BRAMSHALL NEWS



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Warslow

(Highly commended:
Denstone, Dunstall and
Tutbury)

Large Village Category: 1st Abbots Bromley 2nd Yoxall

Trophy Winner: Abbots Bromley

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



PIG RACE NIGHT

At Bramshall Parish Hall Saturday 14th September 2019 Doors Open 7.00 pm First Race 7.30 pm In aid of St. Lawrence's Church, Bramshall

Tickets £10 - Includes Lucy Ewing's (nee Sargeant) Finest Home-Made Lasagne Supper.

Come along to this fun-filled night for all the family, with the chance to be a 'jockey' and pit your skill at negotiating a plywood 'pig' along a rope to be first across the finishing line. There will be 8 races, and modest betting to add to the excitement.

For tickets and information contact: John or SallyAnne on 01889 565228 Please bring own drinks & glasses



NEXT ONE FASHION PRESENTS

A night out with the girls at our evening of fashion and fun!

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WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER Bramshall Parish Hall

Doors Open 7.00pm Show starts 7.30pm Tickets on Door or contact: SallyAnne 565228

BRAMSHALL AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB



The Bramshall Gardening Club is pleased to welcome BBC Midlands' gardening expert Darren Rudge (pictured above) to open its 2019-2020 season on Monday 30th September. He will be speaking about the best ways to make your garden attractive all the year round in a talk entitled 'Right Plant, Right Place'. The meeting will be at Bramshall Parish Hall, commencing at 7:30pm.

Darren has spent his career delivering and managing horticultural qualifications as well as running a successful garden design consultancy. His enthusiastic and cheerful manner over the airwaves have earned him the title "The Laughing Gardener" and he has been nominated for a garden media guild award for his novel and inspirational approaches to gardening issues and problems. He is a garden judge at National shows and also mentors school children through the Green Plan It Challenge run by the Royal Horticultural Society; aimed at getting children involved in gardening and living healthier lifestyles.

As the September meeting will be the first meeting of the season, new membership cards will be available. The cost of membership is £13.00 for the year or £3.00 for attendance at individual meetings. We are pleased to say that joining for the year is doubly worthwhile. This is because, as well as the opportunity to enjoy interesting and useful meetings each month, Gardening Club members are able to benefit from a generous 10% discount at the Strawberry Garden Centre on purchases above £10 (excluding discounted items) on presentation of their Membership Card.

Bakers and Cake Eaters to the Ready!

Barry and Jenny Brosnan are again organising what has become Bramshall's annual Macmillan coffee morning held at the centre of the village on the lawn outside Sargeant's Butcher's Shop – kindly made available by John Sargeant.





The Brosnans, like many other families, have been touched by the amazing work that Macmillan does in support of those affected by cancer; and last year, with village support raised over £150.

This year's coffee morning is being held on Saturday 28th September.

It opens at 09:00 and will have a range of sweet and savoury delights with tea and coffee at the ready – Barry and Jenny will be there all day – or at least until the cakes run out!

You are invited to join for what we hope will be the biggest event so far - if you are able to make a cake donation too that would be most welcome - or simply join for a drink, cake and a chat.

Everyone is welcome – so please put the date in your diary – Barry and Jenny look forward to seeing you on the 28th and thank you for your support of such a worthy cause.



Church News

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

Vicar Revd John Lander revjsl@aol.com 565228

Services for September

1 st Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion
8 th Sept		Holy Communion Morning Prayer
15 th Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion
22 nd Sept	11.00am	Family Communion (followed by refreshments)
29 th Sept	11.00am	Harvest Songs of Praise (followed by lunch in Parish Hall)

Sidespersons Rota:

Cleaning Rota (for Sunday stated)

	Mrs B Kinch		Mrs SA Lander
	Mrs E Blurton		Mrs J Corbishley
	Mrs M Talbot		Mrs M Jones
22^{nd}	Mrs L Corbishley		Mrs L Corbishley
29^{th}	Mrs G Lovatt	29^{th}	Mrs L Corbishley

Flowers: Mrs A Harris & Mrs SA Lander Refreshments: Mrs E Blurton & Mrs M Jones

JULY 100 Club Winners

	No 16	John & Carol Clowes	£30
2^{nd}	110 50	Jon Gibbons	£25
$3^{\rm rd}$	No 81	Dave Leadbetter	£20
4^{th}	No 14	Noreen Eyre	£15



Tea Party Thanks

Mick & Noreen would like to thank all the people who supported their tea & cake afternoon last July in support of St. Lawrence's Church; a grand total £405 was raised. The PCC extend their gratitude to Mick & Noreen for organising and hosting that event, and for raising such an amazing amount. In token of which they were

presented with an orchid & chocolates, which were very much appreciated by them.

From the Registers:

Baptism

Sunday 28th July
Elsie Louise DAY
Maisie Hannah DAY

Pictured right: Maisie with mum Louise, Elsie in front of dad Jack with big brother Oliver.



Harvest Lunch Bookings — £15 per person, contact SallyAnne 565228

Part of our focus for this year's Harvest will be to support the local food bank. The church will be open at weekends to receive suitable donations that will be used to support the needy of the town and surrounding villages.

Lunch Club at The Bramshall Inn

During September we shall be meeting for lunch on Wednesday 11th arriving from 12 noon to eat around 12.30pm. Anyone wishing to join us please phone SallyAnne or John so that we can discuss the menu etc. EVERYONE MOST WELCOME (565228).

Lancelot and Henry's Big Day Out!

Local llama celebrities Henry and Lancelot made a surprise visit to the Bramshall Old Rectory Care Home one day in July to meet some of the residents. Their visit caused much excitement and they have become quite a topic of conversation ever since.

Llama Adventures would like to thank Lorraine at the Old Rectory for making the visit possible and putting smiles on so many people's faces.

The front cover shows a surprised resident and visitor getting the chance to pose with 'the boys'.

If you want to find out more about Llama Adventures ring Barry Brosnan on 0845 463 1409 or drop him an email at treks@llamaadventures.co.uk



Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Further to last month's letter from Linda regarding this year's collecting for Teams4U; there has been a slow uptake in providing boxes (filled or just wrapped) and suitable items. It would be brilliant if every house in Bramshall was able to make some contribution (however small) towards this appeal. Items can be dropped off in church any weekend or direct to Linda at The Sycamores – which is situated at the end of the church drive.



Mike and Linda Walmsley have another grandson, Ralph William Ernest born on 28th July weighing in at 8lb 8oz. Ralph joins their other grandchildren, Archie, Alfie and Ava.

Diary Dates

NCT Bumps, Babies & Toddlers	Mondays	10.00am – noon	Parish Hall	Vicky Smith (plumhead1@yahoo.com)
Dance Aerobics	Mondays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
U3A Country Dancing	Tuesdays	2.00 – 4.00pm		Keith Lowson 564427
Bramshall Bowling Club	Tuesdays	7.30 – 9.30pm	Parish Hall	Harold or Sylvia 567763
Bramshall Art Group	Wednesdays	9.30am – noon	Parish Hall	Anne Harris 566006
Yoga	Wednesdays	6.30 – 7.30pm	Parish Hall	Jayne 07765 769979
Lift Lean Resistance Training	Thursdays	6.00 – 7.00pm	Parish Hall	Sarah Lovatt 07817 323095
Fitness Class	Fridays	10.00 – 11.00am	Parish Hall	Barrie Taylor 01543 418242
Church Services and Events	Church of St. Lawrence – see page 6 for details			Revd John Lander 565228 or 07706 058689



To all new mums in the village, please note that the National Childbirth Trust group starts back after the holiday on Monday 9th September; so do feel free to come along. It's a chance to meet other mums over a cup of coffee, to share experiences and to let little ones play on the various activities available, all in a safe environment. Please contact Vicky for more information—she will be pleased to help you.

Small pasta with pesto, potatoes and green beans

Ingredients:-

175g small pasta.

150g tub of fresh green pesto sauce.

75g Small salad potatoes. 75g dwarf green beans.

2-3 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese.



Bring a saucepan of water to boil. Add the pasta stir and let it boil until cooked. Meanwhile trim the beans and cut each one into three. Then slice the potatoes, leave the skins on. slice slightly thicker than a 50p piece. When pasta cooked throw in the beans and potato slices, bring back to the boil and stir. Let cook for 6-8 mins. When all cooked drain pasta in a colander but not completely as pasta needs a little water clinging to it. Tip back into saucepan add the pesto sauce and stir to give everything a good coating. Finally serve in warm pasta bowls with the Parmesan in a bowl to sprinkle over.

I cooked this the other evening and was surprised how much I enjoyed it; my first vegetarian meal in a long time. As you probably have guessed I do enjoy quality meat and fish but this was very easy to do and tasty. Enjoy

Penny Gilpin



Congratulations, Declan, on your Graduation Day – Liverpool John Moores University, 8th June 2019. Declan is grandson to Andrew & Angela Dartnell.

'The Deeds of Darcy'

No. 2 Darcy Disappears!

It was a lovely, sunny summer's day. The birds were singing in the trees, the house martens were flirting back and forth, the flowers were showing off their beautiful colours and there was the gentle hum of bees about their business.

My mother and I were sitting in the garden, enjoying the day, having a nice cup of tea. The dogs were pottering about, sniffing everything worth sniffing and chasing each other about.

At one point I looked up and chuckled, as I saw Darcy's derrière protruding from the bamboo. "Hey you! What have you found?" I questioned. Needless to say, she totally ignored me. I tried to call her out as she disappeared further and further into it. There is sheep wire around our fencing, behind the hedges, so we weren't too worried, but couldn't believe she had completely disappeared!

We called and called until we suddenly spotted a little head peering at us, about 8 foot in the air!! How on earth has she done that? Well she couldn't get back to us, so I had to go round into the farmers field, (thanks Kath, for your permission!) to work out what on earth she had done. Unbeknownst to us, there seems to be some sort of platform hidden at the back corner of the garden, behind all the bamboo and covered from the field side in nettles and weeds.

I laughed at her, absolutely stunned and asked "well what are you intending to do now?!" She wasn't quite sure, so I had to coax her gently to the edge of the platform and encourage her to jump the 6-7 feet to the ground, which she managed with ease. We walked back into the garden and she ran straight to the water bowl. Clearly escaping from the garden is thirsty work!

Needless to say, we no longer leave her unattended in the garden, as she heads straight for the bamboo corner every time.

We love you Darcy, but you keep us on our toes.

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