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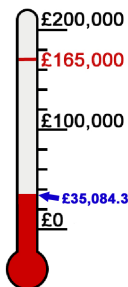
EVENTS

Wed 8: Rebellion Knoll W.I. - Methodist Hall, 7:30pm. "I Need a Hero" - Jenny Woodall

Tue 21: Bradwell Historical Society - Methodist Hall, 7:30pm. "Finding The Way" - Howard Smith

For Your Diary: Welsh Male Voice Choir singing in St Barnabas Church on Sat 23rd October. More details later.

CHURCH ROOF FUND



At the end of July the Fabric Fund stood at £33,026.65.

During Gala week an amazing £2057.73 was raised for the Fund.

The Total therefore now stands at £35,084.38. Many, many thanks to all who contributed and are continuing to contribute.

OPEN GARDENS

Thank you to all those involved in the fifteen gardens we opened this year, they were visited by more than 180 guests. Ticket sales and donations amounted to £561.35, once again making it a most successful and pleasant event.

In addition to visitors from Bradwell, we had many from outside the area, and the comments we received from them were very complimentary. The range and types of garden on view came as a pleasant surprise to many, and from the regular visitors the expressed pleasure of seeing gardens they know, and seeing how they had survived a severe winter.

Thanks once again to those who opened their gardens, and also to the Bread Shop and Bradwell Ice Cream Shop, and to those in church who sold the tickets. Peter Kobayashi

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: bradwellnews@yahoo.co.uk or paul@paulandliz.org. Or call Paul (623941), Vanessa (623053) or Carol (621425).

You can also leave hand written copy at the Post Office.

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Next Issue Out: 6th October

BRADWELL TEDDY BEARS CLUB

Bradwell Teddy Bears would like to send a huge thank you to everyone who put money in the collection tins and buckets on carnival day. Thanks to you we raised a huge £348 towards our club and this will go towards new toys, activities and trips out. A great carnival day was had by all. Teddy Bears meets every Tue & Fri at the Methodist Hall (opposite the White Hart) during term time from 9.30 – 11.30 (we re-open on Tues 7th Sept). It is a parent / carer toddler group and everyone is welcome, from birth to around 4 yrs. For the little ones we have toys, books, crafts, jigsaws, dressing up etc and our new outdoor play area. For the grown ups we have tea/coffee and chat! It costs £1.50 per family and new people are always very welcome. For further info please call Esther on 01433 621529

STORYBAG COMMUNITY THEATRE

On page 3 of this edition we are running an article on this excellent initiative which gives us the entertaining "15 Minute Theatre" events we so much enjoy.



THE VILLAGE ORCHARD

Bradwell is soon to get it's very own community orchard thanks to the efforts of Bradwell Community Orchard Group and La-farge, who have agreed to lease a field on Michlow Lane at a peppercorn rent. The group held a stand on the carnival field to share the exciting news with the wider community.



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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES**Public Meeting – proposed playing fields developments.**

Thirteen residents attended our August PC meeting to give us their views and to request a public meeting for the presentation and discussion of our proposals. This was agreed unanimously by the Council. **The public meeting date has been arranged for Tuesday September 28th at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Hall.** After the residents departed it was proposed and agreed that Beggars Plot should be evaluated as a possible alternative site for the proposed BMX track. It was also agreed that Councillor Lawson, Chair of the Playing Fields Committee, should present the proposed new equipment and Councillor Walker the BMX options - at the public meeting. Everyone who has an interest in these developments is invited to attend. Please come along to give us your views and suggestions. They will all be taken into consideration before any final decisions are made.

Wortley Court. Bradwell PC, as owner of Wortley Court field, is one of five named bodies/persons in an enforcement notice issued by Peak District National Park. The notice refers to possible legal action by PDNPA relating to a rear entrance development onto Wortley Court. It was unanimously agreed at our August meeting that the parish clerk should reply to PDNPA that Bradwell PC is not at fault and accepts no responsibility for this development or its reinstatement.

Youth Centre. We are still awaiting written confirmation of a verbal assurance from DCC Youth Service that as they can no longer supply a manager for the Youth Club, they are happy for the PC to take over management. It was therefore provisionally agreed at our August PC meeting that, pending written confirmation from DCC, the YC Committee should prepare a budget to include the employment of a Youth Club Leader. The Youth Centre is currently closed for the summer holidays. To enable its re-opening in September, Jeanette Jewell has volunteered to attend and co-ordinate the supervision of all sessions until a Leader is appointed.

Resignation. Councillor Sophie Nunn is stepping down as a Parish Councillor, and Council thank Sophie for her time spent working with us. This means we are now one Councillor short and we invite applications from anyone interested in helping to serve the village. If you are interested please write or e-mail the Parish Clerk, Steve Lawless:

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CARNIVAL REPORT

On the Friday night of Gala Weekend, when it poured with rain, I, along with a lot of other people, I suspect, was beginning to wonder if we were in for a repeat of last year's distinctly soggy carnival but Carnival day dawned dry if not sunny and managed to stay that way almost to the end.

To thank everybody individually would probably take up the whole newsletter but I must say a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who helped to make this year's Carnival the success it was; as we have said before, it doesn't just happen, there's a small but dedicated band who work tirelessly to make sure it happens.

Although the number of floats was slightly less this year the standard was extremely high, the fancy dress participants were slightly up and the standard was similarly excellent, I had great sympathy for the judges who had a really difficult job deciding the winners. We had a stilt man who also entertained the crowd with magic and the sight of Ben10 in the procession (courtesy of the Children's Entertainer) delighted many younger viewers. The 'static' clown at the entrance to Beggar's Plot surprised a number of unsuspecting public but the free balloons, courtesy of Lafarge, soon put a smile back on their faces. The new attractions of the Climbing Wall, inflatable Assault Course, Gyroscope and Gladiator were a big hit with the teenagers. Sadly we did not have our own Queen or Princess, something we hope to rectify for next year, but we were well supported by the visiting Royalty, many thanks to Emma Darwent as, having moved away, this was her last year in organising this part of the Carnival (fancy taking this on for next year? Then see below!).

We have some difficulties with the 'upping' and 'downing' of the bunting this year, as you must surely have noticed. We have had some kind volunteers from Derbyshire Fire and Rescue helping us, but we have struggled to find time to get it down. So, if it's still up when you read this, our apologies – we're working on it!

The Police had nothing serious to report and St. John's Ambulance reported one accident. St. Barnabas Church and the Teddy Bear Club shared the street collection of almost £700, (if your organisation would like to a share in next year's street collection, be sure and get your application in!), the Bradwell Sports Association organisation working towards the Multiple Use Games Area on the Sports Field, benefitted from the £98 they collected manning the Gyroscope and Gladiator stalls and the Bowls Club benefitted by £145 (approx) from running the Car Park on Margaret Morley's field.

We are hoping to start planning for next year's Carnival with a meeting on Monday October 11th in the Methodist Lounge at 7 pm so if you've got some good ideas and would like to volunteer your time and services then please contact Vanessa Horstead (623053) – your help would be very greatly appreciated!

Finally, our apologies to Malcolm's dog, from the Dog and Ducks spectacular, we'll get the PA sorted out for next year (although I thought it added wonderfully to the fun!)
Vanessa Horstead

SATURDAY WASTE SKIP DATES

25th September and 30th October

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WELL DRESSING—60th ANNIVERSARY

2010 was the 60th Anniversary of the restarting of Well Dressing in Bradwell following the Second World War. Four superb wells were once again created this year. The Smalldale Well used the theme of "The Good Shepherd", which was the chosen theme for the well 60 years ago. Townend Well depicted "Ye Olde Bowling Green Inn", whose landlady Mrs Mills was instrumental in the restarting of Well Dressing. Church Street's Well's theme "He Died to Save" featured scenes from the carved wooden plaque in the Parish Church commemorating the First World War. The well dressing paid tribute to the wonderful service and sacrifice, past and present, which the armed forces provide for us and for our country. The Children's Well featured Joseph and his coat of many colours, and a range of individually made tableaux, very well done to all the children and adults involved.

Thank you to all the people involved in all the wells, the designers, the petallers, the puddlers, the men who transport, erect, and dismantle the wells, the men who construct new well frames, the people who allow the wells to be petalled in their premises, those involved in the Blessing of the Wells Ceremony, and so on. A special thank you to all those who came to view the wells, and to those who so generously donated. We have received many kind and complimentary comments from visitors from outside the village, and already are receiving enquiries about visits next year to see the wells under construction, and the finished dressings.

We would like to see Well Dressing in Bradwell to continue to flourish, we have four wells to support each year and are always looking for help, in a similar way the Carnival Committee also need people to become involved, so that we do not lose our village traditions. If you feel you would like to take part in well dressing, please contact us.

Well Dressing Committee – Chair Sheena Judge
623483/Secretary Peter Kobayashi 621459

DERWENT RCS

Derwent Rural Counselling Service is a small but extremely active charity based at Newholme Hospital in Bakewell. Established 21 years ago it's team of counsellors offers a professional and confidential service dealing with many issues including stress, bereavement, relationship problems and depression. The group are staging two fund raising events at the Maynard in Grindleford. On Wednesday 6th October from 4-8pm there is a 'Champagne and Shopping' evening where you can choose and purchase distinctively unique and affordable gifts while enjoying a glass of champagne and canapés. Admission is £10, by advance ticket only. On Thursday 7th October at the same venue there is an All Day Shopping fair (9.10am to 4pm) with a wide variety of stalls selling great value gifts for all ages. Light refreshments are available all day and tickets are £2.50 in advance or £5 on the door. Contact 01629 583897 for tickets or for more info.

STORYBAG COMMUNITY THEATRE

Storybag Theatre is a not-for-profit company that came into being in 2002, largely because Alison Benefield couldn't get any other work. Rather than work in the fruit shop for the rest of her days she decided to become a storyteller. In 2003 Ruth Dixon was coerced into the business and Alison started telling stories with musical underscores. Whilst enjoying a post-pantomime drink in 2004 the idea of producing something for the Bradwell carnival took shape. The first show, "The 15 Minute Hamlet" written by Tom Stoppard went out that year under the banner of the Centenary Players. From then on the productions became subsumed into Storybag Theatre and the rest, as they say, is history. The 15 Minute shows developed and grew in popularity until eventually in 2007 they were asked to play at the Bakewell Show. Seven 15 Minute shows have been staged to date and with the exception of Hamlet all have been written, adapted, directed and produced by Alison, with all music written, adapted and performed by Ruth Dixon and Tom Wells. Storybag also produces original pieces of reminiscence theatre. Working with day centres and residential homes for the elderly around Derbyshire, real life stories and memories are recorded, turned into a script, rehearsed with local actors and then performed back at the same centres and homes where the stories originated.

For further information on Storybag Theatre please contact story_bag@yahoo.co.uk

See photo on Front Page.

CARNIVAL DAY STREET COLLECTION

This year's street collection raised £696.46 and was divided equally between two local charities, The Teddy Bears Club and St Barnabas Church Fabric Fund for the essential roof repairs. Thank you to all who so generously donated, and to those who collected. A special thank you to Glyn Harhat who this year collected £60.55 another super individual effort, well done Glyn.

Peter Kobayashi - 2010 Collection Organiser



BRADDA DADS



Bradda Dads would like to thank the fire brigade for helping our little ducks down the brook this year! Without their help we wouldn't be announcing the following winners:

First Prize - £50 Each: Duck 490, Jenny Lawson, Doreen Taylor and The Rev Mike Bossingham

Second Prize - £25 Each: Duck 299, Mr Goldberg, Eve Boyle and Leanne ICP

Runners Up Prizes - £10 Each: Duncan, Barney Naylor, Gwen Chatburn, John Horstead, Lee Ollerenshaw, Alan Simpson, Mrs J Cooper, Alan Bakery, George Dawson, Chris Tymms, Isobell Elliott and John Judge



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BOWLS MEDAL

Bradwell Bowls Club have informed us that Zayne Bukhari entered the Stockport Bowls Festival Competition and won through the first round, but unfortunately lost in the second round to the person who had won the competition for the last 4 years and who was 4 years his senior. We are pleased to print this photograph of Zayne, wearing the medal he received, along with congratulations on his achievement from all at Bradwell Bowls Club for how well he represented Bradwell.




REBELLION KNOLL W.I.

The speaker at this month's meeting, Wednesday September 8th 7.30 in the Methodist Hall, is a local romantic novelist, **Jenny Woodall**, who will give a talk on her latest novel "I need a hero". **WARNING!** There may be some 'naughty' bits!!!! Our Garden Party was a rather wet and windy affair and, although most people had brought garden chairs, we had to resort to sitting inside. An enjoyable evening was had by all nevertheless and Dot Hawkins romped away with first prize in our Guess the Tree competition. For our July meeting we had thought it would be a hot summer's evening and what better way to cool down than to listen to a talk about Antarctica. In the event it was anything but hot. However, **Andy Smith's** talk on **Working in Antarctica** was fascinating and certainly took our minds off the weather. At more than 2000 miles across Antarctica is bigger than the USA and a logistical nightmare to get to (and get back!). The 'easiest' way to get there is to fly to the Falklands and sail the rest of the way not forgetting to take

everything with you; enough food, building supplies, loo paper etc. to last you through the winter and then multiply that by two - just in case you can't get back! The fuel alone runs into several hundred drums which are then stored on the ice surrounded by tall poles. Why the tall poles? Well, it's the only way to find the fuel store after it's snowedand don't forget the shovel to dig it out.....or the string so that you can find your way back to camp in a 'white-out'! The camp, originally built straight on to the ice shelf, gradually sank under the weight of the snow and so every few years they built a new camp on top of the old one. An exhausting business; and you have to remember to take every nut and bolt with you - not forgetting the plans!. Nowadays the camp is made of interconnecting capsules on hydraulic platforms (complete with windows and curtains!), so that when the snow gets too deep and moves too close to the edge of the ice shelf you disconnect the front capsule, move it to the back and then ramp the whole structure up until you are, once again, above the snow. Ingenious, but still very time consuming.

Work, geological surveys, weather mapping, climate change investigation etc. takes up most of your time but you still have to turn your hand to cooking and cleaning. Before the advent of satellite communication you only had a monthly allowance of 200 words to say 'hi' to the folks back home, nowadays you have unlimited e-mails and electronic birthday cards. Any disputes were sorted by the camp leader, who was made a temporary Magistrate for the duration, although crime was understandably very rare. And every camp had it's own doctor capable of carrying out operations in the event of an emergency. Getting back, once your tour of duty was over, was dependent on the vagaries of the weather and you could often be delayed for weeks. Andy's wife once made 3 'Welcome Home' cakes before he eventually made it home! Andy accompanied his talk throughout with brilliant slides. Photographs of the Aurora Australis, the Southern Lights, were awe inspiring and there were a few shots of the very majestic penguins as well, beautiful but , as Andy said, what you don't 'see' is the smell which, apparently is overwhelming! The above is just a snapshot of Andy's talk, it was a wonderfully entertaining, and informative evening enjoyed by all. And just one word of advice - if you do get to work there, don't run to the loo - apparently you will get colder than if you walk!

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