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We look forward to hearing from you.

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

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

Log on to 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 & Loxley Parish Hall

As lockdown regulations ease, the Parish Hall will be preparing to open for indoor events. If you are looking at a forthcoming occasion the booking secretary can be contacted by sending a text to 07940 326463. Geoff will reply as soon as he is able.

Please remember, this is everybody's News Sheet and the editor would be delighted to receive contributions about anything interesting or important, celebrations, forthcoming events, reflections, anything... and photographs make any item more engaging.

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07794344235 to book a place or more info.

And finally..... The Bennett's Lane sign disappeared a couple of weeks ago. If you find yourself travelling along country lanes around and about, keep your eyes peeled just in case - David Brookes spotted (and retrieved) an abandoned Loxley Lane sign when he was out in his car. Fingers crossed it is out there somewhere, and not adorning someone's beer garden.

Penny's Recipe of the Month

Rhubarb & Yoghurt Desert



This is the right time of year to buy English Rhubarb, the very best is from Yorkshire however if you can't find any in the supermarkets you can get English rhubarb from other parts of the country - eg Herefordshire rhubarb is available in Waitrose, which I am very happy about as I emailed Waitrose and complained about them stocking rhubarb from the Netherlands. This recipe is quite simple and easy, and now is the time to use it.

Buy your rhubarb and wipe it clean, cut into pieces about 1inch long place in a saucepan and add a little water and a good dollop of caster sugar. Cook until soft, then gently boil for 5mins stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and cool before putting into ramekin dishes. When the rhubarb is cool spoon on top some vanilla yoghurt and spread around the ramekin. With some soft brown muscovado sugar, sprinkle a dusting over the yoghurt and put in the fridge. Serve as a desert which is delicious. Trust me I am from Yorkshire!!!!

Penny

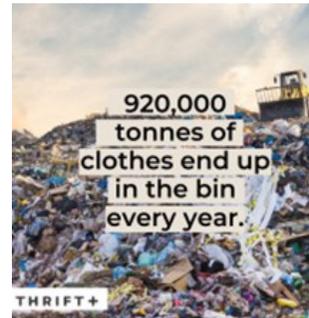
JOKE OF THE DAY

What do you call a cowboy who is hard up?
Skint Eastwood.

Let's slow fast fashion down!

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Thursday 22nd April marks Earth Day! Now is the time to tackle the environmental impact of the clothing industry.



Yes, 920,000 tonnes! Or to put that into perspective, 73% of all clothes produced end up incinerated or in landfill. What's more, the fashion industry emits more carbon every year than planes and ships combined! This is an issue very close to my heart and I am passionate about driving change toward a more sustainable future for fashion.

I have recently become an ambassador for the second-hand clothing store Thrift+. Thrift+ stock quality second hand clothes, and allow members to

donate to a UK registered charity of their choice, with the option to earn credits for future purchases.

As we celebrate Earth Day this month, I urge readers to consider taking little steps to adjust shopping habits... Reuse, Reduce, Recycle ☺

Get £5 off your next Thrift+ purchase with this link:

<http://i.refs.cc/RmcB9yqA>

By Anna Bateman, 19th April 2021

Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council

Great British Spring Clean - 28th May to 13th June 2021, #LitterHeroes

Keep Britain Tidy has developed a handy pack of assets and resources to help you engage your community in the campaign.

Supporters are encouraged to make a simple pledge <https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/get-involved/support-our-campaigns/great-british-spring-clean> and let Keep Britain Tidy know how many minutes they'll clean-up for during the campaign. Pledges can be made as an individual or a group, ensuring they follow the latest Covid-19 guidance about group gatherings outdoors.

Keep Britain Tidy has also launched a charity webshop, <https://shop.keepbritaintidy.org/collections/litter-picking-equipment-individual-items> where you can purchase high-quality litter picking equipment packaged in recyclable materials.

Church News

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

Vicar Revd John Lander
revjsl@btinternet.com 565228

Covid-19 Road Map

As restrictions lift, the next step (May 17th) should see the use of the church extended for meetings as well as public worship. The requirements for wearing face coverings, sanitizing on entering & leaving, and maintaining social distance inside & outside continue to remain in place. From May 17th at the earliest, weddings can be attended by 30 guests; after June 21st there will be no limit. Funerals continue to be restricted to 30 mourners until 21st June at the earliest.

Services for May

2 th May	11.00am	Morning Worship
9 th May	11.00am	Holy Communion
16 th May	11.00am	Holy Communion
23 th May	11.00am	4th Sunday Worship
30 th May	11.00am	Family Worship

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The date for the annual meeting had been fixed for Monday 24th May, 7.00pm in church. All parishioners are invited to attend, but please indicate if you wish to do so as places are limited.

100 Club Results: April

1 st	No 129	John Lowe	£30
2 nd	No 58	Carole Postlethwaite	£25
3 rd	No 132	Laura Rowe	£20
4 th	No 180	Harry Burrows	£15

friendships difficult and his physical development also became a concern. All he wanted to do was snuggle under a blanket and play on the computer or watch TV. I'm sure there are many other parents who have found it extremely difficult to motivate their teenage children this past winter.

However, the recent better, warmer and drier weather has significantly helped, alongside all the 'nagging', explaining and encouraging we've been doing as supportive parents. He offered to mow the lawn last week (which he did terribly but it's the thought that counts!) and he has started to meet friends outside, being more active on a regular basis.

National Children's Day is a time of reflection and looking forward, a time to consider how to support, nurture and nourish the young. There are many ways in which support can be provided to the children in your own family, in your network of friends and within our Bramshall community. I can't wait for the restrictions to be lifted to enable us all to provide more for one another.



Laura Hill

Junior Church

A new venture will be launching soon - Junior Church. This will be a fun based opportunity for children aged 4 and above, to come together for activities, games, songs and to hear stories from the bible. If you would like more information or wish to express an interest, please contact Laura Hill .

email: laurajhill78@icloud.com

Joyce Corbishley extends a big **Thank You** to everyone who has donated used stamps for the RNIB.



If you have used inkjet cartridges or used postage stamps, then collections are taken at church (or drop off at 9, Overcroft) as part of recycling for charities.



National Children's Day Sunday 16th May 2021

National Children's Day UK is all about the importance of a healthy childhood, and how we need to protect the rights and freedoms of children in order to ensure that they can grow into happy, healthy adults. It's a day of celebration, but it's also a great opportunity for councils, local services, community groups, hospitals, sports clubs, schools, charities, families, carers - anyone involved with children - to raise awareness about projects they are running or things they care about. (NCDUK2021 website).

With Covid being less of a risk now than in previous weeks, it seems fitting that we hold a national day of celebration for children and think about what we can do to mitigate some of the negative impact corona virus restrictions have had on the lives of the young. I am immensely grateful that we are now allowed to take our young daughter to see family relatives that live a great distance away from us. Her relationship with her distant grandparents has significantly suffered and I'm looking forward to planning lots of 'meet ups' so we can begin to build those essential relationships again.



At the tender age of nearly two, our main concerns have been about our daughter's social development and the lack of opportunities to build relationships with other children and adults. These relationships are vital for; developing her language skills, as she hears others saying new words and phrases, thus developing her speech and vocabulary; developing her social communication skills, such as formal (good morning) and informal (hi) ways to greet people and how to take turns in a conversation or when playing; and recognising her own and others' emotions and how to respond. The importance of social interactions can not be underplayed for children in their early years.



I am also acutely aware how difficult my older son has found the past few months. Not only was the weather cold, wet and dark, but with the tight restriction of only meeting one other person, he found opportunities for building and developing

Flowers in Church

The Rota is now being compiled to start July, so if you would like to be included please contact Sandra Kent (tel: 566033).

Baptisms / Weddings

The restrictions of the past year have greatly impacted on plans for weddings and Christenings. With the prospect of the removal of these restrictions after 21st June, you may now be considering these important life events, and I would be delighted to help in any enquiries relating to these.

Rev John

Easter Bunny Hunt

Many thanks to all involved - what a success!! Over 80 Easter goodie bags were collected from church; suggesting a footfall of over 200 people around the Parish Hall and Church on a gorgeous Easter afternoon.

DIGGING INTO THE PAST

Church Minute books date back to the early 1920's and I found them fascinating to see what went on. Computers were nowhere in sight and so I have typed all the hand written minutes and now give a little insight into the year 1923.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held in the old Parish Hall at the end of the church drive in February with Rev L Knight-Smith in the Chair:

Accounts:

Mr J. Allen presented at statement of accounts showing total receipts £169.3.7 ½ – Total expenditure £146.0.8 1/2 , leaving a balance in the Bank of £23.2.11. Much satisfaction at this excellent result was expressed, especially in view of the fact that the balance due to Messrs Ward & Godbehere of £48.10.10 (for heating apparatus) had been met, that the churchyard (trees and hedges) had been trimmed and the interior of the church had been redecorated at a cost of £37.10.0, that the clock had been repaired total (£7.10.0) and that the lead gutters on the roof of the church had been treated with "Texo" (£7.10.10). On the proposition of Mr Whittaker, seconded by Mrs Allen for the excellent manner in which he had performed the duties of Hon. Secretary/Treasurer.

The following were then duly elected:

Ruridecanal representative: Miss Griffin

Parochial Church Council:

Mesdames: Potts, Deakin, Loverock, Gould

Messrs: Richards, Statham, Allen, Buckley, T. Durose (The Grange), T. Durose (Bank Top), Lindop, T. Fradley Snr, J. Mycock, J. Bentley, J.C. Deville & W. Ellaway- Smith.

A letter from Mr W. Taft, Secretary of the Parish hall notifying that the charge for Church Council meetings would be 10/- per annum was read and agreement was expressed.

Parochial Church Council meeting at 8pm in the Parish hall March 2nd 1923, the Vicar in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were signed.

Election of Secretary/Treasurer:

Mr J. Allen was re-elected as Secretary / Treasurer,

Lamps:

It was suggested that during the winter months the approaches to the Church should be lit by lamps.

Paths:

A good deal of discussion took place as to having the churchyard path treated with tarmac. A sub-committee consisting of the Wardens and Mr Statham was appointed to go into the matters and it was resolved that if the coat of the necessary gravel and tarmac were not to exceed £20 the work should be carried out – proposed by Mr Lindop and seconded by Mr De Ville.

Churchyard:

The Churchwardens were requested to have the grass in the churchyard closely cut and kept down , also the work of repairing and painting the exterior gate be carried out.

Collections:

It was decided that the collections at the Harvest Festival should be given to the Hospital and those on WhitSunday to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (S.P.G.)

It was also decided that a meeting on behalf of S.P.G. should be held on June 5th.

Sunday School Festival:

It was suggested that Sunday School Festival should be held and that the Rev. N. Price should be invited as Preacher.

'Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council'

Guide how to report issues and Get Involved:

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Noise – Odour – Air Pollution Nuisance	https://www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk/environmental-health/pollution/noise-odour-air-pollution
Litter	https://www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk/community-civil-enforcement/littering
Rights of Way – Footpaths	https://prow.staffordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx
Parking Issues	https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Highways/Parking-and-enforcement/On-Street-Parking/Problem-parking/Problem-parking.aspx
Planning Enforcement	http://www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk/planning/planning-enforcement
Dog Fouling	http://www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk/environmental-health/dogs/dog-fouling
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Community Volunteers	https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/environment/Environment-and-countryside/CommunityVolunteerProgramme.aspx
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Something different for the Village

This type of 'Pop Up' has been appearing around the area for several months now, so we thought that Bramshall should 'get in on the action'. Thanks to Sue Bufton who has organized this on our behalf. Please support, remember social distancing, and enjoy the occasion.



Good people of Bramshall, on **Saturday 22nd May** I shall be having my Long Locks lopped off for Charity. I am arranging a small Community Event at Bramshall Parish Hall.

My aim is to get local companies such as Ashmores Ice Cream, Project.donut, Bear Coffee, and The Travelling Taverna to come to the Parish Hall between 12pm and 3pm and offer their goods for sale then the big event of my head being shaved at 1.30pm. I've currently raised over £3.9k in total and I'm hoping to raise even more. Further details about the charities I'm doing this for and also where you can donate can be found here :

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/lopping-lymers-locks?utm_term=GvV6rEwaj&fbclid=IwAR01KmpgCtkZ20mkPNSWP11Q-Sr55oLq1ATj1PZwJlfYL0vXCsvBElcZeLw

#LoppingLymersLocks #manbunless

After seven years of growing his long locks, which are an impressive 23 inches, Rich has decided it is time for them to go - but all for a good cause.

Let's show our support for Rich; donate what you can, come along to the event and cheer him on. Keep everything crossed that it will be a sunny (and warm) day.

Well Done Rich - you are a Star.



Rich Lymer



We're raising £600 to Help those affected by Breast Cancer