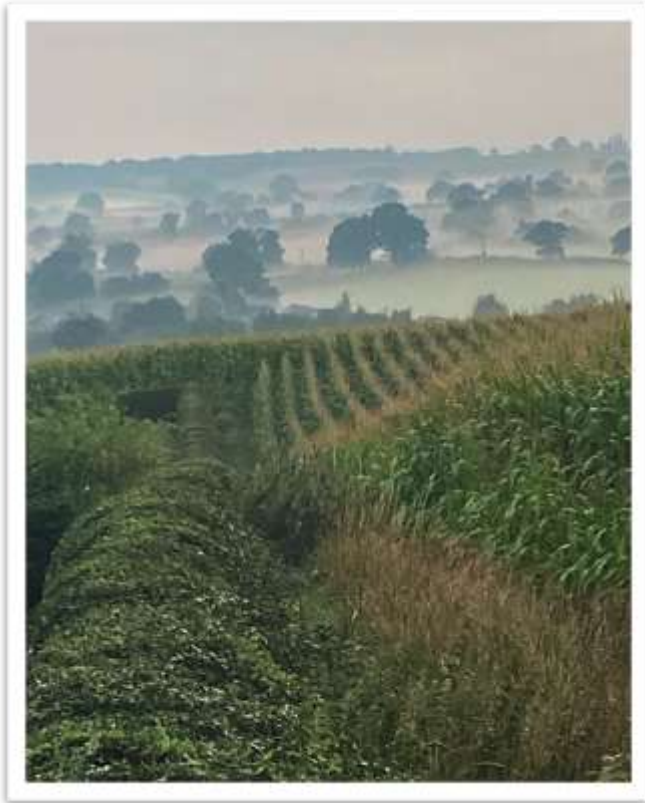


BRAMSHALL NEWS



Autumn mist in the valley.

October 2021



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ROADSIDE WEEDS – you probably have noticed that there are a lot of weeds at the roadside because chemical applications have not been used for environmental reasons to protect bees and other pollinating insects. The Best Kept Village competition has been suspended during these covid times, but it would be great if we could all now do a bit of weeding at the front of our properties.

Thanks to Kate Harvey-Lomas for the front page photograph. I am always delighted to receive a monthly photograph for this publication, and anyone can submit an image... it just needs to have been taken withing the village.

Editor

Bramshall News is available to read on the Bramshall Parish website
www.bramshallparish.org.uk

Work is starting on an essential project in Bramshall.

The scheme will see the replacement of an existing pipework with a new 400mm ductile iron main and a new 225mm high performance polyethylene water main on Stone Road and Stocks Lane.

Consequently, we have been advised of the following road closure in the village.

Road Closure:

From 4 October: B5027 Stone Road, from outside the Old Bramshall Inn to the junction of Stocks Lane for approximately six weeks.

From 15 November: Stocks Lane for approximately five weeks.

The order will come into operation on 4th October 2021 and the said works (which will start at 08:00) will commence on or as near as practicable to that date. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 19th December 2021 (at approximately 16:00).

An alternative route for traffic is available and will be signed on site. For more information, visit: <https://one.network/?tm=123265878>

Information also via the Parish Council website:

<https://utttoxeterruralparishcouncil.org.uk/bramshall-waters-mains-renewal-schedule-starting-4th-october-for-11-weeks>

Updates will be on South Water website

<https://www.south-staffs-water.co.uk/news/improvements-in-bramshall>

Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council

The Council would like to invite residents to attend an extraordinary meeting at the Parish Hall on Thursday 14th October at 7.30pm to discuss the traffic along Bennett's Lane; and to consider the location of 'speed indicator' signs in the village.

Ginny Gibson
Parish Clerk

Church News

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

Vicar Revd John Lander
revjsl@btinternet.com 565228

Services for October

3 rd Oct	11.00am	Morning Worship
10 th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion
17 th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion
24 th Oct	11.00am	4th Sunday Communion
31 st Oct	11.00am	All Age with Agape

Sidespersons Rota:

3 rd	Mrs G Lovatt
10 th	Mrs C Postlethwaite
17 th	Mrs L Corbishley
24 th	Mrs M Jones
31 st	Mrs A Harris

Flowers:

Mrs A Harris & Mrs M Ward

Church 'Autumn' Clean

Fri 15th October 9.30 - 11.00am



The October sessions for 'Funday School' will be held on the following Sundays:

3rd October and 17th October
commencing at 11am

100 Club Results: September

1 st	No 91	Keith Hunt	£30
2 nd	No 15	Pete & Sandra Kent	£25
3 rd	No 1	Dot & Ernie Carr	£20
4 th	No 71	Cynthia Bailey	£15

From the Registers

Baptism:

Sunday 5th Sept

Francesca Sofia HILL

Sunday 12th Sept

Mason Leo GRAHAM



Pictured left is Francesca Sofia with her parents Monica & Robert, along with big brother Sebastian.

Jurassic Park Event



It was great to meet Jade the baby dino - even Sandra overcame her initial trepidation (well, it was quite a blood-curdling roar from Jade!!). The event helped to promote the Junior Church, and raised £150 for Katherine House Hospice.



The Harvest Lunch

A lunch in support of Water Aid was a wonderful way to conclude our harvest celebrations this year. A big thank you to the ladies who prepared and served the food.

DIGGING INTO THE PAST

BRAMSHALL PARISH PCC MEETING

Annual Parochial Church meeting held in the Parish Hall at 7.45pm on Feb 23 1928.

Present: The Rev. W E Charlton & Rev. F. Need

Mesdames: Whittaker, Potts, Goodwin & Loverock

Messrs: Martin, Whittaker, Brown, Fradley Snr, Fradley Jnr, Goodwin, Adams, T. Durose (Grange), Statham, H. Potter, and the Secretary

New Vicar - Mr Martin extended a hearty welcome to our new Vicar, expressing the wish that we should all work together and that the Vicar's reign in Bramshall will be a very happy and successful one. This was ably supported by Mr Whittaker and endorsed by all present. The Vicar returned thanks for the welcome extended to him saying he would be grateful if the Church Officials and Parishioners would give him all the help they could in carrying out his important duties.

Chairman: Proposed by Mr Martin, seconded Mr Whittaker, that the Vicar be elected Chairman.

Accounts: - The Secretary presented the accounts showing a balance in hand of £18.12.3. This was considered very satisfactory.

Elections-Ruridecanal Rep – Mrs Whittaker re-appointed

Parochial Church Council: Proposed by Mr Whittaker seconded by Mr Martin that the Council be re-elected en bloc with the addition of Mrs Goodwin in place of Mrs Deakin (who has left the village) and Mr Woodward in place of Mr Ellaway Smith (resigned).

Hon. Secretary/Treasurer - The Hon.Secretary/Treasurer be re-appointed – carried.

Pulpit - The Secretary announced that the Pulpit fund was going well and that everyone was giving cheerfully.

The meeting closed with prayer

W E Charlton 5.4.1929

Bramshall Parish PCC Meeting

The Church Council meeting held in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on March 3 1928.

Present: The Vicar in the chair - Rev. W E Charlton

Mesdames: Goodwin & Loverock

Messrs:Lindop, Bloor and the Secretary

Parish Tea - The Parish Tea which had been postponed was discussed and it was proposed by the Vicar, second by Mr Lindop that it be left to the discretion of the ladies.

New Members - Mrs Goodwin proposed that Mr B. Bloor be co-opted on the Council, seconded by Mr Lindop and carried.

Pulpit - The Vicar explained that a faculty would be required (if we had not already obtained one) before we could remove the old pulpit – he promised to investigate the matter.

Choir - The Vicar brought forward the question of a choir and thought it would be nice for the young boys of the village to be invited and suggested that the Easter offering be used to provide books for them. He said that Rev Need would do his best to help to train them.

J Vernon Philp
2.9.1928

Bramshall Parish PCC Meeting

The Annual Vestry meeting held in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on April 12 1928

Mr G. Martin and Mr R. Whittaker were unanimously re-elected Church Wardens.

W E Charlton
5.4.1929

BRAMSHALL CHURCH

April 25th 1928

Dedication - Dedication of Pulpit and Reading Desk and a Sanctuary Carpet by the Bishop of Lichfield.

Present: The Vicar (The Revd W E Charlton) Revd L. Knights Smith (late Vicar), Revd B.B. Hibbert R.D. and the Revd R.J. Philp.

Lay Readers: Mr J W Orme and Mr Bartonland.

The Presentation of the carpet (made by the members of the Bramshall Branch of the Mothers Union) was made by Mrs J H Lindop and Mr J C DeVille presented the Pulpit and Reading Desk on behalf of the subscribers.

The church collection amounted to £3.15.0

Bramshall Parish PCC Meeting

The Church Council meeting held in the Parish Hall at 8pm on Nov 2 1928.

Present: Rev R.J.V. Philp (in the Chair) & Rev W.F. Need
Mesdames Whittaker, Goodwin and Loverock
Messrs Martin, Whittaker, Bentley, Bloor, Statham, Adams and the Secretary.

Apology - The Vicar sent an apology for his absence through indisposition.

Golfers Service - This service was fully discussed, and it was considered to have been a success. Proposed by Mr Whittaker seconded by Mr Bentley that in future this service be held the final Sunday in the month and that the 11 o'clock service on this day be dispensed with – carried.

S.P.G. (The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel) - The Vicar asked for a subscription to this Society. Last year the Parish subscribed £3.11.8 as it was not clear how this money was raised. It was decided to let the matter stand over until the next meeting.

Diocesan Quota: - The Chairman read a letter of thanks from the Bishop thanking the Parishioners of Bramshall for providing the Quota of ambition to this fund.

Pulpit Fund - The Secretary produced a balance sheet showing a deficit of £20.2.9 and suggested this might be paid out of the church account. This was proposed by Mr Statham seconded by Mr Bloor – carried.

Church Clock - An account of £2.11.0 for cleaning the Church Clock was passed for payment.

Pulpit Light - The lighting of the Pulpit was much discussed, and it was decided to leave it to Rev. Philp and Rev Need and the Secretary.



There has been quite a bit of activity at the pub recently; maybe this is a good sign that we will soon have our 'local' back in business very soon. Rumours surrounding the re-opening have been adding to the intrigue of who is taking over...also, its reverting back to The Butcher's Arms! We await a formal announcement.



Pictured above at the recent harvest lunch are John Whittaker with his sisters Kath & Freda (flanked by Dick & Marg Jones). The Whittaker family has had a strong connection with St. Lawrence's Church for many years, as can be seen by the references to John's grandparents in the 1928 minutes of the 'Digging into the Past' series of articles; in which Robert served as churchwarden and Catherine as ruridecanal representative.

Handmade Card Making Class Social Event



Bramshall Village Hall
Thursday 7th October
10am -12pm
£10 per person



We are making beautiful Christmas cards
all materials are provided.

Catch up with friends and make new ones.

Refreshments

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THE GOOD AND THE NOT SO GOOD by a TV Extra

As an extra (or support artist as they call us now) I have worked on many television and film productions and one of the best programmes I have ever worked on was a TV series about a troubled catholic priest.

If you can imagine, it was set in a beautiful large Roman Catholic church in Liverpool. It was very elaborate and ornate, and I can recall worrying about the safety of the huge crucifix that hung from the ceiling immediately above the altar.

I enjoyed many days on this production as I was lucky enough to be cast as a regular church goer, so I was always to be seen in one of the first 6 rows in church or about the town having my hair done or playing bingo! However, it did involve long periods of sitting down as well which cannot be bad for a day's paid work and a front row view of the action, although one of our scenes took place just before the actor reads out the Gospel so we all had to learn the Apostles Creed word for word.

The real priest of the church was amazing, and was always present with us because he had to school the actors in the practices of a Catholic Mass and he had to work especially close to the main character so that every aspect of the mass the actor was conducting was correct. In fact, he was so engrossed with us actors, making sure we got it right, that he actually started directing us, to the consternation of the real director!

Then of course you always get the one extra who thinks they know it all (every production has one) and starts to contradict the priest! – and then the Director!! it all made for an amusing week.

There are plenty of good times and good friends to be had if you are a committed extra, but there are some not so good times as well and some would say there is a number of “prejudiced” things that go on.

One day I had to go to Marple in Stockport – Marple is a beautiful, picturesque village on the outskirts of Stockport and the film I was to be working on was set in lovely Brabyns Park – amongst the lakes. My brief was to be part of a search party. We booked in and eventually they sent us off over the hill – and that was it! they left us there all morning – in other words they forgot about us! If we hadn't come back to base, we would have been there all day, I am sure. We did though wander back down to base at what we thought was lunch time and was told to go and queue up for lunch.

On location the meals are always served from the meal truck – and there is always a strict hierarchy on whose turn it is to be served. For instance, you cannot be served before the main characters, and you cannot be served before the Crew – (yes, we are that lowly) if you are lucky and there is some food left – it’s your turn. However, on this particular occasion, the Crew were going up to order in dribs and drabs and each time we managed to reach the serving hatch we were told to go back and get to the back of the queue because more Crew were behind us!! Eventually, we did manage to get something but by this time we had approximately 5 minutes to eat it!!!

Even though the strict hierarchy is kept at every shoot, it is not always as bad as that one occasion!!

Kate Harvey -Lomas

Bramshall Old Rectory - Summer Fete & Open Day



What a lovely occasion it proved to be at The Old Rectory Summer Fete and Open Day and it was fantastic to see such good support from the village. Entertainments Co-ordinator ‘Lol’ always enters into the spirit of such events, and is pictured above resplendent in her ‘Big Burger’ costume. Many thanks to the new owners and their staff for the courtesy and hospitality which they extended to everyone on the day.

Local Couple Marries



Congratulations to Jack and Annabel

Jack Sargeant and Anabel Wheawall became husband and wife in a service at All Saints Church, Leigh on Saturday 11th September.

Jack's parents are Andrew & Jayne Sargeant of Bramshall; while Annabel's parents are Christopher & Caroline Wheawall of Withington.

The couple live in Church Leigh, but Jack still works in the family business (T.G. Sargeant & Sons).



"Bramshall's Got Talent"

Saturday 22nd October – open to all who wish to sing, dance, play an instrument or perform in whatever way, purely for the joy of entertaining an appreciative audience!! This 'Early Doors' production will take place in the Parish Hall; doors open at 5.00pm for a 5.30pm start to the show. There will be an entry fee of £5 to cover the cost of the hall hire and keyboard player Damian. The Jahmakan lady (her food proved very popular at Rich's hair cut event) will be there to tempt the taste buds, but please feel free to bring your own drinks and refreshments. It would be good to see a lot of people supporting this event and enjoying themselves... but no heckling please!!



Ladies Fashion Night

Friday 8th October 7pm - 9pm
at the Parish Hall,
'Cabi Fashion'

Where Lisa Perry will present some gorgeous
'high end' clothing ranges.



Entrance is £2.50 (to cover the hall cost) and a small raffle, proceeds of which will go towards the church organ fund. There is no obligation to purchase anything but if you do you can pay by card or via arrangements with Lisa on the night. Just come along and enjoy a drink and a chat. Please let SallyAnne know if you wish to attend so she doesn't run out of "Fizz"!! (Sallyannelander@gmail.com or telephone 565228)



The Durose Family Gathering

It was good to see the return of the 'Durose Family' for their annual get-together here in Bramshall. The research into the genealogy of the surname Durose has facilitated tracing family trees back many centuries, which saw ancestors escaping from France as refugees and settling around this area of Staffordshire. Rev John can also trace a family connection to the Duroses.

Penny's Recipe of the Month

Garlic Butter Lemon Sole with Citrus Mash



1lb floury potatoes,
a knob of butter at room temp.
1 clove of garlic crushed.,
2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley.
2x lemon sole fillets unskinned,
150ml double cream.
grated rind and juice of 1 lemon.
Salt and black pepper.
Steamed vegetables such as mangetout and spinach to serve.

Cook the potatoes in a large pan of boiling salted water for 10-12mins until tender. Pre heat grill to high, mix together the butter, garlic, parsley, a little salt and plenty of black pepper. Cook the lemon sole skin-side up under the grill for 1-2mins. Turn the fish over and dot with the herbed butter and return to the grill for a further 2-3 mins until golden and cooked through.

Meanwhile heat the cream and lemon rind in a small pan. Drain the potatoes and mash well, then beat in the warm zesty cream until smooth and fluffy. Season well to taste and then spoon onto the serving plates. Arrange the sole fillets on top of the mash and drizzle over a little of the fresh lemon juice. Serve with the green vegetables.

When I was a young child, we always had fresh fish on Friday, we were very lucky as every Friday morning the fish man would call in his van with a selection of fresh fish caught around Whitby that very morning, however times change and we are lucky to get fresh fish from the Wet fish counters at Waitrose and Tesco in town.

Hope you enjoy.

Penny

Christmas Luxury Hamper Draw

Yes, it's getting to that time of year and Glenda (ably assisted by Sandra) is organising a Christmas Hamper Draw in aid of the Church Organ Fund. As ever, we rely on people's generosity of contributions for the hampers, as well as help in selling the draw tickets... and people to buy them, of course!!



Parish Hall Update

A lot of work has been going on at the Parish Hall in readiness for the September classes to commence. Admittedly, the area has looked a little neglected, but many issues are being addressed. Gutters and drains have been cleared, ivy removed from the fence panels, the chairs have been deep cleaned. The posts and broken fence rails will be replaced as soon as possible. There is a major project which will see new fire doors and a replacement front door; for which quotations are being sought. Companies are still very busy at the moment, and this is compounded with a general shortage materials.

Ultimately, the hall and surrounding area depend upon a few willing volunteers for much of the routine maintenance and upkeep - but this is a community facility for which everyone should have a responsibility and interest in ensuring is one in which we can all take delight and pride in. With the onset of Autumn there will be plenty of opportunities to assist in filling brown bins with leaves, removing weeds and other debris.

If you have an interest in the running of the hall, then consider joining the committee - meetings take place around 5 or 6 times per year and last about an hour. It would be encouraging to have new enthusiasm and ideas for the running of the hall. (Please contact the editor for details).

The perennial 'Dog Poo' problem appears to be increasing again as the evenings draw in. It is a very emotive subject, and the majority of pet owners are very responsible; so we all need to be aware and alert, and help to politely educate those less socially minded!!

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