BRAMSHALL NEWS



Early signs of Spring

March 2019

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

April deadline is Friday 22nd March 2019



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WELCOME

We have had one or two new families arrive in our village so we would like to extend a very warm welcome to them, and hope they enjoy the village and its community.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

We already have a Community Speed Watch – now we would like to introduce a Community Litter Pick. Walking around the boundaries of our village it is sad to say that we are becoming the dumping grounds for motorists' lunch bags and any rubbish in their cars. Five black bin bags of such rubbish had been picked last month just on my side of the road going down bank towards the Industrial Estate. The plastic bags were hanging on the briar patches like lanterns at Christmas so we only got as far as the first corner. Taking a closer look at all the exits to our village this is getting a big problem so if anyone is prepared to help please join us on **Sunday 24th March**, we will meet up at the Parish Hall car park at 2.00pm for one hour of community litter picking.

Lunch Club

The first lunch took place at the Old Bramshall Inn and proved to be very popular. The next opportunity to join in will be **Wednesday 13th March at 12.00pm** for a light lunch and good company – or just come along for a coffee at that time. Make a note in your diary - the April date will be Wednesday 3rd.

CONGRATULATIONS



Sports Scholar-Lucy Oldham **ship for Lucy** from Mallens

Croft, Bramshall and a member of the Dove Valley Swimming Club in Uttoxeter has been awarded an East Staffordshire Sports Scholarship. Lucy received her scholarship at an awards evening held at the Hilton Park Hotel,

St Georges Park on Friday 1st February.

Lucy a competitive swimmer, qualified for and swam at the 2018 West Midlands Regional Championships and Staffordshire County Championships 2018. She has achieved qualification times for Staffordshire County Championships 2019 in 7 events; 50m, 100m and 200m backstroke, 50m butterfly, 50m freestyle, 50m breast stroke and 100m Individual Medley. She regularly competes in various Open Meets throughout the year and her performance is improving all the time. Lucy also claimed the girls 13 yrs Intermediate Champion at Dove Valley Swimming Club for 2018.

LIVE AND LOCAL - Saturday 23rd March 2019



Peacock Angell Trio

The beautiful vocals and spirited fiddle of Ruth Angell best known as a member of Ashley Hutchings' Rainbow Chasers – are matched all the way by the dextrous guitar of Sid Peacock and Steve Tromans' thrilling piano.

On Saturday 23rd March this talented trio will be performing 'Songs of the Shipyard', in the Parish Hall. Drawing heavily on the life and work of Thomas Carnduff, the evening of music and prose will offer an insight into the world of working-class Northern Ireland.

Tickets are now available, priced £10. Please contact the box office (565228) for reservations or further details. Doors open 7.00pm – show commences 7.30pm. Remember to bring your own refreshments (snacks or a full-blown banquet!).

100K 24 hour Cotswold Challenge

Local resident and retired Fire Officer Alan Bateman is trying to raise £500 for The Fire Fighters Charity by completing the 100K 24hrs Cotswold Challenge which takes place on 29th/30th June 2019.

Any donations would be welcome no matter how small through https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ALAN-BATEMAN4286 Kind Regards

Alan Bateman



Al with his training partner Ernie

BINGO & BEETLE DRIVE EVENING FOR FAMILIES -

we are holding this event in the Parish Hall on **Saturday 9th March** starting at 6pm. Families are encouraged to come along.

Would anyone be interested if we hired bowling alleys for a family evening? If so, please let John or SallyAnne know (565228) and if there is sufficient interest we will organise.

Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall

Vicar Revd John Lander revjsl@aol.com 565228

Services for March 2019

3rd March	11.00am	Holy Communion
10th March	8.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (First Sunday of Lent) Morning Prayer
17th March	11.00am	Holy Communion (St Patricks)
24th March	11.00am	Family Communion (followed by refreshments)
31st March	11.00am	Songs of Praise (Mothering Sunday)

Sidespersons Rota:	Cleaning Rota (for the Sunday stated)		
3rd Mrs M Jones	3rd Mrs SA Lander		
10th Mrs E Blurton	10th Mrs J Corbishley		
17th Mrs B Kinch	17th Mrs M Jones		
24th Mrs A Harris	24th Mrs L Corbishley		
31st Mrs M Talbot	31st Mrs SA Lander		

Flowers: 3rd March only - Mrs P Hind & Mrs P Chesters Refreshments: Mrs E Blurton & Mrs M Jones

Confirmation:

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

LENT LUNCHES

Lent begins on 6th March (Ash Wednesday), if anyone is prepared to host a Lent lunch please do let me know.

Thank you, SallyAnne 565228.

A warm welcome is extended to everyone as I will be hosting a Lent lunch on Wednesday 20th March (first day of Spring!) at 9 Overcroft. Please arrive for 12 noon, when a simple lunch of soup and bread etc. will be served. If you require transport please contact me (565228). Also, it would be useful if you can indicate your intention to come along to help with the catering. Many thanks, SallyAnne.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year the women of Slovenia have written this service which will be held at St Peter's Church, Marchington on Friday March 1st at 7pm.

Everyone is most welcome so do come along and hear about this lovely country.

100 Club Winners in January

1st Helen Lower No 174 £30

2nd Geoff Gamble No. 24 £20

3rd Paul Walker No 148 £10

PCC Meeting – Our APCM - Monday 18th March 2019 at 7pm in Church

(all who have completed an Electoral Roll form have the opportunity to vote at this meeting. Everyone most welcome – do come along to hear about our busy year in 2018).

CHARITY COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF THE MS SOCIETY. 11am -2pm Saturday 9th March Host: Collette Brown 1 Fraser Drive, Bramshall Meadows. ST14 5BD DO SUPPORT IF YOU CAN

Also 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.

EASTER CLEAN UP

This year we will be booking a skip for Wednesday 10th April, so please put the date in your diary and come along and help us tidy up in readiness for the Best Kept Village competition. Working together is much better than on your own and we have a good laugh too. Anyone wanting to assist but cannot do the heavy side of things can always offer to put the kettle on and chat with us as we work!

The Church has already entered the Best Kept Churchyard (this year hoping for Gold in this competition). Help with the hedges is always our biggest challenge so any assistance would always be most welcome.

Speaking of Churchyard – if your brown bin is not being used always think of us as it would be most helpful to have access to additional bin space, and we can start doing the hedges before the cut off time for birds nesting!!

Recycling does help us and the wider community

BRAMSHALL QUILT AND CRAFT CLUB
The next meeting - Thursday 14th March
10am to 12.30pm.
£5 inc. tea & coffee.
Bramshall Parish Hall

RECIPE - Gressingham Duck with Morello Cherry Wine Sauce Ingredients for 2 people.

2 Gressingham fresh duck legs/or breast. 1 jar of Morello black cherry jam (Waitrose) Bag of fresh watercress Mashed potato - enough for 2



Take the duck portions and prick the skin all over. Place in a small roasting tin. Heat the oven to 170 degrees and roast for 90 minutes. Meanwhile, put 2 tablespoons of Morello jam into a small saucepan and add a good slug of red wine. Stir and bring to the boil on the hob. Once boiling lower the heat and simmer.

When the duck is cooked wash the watercress and dry. Place the duck onto dinner plates with a handful of watercress; pour the cherry sauce over the duck and serve with a spoonful of mashed potato .

If you want to serve with some vegetables then do but watercress is a very healthy substitute and duck is a fairly rich meat. Wait for it have a glass of red wine and enjoy.

Now is the time for the best rhubarb to be found on the shelf and that is Yorkshire forced rhubarb from Wakefield. I was in my favourite supermarket the other day and spotted forced rhubarb in the fruit section. I smiled and said to myself "Great!!!" However, I was disappointed as it came from the Netherlands so I didn't buy it. Thankfully, I was in Yorkshire on Wednesday & Thursday and there, in the green grocers was Yorkshire rhubarb; and also in Morrisons supermarket. If you see some, buy it - it is beautiful and flavoursome. Good old Yorkshire!!!

Penny Gilpin.

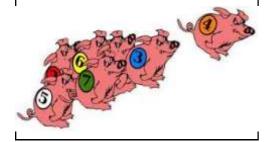


Early notification.....

A PIG RACE HAS BEEN
BOOKED FOR
SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER
AT THE PARISH HALL.

A popular family evening so tickets will be available early - please make it known you want to attend as the hall will only hold a certain number.

Contact John & SallyAnne 565228



Bramshall News is available to read on the Bramshall Parish website www.bramshallparish.org.uk Fun, friendly fitness classes suitable for all fitness levels Sarah Lovatt Fitness

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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:-

Bingo & Beetle Drive Parish Hall Saturday 9th March 6pm see page 5 **Lunch Club** Old Bramshall Inn Wednesday 13th March 12.00pm page 2 **Lent Lunch** Wednesday 20th March 12 noon details page 7 **Live & Local Parish Hall Saturday 23rd March** -7 for 7.30pm see page 4