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Editorial

Welcome to the Summer edition of the Bramley magazine. You won't be surprised to know that this issue is dominated by reports of the various celebrations that took place to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It seemed to capture the imagination of many of you, from young children making crowns and bunting to 94-year-old Hilda celebrating with her extended family. There were street parties, tree plantings, beacons and flowers. I doubt any of us will see a Platinum Jubilee again so I hope you will enjoy looking at the many photographs throughout the magazine, especially on pages 15 – 18. A handy pull out and keep souvenir to show your future grandchildren and great-grandchildren!

Apparently, 39 million adults did something to celebrate the Jubilee. I have a sneaky suspicion that number includes all those who headed to their local, for a pint of Royal Salute or Platinum Lager. 4.1 million families were due to attend a street party and that will have included residents of Longbridge Road, as you can see on page 19. Some of you were inspired to compose poems or short stories and the winning entries in the Jubilee Writing Competition can be found on page 11. Even the scarecrows got in on the act. You may have thought the Queen was resting when she failed to attend some of the more formal events in London but, in fact, she was sitting in Bromelia Close with her beloved corgis. Check her out on page 8.

Looking at the photos, it is hardly surprising that there was a national shortage of bunting in the weeks running up to the Jubilee. A local Hampshire company usually sells about 50 miles of bunting in the first three or four months of the year, but this year it sold 200 miles. Meanwhile, Tesco customers grabbed 60,000 rolls of bunting in the week leading up to the Jubilee. Not surprisingly, some budding entrepreneurs were taking advantage of the shortage, selling a 20ft piece of plastic bunting on eBay for £1000. Believe it or not, 30 people were prepared to pay that extortionate price. I wonder how many people were caught out by the bargain offer of £3.99 for 12ft of bunting, only to find that the delivery charge was £199! If only we had known about this national shortage, we could have made a tidy packet by selling the bunting the children made at church during the flower festival!

If the monarchy isn't your thing, then you can turn instead to Michael Luck's amusing article on page 12 or John Stubbs' thought-provoking piece on page 25. There's also the monthly update from the Parish Council on page 14 and news of the community bee garden on page 9. If you are around on 21 August do read the important information on page 20 from the National Grid.

I hope you all have a lovely summer. If you are going on a much-postponed holiday, I hope it is worth the wait, and if you are off to Las Vegas, take note of Frank Sinatra's words below. For those of you here in mid-August, don't forget to try your luck in the Bramley Show!

Best Wishes,
Rachel
Joint Editor

Wanted: Magazine deliverer

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Many thanks to Chris Pilley who has been in charge of this round for the last few years.

Las Vegas is the only place I know where money really
talks—it says "Goodbye"

Frank Sinatra

Material for the September issue to be sent (preferably by email) to the editor no later than 14 August please.

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10.30	BCP Matins – St James
10th	4th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Holy Communion – St James
17th	5th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Morning Worship – St James
24th	6th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Holy Communion – St James
31st	7th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	All Benefice Service – St James

... and August...

7th	8th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	BCP Matins – St James
14th	9th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Holy Communion – St James
21st	10th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Morning Worship – St James
28th	11th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Holy Communion – St James

... and into September...

4th	12th Sunday after Trinity
8.00	Holy Communion – St James
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	BCP Matins – St James
11th	13th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Holy Communion – St James
18th	14th Sunday after Trinity
9.00	Sunday@nine – Cross House
10.30	Morning Worship – St James

Services at our neighbouring churches for July

3rd	3rd Sunday after Trinity
10.00	Holy Communion – St Leonard's/Online
10.00	Family Service – St Mary's Hartley Wespall
10.00	Family Service – St Mary's Stratfield Saye
8th	
4.30pm	Messy Church – Sherfield Park Community Centre

10th	4th Sunday after Trinity
10.00	Morning Worship – St Leonard's/Online
17th	5th Sunday after Trinity
10.00	Holy Communion – St Leonard's/Online
6.30pm	Evensong – St Mary's Hartley Wespall
24th	6th Sunday after Trinity
10.00	Together in Worship – St Leonard's/ Online
31st	7th Sunday after Trinity
10.30	Benefice Communion – St James Bramley

Online services - All are very welcome to join the Online services, please contact Karen West for details - revkarenw24@gmail.com

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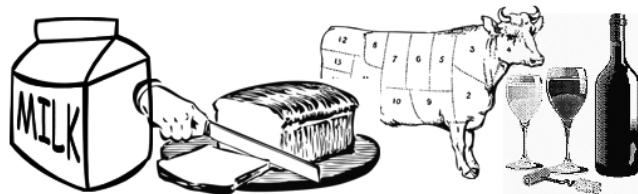
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In this month's *On Reflection*, **Reverend Ken Batt** exhorts us to **Be Encouraged**.

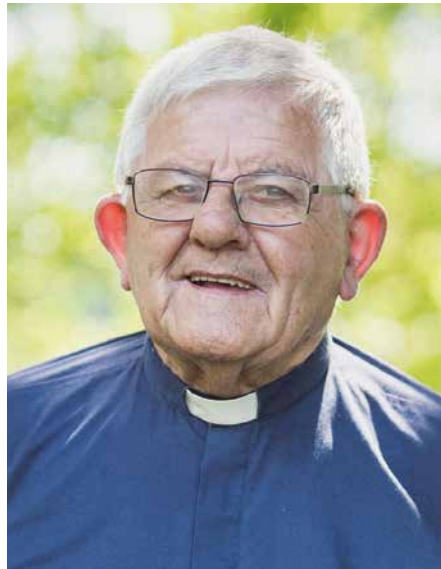
In order to meet editorial deadlines, I wrote this letter on the eve of the feast of St. Barnabas. In the life, work and witness of the early Christian church (as recorded in the book of The Acts of the Apostles) he is described as "a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith." His original name was Joseph but his fellow apostles renamed him Barnabas, which means "son of encouragement".

The first week of this month will mark the 50th anniversary of my ordination to the Priesthood. As I reflect on my ministry, which was served under six Diocesan Bishops and spread across 15 parishes, I think of those who, from each place, have encouraged me and walked alongside me in the heat of the day.

I think of a wonderful lady, physically handicapped by the loss of her sight, but spiritually filled to the brim with a rock-solid faith and an immense love of God. I visited her regularly to chat and to pray together. As I walked back to the Vicarage with a spring in my step, I always felt that her broad smile, words of wisdom, beautiful prayers and a transparent love and concern for the welfare of others, had transported me to the very heart of the true meaning of pastoral care. An act of kindness or an encouraging word can help a person receiving it enormously, including myself.

The book of Proverbs, chapter 12 verse 8, says that "*reckless words pierce like a sword but the tongue of the wise brings healing*". In the New Testament, the epistle of James endorses the view that the tongue can be sharper than a two-edged sword. James writes in chapter 1 verse 19, "*Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry*".

We would do well to apply this sound advice to our national life, church and community life, our family life and perhaps, most importantly, to our personal life.



Rev. Ken Batt

Her Majesty the Queen's 1957 Christmas broadcast included this observation, "*It has always been easy to hate and destroy. To build and to cherish is much more difficult.*" Almost

65 years later and still much of the world lives divided and apart. When will it ever learn is a question we might well ask as dark storm clouds descend upon us with increasing regularity. It is at such times that we need to come together and walk on together in faith and hope and love. We need to hold our heads up high and remain steadfast and immovable in our quest for a better world in which nations learn to live together in harmony and peace. It may seem a tall order. It was tough for the early church, but people like Barnabas set the bar very high. It kept on hoping, praying and encouraging people to be bold and strong. Jesus was also a great encourager. He told his disciples that in the world they would face trials and tribulations but to be of good courage, for He would overcome the world.

May God bless you and keep you, wherever life takes you this month.

Messy Church

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From the Registers

Funerals

Rita PHILLIPS at St James' Church on Wednesday 1st June

There may not have been as many **scarecrows** as usual this year, but what they lacked in numbers they made up for in imagination, as you can see from these photographs taken by **Jan Wright**.

The residents of Oakmead worked together to create the brilliant display on the front page, depicting Henry VIII and his wives. Divorced, beheaded, died – I bet we all know the rhyme now! The Queen and her corgi appeared in Bromelia Close and her Horse and Guard were on hand in the event of trouble. The animals were looking very patriotic and the various Kings and Queens looked appropriately regal in their crowns. Well done to everyone who took part.



Queen of Hearts, Burlington Way



The Queen and her Corgi



The Queen's Horse and Guard



Recycling Queen



Party Animals



Hedge King



Queen of Hearts, Longbridge Road



King Nev the Cat



Football Batman

Bramley plants a Community Bee Garden

Did you know that over the past 50 years half of our bee, butterfly and moth species have declined due to habitat loss? This has serious implications for biodiversity, food production and our own gardens.

So when Clift Meadow Trust invited us to make their car park border wilder and more attractive, we saw this as a great opportunity to create an area with plenty of pollinator friendly plants to help our bees and other pollinating insects. We had no budget, so decided to ask the village's gardeners for donations of spare bee-friendly plants.

We were delighted with the response. On the morning of the first planned planting, we were in Clift Meadow with our team of volunteers, watering cans and trowels at the ready, wondering: would anyone actually come along? We needn't have worried. A steady stream of people arrived, on foot and by car. Gifts came from across the village: from the newest estates and some of the oldest houses, from the small child toddling over with four seedlings to the elderly widow sharing many of her husband's established plants.

Some people donated their labour too. A working party of 16 amazing volunteers from the Bramley Nature and Sustainability Team (BNASt) dug, planted and watered, and within a few hours the area was transformed. In total 268 plants were donated! It was a truly community effort. Thank you so much to everyone – from us and the bees!

Thanks also to **County Hire** in Tadley, whose rotavator made light work of all the digging. The challenge now is to keep the Bee Garden watered and lightly weeded until established. We have a few people helping with this on a rota basis, but need a few more, so if you could help out sometimes please get in touch via Facebook (Bramley Nature and Sustainability Team) or phone: 07503 155669.

Stop Press: Join our Butterfly Walk, 26 July 10 am, Bramley Green

Jane Kirkwood and Claire Levee

Friendship Walks

We would like to thank Bramley Parish Council for their generous grant to allow us to continue the Friendship Walks.

The walks take place from Brocas Hall on Thursdays at 10.30am - 12.

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The Bee Garden at Clift Meadow



The volunteers hard at work



The rotavator was very welcome



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Congratulations to the winners of the short story and poetry Jubilee writing competition, **Ruth Hunt** and **Lauren Havelock**

The poem won due to its simplicity, tight rhythm and the inclusion of the four countries of Great Britain.

The story was an original take on the topic "royalty". The play on the word, the tight focus and limited time scale was particularly effective.

Well done to all those who took part. Here are the winning entries.

Celebrate Till Kingdom Come

Oh, lovely jubbly Jubilee,
Let's celebrate with jam and tea.

Och aye the noo a nation sings,
With lots of flags and flying things.

Yak y da and drink to the crown,
Parties and pageantry in every town.

Yeo, yeo, our platinum displayed,
Marching down Horse Guard's Parade.

Seventy years a sovereign she has been,
God bless us all, and long live the Queen!

Lauren Havelock

An Encounter with Royalty

"Incoming!!"

Lyssie looked up from her phone in alarm, just in time to see a very drunk, burly young man stumbling into the chair next to her. He was dressed as Merida from Brave, complete with auburn wig. "You're pretty!" he said before smiling blissfully at her and then slumping over, to pillow his head in his arms on the table.

Perplexed at this turn of events, Lyssie scanned the surroundings and saw a group of Disney Princes and Princesses crossing the road between the 'Blooming Magic' florist and the legal firm of 'Adams, Alty & Fenman'. They rushed towards her.

"I am so sorry about that. Are you o.k.?" Cinderella asked. "My brother is such an idiot! We told him to not to do shots on the pub crawl. Now he's in no fit state to join us at karaoke!"

"It's o.k. I'll stay outside with him." offered an attractive young man, dressed as The King of Hearts playing card. "Can you let your mum know what's happened?"

"Sure Wills...and thanks." Cinderella gently patted Merida's back before leading the rest of the cartoon court into the pub.

Ping! The notification pulled Lyssie's attention from the odd happenings next to her and back to her phone. After a moment of consideration, she typed in a word and submitted it.

Wills had taken up the seat opposite her, on the other side of Merida. "I'm sorry that we've taken over your table. Were you saving these seats for anyone?" Wills had a dusting of embarrassment on his face. "I think he overdid the alcohol to get out of the singing. They couldn't agree on one activity for their birthday celebration so they compromised. Paul chose the pub crawl and meal part. Em chose the dressing up and the karaoke. Singing's not really Paul's kind of thing "

Lyssie smiled reassuringly. "It's fine. I was only sitting out here for a breather. My friends are joining in the karaoke night too. I just found the atmosphere inside a little overwhelming. "

There was a blast of someone singing 'Mister Brightside' with gusto as the pub door opened. The more intimidating of the two bar staff bustled up to the table. She was armed with a blanket and a pint of iced water.

She draped the former over Paul's shoulders.

"I just knew my son would end up like this! At least it hasn't stopped his sister from carrying on celebrating." She pushed the corkscrew curls of the wig further back from Paul's face and turned to Wills. "Thank you for looking out for him. Can I bring you anything?"

"No problem Louise. I'd love a coke if you're offering." Wills gestured to Lyssie's mostly empty glass. "Would you like anything? It's the least we can do for crashing your table."

The thought of going back into the noisy, hot and crowded space overrode Lyssie's natural inclination to refuse the offer of the drink. "A coke sounds lovely" she agreed.

Wills relaxed back in his chair as Paul's Mum headed back to the din.

Ping! It was time for Lyssie to make her next move. The letters were not favourable. She was also aware of Wills trying (and failing) not to be interested in what she was doing. She gave into her urge to fill the silence with an explanation. "I'm playing a Scrabble-like game with my Gran. She's a fiend for finding those really short words that fit between other words. She wins most of our matches."

Wills smiled in understanding. "My Dad loves word games too. Perhaps you can help me with some pointers towards my match with him?"

They passed the next hour companionably, sharing Scrabble and cryptic crossword tips. Seated between them, Paul slumbered on peacefully.

Unfortunately, Lyssie knew that she could not avoid the inevitable group rendition of 'Dancing Queen' with her friends. She rose regretfully. "It's been nice meeting you William. Thank you for the drink and your wordplay advice. I hope that you manage to get Paul back home safely." She then added hopefully "Perhaps I'll see you around?"

Confusion, followed by comprehension flitted across Wills' face. "Er, Wills is a nickname - with a double purpose. I'm studying Law, specialising in Property, to join the family firm." He nodded across the road to the solicitors' offices. "And, please don't laugh but, my real name is Roy...Roy Alty." He shrugged and grinned sheepishly. "I told you that my Dad loves word games."

Ruth Hunt

A Carers Event was held on Saturday 11 June at Brocas Hall.

It was lovely to meet some local carers and to hear their stories of the challenges of caring.

Any carer is welcome to contact the Clift Surgery PPG if they would be interested in a support group.

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Bell ringing

Thank you to everyone who came along to have a go at bell ringing on Friday 3 June, especially our star ringer, Isabella! If anyone is interested in learning to ring, or would just like to chime the different sized bells, do contact Jonathan Barclay Smith on 01256 541251 or rjbarclaysmith@gmail.com. We usually practice between 8 and 9pm on Tuesdays, but it is always best to check in advance.

BRAMLEY & DISTRICT BRANCH, THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

At our July meeting, we shall be pleased to welcome members and friends to hear our speaker Lt Chris Dwyer, OC TS Mary Rose, Basingstoke Sea Cadet unit. The meeting is on Tuesday 12 July, 7.30pm at Cross House adjacent to St James's Church. We would also be pleased to welcome any young people over 11 years old who may be interested in the activities of the cadet forces.

We have no meeting in August but resume on Tuesday 13 September when our speaker will be Lt Col Dr Kamran Khan of the Royal Army Medical Corps, who is my nephew. He has seen service in most operations in which our forces have been deployed over the last 25 years and has recently returned from a detachment to Belize with a company of the Royal Engineers.

The branch committee is looking at our programme from September to the end of the year which will include our AGM and also the Poppy Appeal. We are considering holding at least some of these meetings in daylight hours, possibly with a pub lunch and activity. Do let us know if this would encourage you to join us.

Our committee members are:

Chairman - John Delafield
Vice Chair. - Rhydian Vaughan MBE
Secretary - Michael Luck
Treasurer - Steve Day
Community Support (Welfare) - John Swanston
Development - John Morley

We hope at the October AGM to elect at least two more members; if you are interested, please speak to us!

John Morley
revjmorley@talktalk.net

From Clift Surgery

In May, 92 appointments were not kept. If you have made an appointment and no longer need it, or are unable to attend for other reasons, please contact the surgery. There are people waiting who could have taken these slots. Thank you.

An Old Exam Paper

I have recently, with my siblings, been sorting through items in my late mother's house. Things come to light that had been long forgotten. Quite unexpectedly there was something that I had no memory of: my answer in the end of term English examination, on 28 June 1966. I do not remember bringing it home, and I certainly didn't know that my mother had saved it for all these years. The question was obviously 'write a short essay on one of the following subjects': I picked 'Adults'.

At the end, there is a comment from Dr Tomkins, our form teacher and English master, which says 'submit this to the magazine'. I don't think I ever did, as I have no memory of any of this. But it's never too late to carry out the orders of your form teacher, and he didn't say which magazine, so I lay it before you now, Bramley Magazine readers, transcribed exactly and unedited from the spidery handwriting of a 12-year-old.

'Adults'.

Sometimes I wonder if adults are supernatural. They never seem to lose money, and even if they do they always able to find a bit tucked away in some pocket in their jacket. They always tell us not to do things that they do hundreds of times a day.

They do sickly conjuring tricks that don't fool anybody, but you have to pretend to be amazed otherwise you don't get so much ice cream.,

On a Saturday, all they do is make remarks on the weather, read newspapers, or do some 'gardening' as they call it, which consists of cutting the lawn with a motor lawn mower and then having a nap, whilst 'we' swelter in the sun planting flowers, and at the end of the day we are called lazy.

When driving along in the car, all you hear is from them is Bill Smith's left leg, remarks on the drivers behind and in front, and why it's rained more since the Russians landed 'Luna 9' on the moon.

But there is one aspect of adults that isn't so bad, and that is pocket money, comics and Christmas presents.

56 years later, although I could criticise some of the punctuation and suggest restructuring some of the sentences, what amazes me is that the whole thing is a complete fantasy. The suggestion that I have ever 'planted a flower' is completely unfounded.

I was surprised to find, when I Googled it, that Luna 9 was 'the first uncrewed spacecraft to achieve a soft landing on another celestial body', as Wikipedia puts it. I am guessing that blaming the rain on space flight was parental irony, obviously lost on me at 12. This Luna 9 landing happened on February 3 1966. Some still and TV pictures were sent back to Earth before contact was lost on 6 February. The Russians did not immediately release these images, but Jodrell Bank Observatory scientists here in England noticed that the transmissions were in the *Radiofax* format that was being used by newspapers in the 1960s to send images. The Daily Express lent a *Radiofax* receiver to Jodrell Bank enabling the pictures to be decoded and published. I followed the 'space race' in the 1960s very closely as a schoolboy, and this episode obviously stuck in my mind, as these were the first pictures from the surface of the Moon. And 56 years on, here I am still writing nonsense, but these days remembering to send it in for publication.

Michael Luck

Basingstoke Male Voice Choir

Our recent Open Evening (as advertised in this magazine) proved to be a great success and the choir is now larger than it was immediately after the pandemic. The hard work of integrating new singers into our line-up now begins and already rehearsals are proving to be an enjoyable experience for them.

However, there is no such thing as a choir that is too large; at our peak, BMVC membership stood at 98! **We still need more singers.** You may have missed the Open Evening but you're welcome to attend our rehearsals which take place each Tuesday evening at 7:30 in St Michael's Church Cottage, Basingstoke.

We may not get to 98 but we'd love to see more singers on board. Come along – you'll enjoy it!

Congratulations to Bramley resident, **Alex Marianos**, who was recently invested with the chain of office as the new President of the **Basingstoke Probud Club**.

Alex is a retired civil engineer who was responsible for bridge building on the M4. Bramley is well represented on the Executive committee as Dr Jeff Grover is the Treasurer and Richard Wood the Welfare Officer.



Alex Marianos (L) is presented with the chain of office by retiring President David Wickens (R)

A COUNTDOWN TO THE BRAMLEY SHOW
Sunday 14 August



The Bramley Show is only six weeks away now and we are working hard to provide you with a really enjoyable experience.

Remember, the Show is the only participation event organised by the people of Bramley for the people of Bramley, and your support is critical to its success.

Maybe you are still deciding whether to enter this year? If so, please take a look at the show schedule on our website (details below). There are nearly 80 separate classes spread over eight different disciplines to tempt you. Plus, a further 10 classes aimed specifically at the children of Bramley.

And to the children who entered the potato challenge, I hope your entries are growing well? Just remember to bring the whole bucket, untouched, to us on the morning of the show between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Please ensure you bucket is clearly marked with your name. We will be announcing the winners at the end of the show.

Perhaps actually entering the show is not for you, but you can still support us by visiting the show on the day. We will be serving teas and delicious cakes all afternoon. You may even win one of our raffle prizes or pick up a bargain in our after-show auction.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended our plant sale at the village fete, making it a big success. Thanks to your generous support we were able to donate £150.00 to the DEC appeal for Ukraine.

Finally, I've already stated that the success of the show depends on the support of the people of Bramley and surrounding villages. We are always looking for volunteers to help us, either helping to put the show together on the evening before or assist on the actual day of the show. If you feel you are able to help, please e-mail us at the address below for further details. Thank you.

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This month's **Bramley Parish Council** update is from **Cllr Steve Day**



This is my first article on behalf of the Parish Council and I hope this will not put you off! June was a busy month for the whole country with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend. The weather has been a mixed bag with some spectacularly warm days and also some wet and windy days!

Beacon lighting

We had a fantastic evening on Thursday 2 June with the Hog Roast and a glass of Prosecco. The evening culminated with the lighting of the Beacon and the playing of the National Anthem by our piper, John Shields. Everyone will be pleased to know the beacon was lit without any hitches, thanks to some careful planning!

Thanks go to the Reverend Mark Anderson (who now has a backup career as a Town Crier), John Shields, the Piper for the evening, Andrew Willis the Bugler, Bramley Church of England Primary School for the choir recording of A Life Lived With Grace, and Ollie Dixon of Hampshire Feast, who provided the magnificent Hog Roast, which they managed successfully to distribute to just about everyone who came along. Thanks also to A1 Logs, who supplied the wood free of charge for the beacon. Special thanks to Cllr Malcolm Bell for organising the evening along with everyone else from the Parish Council who came along to help including many of the Councillors' families. Without Malcolm's planning and dedication the evening would not have gone ahead.

Road Safety Project – Junction of Bramley Lane and the C32

The project that was delivered as part of the Safe Route to School initiative was completed a little while ago. This included installing a traffic island to assist the safe crossing of the C32 road at the end of Bramley Lane, close to the Bramley Bakery and the level crossing. What many drivers are still failing to realise is when they go the wrong side of the road and "overtake" the traffic island, they are committing a Road Traffic offence. It is disappointing that several months after completion, many drivers are still ignoring the rules and are breaking the law by overtaking traffic queueing for the level crossing past this traffic island. It has been put there for pedestrian safety, not just to make it more difficult for cars. We are still liaising with Hampshire County Council about this junction, and HCC are themselves liaising with the police about enforcement.

Annual Parish Meeting

This is not to be confused with the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (as I did!). This was the meeting where the members of the Parish Council were given presentations from some of our community organisations. It was a shame that more residents did not attend, as some of the notable contributions came from the Bramley Youth Club and an introduction to the Reverend Mark Anderson who recently arrived in the Parish as Rector of the Benefice as well as the Vicar of St James' Church. The Bramley Youth Club made an excellent presentation about the way they managed to build up participation as we came out of the Covid pandemic. Congratulations to all involved.

Meetings and Contact Details

The July Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 12 July, with Full Council meeting on Tuesday 19 July – both meetings will be held in the Bramley Room at 7.00pm. The Public are always very welcome to come along and join us.

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Bramley comes together on Clift Meadow to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

A big thank you to everyone who organised or participated in the Beacon lighting ceremony on Thursday 2 June. As Steve Day says in his article on page 14, it was a fantastic evening and well attended by people from all parts of Bramley. Here are some photographs of the event. The stunning picture on the opposite page, of the beacon and the crescent moon, was taken by Nigel Manson while the photos on this page were taken by Neil Owen and Steve Day.



**Absolutely stunning. Beautiful.
Absolutely amazing. Fabulous.
Looks wonderful. Wow!**

These were just some of the comments about the Jubilee Festival of Flowers held at St James' Church and as you can see from these photos, the praise was well-deserved. Joyce Rawlinson and her talented team of flower arrangers, together with members of the Romans Floral Society, did us proud. And they weren't the only ones who were busy. Eileen Knights and her team of helpers worked flat out to serve morning coffee and cream teas, getting up extra early every day to bake more cakes! Our younger visitors made royal crowns and bunting and completed a treasure hunt, while some brave visitors had a go at bell ringing. It was lovely to see so many people enjoying our beautiful church. On Sunday we braved the weather and held an open-air Songs of Praise service on Clift Meadow, where we celebrated the Queen's reign with favourite hymns and quotes from some of her Christmas broadcasts.

Thank you to Dave Knights and others for supplying photos of these events. I'm sorry there wasn't room to include every arrangement here, but hopefully many of you saw them in real life anyway!





Treasure Hunt

We had 30 entries to the treasure hunt and nearly all of you got the questions right. Good work! All the correct entries went into a hat and the winners were:

Younger children's quiz – Felix Goodwin

Older children's quiz – Sophie Oakley

Congratulations to you both.

The answers to the questions are on page 30

On 25th May 2022 **Bramley Coffee Morning** celebrated the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** with a special **cream tea**.

25 people attended and they were served a selection of sandwiches, cakes and scones, all homemade. Tables were decorated with china tea sets and Alan Haffenden made us some cake stands. Eileen Gulston ran a successful raffle at the event and all proceeds, £160, were donated to Clift Meadow to help with maintaining the grounds and buildings.

Thank you to everyone who attended and for your kind comments about the event.



Wendy, Jane, Margaret, Pat & Angela

One of Bramley's oldest residents, **Mrs Hilda Reeves** (nee Greetham), celebrated the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** with her family in her garden in Moat Close.

Hilda, who will celebrate her 95th birthday in October, was one of ten children and moved to Bramley when she was ten years old. Her late and much-loved husband, Frederick John (Chic) Reeves, also moved to Bramley with his one sister Ruth, as a young boy.

When they first married, they lived in Frith Cottages before moving to Moat Close in the 1950's where they raised their family of four daughters, Wendy (Craven), Jane (Caulfield), Jackie (Henderson) and Trish (Walsh) and two sons, John and Tim. They celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary prior to Chic sadly passing away almost seven years ago.

Hilda remembers celebrating, with Chic, the Queen's Coronation in Clift Meadow in 1953, as well as the Queen's Silver, Golden and Diamond Jubilees, and although Chic is no longer with her, she did not want to miss celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

A party was held in her garden with her large extended family including her children and their partners, grandchildren and their partners and her great-grandchildren, and a lovely time was had by all. Tables were laid out on her front lawn for afternoon tea and a sing-song, and in the evening the adults moved to her back garden for music, dancing and wine. The celebration finished up at 1.00am when Hilda finally called 'Lights Out'!!

Hilda, wearing her crown for the day



Hilda with her extended family



A big thank you to **Christine and Richard Jarvis** for putting together **a Longbridge Road Jubilee Street party**. It was a huge success with everyone invited and 22 houses taking part!

Christine was hospitalised with Covid at the beginning of the year and is still on the road to recovery. Despite this, she and her husband put on this amazing event. She has received a constant stream of thank you letters and flowers. It was a very special event not just for the family after the traumatic time they have had, but also for all the residents who had to keep apart for so long in those difficult Covid times. With many different personal circumstances, it really did touch the hearts of all the residents



Richard and Christine Jarvis and their family

and some of the letters explained how it helped lift them in ways that many had no idea about. The residents have all decided to make this an annual event and so it seems a Street Community has now been created within the Bramley Community! A heart-warming and positive story to end such a tough few years for all.



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He did it!

In the May magazine we featured 7-year-old Jonah who was climbing Scafell Pike to raise money for Bramley school. Well, on Monday 30 May he made it to the top in 2hrs 50 mins, climbing in sun and rain. There was lots of slipping and sliding on the way back down as the rocks and stones were all wet and loose. It was a real challenge, but Jonah thoroughly enjoyed it and he made it down in 2 hrs 30 mins.

So far, Jonah has raised £290 for Bramley school and he already has his focus set on Ben Nevis for next year!



Update from National Grid on the Bramley Network Rail Connection

Some Bramley residents will be aware of work taking place in the village that's being carried out by teams working for National Grid at Bramley substation.

What we are doing

To support Network Rail's efforts to future-proof its network, teams are installing a new Supergrid transformer and then connecting the substation to a new trackside feeder station near Oliver's Lane.

The transformer is a large piece of electrical equipment that will lower the electricity voltage to enable safe delivery along the underground cables to the trackside feeder station. The teams will use around 1.4km of 25kV underground cabling during the work.

Project update

Work to prepare the site at Bramley

substation started in April with the dismantling of an existing building.

The cable installation works will start early this summer. Teams will first work on the existing access and track within the field across from Minchens Lane, build a temporary construction road then dig the trench in which the cables will sit, before installing the cables by November this year. This map sets out the proposed cable route:

To limit any ecological impact, horizontal directional drilling will be used to connect the cable to the east of the substation. Open cut trenching will then take place across Oliver's Lane.

There will be increased vehicle movements through the village when National Grid contractors dig the cable trench this summer. A traffic management plan is in place to help limit any disruption to residents. This includes avoiding school drop off times, limiting use of the level crossing route as much as possible, use of the rail timetable to coordinate vehicle

movements and adherence to the village no-idling rules.

The Bramley Network Rail Connection is due for completion by May 2023.

Transformer Delivery

Delivery of the Supergrid transformer is currently scheduled for Sunday 21 August. The route will bring the transformer into Bramley via Sheffield Road.

We are working closely with local police, the highways agency and local authority on the transportation of the transformer to site. To ensure its safe and efficient delivery, a number of temporary adjustments will be needed to local roads to be able to accommodate this large load, including temporary removal of traffic dividers and roundabout signs, plus changes to traffic islands.

National Grid will be in touch with residents who may be directly impacted by these temporary adjustments in advance of the delivery date.



Find out more:

If you have any questions about the Bramley Network Rail Connection, please email or call the community relations team:

0800 470 2441
(9am-5pm, Monday to Friday)

BramleyNetworkRailConnection
@nationalgrid.com

More information is also available at: <https://www.nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/infrastructure-projects/bramley-network-rail>

Bramley Speedwatch

Concerning speed:

The Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) positioned by Farriers Close indicated a vehicle travelling at 72mph and one in the opposite direction at 69mph. These are a concern given the nature of the road and the 30mph limit.

Village Fete:

I am sure you will all agree that the SID was a big hit with the kids at the Fete, even some of the bigger kids! I can honestly say it was the busiest four hours of my life. The adult top speed was 18mph by Graham, with the 10-15-year olds shared between Billy, Ethan and Alex at 15mph. The fastest 0-10 was Alfie at 14mph. Well done to all who took part, especially the expectant mother.

Speed Indicator Device (SID) DATA:

SID Location	Traffic direction	% of vehicles exceeding 30 mph	Max speed recorded (mph)
Bramley Lane before school	North	39%	54
Village Hall	East	47%	64
Village Hall (by football ground)	West	24%	56
Campbell Road	North	27%	58
Farriers on School flashing sign	West	62%	72
The Street, after Cufaude Lane East Bound	East	39%	54
Farriers	East	37%	69
Village Hall	West	30%	57

Again, a big thanks to Rogers Transport for supporting Bramley Speedwatch and supplying the pens for the village fete. www.ROGERSTRANSPORT.co.uk.

Recent Local SpeedWatch Activity:

Two manned deployments were carried out during June, one by Farriers Close and the other at the Village Hall. The details of two vehicles were passed onto the police.

If you have any questions/concerns about SpeedWatch please email:

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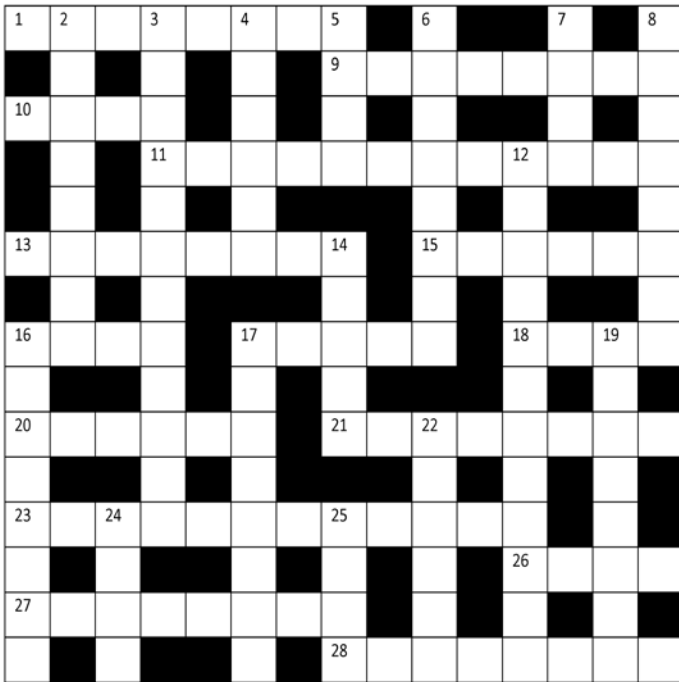
Jaego Nightingale-Benro from Bramley and his Queen won the Kings and Queens Dress Pageant for the Jubilee. Two-year old Jaego, standing here alongside Her Majesty the Queen, and one-year old cousin, **Callista Nightingale-Muster**, are dressed in traditional regal African attire.

More on this, and the Beaches Crescent celebrations, in the September issue of the Bramley Magazine!



Cryptic Crossword No: 60

See page 31 for the answers.



Across

- 1 Competition that pulls people to it ? (8)
- 9 Side rage may be at odds. (8)
- 10 Part of a hand or tree. (4)
- 11 A 007 car feature for unwanted passengers perhaps. (12)
- 13 A noun a muse did not find to be funny. (8)
- 15 Cold time. (6)
- 16 Inside a parade denise found paradise. (4)
- 17 Be a chum and find me somewhere sandy. (5)
- 18 Scamper the remainder of the route at the start. (4)
- 20 Foam found in leather without Spain. (6)
- 21 One of eight perhaps ran backwards for less room. (8)
- 23 Channel not to be found on land. (8,4)
- 26 Bound to be broadcast for sea change. (4)
- 27 Vote for Ronald, a negative sort of particle. (8)
- 28 Rode load around to find place of gold. (8)

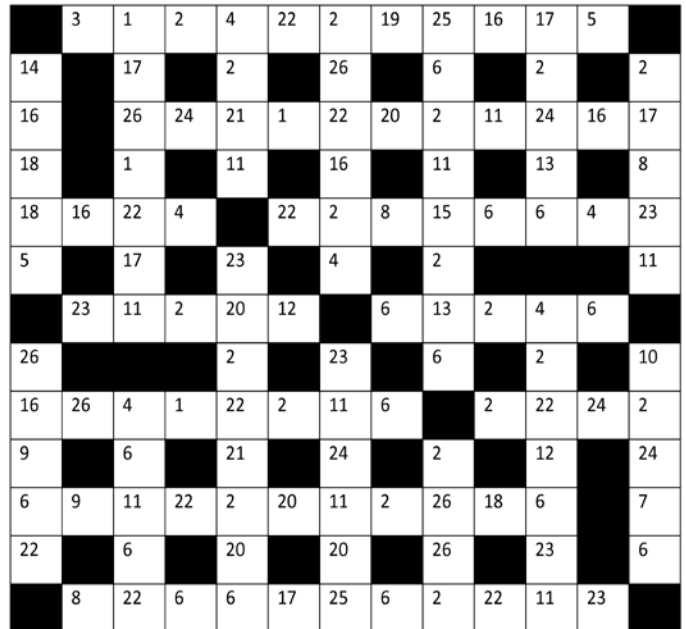
Down

- 2 Worked out that a relative can be found in a plant. (8)
- 3 Competition, gent's joint for fair play. (12)

- 4 Means of entry to a control centre engaging secret service personnel initially. (6)
- 5 Look to some credit for change. (4)
- 6 Son has it all mixed up to shock. (8)
- 7 To egg on will require in some part to be purged. (4)
- 8 Car manufacturer hit for safety item. (8)
- 12 Seer Tom crept all over to find instrument. (12)
- 14 Sketched or looking pale. (5)
- 16 Ned's tile needed to have joined up (8)
- 17 Impediments sometimes great with reefs. (8)
- 19 Done and dies together, it was biased. (8)
- 22 Brought up from behind presumably. (6)
- 24 To start with I told everyone my clue could be found in an article. (4)
- 25 Disappeared with the wind apparently. (4)

CodeWord No: 46

See page 31 for the answers.



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This month Butter Daisy celebrated their new garden, and HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!



At the start of the month, the children were full of anticipation as new equipment arrived ready for our garden refurbishment. When the big installation day came, the children enjoyed walks in the community whilst our team worked on the garden's transformation ready to surprise the children.



The children have thoroughly enjoyed the new equipment, including a bridge that they have fished from and trip-trapped over, and a tunnel which has played host to many games of hide and seek or peek-a-boo. The children have loved making mud pies in our mud kitchen and water play sink, and

even had a makeshift pond this week, with real lily pads!

The most recent addition to the outdoor space is our brand-new Jubilee tree. This was gifted by the company's Head Office to celebrate the nationwide initiative to plant trees for the Jubilee and was presented to the children in a special tree-planting ceremony, where they learned about the Queen and listened to a poem written especially for the occasion. The tree represents the children's legacy: they helped to plant it and are now learning how to look after it and keep it growing, as well as seeing it change through the seasons.



If you are interested in joining us, please contact the nursery for a tour. Our telephone number is 01256 882515 or you could email us at butter@mydaisynursery.com. We look forward to meeting you and your little one.

Hello from Little Apples



We can't believe another academic year is coming to an end. Either side of half term, the children loved celebrating the Queen's Jubilee with the rest of the country. We made a royal scarecrow out of recycled carrier bags and a huge Union Jack. The children enjoyed role-playing a lovely street party and made jubilee biscuits to take home.




The children have also enjoyed thinking about travel, the seaside and holidays. We have been role-playing a train station and a travel agent and had a lovely under-the-sea environment in a tough spot.

We learned a lot monitoring our caterpillars as they grew enormous and formed chrysalises before we released the newly hatched butterflies on a sunny afternoon. At this time of year we make the most of our lovely outside play area which incorporates a wild area for plants and bugs. The children love looking under the rocks and stones to see what minibeasts they can find, and smelling the variety of herbs in our sensory garden. Our new outside project is to create an extended area for wildlife with a bee meadow featuring pollinator friendly flowers, bug hotels, a bird feeding station and bird bath.

As we move towards the end of term, we will have to say goodbye to those children leaving us to attend primary school. The team from Year R at Bramley School have visited us to introduce themselves and the children will be visiting their new settings to help with settling in.

Most of our Little Apples will be coming back to us in September when we will be joined by lots of new children. If you would be interested in a place for a child in the next academic year, please do get in touch as soon as possible as demand for places is extremely high.

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The Priory community had an amazing time during the Platinum Jubilee celebrations and the school marked this unique period with the opening of a new Jubilee Orchard.

Many of the local parents and businesses sponsored trees to invest in the orchard and help develop the diversity of our local environment. The Jubilee Orchard was officially opened by the school governors, including Mrs Jessica Dwerryhouse - who originally conceived of the idea of the orchard. The opening ceremony was also attended by many of the school's student leaders, including the school council, eco councillors and the student gardening team. Mandy Lieu, owner of the Ewhurst estate was also present to launch the orchard and spoke about the link established between the school and Ewhurst - which has already benefited our students' learning of natural habitats.



The Ewhurst Estate provided a generous donation towards the orchard, which will grow, establish and become a really important part of our school.

The centrepiece of the orchard is our school pagoda, which has recently been named in honour of a long-standing member of our school catering team. Mrs Angela Stacey has worked at the Priory for 26 years and has now decided the time is right to hang up her apron and retire from service. She will be greatly missed at the school.

The Jubilee Orchard provides a great counter point to our more cultivated sensory garden - which has been

funded by our school PTA. The sensory garden is now fully established and provides an area of solace and beauty in the school's rear playground. Mrs West (our school ELSA and head gardener) and her team of student gardeners have created a truly harmonious environment from a particularly busy area of the school grounds.



Chase the sun

On 18 June, Bramley once again welcomed hundreds of cyclists taking part in the Chase the Sun event. They started at the Thames Estuary at sunrise and cycled 205 miles to Burnham-on-Sea by sunset. Bramley was the half way point and according to the official website, a place where the cyclists could "grab some lunch as the friendly team open up the kitchen with a special quick grab & eat menu". Here are some photos of the day.



It's amazing what lives in just a teaspoon of soil as **John Stubbs** explains in **Treated Like Dirt**

Take a square yard of pretty much any unbothered soil in Bramley, and within the top few inches there could be a hundred thousand animals. OK, not animals warm and cuddly, or even visible to the unaided eye, come to that. But they'll be there, in a healthy topsoil; minute, wriggly, and of such weird forms that quite boggle the mind.

One of these abundant critters, for example, is the springtail. These aren't quite insects, but neither are they much like the other animal groups. Some are comparatively large, even millimetres long. They've been around for four hundred million years, and there are thousands of different species that inhabit all soils and play an important part in forming it. They can be used to detect soil damage and pollution: some are essential to crop yields, some are pests. Of the even smaller members in the community there are mites – loosely defined but nearer to spiders in form. They range around a tenth of a millimetre long, so if you could line up 250 of them, their leader would be perhaps one inch ahead of the rear-guard. But tiny as they may be, with probably a million species yet undescribed, they're a big part of the soil production team. Sure, some are pests, some parasites, some spread disease – but they can help break down pretty much anything organic, and they don't hesitate in their allotted task. Mainly they are hugely beneficial, and we couldn't get by without them. The next size down are the soil bacteria – single-cell organisms that might be a thousandth of a millimetre long. They're not animals, and hardly are they plants, but they're everywhere, particularly in soil, waiting to do all sorts of chemical magic, like fixing nitrogen, when called upon: 50 billion of them in a teaspoonful of soil.

Another important component of soil that's much looked down upon, in both senses, are the fungi. Plants could do very little without them, so both plants and we humans totally depend on them. While growing, plants send something like a third of their hard-won sugars down into the soil below. Why ever should they do this? They need the stuff – to make new growth, nectar, seeds and all – yet they give it away? It's not in fact charity, it's good business. The recipients are a whole

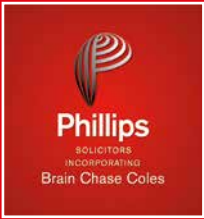


range of fungi and bacteria associated with the plant's roots: they need carbon, and given the right chemical messages a series of deals are set up, trading moisture, carbon, minerals and so on, minutely controlled and vital to survival. Microbes in the soil use carbon and minerals to structure their environment with passages and pores, drainage and ventilation: it's all part of their busy chthonic factory, not just a heap of decaying rubbish.

Plants, then, don't just sit in the soil. They talk to it, use it, modify it, and depend on it to grow. A young plant releases this sucrose from its root system to encourage the specific bacteria it needs: if it's dry, it'll select particular strains of bacteria to suit – temperature, acidity, moisture, minerals, all need the appropriate little helpers. The roots will message fungi that have the right contacts – communicating even to the extent of warning nearby plants if enemies are in the offing, and calling up defences, though it's hard to tell whether this is deliberate action or incidental eavesdropping. Another problem is that while the accumulation of soil is an entirely natural process, in nature as a whole, large areas of annual plants such as the grain and root crops that we grow are comparatively rare. For this reason our fields have special needs – they're asked to deal with some unusual lifestyles such as intensive seed growth, year after year, rather than

growing and then supporting plants. Our race for ever-increasing yields has favoured greater use of fertilisers and pesticides, which, if not precisely controlled, may lead to degradation of the soil structure. Prolonged drought brings loss of topsoil, as may flooding: both conditions are now becoming more prevalent. Compaction and being left bare of cover over winter inevitably stress the soil's reserves.

Over the coming years the need will be to treat the soil more as a component of the crop system, to be maintained and adjusted in minute detail to avoid waste and to compensate for the vagaries of climate change. The next steps will need to be rather more radical – different techniques and different crops. Of the thousands of food plants in the world, we rely on just fifteen. There's the possibility of different foods and new ways of making food, rather than relying on field crops and meat. Worldwide, the average staple travels over a thousand miles to its consumer – making it vulnerable to all sorts of distribution hazards, economic and political. Natural systems have been extraordinary in their ability to deliver increasing yields: it's been like getting everybody to do sub four-hour marathons. For the longer term, though, it might be cleverer to look for better routes, rather than just running harder.



Can I take my child on holiday if the other parent objects?



Hayley Eachu

This is a question we are often asked when the summer holidays are approaching. The issue for taking a child abroad for a holiday can often be a cause of conflict between separated parents.

If you have a Child Arrangements Order which says your child lives with you, then you can take your child abroad for up to one month as long as there are no other court orders prohibiting this.

What if the holiday has been booked and paid for?

For parents who have previously been able to agree on matters among themselves without requiring legal intervention, the other parent would still have a right of veto over a holiday abroad. This is even if the holiday has been booked.

In practice, the Court will consider what is in the best interest of the child, if parents cannot agree, and can make an order about whether they can or cannot go on a particular holiday. If the holiday is soon you would have to seek an urgent hearing and this is not always simple.

As a guide, here is what the Court will take into consideration; known as the welfare checklist:

- the wishes and feelings of the child concerned
- the child's physical, emotional and educational needs
- the child's age, sex, background and any characteristics of the child which the court considers relevant
- the likely effect on the child of any change in circumstances

- how capable of meeting the child's needs is each of the child's parents and any other person in relation to whom the court considers the question relevant
- any harm that the child has suffered or is at risk of suffering

Under normal circumstances the Court will take a view that a holiday for a child is a good thing to be enjoyed.

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<i>Pilates 9am</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Pregnancy Yoga with Sam 6pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Yoga with Sam 7.30pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Classical Pilates, 6pm-7pm</i>	Village Hall
<i>Kickboxing 6-7pm juniors, 7-8pm adults</i>	Brocas Hall
<i>Cubs 6.30-8pm</i>	School Hall
<i>Trail Runners 7.30pm</i>	Clift Meadow car park

Tuesdays	
<i>Parish Council Meetings 3rd Tuesday of the month</i>	Bramley Room, Village Hall
<i>Badminton</i>	Village Hall
<i>Bell Ringing 8pm</i>	St James's Church
<i>Petite Dance</i>	Village Hall
<i>Short Mat Bowls</i>	Village Hall
<i>WG Pilates 9.15 – 10.15am</i>	Cross House
<i>Pilates 9.30am</i>	Brocas Hall
<i>Mother & Toddler group 10.15 - 11.45am</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Beavers 5.45pm - 6.45pm</i>	School Hall
<i>WG Pilates 6.45 – 7.45pm</i>	Cross House
<i>Scouts 7-8.30pm</i>	School Hall
<i>Hipp Pilates 7-9pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Table Tennis - 7pm</i>	St Stephen's Hall, Little London

Wednesdays	
<i>1st Bramley Brownies</i>	Village Hall
<i>Wednesday Club 10am to midday</i>	St Stephen's Hall
<i>Guides 7.30pm</i>	Village Hall
<i>WG Pilates 9.15 – 10.15am</i>	Cross House
<i>Bramley Tea and Coffee morning 10-11.30am</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Walking 4 Fitness & Friendship 6.40 for 6.45pm (April-Sept)</i>	Clift Meadow car park
<i>Pilates 7-8pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Trail Runners 7.30pm</i>	Clift Meadow car park

Thursdays	
<i>Bramley & Romans Floral Society 1st Thursday</i>	Sherfield on Loddon Village Hall
<i>Dance Club</i>	Primary School Hall
<i>Pilates</i>	St Stephen's Hall
<i>WI 2nd Thursday</i>	Village Hall
<i>Yoga for Sleep and Stress 1st Thursday</i>	Village Hall
<i>Lynden School of Dance & Gymnastics 3.30 to 7.15pm</i>	Brocas Hall
<i>Perform 5.45pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Hatha Yoga 6.30-7.30pm</i>	Cross House
<i>Classical Pilates - 6.30-7.30pm</i>	Village Hall
<i>Petite Dance 6.45pm</i>	Village Hall
<i>Hipp Pilates 7-8pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion

Fridays	
<i>Hatha Yoga 9.30-10.45am</i>	Cross House
<i>Hipp Pilates 1.30-2.30pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Perform 3.30pm</i>	Clift Meadow Pavilion
<i>Youth Club 5pm</i>	Brocas Hall

Saturdays	
<i>Petite Dance</i>	Village Hall
<i>Tennis (age 7-13)</i>	Clift Meadow
<i>Karate 11.00-12.00pm</i>	Primary School Hall

Sundays	
<i>See page 5 for Church services at St James's Bramley</i>	

Do you have a listing on this page? If so, please can you check that the details are correct and let me have the timings if they are missing. Any corrections or additions can be emailed to editor@bramleymagazine.org.uk THANK YOU

Contact Details for Village Clubs and Organisations

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School Hall	Alison Tarrant	881339		
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Badminton	Jane Matthews	881647		
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Bramley Volunteer Drivers		07787 166924	Visit us on Facebook	
Brownies	Katie Slater and Jayne White	07545 319342	bramley.brownies@gmail.com	Now Weds only
Classical Pilates	Naomi		naomi@nbkpilates.co.uk	
Clift Meadow Youth Cricket (Old Basing CC)	Nick Cooper		nickcooper1@sky.com	
Clift Meadow Youth Football (Loddon Sports)			loddonfcsecretary@outlook.com https://www.loddonsportsfc.com	
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Kickboxing	Leigh Bushnell	07730 678049	wkmabikma@gmail.com	
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Lunch Club	Chris Woodward	884065		
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Mother & Toddler group	Christine Delve	07739 763618		
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Short Mat Bowls	John & Pauline Walker	881065		
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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

50TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND
 Sat 2 & Sun 3 July, Sat 4pm / Sun 6pm The Anvil
 The Hampshire County Youth Orchestra's 50th anniversary was delayed due to the Covid pandemic, so they are pulling out all the stops this year!

Enjoy a weekend of festivities and high-quality music-making by current and ex-members of Hampshire County Youth Orchestra, along with special guests the Wessex Dance Academy who will join them as part of their tenth anniversary.

JANE MCDONALD – Let The Light In

Thu 7 July, 7.30pm The Anvil
 BAFTA Award-winning Jane McDonald always delivers a phenomenal show along with her fantastic live band and backing singers. With stunning production and a new line-up of songs, her show promises to be the best one yet full of fabulous music and laughter.

HERE COME THE BOYS

Mon 11 July, 7.30pm The Anvil
 Fresh from wowing audiences and critics alike at the London Palladium, Here Come The Boys is taking this "big, spangled, energetic, non-stop dance spectacular" (The Stage) on the road! Dance superstars Graziano di Prima, Nadiya Bychkova, Pasha Kovalev and Strictly finalist Karim Zeroual, will be joined by the sensational Nikita Kuzmin. A cutting-edge soundtrack of dance-floor anthems, club classics and guilty pleasures fill this show-stopping dance extravaganza.

Jubilee Flower Festival Treasure Hunt

Answers to the questions for younger children

No.	Questions	Answers
1	How old was the Queen when this stamp was issued?	90
2	Who is the famous spy on this stamp?	James Bond
3	What is this stamp celebrating?	The Queen's Silver Wedding
4	What is the name of this muddy pig?	Peppa pig
5	What is this stamp celebrating?	The Queen's Silver Jubilee
6	What colour are these cricketers' shirts?	Blue
7	What is the name of this Queen?	Victoria
8	Who is on this stamp?	Spock
9	Which country does this stamp come from?	Canada
10	Name one of the colours on this bird's beak	Yellow or brown
11	How much did this stamp cost?	12p
12	What colour is this character?	Red or yellow
13	How many kings are there on this stamp?	3
14	What season is pictured on this stamp?	Winter
15	What form of transport is shown on this stamp?	A ship or boat

Answers to the questions for older children

No.	Questions	Answers
1	The Queen was born in 1926. What year was this stamp issued?	2016
2	What number is this spy known by?	007
3	What was the name of the Queen's husband?	Philip
4	What is the name of this pig's brother?	George
5	How many years is a Silver Jubilee?	25
6	What are these players celebrating?	Winning the Cricket World Cup
7	What was this Queen's husband called?	Albert
8	What series does this character appear in?	Star Trek
9	Why do you think the Queen is wearing red on this stamp?	It's the national colour of Canada/on its flag
10	What is the name of the bird?	Red Kite
11	Who is the lady on this stamp?	Queen Elizabeth/Queen Mother
12	What series does this character come from?	Marvel/Avengers
13	Can you name one of the gifts the Kings brought to baby Jesus?	Gold, frankincense or myrrh
14	What month might you use this stamp?	December
15	Which King was on the throne when this ship sailed?	Henry the Eighth

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