

BRAMSHALL NEWS

May 2023



I saw them in couples,
I saw them in flocks.
They danced in the breezes,
They glowed in the sun,
They nodded and beckoned,
Rejoiced every one.

J Burroughs



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Saturday 6th May 2023
4-6pm at Bramshall Village Hall

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TICKETS

We advise that you get your tickets early as last year there was great last-minute demand and a lot of disappointed people. There are only 120 tickets available based on the capacity of the Village Hall in the event of bad weather. If the weather is good, the event will be held in the car park and entry can be bought on the day. But please note that those buying entry on the day will need to bring their own tables and chairs due to limited availability.

ENTERTAINMENT

We will be joined once again, by the fabulous Joni Talks, singer, actor and dancer from London's West End. There will also be Coronation crafts for the children.

REFRESHMENTS

You are welcome to bring your own refreshments, but Sargeants will be selling their ever-popular hog roast at £4 per bap and there will also be cake and desserts on sale. **Cake and pudding donations welcome. Please bring them with you on the day!**

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

SallyAnne Lander - E: sallyannelander@gmail.com M: 07817 391960

Linda Walmsley - E: linda.walmsley@bramshall.com

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Do send in your photos of Bramshall for our cover.

June publication deadline is Sunday 21st May

To : bramshallnews@gmail.com

Thank you

Village Tidy Up Morning

In preparation for Spring, a village tidy up was held on the 15th of April. The efforts of a group of volunteers was focussed mainly around the Parish Hall, Play Area and Churchyard, but some also ventured further afield picking litter which seems to blight many places.

There was also a workstation for the construction of bird boxes and hedgehog houses, as the community engages more with the need to protect and encourage our endangered wildlife.

Thank you to everyone who contributed in whatever way.



Church News

Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall

Vicar Revd John Lander
revjsl@btinternet.com or tel: 565228

Services for May

7th May	11.00am	Holy Communion (Coronation Weekend)
14th May	11.00am	Morning Prayer
21st May	11.00am	Holy Communion
28th May	11.00am	Family Communion

Sidespersons Rota:

7 th May	Mrs S A Lander
14 th May	Mrs L Corbishley
21 st May	Miss L. Leiter
28 th May	Mrs M Jones

Flower Rota: Mrs J Corbishley & Mrs C Whitehurst

Refreshment Rota: Mrs SA Lander & Mrs N. Eyre

100 CLUB WINNERS IN APRIL

1 st	Sarah Newbold	No.18	£30
2 nd	Dave Leadbetter	No.81	£25
3 rd	Carole Postlethwaite	No.192	£20
4 th	Keith Hunt	No.91	£15



Easter Egg Hunt

Easter activities began with an Easter Egg Hunt organised by St. Lawrence's church, which saw many children and families enjoying searching for clues, and on solving a simple anagram, collecting a chocolate egg and Easter booklet.

FAMILY CHOCOLATE BINGO



To complete the Easter season, a family chocolate bingo evening was held in the Parish Hall. The evening was a huge success, and nobody left empty-handed. Many thanks to all involved, and especially Janet from Lowe Engineering, and Adam & Lydia from the Strawberry Garden Centre for their kind donations of chocolate eggs and bunnies.

Confirmation

Sunday 23rd April saw the Bishop of Stafford, the Rt Revd Matthew Parker, preside at the Area service of Confirmation in St. Lawrence's Church. Regular worshippers Lydia Bird and Lauren Leiter, pictured here with the bishop, were two of the four people confirmed at this wonderful occasion, during which they spoke briefly of their journey of faith. We are delighted and overjoyed that they have declared their commitment to the family of Christ in this way.



INKJET CARTRIDGES - Please note that kind people when upgrading their computer printers have donated their unused cartridges.

In church we have HP 45 x 2 Black, HP 344 x 2 Tri colour, HP 348 x 2 Photo colour, HP 364 (3 colours and black in one box) 570 XL and 571 XL, 903 XL x 3. Please do take the opportunity of using them – Church is open every weekend and you will find them near the South door under the Memorial book cabinet. Please recycle with us when you have used them.

POSTAGE STAMPS – we are still collecting them and recycle for charity like the inkjet cartridges.



If anyone is interested in stamp collecting and would like to speak to someone with an extensive collection please email: sallyannelander@gmail.com so that we can put you in touch to discuss, see and learn more about this fantastic hobby.



NEW! We have started collecting tablet blister empty packets (no tablets left in please) so please think of us instead of binning them. Thank you.



Hot off the press we learn that David & Brenda Brookes had some good news: they are delighted to announce the engagement of their youngest daughter Vicky to Sam Harper. Many congratulations.





Local Elections

The way we vote is changing. On Thursday 4 May, you'll need to bring photo ID when you go to the polling station at: Bramshall & Loxley Parish Hall.

The Use of Air Weapons

Sadly, it has come to our attention of the potentially illegal and dangerous use of a high-powered air weapon in the village. Over the past 3 years, a resident of Church Croft has experienced damage to property (to quote: “my upstairs ensuite toilet window exploded whilst my wife was washing her hands”), dead and injured birds in their front garden, and even a ‘near miss’ while enjoying their front garden. The resident also discovered a pellet while cleaning the drain. Please be reminded: **It is an offence for any person to use an air weapon for firing a pellet beyond the boundaries of any premises. It is also an offence to shoot with the intent to kill any bird without a proper licence.**



BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

We were treated to a very well-researched presentation on the history of our relationship with birds which has resulted in so many wild birds frequenting our gardens. Apparently, in this country, we have moved from an attitude that birds were pests (sparrows, for instance eating the farmer's grain), through a period of caging wild birds in Victorian times, to now, when invite them into our gardens and feed them.

The first person to give wild birds a definite place in their garden, to feed them and to build nest boxes was Charles Waterton of Wakefield (1782-1865). He had a large estate and built a wall around it to keep people from interfering with the wild birds in his grounds. People thought he was mad! However, this was the first nature reserve in the world and it was very successful.

Another milestone in this history was the creation of the RSPB. This was started in 1889 by Etta Lemon and a group of friends with the original purpose of abolishing the use of bird feathers in hats, as large numbers of exotic birds were killed as a result of this demand. The group were successful after a number of years, during which time they expanded their aims to include making sure other types of birds were protected and cared for. Garden birds are certainly encouraged today and a total of about £250million is spent in this country on food for wild birds.

The April meeting was the last of the current season but we will be back at Bramshall Parish Hall on Monday 25th September at 7:30pm for the start of the 2023-24 season. Please look out for further announcements in the Bramshall Newsletter.

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Penny's Recipe of the Month

Spring Chicken

4 boneless chicken breasts,
3 cloves crushed garlic,
Juice and zest of 3 lemons.
1 red chilli, seeded and finely chopped.
4 tbsp clear honey
Roasted vine tomatoes, to serve.



Season the chicken.
Mix together garlic lemon zest and juice, clear honey.
Turn chicken in marinade to coat and then marinade in a covered no metallic dish for 2-3 hours or overnight in fridge.
Preheat oven to 200deg C/400deg F Gas 6, roast chicken in marinade for 35-40mins until tender.
Place chicken onto warm serving plates and garnish with sprigs of fresh coriander and lemon wedges.
Serve with vine tomatoes, couscous and a handful of green salad leaves.

Enjoy!
Spring is here hopefully ,

Penny

Information from our Parish Council

Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council are holding their Annual Meeting on Tuesday 16 May at 7.00pm at Wilfred House, Carter Street, Uttoxeter.

All are very welcome to attend, to meet your Parish councillors and discuss the work that we do.



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MENU

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Starters:

Soup, Breaded Brie & Cranberry Salad, Prawn Cocktail

Mains:

Fish & Chips, Ham, Eggs & Chips, Lasagne with Chips & Salad,
Classic Beef Burger, Hunters Chicken, Giant Yorkshire with Sausages
& Peas (Vegetarian option available)

Desserts:

Pie of the Moment, Cheesecake, Ice Cream selection

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Sandwiches: £8

Ham, Cheese, Tuna, Fish Finger, Brie & Cranberry
(All served with Chips & Salad on Granary or White Bread)

Pizza: £10

BBQ, Meat Feast, Veggie, Margherita

Jackets: £7

Tuna, Cheese & Beans, Mince & Onion

Sides: £3

Onion Rings, Hand Cut Chips, Fries, Side salad

SUNDAY MENU

Starters £6: Soup of the day/Bread roll
Breaded Brie & Cranberry sauce
Prawn Cocktail

Roast £12.50: Staffordshire Topside of Beef/Yorkshire Pudding
Roast Turkey with Pigs in Blankets
Honey Roast Gammon
(All served with Yorkshire Pudding, Seasonal Veg & Pigs in Blankets)

GRILL MENU

Double Cheese Burger - £14
Rump 12oz - £17
Ribeye 8oz £22
Gammon with Egg & Pineapple £14
(All served with Chips, Tomato & Onion Ring)

Sides: Peppercorn sauce £3 or Blue Cheese £3

Butchers Arms Forthcoming Events

Sunday April 30th 5.30pm – 7.30pm (free entry)

U3A present an evening of Irish Music

Sunday May 14th 5.30pm – 7.30pm (free entry)

Back by popular demand... Steve Bloor

Bramshall and Loxley Parish Hall

Fitness	Mondays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
U3A Country Dancing	Tuesdays	2.00 – 4.00pm	Keith Lowson 564427
Bramshall Bowling Club	Tuesdays	7.30 – 9.30pm	Harold or Sylvia 567763
Bramshall Art Group	Wednesdays	9.30am - noon	Arthur Tindell
Sewing Club	2 nd Thursday only	10.00 – 12.30pm	Sue Harrison 01283-732248
Lift Lean Resistance Training	Thursdays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
Bramshall's Little Treasures	Fridays	9.30 - 11.30am	Laura Hill (07944 910711)

PARISH HALL NEWS

Parish hall AGM – held on Monday 17th April in Church.

Mr Tom Postlethwaite stood down as Chair and he was offered our grateful thanks for all the work he has carried out on the Parish Hall.

Dan Hazlehurst was elected Chairman and also Trustee when Rev John Lander stepped down from the Trustee committee.

Cathy Phipps and Barrie Lomas kindly agreed to continue in office as Secretary and Treasurer and Trudy Hazlehurst became the official Bookings Secretary following Geoff Gamble stepping down after many years in the position.

The Meeting extended their grateful thanks to Geoff in his absence for his sterling work as Booking Secretary.



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