BRAMSHALL NEWS



The New Bench Commemorating the end of WW1

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New Bench

To commemorate the centenary of the ending of the Great War (WW1), a new bench has been fitted on part of the open space area near to the Parish Hall, for everyone to enjoy. This new facility has been part funded by Cllr. Colin Whittaker (ESBC) and the remainder by the Parish Council, with WH Durose of Stramshall being tasked with the installation.





NEXT ONE PRESENTS

An evening of fashion and fun in the Parish Hall on Friday 22nd February,

7.00 for 7.30pm. £2.50 on the door to include hot drink and biscuits. Do join us if you can – if you have never been to one of Tom Speake's fashion shows then come along and see for yourself, we always have a laugh! And you will find it hard to resist a bargain. If you are new to the village it's a good opportunity to get introduced to others – we are friendlyhonest!

Contact SallyAnne 565228

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH - BRAMSHALL

Permanent Community Speed Watch signs have been installed in a number of areas across Staffordshire where communities are affected by speeding traffic.

Community Speed Watch has teams of volunteers across the county giving up their own time to monitor speed levels in their local community and providing information to the police. Currently when a team deploys, temporary signage is put out warning drivers that their speeds are being monitored. But now permanent signage with police branding is in place in 40 locations across the County to warn drivers that their speed could be monitored at random. Further locations will be added in 2019.

Michelle Shaker, Community Speed Watch Coordinator for Staffordshire Police, said: "Feedback we have received suggested that drivers were only adhering to speed limits when they saw the signs. With permanent signs hopefully drivers will adhere at all times as their speeds could be monitored at any time without further notice.

"In the last year we had 27 people die following a road traffic collision and a further 202 seriously injured. Speed is a contributory factor in a significant number of collisions including nearly a quarter of fatal collisions, so it is imperative people follow the speed limit to keep themselves and others safe on our roads."

When a vehicle is caught speeding, the details of that vehicles are recorded on a Log Sheet and submitted to the Police. A letter is then sent to the Registered Keeper warning them of the dangers of speeding. If a driver is identified as a repeat offender or recorded travelling at a dangerously high speed they can expect a home visit by a police officer at the very least. Community Speed Watch was set up to improve road safety in communities where there are concerns about the speed of traffic. The scheme is supported by Staffordshire Police and the Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership. Residents who are trained by Staffordshire Police stand by the roadside and monitor speeds of vehicles using a hand held radar device.

Andrew Dartnell Bramshall Community Speedwatch

LIVE & LOCAL

Our next Live & Local production introduces a slightly different style from the recent jazz based themes, with Peacock Angell bringing a more folk influenced evening that is inspired by the poems of Thomas Carnduff, with his mix of historical, political and personal reflections of urban workingclass life in Belfast. The duo of Sid Peacock (from Bangor, Co. Down) and Ruth Angell (from the Peak District, Derbyshire) are joined by pianist Steve Tromans as they perform a beautiful mix of exquisite and arresting songs, poetry, biographical readings and storytelling.

Please come along for an enthralling evening and support this performance on Saturday 23rd March at The Parish Hall. Doors open 7.00pm for 7.30pm Usual bistro style layout so feel free to bring drinks and food as required. Tickets are now available (£10) from Revd John Lander Box office Tel: 565228.



Peacock Angell with Steve Tromans



BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

At the last meeting, local environmentalist Michael Swales gave an informative and interesting talk on invasive species. Although this is a problem which has been with us for hundreds of years (the Romans having introduced rabbits), increased globalisation during the 20th century accelerated the invasion rate and now climate change has given it an unwelcome boost.

Some invasive species are quite attractive, such as Rhododendron and Himalayan Balsam, but they do have negative effects in crowding out native species and therefore need to be cut back regularly as much as possible. A well-publicised invader, Japanese Knotweed (introduced in 1886 as an ornamental garden plant) is one of the most frustrating invasive species in the UK because it would be virtually impossible to fully eradicate it. It is estimated that Japanese knotweed costs the economy £166 million a year.

However, there have been some success stories in dealing with invasive species. For instance, mink has been eradicated from the Western Isles and Ruddy Duck (whose numbers at one time threatened native duck species) has been virtually eradicated from the UK. The government is working a great deal with local organisations both to receive information about invasive species and in carrying out eradication programmes. Michael pointed out that gardeners would probably be some of the first people to spot unusual species arriving from abroad so Gardening Clubs could be a good source of information. It was certainly a thought-provoking evening.

For the February meeting we are welcoming back popular speaker Gerald Ingram of Planters Garden Centre who will give a talk on 'Favourite Plants'. This will take place at Bramshall Parish Hall on Monday 25th February 2019 at 7:30pm.

Please put this date in your diary and don't forget - Gardening Club members can claim a 10% discount at the Strawberry Garden Centre on purchases above £10 (excluding discounted items) – just present a 2018-19 Membership Card.

Clive Tuck.

Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall Vicar Revd John Lander revjsl@aol.com 565228

Services for February 2019

3rd February	11.00am	Holy Communion
10th February	8.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
17th February	11.00am	Holy Communion
24th February	11.00am	Family Communion (followed by refreshments)

Sidespersons Rota:	Cleaning Rota (for the Sunday stated)		
3rd Mrs L Corbishley	3rd Mrs SA Lander		
10th Mrs SA Lander	10th Mrs J Corbishley		
17th Mrs C Postlethwaite	17th Mrs M Jones		
24th Mr R Jones	24th Mrs L Corbishley		

Flowers: Mrs C Whitehurst & Mrs J Corbishley Refreshments: Mrs P Chesters & Mrs SA Lander

Confirmation:

Anyone considering Confirmation please see Rev John or phone him on 565228.

URPC Meeting - Tuesday 5th February at 7.30pm in Church

PCC Meeting – Monday 11th February at 7pm in Church

FORM OF NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF NEW ROLL Electoral Roll

Notice is hereby given that the St Lawrence Church **new Electoral Roll** is to be open for review between 1st February and 28th February 2019. Under the Church Representation Rules persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if they:

Are baptized and will be 16yrs of age during the year of 2019 (those aged under 16 may not vote before their 16th birthday).

Have signed a form of application for enrolment, and either

- Are members of the Church of England or of any Church in communion with the Church of England being resident in the parish, or (not being resident in the parish) having habitually attended public worship in the parish during the six months prior to the application for enrolment; or
- Are members in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity declaring themselves to be also members of the Church of England and having habitually attended public worship during the six month period prior to enrolment.

Forms of application for enrolment can be obtained from the undersigned. In order to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting, and to take part in its proceedings, forms of application for enrolment must be returned by the 28th February 2019. The new Electoral Roll will be available for inspection in church from Sunday 10th March. Any error discovered in the roll should be reported at once to the Electoral Roll Officer.

Dated this 31st day of January 2019 M. HIND – Electoral Roll Officer Email: <u>padihind44@hotmail.com</u>

INKJET CARTRIDGES / USED STAMPS / MAGAZINES

Thank you for dropping off in Church items for the above boxes. We shall soon be sending another box of cartridges and Joyce Corbishley has already sent off two large packages to RNIB full of used stamps. Following the Christmas post we now have another box full of stamps ready to send off. The magazines are proving very useful to those housebound; those visiting people in hospital and anyone that fancies reading something different. Please feel free to take as many as you want – Church is open Saturdays and Sundays and when we are working in the Churchyard!

Speaking of Churchyard – if your brown bin is not being used always think of us as it would be most helpful to have access to additional bin space, and we can start doing the hedges before the cut off time for birds nesting !!

Recycling does help us and the wider community

BRAMSHALL 100 CLUB

Our established "100 Club" is entering its twelfth year and we are hoping that you will consider joining or renewing your membership for 2019.

For those new to the village – whether you have a direct connection with Church or not – this can be a way of showing your care and support by purchasing a number for $\pounds 12$ (or more if you are feeling very generous!). We pay out half the proceeds in winnings and the other half is put towards keeping our lovely Church in the condition it is in at the moment.

The cost remains at $\pounds 12$ for the year for each number ($\pounds 1$ per month up front) and follows the usual format of monthly draws with the winners being notified and their names published in the Bramshall News Sheet.

Cheques should be made payable to: **Bramshall 100 Club** and return in an envelope stating your **name and address, phone number and email address please TO:** Rev John Lander, 9 Overcroft, or phone 565228 to arrange collection. If you wish to pay directly into our account please use: Natwest, Uttoxeter Sort Code 60-22-09 Account 64540138 **Bramshall 100 Club** – Ref: put your name. An email to <u>pjsaj@aol.com</u> saying you have paid this way would be most helpful.

If you are reading this and have forgotten to pay /say you wish to remain in the 100 club DO NOT WORRY all 2018 numbers will be put in for January only to allow everyone time to recover from Christmas expenses – please just let us know one way or the other if you wish to continue or not (we understand everyone's circumstances alter!) THANK YOU and many thanks to all who have already paid.

Wedding Fair

Wanting to know about getting married in church, what is on offer, how much it costs? Visit the Area Churches' Wedding Fair at St. Mary's Church Uttoxeter on Saturday 16th February 11.00am to 3.00pm to find out more, meet a vicar, hear an organist and enjoy the hospitality.

RECIPE -

Cracked potatoes with melting cheese and spring onions.

1 bag of Aunt Bessie's homemade frozen crispy roast potatoes 50g ready- grated Gruyere cheese (available from Tesco and Asda) 2 tablespoons fresh Parmesan cheese.

4 Spring onions, including all green parts, chopped.

Preheat oven to 240 degrees.

Place the potatoes on a lightly greased baking tray and cook on the high shelf in the oven for 20 - 25 minutes.

Preheat the grill to its highest level.

When the potatoes are cooked, cut any large potatoes in half. With a fork, press down on them and crack them slightly. Scatter the potatoes with the chopped spring onions and then sprinkle them with the grated Gruyere cheese. Finally dust with the Parmesan and season with pepper. Place under the grill for 3-4 minutes until the cheese has browned and is bubbling.

Very good served with gammon steaks.

Happy New year to all readers and I hope you enjoy the above after a Christmas period where we have been eating lots of festive food. If you had turkey/chicken, I hope you boiled the carcass with onions and herbs to make a delicious stock which can be frozen and used to make delicious soups. *Penny.*



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

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS?

Have you kept to your plans? Are you wondering what to do and where to do it?

Take a look at the back page.

There are many choices of classes to join. All guaranteed to help you meet new friends; smile and laugh a lot and help you feel fitter and healthy in 2019 Fun, friendly fitness classes suitable for all fitness levels Sarah Lovatt Fitness <u>Sair.lovatt@gmail.com</u> 07817 323095



This is your Bramshall News - be part of it. Send your news, photographs, special celebrations, "Lost & Found" etc. If it is happening in the village and is important to you, please share it. bramshallnews@gmail.com



Diary Dates

Church Services and Events		Church of St. Lawrence		See page 6 for full details
NCT Bumps, Babies & Toddlers Group	Mondays	10am - 12pm	Parish Hall	Vicky Smith
Dance Aerobics	Mondays	6.00pm - 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sair Lovatt 07817323095
U3A Country Dancing	Tuesdays	2pm - 4pm	Parish Hall	Keith Lowson 564427
Bramshall Bowling Club	Tuesdays	7.30pm	Parish Hall	Harold or Sylvia 567763
Bramshall Art Group	Wednesdays	9.30am – 12pm	Parish Hall	Anne Harris 566006
Yoga	Wednesdays	5.45-6.40pm & 6-45pm - 7.45pm	Parish Hall	Jayne 07765769979
Circuit Training	Thursdays	6.00pm- 6.45pm	Parish Hall	Sair Lovatt 07817323095
Fitness Class	Fridays	10 - 11am	Parish Hall	Barrie Taylor 01543 418242

Forthcoming Events for your diary:-

Fashion Show Parish Hall Friday 22nd February -7 for 7.30pm- 565228see page 2Live & Local Parish Hall Saturday 23rd March -7 for 7.30pmsee page 4