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From the Chairman

Well, after a good summer, autumn is upon us and the trees are changing colour. It's another fabulous time of year. Watch out for some glorious sunsets too.

I'm delighted to say that members of the Emergency Planning team have been successful in their application for a grant from SSE. You'll recall that this was sought for a generator to be located near to the Village Hall. This would provide essential power in the event of the usual supply being unavailable. They achieved 50% funding which, given the sheer numbers of organisations that apply for grants, is a fantastic result. Well done to everyone involved. They can now move on to the next stage and ensure that residents and visitors will be looked after in the event of a village emergency.

It's been a fairly quiet time for the BVA recently, but rest assured that we have already started work on the **Christmas Sing-a-long** which will take place outside the Pantry on **Tuesday 10th December** (see page 25 for details). We've made contact with Santa and he's ready for us so please bring your families along for what is always a great evening's entertainment.

Turning to our Family Festival that is being planned for **13th June 2020** (keep the date free!), we are in the process of putting together a music event that will entertain all members of the family. We'd love your input, so if you've seen a group or singer recently that you thought was fantastic (and is local), please get in touch with any committee member and we'll see if they can be included (see page 6 for further details).

All the very best
Ian

From the Editor

An issue packed full of events and celebrations this month. The success of the Fish 'N' Chip van has led to the Pantry opening its' doors to diners on the last Wednesday of the month, so that we can enjoy a cup of tea or a glass of vino with our chips. Brilliant idea!

Additionally, further food outlets seem to be in the pipeline. Pizza anyone?!

Keep those letters coming in - have your say on village matters.

Wendy

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We would like to thank all those who donate toward the cost of Braishfield Village News. 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 obviously incur costs to publish. We would welcome any support you can give us to keep the News viable in 2019. If you wish to make a donation please complete the slip below and send with your donation to:-

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Ian Jeffery - Chairman

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Letters

Contributions for “Letters to the Editor” must state the writers name and address, and whether or not they wish to have these details published.

Dear Residents,

The County Council’s Transformation programme to 2021- Revenue Savings Proposals:

Over recent years Hampshire County Council has had cuts of £480 million so far and now needs to cut another £80 million.

This so far has caused a great deal of hurt to many residents. The assumption is that we are likely to see a well above inflation rise in Council Tax to about 4.99% and maybe the same the following year.

The District Councils will be required to shoulder costs that the HCC had on waste collection, and districts will no longer be refunded for recycling. Residents will be charged for dumping wood including fence panels, sheds, window frames etc at the waste tips and increased charges for some other household waste.

Therefore, I believe, sadly we can expect more fly tipping.

We all were told by government that austerity was over but clearly it is **not** and residents can expect to pay more.

HCC Cllr Alan Dowden
Baddesley Division

Dear Editor,

Whilst I appreciate much has been said about and is indeed being worked upon to reduce speeding through the village, it is with much frustration that some drivers find it necessary to almost attach themselves to another’s back bumper. The driver of a Nissan Micra has done this to me on a couple of occasions recently – both times, very early in the morning.

I would like to publicly state that this action will not make me exceed the speed limit – my job puts me in touch with the victims of speeding motorists every day and the life-changing injuries they face.

I will pull over to let you pass if it is safe to do so, but if you are running late, try leaving home a little earlier! Surely that’s better than living with the consequences of your foolhardy actions.

Ian Jeffery

Braishfield Golf Society visit to Newbury and Crookham GC

7 golfers took part in this event in August which was blessed with warm dry weather.

Coleman took first prize (again) with Jennings a close second on count back also winning "Nearest the Pin" prize.

Our 4th and last meeting this year is on 15 October to a new venue - Cams Hall GC

Richard Brazier. 368414. rdbrazier@hotmail.com

BRAISHFIELD FESTIVAL

13th June 2020

We are holding a music festival aimed at the whole family and have already secured some artists.



But, we need your help.

If you know any local singers, groups or bands of any genre of music that you like, have seen and been impressed with or are a member of, please contact us.

We'd love to hear from you and are looking for additional performers.

Please get in touch and remember to keep the day free!

Ian

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**BRAISHFIELD SOCIAL CLUB
ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW
Sunday 6th October 10 - 2 p.m.**

Braishfield Social Club is holding its popular annual classic car show with free admission to all including exhibitors who are welcome to display and their cars on Sunday 6th October between 10am-2pm.

We had last year over 100 classic cars attend. We also have a BBQ, refreshments available, tombola, cake stand and bar open from 12 noon.

If you would like more information please see Braishfield Social Club

It's that time of the year again when you need to start your sloe gin by picking the ripe sloes from the hedgerows and adding them to the gin with some sugar so that it is all ready for you to enter our competition which is being held on 15th December at Braishfield Social Club 12.00- 2.00



The bottles will be available from behind the bar so collect yours when your sloe gin is ready to be decanted into the bottles ready for your entry into this prestigious competition! Wonder who is going to be crowned the king/queen of sloe gin this year !!!

It really is a great lunchtime of fun and tastings so start the brewing soon.

**BRAISHFIELD SOCIAL CLUB
80s Night
Saturday 5th October. 7 - 11.30pm**

We are having a 80's night with a professional DJ Macca. Prizes for the best dressed male and female in 80's costume. £2 door entry.

**BAR STAFF REQUIRED
AT THE BRAISHFIELD
SOCIAL CLUB, MIN AGE
18 YEARS,
VARIOUS SHIFTS
AVAILABLE TO SUIT,
APPLY IN PERSON TO
LES SYKES (CLUB
STEWARD) AT THE BAR
AFTER 7PM (NOT
TUESDAY) .**

BRAISHFIELD FLOWER ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY

OPEN EVENING

JO RICHARDS

(Academy of Floristry)

ALL THAT GLITTERS AND SPARKLES



THURSDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2019

BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE HALL

7.30pm (Doors Open 7.00pm)

Tickets - Members £8.00 Visitors £10.00

To include coffee and mince pie

RAFFLE AND SALES TABLE

Supporting **VICTORIA'S PROMISE**

(A Charity supporting Young Women through their Cancer Journey)

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:

Hazel Prince 01794 368339 yewtree.cottage@btinternet.com

Following the success of last year, we will be holding
another

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



In All Saints Church, Braishfield

On Sunday 15th December (set up Saturday 14th) -
Saturday 28th December

Entry is Free but donations to support Messy Church

For more information and Entry Forms
please contact:

Stephen Treglown stephen.treglown@gmail.com (01794 502150)

Carole Renvoize stevecarole.renvoize@btinternet.com (01794 368766)

REMEMBRANCE

Pilot Officer (74349) Derek Charles, RAF Volunteer Reserve in 1940 in WWII was commissioned in September 1939 after attending a flying course at RAF Cranwell, a 2 year course fitted into 4 months, and joined Bomber Command. On 15 August he was shot down while on a bombing raid over Germany and was killed near Dresden. He was buried in Durnbach Cemetery and a grave marked by a simple white stone cross identified with his service number. His two brother pilots were also killed, the remainder of crew were saved.

A letter of condolence was received by the family from His Majesty the King:

The Queen and I offer you our heartfelt sympathy in your great sorrow. We pray that your country's gratitude for a life so nobly given in its service may bring you some measure of consolation.

Signed: George R.I.

Derek made the supreme sacrifice: "All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave."

Braishfield War Memorial
The Rose Memorial Bench
Acts of Remembrance

The Parish Council is pleased to report that repairs have been carried out to the War Memorial and include a disabled access for the laying of wreaths.

In addition, the Parish Council has agreed, following a request from Mrs Sylvia Rose, that a bench (donated by the Rose family) is positioned opposite the War Memorial in memory of Mrs Rose's late husband, Arthur and his brother Robert (whose name appears on the War Memorial). Hampshire Highways has agreed the positioning of The Rose Memorial Bench and this will be blessed by The Reverend Jane Thompson on Remembrance Sunday.

The Act of Remembrance will take place on **Sunday 10th November at 10.50am** at the War Memorial followed by a service at All Saints church. Following the service, refreshments will be served in the Church Room.

On **Monday 11th November at 10.50am**, there will be an Act of Remembrance with a wreath being laid at the War Memorial by the Braishfield Village Association.

May we request that drivers respect these Acts of Remembrance on both days and use alternative routes through the village.

Cllr. Jane Bennett
Chairman – Braishfield Parish Council

Please note that the Parish Council will remove the wreaths from the War Memorial on 31st March 2020.

RECREATION GROUND BENCHES

The Recreation Ground benches get a much needed makeover. The four benches that were anonymously donated to the Village some years ago have been lovingly refurbished by villager Alex Macleod who put down his scalpel and took up some wood, saw and a paint brush.

The benches have proved very popular for visitors to the Rec and the Pantry and it's good to see them back to their loving best. A hearty thank you to Alex for his efforts.

Braishfield Parish Council



FISH 'N' CHIP VAN ARRIVES.....

Around 4.45 pm on Wednesday 28th August a queue began to form in the Car Park outside the Village Hall ! Word had got round that there would be a visit from The Happy Fryer who would be supplying Fish & Chips between 5.00 pm and 6.30 pm to the villagers of Braishfield. We are delighted to say that it was a resounding success despite the chilly wind and the rather long queue - people were in good spirits. There was a lot of chatter and lively banter with people catching up with friends who they perhaps hadn't seen in a while. According to 'Dawn and Keith' (the Happy Fryers!) it was probably the best first night they had ever experienced. It was a complete sell out. No one went hungry and they were still frying at 7.30 pm !! They will be back again on the last Wednesday of every month so make a date in your diary. There could be another queue of course but it will give everyone an opportunity to catch up again and possibly share a few more jokes !!

Braishfield Parish Council and Village Hall Committee



HAVE SOME FUN – AND EXERCISE YOUR BRAIN



TABLE TENNIS

Abbey United Reformed Church, in association with ROMDAG, run drop in table tennis on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. The session starts at 2pm and finishes at 4pm in the Abbey Hall, just down the road from the church by the arch.

The group was set up to provide a fun activity which is there for people living with dementia, and for their carers.

It provides an important opportunity for people living with dementia to continue with activities they enjoy or to try a new hobby. The group also offer the opportunity for carers to socialise with people who are in a similar situation. Research over the UK has shown table tennis is a great form of exercise for the brain health and it increases concentration and alertness.

So, why not pop along and join the group at this interesting and fun way to stave off the onset of dementia, and to help those with dementia as the combination of gentle exercise and plenty of socialising is the perfect mix. One of our participants said 'I enjoy coming twice a month, it's great fun. It doesn't matter if I'm not good at it!'

One in six people aged 80 and over live with dementia; 80 per cent of those in care homes are living with a form of the condition. Exercise, and table tennis in particular, can have a positive impact on well-being and can help people live better with dementia. The beneficial physical effects for those living with dementia can include increased cerebral blood flow, better co-ordination and improved balance, which ultimately builds self-confidence and reduces falls.

The group providing a safe, friendly environment for regular exercise, and the opportunity to socialise, which in turn helps lift people's mood. Come along to this friendly session, no experience necessary and everyone is very welcome to take part. The cost of the session is a £1 per person donation – included in this price is tea, coffee, fun and friendship!

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Alan Green.

“GRAND FUN” - Attention Grandparents!!

Whilst out walking his dog in the Memorial Park Revd Mike Perrott, the Minister at Abbey United Reformed Church, had noticed the significant number of grandparents at the park looking after grandchildren. He felt these families could benefit from a casual drop-in activity, to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, a place their grandchildren could play and a chance to meet other grandparents.

Revd Mike took this idea forward and in September Abbey United Reformed Church will be celebrating the first birthday of Grand Fun – a venue specifically aimed at Grandparents and their Grandchildren. It is a very welcoming group where all are welcome to pop in with their pre-school grandchildren, have a cup of tea or coffee and chat while the children play with toys in a safe environment. Visitors are welcome to stay for a short time or the whole session There is no charge.

The grandparents who come regularly enjoy the informality of the group and enjoy talking to others in the same situation. One grandparent said, “This group has been of great benefit to my grandson. He has grown in confidence and mixes well with the other children”. This small, friendly group meet in the lounge of Abbey Hall in Romsey on **Tuesdays in term-time between 10.15am and 11.30am**. The hall can be found, conveniently, on the way towards Romsey War Memorial Park – why not pop in on the way to or from the play park?

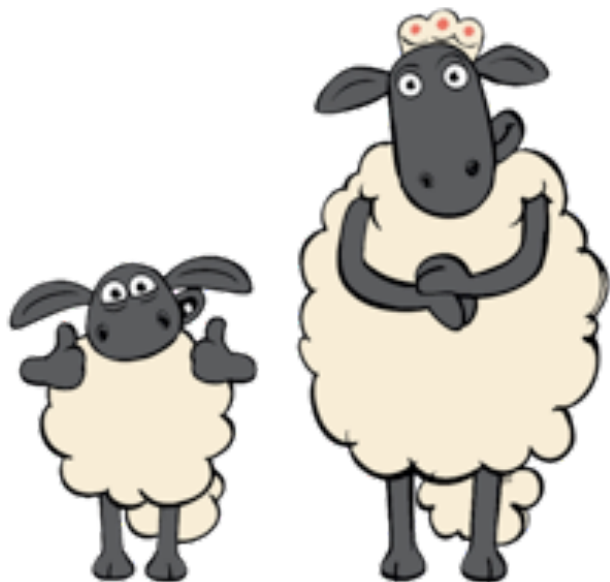
SHEEP MATTER AT ELM GROVE

The main excitement is that Kate has bought some new sheep. She is going to continue with her current flock, but as they need replacing, will purchase Lleyn sheep and has become the owner of 12 this week.

According to Wikipedia, they are a ‘breed of sheep from the Lleyn peninsula in Gwynedd north west Wales. Bred for prolificacy, good mothering, quiet nature, high milk and excellent for white wool’. They are white all over i.e. no black, including their faces, whereas the Northern Mules Kate currently has, have areas of black and speckles on their heads.

The new ewes will be put to the ram next year. Meanwhile the current ewes will be with the rams soon!

WQ



BMADS to stage 'Murder in Play' – Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd November

As autumn approaches it is once again time to look ahead to BMADS' next production. With evenings starting to draw in, rehearsals are now well underway for 'Murder in Play' by Simon Brett. Our production team and cast – including both familiar and unfamiliar faces – are excited about putting on what should prove to be a very entertaining evening.

'Murder in Play' could perhaps be described as a comic murder mystery. The scene opens as a down-at-heel professional acting company is rehearsing a less than scintillating murder mystery under the irascible management of its (apparently) Russian director. But the simmering rivalries amongst the actors, not to mention the director's roving eye, precipitate a crisis in which life starts to imitate art...

Simon Brett is a writer with a sharp eye and wry humour, whose work often appears on stage, screen and radio. Come and see us bring his closely-observed world to life – and see if you can work out 'who done it!' – at the **Village Hall on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd November at 7.30pm.** Tickets at £8.50 (children £4.00) are available from the 14th of October from **Margaret O'Keeffe on 01794 368037** or you can order your tickets at the Village Pantry.

BRAISHFIELD MUSIC AND DRAMA SOCIETY

PRESENT

A **COMEDY** BY SIMON BRETT

by permission of Samuel French

MURDER IN PLAY

Friday 22nd Saturday 23rd November 2019
7.30 pm

Braishfield Village Hall

Tickets £8.50 (£4.00 children)
available 14th October from
Margaret O'Keeffe
01794 368037
or order at the Village Pantry

BAR OPENS AT 7.00pm

BMADS Chamber Concert on Friday 11th October 2019

This is a reminder about the concert BMADS has arranged, to be performed in on Friday 11th October.

The program will be Mozart string quartet in g minor, Sally Beamish Epilogue and Brahms string quintet in g major.

The players are:

Ruth Rogers – violin – who is co-leader of the London Mozart Players

Kate Comberti – violin – a performer and teacher of renown

Sophie Renshaw – viola – chamber and orchestral player – we have enjoyed her performances several times here in Braishfield

Sally Beamish – viola – composer and player

Sebastian Comberti – cello – who is the lead cello of the London Mozart Players

They are all amazing musicians who delight in having the opportunity to play in a small group of friends. Sally Beamish is a prolific composer and performer of viola and piano, whose compositions are inspired by Scotland where she has lived for many years. It will be a privilege to see and hear them perform here.

If you would like to reserve a ticket do get in touch with me, I already have names on the list!

Wendy Quarendon

wendy@quarendon.net or 368015

Celebrations at All Saints – the 'new look' Church Room is 10 years old!

Eleven years ago the Church Room was in a sorry state, with a large hole in the floor, a hole in the ceiling, a pervading smell of damp, no proper kitchen and one small toilet with a cold water only handbasin. But that was a

step forward from the previous elsan! Plans were afoot to remedy the situation, discussions and feasibility investigations resulting in much debate, which included the possibility of demolition, having begun in November 2000, when the PCC had voted that the Church



Room should be substantially improved and renovated. Fast forward to 2019 and we are accustomed to a warm, inviting, well lit space with an excellently equipped kitchen and good toilet facilities. What a joy!

Braishfield All Saints Church and Community Appeal was launched on 11th April 2003. Despite exceptionally hard work the committee were unable to attract any grant aiding for general building costs, but their encouragement of fund raising efforts was highly successful. In 2007 we had completed Phase One of our project when we re-ordered the church, raising the floor level at the back so that an easy access door could be placed in the south wall, and installing a sound system. Some pews were removed to allow more flexible space and the whole floor area up to the chancel step became wheel chair accessible. The vestry had been extended into the church because the 'Girl's Vestry' was now an entrance area and needed to be accommodated elsewhere. New cupboards were specially built for the back of the church, made from the pews which had been removed.

The project to re-order the church and refurbish the Church Room was a long time in the planning, and the whole village community was involved with the huge fund raising initiative which lasted for many years. Over £255,000 was needed to carry out all the work. Had it not been for the carpentry skills of Peter Quarendon, who rebuilt the vestry screen, and made and installed a number of high quality cupboards and other woodwork in both the church and Church Room, and for others who have given most generously of their time and skills, the final cost would have been much higher. That we now have a well ordered, well maintained church and a warm and welcoming Church Room is due to the amazing efforts of very many people over a long period of time, and we give thanks to God that all their work resulted in buildings which are used and appreciated by so many in the village community throughout the year.

To mark the 10th Anniversary of the completion of the All Saints Building Project when the Church Room was dedicated by the Bishop of Winchester on 1st November, All Saints Day, 2009, we invite everyone to look into the church and Church Room on **Saturday 2nd November between 10am and 4pm** to see displays about the work which was undertaken, and to find out more about the history of the Church Room, which Wendy Quarendon is continuing to research. Tea and coffee will be available throughout the day. And do join us at 11.00am on Sunday 3rd November when we meet in All Saints to praise God for his goodness and celebrate all that has been made possible over the last 10 years, because of the work that was carried out.

Sarah Boothman
Churchwarden

All Saints, Braishfield

October

Saturday 5th 7.00pm Harvest Supper with entertainment by BUMS. Book your place!

Sunday 6th 9.30am Harvest Festival - gifts for Romsey Food Bank, please!

Saturday 26th October 9.30am
Working party in the churchyard
with bacon butties!

November

Saturday 2nd Exhibition in All Saints Church and Church Room celebrating the completion of the re-ordering and refurbishment 10 years ago. 10 am - 4 pm. Tea/coffee available throughout the day.

Sunday 3rd Please join us for a Celebration Service at All Saints at 11.00am marking the 10th anniversary of the re-ordering of the church and the refurbishment of the Church Room. This will be followed by lunchtime refreshments in the Church Room to which everyone is invited (from 12.15pm)

Sunday 10th Remembrance Sunday Service **10.50am** at the War Memorial followed by a service at All Saints church and refreshments in the Church Room.

December

Christmas Tree Festival see page 9

Sunday 15th 6.00pm Carol Service with Festive drink and mince pies!

Tuesday 24th 4.00pm Christingle Service

Wednesday 25th 10.00am Christmas Day Family Service

We do hope you can join us for all or some of these services and events. Full details of all services in the enclosed leaflet from the churches.

More information? **Please contact Jane Bennett on 01794 368109**

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Braishfield Bible Fellowship
A study called
“The Bible Course - Explore the BIG story”
(produced by the Bible Society).

The Bible Course will help everyone understand the Bible more. Over 8 sessions the big picture of the Bible storyline will be uncovered, from Genesis through to Revelation! Each session is interactive, with sections of teaching, discussion time



and personal reflection, along with refreshments of course! By the end of the course it is hoped that those attending will have the confidence to pick up the Bible, read it, and apply it to life. Everyone will be very welcome.
Hope to see you there.

**Thursdays, 3 & 17 October, 7 & 21 November and 5 & 19 December.
All at 7.30pm**

Venue: 5 Megana Way. For more information please contact Alan & Sue on 368230.

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Farewell to our Rector – Canon Steve Pittis

It is eight years now since Steve Pittis was installed as Rector of the Braishfield Benefice in September 2011. Last month, August, Steve announced that he will be retiring from full-time ministry in mid-October this year: eight years seem to have passed very quickly. The All Saints community gathered at the evening service on Sunday 15th September, the last one he was scheduled to take in the village, to wish Steve and Teresa well as they move into retirement, and to thank them for all they have contributed during their time with us. In making the presentation of a cheque for £515, a 'Thank You' card signed by church members and a framed photograph of the church, churchwarden Andy Brooks spoke of the focus Steve has given us, reminding us that the church is people, not a building, and that our main purpose is to worship God and explore our faith, and then be involved with the wider community. Many initiatives have taken off during his time with us, with Messy Church and the Sparks Club at the village school just two of them. Andy thanked Steve for all that he has done in the benefice, helping us to work more closely as a team, and wished him and Teresa happiness in the next stage of their life. Steve and Teresa will be moving to live in Dibden Purlieu. In response Steve said that his main aim throughout his ministry in the benefice had been making the name of Jesus better known and encouraging people to grow deeper in their faith. He said it had been a privilege to be involved in ministry in the parish. Teresa was given a bouquet of flowers, and she thanked everyone for their friendship.

Many are asking what happens after Steve leaves. The churchwardens of the 5 parishes of the benefice, Awbridge, Braishfield, Farley Chamberlayne, Michelmersh and Timsbury have already met with the Archdeacon to initiate the process of finding and appointing a successor. There is a set procedure to be followed, with legal responsibilities, and the hope is that a new incumbent may be appointed by July 2020. Meanwhile we will continue to benefit from the ministry of the Revd Jane Thompson, the Self Supporting Minister (ie unpaid) who has been attached to our benefice for several years. The diocese will supply clergy to take the services which would normally have been undertaken by the Rector. The Rectory will be let after Steve and Teresa have moved out, until it is needed for the next incumbent.

Andy Brooks & Sarah Boothman All Saints' Churchwardens

Braishfield United Reformed Church

Meeting Paddington Bear!

As a result of a workshop held by the Wessex South URC Synod, Paddington is visiting all 64 churches in it to see how he, as a stranger, would be welcomed into our churches. Paddington started his pilgrimage from Ilford URC in Bournemouth on 19th November 2017. He has travelled many miles, been to meetings, services, sang with choirs, eaten *lots* of marmalade sandwiches, and decorated Christmas trees. Paddington's journey has taken two years to date, including visiting the Isle of Wight (meaning he spent time at sea too!). Braishfield URC was delighted to welcome Paddington to our Communion Service on 1st September. We are number 41 on his list of churches to visit so Paddington still has more travelling to do. His last church is at Rowlands Castle.

6th October – 9.30 am – Communion Service

We will be dedicating a new Communion Chalice for use at our communion services. This has been given to the church in memory of Pat Taylor from her family.

10th November – 10.50 am – Remembrance Sunday Service

This is just to remind everyone that the service starts at the Village War Memorial and then continues at All Saints Parish Church as a United Service.

17th November – 10.00 am – Memorial and Thanksgiving Service

This service is to remember loved ones who have passed away. Names will be read and candles will be lit during the service.

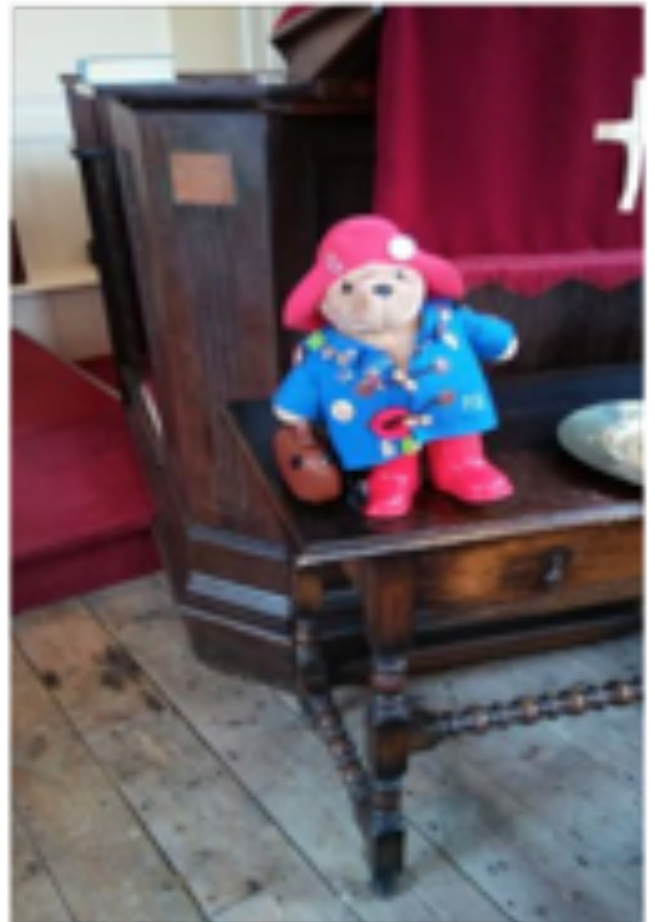
17th December – 7.00 pm – Carols by Candlelight

Do come for a good sing of favourite carols. To be followed by refreshments including mince pies.

For more details please contact:-

The Minister: The Reverend Mike Perrott, MA - 01794 512163

The Church Secretary: Shirley Smith - 01794 368447



Pantry Update



Things are beginning to pick up for Christmas at the Pantry (I know – much too early to be talking of such things – but it will be here before we realise). We've got some orders in, we have planned our opening dates and discussed options for late night opening in the lead up to the big day. As I write plans are afoot for our Christmas Open Evening to introduce our Christmas stock and tempt you with various goodies. We've set the date – **Tuesday November 19th between 5-8pm**, and we've begun to see if any of our suppliers are free to come along and offer some tastings of some of our favourite foods and drinks. So, keep your eyes peeled for posters around the village and notices on our webpages and through the network for all the details.

A quick reminder also for our **AGM**. It's taking place on **Tuesday 8th October** from 6pm in the Pantry. So do pop by if you're interested in hearing how the shop is doing. If you can't make it, then you can find the report and meeting notes on our webpages in due course.

Never shy from taking an opportunity to earn a few more pennies (and of course serving a need in the community!), the Pantry is hoping to stay open on Fish and Chip nights. So, if you'd like a drink to go with your fish supper, or realise you need a pint of milk for your morning cuppa, hopefully you'll find the Pantry being open a helpful addition.

And finally, the Pantry team are in the process of finalising a form which will accompany Village Hall bookings. The form will make people aware of the additions the Pantry can supply to any event, and allow people to pre-order supplies. Be it coffee and cake for a meeting, or perhaps wine and nibbles for an evening event, hopefully the form will bring to the attention of future bookings what the Pantry might be able to offer and thus make life easier for people, as well as obviously bringing in more income to the Pantry.

And don't forget – if you'd like to get involved just pop in and speak to Sharon or one of her team.

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We are nearly at the end of another Jumbulance travelling year and on Sunday had our Summer lunch reunion and Birthday tea at Oakfield for one of our 85 year old travellers, Mildred Cox. It was a glorious day with pimmis in the garden followed by a catered lunch in the barn (so this time more relaxing for all our wonderful volunteers too) and then birthday cake and tea in the garden afterwards with an update on next year's plans – amongst other things Oberammagau in August 2020. Several people could not be accommodated on a holiday this year so we will try to prioritise them next year.

At the end of September we are off on our last trip for 2019 – a pilgrimage to Lourdes with sadly 2 empty places on the jumbulance that we just couldn't fill.

Such a pity as

we have a full complement of doctor, priest, nurse and lots of willing volunteers. So it should be more restful.

Chris Chisholm

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SOCIAL CONTACT GROUP

On a very hot day in July we visited the Lavender Farm at Landford for a cream tea, where thankfully we had The Breeze House which certainly helped to keep us cool. The Gardens were a pure delight of scent and colour and several Members bought both plants and scones to take home.



Our next outing is to Lepe Beach at the end of September for lunch overlooking the Beach. We're hoping for better weather on this occasion, on our last visit to Lepe the weather was wet and extremely windy but still fascinating to watch the few brave souls kite-surfing, whilst we enjoyed the warmth of the Cafe.

If you would like to join our friendly group , please give me a ring on 368339

Hazel Prince

IRONMAN - 2.4 Mile Swim, 112 Mile Bike, 26.2 Mile Run...
A long distance triathlon with a time cap of 17 hours...
Do I dare to dream...

After the tenth time of opening up the Ironman Wales registration website I thought to myself; just do it, you obviously want to... so I did. I signed up and instantly thought what have I just done!

After being inspired by the Brownlee brothers in 2012, I signed up for my first triathlon in 2013 and simply fell in love with the sport. This opened up opportunities I never thought possible, representing Team GB in their age group teams in Geneva, Lisbon and Tartu. I loved it and by 2019 I find myself coming first overall female in the Brutal Middle Distance Tri, a 1.2 mile swim in a freezing cold lake, a 56 mile bike course in Snowdonia - HILLS!! and then a 13 mile run including an ascent and descent of Snowdon! Unbelievable and so unexpected! Could I love this sport anymore!?!

Yes - Tenby 2019! Just the most incredible and fascinating experience. I am petrified but so excited, a complete mixture of emotions stood ready to go on Tenby North beach, the weather is stunning, the Welsh national anthem starts to play, the crowd, the athletes, everyone is singing, it gives me goosebumps. Then the horns sound and we're off!!

The swim was incredible, I exit the water to the roar of the crowds, see my family bursting with pride and smiles, I run along the town to transition and my eyes well up because it is just so amazing, the atmosphere, the crowd and this is only the beginning! The bike gave you hills, hills and more hills! The route was hard but the crowds and support, which was 4 or 5 deep in places, made those climbs feel pan flat - well almost! I couldn't stop smiling this was just out of this world! Back into transition and out on the run, again the crowds - phenomenal! A hilly run high fiving the crowds, bursting with such positive energy, I should be shattered but I am having the time of my life!!

And then there it is, the illusive red carpet, lapping up all the high fives, the cheers and then hearing as I cross the line ... 'Leanne you are an Ironman!' No words can explain just how amazing that felt, only to turn round, bearing in mind I was paranoid about not making the cut off time of 17 hours and dreaming of a 15 hour finish time,

to see a time of 12 hours and 55 minutes!! Absolutely buzzing and completely overwhelmed!

If there is anything you want to do or want to try, no matter how big or small, get out there, work for it and enjoy it. Ironman taught me a lot, but the biggest thing it taught me is that... Anything is Possible!

Leanne Watters
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Romsey Health Walks



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Come and wear your BBC Children in Need Countryfile Ramble Hat, or any other Pudsey merchandise available from Supermarkets or BBC Website.



The walk will start at 11.00am after observing two minute silence for Remembrance Day. Afterwards refreshments available at The Pantry or Meals available at the two pubs in Braishfield "Dog and Crook" and "Wheatsheaf" any questions: email alanlord96@gmail.com

BRAISHFIELD SOCIAL CLUB

Weekly Events

Monday Nights	- Free Pool
Wednesday Nights	- Keep Fit 6.30 p.m.
Thursday Nights	- Table Tennis
Friday Nights	- Quiz every fortnight
Saturday Nights	- Meat draw
Sunday Nights	- Bingo

We also have Pigeon Club, Dart and Crib Teams, Pool Team always looking for new members.
Snooker Room and Skittle Alley available.

Regular Events

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

Future Events

Karaoke Evening	see notice board for dates
80's NIGHT (80's dress!)	5th October 2019
Classic Car show	6th October 2019
Stevie John Live Music	26th October 2019
Ukelele Night	9th November 2019 (provisional)
Loaded Dice	23rd November

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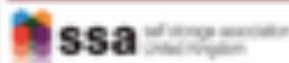
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Recycle weeks beginning:
14th and 28th October
11th and 25th November

Household waste weeks beginning:
7th and 21st October
4th and 18th November



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

Recycling Is Easy!

In Test Valley, we collect 5 types of recyclable materials from Rubbish News brown bin, and we have a network of more than 100 Local Recycling Centres to collect even more items! At home, you can put the following items in your brown recycling bin:

« Paper. « Cardboard « Plastic bottles « Tins and cans. « Aerosol cans

and you can take the following items to your Local Recycling Centre:

« Glass bottles and jars. « Textiles. « Aluminium foil. « Cartons
« Books and media

To find your nearest or most convenient Local Recycling Centre and to see what you can recycle there, use Recycle Now's Recycling Locator:

www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling

Brown Bin Recycling Tips

- « Ensure your recyclable items are clean and dry.
- « Don't bag your items – keep them loose or they won't be recycled!
- « Don't put other plastics (pots, tubs, trays) in your bin – we can only recycle plastic bottles.
- « If in doubt, have a look at the recycling guide:

www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingguide

Braishfield Village Diary

Regular Meetings	Where	Time	When	Next meetings		
Parish Council	Comm. Room Village Hall	7.00	1 st Tues excl. August	1 Oct	5 Nov	3 Dec
Village Lunch	Church Room	12.00	2 nd Mon excl. August	14 Oct	11 Nov	9 Dec
Horticultural Society	Comm. Room Village Hall	7.30	2 nd Tues excl. June/July/Aug	8 Oct	12 Nov	10 Dec
Flower Society	Church Room	7.30	4 th Thurs excl. Aug/Dec	24 Oct	28 Nov	
Village Voices	Church Room	2 - 4	4 th Mon	28 Oct	25 Nov	23 Dec
The Pantry Shop & Cafe	Village Hall	9 – 12 2 - 5	Mon – Fri (Sat 9-12 noon)			
Story Time	Village Pantry	10 - 11.30	Thursday, Wendy Lord 367015			

Events	Where	When	More Details
Harvest Supper	All Saints	5 October	7.00 pm
Classic Car show	Social Club	6 October	10 - 2 pm
Pantry AGM	Pantry	8 October	6 pm
BMADS Chamber Concert	All Saints	11 October	7.30 pm
Acts of Remembrance	War Memorial	10 & 11 November	10.50 am
Pantry Christmas Evening	Pantry	19 November	5 - 8 pm
Flower Soc Open Evening	Village Hall	28 November	7.30 pm
BMADS play	Village Hall	22 & 23 November	7.30 pm

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