# **BRADWELL NEWS**



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### **Diamond Jubilee Edition**

### June 2012

#### **EVENTS**

Jubilee Events: See your local lamp post or telegraph pole Thurs 5: Collection of Children's Society Boxes: St Barnabas: 1030 to Noon

Wed 13: Rebellion Knoll W.I.: Methodist Hall, 7:30pm: "Flower Arranging" - Julie Walker

Sat 16: St Barnabas Church Garden Party - 2:30pm

Tue 19: Bradwell Historical Society: Methodist Hall, 8:00pm: -"Stockport Workhouse" - Kevin Dranfield

Sun 24: Orchard Group: Midsummer Picnic. Meet at Michlow Orchard - 13.00. Please bring picnic and something to sit on.

### **GARDEN PARTY**

The St Barnabas Church Garden Party this year is on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm in the vicarage garden. It will be opened by Mrs Attwood and as usual there will be Tombola, Brantub, Stalls, Games and Refreshments, plus Enjoyment and Fun for everyone! Bring your coins to make the longest ever line around the Church.

### MS CAKE BAKE AND COFFEE MORNING

Once again I would like to say a huge thank you to all of you who supported this event either by attending or sending donations, your generosity is astounding. All raffle winners have been notified. The amount raised was £700. Sheena Judge.

### **REGISTER YOUR PROPERTY**

Police in the High Peak and Derbyshire Dales are encouraging residents to protect their property by registering their valuables on a free national property register. Items such as mobile phones, laptops, cameras, sat navs, music players and also bicycles are among the items which can be listed with Immobilise. The Immobilise database is an online property search which can be used by police officers across the country to trace the owners of any property they recover. Once an item has been registered, officers can access the database to look up identifiable details such as IMEI numbers on mobile phones, serial numbers for electrical equipment or frame numbers for cycles. Registration takes just a few minutes and if your property is stolen and recovered then there is a greater chance of it being returned and for the police to secure a successful prosecution. Both residents and businesses can use Immobilise free of charge and users can sign up online at www.immobilise.com.

### **BETTER GET IT RIGHT**

The history of our wonderful village is always complicated, as described perfectly in this letter from Neville Ormerod. The article in question was sent in by Brian Gillham, and we have put Brian in touch with Neville.

Your article re- Joshua EVANS on page 3 of the latest Bradwell News (May Edition) prompted me to write to correct an earlier article in the News of June 2011 (also on page 3) relating to Robert EVANS and the photograph on page 34 of "Bradwell, Ancient & Modern".

The Robert EVANS in that photograph was, in fact Joshua's father who married Sarah BARBER and not Robert EVANS who married 'one of John 'Shaver' MIDDLETON's daughters'. Also in the photograph are two other sons of Robert EVANS (second from right, bottom row) the mine manager, who died in 1875. His sons, Isaac and James are second from the left and second from the right respectively, on the middle row. Robert EVANS may have lived in a house on Town Gate and married Hannah MIDDLETON in 1860 but he was not the Robert EVANS in the photograph.

Incidentally, Robert EVANS (1811-1875) in the photograph was my 2x great grandfather.

Thank you, Neville ORMEROD, Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire.

### STAY OUT OF THE BROOK

A Police warning has been issued to village youngsters about the dangers of playing in the Brook. During April two 13 yearold boys were reported in April by residents when they were seen playing in a dinghy in the Brook near to Springfield Road. The police have asked us to remind you that rivers have hidden dangers, especially due to the amount of rain we have had recently, when the river is flowing much faster than usual. There is also the danger of rats, which carry some nasty diseases. Youngsters are encouraged not to play in or near to the river and the police ask that parents remind their children about the dangers.

### SEND US YOUR NEWS

The views expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the editorial team. Please send news by e-mail to: bradwellnews@yahoo.co.uk or paul@paulandliz.org. Or call Paul (623941), Vanessa (623053) or Carol (621425). You can also leave hand written copy at the Post Office.

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### PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

**Annual Parish Meeting** - The Annual Parish meeting was held in the Methodist Hall on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April and was attended by the Parish Council, representatives of the County Council, District Council, PDNPA and the Police together with eight village residents. Following a welcome statement and summary of the year by the Chair of the Parish Council, presentations were made by the Clerk and by the Chairs of Council committees. These were then followed by further presentations by DCC Cllr Judith Twigg, DDDC Cllr Chris Furness, PDNPA Manager John Keeley and by PCSO Anthony Boswell of the Hope Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team, before the residents were invited to raise any questions they might have for any of these authorities. A number of questions were answered before the Chair brought the meeting to an end by thanking all who had attended.

**Council News** – The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (effectively the AGM) was held on 1<sup>st</sup> May when many of the routine appointments and acceptance of process documents were carried out. Cllr Downing was re-elected as Chair of the Council for another year. Following acceptance by the Internal Auditor, the financial accounts for the past year were accepted by Council and have now been sent to the Audit Commission for approval. It was decided that a Council Annual Report should be produced this year and included in the Bradwell News. The AGM was immediately followed by a regular monthly Council meeting.

There is still one remaining vacancy on the Council, so if you are interested in helping to manage the Council's property and finances and can spare around one evening per month, then please contact the parish clerk, Steve Lawless, on 620329.

During the Police report, a) concern was raised that two teenagers were spotted wading in the fast flowing Brook who were unaware of the dangers of this activity and b) a request was made for more residents to assist Police in the Traffic Watch monitoring of vehicle speeds through the village. If you would like to assist the Police in keeping our roads safe, please contact them directly.

**Playing Fields:** Council has agreed to continue building a fund of money to refurbish the play equipment on Beggars Plot Playing Field (as per Town Bottom Playing Field) when the existing wooden equipment reaches the end of its lifespan. It is planned to build this fund over a period of years in order that there will not be a need for a sudden large expenditure (& consequent rise in precept) to keep the play equipment safe for our children. The Playing Fields committee would like to install more benches / picnic tables around the bottom perimeter of Town Bottom Playing Field and wonder if any residents might be interested in sponsoring them. A suggestion has been made that Beggars Plot might be a suitable location for any proposed Skate Park.

Youth Club – The Youth Club has now been closed for the Summer term and will open again for the regular weekly ses-

sions on 13<sup>th</sup> September. However, there may well be a number of one-off events during the Summer.

**Caretaking:** - The caretakers have been working hard maintaining the wooden play equipment and benches. **Carnival** - Planning continues for this year's 'The Seaside' Carnival on Saturday 4th August. If you would like to become involved please contact Sarah Ridgeway on 621471. We now have a village Princess but are still looking for more village Royalty. Please contact Vanessa on 623053 if any member of your family under the age of 16 would like to take part as a Queen, Princess, Petal, Rosebud or as a Prince or Pageboy. We do have a small budget to help with costumes. There have been many requests for space on the Playing Field for stalls & stands, so if your group or organisation would like some space, please contact Sarah Ridgeway as soon as possible.

#### **BRADWELL 100 YEARS AGO**

As we approach, on 6th June, the second transit of the planet Venus across the face of the sun - and the last time this phenomenon will be visible until 2117 - we can read about another astronomical event witnessed in Bradwell in 1912. At about midday on 7<sup>th</sup> April 1912 the people of Bradwell witnessed an eclipse of the sun through their smoked glasses and described it as a magnificent one. Even better was the afternoon of unbroken sunshine that followed. Later in the month on the 27<sup>th</sup> officers and delegates of the Hope Valley Federated Lodges of the Independent order of Oddfellows met in Bradwell to present jewels for long service to several members including Zach Walker of Bradwell. To renderings of 'Eternal father strong to save' and'Nearer my God to thee' by the choir and congregation at St Barnabas Church led by the Rev. G Bird a collection was made in aid of the Titanic fund (sank on 15<sup>th</sup> April). Miss Lavinia Dakin (later Dawson Smith) of Bradwell came a close second (91 to 90) to the eventual winner of the soprano class singing competition at the Buxton Music Festival. On the 11<sup>th</sup> of May the publication of *Bradwell* Ancient and Modern was reported with some pride. The review points out that in those suffragist days it is well worth noting that in his book Seth Evans had pointed out that some 80 years earlier (1834) the Primitive Methodists were already putting women preachers on the plan (BAM p107). Under the heading a 'Derbyshire Industry Revived' a splendid photograph shows a renovated crushing 'Bowse' being used to crush lead ore in Bradwell. In the picture are Sam Hallam (foreman), Harvey Hallam (clearer) and Percy Bradwell (horseman). The caption says that the crushing was taking place at Vindy Lead Mine but perhaps this should have been the Virgin Mine at Hazelbadge? If you would like to read the articles on which the series is based the Historical Society is in the process of having a DVD made containing newspaper cuttings referring to Bradwell and the Hope Valley covering many of the years between 1883 and 1951. These should be on sale price £5.00 in June.

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### TEDDY BEAR CLUB

We are Bradwell's group for mums, dads. carers, babies and toddlers. Our sessions provide a friendly environment for your chil-

dren to play and socialise - and are also a great place for mums and dads to have a chat and make new friends. We welcome new members from Bradwell and the surrounding villages. If you're nervous about coming to your first session, please get in touch and we'll arrange for somebody to go with you on your first visit. We meet during term-time on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am to 11.30am in the Methodist Hall, opposite the White Hart. We charge £2 per family per session, which includes refreshments for the grown-ups and children. Our last session before half-term is Thursday 31 May, and we return on Tuesday 12 June. For more info, contact Colette Holden - 01433 623838, 07835 800477

#### COMPOSTING

Compost is a great, inexpensive way of improving your garden that makes use of uncooked food scraps and other household waste - but it can sometimes be difficult to get it right. As it's National Composting Week from 6th to 12th May now is the ideal time to perfect your compost recipe. Take a look at the simple steps below for some top tips on getting the balance just right. Plus, thanks to Derbyshire County Council, you have the chance to win £25 worth of garden centre vouchers just by answering some simple questions online.

What can go in your compost (remember you'll need a good 50/50 mix of green and brown materials)

GREENS:

Tea bags, Grass cuttings, Vegetable peelings, Old flowers / nettles, Coffee grounds and filter papers

### BROWNS:

Egg shells, Egg and cereal boxes, Corrugated cardboards and paper, Toilet rolls and kitchen roll tubes, Straw and Hay, Twigs and hedge clippings, Tissues, paper towels and napkins, Ashes from wood, paper and lumpwood charcoal, Sawdust What can't go in your compost:

Cooked vegetables, Meat, Dairy products, Diseased plants, Dog mess, cat litter or baby's nappies.

Once you have started filling up your bin remember it takes between 9 and 12 months for your compost to become ready for use, so keep on adding browns and greens. Remember to turn your compost occasionally to get air into it and then let nature do the hard work. Once it has turned into a crumbly, dark material resembling thick moist soil and gives off an earthy fresh aroma you know it's ready to use. Your homemade compost can then be put to lots of different uses, from enriching flowerbeds and pot plants to growing herbs and feeding your trees. The county council works in partnership with Even Greener to offer discounted compost bins from as little as £16 plus delivery charge. For more information go to www.derbyshire.gov.uk/composting or call 0844 571 4444.



Following on from the Chelsea Flower show this month's meeting is a practical hands- on demonstration of flower arranging hosted by Julie Walker (see Events for details). Members will be encouraged to have a go themselves. Last month was our Resolutions supper meeting. We received feedback concerning a previous campaign for legal aid for women suffering from domestic violence and gave our full backing to this year's campaign to urge the recruitment of more midwives. A friendship supper was then enjoyed by all. Sadly, the daffodils in the tubs are now over (but they did us proud this spring) so the tubs will be cleared and replanted with summer bedding and work continues with the land at Town Bottom.

**REBELLION KNOLL W.I.** 

Some members took a walk on the WIId side (!) last month as part of their contribution to the national WI Walk the World. Despite rickety knees, hips, backs etc. the walk to Brough, Hope and back by Eccles was enjoyed by all - even the dog! See photo. And finally, we have agreed on our summer outing in August, and, yes, it's chocolate all the way! Hopefully we shall be visiting Cocoadance in Castleton.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you, to all friends and family for get well cards, flowers and cakes. This is very much appreciated. I am slowly improving after my recent nasty fall. Pamela Middleton.



We would like to thank everyone who has supported us in our ventures to raise money for worthy causes to benefit the village. If you feel you have such a worthy cause or need help in any way, please do not hesitate to contact a member of Bradda Dads or ring our secretary, Martin Riley (623765).



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### MRS DOROTHY MARY WALKER

Mrs Mary Walker died on 18th March at Moorland House, aged 92 years. She was born at Derwent, the daughter of Robert and Jane Cottrill, and the families of both parents had lived in the Derwent Valley for many generations. Mary went to school at Derwent and then to Glossop Grammar School. With the building of the Ladybower reservoir the family moved to Glossop and later to Bamford. She trained as a teacher and worked for a number of years at the Bradwell Council School later returning to teaching for about twelve years at Tideswell Primary School. Mary married Joe Walker and they lived at New Nook, before moving to Eden Tree where she spent the rest of her life, before moving to Moorland House for her last two years. She enjoyed flower arranging and was the first secretary of the Hope Valley Flower Club. She was secretary of the Hope Valley Horticultural Society, was involved with the Guide movement for over 20 years and was a member of the Women's Institute. Mary leaves daughters Jane and Ruth, two granddaughters and brother Bob. Her husband Joe and sister Dorrie pre-deceased her. The funeral was at St Barnabas Church followed by burial on 27th March.

### **JANE SAMPSON (née Urwin)**

Jane very suddenly and inexplicably passed away on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2012 in Johannesburg, on her way back to work in the DRC. John, Andrew, Edward, David, Becci and Margaret would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the last month. This support allowed us to get through a very difficult time. Jane was a true Bradda Lass, and the friendship shown to us emphasises the warmth and special community of Bradwell.

### A NIGHT AT THE OPERA

The appeal of opera now goes way beyond stuffy and expensive Opera Houses and is currently undergoing a renaissance. Verdi would have been amazed to see his work enjoyed enthusiastically by football crowds and at 'Parties in the Park'. Bakewell Choral society has put together a concert that will give a flavour of the great and familiar works of composers such as Mozart, Donizzetti and Verdi himself. Amongst the delights planned for the evening will be The Chorus of Hebrew Slaves from Verdi's Nabucco; the Waltz Scene from Thchaikovsky's Eugene Onegin; the Chorus of Wedding Guests from Donizetti's Lucia di Lammermoor as well as solo items of some Mozart arias from The Marriage of Figaro, Don Giovanni and Cosi fan tutte. A wonderful way to enjoy a summer evening! The choir will be conducted by Jon Weller who is currently Director of Music and the Performing Arts at St. Anselm's Preparatory School, Bakewell and accompanied on piano by Gillian Bithel a well-known concert pianist. The Choral Society is delighted to welcome soloists: Soprano - Gabrielle Bricka, a local singer; Mezzo-soprano -Helen Gregory, postgrad student from the RNCM who will be taking on the role of Carmen; Tenor - Ben Thapa, who studied at the RNCM but is now a professional soloist and will undertake the role of Don José in Carmen; Bass-baritone -Andrew Slater, an experienced free-lance professional soloist who recently almost stole the show in English National Opera's production of Rossini's The Barber of Seville at Buxton Opera House. The concert, on 30th June starts at 7.30 pm at the Medway Centre in Bakewell, DE45 1DY. Tickets cost £10 (students and children free) and are on sale at Bakewell Bookshop, from choir members and on the door. Refreshments will be available. Please note that parking will not be possible at the Medway Centre which is a short walk from the public car parks. A shuttle bus service will be provided. For free transport from some of the villages, contact Elizabeth Butcher 01629 810205 by 15th June 2012.

### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

This year's collection of the Children's Society boxes will be at St Barnabas Church on Thursday 5th July. We will collect them in church between 10.30am and 12 noon. There will be coffee and tea available and we would love to see everyone.

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