



Braunston News

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MAY FAYRE SUCCESS

On 6th May our village hosted the most amazing May Day Fayre which, as we had hoped, turned out to be a tremendous success.

The 'Oakham Sings!' ladies choir opened the event on the street stage, after which there were four bands playing on the stage throughout the day. Around the village we had variety of street stalls, craft stalls and food stalls. There were fairground rides, maypole dancers, face painting, a dog show, duck racing on the river Gwash and refreshments served all day.

The Rutland Morris Men came and danced for us twice as did the Rutland Youth Dance Academy. It was a terrific day out for all the family.

Based on the number of cars that turned up, we feel confident that this was our biggest May Fayre ever in terms of attendance numbers and we estimate that up to 1,600 people turned up.

Now that the figures are in, we would also like to let everyone know that we raised an amazing £10,000 for our local charities; the raffle alone made £3,245. These figures will be further boosted by ticket sales from the Post-May-Fayre live band night. The staged music was a success with several genres providing high quality uplifting entertainment throughout the day. Thanks to everyone in the village who contributed to fund the bands and make this feature the success it was. On behalf of the May Fayre Committee and our charity beneficiaries, we would like to give a huge **'THANK YOU'** to everyone who supported the event. All support has been greatly appreciated.

Peter Allen

IF IT'S MIDSUMMER, IT MUST BE CEILIDH TIME!

Sat June 22nd sees the return of the James Joyce Band to the Village Hall for another great Ceilidh night.

Whether you're a complete ceilidh novice or a fully experienced veteran, come along and strut your stuff to a great live band complete with caller to make sure we're all going in the right direction. Mostly ! We take a well earned rest halfway through the proceedings and serve up a hot supper, and, of course, there will be a licensed bar to keep the energy levels high!

Doors open at 7:00 pm. Tickets are £12 inc. supper, available from Karen on 07961 050077 or karen.allen@consultselect.com, Rob on 01572 774388, or email info@braunstonvillagehall.co.uk. Be quick though – they sold pretty fast last year !

Karen Allen

BRAUNSTON OPEN GOLF DAY

Due to the excitement and success of the day, two very worthy contributors were overlooked in our thanks. Firstly, Paul Jenkins who designed and produced the thirteen individual trophies, they were original in design and professionally produced, thanks Paul. Secondly Dom and Pip at the Blue Ball, who facilitated an excellent supper and hosted a very enjoyable evening enjoyed by all, thanks both.

Peter Allen

MAY FAYRE BAND NIGHT

This year's May Fayre Band Night takes place in the Blue Ball and Wrong Direction have found their way back!

Friday 7th June from 7:30 until late, tickets (including supper) are available from the pub, and proceeds will go to the Church, Village Hall and Dove Cottage Hospice. Mark your diary and buy your tickets as soon as possible to avoid tremendous disappointment.

CALLING ALL PAINTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS

Why not create something inspirational to exhibit at our **Harvest Exhibition of Art and Flowers** over the weekend of **21-22 Sept.** The theme is the Song of Creation. If you're interested please contact Gail Rudge rudge330@outlook.com. There's plenty of time to get creative while you're out and about enjoying our long summer days

BRAUNSTON FLOWER SHOW

A date for your diaries. The Braunston Flower show will take place on Saturday the 10th August. Everyone is welcome, especially all the budding gardeners, bakers and crafty folk. The schedules will be delivered in good time for the event.

Sue Bichard

TRAFFIC CALMING

We are increasingly concerned by the traffic speed at the Oakham end of the village. I have nearly been run over a couple of times and have been honked when pulling out of my own drive when the coast was clear.

The Parish Council agrees that action must be taken, and continues to press our case with Rutland County Council. However, speed calming measures are implemented only after a fatality, which is too late.

We may persuade RCC to install speed cushions and implement a 40mph buffer zone if Braunston shares the cost (£20-25k). The Parish Council could contribute some funds, but it would be really helpful if we could get pledges (large or small) from villagers help raise funds. An idea of what we might be able to raise would help both the Parish Council and RCC get behind the scheme. Would anyone who is keen to support fund-raising please let me know their contact details and an idea of how much?

Tony Liddar tliddar@gmail.com

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RUTLAND STUDIOS TO OPEN

June sees the start of this year's **Rutland Open Studios** event and Judy Merriman at 10 Knossington Road is taking part this year. Her studio is open on the weekends of Saturday 8th/ 9th June and 15/16th June, between 10.00 and 16.00 (other studios are also open on the following weekend too). "Everyone is welcome and an interesting selection of my work for will be for sale, including oil paintings, paperweights and cards," Judy says.

LISTINGS

Regular Events

- Ladies Pub Night: Meets 1st Wed of month in Blue Ball from 8pm
- Indoor Bowls: Alternate Fridays in Village Hall at 7:30 pm. Contact: Sandra Lickman 722536
- Gardening Club: 3rd Thurs of month in Village Hall. Contact: Mary Brooks 723047
- Table Tennis: Tue & Wed in Village Hall at 7:30 pm. Contact: David Smart 01664474354
- Oakham Sings!, Mondays, 18.45. Content Brooke Peverell, 07772 055935
- Quilting & Patchwork Group: Every Wednesday in Village Hall 09:45 - 15:45. Contact: Elaine 01780 756004

- Pilates: Fridays 09.00 - 10.00 & 10.15 -11.15. Contact Alison Sentence on 07496 814825

- Tea Party: last Tuesday of month at 2:00 pm in village hall. Contact Angela 01572 720351

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Church Events

- Sunday 9 June 13.00, Pentecost Picnic
- Sunday 2nd June 11.00am, Holy Communion
- Pentecost, Sunday 9th June 11.00am Sunday Worship
- Sunday 16th June 11.00am Holy Communion
- Sunday 23rd June 11.00am Sunday Worship

- Sunday 30th June 11.00am Team Service Oakham.

Thanks in this issue to...

After two and a half years in the editor role, Andy Stout has stepped down. Our thanks to Andy for all his hard work ... well done Andy!

Thanks also to Peter Allen, Karen Allen, Sue Bichard, Tony Liddar and Gail Rudge for info and various words this issue.

Carole Brown and Jim Atack will pull together and publish the next few issues, whilst we look for a full-time editor. Any nominations or volunteers?

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