



Bradwell News



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Something for everyone!

There's certainly plenty going on in Bradwell this month. Some things, however, we could do without - sewage works, power cuts etc

As the year draws to a close, we would like to thank all our sponsors and contributors for their continued support. A special thank you to Brian Charles.

Please note next issue due out in six weeks time.

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DUE OUT 8 JANUARY**

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**HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR READERS
NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME**

STOP PRESS

There are some important new developments regarding youth activities in the area. See next month's issue for details. (See also p.2)

EVENTS

Wed 3rd Dec - 1pm St Barnabas Ladies' Fellowship Christmas party.

Wed 3rd Dec - Rebellion Knoll WI Christmas Party

Thurs 4th Dec - 2.15 Bradwell Churches Little Stars party.

Thurs 4th Dec - Brownies Carol Singing 6-8pm

Sat 6th Dec - 10-12 St Barnabas Christmas Fare - Memorial Hall

Sat 6th Dec - WASTE COLLECTION

Sat 13th Dec - Peak Singers Annual Christmas Concert
Castleton Methodist Church 7pm

Sun 14th Dec - 10am St Barnabas Christingle Service

Sun 14th Dec - 3.0pm DDDC Chairman's Carol Service of 9 lessons & carols

Tue 16th Dec - Historical Society Christmas Party, Methodist Hall 8pm

Sun 21st Dec - Joint Candlelight Carol Service - Methodist Church 6.00pm (light refreshments)

Mon 22nd Dec - Carol Singing around the village - meet 6pm
Methodist Hall

Wed 24th Dec - 5pm Bradwell Methodist Church

Wed 24th Dec - 6pm St Barnabas Crib Service

Wed 24th Dec - 11.30pm St Barnabas Midnight Mass

Christmas Day -8am Abney Village Hall, Christmas Day Communion

Christmas Day - 9am Bradwell Methodist Church

Fri 26th Dec - Bradda Dads Duck Race

Sun 4th Jan - 10am St Barnabas Village Praise, New Year Celebration

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Carnival News

Since the last editorial regarding the 2003 Carnival, the working party responsible have been asked many times 'how come the Carnival lost so much money and what impact will this have on future funding of the Carnival'

Two reasons primarily caused the deficit in 2003, firstly the move back to Beggars Plot put a considerable number of stall holders off attending, reducing revenue in this area by over £300. Secondly, the street collection was also down by a similar amount. Rest assured the working party is busy ensuring that we run the 2004 event within the available budget, incidentally we have over £2500 at our disposal (subject to Parish Council agreement) donated by the former Carnival Committee.

2004 promises to be a great event, once again to be held on Beggars plot, some subtle differences from previous years (firstly it will be in July!!!) We are looking to hold more of a craft fair, so if you or anyone out there wants a pitch for next year get your requests in early, it will only cost you 30 quid. We will also have a marquee on the field, which will be used for evening entertainment on the first Saturday evening. If any other organisations would like to use the marquee during the week please let any of the Council or the working party know. We have secured the national Trust to come and demonstrate the art of wall building, (I can think of some people this would come in handy for). Also new for next year we are looking to secure some fairground rides, similar to what you see at Tidza during their wakes.

On the 22nd November at Lafarge Social Club, **SALEM** will be appearing, we hear they are a great live band playing sounds from the 70's to the present day, backed up with a Disco and transport home after a good night out, Tickets available throughout the village and from Hope Post Office. Please come and support this event.

Dog rescue hero

Mary Lee and her sister and brother-in-law, and most of all Nell, would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Donald Ashbury who rescued Nell from a horrible hole halfway down the quarry face above Pindale. We hope Nell has learned her lesson!

Bradwell in the National Press

The Haskins Report, recommending a big shake-up of government support services for rural areas, was published in November.

David Ward from *The Guardian* came here to report on how 'a working village' coped under the present arrangements.

Peter Hodges and Michael Emsen of the Village Action Group told him how local organisations that were working to keep the community thriving could be helped through grants and advice from many different bodies, but were sometimes beaten by the red tape. The Village Action Plan had been produced to support their needs, but a simpler system was required.

David's *Guardian* article (12th November) brought this out well with a neat pen picture of the village and two very good photographs. A copy may be seen in the Post Office.

FOBS

Our AGM was held in October and some of our valued committee members stepped down. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their hard work over the years. Carol Millen who has been treasurer since Lynsey started infant school, committee members Debbie Moseley, Annette Bingham and Helen Hitch. Also a big thank you to Jayne Bowen for all her hard work getting the School Calendar together - we still have some left so if anyone wishes to buy them telephone 621548 at £5 each.

New members joined our friendly committee. Helen Barmforth, Ruth Allen and Jane Richardson and all the old faithfuls who stayed; we now have 14 members. Hilary Johnston became Treasurer, Joanne Jepson stayed Secretary and Christine Cooper Chairperson.

We held our 'Tinsel Tingo Bingo' at the Shoulder on 14th November. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes, bought raffle tickets and turned out to play bingo on such a terrible night; great fun was had by all. Our bingo caller Peter Austin did a marvellous job - thank you. We raised £500.

Christine Cooper

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Parish Council Notes

Severn Trent Sewage Proposals

At the Peak Park Planning Committee meeting, on October 24th, I voiced the village opposition to this scheme and requested that members visit the sites before making a decision on this application. This was agreed, and members also suggested to Severn Trent that they should discuss their plans with the PC. This discussion was made part of the Parish Council meeting on November 4th, which was attended by about 30 residents and addressed by 4 Severn Trent managers.

Here are some Q and A's from that meeting,

Q - If this scheme is not approved by Planning Committee, what is plan B?

A - We don't have one - we would have to go to appeal.

Q - Have you considered compulsory purchase of part of the Hope campsite and upgrading both works?

A - The Campsite owner wouldn't agree to that and Peak Park wouldn't allow us to expand onto a Green Field site

Q - Have you asked Peak Park if that might be acceptable?

A - No

Q - How many complaints about flies and smell do you get direct from campers?

A - We haven't had any from campers - they all come from the Campsite Owner

Q - The Hope works site is much bigger than Bradwell site - so why not upgrade it and cure the odour/fly problem that way?

A - It would be technically feasible, but upgrading both would be much more expensive than this scheme.

Q - how much more?

A - This scheme is costed at £4m, but I don't have the figures with me for upgrading both works

Q - Can you let us have those?

A - Yes

Q - The proposed sewer pipe route skirts round a Roman fort and crosses a

Roman road - the whole route could be littered with artefacts. What happens if you come across a major archaeological site?

A - We are prepared to take that risk.

Q - What will be the flow rate along this pipe? (asked by an engineer).

The answer didn't mean much to me, but the engineer seemed astonished and forecast big problems if it fractured.

A couple attended the meeting, who said they had had a caravan on the Hope site for 12 years. They announced to the meeting that there had never been a fly problem on the site and they knew of no one using the site who had ever complained of flies. They said there was a bit of a whiff sometimes, when tankers went through, but it wasn't a problem and didn't put anyone off and in any case there were plenty of alternative sites.

On Friday Nov. 14th I presented this and other information to Peak Park Site Visits Committee and asked for a deferral recommendation, to allow planning officers to discuss alternative schemes with ST and the environment agency. This was denied by 5 votes to 4 and the action now moves on to the full Planning Committee, on Nov. 28th, which I will also address.

The 'wreck committee' - met again on Town Bottom playing field on the evening of November 10th and decided the toilet block would make a good bonfire. Fortunately the smoke and flames were spotted, and fire and police officers arrived before too much damage was done. Two names were given to the police, by witnesses, and are being investigated.

Grit Bins should all have been filled for the winter by now, but if one near you is not full please let us know. We have ordered another bin for Towngate and one for Hugh Lane. We will try to ensure that no bins become depleted but would ask you to keep us informed.

Chris Furness

Be upstanding for Bradwell !

When David Ward, *The Guardian* reporter, visited Bradwell earlier this month, he mentioned that Bradwell had its own anthem. Traditionally this is sung at Christmas and it would be a pity if this custom died out. So let's hear "Peace o'er the world" played and sung all over Bradda this Christmas.

On yer bike and go to Hathersage?

There used to be a Youth Club on Monday at Bradwell. This was a County Council initiative managed by two experienced youth leaders.

Other village youth clubs have closed and youth activities are now concentrated at Hathersage, where the Youth Service has exclusive use of a building.

Do Bradwell young people need a youth club in the village?

WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT!

The letter published last month in this Newsletter seemed full of promise when one organisation called me to say what a good idea it was to have a diary in the Post Office so village organisations could note down their events and hopefully avoid "clashes". Well, that was the only call we received and the W.I. wondered if it was a worthwhile exercise. We've decided it is worth it and the diary will be placed in the Post Office during the next couple of weeks, so please do make use of it. I've heard of other villages who operate this system and it works well. Lynda Cliffe, Rebellion Knoll W.I. Tel: 621276.

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Mr Paul Farrand

Jean, Paul, Mandy and family would like to thank relatives, neighbours and friends for their expressions of sympathy, cards and beautiful flowers on the sad loss of a much loved son, husband and father.

Special thanks to relatives and friends who made the long journey to Ycovil to attend the funeral.

Weather Statistics for October

HIGHEST TEMPERATURE	60° F	Oct 3 RD
LOWEST TEMPERATURE	27° F	Oct 25 TH
AVERAGE HIGH TEMPERATURE	50.81° F	
AVERAGE LOW TEMPERATURE	39.74° F	
HIGHEST DAILY RAINFALL	0.56 INCHES	
TOTAL RAINFALL FOR THE MONTH	2.02 INCHES	
DAYS WITH MEASURABLE RAIN	15	
TOTAL RAINFALL FROM JAN 1 ST	21.53 INCHES	

DDDC Chairman's Diary

October

Voices for Hospices, Chesterfield
Derbyshire Farmers' Harvest Service
Meningitis walk, Grindleford
Installation of Chancellor, University of Derby
Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce, dinner
Matlock illuminations and fireworks
High Sheriff Legal Service, Derby Cathedral
Hosted Licensing Seminar, Matlock Town Hall
Visit to Toyota
Ilkeston Charter Fair
Chesterfield Charity night, Chatsworth
Amber Valley Civic Service, Swanick
Songs of Praise, All Saints Matlock
Newark Air Museum
Bolsover Fireworks
Derbyshire Dales Youth Games Awards

November

NE Derbyshire Civic Service, Killamarsh
Remembrance Day Parades, Ashbourne and Matlock
Visit of HRH Duke of Edinburgh to Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Ashbourne
Matlock All Saints C of E Infants School
High Peak Civic Service, Chinley
South Derbyshire NHS Trust, Derby
Buxton Craft Fair
Derbyshire County Council Civic Service, Ripley
South Derbyshire Xmas Illuminations, Swadlincote

Bradwell Fire Service

A 203 page history of the first 50 years of this service has been published by the author Mr Frank Cooper. It describes the development of the service from its formation in 1939 - with very few facilities - to the high-tech unit it had become by 1989. It covers technical advances, the varying personnel, incidents and anecdotes together with numerous photographs, all in a very readable mix at a very reasonable price.

Copies are available (£8.50) from the author at 2 Bradwell Head Road or at the Post Office.



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