

Braunston News

September 2024



Quiz night is back - Sat 28th September



We've got a date for the next village hall quiz - join us in the Village Hall on Saturday 28th September for another of our infamous Fun Quiz nights, hosted once again by Nick & Tracy.

Register your team now - max 6 people - or we can team you up with others, tickets £10 (£5 under 16). Scrumptious hot supper included, rumour has it that it might be chili, baked potato and a yummy pud!

The doors and bar will open at 6.30 pm with a prompt start for the quiz at 7.15pm - note that this is slightly earlier than previous quizzes. All proceeds to be split between the hall and the church fabric fund.

Reserve your place by contacting Karen Allen on 07961 050077 or email karen.allen@consultselect.com

Speed Indicating Device

It was good to see our new Knossington Road SID turned on in July; it seems to be working OK. The SID is measuring all vehicles' speeds in both directions 24/7. This data builds up a pattern that will demonstrate whether drivers are generally keeping within the speed limit, or not. This completely replicates and replaces the irregular installation of temporary monitoring devices for the odd week every so often, and will now keep a permanent record of traffic speeds through the village. All of the data and analysis can now be accessed online by RCC; I have asked that summary statistics be published on the RCC website for all villages, so that we can truly understand where we are and whether things are improving or getting worse.

Jim Atack

Churchyard project

The first clearing of the allowed growth in the churchyard has started, with the front of the church yard cleared and over half the extension paddock cut. An enthusiastic crew turned out on Bank Holiday Monday to start the cutting back, well motivated by the lure of the excellent cake being provided!



The clearing of the graveyard extension has been done by traditional scything, with the cuttings being dried and then used to create biochar to be put back into the soil.

Clearing will continue over the next few weeks and summer pruning of trees is planned before settling again into the autumn and winter period.

We are looking for a moth trap box to assess numbers which we hope to do quarterly - if anyone has one, or knows where we can get one, please do get in touch.

Jill Martin

Road closures

Good news - the A606 from Oakham to Melton has re-opened following works to construct the new roundabout for the ring road.

Sadly, Brooke Rd in Oakham is still closed at the level crossing to all traffic including pedestrians. One of the RCC reasons for this is that to keep it open for pedestrians would be 'confusing'. Yet it was apparently open to pedestrians over the Bank Holiday weekend. Now closed again. Confusing.

This month's church services

Sunday 1st Sep	11am	Holy Communion	Sunday 22nd Sep	11am	Harvest Thanksgiving
Sunday 8th Sep	11am	Sunday Worship		12.30	Harvest lunch in the village hall
Sunday 15th Sep	11am	Holy Communion	Sunday 29th Sep	10.30am	Joint Service, Oakham

Please come and join us for our Harvest Festival on Sunday 22nd September. There will be a special Thanksgiving Service in Church at 11am to celebrate Harvest and also the first season of the EcoChurch Project.

Afterwards there will be a lunch in the Village Hall at 12.30pm, there will be no charge but it would be helpful if you could let us know if you're coming.

Gail Rudge

Brooke Road development

Very little has happened with our application for a High Court hearing against the new Secretary of State (Angela Rayner), other than an acknowledgement of our case; we are now queued for a High Court date.

Meanwhile, our solicitor's bills have started to arrive, so would anyone with an outstanding pledge please send their funds in to the dedicated bank account, using your unique assigned number, or contact Carole at clerk.braunston@gmail.com.

Jim Attack

Chicken news

A change to legislation from October 1st this year means that anyone keeping poultry, or any caged bird with outdoor access, must now register them with the government. The previous regulation was only for flocks of over 50 birds, but because of the avian flu situation it is being extended to all birds.

Full details, including how to register, can be found on the government website at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/register-as-a-keeper-of-less-than-50-poultry-or-other-captive-birds>

Hebe's Wood path open again

Min Burdett has informed us that the permissive footpath through Hebe's Wood is open again following the dog poo clean-up. A plea to all dog walkers to help keep it open, and, while it may be difficult, to keep an eye out for anyone not doing their bit to preserve this wonderful part of Braunston.

Village history event

The Rutland History Society will be holding an open meeting in the village hall on Saturday Sep 21st at 2pm which will include a presentation on village history, exhibitions and a guided walk around the village. Admission is £7 per person which includes light refreshments and is open to all village residents.

Book your ticket at [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) by Sept 13th - places are limited so early booking is advised. If you are unable to use online booking then please write to RHS Village Visit, c/o Rutland County Museum, Catmose St. Oakham, LE15 6HW enclosing a cheque payable to Rutland History Society.

Full details are on the [What's On](#) page of the village hall website.



Regular Events

Village Hall

- Indoor Bowls: Alternate Fridays at 7:30 pm. Contact: Sandra Lickman 722536
- Quilting & Patchwork Group: Weds 09:45 - 15:45. Contact: Elaine 01780 756004
- Table Tennis: Weds at 7:30 pm. Contact:

David Smart 01664 474354

- Pilates: Thursdays 09.00 - 10.00 & 10.15 - 11.15. Contact Alison Sentance on 07496 814825
- Tea Party: last Tuesday of month at 2:30 pm Contact Angela 01572 720351
- Gardening Club: 3rd Thursday of month at 7.30pm. Contact Mary Milner 720387

- The Wool Group: 1st Weds of the month, 2pm. Contact Jill 07967 650361
- Yoga: Monday 7-8pm. Contact Victoria Louch 07841 019270

Church Events

- Bell ringing practice: Weds eve 7.30pm to 9pm. Contact Richard 07976 622130

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