THE Brampton MAGAZINE

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... and everything else happening in the village

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Lots of new and exciting things are happening in the village this coming year. Many of the schemes were suggested by you in the CLP survey that went to all households a year ago. These include the Brampton Community Library and the Good Neighbour Scheme as well as several new clubs. The Brampton Magazine will always keep you updated.

If you would like your garden to be considered for viewing as part of the Brampton Open Gardens 2017 please contact me on 437977 or email judithchitty@gmail.com. The Open Gardens will be taking place in early June 2017.

Brampton Village Fete 2017 is also back! July 1st - save the date
Keep the afternoon free on Saturday 1st July 2017.
The Brampton Events Group needs more volunteers to help organise future village events. Contact me if you can help. Thanks.

Judith Chitty, Editor

Articles needed Co-editors Viv Jenkins and Judith Chitty look forward to your continued support of providing articles and photos for publication. Please send in reports of the groups, clubs and societies that you belong to, anything that you think will be of interest to the village or whatever you have an opinion on that you feel needs airing. Details of where to send on page 33.
During the Napoleonic Wars there was a prisoner-of-war camp at Norman Cross, occupied by French and Dutch soldiers and sailors, from 1797 to 1814. Some of the 10,000 imprisoned there were sent to Brampton, as farm labourers, and were accommodated in fields (outlined) north of the bend in the road now known as West End. Most of the camp was in a field allotted by the Inclosure Act in 1773, to the Revd Andrew Burnaby, who among other estates owned the Manor House, and part was in a smaller, roughly triangular field allotted to Mr Godbye.

There was a French Penal Settlement off the French Mediterranean coast called Belle Isle and the prisoners gave their camp this name. They also improved the track leading to Brampton Wood calling that La Marche (the walk). Association of the prisoners with the villagers lead to the locals using this name, although later it was anglicised to Marsh Lane and known as such until roads were formally named and it was lost.

One hundred and thirty years after the French left, part of this field, known as Belle Isle field, was used for gravel extraction (stippled) for road construction. In 1955 when it was decided to make RAF Brampton a permanent establishment the area NW of the gravel workings was used for the site of the quadrilateral part of Belle Isle for other ranks’ married quarters. A few years later the SE quarters were built and four blocks of flats followed over
part of the old gravel workings. Three of the blocks of flats were named for overseas RAF stations; Luqa House, the base in Malta; Masirah House, a station in Oman; and Seletar House, one of the stations in Singapore. The fourth block, named Kohima House, commemorated the decisive land battle in WWII against the Japanese in northeast India. The epitaph on the memorial of the 2nd British Division in the Kohima War Cemetery has become world-famous as the Kohima Epitaph.

“When you go home, Tell them of us and say, For your Tomorrow, We gave our Today.”

The verse is attributed to John Maxwell Edmonds (1875–1958), inspired, it is thought, by Simonides’ epitaph honouring the Spartans who fell at the 480BC Battle of Thermopylae.

In 1985 the RAF decided to name the roads separately and held a competition in the Brampton Eagle station magazine. The resulting 1986 decision, from a suggestion by one of the then parish church wardens, a serving officer, was to name Nos. 1–114 as 1–114 Belle Isle Crescent, Nos. 115–158 as 1–29/2–44 Hansell Road, and Nos. 160–165 as 1–6 Williams Close.

Continued next month…

**February Bulletin**
CAMBS FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

On-call firefighters are a vital part of today’s fire and rescue service, providing an efficient, effective service that gives emergency cover to more than 90 per cent of the UK. They are not based at a fire station but carry a pager and respond to emergency incidents when they happen.

In Cambridgeshire they make up 56 per cent of the workforce. They receive an annual wage to reflect the time they commit to being available plus additional payments for attending incidents and drill nights (one evening a week for two hours).

On-call firefighters are men and women who may have other jobs but are able to provide evening, daytime or weekend cover. When they are on-call they may be at home, working for themselves or for a nearby company or out in their local community (staying within a five-minute travel time of the fire station) and are generally located in rural communities, small towns and villages.

If you would like to become an on-call firefighter, please visit cambsfire.gov.uk and search for on-call firefighter under the careers section.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us log onto cambsfire.gov.uk or Twitter, YouTube and Facebook.
Brampton Biodiversity Project

PARK ROAD MEADOWS TL200707

Figure derived from a LiDAR image. [Light Detection and Ranging is an airborne mapping technique, which uses a laser to measure the distance between an aircraft sensor and the object on the ground]. The ridges and furrows are shown by dotted lines.

Walking west along Park Road towards the A1 there are a series of small enclosed meadows. These have an intriguing history. They appear on the Enclosure map of the village dated 1772 (see map opposite), so predate the main period when most of the hedgerow boundaries in the Parish were established. The LIDAR image shown above clearly shows the extent to which the field boundaries cut across the Medieval Ridge and Furrow topography. It is possible to speculate that they were used to hold cattle and sheep, which may have drunk from the pond formally present on the village green.

Today the grasslands are grazed by horses, and when visited in 2010 by the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire had a wide range of typical meadow plants. The hedgerows, also have a good range of shrubs and include several mature hedgerow trees. A rule devised by Max Hooper (Monk’s Wood Experi-
mental Station), suggests every species of tree or shrub in a hedgerow, represents 100 years of its existence. Using this as a guide, the full list of shrubs and trees recorded on the site, indicate that some of the hedgerows may date back to more than a thousand years.

Dr J Patrick Doody January 2017
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Alpine Flora and Fauna
HUNTINGDONSHIRE LOCAL GROUP

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust are pleased to welcome Alice Hunter who will present an illustrated talk on Alpine Flora and Fauna. This will be held on Wednesday 8th February at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB.

Alice Hunter is a local wildlife photographer with a keen interest in Alpine Flora and Fauna. Alice will tell us about the rich biodiversity of the Alps, linking the beautiful and varied habitat to the many species found there. Alice will share her passion for photography by illustrating these species with her wonderful photographs.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Booking for the talk is not necessary. Entrance charge £2.50 (accompanied children free). Please contact Tim on 01480 457795 for further information.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire. Registered Charity No: 1000412
Good Neighbour Scheme

UPDATE

The Brampton Good Neighbour Scheme will offer practical help and support to people in Brampton who request it.

Every house in the village received a leaflet just before Christmas about the proposed Good Neighbour Scheme which emerged from the Community-Led Plan consultation as something we should seek to develop.

The leaflet invited people to register their interest in being supported by the Scheme and a number of people have taken advantage of this. If you did not return a form but are interested in being supported by the scheme please ring 01480 456396 or email bramptonvf@aol.com.

A Brampton Volunteer Force committee has been formed to set up and organise the Good Neighbour Scheme. They recently had a joint meeting with Care Network Cambridgeshire, a local organisation that provides short term support for people when they return home from hospital or during a period of illness. We need 2 or 3 more volunteers to join our Brampton committee and help get the Good Neighbour Scheme up and running. It is an exciting project, the time involved is relatively small and the work will be very rewarding.

Not into committees, but would like to offer a little of your time to support Brampton residents who have indicated that they need some help or company? If you have not already registered please ring 01480 456396 or email bramptonvf@aol.com. If you indicated in the village survey that you would be willing to act as a ‘Good Neighbour’ you do not have to do anything. We will contact you in the near future.

As well as Care Network Cambridgeshire, who will support us in the setting up of the Scheme; provide training and help to get volunteers up and running, we will be linking with Brampton Befrienders and a meeting is being arranged with the local surgery to seek their involvement.

Inevitably it will take a little time for the Scheme to bed down and establish itself but it is clear from the responses to date that this will fill a gap in service provision and make a huge difference to those in Brampton who need the support.

Peter Downes and Peter Menczer

Within Brampton Village Primary School.
Open term-time Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm
Children may attend for a full-day, half-day or a 2.5 hour session.
Early years funding vouchers accepted.
For more information or to arrange a visit contact Sallie Cochrane, pre-school leader, 01480 375063 or 07504 062234
Community Library

UPDATE

At the end of our first donation appeal, we are very pleased to say that the local community has given us an excellent start. We now have approaching 5,000 pre-loved books to sort and catalogue.

Discussions with the County Library Service have been very positive and we will be working with them to establish Brampton Community Library as a Library Access Point for the County Services. Imminent access to the technology and training will mean that we will very shortly be in a position set up our collection within a data management system and that will then enable us to bring our bank of volunteers into the process.

We still need to find additional space to store books. If you have, or know of someone who has, garage or other storage facilities, please telephone 01480 385 505. If you leave your contact details on the voicemail, someone will get back to you. Any help with this, whether temporary or longer term, will be very much appreciated.

IT Mentoring
MENTORING SESSIONS CALENDAR

Sessions will be held in the Community Centre Meeting Room

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Volunteers needed

Cambridgeshire Hearing Help volunteers run drop-in hearing help sessions and make home visits to housebound hearing aid users to provide NHS free batteries and a hearing aid maintenance service with advice about hearing loss. We need more help in the Huntingdon District. To book a place contact Melanie Lombardi on 01223 416141 or enquiries@cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk, www.cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
The usual December distraction dominated the latter part of the month so unfortunately we were unable to fit in a second walk.

We started off the new year with a local walk through Hinchingbrooke Park, by the river and round Brampton Park back to the village. The early rain cleared by the starting time exactly as promised on the Met Office website and six of us enjoyed a chilly but not too muddy walk.

The first February walk will be another local one on the 7th, leaving the Memorial Hall car park at 10am. The route isn’t set yet and may depend on ground conditions but will be round about five miles or so.

There will be a second walk in February but I can’t fix a date yet as it will depend on other commitments. As before, the 127 people on my emailing list will be informed in good time and anyone else is welcome to contact me for the information, and can be added to the list if they wish.

To give feedback or for information please email geoffreystratton@gmail.com or ring Geoff on 01480 436126.

Our weekly Health Walks continue every Thursday morning at 10am meeting outside the Memorial Hall. Each walk lasts between 45 minutes and an hour and we have been making good use of the Country Park.

Bramblers continued next page...
The Languages Club has been set up to encourage people interested in languages to give them a chance to refresh their existing knowledge and skills, and to find out more about other languages with which they are not familiar.

Some people have kindly offered to host language-specific informal conversation groups so if you would like to send a relaxed hour chatting in another language to others with the same interest as you, please contact:

For Italian: Tim Boon
timmyboon@hotmail.com

For German: Gesine Devere
g.devere@lineone.net

For French: Peter & Pamela Downes
peterdownes42@aol.co.uk

From time to time the Languages Club will hold a meeting for everyone together to look at a wider topic. In November 14 people attended a meeting in the Memorial Centre when Peter Downes gave an introductory presentation on ‘Language Families across the World’. He sketched out how languages fall into groups and how they have travelled across the globe and through time.

The next general meeting for the Languages Club will be on Tuesday January 31st in the evening (8 p.m. Memorial Centre meeting room) when the topic will be ‘Discovering Chinese characters’. A young teacher of Mandarin from Melbourn Village College has kindly agreed to come and tell us how the Chinese script is formed and there will be a chance for us to try it out for ourselves. Chinese differs significantly from the languages most of us know in that the sounds we pronounce are not directly linked to the way letters are written down. Chinese is communicated in writing by a series of simplified pictograms. Fascinating – do come and find out more!

There is no charge for attending Languages Club meetings and nobody need be afraid of being embarrassed or being put on the spot. There will be no testing and no Ofsted inspection!

Peter Downes
Orlit ‘B’ Royal Observer Corps Post

JOHN SHERE MA, NATIONAL ROCA HERITAGE TEAM

The Buckden ROC Post is located in a field and is easily visible on the left hand side of the road going between Brampton and Buckden, when close to the Southbound A1 junction. This land is part of Lodge Farm. The Post is an Orlit ‘B’ design Cold War above-ground aircraft reporting Post.

The location is close to the new route for the A14 upgrade and this aircraft reporting Post represents a unique part of the UK’s Cold War history. These concrete structures are now very rare, in good condition. There are very few in the East of England and this is probably the best example.

The Observer Corps (as it was) was formed in 1925 to provide the UK with warnings of air attack. A network of what were called Posts was set up and these were manned by volunteers of the Corps. Initially these people were given the status of Special Constables. With the build up to WWII more Posts were constructed and information was sent to ROC and RAF Control Rooms. There is only one surviving example of a Wartime ROC Operations Room in the UK and this is also in the East of England. It is located inside the Guildhall in Bury St Edmunds.

The Observer Corps/ROC played a key role in the Battle of Britain and the air defence of the UK. It was known officially as the ‘Eyes and Ears’ of the RAF. Most people recognise the role that Radar played in this part of our nation’s history but few people realise that Radar was only looking out to sea. Once over the UK coast the ROC took over tracking of enemy aircraft by volunteers on Posts situated every 15 miles apart. Identification of the type, number, height and tracking of aircraft was passed to ROC Operations Rooms such as the one in the Guildhall. This information when plotted on the big tables was passed to the RAF so that they could intercept the invaders and warnings could be given to the public of air attack. As recognition of the key role played by the Observer Corps in the Battle of Britain a Royal Warrant was given by King George VI in 1941 and they became the Royal Observer Corps. The only unit to receive the Royal Warrant in wartime.

The ROC was ‘Stood Down’ at the end of the war in 1945. However with the start of the Cold War it was re-formed in 1947. The threat of aircraft flying low under Radar necessitated a programme of new Posts called Orlit ‘A’ & ‘B’ types. These were named after the Buckinghamshire firm that made the Precast concrete sections. The sections were assembled together on site to make the two types of box structures.

The Orlit B Post in Buckden dates from November 1949. However in the 1950’s the threat to the UK was now going to be from nuclear weapons. In 1955 it was decided that the ROC should undertake the secondary role of nuclear fall out-reporting and warning.
A programme to build 1,563 underground Posts (Bunkers) and 31 large underground Group Control Centres was started in 1956. In the Summer of 1965 the RAF finally decided that the low-level aircraft reporting role was no longer needed. The ROC then continued undertaking a nuclear reporting role until the end of the Cold War. In August 1968 an underground ROC Post was built next to the existing Orlit Post as this location on private land had such a good unrestricted view. This is currently still the same. However, also in 1968 there was a reduction in defence spending and 686 Posts were closed. This included the Buckden Posts which closed in October 1968.

The ROC heritage spans from formation in 1925 until a final Stand-Down in 1995 at the end of the Cold War- a 70 year history. Her Majesty the Queen continues to be patron of the Royal Observer Corps Association. For more information see the ROCA Heritage website: www.roc-heritage.co.uk

John Shere MA, MRAeS, MRIN Team Member, National ROCA Heritage Team 11-1-17

Women’s Institute
BRAMPTON WI IN FEBRUARY

On Tuesday 7th February there will be our monthly meeting of Brampton WI in the Community Centre, High St, Brampton, starting at 7.30pm.

Our speaker will be Anthea Moore who has been recommended to us because of her skill in Encaustic Painting. For those of us who have not heard before of this art medium, encaustic painting is the application of heated beeswax which has been coloured with pigment, to a prepared surface which can be wood or canvas to create a picture. I understand that Anthea uses a warm iron to help create her images and will be willing to help us create pictures of our own during her visit to us.

Contact Hazel Day at hazel.day7@gmail.com or telephone 01480 414623 for any extra details. Otherwise just come along on 7th February. You will be very welcome.

Bumps and Babies
NEW GROUP AT BRAMPTON

For parents to be, and mums and dads and carers with babies up to one year. Please join us to meet other parents and babies, free of charge.

Monday 6 Feb and Monday 6 March 1.30 to 2.30 Brampton Childrens Centre, Brampton, PE28 4RF 07776 494100
Brampton Football Club
CLUB FUTURE LOOKING GOOD

Writing this on New Year’s Day as I recover from the over-indulgence of the end of year celebrations, I note that our first team is currently eighth in the Cambs Premier Division having won 8, drawn just 1 and lost 8. Recent form suggests that we might realise our ambition of finishing in the top five. We play our first post holiday game away at neighbours Hemingfords Utd who are struggling for points, unlike the other Hunts team in the division, Eaton Socon who are flying high in third place. We lost a league game and an early round of the Scott Gatty Cup, which we won last season, by 3-2 to Eaton on both occasions in closely fought games.

Brampton Reserves are having a fine season, currently in fourth spot in Division 2B and by the time you read this we will know whether they overcame Eaton Socon Reserves in the semi-final of the Hunts Junior Cup on 21st January. In getting to this position the reserves have twice beaten teams like Eaton Socon res. from the division above them, i.e. Alconbury and Houghton and Wyton - no mean feat. Local man Simon Linnell, a former stalwart of our first team announced his retirement this year but was encouraged to return to play for the reserves. He has never played better and is their current leading goal scorer. Great decision Simon! A warm welcome back too to Jack Miles who suffered serious knee injury four years ago and who is now influential in the reserves and scored for the first team in our last game before Christmas.

All in all with young players like Cavan King, Jake Winterburn, Omar Marsh and others (all have fathers who played for Brampton) and some good signings this year – Martin Turner, Matthew Gearing and Daniel Sherlock from Foxton, Yaxley and Needingworth respectively, we look forward to the rest of the season with some confidence.

Your support both on and off the field is very important to us. A couple of hours spent shouting for us on a Saturday afternoon or buying a ticket in our cash prize lottery will help sustain us. Please give me a call on 07932 632562 or email francisburnley41@gmail.com

Tony Burnley Secretary Brampton FC

EMERGENCY DENTAL HEALTHCARE
For children and adults who do not have a dentist or are unable to access their own dentist.
Clinic 5, Treatment Centre
Hinchingbrooke Hospital tel 363760
Open Mon-Fri 8.45-12.30 13.15-16.45
Out of working hours call NHS 111
Brampton Village Primary School
JANUARY’S NEWS WRITTEN BY PUPILS FROM YEAR 6

Young Voices: On the 26th of January 2017, Year 5 and 6 choir are taking a trip to Birmingham NEC to attend Young Voices where they will sing their hearts out along with 4,000 other children. We have been learning the songs for the past few months and are really looking forward to it. It will be a long and tiring day for them as they are supposed to arrive back at school just before midnight. If you are coming to watch you will be guaranteed an amazing performance!

Year 6 Racecourse Mathematics trip: On Friday the 13th of January, Year 6 children are going to be putting their brains to the test at Huntingdon Racecourse. We will be spending the whole school day there completing fun and exciting maths activities.

Movie Night: On Friday the 20th of January, the PTA are hosting a movie night for everyone to enjoy. The movie that will be aired is The Secret Life Of Pets. There will be a fee for the entry and also snacks, popcorn and drinks available for free (with a ticket you get at entry). Other additional snacks can be purchased. We’re looking forward to enjoying the movie!

By Charlotte Smith, Jodie Elliot and Gemma Stafford

The latest information from the school is always available on our website which is www.brampton.cambs.sch.uk.

Volunteer Drivers Required
ALBRAM CAR SCHEME

The ALBRAM Car Scheme exists to help those patients of Alconbury and Brampton Surgeries who cannot make their own way to medically related appointments at the surgery, hospital, clinic, optician, dentist etc.

Patients using the service pay the driver a mileage charge for each journey.

Before being accepted as volunteer drivers, individuals are required to undergo Disclosure and Barring (DBS) checks, which are arranged by the CCC at the request of the ALBRAM Secretary, who is the coordinator for the ALBRAM Scheme.

If you are in interested in helping out as a volunteer driver, please give your details to Janet Street at the Alconbury Surgery or Annerley Symes at the Brampton Surgery. You will then be contacted by the Scheme Coordinator to commence the recruitment procedures.
Your Local Councillors
SEPTEMBER 2016

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Parish Council minutes, names, addresses and telephone numbers of your councillors and other parish notices are displayed on the two village notice boards, at the Memorial Centre and by the shops. The information also appears on our official Parish Council website at www.brampton-cambs-pc.gov.uk together with lots of other useful information about Brampton.
Brampton Parish Council, Brampton Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton, Huntingdon PE28 4TB
Parish Council
HIGHLIGHTS FROM DECEMBER MEETING

• At the December meeting of the Brampton Parish Council the main issues were:
  • The Community Led Plan (Events Group) is proceeding with the arrangements for 4 to 5 events for all age groups per year. The award of various grants in support of this has been agreed in principle but is to be finalised by the Finance Committee. Ticket sales will also be considered to cover the cost of hall hire where relevant.
  • Youth Matters: Unfortunately, the Youth Co-ordinator has resigned for personal reasons, so a replacement will be sought in the New Year.
  • District Council Report: The outline planning application for 56 homes (40% to be affordable) at Brampton Park Golf Club, was approved by HDC’s Development Management Committee on 21 November.
  • HDC is currently consulting on a draft wind farms policy to help decide locations in the district where windfarms might, or might not be considered suitable.
  • There have been 5 reported burglaries recently in the village, as at 8th Dec. Cambs Police have some very useful burglary prevention advice at: www.cambs.police.uk/GetCloser/Burglary.asp
  • County Council Report The decision was taken recently to re-instate last year’s gritting routes in their entirety. A Highways Maintenance Cross Party Member Working Group will now review the criteria used to allocate road gritting resources in future years, including cycle ways and footpaths.
  • The recent decision by CCC to keep all street lights on at full power against the previous intent of dimming or switching off entirely will adversely impact their budget: how this will be resolved is yet to be clarified.
  • The crisis facing social care provision in the light of an ageing population has received wide coverage. County Councils will still have to make the political decisions to provide the funding in support at local levels. At Parish level the Precept figure for 2017/18 is to be set at £223,209, which is £129.40 per Band D.
  • The Brampton Magazine: The cost after advertising income for the Brampton Magazine is £9,500 per year, working out at 44p per copy; so approx. £5.50 per house per year. Whilst the budget has now been agreed for 2017/18, the ongoing costs are to be discussed by a committee for a decision for next year’s budget. Comments and feedback from the public are welcomed.
  • Church: From 1st Jan 17, the 3 parishes of Brampton, Ellington and Grafham will become a single parish with Brampton Church being known as the Parish Church, whilst Ellington
and Grafham will be Chapels of Ease.

- **Antisocial Behaviour in Brampton:**
  Reports have been received about a considerable amount of litter in the village caused by the “local boy racer” gang especially outside the school. It is an ongoing problem for which a petition submitted to the Police is to be one option for consideration. Alternative traffic routing around the green with a bollard near to the first entrance to the school is another option.

### Allotment Gardens

**VACANT PLOTS TO RENT**

Brampton Parish Council has several vacant allotment plots at the Allotment Gardens, Thrapston Road, Brampton.

Vacant plots which are currently overgrown will be rotovated.

If you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk on 01480 454441 or email clerkbrampton@gmail.com

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**Memorial Plaques**

**THE BRAMPTON MEMORIAL OBEISK**

Memorial plaques can be purchased in memory of a loved one.

The plaques will be leased for a period of 25 years at a cost of £200.00 per plaque. Artwork can be added for an additional £40.00 and for a photo plaque (4cm x 3cm) it will be an additional £50.00.

The Obelisk can hold 80 plaques. If you wish to receive an information pack please contact Janet Innes-Clarke, clerkbrampton.pc@gmail.com, 01480 454441 or Debbie Steel, depbrampton.pc@gmail.com, 01480 454441 or Ramune Mimiene the Burial Clerk, r.mimiene@googlemail.com, 01480 532239
The Kindness of Strangers
OR HOW TO SEE THE LIGHTS

Margaret and I decided we wanted to see “A United Kingdom,” the story of Seretse Khama and Ruth Williams. Arrangements were made, meet on 11am bus from Brampton, change at the bus station to get to cinema stop. Book tickets first. Frankie’s or Bella’s for lunch then the matinee performance.

Simples... . So we get to the cinema to be advised that, because “A United Kingdom” wasn’t popular it would be screened at 9.30pm — not a good time for us. After further conversation we agree that we will watch “Sully,” the story of the airliner that landed on the Hudson River. No time for a meal so we hang about in the cinema foyer ’til the film starts (excellent by the way) and then we have our meal. So far, so good and we are in time for the 5.05pm bus. So there we are waiting at the stop and the bus comes along. We signal for it to stop, get on and after swiping our passes we sit down.

After 5 minutes or so Margaret starts asking where we are as there seems to be an awful lot of countryside. Well it’s too dark to see anything, not even a signpost, so we plan for a possible bed and breakfast when we arrive at wherever we’re going!! We eventually get to Chatteris (absolutely splendid Christmas Lights) but decide to stick with the bus driver — a very nice man — and we finally alight in March (yet another fine display of lights). The bus driver directs us to the railway station so we can get first to Peterborough then to Huntingdon. We make for a pedestrian crossing where a young couple confirm the whereabouts of the station, approximately 2 miles away. We croak “taxi” and they escort us to the taxi rank. And what a gorgeous station, recently decorated and a dream in green and cream. There has to be a remake of “Brief Encounter” (Google it for goodness sake!) starring March railway station. So there we are and tickets must be purchased and is there a ticket office? Is there heck, no there isn’t, just a jolly screen.

Fortunately, another couple is close by — and sensing our confusion the gentleman offers to help and hey presto 2 x tickets to Peterborough/Huntingdon. So to the train, which is absolutely packed, but we boldly step up and into the carriage and are quite prepared to stand but this was not to be. A young man had spotted us and noticed two city types taking up 4 seats. Abracadabra, we sat down. He also got off the train at Peterborough and as he was travelling beyond Huntingdon he escorted us to the appropriate platform and train and we chatted until we reached Huntingdon.

Margaret then ‘phoned her son-in-law who came to pick us up. We got home around 8.30pm-ish! Don’t go aaah in sympathy... we couldn’t stop laughing. We think we’ll go and have a look round Chatteris next year when we’ll actually be able to see it!!

Dawn & Margaret
Did you know there are 2 Brownies units in the village? 1st and 2nd Brampton Brownies between them host 43 Brownies and they have much they wish to tell you about.

Last term the girls took part in a wide range of activities including learning about fire safety, how to cook and use knives safely, a trip to local Pagan site Moonhenge where they sat around a campfire cooking marshmallows and learning campfire songs to simply having fun at their Christmas Luau party.

They were in the village parade for Remembrance Day and proudly displayed the poppy wreaths they had made. These were done on an evening where they learnt all about Remembrance Day and the significance of the poppy. We also went to the Pantomime and had a giggle filled afternoon - "Oh No They Didn’t" - "Oh Yes They Did!". The importance of fundraising and learning how to handle money was learnt when they helped out the school fair with our tombola stall and they acquired skills in how to work together and welcome others when we had new Brownies join the units.

Brownies take a promise to do their best and be true to themselves and the law they abide by is to think of others and do a good turn every day. The girls are encouraged to be independent and to make decisions both on their own and as part of a team. Their termly programmes are varied and they have regular input into what they want to do next. Their meetings are always full of activities and friendship and we are very proud of the young ladies the Brownies are becoming.

In February the girls are getting involved with the local community by joining up with the Rainbow and Guide units in the village, to host the Guiding Seasonal Gala, an afternoon of entertainment for those over 65 years in the village. It will be held in the Community Centre on Sunday 26th February from 2-4pm and tickets are only £1.50 per person which includes a hot drink and a piece of cake. There will also be a raffle on the day to add to the fun. Tickets are available from the 1st February and can be purchased from the post office or by calling 07546 430512. All profits will go to girl guiding.

Brownies is much more than many people realise, games are played, promises are made, skills are learnt, talent is developed and nurtured, friendships are formed but most importantly, girls are taught that they can do anything.

Brownies is run entirely by volunteers with a passion to give girls exciting
adventures and lifelong memories, if you would like to be a part of this movement and help out, please get in touch.

1st Brampton Brownies meet on Wednesdays, 5:30 to 7pm. Contact Carla Leete on carlaleete@hotmail.com or 07546 430512
2nd Brampton Brownies meet on Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7pm. Contact Sue Cross on 07880 883032 or email susan.cross17@btinternet.com

Tidy Village Group
PROGRESS REPORT

I am sure we all feel a bit better when we live in a tidy and cared-for environment. As it has become increasingly clear over recent months that the County Council no longer has the funding to maintain the village to the standard we would expect, the ‘Tidy Village Group’ has expanded its membership and its activities.

We have mainly concentrated on cutting back overgrowing bushes and trees that have been obscuring road signs and traffic lights, or making life more difficult for cyclists and pedestrians, or reducing visibility at junctions. We have also washed green slime off some of the road signs and re-painted the bridge parapet on Buckden Road.

Our work has been authorised by the County Council but of course we have to take sensible precautions, such as wearing high viz jackets, not straying on the carriageway and not going up dodgy ladders.

Everybody can help a little bit by sweeping up outside their own homes as people used to do, many years ago, and I know that lots of people in the village do that already automatically. If more did so, it would be even better.

The Tidy Village Group has grown to 14 members and if anybody is inclined to join in, there is no entrance examination! Just send an e-mail to peterdownes42@aol.co.uk and I will gladly add you to our mailing-list.

Peter Downes
Wisdom, Courage and Patience
THE REVD JASON TAYLOR

These are the three things that I am asking God for in 2017: Wisdom, Courage and Patience. It may seem obvious to you but when I started to think about how I could best serve my parishes the question that came to mind is, “How should I pray?”. Eventually (sometimes I’m a slow learner) I remembered the Serenity Prayer that I first encountered inside my mother’s Roman Missal when I was sorting through her things after she had died.

Most of us know the first four lines. If you are familiar with Alcoholics Anonymous, have ever read Kurt Vonnegut’s ‘Slaughterhouse Five’ or have seen Denzel Washington’s movie ‘Flight,’ then you have encountered the Serenity Prayer. The prayer has worked its way into so many cultural outlets that many non-Christians know it, or at least the beginning, by heart:

The prayer is laden with biblical truth’s and is commonly attributed to Protestant theologian Reinhold Niebuhr. So what can we learn from this simple prayer?

Firstly we learn that to accepting that there are some things we cannot change does not make us complacent. It constitutes a leap of faith — an ability to trust, as the prayer goes on to say, “that [God] will make all things right if I surrender to His Will.” We thus make the choice to let go and have faith in the outcome.

We learn too that it it virtually impossible to change other people and that real, lasting change has to start with us. I cannot change you and you cannot change me; what we all need is the “courage” to change the things we can.

Life has hardships. You don’t need me to tell you that. The Serenity Prayer asks God to help us accept those hardships as a pathway to peace. To learn from them and emerge stronger from them. I know of a great Christian leader who, whenever difficulties arise, asks God, “what are you trying to teach me through this situation?”. We could do worse than to mimic him.

Through the Serenity Prayer we hope to learn to trust God. To surrender to him, “trusting that He will make all things right”. I often quote an unknown
individual who said of the life of faith that “Everything will be all right in the end; if it isn’t alright then it isn’t the end. The word “surrender” has mostly negative connotations; we associate it with resignation, failure and weakness. But the Serenity Prayer reframes the notion of surrender as an act of faith and trust. The wisdom of the prayer lies in exchanging a life of endless “what ifs” for a life of trust in God.

Finally the prayer ends with some thoughts on happiness. In contrast to our inclination to want to be deliri-ously happy all the time and to think something is wrong if we are not, here we are encouraged to aim for “reasonably” happy in this world. I actually think this is very profound but there isn’t space to say more about it here. The prayer asks us to live in the present, taking one day at a time and enjoying one moment at a time. It ends with the hope of all Christians that, having achieved with God’s help, even reasonable joy in this life that we might be, “supremely happy with Him forever in the next”.

So here’s to a ‘reasonably happy’ 2017!

Mothers’ Union
NEW TUES PM VENUE -THE CHURCH HALL

Our AGM meetings were held during January but because this article has to be submitted before they took place, I am unable to convey any news. However I am almost certain that our Branch Leader will be Elizabeth Arkle to whom we are most grateful for her outstanding leadership and dedication. What I can tell you is that the MU theme for 2017 is “Faith in Action”. These three words describe just what the Mothers’ Union is about, sharing God’s love in practical and tangible ways.

Our Branch will continue to support overseas projects through fund-raising activities. We shall also continue to have close links with Rev Scott Watts, chaplain at Hinchingbrooke Hospital, Huntingdon Women’s Refuge, Godmanchester Food Bank and Away from it all Holidays. Throughout 2017 I’m sure we shall find ourselves involved in more challenges which will hopefully bring relief and happiness to families in need.

There will be no evening meeting in February as it falls in half-term. Our afternoon meeting on Tuesday 21st February will be held in the Church Hall as will all future afternoon meetings. Our meetings are open to everyone and the Church Hall provides plenty of parking!

Programme for Spring 2017
14 FEB No meeting (half term)
21 FEB Meeting TBC
14 MAR H’brooke Hospital Chapel 7.30
21 MAR Lent Theme Church Hall 2.30
11 APR No meeting (Easter)
18 APR Speaker Mike Baker CH 2.30
9 MAY Church Service/Supper 7.00
13 JUN Sarah Rosella AFIA CH 8.00
20 JUN Afternoon tea fundraiser 2.30

Julie Anderson
Parish Church of St Mary Magdalene
stmarym.co.uk

Parish Ministry Team
Rector
Revd Jason Taylor 453341 rector@stmarym.co.uk
If you would like to meet with, or speak to, the Rector please contact him using the details above. His rest day is Friday.

Associate Minister & Lead Chaplain of Hinchingbrooke Hospital
Revd Scott Watts JP 411141 scott@stmarym.co.uk

Children and Families
Adventurers’ Sunday School (3-10s) during the 11am service
Karen Large 433922 children@stmarym.co.uk
Youth Club for years 6+ Thursday 6.30 – 7.45pm
Hannah Arkle youth@stmarym.co.uk

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Mothers’ Union Elizabeth Arkle 434924 mu@stmarym.co.uk
2nd Tuesday 8pm Church Hall, 3rd Tuesday 2.30pm Church Hall
Tower Bells Ian Stracey 457525 ian@stmarym.co.uk
Practice Monday 7.30 – 9.00 pm
Church Hall Bookings Secretary 434374 hall@stmarym.co.uk
Church Mission Society Coordinator 433220
Bible Study Notes Jean Carter 436846

Church House Groups
House groups provide an opportunity for people to meet, to learn, and to help each other as Christians. We have a number of groups which meet and we welcome new people. For more information, contact Revd Jason Taylor.

Across the Churches Bible Study
Ellington normally 1st and 3rd Tuesday evening. Contact Jean Clark on 890033
Parish Churches in Feb

SERVICE PATTERNS

5 Feb  4 Before Lent
9.15  Parish Communion Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise All Saints’ Grafham

12 Feb  3 Before Lent
9.15  Parish Communion Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise All Saints’ Ellington

19 Feb  2 Before Lent
9.15  Parish Communion Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise Brampton
11.00 Holy Communion Grafham

26 Feb  Sunday Before Lent
9.15  Service of the Word Brampton
11.00 Parish Praise Brampton
11.00 Holy Communion Ellington

Brampton Methodist Church on the Green

Minister  Rev Matt Finch 01480 462293
1 9 Audley Close, St Ives PE27 6UJ
Church Contact
Mrs Bessie Rands 01480 52852
norma_nil2000@yahoo.co.uk
Hall Bookings  Mrs B Rands 01480 52852

Services  Each Sunday at 10 am
5 Feb  Mr D Moorman
12 Feb  Rev T Garwood
19 Feb  Mr T Sainsbury
26 Feb  Rev Matt Finch (Holy Comm.)

Thursday Fellowship
This is inter-denominational, not a Methodist Fellowship. You do not need to attend a Church on Sunday to come along. Everyone welcome at 2.30 pm.
9 Feb  Billie Leighton
23 Feb  Nail Care

Other Events:
1 Feb  Coffee Morning 10 – 12.00
8 Feb  Emmaus Bible Study 2.15
15 Feb  Shared Lunch 12.30
22 Feb  Emmaus Bible Study 2.15
A big thank-you to those who donated mince pies for Carols on the Green

St Hugh Catholic Church

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Priest in Charge
Fr. Chris Newman CMF Tel: 810344

Services
Saturday  6.30 pm  Vigil Mass
Sunday  9.45 am  Family Mass
Days of Obligation  12 pm & 7.30 pm  Mass

Religious Instruction
for children Sunday from 10.30 am
Confessions  Saturday 10-10.30 am

Hinchingbrooke Hospital Chapel

1st and 3rd Sundays each month 10.45
C of E with holy communion
Every Wednesday  4.30 RC Mass
Crosslinks
THE ROBINSON FAMILY NEWSLETTER FROM THEIR THAILAND MISSION

January 2017

Dear Friends,

We have been having a busy time as usual, with all sorts happening, and still having moments when God does something so amazing that it makes us so thankful, in amongst the daily struggles.

Gew is 13 and has been at the Place of Grace periodically for a few years, and comes from a very troubled family. She is the oldest girl, and lives with her mum and fourth step dad, who drinks. Both adults are known to hit the children, and the stepdad to throw the children out when he wants to, even in the night. She has been, not surprisingly, one of our most seriously troubled young people. One day she followed Gillian into a cupboard and slammed the door behind her - she then grabbed a pair of sharp scissors and held them against her neck and threatened to stab herself in the neck for five minutes before backing down. She is very volatile and has had to have someone around her so she doesn’t attack the other children, and the older teenagers are even scared of her. The children at her school have shown us video clips of her fighting at school with other girls.

Every week we have two discipleship groups, and then once a month we put them together for a youth service. Gew’s younger sister Gam has been coming along since doing the Alpha course and God has given her a real sense of peace. She had been heading the same way as Gew but is a changed girl since accepting Jesus. She is learning to play the guitar with one of our staff and plays quiet music so thoughtfully when we pray, as well as worship songs. The last youth service we did, Gew came along, and honestly we were like, ‘oh my’, but trusted that God knew what he was doing. We had planned a talk on how God can bring healing to our pain, and were doing a drama to illustrate how God can heal the damage we have (in things like feeling down, self-harm, violence and looking for love in the wrong places), and Gew was transfixed. We gave the young people an opportunity to pray after the drama and she asked Gillian to pray with her, which was a miracle. Gillian asked Gew if she would like to ask Jesus into her life and she said that she would, and so we prayed with her. John gave her one of his books and we gave her a bible, and since then she has come along every week. BUT the absolute miracle is, you would not recognise her as the same girl. She comes in and hugs us, rather than threatening to hit us, and we honestly forget she is there, compared with having to have our radar on her every second. Praise God for the absolute miracle he has done in this desperate and damaged young girl’s life, as well as each of the other precious young people responding to Him.

We would like to run another Alpha course soon, but we really need more staff to help, so please pray for this, as we already work at more than full stretch. We have had our Christmas parties, and it was so precious to see the teenagers hugging their presents.
and not even wanting to open them, so as to treasure the moment. It is so precious to see such excitement on each child’s face, as well as the young people at our discipleship group who were really moved at the mimes that all of the staff did, showing the difference Jesus has made in our lives. The young people are again doing the nativity at each party, and to see these tough young girls and lads, some 18+, standing up and doing the nativity, and singing a Christian song at the end (‘Christmas is when love came’) to their peers and communities is very moving. We are grateful to friends and supporters who collected Christmas gifts and toiletries and sent Christmas craft materials, which have all brought such joy to the children.

Please continue to pray for the precious children and young people who have so many difficult things to deal with in their lives, for the knowledge of Jesus, Saviour, Immanuel, God with us, to bring hope to each one, as well as for us, to have a new place sorted soon to live in.

Thank you for your love, prayers and support for us – we appreciate you.
With love from us all,
John, Gillian, Leah, Natalie and Joel

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The Lost Sheep

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Brampton Church Hall

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EACH WEEK IN BRAMPTON

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Brampton Mums and Tots Group
CC 9.15 – 11.15
freckles87@hotmail.co.uk

Pilates MC 9.30- 10.30
zarawalters@gmail.com

Health and Fitness Class Keep Fit 60+
CC 2.00 – 3.30
alisonmount@btconnect.com 810805

DMJ Children’s Dancing
MC 5.30 – 6.30
dmjdancing.co.uk Debbie 458522

Beavers 6 – 8 yrs
Scout Hut 6.00 – 7.15
gsl@1stbramptonscouts.org.uk

Guides 1st Brampton girls aged 10 – 14
6.15 – 8.00 Laura 07796 331036

Gi Jo Fitness Bootcamp BMF 6.15 – 7.15
07894 534317 gi-jofitness@hotmail.co.uk

GET FIT WITH VIC 07966 660028
Fitness Pilates MC 6.45 – 7.45
Kettlebells CC 8.15 - 9.05
vicki.hughes.100@hotmail.co.uk

Bridge Club
MC 7.15 –10.30
Yvonne Palfrey 456462

Tower Bell Ringers
Parish Church 7.45 – 9.00
ian.stracey@gmail.com 457525

Ladies Netball MC MUGA 7.00 – 8.00
Billie 454453 Restarting in April 2017

TUESDAY
Brampton Thrift Shop
37 Park Lane, Brampton Camp 9.30-2.00
Judith 437977

Day Centre Tuesday Club
MC 10.00 – 3.00 Transport can be arranged contact Norma Tebbs 392525

Little Fishes
Brampton Methodist Church 9.00 – 10.00
Rosemary 454910 DPBrampton@aol.com

Right Start 5 - NEW class
MC 10.30 – 11.30 One Leisure,
Huntingdon 388111

Slimming World
MC 5.30 or 7.30
Mandy 472086 mandyreeve@aol.com

Brownies 2nd Brampton girls aged 7 – 10
5.30 – 7.00 Contact Sue 07880883032

Metafit HIIT CC 7.00-7.30
07894 534317 gi-jofitness@hotmail.co.uk

Scouts 10.5 – 14 yrs
Scout Hut 7.15 – 9.00
gsl@1stbramptonscouts.org.uk

Air Cadets 73 (Huntingdon) Sqn
1 Hubbard Close, Brampton 7.00 – 9.45
73@aircadets.org Flt Lt. Adam Cook

Iyengar Yoga MC 8.00 – 9.30
Pre-book with Mark Issacs 01733 253615
karmacorneryoga@yahoo.co.uk

Yoga Primary School Hall 7.30 – 9.00
To pre book contact Jane 07958 757076

WEDNESDAY
Stay and Play 0 – 5 years 9.15 – 10.45
Brampton Childrens’ Centre, The Green
376191 cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk

BodyBlitz Fitness Pilates
MC 9.30 – 10.30 07812 243378
imelda.zumba@gmail.com

Fitness is Fun CC
10.00 – 11.00
heathersteer@btinternet.com 840046
Brownies 1st Brampton girls aged 7 – 10
5.30 – 7.00 Contact Carla 07546 430512

Music Hall Society
CC 7.30 – 9.30 Jul, Aug, Sept only
Noreen 01487 822443

**THURSDAY**

Art Class with Teresa Gabriel
MC 9.15 – 11.30 term time 07814 289885
teresa.gabriel.4@gmail.com

Brampton Thrift Shop
37 Park Lane, Brampton Camp 9.30-2.00
Judith 437977

Hatha Yoga
CC 10.00 – 11.30
lindatongue@yahoo.co.uk 350345

Health Walks
from MC car park 10.00
geoffreystratton@gmail.com

Weight Watchers
MC 6.30 – 7.30 07789 918366
sandrews@weight-watchers.co.uk

Rainbows 1st Brampton girls 5 – 7 yrs
4.45 – 5.45 Vicky 07899 942868

Cubs 8 – 10.5 yrs
Scout Hut 6.30 – 8.00
gsl@1stbramptonscouts.org.uk

Connect2 Youth Club Yr 6 +
Church Hall 6.30 – 7.45
Hannah Arkle youth@stmarym.co.uk

GET FIT WITH VIC Kettlebells
CC 7.30-8.30 07966 660028
vicki.hughes.100@hotmail.co.uk

**FRIDAY**

Befrienders drop in session
CC 10.00 – 12.00 Jan Edwards 417380

Shotokan Karate
MC 6.45 – 7.45
Sensei Jon Chitty 437977

Air Cadets 73 (Huntingdon) Sqn
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73@aircadets.org Flt Lt. Adam Cook

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Martial Arts CC 9.30 – 10.30
sensei@toraseishin.co.uk

Huntingdon Caledonian Society 1 to 3 events held Sept to May for details of this and other meets Pat 453774

Brampton Cricket Club
MCPF afternoon matches May to Aug
07460 470615 radlermass8@gmail.com

Brampton Senior Football Club
MCPF afternoon matches Aug to May
francisburnley@yahoo.co.uk 370996

**SUNDAY**

International Tang Soo Do – Martial Art
MC 10.30 – 12.00
Alan Miller 07708 879973

Missio Dei
MC 3.30 – 6.00
damiangmitchell@gmail.com

Adventurers Junior Church
St Marys 11.00
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1st Tuesday CC 7.30
hazel.day7@gmail.com 414623

Cromwell Quilters
1st Wednesday MC 7.00 - 10.00
International speakers and workshops Jane 417455

Brampton Flower Club
1st Wednesday CC 7.30
bramptonflowerclub.com

RAF Association Huntingdon and District Branch RAF Wyton Officers’ Mess
1st Wednesday 7.30
Advance notice for entrance to RAF Wyton needed contact Tony Perryman 465395 WRAF and WAAF welcome

Councillors' Surgery
1st Saturday Scout Hut 10.00 - 11.00

Mothers’ Union
2nd Tuesday Church Hall 8.00
3rd Tuesday Church Hall 2.30 - 4.00
Elizabeth 434924 mu@stmarym.co.uk

Mobile Library
2nd Wed Hanover Court 10.25 - 10.55
3rd Friday Hilary Lodge 11.05 - 11.35

Huntingdonshire Group of Wildlife Trust
2nd Wednesday 7.30 MC Talks Sept to March timpfryer@gmail.com 457795

Trefoil Guild 18+ Scouting and Guiding
2nd Thursday Scout Hut 2.00 - 4.00 jeanmking@outlook.com 890901

Brampton Ladies Social Group
3rd Monday 8pm
Madeleine O’Broin 453376

Brampton Historical Society
4th Wednesday odd months
Brampton Institute 7.45
pat.last465@btinternet.com 451514

Brown String pop-up shop (not Feb)
The Forge 1st weekend Fri to Mon julieleach24@gmail.com

Daily in Brampton
Carolyn Parker School of Ballet
Cecchetti Ballet & Contemporary Dance
MC various days kangyparker@yahoo.co.uk

What’s On in February
4 Feb Events Group Quiz MC 7.00
6 Feb Bumps and Babies “NEW” Brampton Childrens Centre 1.30-2.30
7 Feb Brampton Walking Club MC 10.00
8 Feb Wildlife Trust Talk MC 7.30

CC Community Centre High Street
MC Memorial Centre Thrapston Rd
MPF Memorial Playing Fields

Brampton Institute
SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB
11 Feb Kelly Jenss - singer
24 Feb Family Disco 7.30-10.30

COUNCILLOR’S SURGERY
First Saturday of each month
10 -11 in the Scout Hut
behind the shops in the High St
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It’s expected the new monthly format will see more than 100 projects receive vital funding across Cambridgeshire every year. Funding will be awarded to projects that use and develop outdoor spaces in ways that will benefit their local community.

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