

# BRAMSHALL NEWS

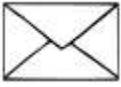


**New permanent warning signs in Bramshall**

**April 2019**

Send your stories, photos and news for the next edition of Bramshall News!

**May deadline is Sunday 21st April 2019**



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## **Bramshall Community Speedwatch**

**See front cover.**

As we reach the second anniversary of the commencement of ‘Speedwatch’ activities in the village (23/03/2017) the small team of volunteers agree that there has been a noticeable improvement in the standard of driving by most road users in the village. There remain just a few individuals who continue to threaten the safety of our roads by driving too fast but hopefully, in time, the roads will become a safer environment for everyone.

In these past two years the volunteers have noted a reduction in the number of speeding offences: this is obvious from information collected from the regular road speed monitoring sessions.

One change that has happened recently was the fitting of the new permanent warning signs at four sites on the fringes of the village; on Stone Road (2), Bennetts Lane and Leigh Lane, to alert drivers they are entering a ‘Community Speedwatch’ area. These metal signs replace the old, plastic, temporary ones that were used hitherto. Monitoring of the various sites will, it is hoped, further continue to reduce the level of speeding offences.

As mentioned, ‘Speedwatch’ in the village is undertaken by a small group of volunteers who make themselves available for a couple of hours each month. It is sometimes not possible to find enough volunteers and we are therefore seeking a few more individuals to join the team. So why not join us?

If you are interested in becoming a ‘Community Speedwatcher’ in Bramshall please contact Michelle Shaker, the ‘Community Engagement Coordinator’ at Police HQ in Stafford on 01785 232702, who will be pleased to discuss joining our team here in the village.

Thank you

Andrew Dartnell  
Bramshall Speedwatch



## Community Litter Pick

Good to see community spirited people join in with the litter picking afternoon. Groups attacked various roads and lanes around the village resulting in several bags of rubbish and much tidier verges. Thank you.



.... But also a worrying find of four boxes of empty laughing gas canisters dumped in the lay-bys in Pigeonhay Lane.



### **A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY.**

#### **Easter clean up**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 9am we will be tidying up the village in readiness for entering the Best Kept Village competition. If you are able to come along and help that would be great – if you have wheelbarrow, spade, fork, brush, loppers anything useful for the occasion even better!!

A skip has been ordered.

# LIVE & LOCAL



Ruth Angell & Sid Peacock, accompanied by Steve Tromans, drew the audience into the world of Thomas Carnduff with their lyrical music.

The recent performance was not supported very well; in fact the audience of only 28 resulted in a slight loss (despite the subsidy from Live & Local). The viability of continuing with this type of entertainment is now in question. I would be pleased to receive comments about events put on in the Parish Hall, with particular reference to the Live & Local programme; and if anyone is interested in becoming involved with Live & Local in this village. [revjsl@aol.com](mailto:revjsl@aol.com) or tel: 565228

## **FAMILY BINGO AND BEETLE DRIVE**

It is with much sadness that John and SallyAnne reported that not one family turned up for this event last month. It was targeted at getting families together for a fun evening at an early time ..... they are wondering what to do with all the chocolate Easter eggs and the like!!

Where are they going wrong to get something off the ground to tick all the boxes? The country may be going through a bad time with no one agreeing or compromising but the typical country villages have always had the reputation of coming together, supporting activities, being neighbourly etc. It would be lovely to see that happen again.



## BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

We were pleased to welcome Gerald Ingram of Planter's Garden Centre to our last meeting and he came with a van load of over 30 plants, including a small apple tree! These were the plants which he had found were the traditional favourites for most gardeners, mostly because they were easy to grow and look after and gave a good return, either as a display item or as a source of fruit or vegetables. He spent the evening speaking about each plant in turn and proved to be very knowledgeable about all the aspects of gardening involved.

For areas of the garden which do not get much sun, he recommended *Choisya Sundance* which has lovely gold coloured foliage together with ferns. For a north facing wall, *Hydrangea Petiolaris* will cover it well and give a very good display. He said the thing most gardeners are not good at doing is keeping plants to reasonable dimensions by pruning and he had a list of shrubs which need cutting back by half every year – Broom, Forsythia and Buddleia being three of them. It was good to have an evening which covered such a variety of plants and an expert who could give useful answers to the questions he was asked.

For the April meeting, which is the last meeting of our season, Hosta expert Robert Barlow will present an evening on this versatile and attractive herbaceous perennial. This will take place at Bramshall Parish Hall on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm.

Please put this date in your diary and don't forget - Gardening Club members can claim a 10% discount at the Strawberry Garden Centre on purchases above £10 (excluding discounted items) – just present a 2018-19 Membership Card.

*Clive Tuck*

# Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes  
Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall  
Vicar Revd John Lander  
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## Services for April 2019

7th April	11.00am	Holy Communion	
14th April	8.00am	Holy Communion	Palm Sunday
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	
19th April	10.00am	Devotions	Good Friday
21st April	11.00am	Holy Communion	Easter Sunday
28th April	11.00am	Family Communion (followed by refreshments)	

### Sidespersons Rota:

7th Mrs G Lovatt  
14th Mrs L Corbishley  
21st Mrs C Postlethwaite  
28th Mr R Jones

### Cleaning Rota (for the Sunday stated)

7th Mrs SA Lander  
14th Mrs J Corbishley  
21st Mrs M Jones  
28th Mrs L Corbishley

Flowers: 21st & 28th only Mrs E Blurton/Mrs M Jones  
Refreshments: Mrs B Kinch & Mrs L Corbishley

### **Confirmation:**

Anyone considering Confirmation please see Rev John or phone him on 565228.

## From the Registers

Baptisms:

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Harlow Gracie-Mae Pearce  
Sebastian Luke Hill



Harlow with Dad Nathan  
& Mum Cassandra.



Sebastian with his parents Robert & Monica.

## **LENT LUNCH**

It was nice to see so many at my house for our Lent Lunch. Just a simple meal shared with you and the conversation helped to make it a lovely occasion. It proved to be a warm day too which was an added bonus. Thank you. SallyAnne.

### **PCC Meeting – APCM**

The Church Annual Parochial Church meeting was held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March when the following were elected:

Churchwarden:	SallyAnne Lander
Asst. Churchwarden:	Peter Kent
Secretary:	SallyAnne Lander
Treasurer:	Glenda Lovatt
Electoral Roll officer:	Paddy Hind
Stewardship Officer:	SallyAnne Lander
Verger:	Evelyn Blurton
Committee:	Graham Needham Carole Postlethwaite Sandra Kent Joyce Corbishley Mary Talbot Penny Gilpin

We expressed our grateful thanks to Dick Jones who has been churchwarden and served on the PCC committee for many years.

## **Lunch Club**

The next fellowship lunch will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 12.00pm at The Old Bramshall Inn.

Please contact SallyAnne or John if you are interested.

**Parish Hall Committee Meeting - 8th April**

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

On Sunday 7th April Andrew and Angela Dartnell will be celebrating their Golden Wedding anniversary. They were married in West Norwood, London, on 7th April 1969. Very best wishes to you both for a wonderful celebration.

### **Thank you.**

Collette's Charity Coffee morning in aid of the MS Society raised £200 on the day. A huge thank you to everyone who attended.

*Collette's husband will be running the 2019 London marathon for the MS Society, a charity which is close to their hearts, and needs you to help him raise £2000 for this fantastic cause.*

*Thank you.*

Found and back with the owner - my scarf! Found out on the fields and thoughtfully tied to the gate opposite the Robin Hood.

Thank you to whoever found it. Bernie from Dagdale Lane

### **LUCY OLDHAM**

It was lovely to read in last month's news sheet about how talented Lucy has become and the awards she has received. Do keep us updated Lucy.

**Please use the News Sheet to inform everyone of those achievements, celebrations or events that you would like to share. We all love good news.**

**The missing peacock** hadn't gone far and was round the corner from the butchers. He had been sitting on a patio table watching the TV through the window!!

Thank you for your concern.

**100 Club** Drawn on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**100 Club Winners in February:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	£30	Steve Bailey	No 76
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£25	Christine Kilby	No 112
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20	Paddy Hind	No 61
4 <sup>th</sup>	£15	Emma Swinson	No 178

**100 Club Winners in March**

1 <sup>st</sup>	£30	Winnie Sargeant	No 31
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£25	Ann Ratcliffe	No 183
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20	Steve & Martia McKeon	No 39
4 <sup>th</sup>	£15	John & SallyAnne	No 55

From local Vet, Uttoxeter road runner and Bramshall resident,  
Chloe Hawkins -

I'm running the London Marathon to raise money for Tommy's.  
Any donations would be greatly received. You can use the link  
below or donations can be dropped off at Glenthorne vets or  
Railway Crossing House. Hopefully the link works?  
Thank you.

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**This is your Bramshall News - be part of it.**  
Send your news, photographs, special celebrations,  
“Lost & Found” etc.

If it is happening in the village and is important to you,  
please share it.

**bramshallnews@gmail.com**

***BRAMSHALL QUILT AND CRAFT CLUB***  
**The next meeting - Thursday 11th April**  
**10am to 12.30pm.**  
**£5 inc. tea & coffee.**  
**Bramshall Parish Hall**

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***We look forward to hearing from you.***

# Diary Dates

Church Services and Events		Church of St. Lawrence		See page 6 for full details
NCT Bumps, Babies & Toddlers Group	Mondays	10am - 12pm	Parish Hall	Vicky Smith
Dance Aerobics	Mondays	6.00pm - 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sair Lovatt 07817323095
U3A Country Dancing	Tuesdays	2pm - 4pm	Parish Hall	Keith Lowson 564427
Bramshall Bowling Club	Tuesdays	7.30pm	Parish Hall	Harold or Sylvia 567763
Bramshall Art Group	Wednesdays	9.30am – 12pm	Parish Hall	Anne Harris 566006
Yoga	Wednesdays	6-30pm - 7.30pm	Parish Hall	Jayne 07765769979
Circuit Training	Thursdays	6.00pm- 6.45pm	Parish Hall	Sair Lovatt 07817323095
Fitness Class	Fridays	10 - 11am	Parish Hall	Barrie Taylor 01543 418242

## **Forthcoming Events for your diary:-**

**Lunch Club** Old Bramshall Inn Wednesday 3rd April at 12pm - page 8

**Easter Clean Up** Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 9am Parish Hall - page 3

**Gardening Club** Monday 29th April at 7.30pm Parish Hall - page5