

# BRAMSHALL NEWS



*A View of Old Bramshall*

Bank Cottage – circa 1960's

**March 2018**

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

**April issue deadline is Monday 26th March 2018**



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Bramshall Parish Hall on Thursday  
8th March from 7.15pm to 9.15pm.  
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**Thank you** to the couple who put salt on the road at the bottom of Stocks Lane during the recent icy conditions . It was very thoughtful and was much appreciated by drivers.

## **Marchington Singers Concert**



The Marchington Singers will be performing a special Spring Concert on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March in St. Lawrence's Church.

Tickets are priced at £5 (that's right; only £5!!) to include a reception drink & nibbles.

Doors open at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm performance.

Please contact Revd John on 565228.

**DOG FOULING IS ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR** and can lead to prosecution. Over the winter it has been noted that there has been an increase in dog mess left on pavements and lawns particularly on the main road opposite Bennetts Lane. East Staffs Borough Council has been informed in the hope that offenders will be caught. We all love our dogs and the great majority of owners are responsible and pick up but, unfortunately, some owners let their dogs run free day and night. Please be aware of your dog at all times.





## BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

It was lovely to see colourful flowers filling a large area of the Village Hall for the January meeting when Byron Lewis of Lichfield Garden Centre came to present his Spring Plant Showcase. The plants he brought included Hellebores, Primulas, Polyanthus, Cyclamen and various evergreens and grasses. Of particular interest was *Erisimum Arista* which has been developed from the wallflower and will apparently flower for most of the year for up to 5 years, eventually becoming a colourful bush about 2ft high.

He also brought some interesting hanging baskets designed by Laura Ashley – certainly out of the ordinary-- and newly-introduced large patio pots which are plastic but glazed to look like pottery ones. He was very positive about a new sort of slug pellet which is derived from sheep's wool – apparently this is too dry and abrasive for slugs to climb over. It was a very useful evening – both for his useful tips and for the plants, many of which were sold.

The next meeting will take place at Bramshall Parish Hall on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm**. Gerald Ingram, joint owner of Planters Garden Centre in Tamworth, will give an illustrated talk on how to design and plant a successful patio garden.

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 2017-18 Membership Card.

*Clive Tuck*

**Parish Hall meeting- Monday 5th March**

# Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes  
Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall  
Vicar Revd John Lander  
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## Services for March 2018

4th March	11.00am	Holy Communion
11th March	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) (Mothering Sunday)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
18th March	11.00am	Holy Communion
25th March	11.00am	Family Communion (Palm Sunday) (followed by refreshments)

### Sidespersons Rota:

4th Mrs M Jones  
11th Mrs E Blurton  
18th Mrs M Talbot  
25th Mrs G Lovatt

### Cleaning Rota (for the Sunday stated)

4th Mrs SA Lander  
11th Mrs J Corbishley  
18th Mrs M Jones  
25th Mrs L Corbishley

Flowers: None during Lent  
Refreshments: Mrs E Blurton & Mrs M Jones

**APCM** (Annual Parochial Church meeting) in Church Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March commencing at 7.15pm and all on the Electoral Roll are duly invited to attend to listen to all of the 2017 activities.

## **Women's World Day of Prayer**

This is being held at Kingstone church on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7pm. The service is open to all (that includes men) and anyone wanting a lift please let us know. John & SallyAnne 565228.

## **Church Extension Update**

Good News. The Builders (Philip, Adam and John) have finally finished the work at church. The electrician will be in at the weekend to give us a certificate to verify all is in order and then we can plan our open weekend / official opening. This is looking at some time in May as April will be busy with Easter etc. More next month!

## **Lent Lunches**

Our first Lent lunch was held on 21st February at 9 Overcroft. Sixteen lunches were served and my thanks go to everyone who came along and also those who did all the washing up for me. It was a super gathering and everyone appeared to enjoy the 'get-together'. Thank you, SallyAnne

During March the Lent lunches continue:-

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 4 Church Croft** from **12noon**. Buffet lunch hosted by Marie Lowe Tel: 563096

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March – 12 noon** at **The Sycamores Church Lane** hosted by Linda Walmsley Tel: 567340

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - 12 noon** at **9 Overcroft** hosted by SallyAnne  
Tel: 565228

All welcome to come along – let us know if you can (it helps the cook if we have an idea of numbers wishing to attend) but if it is a last minute decision you will still be most welcome.

## **100 Club**

Winners in January 2018

1 <sup>st</sup>	No. 54	Joan Martin	£30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No. 119	Linzi Hopkinson	£20
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No. 15	Pete & Sandra Kent	£15
4 <sup>th</sup>	No. 24	Geoff Gamble	£10

## Recipe

### Sweet Red Pepper and Tomato Soup.

1tbsp Olive oil. 2 tbsp water, 2 red peppers, chopped and deseeded.  
1 clove of garlic, chopped,. 1 onion., chopped, 14oz tin of chopped tomatoes.  
2 pints of vegetable stock. Salt & pepper.

Put the oil. water, peppers, onions and garlic in a saucepan and heat gently. Cook for about 10 minutes until softened. Cover the pan and simmer for another 10 minutes, then add tomatoes, stock, salt and pepper and simmer for 15 minutes. Allow to cool and then liquidise. Enjoy with some fresh, crusty bread.

This soup is very similar to a gazpacho which is a delicious cold summer soup. I did the recipe for that some time ago - I love it as a cold soup . However, the summer is some way off so I hope you enjoy this warmer version which is very good.

*Penny Gilpin*

## **Fashion Show**

Thank you to all who attended on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Tom does not enjoy good health but he does his best to bring along some good bargains for us, and he is always very entertaining.

The evening raised £45 for each of the causes: Village News Sheet, Parish Hall and Church.

## **100 Club**

Thank you to all who have joined for 2018 – it's never too late to join just have a word with us (565228).

A cheque for £1166 was handed over to church funds (which represented the money raised in 2017). This will go a long way to keeping the church in the good state it is in.

## **Fitness Classes**

### **Monday**

**Dance Aerobics** 6.00 - 7.00pm

**Bums & Tums** 7.00 - 7.30pm

### **Thursday**

**Circuits** 6.00 - 7.00pm

**Bramshall Village Hall ST14 5DE**

**Fun, friendly classes. Suitable for all fitness levels.**

## **BRAMSHALL QUILT AND CRAFT CLUB**

*The next meeting is on  
Thursday 8th March  
at Bramshall Parish Hall.  
10am to 12.30pm. £5.  
Free tea and coffee.*

If you want to sew, knit or just have a coffee and a natter, that's great. Come and see what we do.

Contact Sair Lovatt - 07817323095

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*We look forward to hearing from you.*

# Diary Dates

Church Services and Events		Church of St. Lawrence		See page 4 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	6-45pm - 7.45pm	Parish Hall	Jayne 07765769979
Circuit Training	Thursdays	6.00pm- 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sair Lovatt 07817323095
Fitness Class	Fridays	10 - 11am	Parish Hall	Barrie Taylor 01543 418242

## **Events in March**

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**Lent lunches** - see page 5 for times.

## **Concert in St Lawrence's Church**

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