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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

- 3 Beetle Drive, United Reform Church
- 6 Mens Club, Three Cocks, 10am
- 9 Nature Tots, Country Park, 10am
- 11 Learn to Paint, WI Hall, 10am
- 11 St Andrews Church, Race Night - Village Hall, 7-30pm
- 14 WI "Recycle and Renew", 7-30pm WI Hall
- 16 BINGO, Harpers Court, 7-30pm
- 20 Mens Club, Three Cocks, 10am
- 20 Ladies Leisure Group, Crafts for Easter, URC, 1-30pm
- 22 Historical Society—Witchcraft in Northants, Village Hall 7-30pm

APRIL

- 2 Easter Egg Hunt, Playgroup, Village Hall
- 3 Mens Club, Three Cocks, 10am
- 7 St Andrews Church— Talk "Around the World in a 2 seater car"
- 8 Village Litter Pick, Village Hall, 10am
- 8 Easter Coffee Morning, 10am URC
- 11 WI "History of Masks – Masquerade", 7-30pm WI Hall
- 13 BINGO, Harpers Court, 7-30pm
- 17 Mens Club, Three Cocks, 10am
- 23 Neighbourhood Plan Open Meeting, Village Hall, 3pm
- 24 Ladies Leisure Group Meeting, URC 1-30pm
- 25 WI - Themed Evening WI Hall, 7-30pm
- 26 Historical Soc, Archive Films of Northants, Village Hall 7-30pm
- 28 Corby Male Voice Choir, St Andrews Church, 7-30pm

MAY

- 5 Lent Lunch, United Reform Church
- 9 WI Evening with Cheese and Wine, WI Hall, 7-30pm
- 10 BINGO, Harpers Court, 7-30pm
- 11 Nature Tots, Country Park, 10am
- 15 Ladies Leisure Group, "All about Reiki", URC, 1-30pm
- 23 WI Trip to Gallones Ice Cream factory
- 24 Historical Soc, "Amy Johnson, Intrepid Flyer", VH, 7-30pm
- 27 Cricket Club, 80's Night

JUNE

- 6 Sunnysiders Trip, Edwardian River Cruise
- 8 Nature Tots, Country Park, 10am
- 11 Cricket Club, Youth and Village Fun Day
- 19 Ladies Leisure Group, Trip to Springfields
- 24 Cricket Club, Midsummer Madness Party

Brigstock Neighbourhood Plan

The Brigstock Neighbourhood Plan Committee has been assessing possible sites for future development and have discussed these with the owners or developers.

We now need to know your views and preferences on these sites to provide the 35 future properties for the next 15 years of the plan. To get your input we will be sending out a second short questionnaire to finalise the plan.

You will be receiving the questionnaire around the 19th April delivered to your house. To give you a chance to find out more about the proposed site and to help you make your decisions, we have arranged a 'drop-in' session to allow you to examine the developer's proposals at

THE VILLAGE HALL ON 23RD APRIL

BETWEEN 3PM AND 5PM

Questionnaires need to be returned by 8th May to either the Newsagents or 7 Church St.

Having received the questionnaires, the committee will use the information to complete the Neighbourhood Plan. The process will involve approval by the Parish Council and East Northants Council, before it returns back to the residents with a final referendum at the end of the year. On completion, the Plan will have full powers within planning system.

If you would like more information or wish to discuss the process, first look at the Parish Council website where we have all our documents stored or contact any of the committee.

Chris Allen, Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee

THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB 12.30 THREE COCKS

There is a lunch club for Senior citizens held every week at the Three Cocks Public House. A 2 course meal and coffee is served for the fantastic prize of £6.95. There is usually a voluntary activity following the meal. Do come along you will be made most welcome. Further details from Jim Clarke on 373717.

BRIGSTOCK NEWSAGENTS

The Newsagents is under new permanent management with a new owner , Annette, who has owned Genevieve Gift Shop in Corby Old Village for 22 years. They have new members of staff - Roz who lives in the village, Mandy who has previously worked for Annette and the lovely Annee.

The shop is now fully stocked with ever changing gifts, cards, gift wrap and they will bring gifts from Genevieve's to view.

They still supply a growing range of Grasmere Products, free range eggs, fresh bread and have recently introduced Mrs Darlington Jams, Lemon Curd, Marmalade and Chutneys. These can be purchased individually or gift packed.

The kitchen will soon be refurbished and when complete they will be offering light lunches, snacks, jacket potatoes etc. and expanding their take away menu.

The Crochet Group meet every Friday morning, and they have a Ladies Meeting the first Monday morning every month. They are now running a Mums and Toddlers group. Do call in for more details.

Introducing **FRIDAY SPECIAL OPENING FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN TILL 4PM** - named **MILK SHAKE FRIDAY**. Give your little angels a treat for Friday.

The back room is now fully refurbished and is available for private gatherings.

Genevieve stocks a full range of the most popular chalk paints - Grand Illusions - and this can be purchased from the Newsagents.

Please do support your local shops. Annette has also agreed to sell tickets for most of the village events, which is a great help for the village groups.

BRIGSTOCK BEER



FESTIVAL

Next years dates are 15th and 16th September 2017

Following the success of our 12th annual Beer Festival in Sept '16, plans are well underway for number 13.

This year we have decided to ring a few changes to the Festival format, although the Friday comedy night will stay the same.

Saturday will have a German theme, BBF does Oktober Fest! We will be asking all the village groups, who usually contribute, to join us in making the theme work. We plan to hold meetings with these organisations over the next few months.

There will be German beer plus UK beers, German food and snacks and of course an Oompah band to keep us swinging into the evening.

Unlike other years we will not be holding a separate Saturday evening event but will keep the bar and music flowing as long as you want to stay.

Lots to do, but an update would not be complete without thanking Chris Allen for his leadership and hard work over the last twelve years. Chris's contribution has made the Festival the success it is today.

Rob Leaning BBF Chair

www.brigstockbeerfestival.com and on Facebook

If you want to sponsor us or help in any way, contact the Chairman at Leaning1962@yahoo.co.uk

St Andrews Church

January finds us relaxing a little after the hectic round of Christmas services and events. We give thanks to all of the children, and their parents, who made some wonderful decorations to adorn the Christmas tree. We had a very sociable morning with plenty of biscuits and hot drinks. The two Christingle services were, as always, very well attended and truly wonderful. The collections we had for 'The Childrens Society made a record £510. Thank you to everyone who attended and generously gave to such a good cause.

The New Year will hopefully bring us a new vicar. The post has been advertised for a second time with a closing date of the 10th February, with a bit of luck and many prayers by the time this article is published we will be much closer to completing a successful recruitment campaign.

Many of you will notice the rectory is still up for sale; we are optimistic that a purchaser will come forward soon and put some life back into the wonderful old building. In the meantime it is unfortunate that we have to report that the back garden and outbuildings have become a venue for some of the youngsters of the village, which has resulted in some damage and verbal abuse to those trying to vacate them from the property. It is important to stress that this is private land and should not be used by anyone without prior authority.

Sadly after a number of months without dogs fouling the grass verges along the path and the consecrated ground outside the church we are experiencing problems again. Please clean up after your dog and use the bin that is just outside of the paddock or take it home.

On a brighter note the planning for our fund raising events is gaining momentum. Please come along to one or all of our events and support us. We have to raise a substantial amount of money to keep the church open and install toilet and servery facilities.

Race Night – We are holding a fund raising race night in the village hall on Saturday 11th March. Gates open at 7.30pm, first race at 8 p.m. There will be a bar, tickets are £6 and include supper. For further information contact Barbara Platt on 01536 373240



St Andrews Church— contd

Round the World in a Two Seater Car (Reluctantly) – On the 7th April in St Andrews Church, Mary Laing will be talking about her journey around the world in a two- seater car. This promises to be wonderfully entertaining, and at times, hilarious evening. Please look out for the posters around the village. Further information from Penelope Escombe 01536 373213.



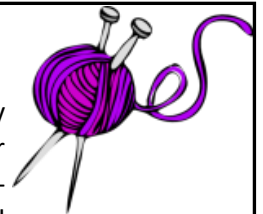
Corby Male Voice Choir - We can also look forward to the return of the superb Corby Male Voice Choir on the 28th April at 7.30 p.m. in St Andrews Church. Tickets cost £7.50 and include refreshments. For further information and tickets contact Gill Dorks on 01536 373034



Spring Fair – The spring fair will be held in St Andrews Church on a date to be confirmed in May between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Please come along, there will be a raffle, tombola, cake stall, crafts and refreshments.

Knit and Natter

Following the completion of our Advent window display the group have new projects running for 2017. So far we have knitted tea cosies for the village shop. Our payment has gone to charity as the majority of our wool has been donated. We are now having a slightly easier project of knitted squares which will be joined to make blankets. Other projects are planned.



We meet in the Olde Three Cocks from 10 until 12 each Wednesday morning. The cost is £2 to include refreshments. Paul and Margarita make us very welcome.

We also undertake our own knitting projects. New members are very welcome to join us. No knitting skills required but nattering ability an asset!

Many thanks to villagers who have donated wool which means we are able to knit for charity with few overheads.

Please call Gill on 373779 for further details or just call in. Help and tuition available plus the swapping of patterns.

Fermyn Woods Country Park

March to June Events 2017

Thursday 9th March, 10am-11.30am - Nature Tots.

Join a Parent and Toddler group with a difference! Come exploring with us on a nature walk and get creative! Suitable for children from 18 months up to school age. Pre-booking is required for all sessions. £3.50 per child which includes all activities and refreshments. Please phone Ranger Jo on 07703 160878.

Saturday 1st April to Monday 17th April 10am-4pm Easter Egg Quiz.

Join our annual Easter Egg Hunt, can you spot all the wooden Easter eggs hidden around the park? Each egg has a picture of a Country Park critter to test your wild-life knowledge. Pick up your quiz Sheet from the Skylark Cafe. £2 per person including a fluffy Easter Prize.

Monday 17th April 12noon- 3.30pm Easter Monday Funday.

Easter fun at Fermyn Woods Country Park, Easter Egg Quiz, and the ever popular Chicken Chuckin' (with rubber chickens!). from 50p to £2 to take part including prize.

Thursday 11th May, 10am-11.30pm Nature Tots.

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Saturday 27th May to 4th June 10am-4pm Butterfly Quiz.

It's a multi choice quiz, all about the butterflies of Fermyn Woods Country Park. You don't need to be an expert, and you will pick up lots of interesting facts to help you on your way. Pick up your quiz sheet from the Skylark Cafe. £2 per person including a prize.

Thursday 8th June, 10am-11.30pm Nature Tots.

Join a Parent and Toddler group with a difference! Come exploring with us on a nature walk and get creative! Suitable for children from 18 months up to school age. Pre-booking is required for all sessions. £3.50 per child which includes all activities and refreshments. Please phone Ranger Jo on 07703 160878.

For more details about events ring 0300 126 5933 Pay and Display charges apply £3. Season tickets are available from 0300 126 1000 £36 for one named park. £49 All NCC country Parks.

Fermyn Woods Country Park

New Ranger

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, my name is Dan and I am the new Countryside Ranger at Fermyn Woods Country Park. I have moved over from the Brampton Valley Way, which is an old railway line that runs from Chapel Brampton to Market Harborough and is now a 14 mile linear path.

At this time of year the wildlife in the park is slowly starting to think ahead to the breeding season, the song thrush is one of the first birds to start singing again and has been heard at the Park in mid-January. The Hazel tree catkins are starting to open and snowdrops are coming into flower, there are a lot of birds to see around the park, at the moment there are big flocks of Siskins, Goldfinches and a big number of Bullfinches have been spotted. Of course Fermyn is known for its Red Kites and there are a lot about, if you don't see them you will hear them calling. There has also been big numbers of Fallow Deer seen in the woods and out in the fields near Lyvden.

So come down to the park and see what you can find and if you happen to spot me come over and say hello.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you would like to come and get some outdoor exercise, why not help at the Country Park. We have several volunteers who come along to clear undergrowth, repair structures, clear rubbish, etc. If you can spare a few hours and join in with other willing helpers, give the Rangers a ring. 01536 373625

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

Thank you to all those people who help the village hall committee in delivering this newsletter. We do try and get it to everybody although some parts of Brigstock stretch a good way out of the core of the village. If you are reading this and sourced it from other than through your door please let us know so we can ensure a copy reaches you. Spare copies are in the Newsagents but we do try and keep our printing costs down.



Pre-school Playgroup

What a lovely festive time we all had at playgroup last term.

This term we are looking forward to lots of things including our Easter egg hunt!

This was a great success last year, so please look out for more information. We will hold this event during the Easter holiday (2nd April) and look forward to seeing you

There are lots of exciting things to look forward to for Brigstock Pre-school Playgroup this year.

Watch this space!

Playgroup is currently open Monday 8:45-2:45 Tuesday 8:45-11:45 Wednesday 8:45-11:45, Thursday 8:45-2:45 and Friday 8:45-11:35. We have some space available for 2-5 year old.

Please contact Sarah on 01536 373197 or 07708 977714 during these hours to discuss your requirements.

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BRIGSTOCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP £10 per year, or £3 per visit. Talks take place at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

Below are the evenings planned up to June

22/03/17	Witchcraft in Northamptonshire Kevin Varty	Popular speaker Kevin Varty returns to entertain us with tales of local witchcraft.
26/04/17	Archive Films of Northamptonshire Local Film Trust	Fascinating glimpses of Northamptonshire history through moving pictures from the local archive.
24/05/17	Amy Johnson, Intrepid Airwoman Roy Smart	Roy is another of our popular speakers returning to talk about the colourful life and mysterious death of this well-known aviatrix

We now have quite a comprehensive collection of local history books available for borrowing from the village hall. A list is available at Historical Society meetings or from Sally Wilks.

An excavation on Hall Hill is planned for this spring/summer.

Our summer outing this year will be to Boughton House. We are hoping to organise an evening visit.

We have had quite a few additions to our archive including minute books and match reports from Brigstock Football Club and a minute book from The Women's Guild which was affiliated to the URC. If anyone has any reminiscences about either organisation please get in touch.

Our Burns Night was a great success and we had a full house to listen to an interesting talk by Bill Simon about Robert Burns and enjoy a delicious meal of haggis, tatties and neeps followed by some splendid entertainment from a couple of members of the Corby Male Voice Choir. Thanks to the members of the WI who helped us make the evening so special.

Brigstock United Reformed Church

Christmas may already seem like a distant dream, but we would like to thank everyone who supported our Christmas events. We held our first ever Christmas Tree festival-not quite on the scale of some we have heard about, but nevertheless our chapel looked lovely with all the decorated trees. We are very grateful to the Playgroup, WI, Ladies Leisure group, Theatre Group, Friday Book Club , Open Door and Young Church, plus some individuals, who all decorated trees on the theme of Christmas Carols. We had lots of visitors and a good crowd turned up to sing carols round the trees in the afternoon.

We also held a “Nativity from Scratch”, which involved some rather self-conscious people dressing up and forming a tableau as the Christmas story was told. It proved to be very popular and the offering at the service was given to the Parkinson’s Society. While all this was going on, throughout Advent a knitted Nativity set travelled round Brigstock, sharing a night at various homes of our friends at St Andrews and our own congregation. Thank you to all who took part.

Now we are well into 2017 and we have a Beetle Drive on March 3rd in the June Small room and our annual Easter coffee morning on April 8th-do join us for hot cross buns, a hot drink and stalls from 10am-midday. We are also holding a Lent Lunch on Sunday, May 5th, consisting of soup, cheese and rolls, and all donations will be for charity. If you would like to join us, please ring 373225 so we know how much soup to make.

On February 4th, the Open Door decided to hold a coffee morning in aid of the Parkinson’s Society. Several villagers have this debilitating condition, and a lot of people donated cakes and prizes for this event. The number of people who came on the day was amazing and the tea ladies were kept very busy. The final total raised in just two hours was £706.22-a brilliant effort from this very generous and supportive village.

Brigstock United Reformed Church - contd

The Open Door started 28 years ago, as a thank you from the Roman Catholic community in Brigstock for being allowed to use the URC premises for their services. Those of you who have lived in Brigstock for a long time will remember Mrs. Clayton who ran the small chemist’s shop on Hall Hill and was a founding member of the Open Door, along with Eileen Glanville and Sheila Connellan. Eileen still organises it, together with members of the URC, and everyone is welcome to pop in for a chat on Wednesday mornings between 9.30 and 11.30 in the June Small room. Coffee, biscuits, and quite often cake, are available, and the third Wednesday in the month is a prize Bingo session.

BRIGSTOCK LIVING ADVENT CALENDAR 2016

A big thanks to all the residents of Brigstock who decorated their windows for the Annual Living Advent Calendar. The range of displays was remarkable and showed great ingenuity, as was the hospitality that went with it.

A big thanks to Jane Jones for organising the event and all her helpers..

All money raised this year went to EQATA (Equine Assisted Therapy Association) who offer therapies for those on the autism spectrum through working with horses.



Looking forward to another great display next Christmas. Not too early to think whether you want to join in this year!



Brigstock Latham's Church of England Primary School

The children came back to school after the Christmas holidays rather excited and ready for the term ahead. The staff have been busy planning lessons to inspire and engage the children.

Christmas Fair and Advent Window

On the 6th December the school hosted a Christmas Fair. As part of their Day 10 project, the children had been busy making Christmas craft items to sell at the fair. The Parent Friends Association very kindly lent us £200 to buy the materials needed. We made some fabulous decorations such as cookies, bags, bunting, Christmas Cottages and Christmas trees. The show-piece of the night was the auction which we all enjoyed. The children's efforts were well and truly rewarded with fantastic support on the night. We took over £600, with profits in excess of £400. Thank you so much to everyone who supported the event. The money will be put to good use with half being donated to charity and half being used for a school treat.

On the same evening we unveiled the Brigstock Primary School Advent Window. Mrs Ettridge and her Art Club had been busy creating this wonderful masterpiece. Mr Jones had the honour of pulling back the curtain and sharing our window with the village community. We were extremely pleased with the amount of villagers who shared this memorable event with us. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Ettridge, Mrs Fincher and all our talented children.

School Trips

Our Year 3/4 children are currently studying the Romans topic and the class teacher decided to surprise them with a trip to Pizza Express in Stamford. They set off from school rather excited and talking about the pizzas they wanted to make. Mrs Griggs, the class teacher, commented on their impeccable behaviour and said they represented the school well. They donned their special hats and aprons and set about making delicious pizza. Some children chose to save some pizza for when they got home but others couldn't resist the temptation of delicious pizza. Thank you to Pizza Express in Stamford for providing this experience.

Brigstock Latham's Church of England Primary School contd

Sporting Success

Our children are sporting superstars and they always perform well in whatever event they take part in. In January, Mrs Griggs took some children from Year 3/4 to an athletics competition at Prince William School. They took part in a number of events including; chest push, speed bounce, the long jump and shuttle runs. Out of 14 teams we were thrilled when the organisers announced Brigstock as the winning team. They all demonstrated the school sports skills and we cannot wait to receive the special trophy that will be added to our collection of trophies in school.

The spring term is usually quieter than the build up to Christmas but don't worry as we have lots of exciting events to look forward to in the coming months. We will share these with you in the next village newsletter.

Wayne Jones

WOODLAND SCENES

Spring is creeping up on us quite quickly after a reasonably dry winter. The ditches had little water in them until late January, but now have some flow. Frogs can be seen in the ponds as well. Snowdrops are up and seem to be giving a good display this year. Hopefully the Bluebells will do the same. There are some great woods and estates around Brigstock which you can visit to see these at their best.

The Red Kites are starting to rebuild their nests and in early March will start to sit on their eggs. Since the tip at Corby closed about 2 years ago, where the birds used to get good pickings, they do not seem to congregate in such numbers in the local woods. Where we used to see a 100 or so roosting near Fermyn Hall on winter evenings, these are down to 20 to 30. I presume that they have spread out to the surrounding countryside to find food.

Talking of food, do continue to feed the birds in the garden as they do reply on this to get through the cold period when there is little wild food available. Seed, fat balls or peanuts are the best. This has brought many Blue Tits, Great Tits and Sparrows into our garden along with the odd woodpecker. Also nesting boxes and wild areas also give them places to nest - find them a small patch in your garden.

If you get out into the fields, and there are many footpaths to do this on, you could well see some of the many Fallow Deer that live around us. At the moment they are in small herds, but will slip away into the woods to give birth around June.

We live in a wonderful part of Rockingham Forest, so do use (but not abuse) it.

CJ



Brigstock WI has turned the corner into another new year, being our 99th. This means that planning is underway for our centenary in 2018 so lots to do!!!!

2016 was the year of change for our lovely old hall on Park Walk. Sewerage and toilet installed, new lighting, heating, curtains, soon to be installed new Auto Water Boiler, and revamped easy maintenance garden. Redecoration will soon take place, putting the “icing on the cake” so to speak. This means that our hall can be used by the wider community. What a difference a year makes.

What a wonderful village we live in. With lots going on, lots of different clubs and organisations (Brigstock WI being one of many) that support each other with events. Can't think of a better place to live. All these organisations are only successful because of the people who live here and give their support.

What's On at Brigstock WI – WI Hall, Park Walk:

Saturday 4th March - 10am to 3pm:

Table Top Sale – If you want a table, it is advisable to book early (see contacts below). Tables cost £5 and refreshments of tea/coffee and homemade cake available. Come and see what stall-holders are selling.

Saturday 11th March - 10am to 3pm

Anyone can learn to paint workshop. Bring your own lunch. £20 members and £25 non-members. All materials/equipment and beverages are included in the cost. At the end of the session you **will** come out with a picture that you will be proud to give to someone, or keep yourself.

Tuesday 14th March at 7.30

Talk by Shirley Allen presenting “Recycle and Renew”. Competition is make something of recyclable material.

Tuesday 11th April at 7.30

Talk by Christine Farmer presenting “History of Masks – Masquerade”. Competition is a homemade or shop-bought mask.

What's On at Brigstock WI – WI Hall, Park Walk: cont'd

Tuesday 25th April at 7.30pm

WI themed social night (topic to be confirmed). A good way to get to know members in a more social setting.

Saturday 29th April:

ACWW Walk. Route to be confirmed and anyone welcome to join in.

Tuesday 9th May at 7.30

WI Resolutions Evening followed by Cheese and Wine supper.

Tuesday 23rd May 6pm:

Trip to Gallones Ice-cream factory where we will make our own flavour of ice-cream to bring home.

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BRIGSTOCK CRICKET CLUB 2017

Spring is on its way at the Meadow

Many thanks to all the folk who supported the Cricket Club on Boxing Day when a large number of rough/tough/feisty, women/men/children chucked wellies, chickens, eggs, tug of warred and sack raced.

And again at a brilliant quiz night organised by Peter Hedges - full of fun and, of course, a little controversy!

We're doing our best to continue to be a community club (and raise money!) with the following in 2017 already 'booked'.

Sat 27 May. 80's Night

Sun 11 June. Youth and Village Funday

Sat 24 June. Midsummer Madness Party - e.g. Music, bucking bronco, food

Sat 9 Dec. Quiz and Social at the Village Hall

Not forgetting that we also play cricket

Net practice on Saturdays in March - all welcome so contact a club member for details

Youth registration - look out for notices

Youth training starts Fri 21st April

All our YOUTH PLAYERS were awarded a medal and ribbon for their efforts last year and special mention goes to the following YOUTH AWARD WINNERS

Jamie Mills, Callum Hunter, Harry Howell, Horacio Connellan, Nat Barton, Rowan Griffiths, Ethan Bull

And Jamie Mills was voted the Clubs Youth Player of the Year.

Well done all our young players.

Pete Burdett, Chairman, Brigstock Cricket Club

Brigstock Theatre Group

Presents
Oliver The Musical

Performing in the Village Hall
Friday evening 7th July
Saturday matinee/evening 8th July

Please show your support for
this talented
Brigstock cast.

For information contact us on email: peter@marsdentfindlay.co.uk

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Welcome to Julie Lemmy our new councillor.

Thank you to all of you who organized and took part in the Advent Calendar windows event. We now have people coming from far and wide to see the displays and enjoy the hospitality of the hosts. It's a great way to get into the festive spirit. We should also like to thank Mr Terry Bright who organized and financed the installation of a permanent hole for the Christmas tree on the green. This makes the erection of the tree very much easier for our volunteers. Thanks too to those of you who played a role in the celebrations round the Christmas tree lights. Father Christmas arriving by pony and trap really makes the occasion special as well as the chance to have a Christmas sing song.

What a lovely village we live in!

GRASS CUTTER NEEDED

Unfortunately our resident grass cutter Steve Pooley has resigned as he no longer lives in the village. We are therefore looking for someone to take on the role of looking after the cemetery, churchyard and the grass area on Hall Hill. If you are interested in taking on this important job please get in contact with Nigel Searle our clerk. All equipment is provided and the remuneration is presently £2000 per year.

PARISH COUNCIL

GRASS CUTTING

This year the Parish Council has decided to pay for six grass cuts for the year. This will be undertaken by East Northants Council's contractors instead of Northamptonshire County Council. Although this has meant an increase of about £1000 in the costs we hope that residents will see a great improvement in the appearance of the village.

VILLAGE LIGHTING

We have now chosen and ordered the new LED lighting and are in the process of getting quotes from an installer. We hope to see the first of the lights being put in place at Easter. The Parish Council will have to take out an interest free loan to cover the cost but the amount we save in electricity and maintenance charges will cover the repayments thus avoiding having to put up the precept.

MEADOW BRIDGE

The gate to the bridge from the village hall car park will be closed for the whole of March to allow the grass to recover.

Dog poo again! If you bag your dog's poo well done but please do not throw the bags in the hedgerows where they dangle unpleasantly for months. If you are out in the countryside please "stick and flick" so that the poo is not on the footpaths for people to tread in.

ANNUAL LITTER PICK - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The annual litter pick will be on 8th April 10 - 12 starting at the village hall. Free refreshments at the WI hall for those participating. We shall be running a poster competition in conjunction with the school.

Who's Who in Brigstock: Paul Falzon

Paul Falzon is a newcomer to Brigstock, arriving here at the end of March last year to take over the tenancy of the Old Three Cocks public house. Since then he and his partner, Margarita, have worked hard to try to make the pub a success and an asset to the village.

Paul was born in 1964 in Malta and spent his first few years in Sangwan, a small village in the south east of the island. His mother managed an apartment complex, owned mainly by English people, so that as he grew up he knew as many English people as Maltese. He also had an early introduction to the bar trade as his grandfather ran a local pub, called the Jubilee bar, where Paul spent time while his mother was at work. His first job was sorting out empty bottles before they were returned to claim the deposits on them. He loved helping out and it was there he decided that he wanted to work in a bar and maybe even own one someday. The family had moved north to St Paul's Bay in 1970 and it was there he attended school but was happy to leave as soon as he could. His first job was assisting his parents on the apartment complex, cleaning pools, and looking after the gardens. He also continued to work part-time in his grand-dad's bar.

His introduction to catering came after he borrowed a car from one of his relations and smashed it up in an accident. As a punishment and to help pay for the damage he had to work in a kitchen on the site peeling potatoes but he also learned how to make burgers and risotto and found that he really enjoyed cooking. From the age of 17 he was employed as a part-time caterer but had a full time job as a builder to earn more money. At 28 Paul took on his first pub, The Limestone Bar in St Pauls's Bay, which he ran while still continuing in the building trade. Later he took on a bigger pub/restaurant, called Ziggies, which became his full time job. The pub served tourists, mainly British as well as locals and Paul was kept so busy serving food and drinks that at one stage he went 3 days without going to bed. It later became a popular underground nightclub with a bar above and Paul managed it for 16 years.

In his free time Paul became a power boat enthusiast and bought his own power boat racer, named Wicked, 33ft long with two 500 hp outboard motors. He drove this as part of the Chaudron team in the 2004 Grand Prix and was very successful, finishing second.

Who's Who in Brigstock: Paul Falzon, cont'd

Paul loved England and paid visits there several times a year to see friends and to go to boat shows. After his mother passed away he decided in 2011 to move here permanently. He started off as chef at the Dolphin in Bletchley, then moved to Woburn and from there to the Heath Inn. Leighton Buzard where he stayed for three and a half years, becoming full time chef and then manager. While there he met Margarita, his partner, who was also an employee there at that time.

In 2015 he left that position to look for a village pub and eventually, after many disappointments, when he was about to give up, he found the Three Cocks in Brigstock and could see that although it was run down it had a lot of potential. After cleaning and maintenance the pub opened on 1st April 2015 and has been open every day since then. The business has been gradually building up and both the bar and the restaurant are popular with the locals. Special dining evenings, including a Maltese Night, have been successful as have the live music events. More improvements are planned with new menus due and the conversion of the games room to a private function room, where people can enjoy a meal and celebrate birthdays or other occasions with friends and family.

Paul appreciates the support he has received from village organisations such as the Knit and Natter group, the Men's Club and the Lunch Club and he also wishes to thank his staff, Debbie, James, Katy, Chris, Jane and Kitty for their help and dedication, with special thanks to Margarita.

Paul and Margarita intend to stay on at the Three Cocks to build up the business and to work for the people of the village. To celebrate their first anniversary here and to say thanks to the people of Brigstock they are organising a special free buffet lunch for the 31st March with samples of food from their latest menu.

DO YOU WANT AN ADVERT HERE?

If you want to advertise in this Newsletter which comes out quarterly and is delivered to 600 houses throughout Brigstock, please contact the editor on chrisallen043@gmail.com or 01536 373059

SUNNYSIDERS CLUB

We have a bus trip on Tuesday June 6th to Boundary Mill Stores who are offering a free cup of tea or coffee on arrival plus a voucher for 20% off lunch in the B.B. Coffee Shop or upstairs restaurant.

Following lunch there is a boat trip aboard the Edwardian River Cruiser "M.V.Sonning" to observe the beauties that the river and banks behold. Boat facilities include heating, bar, refreshments and toilets. Wheelchair access to main upper deck area only. Bus leaves Brigstock at 10.30 am, returning after river cruise at 4.30 pm.

Cost:- Bus fare and river cruise £22.00. Money and names to Maureen Druce phone 373383 or Lyn Hector 373410.

Our weekly meeting every Tuesday in the Lounge at Harpers Court is from 2.00 pm until 4.00pm. when some form of entertainment is pre-arranged. Outings are arranged during the Summer months and occasional meals out. New members and visitors are very welcome. Come along and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat. If anyone locally would be able to offer transport occasionally it would be greatly appreciated.

BINGO

March 16th is the next Bingo session, Meet at 7.30pm in Harpers Court Lounge. New players welcome.



Future dates are April 13 and May 10 .

If you do not have transport we may be able to assist.

Please ring 373422.

BRIGSTOCK CONSOLIDATED CHARITY

The Charity consists of a number of small endowments made in the past chiefly for the benefit of the Church and the poor of Brigstock. When these endowments became "consolidated" and up-dated it was clearly laid down in law who could benefit. After certain expenses, one quarter on the income goes to St Andrew's Church. The rest of the income is for the relief of need, hardship or distress, either generally or individually, of the people resident in Brigstock. Each case is considered on its own merits which means taking into account the particular circumstances of the individual. **All cases are dealt with in the strictest confidence.** After the needs of those in financial distress have been considered, the trustees have the opportunity to give grants to village organisations which benefit village residents. If you wish to make an application for yourself or on behalf of someone else, please contact the secretary Mrs Sally Wilks or one of the trustees whose names can be found on the noticeboard in the church porch.

DO YOU WANT AN ALLOTMENT?

The charity also manages the allotments on Benefield Road, the income from which goes towards supporting the charity's purpose. If you are interested in an allotment please contact the charity's secretary, Sally Wilks, 373428.

There are several available now - start now, and have wonderful fresh vegetables this summer and through the winter.

BRIGSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

Brigstock is very lucky to have a great asset in its Village Hall. It is used by many groups already, especially the Playgroup who are in every day. Do check what is available as classes range from ballet, dance to Yoga.

If you would like to help in any way from doing small repairs to the building or fancy being on the committee, please contact the Secretary, Chris Allen on 01536 373059.

If you want to book the hall or either of the two meeting rooms, please contact Rosie Briggs on 01536 373579

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Brigstock Neighbourhood Watch is well set up now all thanks to the Coordinators who have volunteered to represent their street and in some cases more than one street. The coordinators role is to forward crime notifications received from the police about crimes, scams etc in our area to the members in their street.

It is important that we should all keep a beady eye out for anything, or anyone acting suspiciously. To report something **suspicious, call 101**. If you witness a **crime taking place call 999**. Then contact your coordinator who will inform other coordinators, who can then let their street members know - a relay of getting the message about (remember not everyone is on Facebook Village Info page).

Thanks to Brigstock Parish Council, for the new Neighbourhood Watch signs which are now in place around the village.

Unfortunately **Sandlands Avenue is still not represented**, the only street in Brigstock now. So if a resident of Sandlands Avenue would like to know how to become a coordinator for your street please contact me. You need to have an email account and once set up, it's a matter of pressing a few buttons to forward crime notifications received from the police.

If readers are not a member of their street scheme and would like to do so, please phone me and I will be happy to put you in touch with your coordinator.

EVENING TELEGRAPH

Should you wish to advertise your organisation in the Evening Telegraph newspaper please contact Steph Beckett on 373422 or sbeckett13@yahoo.co.uk

Items should be sent by the Thursday of the preceding week for the Thursday publication .

DANCES AT THE VILLAGE HALL

All are welcome to an evening of ballroom, sequence and Latin dancing. Come along for a great evening of music and dancing. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles. Tea coffee and biscuits are available during the interval. £5.00 on the door, raffle available.

Friday 24th March 8-11pm

Friday 28th April 8-11pm

Friday 26th May 8-11pm

Tea Dance Sunday 19th March 2-4.30, 16th April, and 21st May

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The library visits on the second Saturday of each month in Barnards Way (Sudborough Road end) 14.00 to 14.45.

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Special events at The Olde Three Cocks:

Live music with Graham Buxton on the 4/3/17

St Patricks Day, 18/3/17—come try out classic Irish stew or enjoy our finest Guinness with Andy Barnes Soul and Motown from the Corby Soul Show 96.3 fm.

Mothers Day and Easter Sunday we have a special menu! (booking is highly recommended)

Join us for our 1st anniversary on Friday 31st March 2017 with our local DJs Robin & Maureen and a free buffet.

Coming up soon, our new and exciting lunch and evening menu with dishes starting from only £3.95.

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LOCAL COACH GAINS LIFE TIME AWARD

On the 29th October 2016, Tom Cardwell, a Brigstock resident, was awarded a Life Time Award at the Corby Sports Awards at the Great Western Hotel.

Over the past 41 years, Tom has coached and played Table Tennis for the Corby Town Tennis Club.

He has coached at all levels from beginners to County Junior players, and Senior Citizens. He is a Level 3 Table Tennis Coach, and has enjoyed all his time in Table Tennis.

Tom is glad to say that he is still coaching and playing even though he will be 79 shortly. He always said that is a sport that you can play from 8 years to 80 years!!!

After winning his award at Corby, he was then nominated for the County Life Time Contribution to Sport on the 10 November 2016 at Sywell Airfield, Northampton. He was very proud and surprised to find that he had also won this award.

Congratulations to Tom Cardwell on his awards, and a big thanks for all the work he has put into Table Tennis and the coaching of many players.

Superfast broadband speeds for Brigstock!!

Fibre broadband is being brought to Brigstock at present. I have asked for some dates but.....

Quote from the BT contact: "Northampton Highways have now given approval for the road closure I referred to in my earlier email and once the work has been completed, the new fibre infrastructure now serving the village will be going live by mid to the end of March. You may wish to advise members of the community that once the infrastructure has gone live (they can check via the Openreach website: <https://www.homeandwork.openreach.co.uk/when-can-i-get-fibre.aspx>), to benefit from the faster broadband speeds, they will need to order a fibre service from their service provider. Over 150 service providers including Talk Talk, Sky, BT Infinity and Plusnet are now using the Openreach fibre broadband infrastructure to provide superfast broadband services to their customers. So keep an eye on their website.

WOOSTER

INTERIORS

Firstly, I would like to wish you a very 'Happy New Year'. I hope that 2017 is already shaping up to be an enjoyable year for you.

At the start of a new year, many people set themselves an interiors project or two, and with that in mind I thought you might like to know about a new range of cotton/linen fabrics we've recently started to stock. The extensive range of colours and patterns mean there is something to catch everyone's eye, and priced at only £10 - £20 per metre these fabrics are kind on your pocket too.

I'm always happy to supply fabric on its own, and at my recent open day I sold many metres of these fabrics. However, if you'd prefer us to make your blinds or curtains for you using this range of fabrics, a beautiful hand sewn roman blind (1m x 1.15m) with a good quality rotary chain headrail would be priced at only £195 (incl VAT).

If you need advice on any projects you may have in mind, whether it's a new blind for a tricky window, or a total revamp of your favourite room, please pop into the show room, give me a call or send me an email (susie@woosterinteriors.co.uk).

I'm in the show room every Monday and Tuesday between 10 am and 3 pm. There's no need to make an appointment, just pop in whenever suits. (In case you've never visited before, the barn is located to the left hand side of our house.)

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Susie

PS For more inspiration, please visit our website woosterinteriors.co.uk

You can also find us on Facebook @WoosterInteriors

BRIGSTOCK B&B ON THE WORLD MAP

Local Bed & Breakfast comes 5th in

Tripadvisor's Top B&Bs in the world!



The Swallows Rest B&B, Brigstock has triumphed over its international counterparts to claim fifth position in the world's ten best B&Bs, according to travel giant TripAdvisor.

A spokesperson for Visit England said: "It is fantastic news that five of England's B&Bs are rated by travellers in the top 10 globally. This continues the upward trend we've seen in recent years demonstrating that our tourism, accommodation and service is not only exceeding customer expectations but up there competing with the world's very best."

The Swallows Rest B&B has been reviewed 264 times on TripAdvisor, with 264 excellent reviews, resulting in its dominant position in TripAdvisor's 2017 Travellers Choice awards list.

Owner Sam Read says: "we are absolutely delighted to have received this globally recognised accolade and would like to thank all of our guests who have so kindly completed reviews. Our philosophy has always been "we don't do ordinary" so it is wonderful for this to be recognised".

Tripadvisor spokeswoman Hayley Coleman said the awards, now in their 15th year, are "unlike other hospitality awards. The awards are based on feedback from actual guests over the past year, which is what makes them so prized within the industry," she said.

See BBC website for two national features;

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-38721641>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-dorset-38733414>

The Swallows Rest B&B offers luxury accommodation at an affordable price, in a delightful location overlooking fields and the Brigstock Vineyard, with easy access to Corby, Kettering, Oundle and the A14. The three beautifully furnished bedrooms are designed with every comfort in mind, to make guests feel at home, with a little luxury added in.

Sam Read, Swallows Rest B&B, 07766 573400

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info@theswallowsrest.co.uk, www.theswallowsrest.co.uk

BRIGSTOCK SCHOOL PFA

We're now halfway through the year: We're talking about the school year, that is, just in case you wondered how that happened in March!

We'll have had the village curry night by the time this goes to press; hope you enjoyed it.

The School Council, which is lead by the children, has decided that the main project of playground rejuvenation is to be a central feature. We're still pricing it up, but expect little change from £12,000! Much of the cost is in getting the 'bouncy ground' around the castle, pirate ship or space rocket installed - that spongy-feeling tarmac that gives tumbling children the chance to get right back up and fall off all over again.

We thought the cost was fruity, but the current wooden ship has been in place for over 10 years, and whatever gets installed should last for longer than that. Divide it by that, and then the number of children, and it looks like about £10 per child per year. See you can make anything sound cheap enough if you play around with the numbers!

So please do support the events coming up through the summer - the Friday night Cricket Club barbecues, a highly unusual wine-tasting on mid-June (it's the way it's done, not the wine that's unusual) and the Fete in July. The actual dates will be published soon.

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Brigstock Kurling Group

The kurling dates for the next three months are: 1st and 15th March, 5th and 19th April and 3rd and 17th May, all 2-4 pm at the Village Hall. If you haven't tried kurling previously, don't worry, you'll probably be just as good at it as those of us who have played for some time!

You don't need any special clothing or equipment, it will cost you £2, including tea and biscuits, and we would be very pleased to see you. Short mat bowling is also available if enough people want to play, but they would need to ring their own bowls

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Again many thanks to the groups who have completed their month.
Here are the next few month's groups.

March 2017	Historical	Sally Wilks
April 2017	WI	Liz Searle
May 2017	URC	Sheila Smith
June 2017	St Andrew Church	Linda Ellison

If anyone else would like to help with this task, please contact Liz Searle



COMMUNITY JUSTICE SECURITY

As Police and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire, my primary aim is a simple one: to make Northamptonshire safer.

The start of a new year, always brings renewed encouragement to do things better and improve things where we can. As the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire I want to make our county a safer place, and key to this is ensuring the Police have the right resources and support to achieve this. I was very pleased that the latest reports released from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabularies (HMIC) have rated Northamptonshire Police as 'Good'. It is very encouraging to see that HMIC have maintained the Force's rating of 'Good' from last year, however I want to make clear that this is not the end-level of our ambition – I want my team and the Force to be striving to deliver the best possible service for the public of Northamptonshire. I'm confident that Chief Constable Simon Edens and his chief officer team are leading the Force to a level of service that we can be proud of and I will continue to help him achieve this while at the same time holding the Force to account for their performance.

As a growing county, it is clear to me that next year will be yet another challenging year as policing a large county such as ours is a complex undertaking with an ever growing demand on limited budgets. However I am determined to ensure that we continue on our journey of improvement and that as your Police and Crime Commissioner, I will ensure that central government recognise the pressures we are under.

If you require any help or assistance or if you have any further questions about any of the work I am carrying out, please do not hesitate to contact me further on the following e-mail address:

commissioner@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous 2017

Stephen Mold

Police and Crime Commissioner

BRIGSTOCK MEN'S CLUB

The above continues to progress well and meets on Mondays every two weeks at 10-30am in the restaurant at the Olde Three Cocks Public House where members are well received by hosts Paul and Margarita. Tea, coffee and biscuits are served and new members are made most welcome.

The next meetings will be 6th and 20th March and then every two weeks from then.

Talks by members include the Disappearance of American Band Leader Glenn Miller, Parcels to the Front (The Post Office in World War 1), the history of Corby Old Village, the Flying Bomb in World War 2 and a General Knowledge Quiz, all of which were enjoyed.

Also discussed are the topics of the day which always proves to be of interest. New men are welcome to come along to any of the meetings

Des Robinson

Annual Litter Pick.

This year's spring clean takes place on Saturday 8th April from 10am-12pm.

Equipment will be provided and can be collected from the Village Hall car park. Refreshments will be provided for pickers by WI in the WI Hall on Park Walk.

Join in and help keep the village tidy, have some exercise and earn yourself a cake.

I have organised a competition for posters from school for the event so look out for them as well.

Liz Searle



LUNCH CLUB



A Senior citizens lunch club meet every Thursday at The Olde Three Cocks at 12.30. There is a choice of a 2 course menu for £6.95.

There is a raffle held on the 1st Thursday of each month and you are requested to bring an item to the value of £1. On the other weeks there are activities such as quizzes. Please contact Jim on 373717 for further details. Do come along and meet this friendly group.

Ladies Leisure Group

We all enjoyed our bring-and-share Christmas lunch and quiz, with added entertainment from the handbell ringers led by Carl Hector and Allison Porter. Some of us dared to have a go and managed not to make too many mistakes. By the time you read this we will have had our first two meetings of the year, a quiz in January and a visit to Lyveden New Bield, with a light lunch, in February. Our programme for the next few months is below. We usually meet on the third Monday in the month in the June Small room from 1.30-3.30pm, but we quite often go out on visits and occasionally need to change the date of our meetings, so please check before you join us!

March 20th-crafts for Easter-no experience necessary

April 24th- to be confirmed

May 15th-all about Reiki

June 19th-trip to Springfield shopping outlet-to be confirmed.