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VILLAGE INFORMATION

Clerks to the Parish Councils:

Great Braxted Sarah Mann Tel 01621 892821

Little Braxted Gordon Musset Tel 01376 520103

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator:

Great and Little Braxted Mandy Chapman Email:
thebraxtedsneighbourhoodwatch@yahoo.com

Non-urgent contact for Police: 101 or 0300 333 4444

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Opening times

Monday 14.00 – 18.00

Wednesday 14.00 - 18.00

Saturday 09.00 – 13.00

Next Parish Councils

Great Braxted The next meeting of the Gt Braxted PC 5th September,
8:00pm – in the Pavilion
Email: parishcouncil@greatbraxted.com

Little Braxted All are held at the Braxted Bakery, and start at 7.00 p.m.

The next dates are: To be confirmed

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

at ST Bartholomew's (CM8 3LA), St Nicholas' (CM8 3EU) and St Mary's Chapel (Braxted Place CM8 3LD) where shown

SUNDAY 1

Trinity 11

8.00 am

Holy Communion

10.30 am

Parish Eucharist

MONDAY 2

8.30 am

Parish Prayers at the start of the month

WEDNESDAY 4

10.15 am

Holy Communion

SUNDAY 8

Trinity 12

8.00 am

Holy Communion

10.30 am

Parish Eucharist

4.00 pm Messy Church Teddy Bears Picnic –

with a special invitation this month for those baptised in the past 5 years.

WEDNESDAY 11

10.15 am

Holy Communion

SUNDAY 15

Trinity 13

9.00 am

Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Little Braxted

10.30 am

Pet Service on the Church Field

WEDNESDAY 18

10.15 am

Holy Communion at St Mary's Chapel Little Braxted

SUNDAY 22

Trinity 14

8.00 am

Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 am

Parish Eucharist

WEDNESDAY 25

10.15 am

Holy Communion

SUNDAY 29

St Michael and All Angels

8.00 am

Holy Communion

9.00am

'In between breakfast' for people from both congregations.

10.30 am

Parish Eucharist

For further details about the churches see www.churchinwickhambishops.org.uk and related Facebook pages

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| Contacts: | Priest-in-Charge | Revd. Hilary Le Sève | 01621 892867 |
| | Churchwardens | Barry Cousins | 01621 891355 |
| | | Graham Wingrove | 01621 891844 |

MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Having settled into my role as your District councillor, I am now starting to have the time to focus on some of the issues the ward faces. Thank you for those of you have made contact through www.facebook.com/tothammatters/ and have started following the page. I am trying to ensure that it is regularly updated with ward and district information.

All the villages face road issues and it is something that I am keen to address. I intend to apply for highway schemes to address the various problems in the ward. The roads that need focus are the routes the villages, Walden House Road outside the school and the dangerous junction at Five Corners.

If you would like to come and talk to me face to face, then please come along to the next ward surgery on 14th September at 11am to be held in the tea room at Tom's Farm shop.

Alternatively, please use the contact details at any time, to contact myself or **Councillor John Keys.**

Kind regards

Councillor Richard Siddall

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WELCOME TO SEPTEMBER

The children should be on their way back to or starting school, and it is officially the first month of Autumn in the UK.

A historic event that took place in September 1939, Britain & France declared war on Germany.

WELCOME TO BRAXTED

Welcome to James & Roseanna who have recently moved into Holly Tree Cottage, and Deana & Rob who have recently moved into Village Farm Cottages Great Braxted ... If you have new neighbours that you would like to add to this article next month, please let me know.

MONTHLY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING *free Tea & cake

Held the first Tuesday of every month, from 10am to noon at the Braxted bakery. Lots of information booklets available covering avoiding scams, safety advice, health etc When possible the local police attend and it is a great chance to meet other people from the villages. *Tea & cake for Braxted residents.

GREAT BRAXTED PARISH COUNCIL

After many years of sterling service our Parish Clerk, Sarah Mann, has decided to retire. The council advertised for a replacement and were pleased to receive eight applications. These were all considered and two candidates were interviewed. A successful lady has been selected and will commence her position with effect from 1st September.

She is Sarah Gaeta and will be at the **next Parish Council meeting on Thursday 5th September** as usual in the Pavilion at 8 pm.

This will be Sarah Mann's last meeting. It would be nice if members of the public attended to say "thank you" to her. She will continue to be a Trustee and the secretary of the Braxted Pavilion.

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If you FIND a dog . . .

- Look around the area and see if there is anyone obviously looking for their lost pet.
- Report to the local council (dog warden); it is the law and they may already have had the dog reported as missing. You can find details of your local dog warden on-line here: www.gov.uk/report-stray-dog
- If you can, take the dog to a local vets for them to scan for a chip. In most cases they will then be able to call the owner if dog is chipped, or call the local dog warden to collect if not.
- In Scotland you should also report to the police.
- Also check in the 'Lost' section of the DogLost website to see if this dog has been reported as missing. www.doglost.co.uk/dog-search.php?status=Lost
- Many of our volunteers in the area do have scanners so may be able to come out and scan the dog for you. You can ask on local DogLost pages if anyone can help or call our head office for more information.
- Register the dog on the DogLost website: www.doglost.co.uk and share on Social Media such as Facebook / Twitter, local DogLost pages and groups.
- You can also print posters from this dog's page using the **View Poster** button and put up around the area that he / she was found. Don't forget to laminate in case it rains.
- If you can, put Posters in local shops, pubs, garages, supermarkets; everywhere that there are a lot of people. Spread the word to try to find the owners . . .

Thank you for caring!!!



Helpline **0844 800 3220** or **01633 673 859**

e-mail: admin@doglost.co.uk

THE BRAXTED FETE

The next planning meeting is scheduled for:
**Tuesday 3rd September at 8pm – Venue:
Braxted Pavilion**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YOUR 2019 BRAXTEDS VILLAGE FETE.

Why not come along and help? It's a great way to meet your neighbours, make new friends and get involved with what is one of the highlights of village life in the Braxteds. If you would like to get involved but can't make this meeting, please drop an email offering your help to either Bee Goody (bgoodyb@googlemail.com) or Dick Collins (richardmpcollins@btinternet.com).

Volunteers Wanted for Remembrance Sunday

We are in urgent need of volunteers to assist with the organisation of the Remembrance Day Service, to be held this year on Sunday 10th November. To comply with our Health & Safety obligations to those attending the Service we need to have a minimum of eight volunteers to assist with setting out road closure barriers, staffing them during the period of the Service, and opening the roads afterwards. Full training (but no pay other than the grateful thanks of your community) will be given.

If you are able to assist please contact the Little Braxted Parish Clerk (email: littlebraxtedpc@hotmail.com tel: 01376520103)

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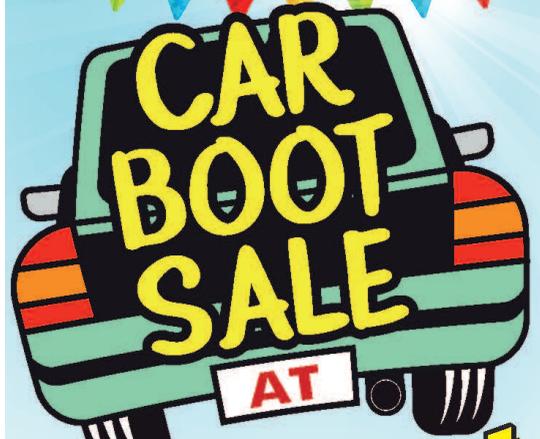
Yomelelani Bridge Day Tuesday 26th November 2019

We are delighted that Richard & Barbara have agreed to repeat the very enjoyable bridge day which they held in December 2018. Again it will be in support of the Yomelelani Trust which provides a crèche and pre-school education for 150 children in a South African township where poverty and hardship are commonplace.

This year's event will be held in St Bartholomew's church hall in Wickham Bishops commencing at 10.30am. A welcome coffee and a light lunch with a glass of wine will be provided. Tickets Are £20.

Numbers are limited so if you would like to receive further details and an invitation please phone 01621 891546 or 01621 891125 as soon as possible.

Bryan Littlewood
Yomelelani Trust – www.yomelelani.co.za



The Braxted Fete

Saturday
14th September
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BRAXTED GOLF COMPETITION



It is that time of the year again! This annual event will be held on SATURDAY 28th September 2019 at Braxted Park Golf Club, when we can compete for various prizes: the two original shields plus the Angela Roast and Fred Rodford Memorial trophies and various minor others such as Nearest the Pin, Best 9, etc.

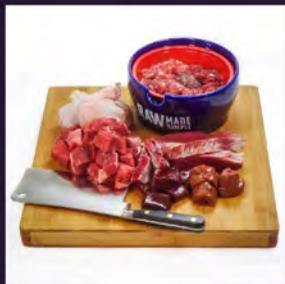
The proceeds will go to the maintenance of our 900 year old church. Braxted Park are kindly loaning us the course.

As always it will be a Stapleford Competition with a shotgun start at 08.30 am. The entry fee will be £20 which is less than a usual weekend green fee. For an entry form or any more details please contact:-

Ken Hornett, The Village Farmhouse, Tiptree Rd, Gt Braxted,
CM8 3EJ (01621) 891424 hornettk@hotmail.com

Once again we may go to the Prince of Wales pub/restaurant at Prince of Wales Road, Great Totham for the (optional) lunch plus the prize giving and a libation or two. P o W is a good pub and it can accommodate the numbers of us and has an extensive menu. Anything from sandwiches and snacks to a 3 course meal all with reasonable prices – and good beer! I will try to email a menu nearer the time so you can pre-order

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PETS OF THE MONTH

for those that are old enough to remember, the dogs featured here were not named after Magic Roundabout characters

This is young **Dylan**, he is new to the world and The Braxteds, as well as being into everything, he likes to sooth his teething by chewing on anything that is not moving. He also likes to socialise and play when he has the opportunity

If you believe your pet or pets are the most adorable, one of a kind, or even most unusual, please forward your favourite picture (or group picture if you are up for a challenge), and a few descriptive words to the editor Lee.kane01@hotmail.com, and the best will be done to include this in The Bulletin, in the months to come.



New kid on the block:

This is **Brian**, recently adopted by Yvonne and Peter in Meadow Cottage, Bung Row. If you see him, please give him space as he has a few issues.

Hello my name is **Brian**, Once up a time I had a family that loved and cared for me in Romania but when I was no longer a cute little puppy they turned me out on to the streets to fend for myself. I was attacked by other street dogs and have lots of scars to show for it. It was so frightening and made me very scared of other dogs in case they hurt me again.

Eventually I was taken into a dog shelter but life still was very hard with not a lot of food and many dogs wanting to fight and hurt me still. A kind lady came along and took me to the vets to get me some treatment for my bites and she looked after me and sent me over to Labrador Retriever Rescue in England who had seen my photo and wanted to help me.

When I arrived I was very shut down as I was waiting for the next nasty thing to happen to me. After a few weeks I realised that actually things at last were getting better... One day when we came back from a walk, I couldn't control myself any longer and my face broke into a huge smile and I rolled around on the grass, kicking my legs up in the air. I walk quite nicely on the lead but I am not let off as I am still very nervous of other dogs. I don't go looking for trouble with them, but if they suddenly come over to me then I will react nervously.

Dangers of posting on social media while on holiday

POLICE have warned that some home insurance policies become invalidated if you post that you are away from home on social media.

Police are warning people not to 'check-in' on social media at the airport, avoid tagging others who are on holiday and wait to post your holiday photos until you get home.

Does it really matter?

Yes. Various police forces have issued warnings, and so has the Financial Ombudsman.

The Ombudsman says you wouldn't put a poster up on your front lawn saying you're going on holiday, so why would you post the same thing online to a bunch of strangers?

Advice from insurance sites say home insurers expect you to take 'reasonable care' when it comes to security.

Examples of not doing this would be leaving a window open or a door unlocked at night.

Another could be advertising your absence. In every case, you could find your insurer quibbling any claim you made, either reducing the pay-out or even not paying out at all.

What else shouldn't I do?

If your contents insurance limits the number of consecutive days your home can be unoccupied without invalidating your cover, then you reveal in Facebook post that you're on a two-month long cruise, any claim could be invalidated simply by clicking on the 'post this status' button.



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VILLAGE ACTIVITIES IN BRAXTED PAVILION & GROUNDS

Lettings Officer & Key Holder: Yvonne Hunter 892034

Monday **U3A Bridge Group** 09.30 am, - 12.30 pm (Ken Hornett 891424)

Metafit [keep fit] 6:30pm – 9pm. *Lisa Brand*
01621 893720

Tuesday **Whist Club**, 7pm every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month from October to April. *Roy Copsey*01621 892697

Wednesday **Pilates Class** 4:30pm - 5:30pm. *Maureen Barnes*
07718741362

Thurs& Sat **Dog Club** Thursday 09:30am-1:30pm, 1st Saturday of the month (Excl Jan), from 10am. *Diane Sawford* 01621 893664

Friday **Braxted Art Club** 12pm-5pm. *David Joyce*01621 891241

Pop-Up Pub, bring drinks & nibbles, all welcome, £1 a head, *every second Friday evening of the month from April-December*

Saturday **Braxted Bombers Keep Fit** (outdoors when weather good) 8.30am -9.30am. Terry Martin 07976617534

Misc **Parish Council and Pavilion Committee** Meetings (details in Bulletin)
Home school intermittently some weekday Wednesday's

The cost of the Pavilion is £25 or £10 for residents of Great and Little Braxted.

