

# BRAMSHALL NEWS

*A look back at events in 2015 ....*



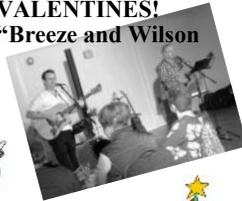
**Best Kept Village**



**Gardening Club**

**Body Shop Evening**

**VALENTINES!**  
**"Breeze and Wilson"**



*Bramshall  
Bumps and Babes*



**Plant Sales**

**PILATES**



**The Remi Harris  
Gypsy Jazz Project**



**Spring Ball**



**Festive cuppas**



**CRAFT PARTY**



**Fashion**



**Lent Lunches**

**FITNESS CLASS**



**ZUMBA**

**BOWLING CLUB**



**Spring & Autumn Fayres**



**LIVE AND LOCAL  
BLAIR DUNLOP**

**Pig Race Night**



**Jacobi Chorale**

**SEWING GROUP**

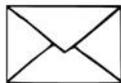
**COUNTRY DANCING**

## January 2016

*..... and more to look forward to in 2016*

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

February issue deadline is Sunday 24th January 2015



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### News Sheet Distributors

On behalf of the “News Sheet Team” we would like to thank our loyal band of distributors who have, again, ensured the timely delivery of this periodical to every house in Bramshall during the past year - we really do appreciate your community spirit in this way.

John & SallyAnne

**This is your Bramshall News - be part of it in 2016.**

Send your news, photographs, special celebrations, “Lost & Found”  
If it is happening in the village, please share it.

**Many thanks to all those who have contributed in 2015.** Marie

### **Found:**

A blue rain Mac, pac-a-mac style, after the windy days in October/November in our garden in Leigh Lane.

Looks like it may have escaped from a washing line!. It is a good quality, heavy duty one.

Someone must be needing it!

Ring 01889 566289 if you know whose it is. Happy to deliver it.

Lucy and Pauline.

**A note for your diary:-  
“Next One” Fashion Show  
Wednesday 10th February  
7.30pm for 8pm.  
Parish Hall  
£2.50**

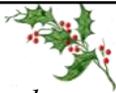
As always Tom will be in attendance giving out his banter to both audience and model .

No obligation to buy – just come along and see if you can resist a bargain!

**Remember** – if you need wine glasses for any occasion then please contact John or SallyAnne (565228).

A small donation to church would be appreciated..





## ***Festive Cuppa***



*I would like to thank everyone who came to the Festive Cuppa on 10th December. We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did hosting it. We not only received donations on the day, but also people donated who could not make it. A BIG thank you, to you all.*

*We raised £128.00 for St. Lawrence Church, Bramshall, which was truly amazing. All monies donated went entirely to the church.*

*Again, many, many thanks.*

*Jack and Glenda Lovatt.*

## ***Summer Ball 11th June***



*2016 sees the 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Queen, and part of the village celebrations will be our themed Summer Ball.*

*More details later, but please make a note of the date as we expect a high demand for tickets.*

*Her Majesty*



### ***BRAMSHALL SEWING GROUP***

*The Group will be holding a sewing session in January but the date is yet to be arranged. If anyone would like to join us for a relaxed chat and sharing sewing, crotchet and knitting ideas please contact:-*

*Carole Postlethwaite for details  
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PostlethwaiteC@aol.com*

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*If anyone is interested, we have a couple of brand new 'Cheetah' ink cartridges. Again, please contact John or SallyAnne on 565228.*

*Tickets from:  
Fiona Kerby: 500274  
Elspeth Knight: 500315  
Sue Higginbottom: 500654*

## At the Parish Hall

### Live & Local

**Mambo Jambo** will be performing on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016**.

They are an acoustic roots duo who play a wide-ranging mix of world styles & original music – between them they play over ten instruments!

They can happily transport listeners on a musical tour around many of the world's musical hotspots. Their sound is uniquely diverse as well as hugely enjoyable.



**Make a note in your diary**

## Zumba

Get fitter after the excesses of Christmas and New Year with

**Alison**

(and the merry band opposite)

**Thursdays 6.30pm to 7.30pm  
in the Parish Hall**

**£3.50**

Great music! Great routines!

Great fun!

Zumba fun at Halloween and  
Christmas



# At the Parish Hall



## Bramshall & District Gardening Club

We were treated to some glorious photographs of a great variety of local wildflowers by Gwen Johnson at the last Gardening Club meeting. She took us through the year and it was amazing to see the range of different flowers which one can see in this area. Starting with snowdrops in Colton, we moved to wild daffodils in Longdon, cowslips in Biggindale and bluebells around Blithfield Reservoir. Several varieties of orchids were also included and many different flowers were portrayed during the evening.

What was interesting was that some areas she had visited over several years and the dominant flowers seen in those areas varied from year to year. She also included photographs of birds she had seen during her visits and these included waxwings, which visited Colton three years ago. Her photographs were stunning and it was not surprising to find out that she had won a photograph competition by Fujifilm, winning some superb photographic equipment as a result.

The next meeting will be the first meeting of a new Gardening Year and it will take place on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016** at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall.

The subject will be '**Discovering Cannock Chase**' given by one of the Rangers. Being the first meeting of 2016, there will be an opportunity to join the club for the year. The membership fee will be £13. As well as the opportunity to enjoy interesting and informative meetings, once again, we are grateful to Russell and Sarah Heath of the Strawberry Garden Centre who are offering **Gardening Club members a 10% discount** on purchases above £10 (excluding discounted items) on presentation of the Membership Card. The membership fee is well worth it!

*Clive Tuck*

**Parish Hall – the next committee meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

# Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes

## Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall

Team Vicar Revd Sue Willetts ♦ Local Vicar Revd John Lander  
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### Services for January 2016

|              |                    |  |
|--------------|--------------------|--|
| 3rd January  | 11.00am            | Holy Communion                               |
| 10th January | 8.00am.<br>11.00am | Holy Communion (BCP)<br>Morning Prayer (BCP) |
| 17th January | 11.00am            | Holy Communion                               |
| 24th January | 11.00am            | 4th Sunday Worship                           |
| 31st January | 11.00am            | Songs of Praise for Plough Sunday            |

**Flowers :** Mrs E Blurton & Mrs J Round  
**Refreshments :** Mrs B Kinch & Mrs L Corbishley

#### Sidespersons Rota:

3rd Mr R Jones  
10th Mrs G Lovatt  
17th Mrs L Corbishley  
24th Mrs C Postlethwaite  
31st Mr R Jones

#### Cleaning Rota:

3rd Mrs SA Lander  
10th Mrs L Corbishley  
17th Mrs G Lovatt  
24th Mrs M Jones  
31st Mrs SA Lander

**Confirmation classes** commence in the next week or so – anyone wanting to be confirmed please contact Rev. John Lander (565228)

**PCC – the next meeting of the PCC is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January  
at 7.00pm in church**

Hopefully this will be printed and distributed in between Christmas and New Year so we do hope your Christmas festivities went well and we wish you a Peaceful and Happy New Year.



The stars of the Nativity and Christingle Service (above) did a wonderful job of telling the Christmas Story. The service was a real treat enjoyed by both young and old and everyone received a Christingle Orange, a symbol of Christian faith.

### Church Christmas Tree

Our appreciation goes to Russell & Sarah Heath (Strawberry Garden Centre) for donating the Christmas Tree which, since December, has been resplendently decorated in Church. Thank you once again for your kind generosity.



**Journeying together -**  
Many churches, one faith.  
Activities, food and fun  
exploring our faith together at:  
Kingstone Village Hall,  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
10am – 4pm.  
Bring and share lunch.

## *Winners and winning tickets of:- The Grand Prize Draw, St Lawrence Church Bramshall*

|                                  |                    |      |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|------|
| Luxury hamper                    | Tim Goodwin        | 0286 |
| Turkey                           | Pat Chesters       | 0453 |
| Christmas Hamper( basket)        | Mark Simpson       | 1076 |
| Christmas Cake (hand made)       | Jane McCann        | 0713 |
| Christmas Hamper (open lid)      | Kay Crutchley      | 0461 |
| Meal Voucher (Robin Hood)        | Jenny Talbot       | 0330 |
| Meat Voucher (John Sargeants)    | Rosemary Rosenburg | 0177 |
| Bottle Whiskey                   | M Beeson           | 0442 |
| Bottle Baileys                   | Deborah Goodwin    | 0040 |
| Christmas hamper (large plastic) | Ray Sargeant       | 0817 |
| Bottle Port                      | Helen Jervis       | 0438 |
| Christmas Hamper (sm plastic)    | Emma Johnson       | 0552 |
| Christmas Hamper (round basket)  | John Whittaker     | 0956 |
| Christmas Hamper (in box)        | Diane Somerton     | 0887 |
| Toiletry Set                     | Alison Ward        | 0363 |
| Toiletry Set                     | Ruth Adams         | 0746 |
| 2x Bottles of Wine & Chocs       | Joan Round         | 017  |
| Thorntons Chocs (silver bag)     | Mrs Pritchard      | 0355 |
| Biscuits & Chocs                 | Judy Allcock       | 035  |
| Biscuits & Chocs                 | Dave Fields        | 1055 |
| Babycham & Glass                 | J Roles            | 1120 |
| Biscuits, Chocs & Nuts           | Sharon Lamburn     | 030  |
| Bottle Whiskey                   | Peter Kent         | 0110 |



### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS

The raffle raised an amazing £1076.00 for St Lawrence Church and all raffle ticket money went entirely to the church. All prizes and expenses were donated and I have to thank you all for your generosity. Many thanks has to go as well to everyone who helped sell the tickets and to those who purchased them. It has been a good team effort and I, personally, feel humbled by everyone's generosity.

Glenda Lovatt.

### Christmas Wreaths

Please note that, in accordance with Diocesan Regulations, these should be removed by the end of January; however we will allow a month's grace –but we shall remove any left on graves after the end of February in order to keep our churchyard tidy.

The assistant who helped David Martin to clear the churchyard and Parish Hall car park of leaves was none other than Paul Barnes. Cheers Paul, sorry I didn't recognise you from a distance. John.

## 100 CLUB

### November draw:

|                 |     |                  |        |
|-----------------|-----|------------------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | £50 | Evelyn Blurton   | No.19  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | £40 | Jill Grogan      | No.70  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | £30 | Andy & Janet Fox | No.100 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | £20 | Audrey Waters    | No.60  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | £20 | Thornton Ward    | No.90  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | £10 | Karen Brough     | No.157 |

### December draw:

|                 |     |                |        |
|-----------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | £50 | John Whittaker | No.37  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | £40 | Jack Lovatt    | No.86  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | £30 | Glenda Lovatt  | No.131 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | £20 | Joyce McCann   | No.124 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | £20 | Margaret Torr  | No.138 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | £10 | Noreen Eyre    | No.12  |

## @ Email distribution list

If you would like to be added to the village email distribution list for important reminders, urgent requests (including lost & found items) and information, then please let the Editor know by emailing:

**bramshallnews@gmail.com**

### Recipe for Beef en Crouete.

A great recipe for you to try on that special occasion.

#### Ingredients

1 packet of ready made puff pastry (keep in the fridge)

1 1/2 lb of beef fillet

Beaten egg

Jar of ready made mushroom sauce

2-3 oz butter

A little brandy

Small clove garlic

Salt and pepper.

Preheat the oven to 190C

Trim any fat or sinew off the fillet and seal the beef in butter. Roll out puff pastry and place beef fillet on it. Brush the edges of pastry with beaten egg and wrap around the beef like a parcel ( trim any excess if necessary as it does not want to double wrap around the beef.)

Brush the whole with beaten egg and place on a baking sheet. Cook in oven for 25 minutes. Meanwhile, (and I confess I do cheat by buying a ready made mushroom sauce), put sauce in a pan and heat. I pour a splash of brandy into the sauce and also add a crushed small clove of garlic. Bring the mixture to the boil to burn off the alcohol and keep warm.

When the beef and pastry are cooked cut into thin slices - I put two to three slices per plate per person and serve the sauce in a jug so my guests can help themselves.

Serve with some fresh cooked vegetables and enjoy.



Penny Gilpin



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Applications are now being taken for reception and nursery places starting in September 2016.

Parents who have children aged 3 years on the 1<sup>st</sup> September are entitled to free placement of 15 hours per week. The sessions run from 12.15 – 3.15pm each day but nursery children are welcome to attend from 11.45am if they would like to have lunch in school or want to have all day provision in conjunction with Church Leigh Pre-School Playgroup who are now located in the school hall each morning. Children who are age 4years on 1<sup>st</sup> September are entitled to a full time place. Demand for these places this year is high, particularly for the full time places so please get your application in as early as possible. Application packs are available online [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions)

Visits to the school are warmly invited; please contact the office to arrange a convenient time. For any queries, please contact the school office.

Andrea Kenny  
Headteacher, All Saints First School

## **ROAD SAFETY NEWS** from Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council. **Speed Indicator Devices.**

The County Council have agreed to install Speed indicator Devices in Bramshall. These will be sited along the main road. They will not be permanent but will be located there for a few weeks and then replaced after a few weeks. Moving them is thought to be the best way to keep drivers “on their toes”.

## **Speed Limit Stickers.**

Staffordshire Safer Road Partnership have offered Bramshall residents the chance to be given stickers for their wheelie bins. These stickers will have the speed limit printed on them so that every week when the bins are put on the road for emptying, it will be a reminder to drivers of the speed limit. The Parish Council have asked the Safer Road Team to deliver these stickers to residents in Stocks Lane, Leigh Lane and Stone Road.

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# Diary Dates

|                                    |            |                        |             |                                |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Church Services and Events         |            | Church of St. Lawrence |             | See pages 6&7 for full details |
| NCT Bumps, Babies & Toddlers Group | Mondays    | 10am - 12pm            | Parish Hall | Marie Hudson<br>07583086220    |
| Pilates                            | Mondays    | 2pm -3pm               | Parish Hall | Alison<br>07813508773          |
| U3A Country Dancing                | Tuesdays   | 2pm - 4pm              | Parish Hall | Keith Lowson<br>564427         |
| Bramshall Bowling Club             | Tuesdays   | 7.30pm                 | Parish Hall | Harold or Sylvia<br>567763     |
| Bramshall Art Group                | Wednesdays | 9.30am – 12pm          | Parish Hall | Anne Harris<br>566006          |
| Zumba                              | Thursdays  | 6.30pm - 7.30pm        | Parish Hall | Alison Smith<br>07903539325    |
| Fitness Class                      | Fridays    | 10 - 11am              | Parish Hall | Barrie Taylor<br>01543 418242  |

## Events in January

|                                     |                        |        |             |                      |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------|
| Parish Hall Meeting                 | Monday<br>11th January |        | Parish Hall |                      |
| PCC Meeting                         | Monday<br>18th January | 7.00pm | Church      |                      |
| Bramshall & District Gardening Club | Monday<br>25th January | 7.45pm | Parish Hall | Clive Tuck<br>568090 |

## Diary note:

|                                 |                        |  |             |  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|-------------|--|
| Live & Local<br>“ Mambo Jambo “ | Saturday<br>12th March |  | Parish Hall |  |
| Summer Ball                     | Saturday 11th June     |  | Parish Hall |  |



## Mobile Library

The mobile library will return to Mallens Croft in Bramshall on Monday 18th January from 11.35 am - 11.45am