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Braishfield Social Club re-opens

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All items for publication must show the name, address and contact number of the originator. Topics should be relevant to the village of Braishfield.

## From the Chairman


At last things appear to be getting back to relative normality. I do hope you've been keeping well and have been able to catch up with friends and family (socially distanced of course!).

I'd like to express my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the special VE Day edition in June. It was a great issue which resulted in much positive feedback and I have to say that the BVA team, and in particular Wendy Dolby-Stevens, did us proud with it. A really great effort.

Now a request: **VJ Day** is on August 15th and commemorates the end of the Second World War. Many of you have mentioned it and again we'd like any stories or photos (from the day, or of your gettogethers please) so we can share these via the October BVN. So, dress up, decorate your gardens and let's, once again, "do Braishfield proud".

As we move forward, we can start planning future events. You may have seen (opposite) that we have a Christmas Market organised for Saturday December 5th in the Village Hall. If you, or anyone you know would like a table, please let me know – [ianandwendyj@btinternet.com](mailto:ianandwendyj@btinternet.com). We'd love to see you there. Further details to follow in the next edition and on the notice boards. I'm delighted to say that the Music Festival has been re-arranged with many of the artists confirming that they'd love to join us. Please put the date in your diaries – Saturday 5th June 2021. Details on how to reserve tickets will follow nearer the time. Please keep well and I hope we can all meet up again in the very near future.

Best wishes,  
Ian.

The background of the entire page is a soft-focus photograph of various Christmas ornaments and ribbons. There are gold, silver, and red ornaments, some with intricate designs, and colorful ribbons in shades of red, green, and gold. The overall tone is festive and warm.

**Braishfield Village Association**

**Christmas Market**

**5 December 2020**

**Braishfield Village Hall**

Calling all crafts people, small businesses, artisan bakers, in fact people who make anything/everything!!! Register your interest for a table at our Christmas Market by contacting **[ianandwendyj@btinternet.com](mailto:ianandwendyj@btinternet.com)** or

**Tel: 367282.**

If you know of any other persons who may be interested, give them the details so that we can make this a popular and diverse attraction for all.

## **BRAISHFIELD 200 CLUB**

Each month we make a modest donation to a charity or 'good cause', and most of them write back to say thanks. The last two were a bit different. The Jumbulance Trust told us they have had to stop their trips and holidays for the time being, but their costs remain in keeping their coaches in good shape. One of them (fully equipped for taking seriously ill people on holidays that would otherwise be an impossibility) has been loaned to the NHS to take patients that have been intubated to specialist hospitals. 'We all feel very proud to help on the front line', says their General Manager.' The other is ServeDirect, which, as Elspeth Dugdale reported in the June issue of this magazine, has faced terrible times as a result of the total lockdown in Uganda, where people face starvation and worse. Our little donation was enough to feed 30 families for a month, she tells us. We must surely give them another month's contribution before long.

The June draw was won by Geoff Briggs, and July's by Meri Knights. Donations are going to the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance and All Saints Church.

David Robinson.

### **Volunteering in The Pantry**

Many thanks to everyone who's stepped in to help out in the village shop over the past few months. We're always glad of new offers of help, as we continue to welcome back those returning volunteers. Please call into The Pantry or check out the website, if you've time to spare!

## Pantry Home Deliveries

Thanks to all those volunteer drivers, who've made 250+ deliveries since the end of March.

We're continuing to offer deliveries on Mondays and Fridays, whilst there's demand...and willing drivers!

Please get in touch with the shop and we'll do our best to help - or make up an order for personal collection.

**07506 148700**

**Braishfieldpantry@gmail.com**

As from Friday 24th July, when you visit The Pantry,  
'Masks on please, and we'll do the same'  
Thank you for your understanding

## FOOTPATH VOLUNTEERS

The Parish Council has the opportunity to work with Hampshire County Council to replace some of the stiles on our footpaths, with gates. This will help to make the footpaths more accessible.

To take advantage of this opportunity, we need some volunteers who will be prepared to help dismantle the stiles and install the gates. Training will be provided.

If you are interested or require further information, please contact me on **368516**.

Your time will be counted as matched funding towards the cost of the new gates, and help Braishfield participate in this scheme.

Ian Knights

## Braishfield Brownies



A few weeks into lockdown, we decided to see if we could continue our weekly meetings on 'zoom'. For the leaders, this was a totally new experience for us and we set it up with some trepidation!

However, it has enabled us to keep in contact with our Brownies and we have enjoyed our weekly catchup on their news. We have set little craft activities for the girls and they made some lovely pictures from items found in their garden, they also made some lovely elephants using plastic milk bottles. We managed to play some games too, like scavenger hunt where the girls have been running around their homes, trying to find specific things and also Scattergories and a memory game. We hope that we are able to meet up face to face soon, we are lucky to be so near the recreation ground to enable us to do this and we await guidance from Girlguiding.

We would love to see some new members and we welcome girls from ages 7-11 yrs. Normally we meet on a Wednesday evening during term time at Braishfield Village Hall from 6.00pm - 7.30pm.

Enquiries can be made to Brown Owl at  
**[brownies@braishfield.org](mailto:brownies@braishfield.org)**



## School Governor Vacancy

The Governing Body of Braishfield Primary School still has a vacancy for a new Community Governor from September.



The Governors are a friendly, forward thinking body and we are seeking new members to work with school leaders to achieve the best for our children. Anyone can be a Governor – it just requires a commitment to children and some free time.

Governors can make an important contribution to the school and the Local Community. A vital part of the role as a Governor is to both support and challenge the school. Governors need to ask questions of the school to help it to scrutinise how effective the educational provision is for our children. They meet every half-term, alongside school visits, training and background reading.

Being a Governor can be an enjoyable, stimulating and very rewarding role and comprehensive training and support are available.

If you are interested in becoming a Governor, or know of anyone who might be interested, please contact the school:

**01794 368359 or email [adminoffice@braishfield.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@braishfield.hants.sch.uk)**



**SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2020**  
**Open Day for Churches & Chapels in Hampshire**  
**and the Isle of Wight**

Ride+Stride will be going ahead nationwide this year on Saturday 12 September, despite COVID-19 and some of our churches still being closed. So please help to support this event by raising or donating money for the maintenance of these wonderful church buildings. All the information to take part is on our website **[www.hihct.org.uk](http://www.hihct.org.uk)**. Please come and join us or make a donation. Participating churches will be on our website and it is best to check registrations shortly before the event. Please do register your church. Of the money raised through Ride+Stride 50% can go back to your designated church.

With so many young families taking to their bikes during COVID-19 lockdown we hope they will bike to some of the churches, explore the graveyards (if the church is shut), take some interesting photos and send them to the Trust. Enjoy a picnic and have a fun day exploring our wonderful cultural heritage!

Last year Hampshire & the Islands Historic Churches Trust raised more than £70,000 – another record year! Over the last 3 years, thanks to help from many hundreds of people (many non-churchgoers) we have increased the total available for grants to support our heritage of church architecture and craftsmanship by 40%!

Chris & Meryl Balchin will be participating, as ever, and if anyone would like to sponsor us, or needs further information, please email us on **[meryl@hihct.org.uk](mailto:meryl@hihct.org.uk)** or ring **01794 368427/07976 786650**. Both All Saints and the United Reformed Churches' congregations in Braishfield have very kindly sponsored us in the past but you could sponsor us for other churches in the Benefice too!

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## Pantry News July 2020



As we welcome more visitors to the Pantry after 'lockdown' eases, it's good to see Sharon back, now baking from the Pantry's own kitchen. Many thanks to the Village Hall Committee for including this in the Hall 'makeover' - what a brilliant transformation awaits all the Hall users.

Weeks turned into months, The Pantry stayed open: ever mindful of the need for everyone to feel and stay safe, Government and Health and Safety Executive guidance was crucial to our planning. Social distancing and '2 in, 2 out', have become the norm, as will 'masks on please and we'll do the same', from 24th July.

As always, thanks to everyone who's supported the village shop over the past challenging months.

The supply of sponges, traybakes and quiche are just as good as ever, so if you've not yet tried these homebakes, there's a real treat waiting for you! Trout pate, Braishfield Bangers, Lyburn cheeses ... and now, fresh fish via a supplier in Downton...the local goods (not forgetting fruit and veg sourced by Hansards), are as plentiful as always.

The warm welcome is just the same – we're still offering takeaways and the wide selection of goods keeps on growing!

We look forward to seeing many of you in the coming weeks.

Ps Whatever may happen between now and Christmas....the first orders have just been placed for Christmas goods...and we're planning ahead!!

## V J DAY - 15th August

A reminder that during this month it is VJ Day. We would like to run another feature in the October issue with photos and snippets from your celebrations and / or memories of the day.

Please send in your contributions to the Editor.

This article was submitted by Derrick Sapsford, whose father-in-law served in Burma in 1945 and was a journalist.



Phoebe Merrick, a wonderful local historian in Romsey, has been trawling through the Romsey Advertisers of 1939, picking out items of interest for the town and villages. I am on her mailing list and enjoy reading her offerings. Below are excerpts from the summer of 1939.

A garden fete was held at Elm Grove, at that time the home of Mr WG Owen and his daughter Betty and her husband John Hoddinott. For those

interested in local history, these were the grandfather and parents of Michael Hoddinott from whom we purchased Elm Grove in 2002. Many fetes were held here over the years and this one was to raise funds for the Congregational Church, now the URC, for the children's outing and church funds.

The fete was opened by Lady Bacon, with Mr Owen proposing a vote of thanks. Amongst his remarks he is quoted ".....We call this place a village," went on Mr. Owen, "but it is almost a town by now." Referring to the fete that day, Mr. Owen remarked "We do not want a lot of money, but just enough to keep things going. We have not had a fete for two years now, and I hope we shall make enough this time to never need another." This made me chuckle – I expect he had been sorely vexed by all the preparations going on under his feet. There were a dozen stalls including cream teas and then "The extra gaiety that music brings to any function was added in the evening, when the Braishfield Brass Band played selections". That must have been a very long day!

I suppose his reference to the village being almost a town now was because of the building of the houses on one side of Hill View and the houses in Common Hill. Several other dwellings in the village were probably built in the 1930s.

In a previous Advertiser was a report on the death of Mrs Alice Maud King who lived at the Manor. She and her husband donated to the village the field that is now the recreation field and farmed many acres taking in Braishfield House Estate and Elm Grove Farm.

I quote "Mrs. King was of a pronounced artistic temperament, and showed a marked predilection for certain colours. She was an interested gardener, and the gardens at Braishfield Manor are conspicuous for the absence of any yellow or white flowers, her favourite colours being mauve, purple and pink. This colour selection was not limited to the gardens, however, and was continued in her personal dress, and in the decorative scheme at Braishfield Manor, where she lived for the past 40 years". Wonderful!

*Wendy Quarendon*

# United Reformed Church

## Events Report

Sadly, there are still no church services at Braishfield URC for the moment, but:

(a) we will let you know when that changes and (b) we thought an update on what has been happening would be apt.



Our Minister, the Reverend Mike Perrott, has been kept busy during the lockdown in producing newsletters and service sheets every week. Why the service sheets when there is no church as such? Easy!

Those of us **with** internet access have been able to use the Zoom app to “meet in person” with some of our friends at Romsey URC. It is good some of our members at Braishfield have been able to take advantage of this. Those of us **without** internet access follow the service sheet at the time stated so we know we are connecting with our fellow Christians in Romsey and Braishfield, following the same service, and reading and enjoying the weekly reflection.

A big thank you is in order to our Minister and his team for organising this. The work behind the scenes in church life is considerable but we suppose one good thing to come out of the lockdown is we are suddenly more aware of all of that. (And we hope less likely to take it for granted in future!).

Shirley Smith, our Church Secretary, and our Minister are pleased to hear from anyone who may wish to contact them with pastoral needs etc. While it is true we are not in our lovely church building now, the church is still there! We are so looking forward to being back together properly again! Take care, everyone!

For more details please contact:-

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

The Church Secretary: Shirley Smith - 01794 368447

## All Saints' Church

**Open for individual prayer every Sunday 10am - 4pm.**

We were pleased to be able to open All Saints' for private prayer in June as soon as the government guidance permitted this. Andy and I had to undertake risk assessments and put special measures in place, including the use of hand sanitiser on arrival and before leaving. We hope that some of you have taken the chance to visit on a Sunday between 10m and 4pm. Unfortunately we can't open more frequently at the moment, as unless the building is closed for 72 hours between openings, we would have to undertake a deep clean, and we don't have the resources to manage that. Several people have said that they enjoy spending time quietly in the church yard, especially while the weather is good. And how fortunate we are that Richard Brazier and the mower men are continuing to keep the area so up together and welcoming.



### **Starting to hold services of worship**

We were also pleased to be able to open for worship on the first Sunday when that was allowed – 5th July. Rev Jane Thompson led our service, and it was lovely to see so many there – twenty six of us. We are observing the 2m distancing rule for seating, and have marked the available seats by placing embroidered kneelers on them. White tape closes off the rows which may not be used at all. There can be no

singing but we can follow the words of hymns as we listen to them being played. It seems very strange not to be able to chat together after the service as we normally would, but we can have 'distanced' conversations in the church yard. Some are still isolating or shielding, some are feeling understandably that they need to be very cautious in venturing away from home. While we adjust to the 'new normal' we have decided to share worship with St John's, Farley Chamberlayne, so that there is a service in one church or the other each Sunday which we can all attend.

### **Worship planned for August is as follows:**

Sunday 2nd August	6.00pm	St John's	Holy Communion (traditional words)
Sunday 9th August	9.30am	All Saints	Morning Worshippers
Sunday 16th August	11.15am	St John's	Family Service
Sunday 23rd August	9.30am	All Saints	Holy Communion (contemporary words)
Sunday 30th August	A benefice service – details to be decided		

Do check the All Saints' website [asbchurch.org](http://asbchurch.org) ( as in All Saints' Braishfield church...) for updates. Thanks again to Alan Lord for setting this up. And please pass on messages to those who don't use email!

### **Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals**

Baptisms, weddings and funerals are permitted now, but with a maximum attendance of 30 people attending. The weddings that were planned for this year have all been postponed to next year so we have plenty to look forward to in 2021.

### **The Church Room**

The PCC held a meeting via Zoom on 14h July, and after a short discussion agreed to cancel all planned social events for the rest of the year. Plans can be put in place again if the situation alters. It was also agreed to open the Church Room, from the end of July, so long as the necessary risk assessments and protocols are in place. There can be 15 to 20 people in the building depending on the type of activity. Wendy Quarendon has



been in touch with regular hirers, and some would like to return soon. Wendy has taken the lead in ensuring that all the relevant documentation and signage is in place, and extra cleaning supplies ordered. We don't anticipate much use of the Church Room during the next couple of months but it will be good to be able to offer it to those who would like to re-start their activities.

### **Finally**

We are indebted to Rev Jane Thompson for the way that she has maintained daily contact via email with everyone who wishes to have that support since the early days of lockdown, and to Fiona Fielder for keeping everyone up to date with developments through the All Saints' Friends email network and sending around an email from Jane to everyone each Sunday. We have tried to keep in touch with those who don't use email by other means.

So life goes on, differently – and we are very aware that the God who we worship doesn't change: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Our loving God is always here for us: we just need to reach out and trust in him as we try to support one another. We take the current challenges in our stride as we hold on to that truth.

*Andy Brooks and Sarah Boothman All Saints' churchwardens.*



## Sheep Matter at Elm Grove

The lambs have been growing very well and even the pet lambs, those that have been bottle fed, are looking very grown up. Last week it was time for weaning, when the ewes and lambs are separated because the lambs are old enough to live off grass and the ewes are producing less milk. The lambs remained here in the village with the ewes a couple of miles away; the art is to have them at a distance from each other so they can't hear each other calling. If you know the Anthem 'All in the April Evening' you will know it mentions lambs with 'a weak human cry'; well it did sound a bit heart breaking after they had been separated, but it must be said that the lambs got over any distress very quickly and a day later there was hardly a murmur!

So, what happens now? Well, Kate will be taking the male and smaller female lambs to Salisbury Market between September and January where they are sold to be finished or as store lambs, to people who rear them for another few months. The stronger females are kept until August 2021 before being sold as breeding ewes. She doesn't keep any of her own lambs for breeding as they are the result of crossing the North Country Mule ewes (which are themselves a cross breed) with a Suffolk ram and to breed from that cross would result in a further cross which is what she doesn't want. So, her lambs from last year (called shearlings, the name given to ewes that have been shorn once), will be going to Salisbury Market in a few weeks, to be sold for breeding to people who are happy to use them. These are the sheep in the allotment field at present.

Most of her current ewes which are North Country Mules, will be kept here for more breeding, while some may be sold on. Kate is hoping to increase the number of Lleyn ewes in her flock, and because they are pure bred, i.e. pedigree, she will not be using her Suffolk rams for breeding but will have to obtain a Lleyn ram. The resultant lambs will be put to the same ram as they are all pure bred not crossed, but she will have to change the ram every two years to keep the breed.

The hay is in, in the nick of time before the weather broke. This year the amount was not as good as previous years due to the dry weather, but it is hoped there will be enough to see them through the winter. In years gone by it must have been very worrying to see rain clouds approaching with all the farm hands and extras trying to get the hay safely stowed. Nowadays it is one man on his tractor carrying on until it is finished, mending broken machinery under lights in the field working sometimes until the wee small hours. Our predecessors would not believe it!

*Wendy Quarendon*

## Social Contact Group

Once again we have been unable to meet and socialise and it's still difficult to predict when the social distancing rules will change to permit us to resume our planned trips and outings. As soon as circumstances allow, a trip for coffee and cakes will be arranged instantly!

However, as we all know, little surprises always brighten our day and in June the 'Doorstep Fairy'



delivered a flowering geranium and a greeting card on every Members doorstep. Please don't feel lonely, even if we cannot meet at the present time, just give me a ring on 368339 for a chat and I can let you know what we hope our future trips will be.

Hazel Prince

## Reflections on Covid-19

No one could have imagined 6 months ago the effect that this virus would have had on our lives during the recent months and probably many more months to come. We are perhaps fortunate enough to live in a more cosy wrapped society and not experience at first hand the sufferance elsewhere that has been almost too terrible to imagine. Some of us will have relations abroad, some may have families who live in parts of the world where even the basics of life are minimal. Hopefully, for most of us, here in and around Braishfield, we have been fortunate to escape the worst of it, yet there are some who were affected by the virus and we all wish them a full and speedy recovery. Our thoughts should also be with those who have found self isolation so difficult to cope with and we hope that they will soon be able to return to a more normal life.

But out of the bad, there comes the good strange as that may seem. I do not reside within the boundaries of Braishfield but have lived locally for over 60 years and during my daily walk, remembered as a 10 year old, staying with my Aunt in the old Harefield House and cycling up to the village and a glass of Strong's limeade in the garden of the Wheatsheaf...it is great to see so many people out jogging, cycling, walking.....but will they keep it up.. let's hope so.

I remember through my brewery days, Sid Coombs and then Ian Skipper at the Dog & Crook, and Vince Maynard and Bill Henderson at the Wheatsheaf.....pubs are going to find it very difficult to return to normal and achieve the sales required to meet the operating costs.....but they are so much part of village life and our social enjoyment.

We have been able to do some redecoration and minor repairs in the house....emptied the shed and cleared out the garage..and now able to book an appointment and take car loads of " don't throw it out, it may come in handy " items to Casbrook.....and the filing cabinets at home ?..the shredder has been working overtime !!!!.

It was nice to be able to hear our curate, Jane., speak at All Saints' for the first time in 16 weeks and to see other aspects of the village returning to life....and for music lovers...the gentle tones of the BUMS having a practice session in the open air in upper Braishfield !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.

Yes, it has been tough for some....changing for some their way of life...the way they will need to operate in the future....but the good thing is that we WILL come through this and that some previously forgotten practices will now come to the fore again and remind us of the values and the good things in life.

Stephen Treglown



### **Extension of Test Valley Borough of Culture Festival**

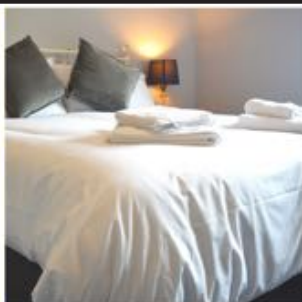
The festival has been on hold since March due to Covid-19 restrictions. Therefore the organisers, Test Valley Arts Foundation (TVAF,) have decided to extend the programme into 2021 to allow for the rescheduling of events and for the momentum to build once more, when it is safe to resume activities.

Anyone who has previously submitted an event for the festival programme should contact me with any updates so that we can reschedule event listings. It also means that there is more time to add new events to the programme into 2021.

For information:  
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### **TEMPORARY OPENING HOURS**

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**Friday 4.30-9.00pm**

**Saturday & Sunday 12.00 noon – 8.00pm**

### **Weekly Events – CURRENTLY NOT AVAILABLE due to**

#### **Government regulations**

- |                  |                        |
|------------------|------------------------|
| Monday Nights    | - Free Pool            |
| Wednesday Nights | - Fit Bit 7pm          |
| Thursday Nights  | - Table Tennis         |
| Friday Nights    | - Quiz every fortnight |
| Saturday Nights  | - Meat Draw            |
| Sunday Nights    | - Bingo                |

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### **Regular Events – currently not available due to government regulations**

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Quiz Nights     | - held fortnightly on Friday Nights                   |
| Karaoke         | - usually, the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month |
| Newport Players | - usually, first Saturday of each month               |

### **Future Events**

**4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Car Show 10am-2pm**

### **Please see Club Notices for more details**

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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:

3rd, 17th, 31st August

14th, 28th September

**Household waste** weeks beginning:

10th, 24th August

7th, 21st September

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](http://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](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingguide)

# VILLAGE DIARY

Whilst we are still in the grip of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Diary will not be published. Once activities and societies in the Village get started again, the Diary will be back!



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