

BRAUNSTON **NEWS** **Village**

Issue No: 477

Dec / Jan 2013

Love where you live

Published jointly by All Saints' Church and the Braunston Parish Council



One Man & his Dog

Photograph by Pete Lawrence



allsaintsbraunston.org.uk



**The Blessed Virgin Mary & St
Leodegarius, Ashby St Ledgers**
ashby-st-ledgers-church.co.uk

Parish Priest:- Rev. Sarah Brown 01788 890298

email sarah@talkingdirect.plus.com

Churchwardens:

Pat Milner: 899157

Ann Parker-Tyler: 899251

Secretary: Sheila Rowley - 890559

Treasurer: John Lewis - 891149

Organist and Choirmaster:

John Viggers -024 7667 9967

Churchwardens:

Chris Levett: 891864

Deputy - Trish Davis - 891792

PCC Lay Chair:

Mrs Sue Brooks: 01788 890042

Secretary:

Dorothy Amos: 01788 891491

REGISTERS FOR NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2012

BRAUNSTON

Baptisms

18/11 - Lily Richardson

2/12- Lilia Slater

2/12 - Laura Smout

Funerals -

1/11 - Dennis Ferris

4/11 - Frederick Cleaver

14/11 - Ian MacKichan

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

ASHBY

Baptisms -

Weddings

Funerals -

Why we need Christmas?

The world is a weird and often upsetting place. It seems as if the sneaky, the dishonest and the downright nasty among us get away with doing enormously awful things while decent hardworking people end up suffering consequences and penalties that seem disproportionate to anything they might appear to deserve. This feels particularly true at present for the church community at Ashby St Ledgers. I walked in to the 800 year old church on a wet day recently and discovered to my horror that I could see sky through the ceiling and that moreover the said sky was chucking biblical quantities of rain into the church. Some "Brood of Vipers (to use a suitably scriptural epithet) had been and removed the lead from the roof, presumably to sell for a pittance, leaving considerable damage, cost, anxiety and demoralisation in their wake. I'm furious- not just at the physical damage but because the little band of worshippers at Ashby work very hard to keep that little church in order and they do not deserve what has happened. My instinct is to put big notices on the roof in case the culprits return for the few remaining scraps of lead saying "Abandon Hope all ye who enter here" or "Have you ever heard of Hell?" but I suspect that CCTV and roof alarms will be the real deterrents! But my instinct is not wrong in the great scheme of things even if I do express it rabidly and mediocrally for literary effect!

Before we get to Christmas we meet four weeks of Advent or preparation. Four weeks when we recognise our own awfulness and try to put it right before the angels burst into the world with news of redemption. Christmas is about the dawning of a new kind of age of justice, bigger than human justice, where the innocent will be vindicated and those who harm others, do awful things, steal lead from church roofs, and don't mend their ways will encounter eternal consequences. Justice will ultimately be done. That is a big part of the Christmas message. So if you are someone who has a rough deal at the hands of others, Happy Christmas! If you are someone who does nasty things, have a good look at yourself this Advent and change your ways! And then have a post-repentance Happy Christmas!

Whatever and whoever you are (and most of us, including me are a murky mixture of both good and bad) I shall hope to see you as we celebrate the age old story of hope, peace and justice together this month!

Every blessing

Sarah

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING 2012

Not shown in the previous edition

30th October - Happy Birthday Sue Woodward

31st October - * Dad, years pass but never forgotten. Love Jeff, Lel, Kara and Aaron

November's Floodlighting so far...

1st November - All Saints' Day

12th November - * Happy Anniversary Mick, with love

December's Floodlighting so far...

3rd December - * In Loving Memory of Our Mum

5th December - Happy 13th Birthday my Special Grandson Michael, living in USA. Special love, Granny xxx

6th December - Remembering Judith

15th December - * Forever in our hearts Peter and Valerie Buxton (Mum and Dad) love Ju and Mark

17th December - In loving memory of Mum on her birthday & at Christmas. Forever in our thoughts & hearts. Love Cay & Bill.

19th December * In loving memory of Alan, from Gill & Family

20th December * Remembering Derek Attack on his birthday from Irene, Alan & Janet

20th December - * Clive and Lorna Cooper celebrate 60 years of marriage

21st December - * Gordon, the brightest star. Also remembering Dad and Mick

23rd December - * The birthday of my late wife Pamela. From Harold, a daughter Sally & son Roger

24th December - Birthday Memories Carl Grant. Love always Sharon, Kyle, Siann and family

25th December - Gladdy, Miss you more than words can say. God bless. Lynn and Jim

29th December - * Pat and Dave's Wedding Anniversary

30th December - * Peter & Chris Grossart's Wedding Anniversary



January's Floodlighting so far...

1st January - * For Jacob Ive on his 3rd birthday with love from GG

8th January - * Lit by Bryan & Janet Stuart, to Commemorate our son Jonathan

28th January - * Remembering Eric Alsop and Ted and Audrey Flower. Wonderful parents

29th January - * Alan & Pauline's Wedding Anniversary

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

Please take note: - These are all the floodlighting requests received before the BVN Deadline - 18th November 2012

All Saints Church
Friday 25th. Jan
7:00pm for 7:30pm
Burns Night

In Braunston Village Hall
Dinner (including Sweet; Coffee and Mints)
With Piper, Live Music and Licensed Bar



Hunt out your Tartan

Ticket Prices: Adult £12
Tickets at All Saints Church;
Braunston Post Office;
Braunston Hair Salon or ring 01788 899086
(limited tickets available)

Thomas Sheldon

Bathroom

Installation

Specialist



All plumbing and tiling including:

- Wetrooms Tel : 01788 890701
- Cloakrooms Mobile 07870 433287
- En-Suites

Email: *Thomas.sheldon@hotmail.co.uk*

Client References Available

Visit my Website – *www.tileandtubs.co.uk*

Next District Council surgeries

Saturday 15 December 4 - 5pm

Braunston Shop, High Street and Marina

Walking surgery with PCSO Thompson

Saturday 26 January 10 – 11am

Braunston Village Hall

Have a very happy festive season!

Abigail Campbell

01788 891782 or acampbell@daventrydc.gov.uk

Christmas Quiz

Night

Braunston Village Hall

Friday 7th. December

7:00pm for 7:30pm

Teams no more than 6

£8 per head

includes Quiz &

Seasonal Supper

Bring your own drink's



Interested?

Sign up at Church or

Phone Pat on 01788 899157



All Property Maintenance & Home Improvements

GARY CAPELL

LOCAL BRAUNSTON CARPENTER AND JOINER

MOST WORK CATERED FOR INCLUDING:

*Making and fitting wooden and UPVC Windows – Doors – Kitchens – Tiling –
Decking – Fencing – Alteration Work – Laminate Flooring – UPVC Facia Boards –
Guttering – Painting*

FREE COMPETITIVE NO OBLIGATION QUOTE



Telephone anytime on: 01788 891120 or mobile: 07717804378



Tap & Street & ZUMBA

Tuesday Evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



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

Dance & Gym

Friday evenings, Nene Hall, The Grange



5.00pm - Funky Dance (4-6yrs)
5.30pm - Prima Ballerinas 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)
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)

Limited places available - FREE TRIAL CLASS

Call Lorraine 07711 010404 - www.loveballet.co.uk - lorraine@loveballet.co.uk

RAINFALL FIGURES

18/10 to 18/11
46 mm

Would you like to advertise
in this magazine?

Prices start from £15 month

Contact Jenni Burton
See back cover for details

Gelish Nails, Manicures
Shape & Polish

CHARISMA

**Hair Salon opening at 39, High St,
Braunston on August 14th
Give us a call on 01788 891211 for
an appointment, whether for a
hair cut, a consultation for other
services, or just call in - we are
here to help.
Families welcome, all ages, nothing
too much trouble**

All Saints Church Calendar 2013

NOW AVAILABLE

Price £6

The church calendar for 2013 is now available and can be purchased from the following locations:

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

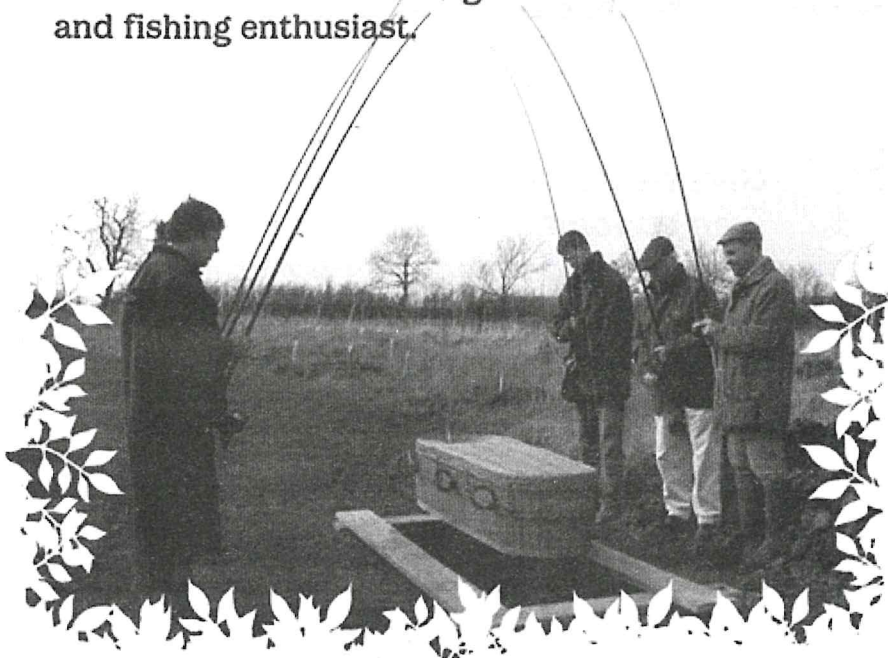
Copies are limited so please do not delay!



Photo John Lewis LRPS

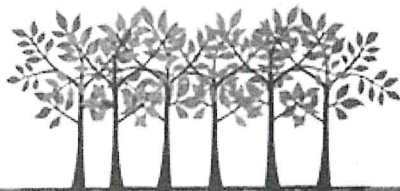
If you purchase your calendar at the church please give your money to one of the church wardens, or duty side person so that the cash can be identified. All proceeds from the calendar is used to support All Saints Braunston

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



One of the many wonderful things about Greenhaven is that you can be buried however you wish. We think burial is about celebrating the life someone has had and the things they enjoyed.

You can have the burial you want, but at a fraction of the cost of a conventional one. And for those left behind – a beautiful woodland sanctuary where life goes on and memories linger.



Visit us at: www.greenhaven.org.uk
email on: nichargreaves@hotmail.com
Or call Nick on: 01788 860 604

Greenhaven
woodland burial ground
A little piece of heaven on earth

Braunston Youth Club

Next Meetings:

DECEMBER- Friday 14th

JANUARY - Friday 11th

FEBRUARY - Friday 8th and 22nd

At Braunston Village Hall 7pm - 9pm - £1.00
We could still do with some more helpers. If you are
interested - ring Tina Parsons 07812538193

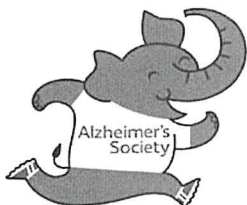
**Alzheimer's
Society**

Leading the
fight against
dementia

THANK YOU

As a result of everyone's generosity £713 was raised for the Alzheimer's Society in "A Challenge For Clara"
I completed the Great North Run in 2 hours and 25 mins
Many thanks to all for their help in donating, collecting money, general support and encouragement

Jeff Martins



Ed: Congratulations and well done Jeff



*Mike Fiddes
Your Local
Handyman*

**For all Your Home & Garden
Needs**

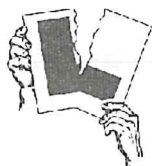
Fencing, Patios, Paths & Walls
Pergolas/Arbours ~ made to measure

Home Maintenance, Guttering,
Re-Pointing, Shelving Flat-Pack
Assembly & *all those little odd jobs!*

For a no obligation quote ring

01788 891847 or

078808 78835 (mobile)



**BRAUNSTON
SCHOOL of
MOTORING**

Est. 1993

- Professional, Patient Tuition
- Excellent Pass Rate
- Student & Block Booking Discounts
- Free Learner Support Pack
- Motorway Tuition & Pass Plus
- Refresher & Lapsed Pupils

*Phone Martin Scott, DSA A.D.I., I.A.M.,
F.C.I.B.*

Telephone:

01788 890751

07889 709948

NEWS FROM JETTY FIELDS.

First of all, a very BIG thank you to the sixteen or so villagers who turned out on Saturday 20th October to achieve so much in the Jetty Fields area. Much of the wild area was cleared and brought under control, the garden area was weeded and bulbs planted. One volunteer even provided cakes and hot drinks- thank you! The immediate area outside the entrance to Eastfields was also given a good tidy up. It just shows how community effort can make such a difference. If you would like to help on a work morning in future, or can offer a few hours every so often, please ring Brian (899262) or Andrew (890826).

Many, many thanks to those dog owners who continue to clear up after their much loved pets. All we need now is that others to do the same!

Much work has been completed in the garden area, we hope that you have noticed the water feature, the tidy flower beds and other improvements. We will continue to work hard over the winter period.

Where are the sheep? We apologise that they have not been seen.



Presents

White Christmas

1954 (U)

Saturday 15 December 7.30pm

Grease

1978 (PG)

Saturday 26 January 7.30pm

Homemade refreshments available

Tickets £6 (non-members) and £4 (members)

Available in advance from

braunstoncinemaclub@gmail.com

or call 07989 421836

In association with Centre Screen,
part of the Big Country Rural Cinema Network

Christmas Gift Ideas

*Are your loved ones or friends blind or partially sighted?
Are you wondering what to buy them for Christmas?*

Then why not visit one of Northamptonshire Association for the Blind's Sight Centres to see a range of different gift ideas. They display and sell a variety of specialist aids and equipment that can make the perfect birthday or Christmas gifts for someone living with sight loss.

Gifts include: Kitchen Gadgets, Talking Clocks and Watches, Reading and Writing Guides, plus other Household Aids. There are Big Button Telephones and Mobile Phones, Large Print Books, Playing Cards and NEW Large Print 2013 Diaries and Calendars.



The gifts vary in price to meet all budgets and they won't be found on the High Street.

Locations:

Kettering Sight Centre located behind QD's on the High Street, at the top of the Wadcroft car park (off Commercial Rd).
Open Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays 10am-1pm.

Northampton Sight Centre located within Wardington Court, Welford Road, Kingsthorpe. Open Monday – Friday 9am-3pm.

For added convenience, why not visit our **Mobile Sight Centre** when it visits your area shortly. It will be in **Daventry Town Centre**, near Shopmobility (New Street) on **Wednesday 19th December** from 10am-1pm. It will also be visiting **Long Buckby** on the same date, parked at the GP Surgery on Station Road from 2pm-3pm. It will also be at Waitrose in **Towcester** on **Wednesday 7th November** from 2pm -4pm.

If you are unable to visit any of our locations but would like to either obtain a catalogue or place an order, call our Helpline **01604 719193**

www.nab.org.uk

nab
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
ASSOCIATION
FOR THE BLIND

All Saints' Church, Braunston

CAROL SINGING IN THE VILLAGE HALL

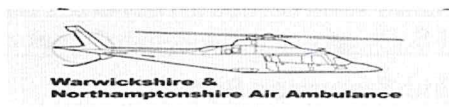


6:00pm Saturday

22nd. December

Everyone Welcome

Come & Join us



Wool wool wool wool wool wool

If any one has any odd balls of wool please could you give them to Kim in the shop or deliver them to

33, THE GREEN, BRAUNSTON, DAVENTRY NN11 7HW

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS DECEMBER 2012

| | | |
|-----------|------------------|--|
| Saturday | 1 st | 19.30 Interdum Singers Concert |
| Sunday | 2 nd | 9.15 Holy Communion (A) 11.00 Parish Communion (B) 18.00 Advent Carol Service at Holy Cross |
| Monday | 3 rd | 14.00 Little Fishers: 15.45 Christingle Service: 19.30 Choir Practice |
| Wednesday | 5 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch |
| Thursday | 6 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 9 th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Family Service(B) |
| Monday | 10 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 12 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School; |
| Thursday | 13 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 16 th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion(A) 11.00 Holy Communion & Kids Club (B) |
| Monday | 17 th | 9.30 School Christmas Service in Church: 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 19 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: |
| Thursday | 20 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Saturday | 2 nd | 18.00 Come and sing Carols in the Village Hall |
| Sunday | 23 rd | 8.00 Holy Communion(B): 9.15 Breakfast Service (A): 11.00 Family Communion (B): 15.00 Nine Lessons & Carols (A): 18.30 Service of Nine Lessons & Carols (B) |
| Monday | 24 th | 14.00 Crib Service (A): 16.00 Crib Service (Come in Biblical Costume) (B): 23.30 "Midnight Mass"(B) 23.30 "Midnight Mass" (A) |
| Tuesday | 25 th | 11.00 Christmas Day Family Service (B) no Christmas Morning Service at Ashby |
| Sunday | 30 th | 10.am Team Service at Holy Cross Daventry NB. No service in the Parish Church or Ashby |

2nd Braunston Scout Group

WE NEED YOU!!!!

We are seeking to recruit volunteer adult helpers to cope with our increasing group size.

Your commitment could be as little as 2 hours per month or more if you wish.

We very much encourage flexible volunteering.

You do not need any Scouting experience to start helping out.

Interested?

If so call Lois Prat on 01788 890766 NOW!!!!!!

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS DECEMBER 2012

| | | |
|-----------|------------------|--|
| Saturday | 1 st | 19.30 Interdum Singers at All Saints |
| Monday | 3 rd | 14.30 Friendly Club: Explorer Scouts : |
| Tuesday | 4 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: 19.30 Women's Institute |
| Wednesday | 5 th | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 6 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: ` 4.00 Health Walk |
| Friday | 7 th | All Saints' Christmas Quiz – Village Hall |
| Saturday | 8 th | 10.00 Braunston Village market on Village Green: 16.00 Carols at Wolhampcote Church |
| Monday | 10 th | Explorer Scouts: 12.00 Friendly Club Coach Trip |
| Tuesday | 11 th | Beavers : Friendly Club Lunch: 13.00 Toddler Group: 13.45 Dick Herne History Society Lunch at the Plough |
| Wednesday | 12 th | Scouts : 19.35 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 13 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: |
| Friday | 14 th | 14.00 Health Walk: Braunston Youth Club |
| Saturday | 15 th | 16.00 District Council Surgery: 19.30 Braunston Cinema Club – White Christmas |
| Monday | 17 th | 10.40 – 12.05 Braunston Pre School Coffee Morning: 14.00 Friendly Club Explorer Scouts : |
| Tuesday | 18 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group Christmas Party :19.30 Dick Herne History Society |
| Wednesday | 19 th | Scouts : 20.30 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 20 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Saturday | 22 nd | 18.00 Carol Singing – Village Hall |
| Monday | 24 th | Explorer Scouts: Friendly Club – Village Hall |
| Tuesday | 25 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: |

Ed: I have had to use my own initiative as to some of the dates around Christmas / New Year, if in doubt please contact the club / society direct

PLEASE SEE PAGES 34 AND 35 FOR JANUARY DATES AND EVENTS

BRAUNSTON PRE SCHOOL

MONDAY 17TH DECEMBER 10.40AM-12.05PM BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL WILL BE HOLDING THEIR CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING. COME ALONG, GET INTO THE FESTIVE SPIRIT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR PRE-SCHOOL. THERE WILL BE CHANCE TO ENTER THE RAFFLE FOR A FABULOUS CHRISTMAS HAMPER, A TOMBOLA, AND LOTS MORE FUN PLUS REFRESHMENTS INCLUDING HOME BAKED TREATS WILL BE ON SALE -

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS EVENT BY WAY OF BAKING DONATIONS THEN PLEASE BRING TO THE HALL FROM 9AM ON THE DAY

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU :
THANK YOU

BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL COMMITTEE, STAFF AND CHILDREN WOULD LIKE TO SAY A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE/BUSINESSES THAT HAVE SUPPORTED US THIS YEAR - ITS GREATLY APPRECIATED AND WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU - WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ALL AGAIN IN 2013 AND BEYOND :

LOOK OUT IN WAITROSE, DAVENTRY THROUGHOUT DECEMBER FOR THE BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL TOKEN CHARITY BOX- PLEASE SUPPORT US WITH YOUR TOKENS - EVERY TOKEN HELPS!!

BRAUNSTON TODDLER GROUP WILL BE HOLDING THEIR CHRISTMAS PARTY 1PM-3PM TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER AT THE VILLAGE HALL - COME ALONG AND ENJOY THE PARTY ATMOSPHERE, GRAB A CUPPA AND REFRESHMENTS AND GIVE THE CHILDREN CHANCE TO SEE SANTA ASWELL AS TUCKING INTO PARTY FOOD AND PLAYING - ALL THIS FOR JUST £2 PER FAMILY :

IF YOU WISH FOR YOUR CHILD TO RECEIVE A GIFT FROM SANTA PLEASE BRING A SMALL CLEARLY LABELLED PRESENT WITH YOU AND PUT IN THE SACK FOR SANTA

GREAT FUN - NOT TO BE MISSED!!

MUMS WITH BABIES: PLEASE NOTE - WE HAVE SECURED THE HEALTH VISITOR SERVICE BACK AT TODDLERS ONCE A MONTH, COME ALONG AND GET YOUR BABY WEIGHED AND HAVE MEASUREMENTS PLOTTED IN THEIR RED BOOK AND GET ADVICE. DATES FOR THE NEXT SESSIONS ARE DECEMBER 11TH & JANUARY 15TH 2013

BRAUNSTON PARCELS

Members of 'D' Squadron King's Royal Hussars have now completed their tour of Afghanistan and have returned to their base in the U.K. They handed over their responsibilities to 'A' Squadron, Royal Dragoon Guards whose members are the new recipients of our parcels. I have already received a letter from the officer commanding the Squadron thanking us for the parcels that the troops have received from Braunston. I am sure that you join me in wishing this new Squadron a safe and successful deployment.

The servicemen and women of the King's Royal Hussars were prolific letter writers and during their tour sent 35 back to us - a record! Every one of those letters thanked us for supporting them during their tour. It is gratifying to know that our parcels are welcomed and appreciated. Since April 2007 1155 parcels have been sent from Braunston to various regiments of the British army and Royal Marines.

My sincere thanks go to each and every one of you who continue to support this very worthy cause, THANK YOU.

A Happy Christmas to everyone at home here and a safe Christmas to all of our armed forces serving in Afghanistan.

Once again, thank you for your support!

Val Worrall

Daventry Health Walk Scheme

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

Thursday 6th December at 2 pm from Poppies Tea Rooms in the High Street
Friday 14th December at 2 pm ^ " " " "

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

The Dick Herne Braunston History Society

Our Christmas lunch is on Tuesday 11th December at the Old Plough in Braunston at 1.45. Can any members who wish to go to the lunch let Annie Rogers know on 891179 by the 2nd December.

Our next meeting will be January 15th in the Village Hall

*Don't be left out
on Christmas Day*



Join us for lunch!

*Braunston singles & couples of all ages who would
otherwise be spending Christmas on their own are
warmly invited to join us for a three course
Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings!*



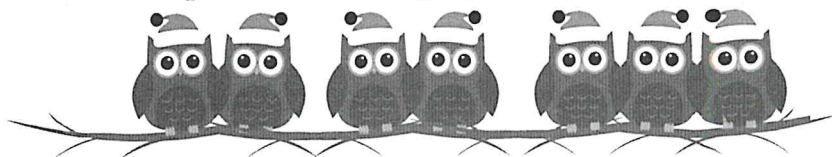
*Where: All Saints' Church
When: Christmas Day from 1:30pm*



*Cost: £8 per person
Please call 01788 891 604 to reserve your place
Places are limited - bookings will be taken on a first-come,
first-served basis with payment until December 14th*



Transport will be arranged for those who need it



Braunston Canal Society.

This time of the year sees the first anniversary of the conversation that lead to the formation of our Canal Society. I think Mike and Nick's original idea that we have developed into its present form, has proven how much local good will there is towards the canal. November saw us able to undertake the clearance of the island underneath the double bridges at Braunston Junction. We had to limit the number of volunteers, space was limited, but we managed to fill 10 of the metre square builder's bags. We were also privileged to have the use of Mike's well known Historic Tug NB Vesta. This brings our total hours given to CRT since Feb 2012 to approx 400. We also had a very pleasant social evening at the Admiral Nelson this month, a very tasty hot buffet was provided by Liam and Pam, we all appeared to have a very pleasant evening. The group is gaining a reputation within CRT that we should all be proud of, we have put ourselves forward for many tasks and completed them to a very high standard, we are being used as an example to others of what can be achieved. It is all our members who have achieved this and we are all entitled to feel proud. Thank you to many people that have encouraged and supported us and especially to Avril at Gongoozler and her special sandwiches.



NB Vesta with final load, society members and Miriam Tedder of CRT.
We are always on the lookout for new members for various tasks.
Chris Burton 01788891546 / 07889125319

Braunston garage

Est. 1991

Cross Lane, Braunston, Nr.Daventry

Northamptonshire NN11 7HH

Tel: (01788) 891977

Fax: (01788) 891977

- Servicing to all makes of vehicles - either using our own unique service program, or to manufactures service schedules including those still under warranty.
- All diagnostic work under taken - using the latest diagnostic equipment in our fully equipped workshop.
- M.O.T's arranged - all repairs available on site.
- Tyres/puncture repairs/wheel balancing - excellent prices on new tyres fitted on site.
- Wheel alignment
- Clutches supplied and fitted
- Exhausts
- Batteries
- Welding

Opening times

Mon - Fri 8.00 to 6.00

Saturday 8.00 to 12.00

Fully qualified technicians, professional and friendly service. No job too small.

To book an appointment call :01788 891977

MBLH

Oil Boiler Services

Martin Hooker

Tel: 01788 812989

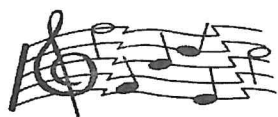
Mob: 07761 114 043



- | | |
|----------------------|------------------|
| ✓ Boiler Servicing | ✓ Prompt Service |
| ✓ Boiler Breakdowns | ✓ Fully Insured |
| ✓ Competitive Prices | |

All Saints Church

Saturday 1st. December



7:30pm



INTERDUM SINGERS

Ticket price include interval refreshments of
wine or soft drink and nibbles

Ticket Prices:

Adult £8

Concessions £6

Accompanied under 16's FREE

Tickets on the door

carols & readings

**st peter's church
wolfhampcote**

**saturday
8th december**

4 p.m.



**bring a candle
and
dress warmly !**



All Saints' Church



Christmas Services 2012

Monday 3rd. December
3:45pm Christingle

Monday 17th. December
9:30am School Christmas Service in Church

Saturday 22nd. December
6:00pm Carol Singing in the Village Hall
Come along and sing your favourites

Sunday 23rd. December
6:30pm Nine Lessons and Carols.
Traditional choral service of scripture, carols and music

Monday 24th December
4:00pm Crib Service- Really Festive and Cheerful.
11:30pm Midnight Mass.

Tuesday Christmas Day
11:00am Family Service with Communion



CARE VISITS AT HOME

Good old fashioned service

A comprehensive
care at home service



Contact us

Call our professional team

01327 227084

01604 212476

Alternative

We offer a realistic cost effective alternative to residential care. With familiar friends, relatives and possessions Bluebird Care easily fits in around you - whatever your needs.

Our staff

Our staff are dedicated, caring and trained to give medication. All our carers are police checked for your peace of mind.

What we offer

From personal care to shopping and cleaning or just to come and chat with you in the comfort of your own home. Just tell us what you want.



www.bluebirdcare.co.uk

WIN FANTASTIC PRIZES IN THIS MONTH'S *Competition*

Win a wonderful
Spa Find Hand & Foot Cream
by answering the following question:

Q. Name any 3 of the Dead Sea minerals
found in Spa Find products

SEND YOUR ANSWER
ALONG WITH YOUR
EMAIL ADDRESS &
MOBILE NUMBER TO
DAXA@DAXASPA.COM

Visit www.daxaspa.com for the answer
and the chance to win this fantastic prize!



07773 795 267

CLUBS & SOCIETY DETAILS

| 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 | 890583 | |
| | Wendy Wilson | 890348 | |
| | Louis Prat | 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 | Colin D White | 890390 | 2 nd Tuesday of month At 8pm |
| 2 nd Braunston Scouts - Group Scout Leader | Steve Rolt | 07956 682733 | |
| Explorer Scouts Boys & Girls | John Driver | 07798 645581 | Every Monday 10 ½ - 14 yrs |
| Beavers for Boys and Girls | Joan Bishop | 01327 878178 | 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 | David Coleman | 07796 336985 | Every Thursday 8 – 10 ½ yrs |
| Explorer Scouts | Steve Rolt | 07956 682733 | 14-18yrs Boys & Girls Alternate Mondays |
| Short Mat Bowls | Alan & Mavis Eley | 890011 | Thursdays 13.45 Village Hall |
| Adult Tap & Ballet Classes | Julia Beattie | 890488 | Wednesdays 19.35 – 21.35 Village Hall (Term time only) |
| Toddler Group | Andy Canning | 891456 | Tuesdays 13.30 Village Hall |
| Twinning Association | Tony Ward | 07724 123363 | Social Events & visits to and from Quincy-Voisins |
| Village Hall Committee | Alan Dent | 01788 891366 | Village Hall Bookings a.dent725@btinternet.com |
| Women's Institute | Barbara Bury Sue Goodchild | 890452 891806 | 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 9-15years | Peter Hobbs Tina Parsons | 899086 078125 38193 | Alternate Fridays in Village Hall |

The Royal British Legion Braunston and District Branch.

The Branch AGM was held on 13th November at the George Hotel Kilsby. The Chairman reported that the Branch had had a successful year with reasonable attendance at the monthly meetings.

On a sad note, the Branch lost two members including its secretary Jim Tennant. Jim was a very hard working member of the Branch and Bill Musgrove was thanked for stepping in as acting secretary. A bench in memory of Jim is to be erected in Braunston early next year.

During the year the Branch had two very interesting speakers at the meetings, visited the National Arboretum at Alrewas and continued to have monthly luncheons.

A greenhouse and garden shed was bought from Branch funds and erected at Galanos House, the Legion residential home near Southam.

The Treasurer reported that Branch finances were in good shape and that it was intended to finance further facilities at Galanos House.

Branch officers were elected for the next twelve months. Mick Abbott has become the new secretary and Sue Dobson the Branch welfare officer. All other existing officers were re elected.

The Rushall Cup this year was presented to Colin White. Not only is he Branch Treasurer but is also very active in other areas of the Branch.

The Church services for Remembrance Day were very well attend.

The Poppy day collection in Braunston has amounted to approximately £1,800. A final figure for Braunston and the District will be given in the next issue of the BVN.

A very big thank you to all those who gave so generously and to the collectors for their time.

You are reminded of the Christmas concert "Music for your pleasure" at Daventry Community Centre, Ashby Road at 7.30 pm on 1st December. This is to be given by the Legion in conjunction with Daventry Brass and is always a very popular event.

There will not be a Luncheon in December. The date and venue for January has yet to be decided.

The next meeting of the Branch will be at the Old Plough, Braunston, on Tuesday 11th December at 8.00pm. It will be followed by the usual refreshments. All are welcome.

Submitted by Tony Saunderson
Tel. No. 01788 890797.



Hope & Homes for Children

Funds Raised

Money raised from Penny Pots since last shown £
11.28

From - Lucky Bags and Balloons at Church Fair £ 27.00

Total raised since 1st. March 2012 £
1,150.29

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



Braunston Christmas Market



Village Green

Saturday 8 December 10-2pm

Christmas crafts stalls, mulled wine, carols with the Braunston Singers, roast chestnuts, Christmas cake and pudding stall, and much more.

Interested in having a stall? Call Sandy on 01788 891488

In aid of Braunston Village Weekend 2013

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

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
7:00pm for 7:30pm

15th June 2013 Church Fair on Village Green

21st Sept 2013 Proms Concert (following the
success of this year's event and many requests- we will be hold-
ing a Proms Concert again next September)



Practical nutrition

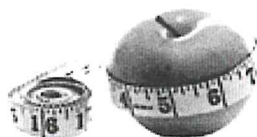
Do you need to:

Lose **WEIGHT**?

Increase your **ENERGY** level?

IMPROVE your eating habits?

AVOID Digestive disorders



**BOOK A NO FEE CONSULTATION
WITH A FULLY QUALIFIED DIETICIAN:**

M: 078544 32910

E: tess@mypnut.co.uk

Clubs and Society Events

Braunston

Women's Institute



Women's
Institute

Next Meeting Tuesday 4th Dec. 7.30
Village Hall

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Entertainment by Braunston Singers

Please bring:-

" Wrapped present (£2) for the gift basket

" Your resolution voting paper (In W.I. Life)

" £10 for January lunch

January 8th

Lunch at Shoulder of Mutton, Granborough, 12 for 12.30

Contact :- Barbara 01788 890452

Friendly Club

Next Meeting - Tuesday December 11th. We are holding our Christmas lunch at Table-Table, Butlers Leap. Transport by DACT bus and cars .Leaving the Green at 12 noon for a 12.30 meal. Cost will be £10. Please bring a wrapped Christmas gift for distribution.

Monday December 17th. Our last meeting for 2012 will be our Mince Pie Tea. Starting at the earlier time of 2pm in the Village Hall. It will include a raffle.

January 14th. - Come along and catch up on the news with friends for tea and chat.

January 22nd - A Picture Quiz by Gill, See you there!

Gill Powell 890763

**TO BOOK THE
VILLAGE HALL
CALL -**

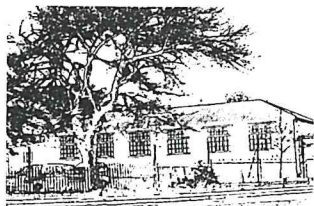
ALAN DENT

07724123363

01788 891366

or Email

a.dent725@btinternet.com



A very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful and Healthy New Year to all our Readers

**Jenni & Chris Burton
Editors**

Braunston Fishing Club BINGO

Every Thursday throughout the year

8.00pm in the Village Hall

Non members welcome

G Donald 891264

BRAUNSTON WALKERS

Braunston Kilsby Barby (c.10 miles)

A sparkling, cold and brilliantly sunny day greeted us for the walk as thirteen of us met up at the village hall for a romp over to Kilsby. Recently the weather had been cloudy and wet and in the recce we had electric fences sparking in the mist and at one point a belt from the fence that threw me and my stick a yard or so. It was as if the farmer was sitting in a farm house plugging the fence into the mains as we approached "got another walker!" he maybe chuckled. But I digress we walked out of the village up the Ashby Road and started to walk along the narrow track over fields and uphill to reach the Barby Road. The views back over Braunston and the Warwickshire plain from here are magnificent. There is a small locked shed at the top of the last field which is an old well apparently found when the farmer asked a water diviner to find water and he suggested that if they dig down 30 foot in that spot they would strike water. It was actually 29 foot but still an impressive feat by the diviner using a forked twig. We crossed the road and took the field path towards Ashby St Ledgers but turned left before reaching the A361 which runs from Kilsby all the way to Ilfracombe and is the longest '3-digit' road in Britain. We followed path boundaries past a non existant "Cocked Hat Spinney" clearly still shown on the map but long since ploughed into the soil. We paused to enjoy Nigel's pear drops and Terry's Glacier Mints and continued past two, small, tree lined ponds and into the grounds of an old manor house which is no longer standing. The surrounding estate was acquired by the Crown Estates and is now used for shooting and private fishing. Pheasants and Partridges bolted from cover as we approached. We walked along the footpath through a colourful autumnal forest behind the big lake which is a magnificent sight glinting in the sun. My run in with the National Grid happened at the end of this path and rather than fry the remaining Braunston Walkers we took a short detour to emerge on the Ridgeway road. The footpath leads off the road, over several fields and then on a narrow bridge over the M45 into Kilsby itself. We turned right along a small cul de sac and left at a T junction before taking a tree lined path to emerge on the village green. We then crossed the road and walked along Manor Road and entered Church Lane which emerges, not surprisingly, at the old stone church but more importantly past the tiny Old School House to reach The George pub. This is one of our favourite watering holes (the only pub where we have always been thanked for taking off our muddy boots) and this time it was again an absolute winner. The beer, Adnams was delicious as was the food with excellent crusty baguettes and fresh, beautifully dressed salad. Not rocket science but often pubs serve a bit of limp old dry lettuce. The lady at The George is always polite and so well organised. The main meals also looked and tasted very good and were reasonably priced so it is highly recommended.

We dragged ourselves away and walked through Kilsby to pass the house where Robert Stephenson lived and built the Kilsby rail tunnel. A model of the

tunnel entrance stands in his front garden. We walked out of the village and took a footpath over fields which goes underneath the M45 and emerges on fields leading towards Barby. We trudged over more fields finally reaching the Ridgeway. We crossed the road and joined a concrete pathway past Chapel Farm which 150 years ago was the home of Dr Thomas Arnold, the headmaster of Rugby School, before taking the Barby Road back to the village and home for a welcoming cuppa! A great walk and very close to home..

Come and join us on our next walks. We meet at 10 at the village hall and our next walks are as follows: - 24th November Everdon Woods (c.10 miles)
15th December Christmas Walk (c.6 miles)

Down at the den.

Braunston Scouts continued their winning run by coming in first in the Star Trek competition. This year the event took place around the villages of Weedon, Little Everdon and Everdon and included many different tasks such as walking in skis, erecting a tent by torchlight (wind up torches are not the best for this situation!) , putting up a flagpole and memory games. All of these and more were done at night at stations set out around the area and we had to navigate our way through the lanes and fields finishing at 2 a.m. In the end we won by 20 points and were able to reclaim the cup.

We also enjoyed a family day out at Chessington which was given over to Scouts and Guides for the day - you have never seem so many woggles in one place. Some of us were even, as the motto goes, prepared, and took coats as just as we arrived so did the tail end of the hurricane. We gave up trying to stay dry and went on all of the rides including the log flume as by then we were saturated. I am not sure that we have all dried out yet!

Some of us went on a weekend camp recently to The Oaks campsite in Leicestershire. There were many activities for us to try with air rifle shooting, climbing, abseiling and mountain boarding top of the list. For once on a camp it didn't rain and we didn't bring home any stowaways this time. I wonder how the mouse from Cannock is getting on?

Thank you to all the villagers and beyond who bought the cakes from our stall. Also thanks to all those who donated cakes for us to sell. Thank you also to Jed for his recent donation. It all helps to keep us going and give us a Scout Troop to be proud of.

Keir Tyson

Aged 13

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS JANUARY 2013

| | | |
|---------------|------------------------|--|
| Tuesday | 1 st | 18.00 Short Prayers for the New Year (B) |
| Thursday | 3 rd | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 6th | 9.15 Morning Prayer (A) 11.00 Holy Communion(B): 18.00 Evensong (B) |
| Monday | 7 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 9 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: |
| Thursday | 10 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 13th | 8.00 Holy Communion (B): 9.15 Holy Communion(A) 11.00 Family Service (B) |
| Monday | 14 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 15 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School |
| Thursday | 16 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 20th | 8.00 Holy Communion(B): 9.15 Breakfast Service (A): 11.00 Family Communion (B) |
| Monday | 21 st | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Tuesday | 22 nd | 20.00 Friends Meeting in Parish Room |
| Wednesday | 23 rd | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: |
| Thursday | 24 th | 19.30 Bell Ringers |
| Sunday | 27 th | 11.00 Family Communion(B) |
| Monday | 28 th | 14.00 Little Fishers: 19.30 Church Choir |
| Wednesday | 30 th | 12.30pm Peace at Lunch Time followed by a light lunch: 15.30 Worship on Wednesday in School |
| Thursday | 31 st | 19.30 Bell Ringers |

200 Club Winners latest results 2012

| | | | |
|----------|-----|---------------|-----|
| 11.10.12 | 49 | R. Capel | £50 |
| 18.10.12 | 153 | D. Edwards | £10 |
| 18.10.12 | 86 | A. Cooper | £5 |
| 25.10.12 | 85 | A. Cunningham | £10 |
| 25.10.12 | 45 | F. Hall | £5 |
| 01.11.12 | 58 | T.Waddleton | £10 |
| 01.11.12 | 62 | L. Hawkins | £5 |

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS JANUARY 2013

| | | |
|-----------|------------------|--|
| Wednesday | 2 nd | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 3 rd | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: |
| Monday | 7 th | Explorer Scouts: |
| Tuesday | 8 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: W.I. Lunch |
| Wednesday | 9 th | Scouts : 19.35 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 10 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo: |
| Friday | 11 th | 19.00 Braunston Youth Club |
| Monday | 14 th | Explorer Scouts : Friendly Club |
| Tuesday | 15 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group : Dick Herne History Society – Village hall |
| Wednesday | 16 th | Scouts : 20.30 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga: |
| Thursday | 17 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Monday | 21 st | Explorer Scouts: |
| Tuesday | 22 nd | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group: Friendly Club |
| Wednesday | 23 rd | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 24 th | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |
| Friday | 25 th | 19.00 Burns Night Supper in Village Hall |
| Saturday | 26 th | 10.00 District Council Surgery: 19.30 Braunston Cinema Club - Grease |
| Monday | 28 th | Explorer Scouts: |
| Tuesday | 29 th | Beavers : 13.00 Toddler Group |
| Wednesday | 30 th | Scouts : 20.20 Adult Tap Dancing : 19.00 Yoga |
| Thursday | 31 st | Cubs : 13.45 Short Mat Bowls : 20.00 Fishing Club Bingo |

Ed: I have had to use my own initiative as to some of the dates around Christmas / New Year, if in doubt please contact the club / society direct



The Wheatsheaf
Braunston, Daventry

THE WHEATSHEAF INN,
10 THE GREEN, BRAUNSTON.

01788 890748

PROGRAMME

Sat 1st Dec – Live music performed by "Toad"
Sat 8th Dec – Live music performed by "Catch 23"
Sat 15th Dec – Live music performed by "A Trip to the sun"
Fri 21st Dec – Charity Quiz night
Sat 22nd Dec – Karaoke Night

Opening hours for the Christmas period are as follows :-

Christmas Eve 12 noon – 12 midnight

Christmas Day 11am – 2pm

Boxing Day 12noon – 12 midnight

New Years Eve – 12 noon – 12 midnight

New Years Day – 12 noon – 11pm

Normal hours for the rest of the holiday

BIG SCREEN SPORTS EVERY DAY, FOOTBALL, RUGBY ETC

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

BVN Deadline - February Edition

The next newsletter will be published on 1st February 2013. Please leave material at the Post Office before NOON on the **20th January** or by Email to the Editor Jenni Burton burton_jenni@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01788 891546