouts	David Coleman Steve Rolt	07796 336985 07956 682733	Every Thursday 8 - 10 ½ yrs 14-18yrs Boys & Girls Alternate Mondays
Short Mat Bowls	Alan & Mavis Eley	890011	Thursdays 13.45 Village Hall
Adult Tap & Ballet Classes Toddler Group	Julia Beattie Andy Canning Tony Ward	890488 891456	Wednesdays 19.35 - 21.35 Village Hall (Term time only) Tuesdays 13.30 Village Hall
Twinning Association Village Hall Committee Women's Institute	Alan Dent Pat Steeton Gill Powell	07724 123363 01788 891366 890753 890763	Social Events & visits to and from Quincy-Voisins Village Hall Bookings a.dent725@btinternet.com 1 st Tuesday at 19.30
WEA Workers Educational Assoc	Jackie Green	890145	Thursday Evenings at school Autumn & Spring Terms
Yoga Group	Sheila Beckett	891831	In Village Hall Summer Break restart 5/9/12
Youth Club 9-15yrs	Peter Hobbs Tina Parsons	899086 078125 38193	Alternate Fridays in Village Hall



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PROGRAMME

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Friday 16th Nov - Charity Quiz Night - £2 per person entry
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Sat 17th Nov - Live music performed by "Big Wednesday"

Sat 24th Nov - Live music performed by "The Rooters"

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FOOD WILL BE NO LONGER AVAILABLE AT THE WHEATSHEAF UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE

BVN Deadline - Dec / Jan Edition

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