



# Bradwell News

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## Happy Christmas from Bradwell News!!

Well I know it is a bit early but this is our last issue before Christmas – but don't worry we will be back in January 2003!

In the meantime thanks to all our contributors this month. Keep those articles coming in – if you can email them direct then that is much appreciated.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

Sponsored Walk in aid of **FOBS** raised £364.10 to date.

**School** closes for Christmas on Friday 20 December and re-opens on Tuesday 7 January 2003.

Beth Gillies has taken over from Keith Brett as Chairperson of the **Well Dressing Committee**. Janet Broome is Vice-Chair and Sheena Judge, Treasurer.

Well Dressing Committee Judy Helliwell **Raffle** tickets are on sale from village shops – in aid of Bradwell Senior Citizens, Draw 16<sup>th</sup> Dec, White Hart

**Bradwell Churches' After School Club** is pleased to have been awarded a Countryside Agency Community Services Grant of £1500.

The **Churches' Bread and Cheese lunches** in aid of the Southern African Famine Relief Appeal are set to have raised over £250

## Return of the 'Shoulder of Mutton'

Our best wishes go to local business couple, Alan and Gill Simpson, who have taken over the 'Valley Lodge' in Bradwell – now renamed as the 'Shoulder of Mutton'. The return of the old name will be greatly appreciated by those of us who never actually got to grips with the 'new' name! Along with the new 'disco bar' there will be something for everyone and customers old & new will be assured of a warm welcome to the newly refurbished bar. See their advert and watch out for further editions of Bradwell News.

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## Bradwell Consider Joining Veterans League!

Seriously, did you know that the average age of the Bradwell eleven is 37!

If you are short on entertainment on a Saturday afternoon, why not come down to 'stretfield' and support the lads. You won't be hallucinating, that really is Kingy out there on the field!

I will share a little story from a recent match with Tidza starring another evergreen, 'Stevie Rob' and the "just out of retirement" Bradda keeper! Stevie was booked for his part in this; I quote from the ref.'s report:

"With a noticeable lack of communication both Goalkeeper & Centre-Half went for the ball.....There then followed a heated argument between them as to who was to blame for this memorable 'cock-up'

Who was to blame? You decide!

Recent results: Tidza 2 - 1 Bradda: Bradda 1 - 2 Calver. The latest game at Youlgreave was postponed, although I have received reports that one Bradda player had a stormer, up and down the wing on that particular afternoon.

Anyone interested in joining this band of merry 'Travellers' on their journeys to the outposts of the Hope Valley, sampling the finest cuisine from all corners of the globe and of course the occasional beer, come and join our 'band of brothers' and help bring that average age down.

Alan Slater

## BRADWELL JUNIOR SCHOOL

As Christmas approaches, the children at the Junior School are starting to rehearse for their Christmas concert and carol concert. The Christmas concert will take place at 2.00pm on Tuesday 17 December in the Memorial Hall, and everyone will be very welcome.

Children who learn instruments will have the opportunity to perform to an audience, and there will be a selection of seasonal songs from the choir and class groups - even the audience will have a chance to participate! After the concert we will serve coffee and mince pies. We look forward to seeing you there!

## THE BOWLING GREEN

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## The White Hart

Tel: 01433 620444

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec Charity Quiz night, 9.00pm  
Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Dec Patrick Connor, male singer  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec + 10<sup>th</sup> Jan Curry nights 5.30-8pm (booking advisable)  
Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Dec Stevie May sings  
Christmas Eve Christmas carols  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Dec Pie + Pea Supper + duo  
'Karnival' (booking advisable)  
New Years' Eve Music 'til late  
New Years' Day Ruth's birthday party!!  
all welcome!

## Going Green - with Blue Boxes!

Derbyshire Dales District Council aim to start the 'Blue Box' recycling scheme in Bradwell in the near future (you may already have yours by the time you read this article!) You will be given your own Blue Box for all your glass bottles (any colour) and jars. The box will be collected from your property with your paper recycling bag every other week. You will need to remove caps, lids etc and drain/rinse as much as possible but don't include milk bottles, glasses, crockery, light bulbs in the box. Look out for more information soon.

## News from Bradwell Environment Group

For our second meeting we were joined by 3 new members - who were very welcome!

A variety of issues were discussed ranging from litter to wildlife surveys to sculpture/art projects!

More on these in the next edition.....

But for now - if you would like to join BEG please contact Liz on 621643 or come along to the next meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January - phone Liz for details!

## Bradwell Girls Raise Money for the Homeless

Hannah Ridgeway and Eleanor Weston raised £94 doing a sponsored walk in the dark following an idea from their RE teacher Mrs Brewin. The girls decided to help a little bit more, and indeed helped other charities as well as buying blankets from charity shops such as Oxfam, Help the Aged and the British Heart Foundation. To make their money go further, the girls went to Aldi and bought groceries. Well done!

## TABLE TOP SALE

Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> Dec  
10am-2pm  
Methodist Schoolroom,  
£5/table top  
50p entrance fee  
food available,  
Tel: 623383  
for more info



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## LESSONS FROM THE RAINFORESTS OF COSTA RICA

Dr. Alison Kay described "the joy in stepping into the rainforest" in her beautifully illustrated talk given to the WI recently. Where there are more species of butterfly than anywhere else in the world; where it is very humid and noisy; where the sloth only comes down from his tree to go to the toilet; and where there are so many colourful varieties of birds.

Why not go there for a holiday!

### News from Bradwell Bowls Club

Unfortunately our bowling green is now closed – the season running from April-September.

2002 saw us entering 4 teams in the Matlock & District League, playing Tuesday evenings and Thursday afternoons. Favourable league positions being upheld, and some excellent bowling throughout.

During the season many friendly matches with local teams have taken place, these are most enjoyable evenings.

Club competitions, which run through the season, saw a number of new faces coming to the finals which indicates the standard of bowling is getting better all the time.

The Gala Week Pub Knockout on the last Sunday of the week was by far the best one yet, with a good crowd of younger people taking part, Valley Lodge being the winner.

Our last competition of the season was a Charity Day, our first attempt at this effort, kindly sponsored by one of the founder members. 31 pairs bowled from Clubs around Derbyshire. The proceeds realised just over £300, our first charity being Bradwell Allsports.

Finally, should you be interested in bowls, watch out for our AGM date in March. Come and join us – you'll be very welcome!

### Hope Valley Flower Club Hope Methodist Church Hall, Edale Road, Hope

Our next open meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 7 pm.  
Demonstrator is Robert Barlow on a Christmas theme  
Our January meeting will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> and will be a workshop. Bring your own flowers, pots and any equipment you think you will need – and have a go!  
For more information on either meeting please ring Valerie Hoole on 01433 650485

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## Parish Council News

### Town bottom Playing Field Shelter

The future of this emotive building will be decided at our next meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Last year we spent nearly £1000 on refurbishing it's roof and wooden bench, but a small group of youths have since vandalised them again and also knocked some large building blocks out of one of it's walls.

We have to balance the cost of maintenance against an obvious benefit to the majority of children, many hundreds of whom have appreciated this facility over the years.

Allowing the Shelter to deteriorate to a dangerous condition is not an option - the choice is either constant repair to malicious damage, or demolition. If you have a view, which you would like us to consider, please write to the Parish Clerk, Richard Jarman, by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

All residents are welcome to attend this and other Parish Council meetings, although standing orders do not allow participation in the debates.

### Internal Auditor

All Parish Councils are obliged to advertise this new position, which involves an audit of our books on a quarterly basis. The salary is £300, which equates to approximately £7.50 per hour. If you are interested in applying, please contact the Parish Clerk for further details.

### British Legion Site

We have now heard from Dales Housing that they have no interest in developing this site for local needs housing, and we already knew that this was the only kind of development which Peak Park were likely to allow.

We have recently received two petitions from groups of residents requesting use of the site for parking (for different purposes) and last year a local company enquired about purchasing or leasing it for parking the company's vehicles. We are making enquiries to establish what limitations of use, if any, were implicit in the deed of transfer from Blue Circle to the Parish Council. Meanwhile we would appreciate your views on the use of this site for carparking.

Compliments of the season from all your Parish councillors.  
Chris Furness



Dear Bradwell news,

### Wildlife in Bradwell

I recently noticed that our kitchen bin was being disturbed in the night. Our first suspect was the cat. Then one evening when he was asleep by the fire I noticed a rustling noise from the kitchen, something scuttled behind the dishwasher, I peered about with a torch for a while but didn't see anything. Now I feared we had rats.

The next night the same again, though this time I was ready to spy through from the living room. I was amazed when a Polecat came peeping out, and went straight for the bin! He sensed my presence but kept on scouring about for scraps. I've never seen a Polecat before and wasn't sure whether to feel honoured at the chance to encounter such a beautiful creature, or shoo the wild vermin out of my house!

The next night he seemed comparatively unbothered by us and started trying the cat flap and digging at the back door. At first we had thought that he was getting in and out somewhere, but then we realised that he must of come in through the cat flap and couldn't workout how to get back through! So we opened the back door and few minutes later he reappeared and left the house in no particular hurry!

Now a few days on he's still residing in the outhouse and seems less bothered by us every time we meet.

Has anyone else seen a Polecat in Bradwell? And can anyone confirm that is what it was as people keep saying "are you sure it wasn't a ferret?"

He's a grey/fawn sort of colour with distinctive black and white facial markings, and a black furry tail, about 40cm in all.

Has any body else spotted any other rare species in the area?

Josie Bland

### **Bradwell Youth Club**

Derbyshire County Council operates 5 youth clubs in the Hope Valley area, Bradwell being one of them.

In order that we meet the needs of young people in particular areas, and connect them with the communities in which they live, Youth Clubs rely on expert knowledge and interest of local people to help guide their work in the form of voluntary management committees.

Bradwell Youth Club Management Committee, have in recent years, become depleted as people have retired or left the community. We now need new member to join us and bring new ideas and enthusiasm to our group. If you have approximately 3 hours, 4 times a year and a genuine interest in young people and the community of Bradwell we would very much like to hear from you. Please contact: Brenda Bradwell on 620720 or Helen Greator on 01629 825085

### **Bradwell Post Office and News**

Tel 01433 620309

~~Newspaper Deliverers required~~

We currently have a number of vacancies for newspaper deliverers for Monday - Saturday rounds and also Sunday rounds

Must be over 13 years old. Parental consent will be required if under 16

Enquiries to Anne or Peter

### **Shoulder of Mutton Bradwell Christmas Special**

You are certain of a warm welcome at 'The Shoulder'

For details of  
**CHRISTMAS OPENINGS**

Telephone:

Alan or Gill on  
**620427**

### **EVENTS**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Mini market

10-11.30am, Bradwell Memorial Hall

**BAMFORD METHODIST CHURCH**

'Valley Praise'

6.30pm, Saturday Evening Worship with live music from the Worship Group. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served after the service

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**FOBS**

Tinsel, Tingo, Bingo

Donations of prizes with a Christmas theme welcome - please give to school or committee members. 8pm, White Hart

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH**

Christmas Fair

10-11.30am, Bradwell Memorial Hall

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**WHITE HART, 2pm**

Childrens' Christmas Party with Father Christmas

**PEAK SINGERS**

'Messiah', admission £4

7pm, St Peters Church, Hope

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Abney Carol Service 7pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH**

Joint Carol Service - Infant and Junior School  
2pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

**BRADWELL METHODISTS**

Carol singing around Bradwell

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Carol Service

6pm, mince pies/coffee/tea

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH**

Carol Service, 6pm

Christmas Eve

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH**

6pm Festival of Light (Crib Service)

11.30 pm Midnight Holy Communion

Christmas Day

**METHODIST CHURCH**

9pm Service

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH**

8pm Said Holy Communion

8pm Christmas Communion at Abney