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**Belated 90th Birthday Wishes to Betty Bancroft. We Hope You Had a Super Day.**

## EVENTS

**Thurs 12 and Thurs 19:** Centenary Players Pantomime Reading: 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

**Sun 29:** Craft Fair in aid of C.R.Y.: Loxley Hall, Hope 10am to 3pm. Free admission.

**18th November:** "Casino Night" with the Centenary Players. 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall (see this page).

## POSITION VACANT

The *Bradwell News* management team is looking for someone to take care of our advertisers, handling the waiting list of potential advertisers, collecting fees and maintaining records.

This is not an onerous task but it is a vital one and you would be helping us to run this valuable communications tool for the village. If you are interested in joining our small team please either e-mail one of the addresses on this page or call Paul or Vanessa. We would like to thank Lewis Hamilton for carrying out this role so well in recent years and we are sorry you are leaving us.

## COMMUNITY ORCHARD GROUP

The group are very sorry that this year we will not be able to have our usual Apple Day, mainly because the orchard has so few apples. Crops on all but two or three trees are small or non-existent, for reasons we do not know, but which we hope are merely due to adverse weather conditions early in the year. We hope for better things in 2019

## MYSTERIOUS BEAST SEEN IN VILLAGE

There have been several sightings of a large, troll-like figure lurking in our village during the summer months. If anyone happens to see it please do not approach it and certainly do not take a selfie with it. Instead you are advised to contact any member of the Bradwell Centenary Players with details of its location. On a lighter note, the Players will be holding script readings for next year's pantomime which will herald fifty years of treading the village boards. (Yes, fifty!) As yet we do not have a title for the next production but if we manage to track it down; it might be about a troll. We would very much like to see some new faces in our happy band either on stage or backstage and invite people to come along to either of the two evenings to put your name down. You don't have to write it in blood. Yet. Script readings start at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 12th October and Thursday 19th October.

## CASINO NIGHT

This is your chance to join the Centenary Players at Bradwell Memorial Hall for an exciting evening of Black Jack, Roulette and more. Come along on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Tickets at £10 include a glass of bubbly on arrival, 1000 Bradda Bucks to gamble and nibbles. Don't gamble all your money as we have a blind auction to end our evening. Tickets on sale at Bradwell Post Office or contact Emma on 620651.

## CONGRATULATIONS KAREN

In our September issue, we reported that Bradwell resident, Karen McDonald, had been selected to cycle for Team GB in the World Championships (Masters) in Albi, France. The 97km race, which took place along winding country lanes, passing through vineyards and pretty villages, was held over the Bank Holiday weekend in a temperature of 37C. There were more than 2,800 cyclists competing in the Championships and Karen came 8<sup>th</sup> in the British Team and 29<sup>th</sup> in the World, in her 50-55 age group. She had been hoping for a top 10 place in the British Team, so was very pleased with her result. Well done, Karen!

## A POETIC THANK YOU

There's often a thank you letter in our brilliant Bradwell News. Someone's been kind and helpful, with treats and tasty stews. They have helped in times of need so grateful thanks are due. And through our monthly Bradwell News that's what we're able to do.

Well, now it's my turn to say thanks to my many Bradwell friends

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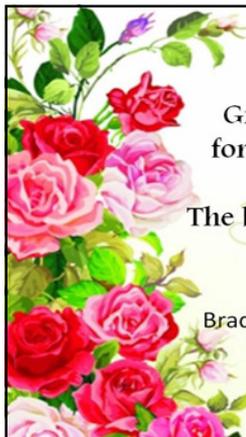
Betty Bancroft

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Community Resilience committee:** A second substantial grant has been obtained, this time from DCC, for this committee to obtain supplies for use in emergencies. It is planned to obtain these supplies ready for winter, when they are more likely to be needed in the event of flooding, snow clearing or other emergencies.

**S137 Grants:** At the last council meeting Council awarded a grant to the Bradwell Teddy Bears Club to help pay for the replacement of old / worn play equipment. If your group would like to apply for some of Council's S137 Grant money, please contact the Parish Clerk for information on how to apply.

**Car Parking:** Council are still awaiting a response from DCC regarding our suggestions for creating new parking facilities at various points around the village. It is hoped that we can obtain consent for a number of the suggestions which would help to address the ever growing demand for parking in all areas of the parish. Eleven of the twelve parking bays in the council car park on Soft Water Lane have now been taken, so please contact the Parish Clerk if you are interested in obtaining the last bay. Following a problem caused by inconsiderate parking on Brookside which resulted in disruption to the bus service, Council has formally asked DCC to review the arrangements for managing parking on Brookside.

**Youth Activities:** Running and funding of the programme of events organised by Councillor Sowerby, to be delivered by the YHA Edale Activity Centre, was considered at the last Council meeting. Cllr Sowerby has organised monthly events up to October 2018 and has so far obtained funding through to this November. She is in the process of applying for further grants for these planned events. Council decided to underwrite any funding shortfall until the end of this financial year, as these events are targeted at Bradwell young people in school years 6 to 11. Watch out for posters around the village advertising these events.

**Playing Fields and Open Spaces committee:** Council considered the quotations received for work in the Rose Garden and decided to proceed with the project. Also, the proposal to install two small items of play equipment in the Beggars Plot play area was approved by Council. The committee will now select the desired items and arrange for their purchase and installation. At the Peace Garden, further work is planned to open up the views into and out of the amenity by undertaking some tree work. Quotations were considered and the work will now be scheduled with the tree surgeons. Work on improving the playing surface of the basketball court at Town Bottom has been approved and this is expected to be completed in the near future. The report on the management of the c. 100 trees on council property has been commissioned and is expected in the near future. When received, this will be reviewed and any urgent work identified will be undertaken over the winter months.

**Anti-Social Behaviour:** Following a number of anti-social

incidents during Gala week, the Police have installed a notice at Town Bottom playing field asking residents to report any anti-social behaviour they may witness. Incidents can be reported to the Police on its '101' number or to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 which allows people to call anonymously to pass on information about crime.

Contacts:

Parish Clerk (620329) or [parishclerk@bradda.org](mailto:parishclerk@bradda.org)

Council Chair (623941) or [paul@bradda.org](mailto:paul@bradda.org)

## NEWBURGH UPDATE

Residents will doubtless have seen the work being carried out on the new factory for Newburgh and will have seen that the structure is substantially complete. We are told that the building works are on schedule for completion by the end of the year, and the housing developers will therefore have access to the site sometime in early 2018. Their first task is to demolish all the old factory buildings, and as you can appreciate, this is going to take quite a time to do. A reminder that all construction and demolition traffic will be using the Netherside entrance for the work.

Meanwhile, the Community Land Trust continues to use this period for getting ready to receive the affordable homes, the first batch of which will become available sometime in 2019. The CLT AGM was on 27th September and residents will be aware that the CLT has been raising funds to cover legal and other costs associated with acquisition of the houses. Housing Associations skilled in the management of affordable homes are being interviewed with a view to appointing one of them to manage the Bradwell houses. If you are not yet a member of the CLT and would like to join you will find the forms and instructions here <http://bradwellclt.org.uk/>

## QUAKER COMMUNITY AT BAMFORD

*"Woodland Working Week" 13 – 19 November*

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## HOME ON LEAVE

Two servicemen not previously mentioned in this series were:

### Lieutenant Wilfred Charles Ross Royal Flying Corps.

Wilfred spent the Christmas of 1917 in the Manse on Brookside with his bride Constance Augusta. Connie was the daughter of Rev William Henry Mason the Primitive Methodist minister. The Rev Mason's son Arnold Henry was mentioned in the account of visits home published in the *Bradwell News* for August 2017. Wilfred was born in Leominster Herefordshire in 1896 where his father Ephraim was a boot manufacturer, a JP and a prominent Wesleyan. Wilfred's mother's name was Clara. He had joined the Royal Welsh Fusiliers as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant but in 1916 Wilfred (actually then spelled with an 'i') received Royal Aviators Club Certificate No 3477 (the then equivalent of a pilot's licence) and transferred to the Royal Flying Corps. In 19<sup>th</sup> February 1918 Wilfred was posted missing but was repatriated on 17<sup>th</sup> December the same year having been held as a Prisoner of War. In a newspaper cutting in which the marriage of Wilfred and Connie in Ardwick in 1917 is described it is suggested Wilfred had been studying medicine before enlisting but no Wilfred Ross is listed in the General Medical Council list of registered practitioners for the 1920s. He died in Hendon in 1979.

**L/46598 Driver Alfred Edgar Bossingham** Royal Field Artillery. Although the Bossingham family have had close connections with Bradwell no Bossingham was listed as living in the village in 1911, nor is Alfred's name included in the Roll of Honour in St Barnabas. 14 Year old Sheffield-born Alfred was living in Model Village Creswell according to the 1911 census. He was living at home with father and mother John William and Mary and was described as working below ground in a pit. He married Lillian Oldham in 1919 in Nottingham. Their daughter Mary E Bossingham was born in 1923, the birth being registered in Bakewell.

*This piece constitutes the last in the series begun in the Bradwell News in December 2014. Although visits home by service men with Bradwell connections continued to be reported in old newspaper cuttings until late 1918 none were made by men not already mentioned here. In all the visits of 103 soldiers, 2 sailors and 6 airmen have been described in pieces of variable lengths. In addition the army career of Elizabeth Marion Clough as a telegraph operator has been described. Several people have written to the Bradwell News with information on service men mentioned in the series. I am grateful to them, as I would be to receive further material about any men (or women) from Bradwell who served in WWI. Brian Gillham*

## THANK YOU

Valeria Austin would like to say a Big Thank You to everyone who send me cards, flowers and good wishes during my stay in hospital. I have made a good recovery and hope soon to be as fit as ever.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

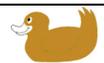
A new Neighbourhood Watch scheme has been set up for residents in the Granby Road and Jeffrey Lane areas. The initiative has been set up by Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator and local resident Jayne James. Neighbourhood Watches are small groups of residents who look out for signs of crime in their community and share information with each other and the police. Members also receive advice on home security and coordinators can help other residents to tap into the support offered by other agencies. They are working together with officers from the Hathersage Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team to establish the scheme, encourage more members to take part and develop good links between the community and local police. If you are interested in becoming a member please contact Jayne James by sending an email to [jayne.a.james@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jayne.a.james@hotmail.co.uk), or you can call PCSO Anthony Boswell on 101. You can also contact PCSO Boswell by sending him a message online through the Contact Us page of the Derbyshire police website: [www.derbyshire.police.uk](http://www.derbyshire.police.uk)

## H.A.D.I.T.

Hope Amateur Dramatic Independent Theatre will take "corpse" to a new level in their November production, Norman Robbins' thriller-comedy *A Tomb with a View*. In a sinister old library, presided over by a portrait of a grim-faced, mad-eyed old man, solicitor Hamilton Penworthy has assembled the eccentric Tomb family for the reading of their father's will. All are greedy for their share of the inheritance but they are thrown into turmoil by the imminent arrival of an unknown beneficiary, a writer of romantic fiction . . . Is she destined to join the other bodies under the flower beds? The play will be performed at the Hope Methodist Hall, Edale Road from Wednesday 22nd to Saturday 25th November at 7.30 pm nightly. Tickets will be available from Watson's Farm Shop from Friday 13th October or may be ordered through Carolyn on 01433 620665 / [caro-lyn.garwes@tinyworld.co.uk](mailto:caro-lyn.garwes@tinyworld.co.uk).



## BRADDA DADS



**BONFIRE WOOD COLLECTION** Sat 4th Nov: If you have anything combustible for the bonfire we will collect it for a small donation on Sat 4th Nov in the morning ... please contact Darren Pembleton on 07837 894840 or Stewart Rook on 07590 047104. The bonfire will be on Sunday 5th Nov at 6.30PM for lighting of the fire and fireworks at 6.30PM. There is a prize for every 'Guy' entered and the winner will have the honour of remotely lighting the fire this year. It promises to be quite spectacular. We have recently helped the Brownies fund a slack lining event and also help towards financing the Junior School 'Play Trail'.

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## PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



### JOSEPHINE WHITE

Daughter of Jane and William Clewley, Josephine was born in Hope on 14<sup>th</sup> November 1930. She and her sister, Patricia, who lives in Brisbane, Australia, were raised on Edale Road and attended the local school and

church. Josie went on to gain her teaching qualification from Thornbridge Hall. Whilst there, she met Geoffrey White at a dance and they married in 1954. Early married life was with her in-laws in Bamford but the couple soon moved to a cottage at Hill Head, where their 3 children were born. Josie began teaching at Bradwell Junior and Infant Schools and Geoff worked at Newburgh Engineering. They then moved to the Newburgh houses on Springfield Road, where the family lived until the children left home. Anthony moved to Kenya, where he still lives with his family near Mombasa; Wendy settled in Florida and Christine lives in France. With the children gone, Josie and Geoff embarked on travelling the world and they also became very active in village life. Josie was a member of the WI and Ladies Christian Fellowship. After retirement, they moved to the bungalows on Bradwell Head Road. Geoff passed away on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and Josie on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017. The funeral service was 18<sup>th</sup> July at St. Barnabas.

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### GERALD BINKS

Following a long period of ill health and 2 year residence at Moorland House, Hathersage, Gerald passed away at Chesterfield Royal Hospital on 30<sup>th</sup> June. Born in Ashover in August 1935, he lived in Great Hucklow for most of his young life and was educated at Great Hucklow School and Tideswell School. After leaving New Mills Grammar School, he worked for the

Furness family on their farm in the village until their retirement. He then took up employment with the Meat and Live-stock Commission as an animal grader, working in the local cattle markets and abattoirs. His last job before retirement was with Frances Redfern Butchers at Harpur Hill. In 1958, Gerald, his parents and younger siblings, Jack and Elizabeth, moved to a council house in Hall Gate View, which had been purpose-built for the family to replace the cottage in Great Hucklow. After his marriage to Angela in 1962, he lived at Hillcote, Hill Head for several years before returning to live in Great Hucklow. Always a keen gardener, he was a member of Bradwell Produce Club and had considerable success at the various horticultural shows in the Hope Valley and beyond. He specialised in showing sweet peas and a wide range of vegetables, winning many prizes. He leaves wife Angela, daughter Tracey, son Robert and grandson Thomas. The funeral service was held at The Old Chapel, Great Hucklow on 19<sup>th</sup> July, followed by burial in the family plot in The Old Chapel graveyard.

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