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The pictures show the damage made in the Parish Centre ?
Damage done on Saturday 13th April. Why do people think
this was a good idea? The Parish Council will be interested to
know!



The Bramham Gala will NOT be taking place in 2024
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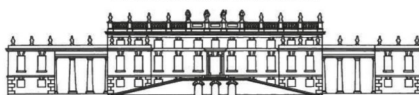
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April 2024 update

From Trish Prest

CRIME REPORT

At the PACT meeting held on the 2nd April 2024 it was reported that 125 crimes had been reported in the Wetherby Ward but I am pleased to advise that Bramham does not feature as a prominent crime spot within our Ward area.

As the lighter days approach and people are spending more time in their gardens please remain vigilant and not become complacent with regards to locking doors etc.

One of the trending crimes is regarding keyless car entry systems. If this applies to you, to deter please use a metal box to place your keys in when your vehicle is not in use.

FOOTBALL PITCHES

Water logging of the pitches is still an issue due to the persistent rain. However some matches have gone ahead and Council will keep the matter under review.

BRAMHAM PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre continues to be well used by local residents during the day and is hired free of charge in the evenings by a range of community groups. The Parish Centre has free wi-fi and tea and coffee and Council intends that it will remain freely accessible to all during the day. Unfortunately a small minority of users are not as respectful of the facilities as others. In particular rubbish is not placed in the bin, kitchen surfaces not cleaned, coffee cups not washed and put away and there has been damage to tables. All residents are reminded to ensure that they leave the Parish Centre as they found it so it can be enjoyed by the next users.

WAR MEMORIAL

As the cleaning of the War Memorial is weather dependent, contractors have agreed work will commence between the dates of the 13th May to the 7th June 2024. Once a date for the work has been confirmed, notices will be put up by the War Memorial asking drivers not to park adjacent to it.

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The date for this is confirmed as the 7th September 2024

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This will take place before the May Council meeting on the 8th May 2024 at 6pm at the Parish Centre .The deadline for agenda items or reports is 5pm on the 24th April 2024 and be sent to the Clerk.

Trish Prest. Bramham cum Oglethorpe Parish Council

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The Clergy Letter for May

Writing this letter only a week after celebrating the joy of the resurrection at Easter, it is amazing how easily the news slips back into the doom and gloom of wars and violence, not to mention the weather!

We spent Easter being so glad that God found us worthy of his love and the sacrifice of his Son that it coloured all that we did that weekend. We, maybe, spent time amongst our family, went for walks in the spring countryside, and took a long look at the delights of our lives. The joy of living in God's creation is a wonderful thing.

I want to share with you an article I heard last Sunday (7th April) on a BBC Radio 4 programme Broadcasting House. It was a newspaper article from the Jersey Evening Post from a man called Simon Boas. At 46 years old he is in the last stages of cancer. Rather than berating his lot, he set out a joyful letter of all that is good in his life.

He tells us he has three thoughts that bring him joy; the first, that comes at the end of a list of wonderful things he has done in his life, says, 'Most of all, I have loved and been loved. I'm cocooned in the stuff; my cup overfloweth.'

Alongside quoting from Psalm 23, we can join with him in that sense of being loved. Whatever our lives dish out to us, one fact we know - we are loved by the Lord. Easter underlines that statement for all time.

Simon's second thought comes from his own reflections on the nature of God, 'Nobody knows whether there's a God, or an afterlife, but it seems unlikely to me that our existence is merely a brief and random flash of consciousness between two eternities of nothing.....What will survive of us is love.' What a great conclusion to reflection!

And finally, 'Life is inordinately precious, unlikely, and beautiful. You are exquisite. When you say – as you do, 20 times a day – “I’m fine”, realise that you don’t just mean “I’m adequate”. You are FINE. Refined. Unique. Finely crafted; fine dining; fine china! You really are fine in that sense too. We say it all the time, but unknowingly we speak the truth.’ We are precious, being in a position to tell others of our good fortune in the knowledge of the one who offers us eternal life with him.

Please excuse me for using Simon’s words and resources, but I felt he said in a much better way than I could, all that is good in our lives. His written article can be found on the Jersey Evening Post website, and I hope, if you read it, you will be as inspired to the good in our lives, as I was.

Our life as one of God’s children, created in this time and this place, is a divine gift. We do not have to be staring death in the face to be able to reflect on the positive things we have around us. Particularly in this season of spring, even in the rain, we can look out on the beauty of our surroundings, give thanks for the joy of being Easter people, and delight in the life of Christ.

Living in Christ gives us so much; guidance for life, inner peace, and most of all, the love of God, our Father and creator.

Rev'd Trish

Our vicar, The Rev Nick Morgan, will be away from the parish for several weeks as he recovers from spinal surgery which is due to take place towards the end of April. The pattern of church services may vary slightly from late April through to late June so please check www.BramhamBenefice.org for updates on service times. We have tried to limit changes to the usual pattern of services, and where possible have not cancelled or moved them, but there are one or two exceptions to look out for.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

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13th April

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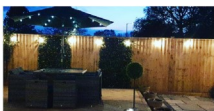
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Twenty years ago, we kicked off a series of bands playing in Bramham village hall that people still talk about! We had bands from all corners including New York, New Jersey and Sweden. I had to stop organising them because my job meant I couldn't guarantee being around but, having retired, I've more time so we are doing one more gig.



On Saturday 11th May, we have the Billy Walton Band playing. They are from New Jersey USA and are a great 6 piece bar band featuring saxophone and a girl singer. Billy is a tremendous guitarist who has been to Bramham several times so we know we are in for a great night. They play a mix of their own songs and familiar American classics so expect some Springsteen and Neil Young mixed in with some soul.

So, for one night in May we'll be in the land of Bruce Springsteen, Steven Van Zandt and Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes. We're on the New Jersey shore, swinging with the band. It's late, it's hot, the bar is open, the Village Hall is absolutely rammed and The Billy Walton Band are in town!

They will be ably supported by The Last Hurrah who were at last year's Wetherby RUFC Beer Festival and play jangly pop mixing their own songs with a few covers. It should be a great night of live music!!!

Children's exam papers

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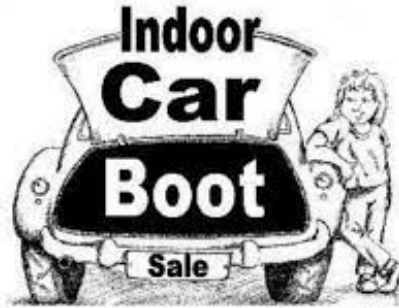
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All Saints' Churchyard

At last it is Springtime BUT that means the grass cutting season and the tidying up of our beautiful Churchyard has to become a major task at this time of the year. We are so thankful that there are many families able to tend the graves and help to keep the modern end of the churchyard looking tidy.

COMPOSTIBLE RUBBISH.

At the moment the sacks contain, plastic bags, old Christmas wreaths, wire, oasis, plastic of various kinds, ribbon, glass, Bottles, broken vases and no end of rubbish.

The VCC have to find volunteers now to sort out these sacks and remove everything that cannot be composted. This is a time consuming and unpleasant task for us all to do.

Also Dangerous as some people very foolishly put glass—often broken, into the sacks .

Please take this rubbish home with you.

A copy of the Churchyard rules can be found on the table at the back of Church and there is a message on the notice board.

This clearly states that glass, plastic flowers, and toys amongst other things are not allowed. This is for everyone's safety.

The area is very large and takes much time and effort to keep under control, forbidden items left in the way of the mowers or strimmers will be a danger to them.

We would be grateful if we could find some volunteers to assist with the removal of the rubbish. Saturday 11th May at 10.30 am . If you can spare a short time to help sort and remove the rubbish this would be very helpful.

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Sunday 5th May

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Celtic Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Holy Communion 9.30 am All Saints' Thorp Arch
All Together at 10 St Mary's Boston Spa
Holy Communion 11.00am St Luke's Clifford
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

Sunday 12th May

Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am All Saints' Thorp Arch
Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Holy Communion 9.30 am St Peter's Walton
Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Parish Worship St Luke's Clifford 11.00am
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

Sunday 19th May

Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Parish Worship 9.30 am St Peter's Walton
Holy Communion 10am St Mary's Boston Spa
Holy Communion 11.00am St Luke's Clifford
Evensong 6.00pm All Saints' Thorp Arch
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

Sunday 26th May

Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Holy Communion 9.30 am St Peter's Walton
Parish Worship 10am All Saints' Bramham
Holy Communion 10am St Mary's Boston Spa
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