

BRAMSHAW TELEGRAPH

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Welcome to the February Edition of
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The Bramshaw Green Hut

At the last Parish meeting we were joined by Clare Canning from the Broadleaf Community Learning CIC, who asked to address the Council regarding applying for a grant for a very special project. Broadleaf is a Home-Ed Community providing educational sessions within our locally community. Having discovered the Bramshaw Hut, located at the Bramshaw Village Hall where a lot of the sessions are held, the group fell in love and have pledged to bring the hut back to its former glory!

Ms Canning spoke to the Parish Councillors about the fascinating history of the Green Hut at the back of the village hall, including old photos and hearing more about its use as a Military Hospital in Brockenhurst during the First World War. Soldiers from both India and then New Zealand recuperated at the Military Hospital. The Hospital, called The Lady Hardinge Hospital, opened at the outbreak of war until the end of 1915.

The Councillors were unanimous in their support and readily approved the grant application for the initial studies for the renovation of the hut and for it to be used by the children and community.

Ms Canning would love to gather stories, photos and other documents to be displayed within the renovated hut to celebrate and treasure the history of the Bramshaw and the Green Hut.

Ms Canning said, 'I was really interested to know that the Hut had once been much bigger too - it has such a fascinating history! I'd love to start collecting these stories to add to our display.'

If you have any such information, please get in contact with the Parish Clerk.



Thanks to Clare Canning for allowing us to use her photos of the Bramshaw Green Hut.

Beat Report

Hello and welcome to the January 2024 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

Six outbuildings were burgled in January and again the thieves stole mostly power tools and garden equipment. The premises targeted were on the outskirts of Brockenhurst, Cadnam, Bramshaw, Copythorne and in a residential area by junction 2 of the M27. If you would like some help in making your outbuildings more secure, then please email richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk and we will pass on some tips.

Seven vehicles have been stolen in January but thankfully three of them have been recovered, they were a tractor taken from Fritham, a car from Ashurst and a horse box from Beaulieu. Sadly, two diggers were stolen on the same night from a works yard on the outskirts of Minstead and are still missing as are two others cars stolen from Lyndhurst and Ashurst.

Five vans parked at the Premier Inn at Owner were broken into at the same time at the beginning of the month as well as two cars that were parked on a driveway and on a side street in Cadnam. We have also had the first of this year's thefts from vehicles parked in New Forest car parks – Blackwater and Bramshaw Wood car parks were targeted, and a wallet and rucksack were stolen. Please make sure you take all your valuables with you when you leave your vehicle unattended.

Some good news this month is that a man has been charged with stealing from a vehicle parked in the Whitemoor car park on the Emery Down to Bolderwood Road. The theft happened on the 25th June last year and following extensive enquiries 20 yrs old Dillon Cooper of Burnt House Lane in Bransgore has been charged with theft from a motor vehicle. He has been bailed with conditions to appear at Southampton Magistrates' Court on 13th February.

During 2023, the Copythorne Community Speed Watch team went out for a total of 63 surveys, spending a combined total of 287 hours at the roadside. For various reasons, 26 surveys had to be cancelled. Most of the surveys were on the Romsey Road and Southampton Road. They monitored 17,065 vehicles in total, most of which were within the speed limit. 4,286 drivers exceeded the speed limit, and they all received a letter from the Police. Please observe the speed limits for everyone's safety.

Finally, 36 yrs old Carly Louise Hamilton and 42 yrs old Colin James Wood, both from Southampton, have been charged with shoplifting from the Tesco in Lyndhurst. They will appear in court later this month.

Our Beat Surgeries throughout February will be at the following times and locations:

Monday 26th February 2024

- Bramshaw Village Stores at 8:00am
- Post Office at Bartley at 9:00am

Wednesday 21st February 2024

- Beaulieu main car park at 11:30am
- Opposite Tesco in Brockenhurst at 12:30pm

Saturday 24th February 2024

- Public Meeting with our partners at the National Park Authority, Forestry England and New Forest Dog. We will be in the Blackwater car park on the Ornamental Drive at 8.30am.

Sunday 25th February 2024

- Outside Tesco in Lyndhurst High Street at 10am.

If you can't make any of these meetings you can always call or email us on the details below but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course, if it's an emergency always call 999.

richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk

07554 775469

mark.roberts.24091@hampshire.police.uk

07392 314340

Flooding and Blocked Drains

Parish Councillor's have received ongoing concerns about flooding due to blocked drains in and around the area.

The issue was discussed at our Parish meeting in January. It was reported by local residents that due to recent heavy rainfall, the blocked drains overflowed resulting in heavy flooding of several private properties. The matter has been reported to the relevant local authorities and the Parish Council will continue to pursue a resolution to this ongoing problem.

If you have a concern regarding flooding caused by blocked drains, these can be logged at the link below:

[Report a flooding or drainage problem | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)



Both photographs credited to Cllr Seabourne.

Bramshaw Horticultural Society

The Horticultural Society meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7.00 for 7.30pm
Free tea/coffee and biscuits

Visitors are always welcome for a small charge of £2.00

For information contact Sue Yandell on 02380 812994

Next meeting:

Join us for our next meeting on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7:00pm where Christopher Legrand will be giving a talk entitled, 'The Treasures of Dorset'.

Bramshaw and District Film Society



When: 3rd Friday of every Month

Latest releases are shown as soon as they become available.

Raffle every film evening, to win a free ticket to the next showing

Come and enjoy a glass of wine before the start of the film

Annual Membership £3 - Guest Membership £1 - Attendance £4 per evening

Next Films

16th February – And Then Come The Nightjars - 2023

15th March – One Life - 2023

Enquiries to Sue Bennison Tel: 02380 813442

February's Film Review

And Then Come The Nightjars 2023 – Nigel Hastings, David Fielder 1hr 21m

Adapted for the screen from Bea Roberts' multi-award-winning stage play, And Then Come the Nightjars tells the story of an unlikely friendship between a Devon farmer and the vet who is assigned to cull his precious herd.

Highways, Footpaths, Flooding, Fly Tipping and Animals

Potholes and blocked drains continue to blight us causing damage to cars and property. If you are aware of any these, please report them by clicking on the link below.

[Potholes](#)

[Flooding](#)

In addition, for all rights of way including footpaths and stiles and other issues.

[Report a Problem](#)

[Fly Tipping](#)

[Abandoned Vehicle](#)

[Road Problems](#)

Sick, Injured or distressed Pony, Cow, Donkey, Pig, Sheep or Deer

- Forestry England 24 hours - 0300 0674600
- Verderers - 02380 282052 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm
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In the event that any of these issues are not dealt with in a timely manner please email the Parish Clerk with the date it was reported, the nature and location of the problem, contact details and the matter will be taken up with appropriate authority.

These links will be updated and added to where required.

Bramshaw Parish Council

The Council Meeting takes place in the community room at the Village Hall on the 4th Tuesday of the month apart from August and December. Please check the web site and the Parish Notice Boards as these dates do vary on occasion.