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Our Congratulations to Roy Weston for his 90th Birthday on 21st May.

EVENTS

Due to the Coronavirus emergency all events are either postponed or cancelled. This service will resume when social restrictions are lifted.

REMEMBERING V.E. DAY

Betty Bancroft sent us a poem to remind us about the 75th anniversary of VE Day, which was on 8th May. Sadly we did not receive the handwritten notes until too late to catch the May edition, but here is Betty's poem, just a little later than hoped.

For six long years we were at war,
The enemy so near our shore,
But thousands rallied to the call
Determined they would give their all
To help those people overrun
And terrorised by bomb and gun.

Our soldiers, sailors, airmen too
Were trained and disciplined to do
Whatever it took to win this fight,
And so eliminate the plight
So many suffered in this war.
Don't let it happen any more.

But then, in nineteen forty-five
The day we'd prayed for did arrive.
For on that glorious eighth of May
We celebrated all the day.
Church bells rang out in victory
And everyone was filled with glee.

Flags and bunting hung from posts
Throughout the land, from coast to coast.
Street parties soon were organised
And food appeared before our eyes.
Spam sandwiches and jelly sweet,
The children found it all a treat.

Bonfires were built on mountains high,
Their sparkling flames lit up the sky.
Blackout curtains were taken down
And bright lights shone in every town. A joyful celebration day,
That VE DAY on 8th of May.

GRASS VERGES

Residents will have noticed the unkempt verges throughout the village. Memories of last year? The Parish Council has been in touch with District Council to enquire when we might expect to get them cut and have received the reply that the work is not going to be done during the lock down. They are only allowed to cut parks and cemeteries where burials are taking place and cutting of verges is not seen as essential work. Unfortunately they are unable to advise when they will be allowed to resume the cutting of the verges. This issue is being looked at by the Parish Council. It's bad enough having to hide from a virus, but we might as well keep the place tidy while we do so.

GARDEN WASTE

The District garden waste fortnightly collection service will resume on June 1st. The first Bradwell collection is due on June 8th but because there is a heavy backlog of waste waiting to be collected the first two weeks of collections may be delayed. Residents should put out their garden waste on June 8th and leave it there until it is collected.

Regarding recycling, County have now re-opened their recycling centres for urgent needs at Waterswallows and Rowsley, but queuing for up to two hours at these locations has been reported. To try to reduce this waiting time County have devised a scheme for sharing out the time available. Vehicles will be allowed into recycling centres on certain days depending on whether the last number on their number plate is odd or even. Vehicles with 0, 2, 4, 6, 8 as the last number will be allowed in on **even** numbered dates in the month and those with 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be allowed in on **odd** numbered dates in the month. County Council hope to display the latest queuing situation regularly on the DCC website and make sure it is regularly updated.

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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Well, we are still here and plodding on! Talk of re-opening (at the time of writing) still seems a long way off, but be assured that when the call comes we shall answer! In the meantime we are seeking ways of maintaining the business and investigating what we can do to make things safe for our customers when they do return. Take care of each other and stay safe!

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council: The May meeting was the council's annual meeting. Cllr Downing was re-elected as Chair and Cllr Salisbury was elected as vice-Chair. Council then appointed Chairs to all committees. Some of the council policies and procedures were reviewed and adopted at the meeting. The remainder including the committee terms of reference will be reviewed at the June meeting.

Caretaking Resource: The Parish Council invites tenders from suitably qualified persons to carry out a range of caretaking and routine maintenance tasks on behalf of council. Applicants would ideally be able to carry out routine DIY tasks e.g. painting, would possess their own basic tools & equipment (some equipment would be provided), and would be responsible for their own tax and insurance. This is an ideal opportunity for a Bradwell resident. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact the Parish Clerk (623485) or e-mail parishclerk@bradda.org with contact details, experience and hourly rates.

Adult Gym equipment and Car Parking: the projects for installation of adult gym equipment and the provision of additional car parking in the village have been put on hold due to the government guidelines on Covid-19. As soon as the restrictions are lifted these projects will restart with the required planning process.

Play equipment: Following government guidelines on Covid-19 the play equipment in both Town Bottom Playing Field and Beggars Plot Playing Field have been closed. Notices have been placed on the equipment advising of its closure. We will reopen the playgrounds as soon as the government advises it is safe to do so.

Parish Council: There are currently two vacancies on Bradwell Parish Council. If you are interested in joining the council, then please contact the Council Chair Cllr Downing at cldrdowning@bradda.org or the Parish Clerk at parishclerk@bradda.org. This is a great opportunity to join a proactive council and we look forward to members joining the team.

Car parking: There are now four spaces available to rent at Softwater Lane Carpark. The cost is £25 pcm or £300 annually. If you are interested in renting a space please contact the parish clerk.

Public Participation: Whilst the county is in lock down due to corona virus all parish council meetings are taking place electronically using Zoom. If you would like to participate in the public part of the meeting or listen to the meeting please contact the parish clerk prior to the meeting and you will be provided with joining instructions. 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

MOORBROOK LANE

For those who are not familiar with this lane, it is the continuation of Charlotte Lane. It is classed as Highway, open to motorised vehicles and was originally surfaced with tarmac. Twenty years ago it still had 60 mph limit sign posts. It seems to have been ignored by Highways for many decades and had deteriorated to the point where it had become quite dangerous even to walk on. Motor bikes are frequent visitors and they had worn deep ruts into the surface. The huge downpour we had one day in February this year carved out lots of material and deposited it on Charlotte Lane, Smithy Hill, Towngate and Bridge street, clogging the drains. Derbyshire County Council Highways department eventually cleared the rubble from the streets and drains and British Gas covered over an exposed gas main on Moorbrook Lane. At that point the authorities seemed to consider their job was done. However, I was asked by residents, as District Councillor, to take up with Highways the need for essential repairs to the Lane. Following some lengthy discussions, Highways have now concreted in the ruts and spread some fine material, containing cement, on part of the lane. The surface is now firm and much safer and easier to walk. It's not up to Highway standard, nor as good as the repaired Brough Lane but it is much better than it was. The question now is what we want the designation and surface of this lane to be, going forward. It is still classed as Highway and as such motor bikes can still use it and may well carve out more ruts, leading to a recurrence of the February event. One question is that if it remains as a Highway, should we ask DCC Highways to tarmac it? If that option is not available should we ask for a conversion to Bridleway? That would stop motor bikes but would permit horses and cycles, as well as walkers. Landowners alongside the Lane would still require vehicle access rights to their properties. The third possible designation is as a footpath but that would restrict use to walkers only. This was discussed this with a number of residents at April Parish Council meeting and it was decided to arrange a village meeting, when lockdown restrictions have been sufficiently lifted. Hopefully we might then establish an overall view on what would be the preferred outcome for Bradwell. I hope many of you will now include this lane on one of your daily exercise walks and attend the meeting when it is called. Chris Furness

HOUSING IN BRADWELL

The Bradwell CLT - PDRHA Link

We at Peak District Rural Housing Association specialise in providing and managing homes for local people in the villages of the National Park and the surrounding rural area. The Association is very pleased to be working closely with Bradwell Community Land Trust to provide more affordable homes for Bradwell. We will be managing the houses which will belong to the Trust on Camstead's "Bradwell Springs" Development, which are expected to be completed next Spring. At the end of

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last year we also purchased twelve existing houses on Springfield Road and Bradwell Head Road, ensuring that they will be available for local families for coming generations. We are now working on the possibility of converting Newburgh Hall into four units for single people and couples. We will be making a planning application soon and are very keen to hear from single people and couples who would be interested in this type of accommodation. For these and indeed for any homes, it is good to know who is needing, or thinking they will need, housing. If you or anyone you know is looking for a home or likely to need housing in the next few years then it's important to register with both Derbyshire Dales 'Home Options' and with us via the register of interest form on our website.

Links and contact details are :-

Derbyshire Dales – Home Options

<https://www.home-options.org/register/>

Tel: 01629 761311

Email: housingadvice@derbyshiredales.gov.uk

Peak District Rural Housing Association

<https://www.peakdistrictrha.org.uk/find-a-home/finding-a-home-to-rent/register-of-interest-form/>

Email: enquiries@midlandsrural.org.uk

Tel: 0300 1234 009

NEWS FROM BREEDON

Residents will have doubtless been wondering how the coronavirus epidemic has affected our local manufacturing neighbour, Breedon. We have spoken to the company and they have provided us with an informative and helpful update.

Up to almost the end of March things continued fairly normally, but after this time the furloughing of employees from other business operations (their customers) and the direct impact of the lockdown measures led to the commencement of furloughing for their own employees. This happened very quickly because they had anticipated the change, but they continued to run the majority of major plant/equipment until the Easter bank holiday weekend, at which point staggered furloughing they had planned was completed, resulting in approximately 85% of Hope-based employees on furlough.

They elected to 'top-up' the wages of all employees from the level of the Government furlough scheme to their full expected pay for the (thus far) affected months of April and May. Both kiln lines were shut down as employee numbers reduced, but not before full cement stocks had been established across their distribution network as the main nationwide lockdown came into force. Those people who remained working at Hope did so under the controls of a suitable and sufficient risk assessment, which allowed for appropriate social distancing and made it possible to manufacture cement throughout, milling from a stock of intermediate material (clinker) and maintaining healthy stock levels. Demand remained throughout the period for a reasonable volume of cement from Hope which has no doubt

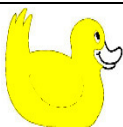
contributed to completion of critical projects such as infrastructure, flood defences, key buildings etc. They also continued to supply their depot in Dagenham which has seen good volumes of packed products in particular – no doubt due to so many people completing home projects.

Monday 11th May marked the beginning of bringing their Hope-based employees back from furlough in a phased approach and they restarted one of their two kiln lines at full production on Wednesday 13th May. Further ramping up of production depends on several factors, including how well the country performs as the lockdown is slowly released and how quickly demand increases. However, there is a good level of optimism as time goes on and plans continue for longer term investment projects such as the plans for shale replacement in the kiln raw mix: also known as the Alternative Raw Material (ARM) project. A planning application will be submitted for this project later in the year, following a public consultation exercise this summer which is likely to be via a 'virtual consultation room', given the continued requirement to socially distance. The site is hopeful that the project's benefits - a reduction in sulphur dioxide emissions and utilisation of the rail infrastructure - will be appreciated, whilst welcoming any questions or suggestions in relation to the plans.

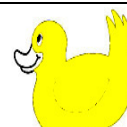
Finally, Hope Cement Works now have a dedicated website which they plan to use for updated information regarding the planning application consultation referred to here. You can visit the site here: <https://www.hopcementworks.co.uk/>

CARNIVAL

Sadly, as you might have expected, and after a lot of thought, we have decided to cancel Carnival 2020, along with Open Gardens and Comedy Night. A lot of advance planning goes into these events and a decision has to be made quite a while in advance. We have been advised by the Wells Dressings committee that the Wells Dressings are also cancelled.



BRADDA DADS



Bradda Dads continue to wish everyone well. We haven't escaped the current crisis, our fundraising has stopped and events cancelled. Small considerations in comparison to what many families are experiencing. We look forward to getting back in order when restrictions allow. Anyone interested in being a member can contact Stuart (07590 047104). Thanks to everyone helping us through, from the staff in our village shops, Bradda Cares and essential workers, to the village online quiz exercising our brains in the evenings. Your efforts are really appreciated. Definitely not unnoticed was the musical accompaniment to VE day rising from the Crescent, I could hear it in Coplow Dale...fantastic stuff!



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PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDWARD MAXWELL TURNER



Max died suddenly on 5th May, aged 83. He was born in Holmfirth, near Huddersfield and was educated at local schools before going to Penistone Grammar. He did 2 years National Service with the Green Howards Regiment, serving in Cyprus for a year. On his return he attended Sheffield City Training College for 2 years, followed by a year at Leeds Carnegie College of Physical Education. He taught for 4 years, before returning to Carnegie for a further

year. He then became a lecturer at I.M. Marsh Teacher Training College in Liverpool, after which, he completed an M.A. at Lancaster University. Following a period of business in Chichester Max moved to Northampton to work for MacIntyre Residential Care Homes, a charity supporting people with learning disabilities and complex needs. As Head of Human Resources it was his job to oversee the Charity's work at all its sites nationwide.

He married Carolyn, a Sheffield girl, in 1959 at St. John's Church, Ranmoor and they went on to have 2 sons. They moved to Bradwell in 2000, when Max retired. Since then they have travelled widely throughout Europe and the Far East, as well as visiting countries such as Canada and New Zealand. Max loved to watch cricket and until he developed eyesight problems he played golf regularly at Sickleholme and Hope

Works Golf Clubs. For more than 10 years, in his spare time, he did coaching for track and field events, helping several athletes who went on to achieve success at Olympic level. Whilst living in Northampton, he was Chair of Governors at a Junior School and served on the Governing Board of both Bradwell schools for several years. Max leaves his wife Carolyn, 2 sons, 3 grandchildren and a younger brother.

SWIFT PROJECT UPDATE

With most of our new swift boxes installed around the village, luckily just before the lockdown, we can all now be starting to search the skies for our returning birds which usually arrive by early May. If you would like to be part of our team recording sightings and possible nesting sites, we would be delighted to hear from you by contacting me, Delphine at bradwellswiftreports@gmail.com. We are hoping to build up a picture of the presence in the village of **swifts, house martins and swallows** so please let us know what you observe about all these birds. We can only do this with the support of as many of you as possible and are so grateful for the important part you can play in this project. We have put together some simple swift recording sheets for you to fill in which I can send to you when you email me. Thank you!

THANK YOU

Your *Bradwell News* is printed by an organisation called the [Greenaway Workshop](http://GreenawayWorkshop.com) in Darley Dale. Greenaway are a small charity offering employment to people with long-term health conditions, and they have been printing our newsletter for many years now. The coronavirus pandemic has faced them with big problems for their vulnerable work force, but they have somehow managed to find a way print for us. We thank them sincerely for being there for us in these tough times.

THE BENEFICE OF HOPE, CASTLETON and BRADWELL

No services of public worship will take place in Hope, Castleton or Bradwell churches as all churches now have to be closed until further notice. Queries regarding weddings and funerals should be addressed to the Vicar or Churchwardens.

Please remember in your prayers the following members of our community and those who care for them:

Leonard Atherton, Petra Bridgstock, Kate Brown, Wendy Collier, Judy Dean, Michael Emsen, Emma, Denise Furness, Jenny Hare, Bill & Marian Hayes-Allen, Mary Leigh, Peter Mummery, Bill Smith.

May we hold in our prayers the family of Max Turner from Bradwell, who sadly passed away last week. Also, for the friends and family of Rhodri Hughes who died this week aged 25.

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