



# ***BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE NEWS***

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## From the Chairman

**B**y the time you read this we will have endured a further two weeks of this very long election campaign; we might be a little clearer on the intentions of the new French President and who knows what will have happened in the United states. President Trump continues to surprise but I expect that what could happen next following his “termination” of the head of the FBI might surprise even him.

More locally Alan Dowden has been re-elected to the County Council and Martin Hatley to Test Valley Borough Council. We congratulate both but sadly Martin has left the Test Valley Cabinet and handed over the responsibility for planning and transport to Councillor Nick Adams-King. Martin has been a good friend to Braishfield and has served us well and we thank him for his support. Alan has also been a strong supporter and has taken an active interest in the future of the Village shop. We will continue to seek his support as the Village Hall committee look for funding to help refurbish and modernise the Village hall.

We congratulate Mrs Rhodes on her appointment as the Headteacher of our primary school. The school and its children are an important part of our community and we look forward to working with her to build even closer links. The BVA will man a stall at this year’s school fête.

I have included in this magazine an update on the work we are doing to get improved broadband and mobile phone coverage in the village. (see page 13. You will not be surprised to learn that finding someone to talk to in a business whose reason for existing is to improve our ability to talk to one another is almost impossible unless you want to buy something from them.

I have concluded that these companies are staffed entirely by answering machines that repeatedly tell you how important your call is to them but are unable to connect you to someone who can answer your question. We will persevere.

A suggestion has been made that in addition to improving the visual appearance of the Sandy Lane roundabout, we should also campaign to brighten up the Braishfield Road entrance to our village. Perhaps review our twinned village relationship and replace the twinned village sign with please drive carefully and perhaps install two white gates on the boundary. Ideas and suggestions welcome!

Finally on October 21st we will be holding a Trafalgar night dinner in the Village Hall. It will be a semi-formal fun event combining “fine dining” with entertaining education. Details in the next magazine but hold the date as places will be limited.

## From the Editor

Well, we're in for a roller-coaster over the next year or so, starting more or less as this magazine is published – the General Election on June 8th.

Although the outcome seems predictable, the odds have narrowed; but however it pans out it will influence how the post Brexit arrangements are conducted, which will of course have an impact on more or less every activity which occupies this country: law, foreign policy, business, trade, import and export, health, education, immigration and emigration, the fishing industry, the military, travel, just to name a few.

How all this will affect our short and long-term future as UK citizens is still largely unknown. “Confucius, he say...”! We are certainly living in ‘interesting’ times.

But a bit of uncertainty, even instability, is not necessarily a bad thing – it sharpens the senses and tunes up the survival instinct. I'm optimistic!

Thank you all once again for this very full magazine; lots to read but well worth it! And my apologies to those whose submissions simply could not be fitted into this edition. However, the originals are safely stored and will be used next time.

### A RETIREMENT & NEIGHBOURS

My grateful thanks to Gill Allison who retires after distributing the BVN on Crook Hill for over 20 years. Jane Bennett has kindly agreed to take her place and I am thankful to her too.

If anyone moves in next door to you, please let me know so I can drop a welcome pack and Residents' Guide. Thank you to our Pantry for alerting me recently to a newcomer who had called in there and had asked for information on the village.

Sue Mullane  
Distributor BVN

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We would like to thank all those who donated toward the cost of the Braishfield News last year. We hope that the content of the News makes good village reading and keeps you up to date with events. We do not run it on a subscription basis but we obviously incur costs to publish. We would welcome any support you can give to keep the News viable during 2017. If you wish to make a donation please complete this slip and forward it to the address below and please make cheques payable to Braishfield Village Association.

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Thank you.  
Jimmy Chestnutt - Chairman



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As an alternative, a Standing Order form to make annual donations to the work of the Braishfield Village Association is available. Please contact the Treasurer, Sheila Still, and she will send you one.

## Notices

### BRAISHFIELD GOLF SOCIETY

The first of 4 fixtures was to Meryck Park in Bournemouth on a cold windy April day. 16 golfers and the Caddy ventured forth and Coleman came out top winning both "nearest the pin" and the Stapleford competition (on count back) from Steve Lumb. Iain's handicap will be cut by 2 next time!! Our second outing will be on Monday 19 June at Corhampton and anyone not on the mailing list who wishes to play please contact me.

Richard Brazier  
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### COUNTY ELECTONS RESULTS 4TH MAY 2017

I would like to thank all those who voted for me in the Hampshire County Council local election on May 4th 2017.

The result was:

Baddesley Division 42% Turnout:

Alan Dowden - 3,205 - 59%

Roger Curtis - 1,900 - 35%

Amanda Ford - 337 - 6%

There will be, without doubt, challenges for the County Council in the next four years, but I look forward to representing all the residents in the Baddesley Division, as the County Councillor.

Alan Dowden  
HCC Councillor

### BRAISHFIELD 200 CLUB

More winners! More donations to good causes! The April draw was won by George and Elizabeth Elliott, and the May one by Hannah Boothman. Both have received their winners' cheque. Donations are being made to The Jumbulance Trust, and to All Saints Church for the maintenance of the Church Room.

June's draw will take place on the 12th, so if you've been thinking of joining but not got round to it yet, do not delay. Call David Robinson on 368774 who will be delighted to take your money!

## Town Mayor Visit to our Pantry

The village shop invited Romsey Town Mayor, Councillor John Parker and Mrs. Tessa Parker to celebrate the work of our volunteers and meet some of our customers recently.

It was a busy day with the Rugby tots in fine sporting form and Wendy Lord's regular 'Storytime' session keeping everyone entertained.



John noted that, "It was a very enjoyable visit and a chance to get out of town. It was lovely to see such a

vibrant community developing around the shop and pantry. Just what is needed to keep the village feel."

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making John and Tessa so welcome during their visit to Braishfield.

Anne Edwards

### *Footnote.*

*The day before, Countryside conservation charity CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England) launched this year's Countryside Awards at our Pantry. Now in their 11th year, the Countryside Awards celebrate a beautiful and thriving Hampshire countryside that everyone can enjoy.*

*The Awards are open for entries until June 30th 2017. Enter on line - visit [www.cprehampshire.org.uk](http://www.cprehampshire.org.uk) or contact 01962 841897.*

*The winners will be announced by the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire at a ceremony in September.*

## Annual Report - Borough Councillor Martin Hatley

As well as being your local Borough Councillor I remained Deputy Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy and Transportation.

It was in the latter role that, as reported in last year's report, I had a meeting at the House of Commons with Brandon Lewis, the then Minister of State for Housing and Planning together with my fellow Portfolio Holder for Building Control. We highlighted various deficiencies in the planning processes including the methodology used for calculating the 5 year housing land supply figures which often led developers to create land banks of building land on which permission had been granted which in turn led to further applications having to be granted on less suitable land. We are delighted that the Government's new Housing White Paper (Fixing our Broken Housing Market) has taken on board several of our suggestions.

The Borough Local plan which we adopted this time last year is now in place and is protecting the Borough from unwanted development. There was an unsuccessful High Court Challenge by local landowners in the south of the Borough but the High Court Judge threw out their challenge and awarded the Borough Council costs.

The proposal to increase the Borough's Band D council tax by £5 per annum (10p per week) was not made lightly but, faced with

continuous cuts to our budget from central government, we must safeguard the increasing demands on our services as well as strive to meet the aims and aspirations of those who live, work, enjoy and contribute to our Borough.

We do this by continuing to invest in Test Valley and by scrutinising every pound we spend to ensure value for money. We have not only invested in visible projects such as enhancements to Romsey and Andover town centres but also less visible projects where financial prudence and business acumen in property investments have given us a greater return for our money than the banks – called Project Enterprise. This in turn can be re-invested for the benefit of all.

So, let us look at what some of those investments and benefits have been during the last year.

The successful bidders for the Leisure Management contract intend, this year, to commence improvements at the Romsey Rapids, Romsey Sports Centre and Knightwood Leisure Centre. In addition to providing us with much better facilities, it will help us make significant financial savings.

Our new housing strategy was put in place and is already helping local people access a decent home. We have not just been building houses but we have been building communities – with first class



facilities for residents.

In Romsey, the new community hall, pitches, pavilion and area of nature conservation at Abbotswood will be complemented by Ganger Farm becoming a hub for Romsey's sporting infrastructure and home to a consortium of local clubs. Its vast facilities will include grass pitches, floodlit astro pitches, a massive sports pavilion and other vital 'sporting' accommodation.

We have committed £250,000 to a Romsey Flood alleviation scheme and I am pleased to report that Test Valley now has more Community Resilience Plans than anywhere else in the county.

Despite the challenging financial situation, we have still invested £1.5m from the New Homes Bonus to directly benefit community projects. Some 153 projects have benefited through our Community Asset Fund and the Councillor Community Grant scheme - including both the Ampfield and Braishfield Village Halls.

Our work with 8 pilot parishes, funded by the Department of Communities and Local Government for Neighbourhood planning, has led to the production of a Test Valley Community Planning Toolkit which will benefit all parishes.

The Romsey Future Project, which I chair, launched its main document during the summer with its initial action plan. It has already delivered on some ambitions, including making the town centre more accessible and

producing a management plan for Fishlake Meadows.

Through Project Enterprise we will continue to develop innovative ways of generating new income streams and the rate of return on our completed projects is forecast to be 7.8% in 2016/17. That's an extra £1.3m over what we would have received if money had remained in our reserves.

We eagerly anticipate having the land and the investment to implement the management plan for Fishlake Meadows in Romsey. More than 60 hectares of highly sensitive wetland, will be made accessible to the public for ecological pursuits and informal recreation.

More enhancements to Romsey town centre are scheduled to start early next year. The improvements will provide residents, as well as visitors, with a fresh-looking town centre that will be easier to navigate on foot, while maintaining the look of the town's historic character.

New safer footpath alongside Braishfield Rd one stage closer to getting a green light.

Finally, here in Braishfield, the installation of the proposed new footpath from the Sandy Lane/Jermyns Lane roundabout to opposite the Dog and Crook is one step closer.

The Planning Inspectorate have confirmed that they believe they are in receipt of all the necessary written evidence in order for them to make their decision. (see next page)

## Notices cont.

I believe the evidence in support of the diversion of the right of way through the Hillier Gardens to the proposed footway alongside the Braishfield Road is overwhelming.

This footpath, which I originally suggested to the Abbotswood Consortium, will enable a safer route for all pedestrians but especially the school children and students who have to walk along this length of Braishfield Road during the dark winter afternoons and evenings.

An independent inspector from the Planning Inspectorate will now examine all the evidence to the

diversion of footpath 712. Hopefully he/she will agree with me, John Bevan and the rest of the Parish Council, County Councillor Alan Dowden and the County Council, and the Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, that the proposed new route (which incorporates a major part of the new proposed footpath alongside Braishfield Road) 'will not affect public enjoyment of the path as a whole' and 'will actually enhance the experience for walkers' and 'it will offer greater connectivity and safety improvements for pedestrians'.

Martin Hatley

### PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGNALS A3090 WINCHESTER ROAD / BRAISHFIELD ROAD

Parish Councillor Richard Brazier reports:

On enquiry by the Parish Council in April, a spokesman from the HCC stated that some progress has been made. An alternative junction design has been discussed with the developer, allowing signalisation but without the need to relocate the fibre optic cables.

The principle and modelling of this alternative junction is considered acceptable and a preliminary design check has been submitted on which HCC has already commented.

Any further comments/amendments to this design are awaited in order to progress to the final detailed layout. As much pressure as possible is being put on the developer to expedite delivery, which does seem to be having an effect, as they are now progressing the alternative design relatively quickly. Everything will be done to get this junction signalised as soon as possible. Assuming there are no further problems the hope is that the works can be completed this summer, although a firm timescale cannot yet be given.

BRAISHFIELD BOOK CLUB REVIEW  
'MY FATHER'S FORTUNE' by MICHAEL FRAYN

An extremely lively, never boring account of Tom Frayn, by Michael Frayn, a talented author, playwright and screen writer. He does his father justice. Throughout the book we come to know why, not long before Tom dies his son states that, 'Sixty years of good and bad fortune were written in the corrugations of his forehead.' Tom's hard work and quick wits forms part of the inheritance of Tom Frayn. The war years and the post years being well known to some of our members, this book brought back our childhood memories and in particular, our fathers and the houses we lived in. It was a pleasure to share Michael Frayn's memories of his father.  
A very satisfying good read.

Dorothy Ross

BMADS SPONSORED STRING QUARTET CONCERT ON  
SATURDAY JULY 8th 7.30pm.

On Saturday July 8th BMADS are very pleased to be hosting another string quartet, performing in the Church Room. This concert will be forming part of the Romsey Festival.

The Eusebius Quartet will be performing Mozart's Quartet in F major K590, Bartok Quartet no 3 and Schumann Quartet no 3 in A major.

The Quartet is made up of the same players who performed for us here in 2015; Beatrice Philips and Venetia Jollands on violin, Hannah Strijbos viola and Hannah Sloane on cello. They have been going from strength to strength since their previous visit to us. They were chosen as quartet-in-residence at the Wye Valley chamber music festival earlier this year and appeared on Radio 3 in the run-up to the Festival. The members are all busy full time chamber musicians with international careers. The quartet's leader, Beatrice Philips, has since 2012 directed her own chamber music festival in Lewes.

This will prove to be another super evening of sublime music in a nice setting all within a short distance of home, with good company and refreshments served after the performance. The concert will be advertised widely as part of the Romsey Festival, so we are hoping tickets (£20), will go well. If you are thinking of coming do get in touch and your name will be safely on the list.

Wendy Quarendon 368015  
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## Social Contact Group



On a Wednesday afternoon in April, 25 members of our group had a wonderful celebratory birthday tea in The Pantry. We are so grateful and appreciative of all the hard work by Sharon Fielding, the ample supply of sandwiches, scones and cakes which she made were amazing.

Many thanks also to Anne Edwards, Gill Light and Fiona James who helped Sharon with all the preparations, decorating the tables and keeping us

all supplied with plenty of cups of tea. There was lots of laughter and chatter and in true party tradition we all happily left for home with birthday cake.

Hazel Prince

## Tree Preservation Braishfield

Villagers may not be aware that in Braishfield we have a conservation area, but also part of the village is outside this area. This leads to a different set of rules concerning trees. Inside the area planning at Test Valley have to be informed if any work is to be carried out on the trees, and a visit is made by the Tree Inspector to confirm work can take place and notices posted for the local community to comment on. Outside the area, unless a tree has a preservation order, trees can be felled and removed by the landowner without permission.

In the last week two mature trees have been felled in Hill View Road and a number of local residents have been surprised that this was allowed to take place. Birds were nesting in these trees, which is also concerning. Speaking to Test Valley there is nothing they can do about this. We do have a large number of trees on the edge of the conservation area



and it would be a pity if these are felled indiscriminately. Maybe we need to have more Tree Preservation Orders placed on trees. I am not sure what the answer is but we all need to understand that trees are so important for our village and environment and should be preserved where possible.

A concerned village resident.

## Braishfield Connectivity (from The Chairman)

I thought that it was time I gave an update on the work the BVA are doing to try to improve broadband and mobile phone coverage in the village.

As I reported in the April magazine households in the centre of the village can now get acceptable broadband speeds but for properties that are some distance from their box, the service has not improved.

At my meeting with the Programme Director of the Hampshire Superfast Broadband programme and the regional head of BT Open Reach we explored the upgrade options available to those properties.

Some of these options will involve laying a new fibre cable to groups of properties or a new box. They will all cost money but the government will contribute.

Another possible option for individual householders would be to get broadband via the 4G or 5G networks but as we know Braishfield has poor mobile phone coverage. Last year the Parish Council offered a site on council owned land near the recreation ground in the hope that a provider would take up the offer. There has been no response to date.

However, work done by the BVA indicates the recreation ground site would not provide complete cover for the village and, working with local landowners, we have identified and put forward an additional three possible sites that with the installation of an appropriate mast will help all of

us receive full coverage.

Sadly, the offer of a site is currently no guarantee that any network provider will see putting a mast in Braishfield as a worthwhile investment or that they will use the sites offered. Should they see a good business case the providers will do their own research and approach the land owners that they consider will provide the best location for them! Our task then will be to make them site the mast for full coverage. After that it will become a planning matter.

There is however light at the end of the tunnel. OFCOM has set a target for 100% 4g cover by the end of 2017 and the County Council has said that although they have achieved almost 96% superfast broadband coverage they will not be satisfied until it is 100%. Furthermore, all the major parties' manifestos contain commitments to provide superfast to all properties by 2020-2023 and two of them to improve mobile phone coverage.

John Bevan and I have raised the matter with Caroline Nokes who was very aware of the coverage problem and promised to help if elected. After the election John and I will take the matter up formally with whoever is our MP, and the County Council.

Clearly there will be planning issues and all of us will want the smallest possible mast and minimum visual impact. We think our selected sites provide for that, but the bottom line is that if we want improved coverage the mast has to go somewhere.

## **FOUR CENTURIES OF MUSIC IN THE CHURCH ROOM**

In the latest in an occasional series of concerts sponsored by BMADS, a packed Church Room audience was both beguiled and thrilled by the music-making of The Four Centuries Quartet on Saturday 25th March. Joining them for the second half was clarinettist and composer Neyire Ashworth, who is a former BBC Young Musician of the Year prizewinner.

'The Four Centuries' is a very apt name for a string quartet group whose members' interests span a wide and eclectic diversity of music, as their programme demonstrated. Three of their number played for us last September - Claire Sterling, second violin, Sophie Renshaw, viola, and Robin Michael, cello. They were joined by Bradley Creswick, the leader of the Royal Northern Sinfonia, as first violin. Bradley has a long association with this orchestra, based at Sage, Gateshead, and has also been leader of the Philharmonia Orchestra and the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

The Quartet began with three Fantazias by Purcell. These are full of intense and sometimes strikingly modern-sounding music (they were composed in 1680). The performers brought the pieces vividly to life, but even with this invigorating prelude to the evening the next work on the programme, Janacek's Quartet No.1, the Kreutzer Sonata, just about blew everyone away with

its searing passion. A very helpful (and essential) introduction to the background of the piece by Robin Michael was much appreciated before the musicians tore into this arresting and unique work. The short interval after the Janacek was needed to allow the audience, and indeed the players, to draw breath and regain their composure!

The second half of the concert began not only with a new work composed by Neyire Ashworth, the clarinettist, but also with its world premiere. 'Through the Eye of the Storm' was a haunting and beautiful work, introduced and then exquisitely performed by Neyire and the Quartet. It reflects Neyire's experiences touring with a Jewish story-telling group, and draws on the sounds of a visit to the Himalayas. Fragments of the deep resonant chants of a Buddhist monk; the light tinkle from a Hindu temple bell carried on a breeze; the counterpoint of numerous mosques' calls to prayer; a simple phrase from a Jewish nigun sung over and over; church bells on Christmas Eve - all these soundworlds are to be found in this mesmerising piece.

The concert ended with all five musicians once again joining forces for a warm and evocative performance of the Clarinet Quintet in B minor by Brahms. With its rhapsodic and at times autumnal atmosphere it was a fitting end to a concert that in a short space of time packed in a range of periods and styles of music.

It was great for the audience to

have an opportunity to chat after the concert and speak to the musicians. They brought us music-making of the highest calibre, yet the evening had the feel of friends just sitting down and playing pieces that they love to perform. We are very fortunate that they like coming here to play for us. Once again we are indebted to Wendy Quarendon for her vision to stage these concerts and to both Wendy and Peter for all their hard work to make them happen.

Finally, on Saturday, 8th July BMADS will be welcoming back the Eusebius Quartet, who played for us two years ago. Their programme will include works by Haydn, Schumann and Bartok. The concert will be given under the auspices of the Romsey Festival. As previously, tickets may be obtained from Wendy on 368015 or [bmads@braishfield.org](mailto:bmads@braishfield.org)

Richard Groves

## Sheep Matter at Elm Grove

Lambing has passed and Kate is very pleased with the result. The number of lambs was as predicted, the sun shone, it didn't rain, visitors came to enjoy the lambs and no dramas – wonderful! There are 8 'pet' lambs that have to be bottle fed and the children were able to help with that as they were on their school holidays. These lambs were mostly one of triplets and needed extra milk, so they are living together perfectly happily in a holding area in the barn, continuing to be bottle fed until such time that they can manage to live mainly on grass.

If you are wondering where all the sheep are, they are spread about in various places in and around the village, making the most of grass available for the ewes as they need plenty of goodness while feeding their lambs. Of course we need some rain to improve the grass for making hay in a few weeks ready for the winter! And so it goes on....

The next stage, apart from day to day care, will be weaning in August but meanwhile Mums and babes are enjoying each other's company.

Wendy Quarendon

*(photo by Alan Lord – note airborne lamb!)*



# JUMBULANCE

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## OPEN GARDEN and TEA PARTY

with the Braishfield Bums Ukulele Band  
To raise funds for the NEW Jumbulance

**Saturday 5th August 2017**  
**3pm**

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This year we are raising money for the new JUMBULANCE – J3  
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disabled toilet, kitchen and fully medically equipped.  
Unfortunately for a small charity like us, we have to replace the jumbulances  
every 6 years to comply with the many regulations. The new one is costing  
in excess of £350,000. It is purpose built, (they literally stop the production  
line to do a one off) hence the cost and is a registered ambulance in the UK  
and Europe.

We are one of many affiliated groups who could not travel without these  
very special vehicles. The Local Jumbulance Group takes sick and disabled  
people on holidays and days out in the jumbulances . We, the affiliated  
groups all over the UK are all volunteers with no overheads paying our own  
way on the holidays and fundraising for the group. This year our efforts are  
to help buy the new Jumbulance which is due for delivery in November and I  
hope will be on show in Romsey at the end of the year.  
JUMBULANCE TRUST ( Charity No 1090731)



## Bag It Up at The Wheatsheaf for Hampshire Search and Rescue!

The eagle eyed amongst you may have noticed that there is a new, big, bright yellow clothing recycling bin behind The Wheatsheaf. The bin belongs to Bag It Up, a textile recycling company which donates a percentage of its profits to its charity partners. Hampshire Search and Rescue (HANTSAR), a registered charity and Lowland Rescue team, has been lucky enough to be chosen as one of Bag It Up's charities for the next few years. HANTSAR's members are highly trained and are available to provide round the clock cover 365 days a year to assist the police in searching for high risk, vulnerable missing people, including children, the elderly and despondents. In 2011 HANTSAR was honoured to receive the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

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and develop our search capabilities on both land and inland waterways; without the company's support we would be struggling.

As a small charity, we don't have the resources to run a charity shop, so please, next time you have any clothing (or household textiles) to dispose of, take a short trip to The Wheatsheaf, maybe stop for a coffee or a pint, and help a local charity at the same time!

Alison Chestnutt  
HANTSAR  
[www.hantsar.org](http://www.hantsar.org)

HANTSAR volunteers provide the majority of their own personal equipment and fund their own travel. The charity does not employ any staff and 100% of funds raised are used for supporting operations. We are extremely grateful to The Wheatsheaf for agreeing to site a bin on their land. The funding HANTSAR receives from Bag It Up is making a huge difference. We have been able to replace ageing equipment, implement a more advanced control and command structure



## Braishfield Horticultural Society Garden Club Talks

Steve Austin gave a very enthusiastic talk in April entitled 'Winter Jewels', in which he showed his love of our winter plants. Steve started work as a student at Hilliers, studied for his RHS Masters, then moved on to another garden centre, then another nursery and now works for Plants International, distributing plants all over the world. He showed us how he mixed colours, textures and shapes for dramatic effect. He illustrated this with pictures of the trees: Betula ( Grayswood Ghost), Acers (Sangu Kaku), Cornus, (Winter Orange) Salix, Bamboo and Ilex.

For winter flowers, he chose Daphne, (Jacqueline Postill) Hamamelis, Skimmia ,(Rubella) Lonicera, Sarcococca, Euonymus (Silver Queen), Pittosporum (Elizabeth), Mahonia, Bergenia, Clematis and Helleborus. Bulbs mentioned were Iris (Katherine Hodgekin), Snowdrops and Cyclamen. It all showed us how winter can be both dramatic and colourful as was Steve's presentation.

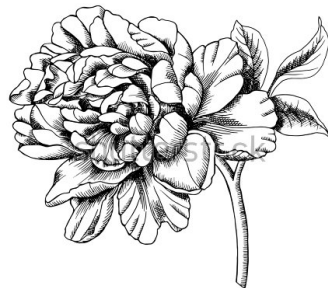
In May, Wilf Simcox introduced us to horticulture in the demanding climate of Iceland and Sweden. Iceland has a very different gardening background – there isn't much! But there are plenty of gardening clubs and an equivalent of our RHS. There is a botanical garden in Reykjavik and an enormous glasshouse industry of cut flowers, pot plants and salad crops. The glasshouses do not pay

for heating. Iceland holds the record for the most tomatoes grown per acre!

In Sweden, there is a huge agriculture industry of crops, especially fruit, including blueberries, cranberries, and raspberries but with no exports. The swedes are great foragers collecting fungi, nettles and all wild berries. Like Iceland, they have huge glasshouses growing bedding plants. They have a very spontaneous system of planting, mixing herbaceous, shrubs and bedding plants. In the wild, the sea birds increase the organic matter with their droppings and acres of Lupins have been planted to put back nitrogen into the soil. Native plants that do grow well are Gentians, Geraniums, Poppies and a stunted Willow. With a good summer climate, they can grow Lilacs, Daphnes, Triliums and a vast number of Paeonies.

An interesting talk to hear how each country copes with its different climate and conditions.

Viv Robinson



## Braishfield Tractor Show



Here are some pictures from the successful tractor show we held last Sunday 14th May at the Social Club. The weather was glorious and we had lots of visitors who loved the vehicles we had on show.



A huge thank you to the owners who brought their tractors along for the day. Looking forward to next year.

Lin Hughes

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Come and join us on any of the following Mondays 2-4pm in the Church Room....we meet on the 4th Monday in the month.

June 26/July 24/August 21/September 25/October 23/November 27

Please contact us if you want to find out more -  
Meri Knights 368516/ Wendy Quarendon 368015

## All Saints' Braishfield

Dates for your diary

**Sunday 11th June** Annual visit to the Isle of Wight.

All SAINTS' Festival of Flowers

**Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October**

10.30am - 4.30pm each day with refreshments being served.

Entrance to the Festival of Flowers will be £3 (children free). The ticket will include a chance of winning a Harvest hamper.

**Saturday 30th September** 7pm Harvest Supper  
(see opposite for more information)

**Sunday 1st October** 9.30am Harvest Thanksgiving Service for worship and an opportunity to see the beautiful floral displays.

**Saturday 4th November** 9.30am Churchyard Working Party

**Sunday 5th November** 10.30am All Saints' celebration

We do hope you can join us for all or some of these events and services. For more details, please contact Jane Bennett on 01794 368109

Update on Tree Work in All Saints' Churchyard (Burial ground)

The yew trees along the north path have been heavily pruned and will now be encouraged to grow into a smaller domed shape. Other tree work to the pines and a chestnut has been carried out and when the birds have finished nesting the remainder can be completed including the removal of the middle pine. The cherry tree by the gate has been removed.

The ivy can be removed at a future working party and the chippings used after a resting period of six months. The Visual Tree Assessment is now up to date.

The PCC is very grateful to Fran Clifton for all her work and to SSE who dealt with the electricity cable which had sagged under the cherry tree.



## All Saints' Festival of Flowers

The Festival will include a Harvest Supper on Saturday 30th September when those attending the supper can enjoy seeing the flowers in the church, whilst enjoying a festive drink, before supper and music by BUMS (Braishfield Ukulele Music Society) in the Church Room at 7.00pm. Tickets £10.

### What's different about this Flower Festival?

This idea grew following a visit to All Saints' Church, Freshwater - the church we visit on our annual outing to the Isle of Wight, where they had a Flower Festival with arrangements depicting different saints. We thought that we might try this idea and build on the success of the Christmas Tree Festival, by inviting individuals, clubs and organisations to contribute a flower arrangement linked to a particular Saint, so filling the church with flowers. There are lots of Saints to choose from. Harvest seemed a good time of year to celebrate the beauty of nature.

We will give thanks at our Harvest Thanksgiving service for all of God's creation, and especially His provision of food and will do so surrounded by beautiful flowers arranged by people from across our community and alongside our talented church flower arrangers.

If you, your club/association would like to choose a Saint and arrange flowers symbolising your link to that Saint, please email me:

jane.bennett76@btinternet.com  
or phone me on 01794 368109 to discuss and register your interest.

The collection at the Harvest Thanksgiving service will be for All Saints' Church. The proceeds from the Festival of Flowers and Supper will be shared between All Saints' Church and a charity. If you would like to suggest a charity who could benefit, please let me know so the PCC can agree the charity to support at their next meeting.

Jane Bennett  
All Saints' Church, Braishfield  
PCC Secretary



## Village Memories

Look, I've lived in the village since 1991, a mere 26 years, so by rights I shouldn't be writing this. But when we did come to live



here, people were still abuzz with the two great events of the recent past: the making of the film *Worzel Gumidge*, and the Country Fair (or was it 'Fayre'?) It was pretty obvious to us that we'd arrived too late and missed all the fun.

So it was with slightly mixed emotions that Viv and I went along to the recent nostalgia-fest in the Village hall entitled 'Village Memories'. A bit like turning up for an old school reunion to find that everyone else had retained, and wore, their school blazer.

Sure enough, the 'attendants' were all done up, very professionally, as *Worzels* and Aunt Sallys, with a lot of straw poking out here and there. The

compère, looking quite like Richard Brazier but without his customary union flag suit, was notably scarecrow-like, and the two chaps behind the bar were momentarily unidentifiable. But there was a bar, so that was reassuring!

The film was made in and around the village in the late 1970s. (Actually, Michelmersh claims some rights to bits of it but we can discount all that). Lots of villagers were roped in as extras. One or two even got to speak, although their bits didn't always survive the director's cuts. Sarah Boothman appeared in the Church choir scene, Kate Marshall rather surprisingly as a child, was in the Christmas special (also filmed in the church) although not so surprising if you can do the dates. David Butler was on hand to





my kids at bedtime. Their mum was not allowed to do it because she couldn't do the accents. Also Dad was more convincing as a half-wit. Jon Pertwee was Worzel, and Una Stubbs was Aunt Sally, later to be Alf Garnett's daughter, and recently Mrs Hudson in Sherlock Holmes. Some career!

But that was not all. We were also given people's memories of the hugely successful Country Fair that was initiated by the late Roy Hughes and John Saunders in the 1970s. Wayne Windebank remembered his dad Gary's feats of strength, featured in the Guinness Book of Records and in the press. His first amazing lift of tyres was at the Country Fair in

provide sheep. Loads of others were involved behind the scenes or in front of the camera as extras in a crowd. Shirley Smith recalled being involved in a 'Keep Fit' group and a fête filmed at Elm Grove.

We were entertained by Richard Brazier and Beth Thomas interviewing some of them, and also by seeing clips of the final versions of the film. They all seemed to remember the hours of waiting around doing nothing. Kate remembered the money she earned, (and the clothes she bought with it!) though it was nowhere near what David Butler made! Seeing the clips, I actually remembered seeing some of it on TV. I certainly remembered the book, which I used to read to





blend of Michael Parkinson and Graham Norton (though slightly less camp).

the late 70s. Sheila Still described the hectic sign writing that she and Ted had to do to try to cope with the enormous crowds and traffic chaos. A final strand to the evening was from TV's series 'Country Ways'. Wendy Graham recalled them filming at Farley; we saw clips of local characters such as Tom Graham, Mrs Windibank, and her amazing cakes, her eggs and her somewhat erratic if not eccentric progress through our lanes on her moped to Farley Church or the WI market in Romsey.

Richard Brazier compèred all this with skill and professionalism, a

We all scoffed a ploughman's, with loads to eat, including some deadly chocolate pud! There was the obligatory raffle, and the evening descended gently into a typical Braishfield scene of good humour and gastric excess. To cap it all

we saw a clip from another typical Braishfield evening, this time with the late Janet Cook at the Newport Inn, of blessed memory. And a rousing sing-song for all.

Huge fun! Well done the organisers for a brilliant idea, extremely well executed. Especial congratulations and thanks to the phenomenal Jane Bennett, who was behind it all.

David Robinson

*The Village Memories committee representing All Saints' Braishfield, St John's Farley and Braishfield Village Hall would like to thank everyone who helped and supported the events on Friday 24th and Saturday 25th March 2017 in the Village Hall. We are delighted to report that we raised **£1,812.07** from Village Memories which has been shared between the three charities. Please accept our thanks to those who shared their memories and memorabilia and gave so generously of their time to make Village Memories such a success.*

*Jane Bennett.*







Jane receiving a bouquet from Freda Saunders

*Ed's note*

*The films would not have been possible without Malcolm Ayres; and a lot of work went on behind the scenes to produce the wonderful interviews. Thanks too to our brilliant compère Richard Brazier, Chris Balchin for taking these photos, to David Robinson for writing this article, to all the Worzels and Aunt Sallys but above all to Jane Bennett for having the idea in the first place.*

**VILLAGE LUNCH DATES for 2017**

MONDAY	June 12th	
MONDAY	July 10th	
NO LUNCH IN AUGUST		
MONDAY	September 11th	
MONDAY	October 9th	
MONDAY	November 13th	
MONDAY	December 11th	Christmas lunch



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Julie Kemp Tel: 368894

## Travels with a Trike

Following our esteemed editor's successful attempt persuading me to submit something for the Village News, it occurred to me that many of you have commented about my trike when you've encountered me on it on one of our local lanes. Almost all of you have expressed some concern about my safety and I appreciate that. So it seems appropriate to explain why I think I'm fairly safe on local lanes and to share with you some of my experiences. From pedal-to-page if you like.

I have two recumbents, as they are known in the trade. Because they're recumbent, with two front wheels and one back wheel, contrary to the set up on a traditional trike, they are very much more stable on the road. Although both of my recumbents are low down, each has a flag. Most drivers pay attention to the road priority signage on the road so if most drivers see these, I reckon they'll see me! It's a risk I take, probably not a big risk on our local lanes, to do what I enjoy.

For the technically minded the one I normally ride round the village is a sports version, called a Windcheetah and was bespoke-built for me in Darwen, based on a design by Mike Burrows who has written two books on cycle design and is generally regarded in the cycling world as a guru on the topic. I agree the Windcheetah is very low. The other

trike I ride was made by a small company in Falmouth called ICE. That is a bigger and much heavier machine, about twice the weight of the Windcheetah. I use the ICE with a motor-assist and can go up to 40 miles on it round Hampshire lanes. It is more visible. It's also much easier to get in and out of because it's not so low.

I had hoped that the light weight of the Windcheetah would give me the chance to ride further afield without relying on motor support but for various reasons that hasn't turned out to be possible. Consequently at present you'll only see the Windcheetah close to the village.

My usual route on the Windcheetah takes in Paynes Hay Road, Lower Street and Kiln Lane. The 'view' from the low-slung Windcheetah is, to say the least somewhat confined to the base of the hedgerow. Nevertheless rabbits and birds are plentiful at ground level. Most of the ground-level wildlife I encounter is in Lower Street. Whether this is because I'm going up the hill so slowly that I see more, or whether there is more wild life in Lower Street I cannot tell.

I'm much more likely to have interesting encounters when further afield on the ICE trike. Passing through Houghton recently we happened upon someone flying their pet falcon in a road-side field. A

stunningly beautiful bird, mushroom coloured and covered with brown speckles. It was, we were informed a Saker falcon, usually from the Middle East. (see photo below)

Somewhat less enchanting was the familiar squish-squish noise of a rear flat tyre. Especially during a hailstorm as was the case recently! Still, that's all in a day's pedalling.

Many of you know that I regularly lead easy-rides from Romsey. It's noteworthy that many folk I encounter on their bikes think the local club rides are 'not for them' because they do not think of

themselves as 'serious cyclists'. I'm bound to take this opportunity to publicise these rides.

The local club offers three grades of ride and there's also a separate ladies-only rides programme – so, if you can ride a cycle, and you like good company there's almost certainly something to suit.

The Southampton CTC and British Cycling's Breeze web pages explain what's available.

Viv Mackay





## PANTRY UPDATE

Did you know...

The Pantry has carried out price comparisons with Waitrose and Sainsbury on a range of staple food and drink items and we actually compare very favourably...

... why not come in and see for yourself?

In addition, we also stock products from 30 local suppliers.

New Product –  
Austwicks Frozen Meals

One such local supplier, Austwicks Fresh Foods, are based in Andover and have been going since 2014. They supply homemade food using local produce and we are pleased to be able to now sell them in the Pantry. (see below)

So far we have had great feedback on the various meals, so do make a point

of trying them next time you are in.

Some Dates for your Diary:

We will be open for the Braishfield Beer Race - 4th June from 9.30am and on Election Day - June 8th from 8am to 8pm

On Monday 12th June, Roy Bayntun, the village's Community First Responder will be running a 'Heartstart' session in the Committee Room for



anyone who is interested. The session is not a First Aid course, but he'll go over signs preceding a heart attack, when and how to carry out CPR, recovery position and dealing with choking and will provide valuable knowledge if you are ever faced with these situations.

The session is free (although a donation to the First Responders Charity would be appreciated) and will be held from 7:30 -9:30. The Pantry will be open to serve refreshments. If you would like to sign up for the session there is a form in the Pantry.

We look forward to seeing you in the Pantry again soon.

Product	Size	Pantry	Waitrose	Sainsbury
Baking Potatoes	1kg	£1.00	£1.19	£1.00
Semi-Skimmed Milk	1lt	£0.90	£1.00	£1.00
Kelloggs Frosties	750g	£2.75	£2.79	£2.70
Basic Long Grain Rice	500g	£0.75	£0.90	£0.65
Tunnocks Caramel Wafers	4 pack	£0.89	£0.99	£1.00
Yorkshire Tea Bags	80	£2.71	£2.34	£2.50
Heinz Spaghetti Hoops	400g	£0.79	£0.75	£0.75
Heinz Tomato Ketchup	342g	£1.65	£1.45	£1.45
Werther's Original	50g	£0.65	£0.60	£0.65
Bottlegreen Cordial	750ml	£3.25	£3.15	£3.15
Tyrrells Crisps	150g	£1.55	£1.99	£1.85
Eggs	1/2 doz	£1.50	£1.55	£1.35
Cox Apples	1kg	£1.80	£1.85	£1.85
Lurpak Spreadable	250g	£1.99	£1.75	£1.80
Nescafe Gold Blend	100g	£3.99	£3.70	£3.70
<b>Total Cost of Goods</b>		<b>£26.17</b>	<b>£26.00</b>	<b>£25.40</b>
<b>Estimated Travel Cost (petrol)</b>			<b>£1.15</b>	<b>£2.16</b>
<b>Total Cost</b>		<b>£26.17</b>	<b>£27.15</b>	<b>£27.56</b>



## **BRAISHFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY FLOWER SHOW**

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## **1st Braishfield Brownies Summer Term**

**B**raishfield Brownies have another busy term planned. We started the summer term with a visit to Foxlease, a Girlguiding centre located in the New Forest. The girls undertook the Out and About Badge which included learning the Green Cross and Country Codes, pond dipping, mini beast hunting and a scavenger hunt in the forest. The weather was kind to us and a great day was had by all.

We have begun working towards the Seasons Badge for Summer and so far the Brownies have been bird watching and identifying varieties of tree. Coming up we have craft activities planned, and the girls will have the opportunity to earn the Craft Badge and enter what they make in the Village Flower Show. The girls will also be thinking about

what makes a great holiday!

Looking to the future, we are looking for more helpers to help secure the future of the unit. If you know anyone who may be interested in helping or returning to Guiding please do get in touch.

Charlotte Marsh  
Brown Owl  
[brownies@braishfield.org](mailto:brownies@braishfield.org)



## Braishfield Primary School

It has been a busy time at Braishfield Primary School since the last BVA news, particularly for Years 2 and 6 who have both been taking SATs tests. Although we will have to wait to know the outcomes of the tests I can confidently share that each and every pupil put their maximum effort into the tests and should be rightly proud for applying themselves in a mature way.

In both classes I have really admired how diligent pupils have been in completing the tests, how well they have displayed the knowledge and skills they have learned and how resilient they have been in the face of some pretty challenging questions. On top of that, the feeling of camaraderie amongst the pupils has been wonderful to see; Year 6 all met for breakfast every morning before the tests and a picnic was held on the Friday after the tests had finished. The pupils in both Year 2 and Year 6 should know that the whole school community is very proud of them – they have been the very models of our learner's values: Nurturing, Resilient, Inquisitive and Independent.

As a school we are looking forward to the second half of the Summer Term and by the time you read this hopefully the associated weather will have arrived also.

As the weather improves children are making much greater use of the

village recreation ground - a fantastic resource that the parish shares with us and one we are so grateful to have ready access to. Break and lunch times are both spent out here as well as PE lessons, Science lessons, 'after school clubs', and many more class lessons too which are taken outside 'just because'. Our up-coming sports day will be held on the 'rec', as will our annual Summer Fayre...

**The 1st of July** is the date to hold in your diary for our main fundraising event of the year. The usual array of stalls will be on offer along with food, drink... a hot air balloon and glorious sunshine (maybe). It would be fantastic to see you all there and raise a bumper amount to support our school in providing children with exciting and memorable learning experiences at a time when funds for such things are shrinking. Please lend you support in any way possible to making this day a success.

Our children have been experiencing many of the educational events and visits that the Braishfield School Association (BSA) fund through such events as the Summer Fayre and the recent Sponsored Walk. Since last writing, Key Stage 2 have visited workshops at Paultons Park to learn about the Science of rollercoasters during Science Week; Year R had a pizza making workshop at Pizza Express; Year 3/4 have experienced

life as a Victorian for a day and welcomed a visitor from Winchester Science Centre to run a computer programming workshop, they have also visited Hillier's Arboretum for a day of Bushcraft; Year 5/6 have visited Lyme Regis for a fossil hunting trip and to learn about the life of Mary Anning and Year 6 have celebrated their success in their SATs test visiting a water park.

Sadly for teachers, our pupils will likely not recall each and every Maths lesson that we spent so long planning and marking, but they will recall the experience of these trips and visitors which is the thread that holds all the classroom learning together. Without the funds raised by the BSA, or the support of the wider school community in the events they arrange, we would not be able to provide such experiences.

With SATs out of the way and the approach of the final half-term (and one eye on the Summer holidays!) our thoughts as a school begin to turn to that transitional period when we celebrate the many successes of our fantastic Year 6 pupils before they move on to secondary school, when we welcome new pupils into Year R and new families into the school community, and when all of the pupils in years between these extremes take another forward step in their school careers.

But before then there is much to be learned and experiences to be had – the next half-term is a busy one and I'm sure there will be much to share in my last update as Acting Headteacher at the end of the Summer Term.

Mr Stuart  
Acting Headteacher

## **Armed Forces Day Saturday 24th June 2017**

Armed Forces Day 2017 falls on Saturday 24th June. As in previous years, Union Flags will be hoisted at 9am on the two flagpoles at the entrance to the Village Hall car park, where they will remain until the following Saturday. Please do come to support this small ceremony.

Approximately 4,500 British servicemen and women are currently taking part in 25 operations in almost 30 countries. The core values of the three Services are fundamental to those who serve: selfless commitment, courage, discipline, integrity, loyalty and respect for others and to lead by example. To this must be added one more objective engendered since the days of Wellington: to prepare for 'tomorrow' by striving to be in the forefront of the skills required in battle – for today.



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### 2017 PROGRAMME



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July 27th	Party or Trip To be arranged
August	No Meeting
Sept 28th	Ann Maree Dicker'A NaturalHarvest'
Oct 26th	Sue O'Brian 'Seasonal Bounties'
Novr 23rd	OPEN EVENING Angela Turner 'All is Calm, All is Bright'

All meetings are in the Church Room at 7.30p except October which will be in the Social Club at 7-30 p.m. November meeting at the village hall

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Friday Nights	- Quiz every fortnight
Saturday Nights	- Meat Draw
Sunday Nights	- Bingo

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### **Regular Events**

Quiz Nights	- held fortnightly on Friday Nights
Newport Players	- first Saturday of each month

### **Future Events**

Everybody welcome

Cinema Evening	'The Blues Brothers' 3rd June 2017
Beer Festival	14,15,16th July 2017
Live Music Night	Loaded Dice 5th August 2017
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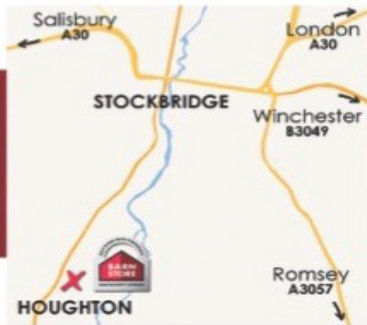
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### **Rubbish News**

Recyclable materials in cardboard boxes left beside the brown bin on recycling weeks will be collected throughout the year.








Recycle weeks beginning: 12th & 26th June:  
10th & 24th July.

Household waste weeks beginning: 5th & 19th June:  
3rd, 17th & 31st July.


Garden waste green bags are collected the same week as household waste, every other Friday.

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# Braishfield Village Diary

Regular Meetings	Where	Time	When	Next meetings		
Parish Council 	Comm. Room Village Hall	7.00	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues excl. August	6 June 	4 July 	5 Sept 
Village Lunch	Church Room	12.15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon excl. August	12 June	10 July	11 Sept
Horticultural Society 	Comm. Room Village Hall	7.30	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues excl. June/July/Aug	June Garden visits	12 Sept	10 Oct
Flower Society 	Church Room	7.30	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs excl. Aug/Dec	22 June	27 July	28 Sept
Village Voices	Church Room	2 - 4	4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	26 June	24 July	21 Aug
Art Group	Football Pavilion	10 - 12	Every Thursday except August			
The Pantry Shop & Cafe	Village Hall	9 – 12 2 - 5	Mon – Sat 9 – 12 noon Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 2 - 5pm			
Story Time	Village Pantry	10.30 – 12	Thursday, Wendy Lord 367015			

Events 	Where	When	More Details
Extra Pantry Opening Hours	Village shop for Beer Race (June 4th) and Election Day	Sunday 4th June Thursday 8th June	see page 28
Five Alive	Church Room	Monday 5th June 7.30pm	
Armed Forces Day	Village Hall car park	Saturday 24th June	see page 31
School Fayre	Recreation Ground	Saturday 1st July	see page 30
BMADS sponsored String Quartet concert	Church Room	Saturday 15th July	see page 11
Jumbulance Garden Party	Oakfield, Farley Chamberlayne	Saturday 5th August	see page 16

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