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EVENTS

Wed 5 Nov: Ladies Christian Fellowship - St Barnabas Church, 2:15pm. "Living and Working in Antarctica" - Andy Smith

Fri 7 Nov: BRADDA DADS BONFIRE - see page 2

Sat 8 Nov: Network Ladies Autumn Lunch - Methodist Hall, 12 noon to 1:30pm. Homemade soup and a dessert. Tickets £5

Wed 12 Nov: Rebellion Knoll W.I. - Methodist Hall, 7:30pm. A.G.M.

Fri 14 Nov: The Teddy Bear Club, Coffee Morning. 10 -11:30am in the Methodist Hall. Raffle, cakes, tombola etc. Entrance 50p, raising funds for the Christmas Party

Fri 14 Nov: FOBS Christmas Shopping Evening - Junior School, 7:30pm. Tickets £2.50 - includes a glass of wine. To book a table at the event contact Sharon Newsam on 650179

Tue 18 Nov: Bradwell Historical Society - Methodist Hall, 8pm. "When the Canal Ends, the Railway Begins" - David Frith

Sat 29 Nov: Methodist Christmas Fair - Memorial Hall, 10 - 11:30am. Coffee/Mince Pies. RAFFLE

For Your Diary:

St Barnabas Church Christmas Fair - 13th December

FOBS NEWS - CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING

Friday 14th November: 7 - 9pm at Bradwell Junior School. Tickets will be on sale soon at a cost of £2.50, which includes a glass of wine. This should be a great evening and a chance to start or finish your Christmas shopping!! Stalls will include Bradwell W.I., Oriflame cosmetics, Jewellery, Avon, Handmade bags, Phoenix Cards, The Book People, Reflexology, Aaran Trading, Eyre's, and various crafts and gifts. FOBS will also be running a tombola and a raffle. Please come and support us. Proceeds go towards the children's Christmas parties and trips. We still have a limited number of stalls available to hire so if you are interested, contact Sharon Newsam on 620179.

NEW COMMITTEE DETAILS - At our recent AGM Hilary Johnston resigned as Treasurer, Katrina Mosley resigned as Chair and Andrea Slater resigned from the committee. All have put a great deal of time and effort into the committee over several years and FOBS would like to thank them for their dedication and hard work. We welcome Sharon Newsam as Chair, Mel Seymour as Vice-chair and Kim Copley as Treasurer and wish them well in their new posts. Thank you for all your support and we look forward to seeing you on 14th November.

BRADWELL YOUTH CENTRE

Doing Something Different

A group of 12 youngsters from Bradwell have been packing a punch following a trip to Chesterfield for an Ozbox session. Ozbox is a project run voluntarily by Chesterfield based police officers to encourage young people into boxing based fitness exercises. Hope Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team, who also help to run Bradwell Youth Club, organised the trip for the 14 to 16 year olds after hearing about its success. The classes, which are run by fully trained coaches, include circuit training and basic boxing skills, and were originally set up with the aim of reducing anti-social behaviour by giving young people something to do in the evenings and taking them off the streets.

PCSO Anthony Boswell and Youth Involvement Officer Mark Stone went with the young people. PCSO Boswell said: "We've had an excellent response from everyone in the group. They've all said that it was hard work, but that they had a good time and would like to go again. "The great thing about the sessions is that they are for both boys and girls and it encourages fitness and positive attitudes while at the same time keeping them out of the cold and dark."

Bradwell Youth Committee and the Safer Neighbourhood Team are now looking to organise more trips for the youngsters in the future.

THANKS FROM THE YOUNGSTERS

"Immense Night!" - "Ace!" - "Thoroughly Enjoyed Ourselves!" - "Can we go next week?"

These were some of the comments from the five girls and seven boys who went to the OzBoxing in Chesterfield. A big Thank You from all the young people to Anthony Boswell and Mark Stone. There was even a stop at McDonald's on the way back!

SATURDAY WASTE SKIP DATES

29th November 13th December

SEND US YOUR NEWS

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SURVEYS—VALUATIONS

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Newburgh Development Referendum

We presented the poll question (*Are you for the outline application in its presented form and scale?*) which was proposed from the floor and agreed at the village meeting on September 26th to Derbyshire Dales DC. We asked them to make urgent preparations for a referendum and were surprised to hear that they considered the question unacceptable. They insisted that we call another village meeting to get it changed before they would agree to arrange a referendum. The problem DDDC have perceived is that Newburgh Engineering is not mentioned in the question and they feel that some voters might be confused. We have therefore been obliged to arrange a date for this purpose and the re-convened meeting will be held in the **Memorial Hall on November 7th at 7.30pm.**

It will be purely for the purpose of amending the question so it should be a very short meeting.

DDDC originally told us that it could take up to six weeks to arrange a referendum, but they now say they will try to make that two weeks. Hopefully, therefore, the referendum will be completed by the end of November.

Newburgh Engineering have agreed to delay submission of their application until November 3rd to accommodate the referendum and to ensure that it falls within the time-limit of the planning consultation process.

Wortley Court

We've had a few queries about last month's article so I thought it best to relate the history of Bradwell Parish Council's interest in this site.

Wortley Field was owned by APCM (Earles) from 1929 until 1971, when they gave it to the PC by 'Deed of Gift' on condition that it be used only for social housing for seniors. The PC then arranged a 500 year 'Deed of Lease' with Bakewell Rural District Council, who had agreed to develop, own and administrate the social housing. This Deed should have been passed on to the succeeding Councils when they took over BRDC's assets and liabilities. These Councils were West Derbyshire and then Derbyshire Dales – which later transferred all its housing stock to Dales Housing. However, Dales Housing were apparently unaware of the PC ownership of Wortley Field when they gave permission for the new access and they say they have not seen a 'Deed of Lease' for the site.

We have sent them a copy of ours and await their response before deciding how to proceed with this matter and the Wortley Court residents' petition. Chris Furness

A THANK YOU

Joan and John Judge would like to say a very big thank you to all our family and friends who so kindly remembered us on our Diamond Wedding Anniversary. We had a wonderful time and really do appreciate all that was done for us on this memorable occasion. So thank you all once again

**BRADDA DADS ANNUAL BONFIRE NIGHT**

MICHLOW LANE FIELD
Friday 7th November

Guy Fawkes Competition
16 years old and under
12 years old and under
8 years old and under

PRIZES FOR EACH GROUP

Judging at 6:45pm
Bonfire Lit at 6:50pm

BRADWELL WELL DRESSING - XMAS VOUCHER

The committee would like to re-iterate the criteria for receiving vouchers:-

Any couple where the man is 65 or over **OR**

Single man 65 or over **OR**

Single woman 60 or over, on or before 30th Nov 2008.

If you fit into one of these categories and are not already receiving vouchers or know of anyone new into the village who is eligible please let the committee know.

Sheena 623483, Peter 621459, Janet 620803

The committee understand that these criteria may give rise to some comment but would like to point out that they were set out in the constitution for the Wells Dressings.

POLICE REPORT

During this month five crimes were committed in the village, all of which are being investigated by local officers. During the month we have received eight calls for service. These have involved low level rowdy nuisance behaviour, nuisance motorbikes which involves operation Blackbrook and messages. These incidents were in the area of Town Bottom and the Play Area. Can I remind you that if you want to know what crimes are being committed or attempted in our area, the Police Ringmaster Service will contact you by e-mail or telephone. We are currently giving away panic alarms. We can also supply £5 shed alarms. If you are interested in these products, need security advice or would like a Ringmaster application form, contact PC Phil Whitehead or Anthony Boswell. Our contact number is: Police Call Centre: 0845 123 3333. In case of emergency dial 999. Thank you all - PC Phil Whitehead

Anthony Boswell, PCSO 4510, Hope Valley

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HOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

The next PTFA fund raising event will be a Quiz night, to be held at the Millstone Pub, Hathersage on 13th November, starting at 7:30pm. Tickets are £5 and attendance is limited to 70 people, so get your tickets now from HVC Reception or call 651377. Teams welcome and there's a Bar, Raffle & Supper.

THE TEDDY BEAR CLUB

The Teddy Bear Club will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 14th November, 2008 from 10:00am until 11:30am in the Methodist Schoolrooms (opposite the White Hart Pub). Entry will be 50p and there will be a cake stall, tombola and a treasure hunt as well as a selection of toys for the children to play with. We will also be drawing our Christmas Raffle, which has a first prize of a luxury hamper and a £50 Debenhams voucher as second prize. There are many more fantastic prizes to win in the raffle so make sure you enter – we will be selling tickets outside the co-op in Bradwell on Saturday 8th November. This is our major fundraising event of the year and the majority of the proceeds will go towards our children's Christmas Party. All ages are very welcome to attend our coffee morning and we do look forward to meeting you.

The Teddy Bear Club is Bradwell's Parent, Carer, Baby & Toddler group and is a voluntary, self funding organisation. Our aim is to provide a safe environment for children to play and a warm atmosphere to meet new friends.

BRADWELL CYCLING CLUB

The Club has now raised more than £6,000 for charity. We meet once a month at The White Hart (when I say meet, it's more a social get together). Next year our sponsored ride will be approximately 100 miles to Skegness. So if you feel you would like to join us in this event, and perhaps become a member of our happy little band, why not come to our next meeting? It is at the White Hart, on Sunday 26th October at 3pm and you will be made very welcome. Thanks for your help in the past. Joan Riley

RAINBOW GUIDES: 1987 - 2008

On Sunday 28th September 2008, Hope Valley & Tideswell District Rainbow Guides celebrated their 21st Birthday on Bradwell Sports Field and the weather managed to stay fine! All the Rainbows took part in craft activities and play lots of games, the afternoon finished with a party tea which the girls had helped to make. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon activities. We would like to thank Bradwell Parish Council for the free use of their mini Marquee and Bradda Dads for organising a team of helpers to erect and dismantle the marquee. For more information on Rainbow Guides please contact: Debbie 01433 621731, debhobson@aol.com or Helen 01433 621388, hitchhitch7@aol.com

SEE US ON THE WEB
www.bradda.org

LIFE IN BRADWELL

We arrived in Bradwell nearly two years ago on a wet and windy November day. We moved from the flat fenland of Cambridgeshire as we had a great love of the Peak District which had developed whilst living in Sheffield during the 1970s and 1980s. It had always been our plan to return to Sheffield when Andy retired but in the course of house hunting there we came across a bungalow for sale on Hungry Lane, Bradwell. We instantly fell in love with the views from the house and so decided to move here instead. Location, location, location was important. We enjoy walking and Bradwell had much to offer, with a number of footpaths very close to our house. Bradwell also had the advantage of being on the boundary of the Dark Peak and the White Peak, so giving us local walks on both the limestone and grit. It was also close to Kinder Scout, one of Andy's favourite areas.

We moved into Bradwell knowing nobody, but a check on the web prior to moving had revealed an active village with much going on. It was our intention to join in village activities and we soon joined the Tuesday walkers, the Historical Society and St Barnabas church. Rosy also joined the WI and the Ladies Christian Fellowship. We found people to be very friendly and welcoming. The friendliness and support became important as we coped with illness, and we found ourselves surrounded by love and care.

We would like to say a great big thank you to the people of Bradwell for this. Joining a few of the many village activities soon led to other things. As a member of the Historical Society Andy found himself helping with the 'After Seth' book, which gave us a great insight into the past life of Bradwell and its inhabitants. As a member of the WI Rosy has found herself planting the village tubs with bulbs in the autumn and bedding plants in the early summer and taking part in the village litter pick. As members of the church we have taken part in the Lent Lunches, both as soup makers and consumers. As members of the Tuesday walking group we are currently taking part in a survey of the footpaths in Bradwell Parish for Derbyshire County Council. It has also been a pleasure to take part in the Townend well dressing for the last two years.

As well as joining clubs and societies we have found many activities that require support – many of them involving fund raising. To name a few: the Bradda Dads' duck race, the annual pantomime, the church garden party, the Methodist men's meat and potato pie lunch, and all the activities that occur during Wakes Week. We have gained much pleasure from them. Bradwell has much going for it. We have found it to be a great place to live, and have never once regretted moving here. It is now our home, and every time we look at the view over the village from our house, we think how lucky we are to have settled here. We have even been instructed in local pronunciations so that we do not stand out as newcomers, but I guess we will always be incomers.

Rosy and Andy Smith



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REBELLION KNOLL W.I.

Myth, Legend, 'King' – Rebellion Knoll WI invited Bruce Nowell to introduce the story of 'King' Arthur to its members at their meeting on 8 October when 14 members welcomed him, together with Judy Cooper (DFWI representative) who was in attendance. The story of 'Arthur' has its origins in medieval times and Bruce explained that whilst this great legend figures largely in our history, the question of whether he existed at all is still a question for debate. This period in medieval history contains little documented evidence of anything much happening at all, which explains why we know little about the happenings during that time (can't throw any light on the subject – hence the name Dark Ages). There is however, (documented) evidence that there was once a great leader of men 'Dux Valorum' who was victorious in battle and 'kept the Saxon hordes in their place' for a period of 50 years but this leader was not named either as a King or as Arthur. Arthur appeared 'in writing' around about 530 - 540AD when a monk, Gildas first wrote of this great leader who at the Battle of Baden carried the cross of our Lord. Historical evidence supports the authenticity of the battle but the writings are ambiguous. The Welsh have laid some claim to Arthur and the Cornish have 'Tintagel' – but again there is no evidence that he was born at Tintagel. Neither is there evidence that he was buried at Avalon – indeed where is Avalon, is it Glastonbury or is it somewhere else? Similarly, where is Camelot, could Camelot have been Carlisle, Chester? This 'King' was indeed a man of mystery who appears to have been romanticised during the Victorian period when the Lady of the Lake first appeared, along with Knights of the Round Table, Sir Lancelot, Galahad, Percival and others. A Round Table pertaining to be that of King Arthur can be seen in Westminster Hall, London, – whilst the table is old it is not medieval – another mystery!

So, Bruce (and Arthur) left us all with a feeling bewilderment. Arthur, certainly a man of mystery – did he exist, was he a myth, a legend or indeed a King? The debate remains open and ongoing – your choice depending on your school of thought.

For more of the same why not join us and become members of Rebellion Knoll WI. We have events full of mystery, surprise, interest and above all, enjoyment. Look for the notices on Bradwell notice boards. We would all be very pleased to offer our friendship and welcome new members.

BRADWELL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

At 8pm on 18th November our speaker will be David Frith, a local historian with an encyclopaedic knowledge of Peak District railways. His talk, "When the Canal Ends the Railway Begins" takes its title from the fact that the canal system, which ends at Buxworth Basin, was intended to continue to Buxton and beyond to exploit the mineral wealth of the Peak and open up trade to the Midlands. However, the topography made the scheme unaffordable and unworkable and so a railway was taken along the projected line of the canal. In his talk, David will look at this and other developments in haulage from the 18th century onwards. If you have heard him speak before you will know that he can answer virtually any question on rail transport. Visitors and prospective new members are always welcome at our meetings. The evening, with refreshments will only cost you £2.

P.S. We would still like to see (and copy) and old photographs which could be used in our "Then and Now" schools project.
Mike Emsen.

"O LITTLE TOWN OF BRADWELL"

Yes, it will soon be that time again - time to "Lift up your hearts, Lift up your voice!" Yet again I am recruiting Carol singers to continue the tradition of singing in the White Hart on Christmas Eve. We will be holding non-serious "practice" sessions on the three Saturdays prior to Christmas, i.e. 6th, 13th and 20th December, between 6pm and 7pm in the White Hart (of course). Please note that on Christmas Eve itself the Carol singing will begin at approximately 9pm. Song sheets will be available at £1 each and the money raised goes towards the Old Folks Christmas vouchers. Please come along and join us - and have fun. Janet 620803

BRADWELL YOUTH CENTRE

The Youth Centre continues to run very successfully, thanks to an excellent holding operation by Joyce Emsen, ably supported by a major contribution from the volunteers. Grateful thanks to everyone who has been helping. As a result of your efforts the youth of the village continue to have a vibrant facility with a positive future. We are also pleased to be able to announce that the position of Youth Centre Coordinator has been accepted by village resident Bill McCartney. Bill has considerable experience of working with young people and is looking forward to his new challenge. Bill starts in early November and we wish him well.

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