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A Very Happy and Prosperous 2020

EVENTS

Wed 8: Rebellion Knoll WI: 7:30pm in the Methodist Hall. "Poetry Evening".

Tues 21: Historical Society: 8pm in the Methodist Hall.

1st Feb: Bamford Institute: The updated version of Storeybag Theatre's "15 Minute Brexit" with musical support by "The Sette of Odde Volumes."

WAR MEMORIAL HALL

With this edition of the *Bradwell News* you will have received your invitation and application form to participate in the "BRADDA LOTTO". If you haven't received one then please call 620336. Profits from this LOTTO are to maintain and develop your Community Hall.

One of our first projects, as requested at our C.A.P. weekend, will be to consider the development of a "LIBRARY" – "BOOK BORROWING" – "BOOK EXCHANGE" etc. How this initiative will operate, and how often, will be down to you. We need your views and indeed your support and ideas. So we invite anyone who is at all interested to attend the first meeting on **Thursday 23rd January** at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. As it looks more than likely that we will lose our County Mobile Library provision in the future, we ask for your support as we feel it is extremely important. Without you this project will not happen. Looking forward to seeing you on the 23rd Jan.

ERROR - AND AN ABJECT APOLOGY

In the December newsletter the excellent "15 Minute Brexit" was wrongly attributed to the Centenary Players. Sincere apologies to Storybag Theatre and the Sette of Odde Volumes, who of course jointly staged the production. You can see the very latest version of "15 Minute Brexit", which again features the Sette of Odde Volumes on **1st February** at the Bamford Institute. Definitely not to be missed!

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: paul@bradda.org or call Paul (623941), Andy (623483) or Debbie (621731). You can also leave hand written copy at the Post Office. For questions on advertising please call Caroline (623485) or e-mail carolinepreston37@gmail.com

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SWIFTS UPDATE



42 people packed into the Bowling Green Inn on 21st November and enjoyed an informative talk on Swift conservation by John Ellicock. Now, many people in the village are pledging to try and help by putting up Swift boxes on their properties. These will go up in early Spring. The Bradwell Swift Project is also linking with both local schools, and we are in discussion with the housing developer for the Bradwell Springs site and also Hope Cement Works to explore opportunities for joint working for the benefit of Swifts.

BRADWELL COMMUNITY CAFE

On the first Saturday of each month St. Barnabas and the Methodists will be holding a Community Coffee Morning in St. Barnabas church, from 10-11.30. Coffee, tea, cakes and biscuits will be served and money donated will go towards supporting local groups and charities. This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours, meet new people and to support good causes local to Bradwell. Do come along, welcome in the New Year and support our first morning on Saturday 4th January, 2020. See you then!

ROAD MARKINGS

The signs on the railings on Brookside seem to have been effective in improving parking to allow the bus to get through. We remain hopeful that the improvement will continue. The Parish Council recently asked our County Councillor to help to encourage DCC Highways to renovate the old and tired road markings in the village. This includes the white lines and yellow lines on Brookside and Towngate areas, which have become very faded and in some areas almost invisible. Some residents might have noticed a council employee with a measuring wheel in the village? She confirmed that she had instructions to take measurements related to the re-painting, so we have reason to be hopeful that the work will be done. We have also complained about the state of the road on Netherside, particularly the debris being thrown onto the footpath and the holes and ruts at the side of the road. We have asked whether a "proper" repair can be done, rather than the feeble attempts at patching thus far. We will keep residents informed as these efforts at improvement continue.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

S137 Grant Fund: Council considered an application from The Bowls Club for funding for grass maintenance and decided to award a grant of £450.

Grit and Grit Bins: The bins have been surveyed and have sufficient salt in them at the moment. However, whilst we try to ensure that we keep the bins topped up with grit they are sometimes emptied within days of filling. In order for the grit to be used effectively the following is the best method of use.

Rock salt can be spread manually using a shovel or a scoop, it is also a good idea to wear gloves. The rock salt should be distributed evenly over the surface area. We recommend spreading between 10 – 15 grams of rock salt per square metre to prevent ice and frost forming. If snow is forecast, increase this amount to 20 – 40 grams of rock salt per square metre. Please be aware that the grit does not work at its best when laid in piles on the road surface. Please note that the grit in the bins is provided for roads and pavements and not for private driveways. Please do let the parish clerk know if any bins need refilling.

Snow Wardens: A number of residents have signed up as snow wardens to help with snow clearing/gritting activities. There has been a new delivery of salt for the pavements. To join the team please contact the Clerk.

Streetlights: Faults on streetlights can be reported to Derbyshire County Council on their website. They require the location or the light number in order to log the fault. A number of broken or faulty streetlights have already been reported.

Flooding in Village: Council have met with the Environment Agency to see what steps can be taken to ease the problem with flooding in the village. There is not a simple solution and may involve different authorities working together. We will issue updates as the project develops.

Youth Activities: The group have been very successful with grant applications. Many thanks to the Co-op, District Council or C Furness - Local Projects Fund and Derbyshire Dales District Council - Youth Action Grant for their generous support. As we have advised previously youth activities are targeted at Bradwell young people in school years 6 to 11.

Watch for posters around the village advertising these events.

Car parking: There are two spaces available to rent at Soft-water Lane Carpark. Cost is £25 pcm or £300 annual. If you are interested in renting a space, contact the parish clerk

Public Participation: Residents continue to attend council meetings to raise matters of concern directly with Council. We welcome members of the public at both the main council and all committee meetings. Council meetings are generally held at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of most months in the Methodist Lounge on Towngate. See the parish notice boards (on the side of the Memorial Hall and in the Peace Gardens bus shelter) for meeting announcements and agendas. Contacts: Parish Clerk (623485) or parishclerk@bradda.org Council Chair (623941) or paul@bradda.org

YOUTH ACTIVITIES



On Saturday 23rd November, 2019 Bradwell youth activities received the amazing sum of **£1963.80** from the "Co-Op local project fund". Thank you to the Co-Op and to everyone who has shopped there.

Our new season started in September 2019 and already the group have done archery, caving, abseiling and, on 2nd December went on a night hike. This event doubtless ended with hot chocolate and marshmallows. The group are always chatting at the start of each activity, and laughing and singing at the end. They always rise to every challenge and support each other. Lorraine and Martin

BRADWELL SURGERY

Citizen's Advice (CAB) is a free, confidential service. Their advisors will try to help with most issues that can be encountered during daily life. These typically include debt, benefits (entitlement checking plus claiming assistance), housing problems, family issues, neighbour disputes etc. Ultimately, they will look at any issue, and if unable to offer immediate help will try to find a more suitable source of support. Often, immediately after Christmas their advisors are asked to help with some of the 'aftermath' which can result from overspending or possibly over celebrating!

CAB are completely non-judgemental and very difficult to shock or offend. Generally, the sooner they are presented with a problem, the more effective they can be, so please don't be reluctant to pop in.

Citizen's Advice run a clinic with bookable appointments at Eyam and Bradwell on alternate Thursday mornings. Please contact Eyam and Bradwell Surgery on 01433 630836 and speak to a member of the reception team for more details.

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THE BARD IS BACK

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At Christmastime it's good to meet
Our friends, to chat, to drink, to eat
A festive meal, served with a smile
A special treat for just a while.

We love the younger ones to sing
Their Christmas songs, "ding-a-ling".
We clap our hands and stamp our feet
To show we love this special treat.

Our thanks are due to one and all
Who rally to this festive call.
To give us fun and Christmas cheer,

ROBERT (BOB) OAKES



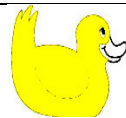
On 16th December a double decker bus was to be seen in the car park of the "Shoulder". As related by Lynne Smith, the wonderful men and ladies who drive on the 272 route have dedicated one of their double deckers in honour of local man Bob Oakes who died in July this year. Bob caught the bus from Brough each evening to come to The Shoulder for a couple of pints and became firm friends with all the drivers, even treating them to a chocolate bar occasionally! So the drivers, along with officials of the company, drove the bus out to Bradwell for a dedication ceremony! After refreshments and a drink in his honour it was agreed that the event had been a great success and that Bob himself would have been "right chuffed"! One of Bob's old

friends, Jeff Allen from Lincolnshire told us that Bob was born in Castleton and lived most of his life with his parents and sister Mary in the Railway Cottages near Hope Station.

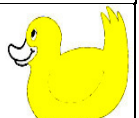
COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Exciting news from the Bradwell Community Land Trust. Working with the Peak District Rural Housing Association (PDRHA) the trust has secured grants from Homes England, Sheffield City Region and Derbyshire Dales District Council for the acquisition of twelve rental houses in the village. The houses, owned by a subsidiary company of Newburgh, had originally been constructed as housing for their employees, but in recent years they had been rented to local families. They had been placed on the market, with a London developer the most likely purchaser, which would likely have led to them being upgraded and sold on as open market homes, removing twelve badly needed affordable houses from the village. This acquisition means the current tenants will be able to remain in the village paying affordable rents, and it keeps the houses affordable into the future. Funding this initiative was a challenge, because grants are not normally available to buy existing housing stock. However, National Parks are a unique case where building new houses is highly restricted, driving up prices for both rental and purchase and the partnership used this fact to develop a new approach for keeping houses of this nature in the affordable rental sector. PDRHA secured the grants and raised the remaining funds required via loans. PDRHA will manage the houses going forward on a long term lease, with BCLT owning the freehold. Sheffield City Region, one of the grant authorities has asked us to make the following statement:

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BRADDA DADS



All the Bradda Dads would like to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year. We would

like to say a big thank you to everyone who has supported our fund raising events this year; we've been able to fund many worthy causes. We'd also like to thank all of the Bradda Mums who over the year have tirelessly helped out with all of our fund raising events and most recently in the kitchen for our Pensioners Christmas dinner. A big thank you to our retiring members, Neil, Rug & Daz and a big welcome to new members Dan and Maz.

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PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYCE SYLVIA TOWNSEND



Joyce was born on 30th July 1936 at Newlands Farm, Coplow Dale where she lived with her parents, Mary and William Elliott and brother Glynne. She was educated at Great Hucklow School and after passing the 11 plus exam she went to Lady Manners. On leaving school she worked at Hunter's Grocery Store in Tideswell. She married Jim in 1956 and they lived at Intake Farm before moving in 1959

to Berrystall Lodge Farm, where they lived for 37 years. Joyce worked hard on the farm as well as bringing up their family of five children. When the children were older she worked as a home help for Derbyshire County Council until ill health forced her to retire. She had lived in Batham Road since 1996 but two years ago decided to move to a flat in Nicholson Court, Tideswell to be nearer family.

Joyce enjoyed gardening, knitting, jigsaws and visits from friends. She loved taking her grandchildren to car boot sales and going on turkey and tinsel holidays with Jim and friends. Indeed, her greatest pleasure was to spend time with her family. Joyce died at home on 8th November, very suddenly but peacefully, surrounded by her family. She leaves daughters Jean, Joan, Maureen and Sheila, son Peter, 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Jim predeceased her on 28th January 2016, the day of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. A funeral service was held at St Barnabas Church on 27th November, 2019.

MERLYN HANCOCK



Merlyn was born on 31st January 1940 in Tideswell. She was the youngest daughter of Ellis and Sylvia Rowarth and sister of Jean and Pearl. Her early years were spent in Tideswell and it was here, at a dance, that she met Bradwell lad, Graham, son of Amy and Albert Hancock. Merlyn and Graham were married at St John the Baptist Church, Tideswell in June 1962, before settling in Hollowgate, Bradwell, where their daughters, Jane

and Kate were born. In her younger days, Merlyn worked at Ferodo and at a cutlery factory in Tideswell. She also worked for Kitty MacBride, who designed and made the original models of pot mice in her studio at Ruthavon, Granby and which were later produced by the Beswick Company. Merlyn had a lifelong love of animals and gave a home to many rescue pets. She loved reading, especially historical novels. She really enjoyed helping with activities during Well Dressing Week and over the years, she had belonged to village organisations such as the Luncheon Club and the Historical Society. Merlyn was only 54 when Graham died in 1994 but the support of a close-knit family helped her through this sad time and her young grandsons, Daniel and Alex, brought her a lot of pleasure. Above all, she loved spending time with her many friends in the village and, as time went on, through her circle of friends, she met her companion, Stuart Jones. They enjoyed many holidays and good times together. With her loving heart and special sense of humour, Merlyn touched the lives of many. She died on 22nd November at Gernon Manor Care Home. Her funeral was at St Barnabas Church on 5th December 2019.

	5th January	12th January	19th January	26th January
ST BARNABAS	0930 Morning Prayer Dot's Last Service	1100 Family Eucharist Baptism	0930 Eucharist Weds 22nd: 7:30pm	0930 Eucharist
JANUARY SERVICES			Licensing service for Rev. Louise Petheram at St Peters Hope with Bishop Libby	
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