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# BRAMSHALL NEWS



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*We look forward to hearing from you.*



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

**February deadline is Monday 20th Jan 2020**



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**Bramshall Village Community**

On facebook? Then join up to the  
 Bramshall Village Community Page for all the latest.



**Best Kept Village**

Following our joint 3rd place award for 2019, and the judges' comments (which highlighted several areas for improvement), is there still a desire to continue in this competition? Children's posters is a particular item which we are lacking, and many of the regular volunteers who weed and tidy are feeling less able to maintain their endeavours. If you have the time and community spirit to become involved please let us know. We shouldn't need a competition to have pride in our village, but it is good to be recognised. For more information contact any of your Parish councillors.



**How to find your local PCSOs (Police Community Support Officers) details for your areas.**

Log on to [www.Staffordshire.police.uk](http://www.Staffordshire.police.uk) website and enter your post code in 'Find your area'. This will link you to your local policing team under the tab 'your team'. This page will also allow you to contact your local officers if you have anything to report.

Bramshall News is available in full colour on the Bramshall Parish website [www.bramshallparish.org.uk](http://www.bramshallparish.org.uk)

**Diary Dates**

NCT Bumps, Babies &	Mondays	10.00am - noon	Parish Hall	Vicky Smith (plumhead1@yahoo.com)
Dance Aerobics	Mondays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
U3A Country Dancing	Tuesdays	2.00 – 4.00pm	Parish Hall	Keith Lowson 564427
Karate4Kids	Tuesdays	5.00 – 6.00pm	Parish Hall	Marc Slater 07377 784658
Bramshall Bowling Club	Tuesdays	7.30 – 9.30pm	Parish Hall	Harold or Sylvia 567763
Bramshall Art Group	Wednesdays	9.30am - noon	Parish Hall	Anne Harris 566006
Pilates	Wednesdays	5.30 – 6.15pm	Parish Hall	Jayne (jayne@yoyouga.co.uk)
Yoga	Wednesdays	6.30 – 7.30pm	Parish Hall	Jayne 07765 769979
Lift Lean Resistance Training	Thursdays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
Fitness Class	Fridays	10.00 – 11.00am	Parish Hall	Barrie Taylor 01543 418242
Gardening Club	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	7.30 – 9.00pm	Parish Hall	Garden Mishaps and Disasters
Church Services & Events	Church of St. Lawrence – see pages 6 & 7 for details			Revd John Lander 565228 or 07706 058689

## Penny's Recipe of the Month

### Braised Red Cabbage with Apples

1 Red cabbage.  
1lb onions chopped very small.  
1 lb cooking apples peeled and chopped into small pieces.  
3 tbl spoon wine vinegar.  
3 tbl spoon of brown sugar.  
1 clove garlic chopped very small.  
1tsp ground cinnamon.  
1/2oz of butter.  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper.



Discard outer leaves of red cabbage, cut into quarter and remove hard stalk then shred cabbage finely. In a large casserole arrange layer of shredded cabbage season with salt and pepper and then add layer of chopped onions and apple with sprinkling of garlic, spices and sugar. Continue with alternate layers until everything is used. Pour in wine vinegar add a knob of butter put lid on casserole and cook very slowly in oven for about 2½ hours stirring everything around once or twice during time in oven. Once cooked, red cabbage will reheat very successfully and is delicious with hot or cold roast pork, sausages or even Lancashire hotpot.

This is a fantastic winter dish to have so I hope you give it a try. May I wish all followers of my recipes a very Happy New Year and a happy 2020. Thank you for your support

*Penny Gilpin*

### Live & Local

It was decided that, due to lack of support, we should take a break from the scheme for 12 months. I would be interested to hear if there is an enthusiasm to resume this form of entertainment; if so please let me know (and is there anyone who would be prepared to help in organising?)

*Rev John (565228 or email revjssl@aol.com)*

### Traffic Calming

Hope everyone is getting used to the new chicane now that it has been installed – once the priority signage is in place there should be no confusion as to the right of way for vehicles leaving the village. Please be reminded of the current speed limits and observe the new and extended limits as and when they take force. Please also be reminded that Stocks Lane is also a 30mph speed limit zone. The Speedwatch team will continue to monitor speeds within the village.

### Village Christmas Tree

The Parish Council has funded the Christmas Tree and this has been on the entrance to the village – the lights are really good and offer a joyful welcome to the village (or farewell as you leave).

The photograph on the front page shows the tree in its position.



As we start 2020 the church will be looking at areas of 'reaching', 'worship', 'loving' & 'supporting' and introducing the changes and improvements to attain recognition as a Dementia Friendly Church. More information to follow as we start the process but if you would like to help within the community do let us know.



### BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club Christmas meal was held at the Manor Golf Club on the 9<sup>th</sup> December when 18 members enjoyed an excellent evening.

We are now looking forward to our first meeting of the year which will be on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January, at which Gwen Johnson will be looking at "A Year in the life of Stansley Wood".

**Details of the WeatherReady winter campaign from the Met Office and the Be Winter Ready Campaign by Western Power Distribution**



**WeatherReady Winter Campaign by the Met Office**

WeatherReady is a year round campaign run by the Met Office, in partnership with the Cabinet Office, to help individuals prepare for, and cope with, severe weather. The winter campaign encourages individuals, families and communities to think about winter preparations they can make to help them stay warm, healthy and safe at this time of year.

Details on the WeatherReady campaign including weather related advice covering the themes of health, travel and property can be accessed via the following link: [www.metoffice.gov.uk/weatherready](http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weatherready).



**“Be Winter Ready” Campaign by Western Power Distribution**

The electricity and gas networks have come together again to help members of the public prepare in case they have a power cut or gas emergency this winter through its annual ‘Be Winter Ready’ campaign, which was launched on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

**Prize Hamper Draw - Results**

Large hamper	1061	Jackie Foster
Christmas cake	1094	Jean Brown
Hamper with lid	797	Kath Brough
Tea Hamper	519	Lauren c/o G Lovatt
Hamper	1026	Donna c/o R Jones
Bottle of wine	1339	Paul Gascoigne
Turkey	818	Lucinda Wilks c/o R Jones
Pasta hamper	1012	Robert Statham
Tea Hamper	1180	Jenny Talbot
Hamper with Cider	871	Lucy Webb
Hand turned bowl & nuts	642	Mary Sargeant (Dagdale)
Bottle of Prosecco	686	Carole Postlethwaite
Hamper	761	Lily Corbishley
Hamper basket	625	Sandra Torr
Hand turned bowl with flowers	989	Simon & Helen c/o G Lovatt
Bottle of wine in box	811	Freda Jenkins
Jar of peaches in brandy	1151	Noreen Eyre
Whiskey	856	Dot Cottrill
Hamper	1350	Fields family
Hamper	1173	M J Cotton



Pictured are Glenda & Sandra with the wonderful array of hamper prizes.

## Gretna Green Wedding



Barrie Lomas and Kate Harvey have surprised us by announcing that their marriage took place on 15th October 2019 at The Blacksmith's at Gretna Green—on the original Marriage Anvil. Congratulations to you both. Barrie & Kate live at Garden Cottage on Church Lane.

While electricity supplies are very reliable, bad winter weather can cause damage and disruption. As the nights get colder and darker, the chance of experiencing severe weather becomes more likely. Storms, floods and other extreme conditions can cause damage to the electricity network and disrupt energy supplies.

To Be Winter Ready, we're urging the public to:

- **Know your free emergency numbers** - in a power cut call 105 or, for a gas emergency, dial 0800 111999.
- **Prepare your home** – keep a torch handy and get your appliances serviced by a Gas Safe registered engineer to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Vulnerable households can also get extra support by signing up to the Priority Services Register.
- **Keep your eyes open** – keep an eye on the weather forecast and, if you have a power cut or a gas emergency, check on your neighbours.

We have created a digital toolkit of materials to communicate this information, including social media posts, a poster and leaflet:  
[www.energynetworks.org/news/public-information/be-winter-ready-toolkit.html](http://www.energynetworks.org/news/public-information/be-winter-ready-toolkit.html)

### The Priority Services Register

The Priority Services Register is a free service provided by the company and is eligible for anyone who is of pensionable age, disabled, has children under 5 years old or relies on medical equipment.

As part of the service, customers are kept informed as much as possible of power cuts affecting their home and are given special help, if needed, through the British Red Cross.

The Priority Services Register offers peace of mind for vulnerable customers and their families and we do our very best to ensure that their needs are met at all times.

We already have 1.8 million customers on our register.

To find out more information or to register, please call us on 0800 096 3080 or visit [www.westernpower.co.uk/psr](http://www.westernpower.co.uk/psr).

## Church News

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### Services for January

5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11.00am	Holy Communion
12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Plough Sunday)
19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11.00am	Holy Communion
26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11.00am	Family Communion

### Sidespersons Rota:

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs B Kinch  
8<sup>th</sup> Mrs E Blurton  
15<sup>th</sup> Mrs MTalbot  
22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs G Lovatt

### Cleaning Rota (for Sunday stated)

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs SA Lander  
8<sup>th</sup> Mrs J Corbishley  
15<sup>th</sup> Mrs M Jones  
22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs L Corbishley

**Flowers:** Mrs M Jones & Mrs L Corbishley  
**Refreshments:** Mrs B Kinch & Mrs L Corbishley

**Great news...** for the second year running we have been awarded Silver in the Diocesan Best Kept Churchyard competition. Thank you to everyone has helped in ensuring we have attained this level of maintenance and care of this special area of our village.

### 100 CLUB

Thank you to all who have already renewed their membership, or have joined for the first time. Remember, it is not too late to be a part of this fun way of supporting the church— for the modest amount of £12 you can have a number in each of our monthly draws for 2020. Cheques payable to 'Bramshall 100 Club', bank transfer also an option or good old-fashioned cash.

### 100 Club Results: December

1 <sup>st</sup>	No 104	Jane & Andrew Brookes	£50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No 39	Steve & Marita Mckean	£30
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No 152	Mary Sargeant (Dagdale)	£25
4 <sup>th</sup>	No 24	Geoff Gamble	£20
5 <sup>th</sup>	No 7	Garry & Val Thomas	£15

### Christmas Tree

We would like to offer our grateful thanks to Russell & Sarah Heath at The Strawberry Garden Centre for donating a lovely Christmas Tree for Church. Also our appreciation for their patience when, during the process of protecting the bell tower from Jackdaws, we had loan of their staple guns and their assistance with preparing the netting. This all contributed to getting the job completed before the end of the year, and before the jackdaws start nesting again!!



### Festive Cuppa

Many thanks to Glenda Lovatt for hosting the "Festive Cuppa" afternoon, which attracted many to attend and enjoy the Christmas fayre on offer.

### Carol Service

A lovely event which was supported so well we even had a queue waiting to get into the church! Amid all the build-up, this service allows us to enter in to the true meaning of Christmas a little more. Immediately following, there was the final 100 Club draw of the year, and the Prize Hamper draw was made (full results page9).

### Lunch Club at The Bramshall Inn

The January 'Light Bite' lunch will be Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> arriving from 12 noon to eat around 12.30pm. Anyone wishing to join us please phone SallyAnne or John so that we can discuss the menu etc. EVERYONE MOST WELCOME (565228).