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Here we go again. What have we got in store this month?

We start with a report on the recent Picnic on the Green arranged by the Events Action Group. We've impressions of two young reporters about a trip the Primary School made, and the concluding part of Mick Frost's reminiscences of being a teenager in Brampton.

Talking of reminiscences the new Police and Crime Commissioner Jason Ablewhite tells us about his first month's experiences. On the 400th Anniversary of William Shakespeare's death the Historical Society made a trip in the rain to Stratford-upon Avon to learn about the bard and his times from the place he is most associated with.

On the Somme anniversary there is an item about the First World War memorial in the parish church.

There is another instalment on Brampton's biodiversity, this time near the river Ouse. Among the sporting items there are match reports from the Cricket Club and news from the Walking Club.

So, having repeated half the list of contents alongside, I'll let you get on and read the magazine — I hope you enjoy it.

Your this month's editor, Viv Jenkins

#### **Your Input**

The editors look forward to your continued support in providing articles and photos for publication. Please send reports of the groups, clubs, and societies that you belong to, anything that you think will be of interest to the village or whatever you have an opinion on that you feel needs airing. Details of where to send are on page 35.

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### **Brampton Village Show**

Don't forget this is on 3rd September in the Community Centre. If you want to recheck the details they were on page 12 of last month's magazine.

## Picnic on the Green





HE BRAMPTON PICNIC on the Green was held on Saturday 2nd July. It was the first event organised by the new Brampton Events Action Group. The group was set up in response to the Community Survey that was circulated to all households earlier this year.

Everyone attending the Picnic brought their own food and drink so the event was completely free. About 25 families came and joined in the fun. To keep everyone occupied there was a fancy dress competition with the theme of Super Heroes and games like target football and giant Jenga. The running races were extremely popular with the youngsters. The highlight of the afternoon was the Tug of War — with the children beating the adults! The weather was kind and the rain held off. I think everyone will agree that the event was a success and thank-you to all who came and made it so.

If you would like to be part of the Events Group and would like to help organise events like this in the future please email me, judithchitty@gmail.com



## **Brampton Village Primary School**

T'S BEEN A busy few months at the school. We've had visits to Wicken Fen. the Tower of London and a residential to Shugborough – some of the children have shared their experiences with you below. We've also had a fantastic music concert which included the choir singing a medlev from Mama Mia with a live band! We held a red, white and blue day which coincided with the Oueen's Official Birthday celebrations and many families ioined us for our annual picnic. Our sports teams have continued to have great success and (as I write this) we shall soon be having our Sports Days as well and look forward to seeing you at our Summer Fair on Saturday 9th July - let's hope the sun is shining!

## Our trip to Shugborough

N WEDNESDAY THE 15th of June to the 17th of June 2016, Year 6 from Brampton Village Primary School travelled to Shugborough for a funpacked residential. We had many teachers and helpers with us and we went to Shugborough to learn and develop new skills like: independence and to put our team skills to the test. There are many more, however it would be hard to list them all.

Upon arrival (after being sat in a cacophony of noise on the ... coach), we set off to the dorms to drop off our heavy bags, then we hiked to the dining room. When we got to the dining room, we met Mr Kirby, our main instructor for the whole trip, alongside Miss Kelly, another leader (for the day). They told us all that we needed to know about our trip, followed by the rules. We all had duties to complete each day, my group (R) had to do litter-picking! After that, we plodded along the path to our awesome-dorms to get our beds made and to un-pack. We were with Miss Kelly and boys with Mr

Kirby. As the day progressed, we did two amazing activities: crystal maze and orienteering. My favourite

one was the crystal maze-because we had to work as a team to complete the challenging tasks. That day I felt exhilarated to start our activities. That night, we went on a night walk. As we walked passed landmarks; we were told interesting facts about them. I personally didn't believe that drop-bears took peoples' hair away!

Day two was amazing, we did many activities to boost our energy, however my favourite activity was either the mud-trail or the BMXing. The BMXing was really fun because of all the steep hills and curves. Then, on the other hand, the mud-trail was incredible because we had no idea where we were. At the end, someone tipped a bucket of muddy water over my head. That night, we had a bonfire which was really fun; we sang songs and had a laugh. On day 2 I felt inspired!

Day three was the last day ®, however we did do a fun orienteering competition! After lunch, we had to pack our bags, get on the coach, and go home. I felt sad to leave, however I felt happy that we had a great time! ...Don't you think?! By the time we got home, I was exhausted and ready to go into a deep sleep!

I personally believe that we had a great trip we learnt a lot of new skills, however if I went again, I would love to go longer...if we could. From this trip, I have learnt to work better as a team. I think it's safe to say that we had a great trip, and I would love to go again!

By Lauren McMaw

## ► Brampton Village Primary School (continued)

N WEDNESDAY 15TH June 2016. 58 year 6 children from Brampton Village Primary School travelled to Shugborough in Staffordshire (for 2 ½ hours) on a noisy coach for a 3-day residential trip to celebrate a successful year and to commemorate 7 years of Primary school. I was so enthusiastic for the trip I literally leapt a foot in the air and paid almost no attention to what I was packing (my mum forced me to repack my bag three times before she was satisfied). When we finally got on the coach, Sam-my travelling buddy-and I found a seat near the front and five of us played Top Trumps and, 'Surprise Surprise' - I lost by a landslide. I couldn't wait to get off the coach. So I was ecstatic when we drove past a sign bearing the name 'Shugborough Activity Centre'.

Upon arrival, we were greeted by Mr. Kirby and Miss Kelly. After leading us towards the dormitories, they gave us a briefing on how to make our beds properly and, after several failed attempts. we managed to succeed. Following this. we met the girls in the dining hall and discussed the day's schedule, along with the announcement of our teams and daily jobs. I was in team U and our job was wood collection with team V. Afterwards, we had sandwiches for lunch (a piece of ham or a lump of cheese placed between two pieces of bread) that I ate readily. We then began our activities for the day. First of all, we did the crystal maze, which consisted of a series of activities that we had to complete as a team to achieve a crystal. My team only earned one crystal and consequently got 4th place out of 5. Next, we did team orienteering. We got 4th again, but out of 15 this time - a much better result! Then we had dinner and completed our chores for the evening. After this, we went on a night walk and

learnt a bit about the history of Shugborough. Did you know that one of Shugborough's previous owners actually sailed the entire planet's diameter?(?) Following this, we had a quick hot chocolate and went to bed (well, I did. I don't know about anyone else...).

In the morning, after breakfast, we began the next day's activities. First, we did climbing in the pouring rain, which somehow made it more enjoyable. Second was archery. I got 36 out of 50 for my score, which surprised me. Then we had lunch (more 'sandwiches') and proceeded on with the outdoor fun. On the Blindfold challenge, where we had to navigate an obstacle course whilst blindfolded, we unfortunately had much less water dumped on our heads than anyone else, which was the opposite of our expectations. But BMXing was the real icing on the cake. It reminded me so much of how I used to watch BMXers back in the USA! This was my overall favourite activity! At night we had a campfire, where I sang 'Hopeful' by Bars and Melody. It really brought a nice ending to the day.

The following morning, we packed up, and after an internationally-themed breakfast, we did several team-building activities and then did solo orienteering. I got 3rd place with an astounding time of 27 minutes and 10 seconds!!! Now it was time to go back to Brampton and so we set-off, thankful for the wonderful memories we acquired but sad to leave all the same.

To summarise, it was a thoroughly enjoyable end-of-year residential and I would highly recommend it to all those who love the outdoors! This is one memory to be preserved forever.

By Alex Watson

## **Teenage Years in Brampton in the 1950/60s**

Completing Mick Frost's reminiscences.

URING THE SCHOOL holidays I would sometimes cycle to Huntingdon station to train spot, (a hobby I have resumed in retirement) taking a packed lunch of sandwiches and a bottle of pop, all of which were usually consumed by 11am. Within 100 yards of the current station, then known as Huntingdon North, there was a smaller one called Huntingdon East which served the long-defunct Cambridge to Kettering line with about 3 trains per day. The latter



was part of the BR Midland region which obliged one to buy an Ian Allen spotters book for that region in addition to the Eastern Region one. I could never afford the combined volume and had to save pocket money even to buy the two regional ones at half a crown each (12.5 p in current coinage).

We would sometimes go fishing in the nearby gravel pits (roach and rudd), the gravel pits between Half-Mile Road and the A1 (perch) and the River Ouse (bleak, bream, tench etc). Once a year, Brampton Fishing Club organised a children's competition along the river bank and prizes were awarded to everyone who took part. About 100 metres to the right at the end of River Lane, there was a swimming club with a pair of large changing rooms, concreted bank and paddling pool; also a diving board over the other side, near the weir. Swimming across the wide (and deep) river was an

early target but it was several years before I swam the 400 metres or so back to the club area from the iron railway bridge, further down river.



There was a youth club in the Community Centre every Tuesday evening, run by Mr Lanman from Huntingdon Council's Youth Department; there was a record player, a table tennis table, other board games and activities including 5-a-side football. I can't remember how I qualified, as a villager, but I actually preferred the Friday night youth club on the RAF Camp, held in a Nissan Hut, which had a more club-like atmosphere.

I joined the Brampton Table-Tennis club run by Reg Crack in the Pavilion on the Playing Fields, and represented the club on many occasions with variously Reg, Sid Morley, Keith Dunford, John (Dinny) Buckenham and his cousin Rodney. I also played for the village chess club, founded by my Dad, Jack Frost (really) evolving from his Saturday night games at the Institute (The "Stute") with Billy Crack, George Mackay, Frank Baker and Frank Abbott. Along with Don Rodgers from Peterborough and Jack Taylor from Warboys, my Dad was also a founder member of the Hunts and Peterborough Chess Association, of which he was elected president in the year before he died.

In my mid-teens my best friend became Michael (Bimbo) Bond, son

### ► Teenage Years in Brampton in the 1950/60s (continued)

of Fred and Selina who lived near the post office. On one occasion, we rode his tandem to Hunstanton for a week's camping, borrowing the equipment from Huntingdon Council's Youth department. Not a lightweight or particularly reliable machine, we rode miles on that tandem, but the 9 hour return from Hunstanton in driving rain almost put us off for life.

Pocket money was saved to catch a bus to Ramsey for roller skating on Friday evenings and dances on Saturdays, both held on the same polished wooden floor



of The Gaiety. Managing the side slip was the required skating skill with the wooden wheels on that floor. The dances would often feature a well-known pop star and I remember seeing PJ Proby famously split his tight trousers during his performance (only at the knees), a regular occurrence for which he was eventually thrown off the tour and a hitherto almost unknown Welsh singer called Tom Jones took his place at the remaining venues. There were also weekly dances at the Commemoration Hall in Huntingdon where I once saw the successful parody group, The Barron Knights, and at the Corn Exchange in St Ives where I saw the late, subsequently longest serving political party leader, Screaming Lord Sutch with his band The Savages.

Also in those pop music loving years, usually with Bimbo, Will McKie and his lovely sister Maureen, we would from time to time attend big name concerts in Bedford or Cambridge, organised by Miller Way couple Sylvia and Ivan Carter who drove the coaches. My favourites were Brenda Lee and Roy Orbison.

Having duly taken my O- and A-Levels, I left school in 1963 to take up a student apprenticeship with Perkins Engines in Peterborough which is when I left Brampton apart from visits to my Mother until her death in 1999.

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## **Childrens' Tennis**

Free Tennis Coaching

DAY FOR CHILDREN'S tennis coaching has been arranged for the summer holidays. Nick Leighton from Halton Tennis Centre who took the sessions at the launch of the MUGA a few years ago will be taking them again and will bring balls and racquets for those who need them.

The date is Tuesday 16th August with a reserve day for the 23rd in case the weather isn't fit for tennis. There will be four sessions for different age groups: 5-7 years 10.00-11.00; 8-9 years 11.15-12.15; 10-11 years 1.00-2.00; 12-16 years 2.15-3.15.

The sessions are free and refreshments will be available. We are hoping to have a 'Brampton Tennis Tshirt' for everyone.

As there will be only 10 places per age group it will be necessary to book a slot beforehand. Please call Billie Leighton on 454453 if your child/children would like to take part.

In Memory Of Those Who Fell In The Battle Of The Somme

OMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY AT the foot of the Victorian reredos, now on the north wall in the tower porch of St. Mary Magdalene Church. The reredos was moved from behind the high altar when the east window was reglazed in 1918. It is alabaster inlaid with mostly gold and blue mosaics. It was originally installed by Blanche, widow of of the 7th Earl of Sandwich, in memory of her husband who died in 1884.

In 1918, the 9th Earl of Sandwich had the reredos configured and inscribed as a memorial to the 47 Brampton men who fell in World War 1. Over half the family names recorded still feature on the village electoral roll. There is also a hand written Roll of Honour recording the 181 names of those



who served. The church is open every day from dawn 'til dusk for everyone to enjoy.

#### We Will Remember Them

HREE BRAMPTON MEN died in August during the Battle of the Somme. – Fred Hill, Oliver Lavender, and T Harry Maile.

Fred was a private in the 1/7th Royal Warwickshire Regiment. 48th South Midland Division. He enlisted in the Hunts Cyclist Battalion in Huntingdon and was killed in action on the Somme 19th August 1916. He is Commemorated on The Thiepval Memorial.

Oliver was a private in the 1/8th Territorial Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment. 48th South Midland Division. The son of William & Ada Lavender of High Street, Brampton, he enlisted in Hunts Cyclist Battalion and was killed in action on the Somme 27th August 1916 aged 22.

He is buried in Pozieres British Cemetery.

Harry was a corporal in the same battalion as Oliver. The son of George & Ada Mary Maile, he enlisted in the Hunts Cyclist Battalion and was killed in action on the Somme on the same day as Oliver, aged 25. He is Commemorated on The Thiepval Memorial.

Also listed on the Brampton Memorial. is Second Lieutenant Robert John Stokes BA, of the 2nd. Battalion, The Kings Royal Rifle Corps. 8th Division. He was killed in action near Delville Wood, the Somme, 20th August 1916 aged 28. He was the son of Thomas and Hannah Stokes of Broadway House, Broadway, Dorset. He is buried in Delville Wood Cemetery, Longueval, France.



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## 'All's Well That Ends Well'



LAMING JUNE!!! Not exactly what the Brampton Historical Society (BHS) experienced on the occasion of the Annual Outing.

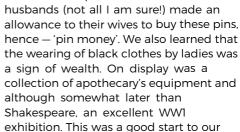
Society Members boarded the Dews coach in

anticipation of an interesting and enjoyable day. It was nice and dry when we left but it was downhill from there on! No, not really! I don't want you to think this is a tale of a miserable day, far from it, at the end we all thought it had been a successful and entertaining outing.

The 400th Anniversary of William Shakespeare's death was the theme of this year's 'day out'. Our driver, Angela, proved to be an angel, her immediate challenge on entering Stratford was the navigation of the diversions associated with the Aviva Ladies Tour Cycle race. Nevertheless she managed to link up with our Blue Badge guide, Wendy, who then took over the reins. Due to the aforementioned race our itinerary was changed and our first port of call was Halls Croft, a Jacobean cottage which was the home of Shakespeare's daughter. Susanna and her esteemed husband Dr John Hall. We were given an excellent description of life by the 'in house' guide - also called Angela. She explained in great detail the life style of that period and as a large portrait of a lady in full dress dominated one wall, she described



the origin of the term 'pin money'. In those days parts of clothing were secured with pins which were expensive, so





day and the next was a 'bonus'. Not on our itinerary but suggested by Wendy and only a short walk from Halls Croft was the Church of the Holy Trinity, the burial place of Shakespeare and his family. One of the most interesting and ornate features were the

misericords! No doubt some crossword buffs may know what these are but I certainly did not. They are in fact hinged choir stall seats which when raised have a ledge which provides back support when standing (useful for long services!). The seats are decorated with ornate and sometimes mischievous and somewhat lurid carvings. Whether entirely true or not whilst in the churchvard Wendy explained the origin of the term 'bonfire' supposedly emanating from the practice of burning (bon)es, which had been exhumed from graveyards to make space for more! This unexpected addition to our trip was most entertaining.

A spell for lunch and a chance to see the cyclists after which a tour of Shakespeare's birth place. This was a most interesting

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## ► 'All's Well That Ends Well' (continued)



building to visit. Originally a relatively simple rectangular house but in the 16th century considered to be a substantial dwelling. William's father, John, was a glove maker and wood dealer and was considered quite wealthy therefore William was privileged and, as such, able to attend a grammar school. The house is full of information and artefacts of the time and many every day phrases coined by Shakespeare were displayed; e.g. 'for goodness sake' — Henry VIIIth: 'Mum's the word' — Henry V1th Part 2: 'Eaten out of house and home' - Henry VI Part 2 and finally. 'Knock Knock. Who's there?' - Macbeth. Many of these phrases are displayed just showing how much we use Shakespeare's words without realising it. A workroom showing the art of glove making was just one of the many excellent displays. It was also interesting to note that the house was later converted into an inn and eventually fell in to disrepair and luminaries,



such as Charles Dickens and Sir Walter Scott, formed a trust, raised funds and restored the house. There is no doubt that this house is well worth a visit.

Full of facts concerning William we then headed for Ann Hathaway's cottage, a delightful building with a lovely garden. A feature of the upstairs projecting window bays were said to be the origin of the phrase, 'cubby holes' Children in those days were called 'cubs' and were tucked away in these recesses to sleep. Guides in each area gave a detailed description of life in the cottage including snippets such as the dining table top being reversible. posh side for visitors and the other side for daily, family use. If you entered the dining room/kitchen and saw bacon over the fire you would be in for a good meal if not...! The beds were shorter that we are used to as sleeping was with the head and chest upright to avoid the fumes from the fire. We also learned that the idiom 'Sleep tight' originated from the practice of tightening the rope supports under the bed making it firmer! Once again an attractive and informative tourist attraction.

A day of gentle 'brain storming' was completed with a cup of tea and scone and cream (for those who so wished) and then home to Brampton — 'All's Well that Ends Well'.

Again this was a successful trip, albeit slightly dampened, but not our enthusiasm or thirst for knowledge. Credits must be awarded to our driver, Angela (the first Dews driver I have been tempted to kiss!) and the blue badge guide, Wendy, whose anecdotal knowledge was unsurpassed. However, the main plaudit must go to Pat Last, the Society's secretary, who did all the work which involved many phone calls and e mails as a result of the last minute changes due to the Aviva Tour.

# Police and Crime Commissioner – Reflections on my first month

JUNE MARKED EXACTLY one month since I started in the role of Police and Crime Commissioner.

On my first day, 12 May, I spent the morning walking the streets of Cambridge with front line officers. In those first two hours I met people weighed down with shopping bags, a group doing community payback and homeless people living in disused garages. Like most places, there are many sides to Cambridge.



I want my role to be as visible as possible both to the public and to the staff and officers of Cambridgeshire Constabulary. This is why I spent the majority of my first month meeting as many people as possible across the county in order to get a feel for people's views and also to understand challenges faced by the Constabulary.

So one month in I again found myself walking the streets of Cambridge, but this time from a completely different perspective. I did a night shift with the City team starting with a briefing at 8.00pm as the sun set on Saturday evening and ending as the skies brightened at 4.00am on Sunday morning. What a night. Saturday saw England's first match of the Euro 16 football tournament and this, coupled with University balls and end of term



parties, meant a busy night was expected.

Did it open my eyes? Was I shocked or surprised? Well, yes and no. I know about the problems that occur in towns and cities across the country on a Saturday night, but seeing it up close, from the police perspective, you really appreciate what a fantastic job they do. Nearly all the problems were alcohol fuelled, mostly young men drinking far too much and then taunting each other and sometimes coming to blows. Overall the incidents were few and far between but because of the licensing laws, the problems seemed to peak between 2.00am and 3.00am. This stretches the policing requirement over a much longer period than in the days before the relaxation in licensing laws.

What struck me most was the incredible camaraderie between all those on duty who went about their business with calm professionalism, helping those in need and chatting amiably to majority of the public who were enjoying a night on the town. From attending noisy parties that were annoying the neighbours ("my parents are out and I can't get people to leave") to giving a breath test to someone driving erratically, officers demonstrated incredible integrity with the most common comment of the night

## ▶ Police and Crime Commissioner's Reflections (continued)

being "thank you". And it's not just the police. The Street Pastors were also out helping those who needed assistance and the door staff of the various clubs and bars worked well with the police in monitoring potential trouble makers and sharing information.



Of course, I haven't just been to Cambridge. I have travelled across the county in the last four weeks and have spent time in Peterborough, Cambourne, March and Wisbech. I have listened into 999 calls in the Force Control Room and 101 calls in the Police Service Centre. I have been to the Victims' Hub, attended the Chief Constable's Commendation Awards, been litter picking with the Wisbech Volunteer Police Cadets and toured a number of police stations. I have met with colleagues from neighbouring forces to discuss collaborative working across the region and I have seen how we are embracing new technology such as smart phones, tablets, body worn video cameras and drones to improve our efficiency and effectiveness.



There is a huge amount of work to do with the prospect of new powers and responsibilities for Police and Crime Commissioners likely in the future. But after my first month in post I know that the people charged with making it happen are first class. I have been hugely impressed with skills and commitment of both the team in my office and those I have met from the Constabulary. As I meet more and more people from different organisations, I can see a similar passion from them and a desire to work together for the greater good.

There is a continual battle to address the typical concerns of most people — such as traffic issues and anti-social behaviour — with the more focussed work of protecting the most vulnerable members of the community from abuse whether that be domestic abuse, sexual exploitation or cybercrime.

I see this as the beginning of a new era. We have a new Chief Constable, Deputy Chief Constable, Assistant Chief Constable and of course — a new Police and Crime Commissioner. I look forward to serving all the people of Cambridgeshire in the years ahead and welcome your thoughts and ideas about what you want to see to keep Cambridgeshire safe.

Issued by: Charles Kitchin on behalf of Jason Ablewhite, Cambridgeshire Police & Crime Commissioner

To visit Cambridgeshire Constabulary's website please follow this link: http://www.cambspolice.co.uk/index.asp

## **The Huntingdon Talking Newspaper**

VERY WEEK ABOUT 80 yellow envelopes land on the doormats of householders who are blind or partially sighted. They receive a disc on which has been recorded articles and letters from that week's Hunts Post.

This service is provided free thanks to a dedicated group of editors, readers, producers and helpers who record the discs in St Mary's Church Hall every Thursday evening, and take them to the Royal Mail sorting office; they go out as far as Yaxley, Sawtry, Ramsey, St Ives, and Brampton.

How did this begin?

In March 1978 a group of local businessmen and Rotarians, having heard about a 'talking newspaper' scheme in another part of the country, decided to found one here. Among the members at that inaugural meeting were Reg Keyworth from the Huntingdon Library, Frank Horsley the local Nat West bank manager, Joe Elphick. Colin Moore both businessmen from Huntingdon, and David Parsons (the current chairman). Other attendees came from the Social Services. Hunts Society for the Blind. St Peter's School. Grafham Water Lions. St Neots Volunteer Welfare Society and some would-be recipients of the service who were registered as blind.

The first thing was to discuss how to produce a tape and raise the funds to do

Brampton Little Fishes

CUPPA, CHAT WITH songs, story and prayers for under 5s, in the Methodist Church, 9 for 9.30 am start. Finish by 10 am. We meet each Tuesday in Term Time. All babies and young children welcome.

Contact:
Rosemary Parsons
(454910)
Come along!

so. Many, many organisations and individuals donated time and money to this; they ranged from local councils to bucket collectors in the street, Royal Air Force stations and the Police, Rotary and other local charitable organisations, some of whom continued to give help in money as well as 'human' kind to get it going and keep it going in the early days.

The talking newspaper idea was to ensure that blind and partially sighted people could be kept informed of their local events and topics, and feel included in whatever topical conversations were going on around them, and it worked brilliantly.

From 12 recipients and 45 minute cassette tapes to over 80 recipients and CDs, the dedicated volunteers have continued to provide news and views to those who cannot read the Hunts Post for themselves

The Huntingdonshire Talking Newspaper, like its sister in St Neots, is a registered charity, and produces its weekly disc and a special Christmas disc of music and readings and poems via a system of small production teams. It is a practical way of helping those less fortunate than ourselves, and it is fun.

Contact Linda Upham, Secretary, for more details. Tel: 01480 811674

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Parish Council minutes, names, addresses and telephone numbers of councillors, and other parish notices are displayed on the two village notice boards, at the Memorial Centre and near the shops. The information also appears on our official Parish Council website at www.brampton-cambs-pc.gov.uk together with lots of other useful information about Brampton

Brampton Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton, Huntingdon, PE28 4TB

## **Councillors' Surgeries**

These are held on the first Saturday in each month 10-11 am in the Scout HQ behind the shops in the High Street

## **Parish Council**

Meeting, Wednesday 15 June 2016

T THE JUNE meeting Cllr Mike Bainbridge was co-opted to the Council; anupdated list of Councillors and contact details is on the

notice boards and website;

www.brampton-cambs-pc.gov.uk

- There were corrections to the May minutes for the Electoral Review for Brampton;
- County Proposals; Brampton, Grafham, Buckden, Southoe & Midloe, Diddington and the Offords
- District Proposals; Brampton and Hinchingbrooke
- Brampton Park Development; the proposed public open space areas will be maintained by a Management Company, leaving the Parish Council to maintain the proposed Sports areas, Community Centre and Allotments in due course.
- The Youth Club in the Memorial Centre will cease at the end of July with proposals for a new Youth Group to incorporate with the existing Church Group and funding for a Youth Worker is being sought to engage with young people in Brampton not currently connected with any youth groups. The new group will be non-religious.
- \* Brampton PC has recommended refusal to the Planning Application for 150 homes NW of Dorling Way. Because of our objection this went to HDC Development Meeting 20 June and the outcome is in progress, yet to be published. The PC objected for various reasons, the main one being concerns of only one limited access to the development.
- Work is going on in the Community Centre to remedy damp issues.
- We have won the LHI bid for a pedestrian refuge island in Huntingdon Road near Water Meadows. The initial

- site meeting has taken place with the Highway's Manager for the scheme.
- We are working closely with CCC to identify work required on the Highways in Brampton. Work will shortly be going on in the High Street.
- The Parish Council Accounts and Annual Return are open to public inspection until 29 Jul, contact the Clerk; 01480 454441, clerkbrampton.pc@gmail.com
- Various committee minutes are also on the website.

Janet Innes-Clarke, 8 Jul 2016

#### A Gentle Reminder

May we gently remind residents to cut back any hedges that are overhanging public footpaths from their property due to the rapid growth over the recent humid and sunny weather.



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## **Croft Close**

HOUSE AT THE end of this road is aptly named 'Oldfields' as that is what was here for centuries. In the 18th century the fields south of the High Street, the property of Sir Robert Bernard, were called The Crafts. By the middle of the 20th century this had been locally corrupted to The Crarves, and a house at the end of this track, known at this time locally as Ajax Lane, had a different corruption, to The Croft.

William Mann lived at this house in 1917, and later, in the 1930s, Maria Mann, When she died the house was sold by Public Auction, at the George Hotel, Huntingdon, on Monday, 20th June 1938. It was described as "A Detached Residence, containing: Hall, 2 Reception Rooms, 4 Bedrooms, and Domestic Offices, with capital Garden. Spacious Yard and Outbuildings, and the Large Open Yard forms a very desirable building site or alternatively could be used for the erection of further Stabling, and thus forming the whole into a very desirable Hunting Box. Vacant Possession." There is apparently a restrictive covenant on the property prohibiting any building to the



south, hence the open space in Horseshoes Way between numbers 38 and 40.

With the formal naming of roads this became Croft Close, with some 10 houses.



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## **Brampton Biodiversity Project**

HOTSPOT REPORT, River Great Ouse floodplain meadows



Brampton Biodiversity

suggest that despite the survival of the landscape features the wildlife interest of the meadow (plants, invertebrates and probably breeding birds) is less now than formerly. This is largely due to the use of artificial fertilisers to increase the productivity of the grassland, which is used as a hay crop and grazing.

In 1986, the southernmost meadow. shown as rough grassland on the 1902 map, remained (see picture below).

This supported a number of wetland plants in its western corner. This small remaining part of the unimproved meadow was destroyed by an extension to the refuse tip in 1986. Snipe Gallinago gallinago Woodcock Scolopax rusticola Oystercatcher

> Haematopus ostralegus were also recorded in the same area prior to its loss. (Personal records JPD)

#### Flora, the meadows

Previous work in the Ouse Valley has recognised the importance of the species-rich flood meadows. "A survey of the grasslands along the Ouse Valley was undertaken in 1987 (Cambridaeshire Rivers &

#### **Location maps**

HESE MEADOWS typify the situation along much of the River Great Ouse valley. The field boundaries present in

1772 when the map used to delimit the ownership boundaries was drawn (shown in white above) are still present today. The additional boundaries/ hedges were established, presumably as part of the enclosure award.

By 1902 when the OS map (shown above offset right) was published, the hedgerows appear largely intact. [This is different to the agricultural areas in the west of the Parish where arable land is predominant, and many hedges have been lost.] In this case, the now disused railway to Kettering bisects one of the lower fields. There is evidence to



Grazed 'rushy' meadow, 1989 south of disused railway track

Meadows Survey: River Ouse St Neots to Earith, R. Newman, 1987, NCC), This was supplemented through the County Habitat Survey 1992-97, when selected grassland sites were visited during 1997 as part of a phase 2 survey." These earlier surveys provided a good baseline from which to assess the Ouse Valley wet meadows. A further visit took place in June 2003. Part of the Ouse Valley Wet Woodland and Wet Meadows Project, this identified the meadows as a "Mixture of unimproved, species-rich semi-improved and species-poor grassland". It gave them a High Priority with a recommendation "Enhance meadow through improved management & enhance sward to create new species-rich grassland..... through adoption of a more sympathetic management regime". The surveyor (Sharon Brown) commenting on their biodiversity said "All the meadows have been semiimproved and are less species-rich than when visited in 1987. In recent years management has become unfavourable with cutting taking place too early." (Ouse Valley Wet Woodland & Wet Meadows Report WT BCNP 2005).

Combined records from 1997 and 2010 (from the Cambridge & Peterborough Environmental Record Centre) give a good indication of the range of species formerly present. These surveys suggested that the fields retained a reasonable selection of



The meadows and associated hedgerows June 2014

plants, typically found in old meadows. These include Crested Dogs-tail Cynosurus cristatus and a broad range of other species such as Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra, Red Fescue Festuca rubra. Red Clover Trifolium pratense, Ox-eye Daisy Leucanthemum vulgare, Yellow Rattle Rhinanthus minor. Additionally, many Cambridgeshire sites have developed on mildly calcareous substrates (chalky boulder clay) and have in places developed richer swards with calcicoles such as Cowslip Primula veris and Lady's Bedstraw Galium verum, which have all been recorded on these meadows. Other species included Great Burnet Sanguisorba officinalis and Pepper-saxifrage Silaum silaus. Sadly, although many of the species were still present in the 2010 survey they were restricted to the margins of the grassland and in only a few locations.

In this context, reseeding and the use of artificial fertiliser and herbicides has had the desired intention of encouraging the more vigorous grasses, which outcompete many of the herbs. The meadows in the Great Ouse Valley are much less common than formerly. having been destroyed by gravel extraction, waste disposal and more recently, in this case, from the development of the Brampton Park golf course (meadows north of River Lane). The general appearance of the farmland (see picture left) suggests that the grassland has not been ploughed. Despite the loss of biodiversity, they are relatively free from intensive human disturbance and retain valuable associated features. Today their use is for hay and low intensity winter grazing by cattle.

Dr J Patrick Doody, email jp.doody@ntlworld.com

Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire & Peterborough December (2005). Ouse Valley Wet Meadows & Wet Woodlands Project, Wet Woodland & Wet Meadows Inventory & Habitat Strategy. Report Prepared for Huntingdonshire



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We have no meetings in this month but on 9th August we celebrate Mary Sumner

Day. In the words of Cynthia Smith, Diocesan President of Southwark, Mary Sumner was a lady well before her time as she valued family and committed relationships and spoke up in a time when women were not given a voice. We have so much to thank her for.

A prayer: celebrating faith by Jo Finlay, Diocese of Rochester

We give thanks for Mothers' Union. founded by Mary Sumner in 1876, and for the dedication shown since then by all its branches both here and overseas. We ask vou. Lord, to guide and strengthen this organisation and pray that it will continue to be respected and admired across the world Amen

Julie Anderson

## **August Bulletin**

ELCOME TO THE August bulletin from Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service

The school summer holidays are here and we hope you are enjoying time with family, going on holiday or even creating vour own adventures at home.

Why not take the opportunity to teach your children about fire safety and design your very own fire escape plan?

We recommend every household has a fire escape plan and regularly runs through it with the family – and especially when guests are coming to stay.

Here are a few things to consider when writing yours:

Everyone should know where the window and door keys are.

#### CAMBRIDGESHIRE **FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

- Your normal way out of the house is your best escape route so always keep it clear of clutter - think of the difficulties you'll have using this route in pitch darkness or smoke.
- Walk your escape route with the rest of vour family or housemates and make sure everyone can open windows and doors easily.

If you, your neighbour or family member might be vulnerable or have trouble escaping from their house in a fire, get in touch with us to see if we can help by calling 0800 917 9994.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk. Sign up to email alerts and find us on Twitter. Instagram, YouTube and Facebook.



## The Long View

HIS MONTH MANY of us will be taking our summer holiday and using at least some of that time to think and reflect, so I thought I'd share one of my favourite Christian poems by Oscar Romero: The Long View.

It helps, now and then, to step back and take the long view.

The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts,

it is beyond our vision.

We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction

of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.

Nothing we do is complete, which is another way of saying that

the kingdom always lies beyond us.

No statement says all that could be said. No prayer fully expresses our faith.

No confession brings perfection.

No pastoral visit brings wholeness.

No program accomplishes the church's mission.

No set of goals and objectives includes everything.

That is what we are about:

We plant seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development.

We provide yeast that produces effects beyond our capabilities.

We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.

## **Mid-week Communion**

There is Holy Communion each week in Hinchingbrooke Hospital Chapel at 3pm on Thursday This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.

It may be incomplete,

but it is a beginning, a step along the way,

an opportunity for God's grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results,

but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.

We are workers, not master builders, ministers, not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own. Amen.

Whatever you are doing this month I hope that you find some time for rest and re-creation, and that God reveals to you your 'next step'.



Date	Venue	Topic
July 3" 2016	Community Centre (High Street)	I am the True Vine
September 4th 2016	Church Hall	I am the Light of the World
October 2 <sup>rd</sup> 2016	Church Hall	I am the Good Shepherd
November 8th 2016	Church Hall	Messy Remembrance
December 4th 2016	Church Hall	Messy Christmas
February 5th 2017	Church Hall	The Lost Sheep
March 5th 2017	Church Hall	Mountains
May 7* 2017	Church Hall	Roads
June 4th 2017	Church Hall	Seaside

All family Messy Church events start at 3.30 pm and finish around 5.30 pm. Sessions start with crafts followed by a short story and a couple of songs and then food to share.

Sessions are fun and free!\*

(\*donations welcome)



## Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene

www.stmarym.co.uk
Who's Who

Parish Ministry Team

Rector: Revd Jason Taylor The Rectory, 15 Church Road

453341 rector@stmarym.co.uk

If you would like to meet with, or speak to, the Rector please contact him

using the details provided. His rest day is Friday.

Associate Minister & Lead Chaplain of Hinchingbrooke Hospital

Revd Scott Watts JP 411141 scott@stmarym.co.uk

Children and Families

Adventurers' Sunday School (3-10s) during the 11am service

Karen Large 433922 children@stmarym.co.uk

Youth Club for years 6-8 Thursday 6.30-7.45pm

youth@stmarym.co.uk

Pastoral Assistant Jan Edwards, 417380

Other Officers & Leaders

Churchwardens Sue Roberts 433935 susan.roberts@btopenworld.com

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P.C.C. Treasurer Tony Page treasurer@stmarym.co.uk

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Mothers' Union

Branch Leader Elizabeth Arkle 434924 mu@stmarym.co.uk

2nd Tuesday 8pm Church Hall – 3rd Tuesday 2.30pm Hilary Lodge

**Tower Bells** 

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Practice Monday 7.30-9.00 pm

Church Hall Booking Secretary 434374 hall@stmarym.co.uk

Church Mission Society Coordinator 433220

Bible Study Notes Jean Carter 436846

Church House Groups House groups provide an opportunity for people to meet, to

learn, and to help each other as Christians. We have a number of groups which meet and we welcome new people. For more

information, contact Revd Jason Taylor.

Across the Churches Bible Study

Ellington normally 1st and 3rd Tuesday evening. Contact Jean Clark 890033

#### Could have been worse

A very long train with two engines was making its way across America. While crossing the Western mountains, one of the engines broke down. Slowly, the train chugged on. Farther along, the other engine broke down, and the train shuddered to a halt in the middle of nowhere. Not to be discouraged, the train driver announced: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I have good news and bad news. The bad news is that both engines have failed, and we will be stuck here for a couple of days until the additional engines arrive. The good news is that you didn't take this trip in a plane."

## **Parish Churches in July**

7 August Trinity 11

9.15 Parish Communion, Brampton

11.00 Parish Praise, Brampton

11.00 Service of the Word, Grafham

14 August Trinity 12

9.15 Parish Communion, Brampton

11.00 Parish Praise, Baptism, Brampton

11.00 Service of the Word, Ellington

21 August Trinity 13

9.15 Parish Communion, Brampton

11.00 Parish Praise, Brampton

11.00 Holy Communion, Grafham

28 August Trinity 14

9.15 Service of the Word, Brampton

11.00 Parish Praise, Brampton

11.00 Holy Communion, Ellington

## St Hugh Catholic Church

Priest in Charge:

Fr. Chris Newman CMF Tel: 810344

Services:

Saturday 6.30 pm Vigil Mass Sunday 9.45 am Family Mass

Days of Obligation
12 pm and 7.30 pm Mass

Religious Instruction

for children Sunday from 10.30 am

Confessions

Before Mass when required

## Brampton Methodist Church On The Green



Minister:

Rev Matt Finch, 19 Audley

Close, St Ives

PE27 6UJ - 462293

Lay Ministry Assistant:

Mrs Rosemary Marchant 01354-677779

Church Contact:

Mrs Mvra Prior 414353

e-mail: norma nil2000@yahoo.co.uk

Hall Bookings

Mrs B Rands 52852

Services: Each Sunday at 10 am

7 Mrs Rosemary Marchant

14 own arrangements

21 Mrs Wendy Beard

28 Rev Matt Finch (Holy Communion)

Thursday Fellowship: This is interdenominational, not a Methodist Fellowship. You do not need to attend a Church on Sunday to come along. Everyone welcome at 2.30 pm.

No Thursday Fellowship in August Other Events:

3 Coffee Morning

10 am-12.00

No Soup lunch or Emmaus meetings in August



...er, if I could just tear you away from your mobile phones for a moment...

## **Brampton Befrienders**

RAMPTON BEFRIENDERS
CELEBRATED the Queen's
90th birthday on 12 June with
tea in the Church Hall at the
invitation of St. Mary Magdalene
Church.

We were greeted by a life sized image of Her Majesty, and then offered drinks of Pimms or Prosecco.

The Hall was brightly decorated and the tables were laid with an abundance of savouries, sandwiches and cakes. In the background the Music Group gave steady support. It was all greatly appreciated.

Everyone enjoyed the afternoon. It was good to feel a part of the national celebration.



The Befrienders thanked the Social Committee of St. Mary Magdalene for their special hospitality.

Befrienders had earlier celebrated the Queen's actual birthday with drinks and a toast at their Friday morning Coffee, Cake and Chat on 22nd April.

## **Brampton Institute**

RAMPTON INSTITUTE SPORTS & Social Club is a members run and maintained social club with excellent facilities. Ideally situated within walking distance of most of the village (so no worries about driving or taxis) towards the eastern end of the village on the High Street right opposite the Post Office

The bar includes a pool table and dart boards plus a wall mounted

television showing a variety of sporting events throughout the year; we support pool, darts and dominoes teams playing in league and friendly competitions and new players are always welcome. We have regular entertainment nights that includes race nights, quiz nights, bingo, live acts as well as discos and special event nights. We are a family friendly club and children are welcome; we hold a family disco on the last Friday of each month plus other

special events for the all family throughout the year.

The club a warm and friendly place to meet friends and family and our prices are comparable with local pubs with guest ales available throughout the year. Please feel free to pop in for a pint and a change and enquire about membership.



## The Bramblers — Brampton Walking Club

HE BRAMBLERS' SECOND June walk was from Ellington, a 4.5 mile route taking in the high ground south of the village and touching the edge of Brampton Wood. Fifteen of us enjoyed a countryside walk with good views on a beautiful evening after a rainy day, followed by a pint or two back in the Black Bull garden.

We'll get one last evening walk on Wednesday 10th August, leaving from outside the shops at 6.30 to go to Pidley. We'll start from the Mad Cat, returning there for a drink afterwards. The length of the walk will depend on how bright the evening is, but will be a maximum of 4.25 miles.

On Wednesday 24th August we start daytime walks. We'll meet at the Memorial Hall car park and leave at 9.30 for Leighton Bromswold church. It will be a figure-of-eight walk. The morning section is 6.7 miles to the Green Man where we'll have lunch, then 4.75 miles in the afternoon for those who want the full distance. Anyone wanting to do only the afternoon section can join us for lunch about 12.45 or just turn up for a 2pm start.

Health Walks will take place every Thursday morning at 10am starting from the Memorial Hall car park on Thrapston Road. Each walk will last approximately

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I've had people contact me saying they're not members but would like to join a walk. There is no formal club membership as yet so anyone is welcome to come along on the day of a walk. We need more leaders so if anyone knows, or could devise, a good route which they would be happy to lead for us please email

geoffreystratton@gmail.com or ring Geoff on 01480 436126.

# Call into the Community Centre Friday 10–12 noon for

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Children may attend for a full day, half day or for a 2 ½ hour session. Early years funding vouchers accepted.

For more information or to arrange a visit contact Sallie Cochrane, pre-school leader, telephone 01480-375063 or 07504-062234.

## **Brampton CC Match Reports (June)**

Reports of games 5 to 7

v Falcon XI (Away) 4 June

Brampton were always going to struggle against 2nd place Falcon with many of their first choice players unavailable and only being able to field a team of 10, in fact only 3 of the team had previously batted this season. Falcon won the toss and batted first and when half through the innings and at 100 for 6, Brampton thought they were only going to face a smaller total than they previously expected. However, Falcon's tail most definitely wagged coupled with a weakened bowling attack, the total Brampton had to chase down was 230 all out with David Chalk (2 for 10) getting his first wickets for Brampton. At 66 for 1 in the 13th over, Brampton were still in the game, but unfortunately an almighty collapse after Stuart Henderson (49) was run out meant that Brampton were skittled for only 98 runs in the 25th over.

#### v Ketton 2<sup>nd</sup> XI (Home) 11 June

Brampton CC are struggling after their good start to the season with a 3rd defeat in a row. Putting Ketton into bat, signs initially looked good with a wicket with the 2nd ball of the day, but the other opener batted well and scored 102 in their total of 209 all out with Andy Canham being the pick of the Brampton bowlers with 4 for 54. Brampton kept up with the run rate but lost regular wickets with captain lan Purser the only batsman to go on after making a start and scored 56 and Brampton ended up 29 runs short in their run chase.

#### v King Keys (Home)

Brampton struggled to get a team out for this game with regular players unavailable, but with an hour to go, we

managed to scrape together 11 to play. Brampton bowled first and all looked good when Duncan McGregor nabbed an early wicket. However, no more wickets fell before the drinks break, but drinks bring wickets and 5 wickets fell quickly with Rob Trewin (3 for 31) bowling really well and Andy Canham grabbing a couple including a sharp caught and bowled. King Keys ended up being all out for 208 with only 4 of their players getting into double figures. In return, what we would have given for just one of our players to get into double figures! There really isn't very much to say, a couple got bad bounces, but the bowling was just far too accurate for our batsmen. Well done extras for top scoring with 7 in our total of 20!! There were 5 ducks including a comedy run out at the end.

#### **Batting Stats:**

Stuart Henderson Games 7, runs 208, N/O 1, average 34.67 Ian Purser

Games 6, runs 136, N/O 0, average 27.20 Andrew Watts

Games 7, runs 105, N/O 3, average 26.25 Andy Canham

Games 5, runs 60, N/O 1, average 20.00 Andrew Pegram Games 3, runs 60, N/O 0, average 20.00

#### **Bowling Stats:**

Nick Long

Overs 36, runs 184, wickets 11, best 5/33 Andy Canham

Overs 48.3, runs 209, wickets 9, best 4/54 Duncan McGregor

Overs 44.2, runs 176, wickets 7, best 2/29

Andrew Watts

Overs 29.3, runs 148, wickets 6, best 2/18 Robert Trewin

Overs 27.0, runs 137, wickets 5, best 3/31

## **Ladies Golf at Brampton Park**

RAMPTON PARK GOLF Club celebrates its 25th Anniversary this year. During this time the Ladies Section has grown in both numbers and reputation. We are renowned as the 'friendliest' club in Cambridgeshire and continue to welcome new members who, once over our golfing threshold enjoy our lovely course, well organised competitions, and above all, the comradeship of our lady members.

The ladies meet every Tuesday. Everyone is welcome whether you have signed up for a competition, need a card marking for handicap, want to know more about our Ladies Section or just want to meet new people. We would love to see you.

Also, If you have not considered taking up golf then why not try 'having a swing' at our well-equipped driving range. Additionally, our golf pro Alistair Currie and his assistant Adam, offer lessons to suit all needs. At Brampton Park you will always find a warm and friendly welcome. Interested? Call now on 01480 434700 (Brampton Park Golf Club) or contact the Lady Captain, May on 07761152156 email: mayburn@ymail.com

It is better to learn late than never. Publilius Syrus



## What's On Weekly

MONDAY

Brampton Mums and Tots Group

CC 9.15-11.15

Rebeccastockham@yahoo.com

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Yvonne Palfrey 456462

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Parish Church 7.45-9.00

ian.stracey@gmail.com 457525

Ladies Netball

MC MUGA 7.30-8.30

Billie Leighton 454453

**TUESDAY** 

**Brampton Thrift Shop** 

37 Park Lane, Brampton Camp 9.30-1.00

Judith 437977

Day Centre Tuesday Club

MC 10.00-3.00 Transport can be arranged

Sylvia Kirby 433220

Little Fishes

Brampton Methodist Church 9.00-10.00

Rosemary, DPBrampton@aol.com 454910

Topaz Health Training

MC 10.30-11.30 Suzi Gibbs-Chalmers

info@topazhealth.co.uk 456333

Slimming World

MC 5.30 or 7.30

Mandy, mandyreeve@aol.com 472086

Brownies 2nd Brampton

girls aged 7-10, 5.30-7.00

Sue 07880883032

Metafit HIIT

CC 7.00-7.30

gi-jofitness@hotmail.co.uk 07894 534317

Scouts 10.5–14 yrs

Scout Hut 7.15-9.00

gsl@1stbramptonscouts.org.uk

Air Cadets 73 (Huntingdon) Sqn

1 Hubbard Close, Brampton 7.00-9.45

73@aircadets.org Flt Lt. Adam Cook

Iyengar Yoga MC 8.00-9.30

Pre-book with Mark Issacs 01733 253615

karmacorneryoga@yahoo.co.uk

Yoga

Primary School Hall 7.30-9.00

To pre book contact Jane 07958 757076

WEDNESDAY

Stay and Play 0-5 years 9.15-10.45

Brampton Childrens' Centre, The Green

cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk 376191

BodyBlitz Fitness Pilates

MC 9.30-10.30 07812 243378

imelda.zumba@gmail.com

Fitness is Fun CC 10.00-11.00

heathersteer@btinternet.com 840046

Brownies 1st Brampton, girls aged 7-10 5.30 -7.00 Contact Lesley 07557 341398

Music Hall Society

CC 7.30-9.30 Jul, Aug, Sept only

Noreen 01487 822443

Fitness Pilates

MC 8.00-8.50, 07715 235770 chloesquirrell@hotmail.co.uk

**THURSDAY** 

Art Class with Teresa Gabriel

MC 9.15-11.30 term time 07814 289885

teresa.gabriel.4@gmail.com

**Brampton Thrift Shop** 

37 Park Lane, Brampton Camp 9.30-1.00

Judith 437977

Hatha Yoga CC 10.00-11.30

lindatongue@yahoo.co.uk 350345

Weight Watchers

MC 5.30-7.15, 07789 918366

sandrews@weight-watchers.co.uk

Rainbows 1st Brampton, girls 5-7 yrs 4.45-5.45 Vicky 07899 942868

Cubs, 8-10.5 yrs Scout Hut 6.30-8.00

gsl@1stbramptonscouts.org.uk

Connect2 Youth Club. Yrs 6-8

Church Hall 6.30-7.45

Hannah Arkle youth@stmarym.co.uk

Youth Club MC 6.45-9.15

Tony Evans 07432 070425

GET FIT WITH VIC Kettlebells CC 7.30-8.30, 07966 660028 vicki.hughes.100@hotmail.co.uk **FRIDAY** 

Befrienders, drop in session

CC 10.00-12.00 Jan Edwards 417380

Shotokan Karate MC 6.45-7.45

Sensei Jon Chitty 437977

Air Cadets 73 (Huntingdon) Sqn 1 Hubbard Close, Brampton 7.00-9.45

73@aircadets.org Flt Lt. Adam Cook

SATURDAY

GET FIT WITH VIC Fitness Pilates MC 9.00-10.00, 07966 660028 vicki.hughes.100@hotmail.co.uk

Martial Arts CC 9.30-11.30

sensei@toraseishin.co.uk

Huntingdon Caledonian Society, 1 to 3 events held Sept to May. For details of these and other meets Pat 453774

**Brampton Cricket Club** 

MPF afternoon matches May to Aug radlermass8@qmail.com 07460 470615

Brampton Senior Football Club

MPF afternoon matches Aug to May

francisburnley@yahoo.co.uk 370996

SUNDAY

International Tang Soo Do - Martial Art

MC 10.30-12.00

Alan Miller 07708 879973

Missio Dei

MC 3.30-6.00

damiangmitchell@gmail.com

Adventurers Junior Church

St Marys 11.00

karen@stmary.co.uk 433922

CC Community Centre High Street
MC Memorial Centre Thrapston Rd

MPF Memorial Playing Fields

## What's On Monthly

Women's Institute 1st Tuesday CC 7.30 hazel.day7@gmail.com 414623

Cromwell Quilters
1st Wed. MC 7.00-10.00 International speakers
and workshops Jane 417455

Brampton Flower Club 1st Wednesday CC 7.30 bramptonflowerclub.com

RAF Association Huntingdon and District Branch, RAF Wyton Officers' Mess 1st Wednesday 7.30. Advance notice for RAF Wyton entrance needed, contact Tony Perryman 465395. WRAF and WAAF welcome

Distric/County Councillors' Surgery 1st Saturday, Scout Hut 10.00-11.00

Mothers' Union 2nd Tuesday, Church Hall 8.00 3rd Tuesday, Hilary Lodge 2.30-4.00 Elizabeth, mu@stmarym.co.uk 434924

Mobile Library 2nd Wednesday, Hanover Court 10.25-10.55 3rd Friday, Hilary Lodge 11.05-11.35

Huntingdonshire Group of Wildlife Trust MC 7.30 Talks Sept to March Outdoor events May to Aug. timpfryer@gmail.com 457795

Trefoil Guild, 18+ Scouting and Guiding 2nd Thursday, Scout Hut 2.00-4.00 jeanmking@outlook.com 890901

Brampton Ladies Social Group 3rd Monday 8pm Leslie Morris 458818

Brampton Historical Society 4th Wednesday odd months Brampton Institute 7.45 pat.last465@btinternet.com 451514

Brown String, pop-up shop The Forge. 1st weekend Fri to Mon julieleach24@gmail.com

## **Daily in Brampton**

Brampton Pre school & Playgroup, 2-4 Church Hall, Mon-Wed 9-3, Fri 9-1 term time. Maxine Repath 350588 bramptonmanagerl@gmail.com

Carolyn Parker School of Ballet Cecchetti Ballet & Contemporary Dance MC various days kangyparker@yahoo.co.uk

## **What's Coming Up**

Brampton Walking Club August 10th 18.30 August 24th 09.30

Details: ring Geoff on 01480 436126 or geoffreystratton@gmail.com.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has published draft recommendations on the future electoral arrangements for Huntingdonshire District Council. There is a consultation process running until 22 August. The draft recommendations may be viewed at the following web link: http://www.brampton-cambspc.gov.uk/documents/Misc/merged.pdf

The Village Show is on September 3rd at the Community Centre. Further info from Billie Leighton 454453.

Thurston's Fair is coming to The Green from Thursday 8 to Sunday 11 September.

Pidley International Teddy Bear Freefall Competition 10am on 10 September, see page 18.

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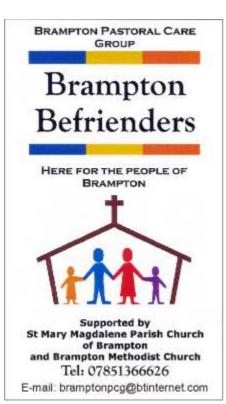
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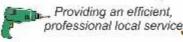
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