

The Braybrooke Gossip

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Congratulations!!

To Kim and Tony (Griffin Road)
on the safe arrival of
son Jack

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

As I have now taken over the role of Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and I am slowly becoming more aware of the threats to us all. I would like to encourage as many of you as possible to join the scheme in order to make it as effective as possible. It does not involve you doing much at all – just send me an email and I will keep you up to date with all of the current threats to our security as they are sent to me via the Northamptonshire police and keeping your eyes open to anything unusual or suspicious. 50 pairs of eyes around the village are better than 21. That is the number of people in the scheme at present (21). If you see anything which raises your suspicions, please contact the police direct.

Your email details are not passed to anyone as I blind copy the information to everyone in the group. In cases of immediate local threats, I will also put a copy up in The Swan (thanks Simon for your help). For those of you who did not see the most recent notice it was about a theft in the area of official Anglian Water Board uniforms. Please be vigilant if an Anglian Water board official turns up on your doorstep. Ring the Water Board before allowing him/her access to your property as these may be distraction burglars. The number is 0800145145 or if in any doubt please ring Northamptonshire police on 0845700700.

Can I also encourage all of you to report all crimes to the Police no matter how insignificant they appear to you and, if possible, send me a copy so that I can alert others. This way we may just prevent it happening to someone else. I do not disclose who it has happened to just the details of what has happened.

I also have a quantity of security pens for you to post code your valuables, some "Neighbourhood Watch" stickers and some "no buyer/sellers please" stickers for your windows. Just contact me and I will deliver them until I run out of supplies.

Thank you for your support (Thanks to you too, Jack Ed.)

Jack Hartley
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Phishing Scam

For those who have not come across this term, this is an attempt by fraudsters to extract information from you by sending an e-mail, which apparently comes from your bank or building society, often complete with the full colour logos and using the house typefaces. They might start off with something like:

Dear xyz Bank customer:

xyz Bank is committed to safeguarding customer information and combating fraud. We have implemented industry leading security initiatives, and our online banking services are protected by the strongest encryption methods and security protocols available.....

They then ask you to up-date your details. There is usually a link to click, which looks like a real one might do on screen, but actually is coded to link to another web site where you will be invited to input details of bank accounts passwords etc. Some threaten that your account will be suspended if you don't comply. Here is an example, taken from one received, (xyz has been substituted for the bank name and thief for the actual domain name). Likely that the number is being used to track who replies, each mail being individually numbered, the number being associated with the e-mail address it was sent to, so all you have to do to tell them it is a valid address is click the link. Even if you click out of curiosity, and don't fill in the details, you still disclose that you saw it, likely you will then get lots more of these and other spam.

http://xyzdigital-id9260018.xyz.co.uk/xyz_onlineform/customercare/form.aspx Is actually coded as
http://xyzdigital-id9260018.xyz.co.uk.thief.ch/xyz_onlineform/customercare/form.aspx

The subtle difference is that this goes to thief.ch web site, not xyz.co.uk, I have added the bold to make it easier to spot.

The real organisations would never send emails of this type - don't fall for them.

Satellite Navigation system and Bluetooth devices

What a great thing these are but thieves like them too. Take them off the screen when parked, remove any wires or separate receivers **and remember to wipe off the mark left by the sucker**. Also make sure all items are turned off in the boot, many devices such as Satnav, laptops and phones can give away their presence because they are left on and still able to be detected by their Bluetooth wireless communications, it's just so easy for thieves to detect these using a mobile phone, then break into your boot knowing there is something there.

Braybrooke CC

Christmas Draw and Bingo Night

The Christmas Draw and Bingo Night was very successful, despite the lower than average attendance. The £100 first prize was won by AVP (All Vehicle Parts), a supplier to Wally. Many villagers won prizes in the main draw and the club thanks the village most heartedly for its valued support. A list of main draw winners is on the Village Hall door.

Big money was won by a handful during the bingo session (they did buy double the number of bingo tickets!) and Wally called the numbers in his own unique way. Refreshments were served by Val & Jeanette during the interval, a welcome break from the stress of bingo. The main draw then followed to wrap up the evening.

Thank you to the sellers & buyers of tickets and to the attendees on the night of the draw. The Club donated £30 to Village Hall Funds from the proceeds raised.

AGM 2008

To be held at the Bulls Head, Arthingworth (the Swan is busy that particular night) on Monday January 28th starting at 20:00. Both the Captain, Paul Clarke and Secretary, Julie Clarke are stranding sdwon. Husband and wife have served the club extremely well for a number of years in their respective posts.

Winter Cricket Nets

Four Sunday nets are planned at Welland Park College, Market Harborough, from 14:00 to 16:00, Feb 24th, Mar 2nd, 9th & 16th. The young and not so young are welcome to attend as are complete novices. It would be good to see some different faces.

Season Start

Sunday April 20th V Barton Seagrave, at the Castle Ground, 14:30 start.

Ground Maintenance

Chairman, Tony Pepper, informs myself that there is an ongoing grounds and pavilion maintenance plan in operation during the winter and spring

Winter well - Spring will soon be upon us!

Glyn Panter - Braybrooke CC - 01858 466874

Planning

Go to www.kettering.gov.uk to see latest plans and comment.

Drawings can usually be downloaded to your PC, saving a trip to the planning office!

Recent applications:

Braybrooke Lodge, Park Hill Farm, two storey rear extensions, new double garage with office above
Firs Farm, Griffin Road, Roundhouse livestock building

You can send comments to the planning officer or local Councillor **Alison Wiley** at alisonwiley@kettering.gov.uk

Guide to Entries

Please send in electronic form, wherever possible, as it saves typing and potential mistakes, then I can just cut and paste.

For graphics and pictures, please send the original files, (e.g .jpg) they often lose quality if pasted into documents etc.

**Next Gossip Deadline
22nd March 2008**

Contributions, preferably by e-mail

gossip@braybrooke.org.uk

or on disk or CD to to 3 Latymer Close

E&OE

Thanks, Nigel.

Thanks

To Glyn Panter, proprietor

Braybrooke Garden Services

for his kind donation to the Gossip



Glyn says all types of garden work undertaken, reliability and quality assured

BIG BREAKFAST

Breakfast will be served in the Village Hall
on

Saturday 2nd February

from 09:30 until 12:00 hrs.

All Welcome

FUN PUB QUIZ

Tuesday 26th February

The quiz is in aid to raise funds
for the village hall.
Fun and simple format – all questions on paper.

Entry fee will be £3 per person.
Super supper included – thanks to Simon.

Usual extensive raffle.

Will start 7.30pm prompt.

Limited tables available –
To book your table, please phone

Gill on 431501 or Jo on 434178

VILLAGE HALL LUNCH

Lunch will be served in the Village Hall
On

Saturday 8th March

12:00 - 14:00 hrs.

All Welcome

Brookside

We started of our Christmas celebrations by singing carols accompanied by Edna's daughter on the keyboard.

Then followed by drinks and a wonderful lunch provided by Linda and John. Plus Teresa's home make mince pies and a beautiful Christmas cake baked by Sandra.

Two new ladies have moved in, Win and Joy, they are beginning to get to know everyone.

Our raffle realised £62.50 and with a donation we now have £289.50 for our 'door' fund. Our coffee mornings are held on the last Thursday in each month from ten until twelve.

All Saints Church

Floodlighting - Many thanks to Robert and Job Jeacock for providing the flood lights over the festive period. Thank you also to those people that sponsored an evening, over £150 was raised.

Carol Service – We had a lovely Carol Service this year with many of the village children getting involved. Thank you to all those that took part and entered into the spirit of the services. Thanks also go to the PCC members who provided refreshments and to Jan Leaver who organised the service.

Pre-Christmas Tea – The pre-Christmas tea at Braybrooke Village Hall on November 25th raised over £1,000. At times it was so busy that people were waiting for seats. There were stalls, Tombola and a raffle. Thanks to all the helpers, cake makers, and people who donated gifts for the Raffle and Tombola and the donations that we received. The money will go towards the Church Roof Fund.

Many many thanks once again, Margaret, Ann and the Church Committee.

Church Services

3 Feb	10.00	Holy Communion, All Saints
6 Feb	7:30pm	Ash Wednesday - All Saints
10 Feb	10.00	Chapel
17 Feb	10.00	Morning Prayer, All Saints
24 Feb	10.00	Chapel
2 Mar	10.00	Family Service Mothering Sunday, All Saints

Lent in Braybrooke

Lent begins on the day after Shrove Tuesday (aka Pancake Day), Ash Wednesday, and is the time of reflection in the six weeks before Easter, traditionally a time of penance, but not necessarily all gloom and doom – at least not in Braybrooke. Come along to the round table in The Swan on the following evenings for some time out to think about life, and faith, and to raise a glass too:

Wednesday 13th February, then Thursday s 21st & 28th February 6th & 13th March
all at 7.30pm.

A big thank you to Simon for having us there.
For further details, please contact Janice Leaver, 01536 763674,
revdileaver@googlemail.com

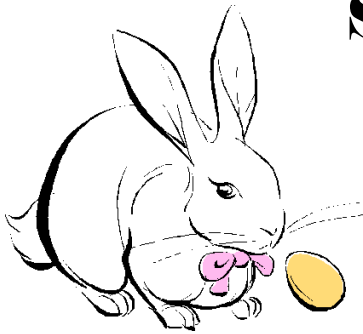
EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Saturday 22nd March

10am - 12pm

Braybrooke Village Hall

In aid of the Village Hall Restoration Fund



£3.00 per child

What's on:

The **BIG EASTER EGG HUNT** around the village.

(All children must be accompanied by an adult.)

Making Easter cards

Decorate an egg competition

Pin the tail on the Easter Bunny competition

Easter bonnet competition

Easter biscuit making

Making Easter magnets

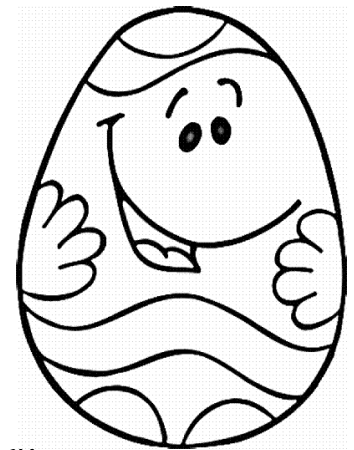
Easter colouring and puzzles

Egg and Spoon races (children, parents and even grandparents!)

Raffle

Refreshments and cakes will be available on the day.

Every child will receive a prize



If anyone would like to donate Easter eggs, a raffle prize or make biscuits or small cakes, they would be very greatly appreciated. Please contact Tracy Mountford on 01858 431992 or Gill Mitchell on 01858 431501.

To help us provide for the correct number of children on the day, please complete the slip below along with £3 per child and post to Tracy Mountford, 36 Griffin Rd asap. Please try to let us know in advance as we would like to avoid having to cancel due to lack of interest, as unfortunately this is what has happened with the Halloween trick or treat night in the past. So if you know your children, family members or friends can make it, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

All parents/carers are responsible for their children at all times.

Return to : Tracy Mountford, 36, Griffin Road, Braybrooke, Market Harborough LE16 8LH

Names of Children _____

Name of Parent/Carer _____

Address _____

Tel No. _____ Amount paid £ _____

(Churchgoers should note the dates on reverse before returning this slip!! Ed.)