

BRAMSHALL NEWS



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Bramshall Village Community

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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.

Don't forget - Jamie Painter is your local 'Go To' for refurbished vacuum cleaners; so if you are interested in any of his machines, or if you have any vacuums that you don't want or aren't working, he might be able to help.
Please contact Jamie on jepaint10@gmail.com



Bird Watch!



Recently, I have noticed a concerning trend in my area. I have witnessed a rising number of mutilated birds wandering the streets of Bramshall. Four of which, I have tried my best efforts to save. Unfortunately, the injuries sustained made my attempts unsuccessful. The reason for my writing is that upon close inspection of these maimed animals, their wounds appeared rather unusual. I have seen birds with missing feet, single puncture wounds, or what seems like shock, leading to sudden death of an otherwise healthy bird. I do not believe these are the type of injuries a cat for instance, would inflict. It does not seem like this is nature taking its course. I hope that fellow Bramshall residents will join me in looking out for our wildlife, particularly Wood Pigeons and Collared Doves. These birds do not cause any harm, and it is a shame to see so many of them suffering like this.

Anna Bateman

Letter

In the August issue of the Bramshall News there was an article from Jamie Painter regarding vacuum cleaners he had for sale having refurbished them. I was on the market for a new cleaner as ours was slowly being less effective so I enquired about one from him. Payment was made and Jamie then delivered it to our door, not only that he took away my old cleaner to service and repair if necessary. He kept in contact with us throughout the process of service and repair of my cleaner so we did not have an unexpected bill and then returned it to the door.

I am very pleased with the new cleaner it is exceptional and the service from Jamie is first class. If you are in the market for a 'new vacuum' or just need a service and/or repair look no further than Jamie Painter.

Amanda Wilkes

Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes
Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall
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Covid-19 Latest Guidelines

The government restrictions introduced last month have not impacted too much on church services other than weddings (which has seen a reduction from 30 to 15 as the maximum number of people allowed to attend.). The wearing of face coverings continues to be mandatory; but don't worry if you arrive without one as they are available at the entrance by the sanitising station. Please refer to church notice boards of Bramshall Community Facebook for any variations to these guidelines.

Services for October

4 th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion
11 th Oct	11.00am	Morning Worship
18 th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion
25 th Oct	11.00am	Family Communion

As we approach the season of remembrance, and the build up to Christmas; it is becoming very apparent that the familiar services will not be able to take place in the usual way. Much will depend upon the situation over the coming weeks and next couple of months; but we will be looking at what we can do (not what we can't) to ensure we can both observe and celebrate these important occasions.

Recycle for Charity

We are still collecting ink jet cartridges and used stamps - any donations please bring to church as above. Many Thanks.

100 Club Results: September

1 st	No 32	John Whittaker	£30
2 nd	No 122	Richard McCann	£25
3 rd	No 82	Matthew & Sarah Slater	£20
4 th	No 58	Carole Postlethwaite	£15

Harvest Thanksgiving

Thank you for all the donations - a wonderful selection of packet and tinned produce was received over the past few weeks, and a good car load will be taken to the Food Bank at the Renew Church in Uttoxeter.

Candles In Remembrance



On Sunday 1st November there will be an opportunity to light a candle to remember loved ones now departed. As the current guidelines stand, the lighting of candles will take place on entering the church as movement during the service is restricted.

Church buildings are opening again after a period of reduced income for parishes. If you would like to donate to Bramshall St. Lawrence, please use the Donate Now button on the 'Church Near You' website, or use the link below:

<https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/donate-now/>

Thank You

GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

Gigabit-capable broadband connections offer the fastest and most reliable speeds available, and the Government is committed to a vision of a digitally connected Britain.

Homes and businesses in rural areas of the UK may be eligible for funding towards the cost of installing gigabit-capable broadband when part of a group scheme.

Rural premises with broadband speeds of less than 100Mbps can use vouchers worth **£1,500** per home and up to **£3,500** for each small to medium-sized business (SME) to support the cost of installing new fast and reliable connections.

Staffordshire County Council is pleased to announce it is adding funding to top up the funding available from the Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme, which grants an extra £2,000 per premises with broadband speeds of less than 30mbps, taking the maximum support to **£3,500** per resident and **£5,500** per business.

This scheme will run until March 2021 or until the funding becomes fully allocated.

If you require any further information please let us know at superfast@staffordshire.gov.uk
or visit www.gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/Staffordshire

Kind regards
Ginny Gibson
Parish Clerk
on behalf of Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council





Would Someone Like to Investigate this Further? It May be Good for the Community

How do you qualify?

1. Premises must be in rural areas
2. Available broadband speeds must be less than 100 Megabits per second (and not gigabit-capable)
3. You must be part of a group project (two or more premises) You can check whether you are likely to be eligible for our rural gigabit voucher and search for a registered supplier by looking up your postcode on: gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk

What do you do next?

1. Talk to suppliers active in your area for the connection deal that is right for you.
2. Your chosen supplier will advise you on your eligibility and guide you through the process.
3. You must commit to a 12-month contract with your supplier for downloads speeds that are double your current speed and at least 30 Mbps through a gigabit-capable connection.

TEAMS 4 U - Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to all who have kindly made a contribution towards the Christmas shoeboxes. I will still be collecting until the **19th October** should anyone still be interested in donating. Your donations really are very much appreciated, and make a huge difference to the lives of children from severely deprived parts of the world—for whom these shoe boxes bring the most amazing joy and delight.

A reminder of what goes to make up a shoebox Christmas present -

Items needed:- soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hair brushes/combs, hats, scarves, gloves, stationary items, note books, small colouring books, felt tip pens, coloured pencils, wax crayons, toys for ages 3-15, tennis balls or any other small balls, sweets (expiry date after March 2021, no chocolates). **Especially needed are items for teenage boys. Or a donation towards to postage.** It costs Teams 4 U **£2.50 per box.**

Items can be dropped off at The Sycamores or I will be happy to collect.
Tel 567340.

With thanks
Linda



Halloween Saturday 31st October

It looks like Halloween and the associated 'trick or treat' fun will have to be different this year (unless Covid regulations change dramatically). One suggestion that has been put forward is for people to put pumpkins or pictures of pumpkins in their windows so that children can dress up and follow the pumpkin trail around the village. There is no advice at the moment about leaving sweets outside; but if that is permissible they should be wrapped, and children encouraged to take only the first packet they touch. Otherwise, parents will need to be prepared with copious amounts of scary mix!!!

BRAMSHALL CALENDAR 2021

Due to the lack of fund-raising opportunities this year (no Summer Prize Draw.. no Christmas Hamper Raffle) we have decided to offer you the opportunity of obtaining this fabulous slimline wall calendar for 2021. It features village photographs old and new, and would adorn any wall in your house.. or even make an interesting Christmas stocking filler for friends and family. Produced at local printers Lavin's of Uttoxeter, we are now taking orders for the modest price of £5 each. Please submit your order by email (revjsl@aol.com) or pop an envelope to 9, Overcroft. Payment with order would be most appreciated; cash, cheque (payable to PCC Bramshall) or bank transfer (sort code 60-22-09 a/c 88436519 reference your name please).



Example photo's contents may vary!!



Penny's Recipe of the Month

“Finger-Licking” Chicken Wings



Ingredients (serves 4)

1, tbsp vegetable oil,
1 small onion.
2 cloves garlic crushed,
2tblsp clear honey,
4tblsp tomato ketchup.
4tblsp Worcester sauce.
2tsp English mustard.
2tsp Tabasco sauce.
8 chicken wings.
2tblsp flour seasoned with salt and pepper.

Preheat oven to 200deg c./400deg F/ gas 6.

Heat oil in a small pan and cook onion and garlic for 3-4mins until softened, stir in honey, ketchup, Worcester sauce, mustard and Tabasco, simmer very gently for a minute or so. Dust the chicken with seasoned flour and then brush liberally with the sauce. Place on a baking sheet and roast for 30mins until well browned and cooked through. When cooked put on a serving plate and just lick those fingers!!!! Enjoy.

Penny Gilpin

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Scarecrow Weekend

That was a great idea, whoever thought of it - it was just a shame that not many people were aware it was going to take place. If this is something that would be popular and could happen next year, it would be worthwhile publicising on the notice boards and via this publication. Just let the editor know the details.

All contributions can be sent to revjssl@aol.com

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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