A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all

This Month’s Programme
4th December Club AGM
11th December Christmas Lunch at the Williams Arms
No further meetings this year
8th January, First Club Meeting of the New Year

Stewards Duties December
4th Chris Cork
11th Christmas Lunch Steward this year
Glenn Farrah
8th January Michael Harris

What We’ve Achieved this Year

The Club’s Community and International Committee’s have been supporting local charities and good causes throughout the year, here are just some of these groups.

Supporting the Youth of Braunton
Helping with Scouting Jamboree Expenses
Donation for Camp International Cambodia
Young Carers Trip to Crealy Park
Jointly funded with Ilfracombe Rotary
Braunton Academy Sports Kit
Student Expenses to Visit Kira Farm
Dictionaries to Kings Acre School
Donation to the Academy Music Department
Braunton U10 Football Team
Travelling Expenses

Supporting International Charities
Shelter Box Disaster Response
Mary’s Meals, Supplying meals to the needy.
Send a Cow, Help with Dairy Farming
Kira Farm Students in Uganda
Educating Young People in Life Skills
Sight Savers International, Gift of Sight
And Vision for Asia
Helping with Eye Problems such as cataracts
Médecins San Frontiers
Medical Services Worldwide
Kira Farm Funding Solar Lighting

Working with the Community
Village Green Improvements
Funding the New Seat around the Tree
New Bench at Score Bridge
Maintaining Flower Displays in the Village
Membership of Braunton Cricket Club
Carol Singing at Care Homes
Bingo Nights at the Parish Hall
Sponsorship of Community the Directory
and Supporting Live Well in Braunton
Collecting used Spectacles from the Medical Centre for Recycling

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Whats on This Month

The Clubs Christmas Lunch will be held on Wednesday 11th December at the Williams Arms. We shall be holding the annual Christmas Raffle, donations of raffle prizes will be greatly appreciated. Lunch £22.50 each. Guests Welcome, please contact Glenn Farrah or Dudley Chugg for details

Guest Night 29th January
Details and Venue to be arranged

Braunton Academy Interviews
Planning the Year 11 Mock Interviews at the Academy is ongoing, this year the interviews will take place during week commencing 20th January. Tuesday 21st, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th. At present we shall require at least 8 interviewers for each session. Please keep diary space available during this week in January and hopefully Club members can recruit additional helpers to support this very worthy excercise.
At a recent Club meeting we were given a very interesting and aspiring talk by John Puddy the Chairman of Freshspring Trust, on the educational presentations the trust is giving to local primary schools, promoting engineering as part of the schools STEM subjects (Science, Technology Engineering and Maths). The object of the charity is to advance the education of the public through the operation and preservation of a historical steamship and the promotion of maritime studies particularly amongst young people.

Following this talk the Club has agreed to donate £1200,00 to the Trust, this will enable the purchase of an addition set of Schools Presentation Equipment. The Club is keen to get Braunton Primary Schools involved with the Trust on these presentations, which are supplied to the schools free of charge.

The Steamship Freshspring was built in 1946 as a freshwater carrier for the Royal Navy, she now lies alongside Bideford Quay. The Trust is working on preserving the ship and returning her to steaming condition.

A Club visit to the ship is planned for the early spring of 2020.

**Fund Raising Events This Year**

- November Big Breakfast held at the Vivien Moon Centre raised £641.00 for Children’s Hospice South West.
- The Village Fair in May helped raise £1500.00 for the Braunton Volunteer Group.
- The Ball Race in July raised another £650.00 for local causes and charities.
- Selling Second-hand books at Local Holiday and Camp Sites, raised over £800.00

*Thanks to Damage Barton Caravan and Camp Site, Woolacombe Bay Holiday Sites and Warcombe Farm Camping Site.*

Please start collecting books for use NEXT YEAR.

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