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Orchard Group Apple Day - 16th October, Noon to 4pm. Dick's Yard

THE END OF AN ERA

High Peak Heating will cease business on October 29th. Richard and Margaret would like to take this opportunity to thank all our loyal customers for their business over the past 20 years. Also, to apologies to all the people we have upset in one shape or form. No malice was intended, the culprit was more likely to have been exhaustion or age.

Margaret, Ben and Caroline would like to thank the village for all the kindness shown throughout Richard (Dick's) illness. It has been overwhelming.

BRADDA LOTTO

The results of the September LOTTO Draw were:

£60 winner: number 166

£30 winner: number 47

£15 winner: number 99

Would all members please note that the October Draw will be held one week earlier than usual on Wednesday 6th October at 8.15pm in The Bowling Green Public House.

Also: Early information is being given re the **Big Draw** in December when £1,050 will be given away in Prize Money. This Draw will be held on Saturday 4th December, when we will be holding a "sort of a Christmas Party" which will hopefully include : Sort of 'Supper/Games/Quiz/Bingo/& Disco plus the Big Draw'. All taking place, for the family in the Memorial Hall. More information will be in next month's Bradwell News.

WILDFLOWER GROUP

We are planning an exhibition in St Barnabas church which can be viewed Weds - Fri 10am-4pm and Sat - Sun 10am-6pm during October. The exhibition will highlight the work of the wildflower project in Bradwell, with associated photographs and children's artwork. If you would like to find out more about the project please come along to the exhibition or email us at braddawildflowers@gmail.com.

BRADWELL CENTENARY PLAYERS

Everyone is welcome to get involved in our **2021/22 village pantomime**. If you are interested in being on stage, come and try a few parts and find out what the show will be this season. Readings are on:

Tuesday 05th October – Memorial Hall 7:30 to 9:30.

Thursday 07th October – Memorial Hall 7:30 to 9:30

We would love you to join us.

REBELLION KNOLL WI



The Ladies of Bradwell's Rebellion Knoll WI finally met again in early August with an informal get-together in a member's garden. Even the intermittent drizzle failed to dampen the enjoyment of seeing one another again and they enjoyed a lovely evening of tea, cake and chatter. Meetings are planned to start again in September with Linda Southwick giving an introduction to Qi Gong and a demonstration of gentle exercises for everyone to try. Details of meetings on our website www.bradda.org/village_organisations/rebellion-knoll-womens-institute or join us on the second Wednesday of the month in the Methodist Hall at 7.30 pm.

THANKS

Patricia Price would like to thank all her wonderful neighbours and friends for their care and kindness, with a special thank you to Valley Care. John would have been really touched and proud that so many people had offered me their support at this time. I am so grateful to be surrounded by such a caring community. Patricia.

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@paulandliz.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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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

New councillor: Following the resignation of Rachel Holloway as a parish councillor there is now a vacancy for a councillor. As per legal requirements the vacancy is advertised on the village notice boards for fourteen working days to allow residents to request an election. An election to fill the vacancy will be arranged if ten electors give notice in writing to the Returning Officer requesting that an election be held. If sufficient requests are not received the Parish Council will fill the vacancy by co-option. If you are interested in joining the council, please contact the Parish Clerk. The parish council would like to thank Rachel for her help and contribution while she was a councillor.

Public meeting on the BOAT application on Moorbrook Lane: The parish council have decided to postpone the decision to hold a public meeting on the BOAT (byway open to all traffic) application on Moorbrook Lane until the current rise in covid infections in the area decreases. The decision will be reviewed in a couple of months and if possible a public meeting will be called.

Change of route of refuse collection: Following numerous complaints about missed refuse collections in the village the parish council asked District Councillor Furness to contact Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) and request the refuse collector Serco vary the order of collection each month to avoid the same area suffering each time. Unfortunately the answer he received was - "unfortunately it's not as easy as just doing the route backwards as the technology which shows the route is set up on the system in one direction and would require reprogramming to reverse the current set up". However, Serco have been instructed to take the side waste as it's a result of the missed collections.

Bins- fly tipping notices from DDDC: A number of areas in the village are suffering from household rubbish being left alongside the general waste bins and not placed in the bins. This excess rubbish is not being collected when the bins are emptied, which creates a health hazard and is resulting in the village looking very untidy. District Councillor Furness has been tasked with asking DDDC to place stickers on all village bins making it clear that that leaving rubbish by the bins and not in the bins is fly-tipping, which is a prosecutable offence attracting significant fines.

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. See the parish notice boards (on the side of the Memorial Hall and in the Peace Gardens bus shelter) for meeting announcements and agendas.

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Council Chair (623941) or cllrdowning@bradda.org

BRADWELL FELL RACE

This is an abridged version of a piece written by Graham Revell and handed to John Boyle before Graham's life was very sadly cut short by cancer. Graham was a lifelong resident of Bradwell and an active sportsman within the village. He was a regular participant in all the Valley fell races for over 40 years and was well known for his ability to descend at speed, even in his later years. As a very modest man it took some prising out of him to learn that he had completed the Bradda race some 38 times – with a best placing of 3rd. Graham writes:

Exactly when the first organised Bradda Fell Race took place is not known. Seth Evans, one of Bradwell's earliest local writers, commented that in the late 1700s any exercise, such as football - which tended to involve wrestling and fighting was viewed to be unlawful. This view may have also included fell races. "After Seth", Bradwell Historical Society's 20th century history of Bradwell, records that in 1935 a fell race was included as an event in the "Pageant and Carnival" sports day (August Bank Holiday Monday). It goes on to state that a Hallamshire Harrier (unnamed) won this race, narrowly beating J. Liversage of Bradwell. A report in the *High Peak News* gives the winners of a "steeplechase up Bradwell Edge" as 1st Mr. N Skelton, 2nd Mr. Frank Liversage and 3rd Mr. A Parkin. This 1935 'fell race' appears to have been a 'one off' and was not repeated until after the war when, in 1948, the first of a series of annual fell races was held. Local runner Bateman Eyre won this and the 1949 race. The *High Peak News* reported that C. King (Bamford) narrowly won the 1950 race from S. Wilson (Bamford) and that Bamford won the team prize. In the 1951 race was Pat Campbell, of Manchester Harriers; a notable runner whose CV included a 4th in the 1934 Empire Games steeplechase and nine Rivington Pike fell races wins between 1930 and 1939. Pat, who had relatives in Bradwell, was in his late 50s and in 1951 trailed in 4th of 5 finishers. It is possible that this was Pat's last 'competitive' race. Many years later, recalling the race he admitted to being well past his best and only ran as he was persuaded to do so by his relatives. Although these races continued until the 1950s participation was small, generally fewer than 10 runners and often just 3 or 4. No records were kept, but engraved on the base of the Blakey cup were the names of the winners. This cup no longer exists, but a list of the winners was made in the 1980s. In the revived 1967 'Gala Week', a fell race was included as one of the activities. No one could agree on the previous course so a new route, starting at Beggars Plot playing field was created. The runners climbed up to Rebellion Knoll via Netherside, Church Street and The Green on The Hills, before returning via Brough Lane, Brough Lea Farm and Black Bridge. Large crowds, both along the route and at the finish, turned out to see John Dungworth of Brough win from a field of runners who, in the main lived or worked in Bradwell. These 1960s and

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early 70s races were organised by Albert Edge on behalf of the football section of Bradwell Sports Club. Albert's qualifications were that as a local football league referee, he was a trusted neutral but more importantly he had a stopwatch! Other than recording and timing the first 3 finishers, little in the terms of records

were kept. In subsequent years runners from further afield were attracted to what remained essentially a local race. In 1969, 70, 71 and 76 Peter Goodfellow of Staffordshire was the winner. In 1973 Colin Field of Hathersage won for the first time. Although Colin went on to win in 1974 and 1977, the main significance of his participation was that his friend, Paul Buckley, accompanied him. Paul never won, or came close to winning the race but he ran in every subsequent race up to 2007. Although this was a formable achievement in its own right, it is made more remarkable by the fact that during the late 70s Paul, who did not drive, moved to Keighley and on numerous occasions made the journey to and from Bradwell by public transport. In the late 70s, came the running boom and running clubs discovered the race. Participants jumped from a few dozen local runners who in the main knew the route, to on occasion exceeding 200 runners. Most of these runners were unfamiliar with the course and moreover, they all wanted to know their time and position. David Eyre superseded Albert Edge as race organiser. David introduced a major route change sending the runners up the steeper right-hand ascent of Bradwell Edge and then along Andrew Edge to Rebellion Knoll. This slightly longer route made for spectacular viewing with the runners silhouetted against the skyline. The erection of a fence blocking off Andrew Edge necessitated further route changes. The new route took runners directly onto Brough Lane where they turned right to the Dupper Lane (from Abney) junction (*marshalled by Malcolm Sowerby for as long as I can remember*). The runners now followed the edge of Hollowdale (*Overdale*), re-joining Brough Lane and continuing down it before taking a sharp left turn onto the footpath from Shatton to Botham's Farm. They then followed the farm lane to Black Bridge and back to the finish at Beggars Plot. The finish was later moved to the new sports field at Stretfield. Although sensible from an organisational point of view, it was unpopular with spectators. Many liked to watch the early part of the race en route, before strolling down to the finish. Local runners missed the enthusiastic support on the approach to Beggars Plot. In 2009 organiser Alan Ward, concerned with the deteriorating state of Brough Lane negotiated a return to the original route, dropping down the steep field between Botham's and Brough Lea farms and towards Black Bridge.

To bring this account up to 2021 - The organisation has continued of late under the stewardship of Greg Rimmer and Richard

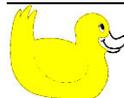
Patton with on-going support from Debbie Hobson / Claire Brown and other members of the Sports Club. The race is still held on the Tuesday of Carnival Week and is hotly contested both by hardened fell runners and a growing band of local runners. This year Bradda has, for the first time in its 80 plus years of fell racing, played host to the English Junior Championships on the 10th July 2021 – Some of you may have seen the racing which was hotly contested by youngsters from across the UK – as well as some home grown talent (Jonah & Ffion Patton and Angus Wallis). The event was very well received by the fell running community – who were amazed by the great running on our doorstep. Our thanks to John Boyle for this piece of history.

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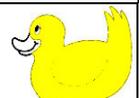
Residents familiar with the Bradwell Land Trust will be aware that we have been eagerly awaiting completion of the first six affordable houses on the Bradwell Springs development. We are now pleased to say that six local families moved into the houses in late August. It required a lot of work by Land Trust directors and the builders, plus a great deal of patience on the part of the families, because getting the houses finally ready was more difficult than anticipated, but we did it! We welcome all our tenants to their new homes and sincerely hope you will be very happy there. Now, we turn our attention to the next six houses, due to be delivered during 2022. Bradwell Community Land Trust remains committed to providing affordable rental accommodation for local families. Want to find out more about the CLT? Why not come and celebrate with us on 12th October at our AGM in the Memorial Hall at 7:30pm. If you are not a member please come early and we can sign you up. It only costs £1 to join us and if you can't come there is an application form on our website at www.bradwellclt.org

FLY TIPPING

You will see in the PC Notes on page 2 that fly tipping in the village is happening, probably caused by the unacceptably poor rubbish collection service these days. Please note that leaving your uncollected rubbish alongside litter bins in the village is illegal and you could be fined heavily. Hold on to it or take it to the tip yourself, but don't ruin the village by dumping it in the street.



BRADDA DADS



The Bradda Dads are aiming to resume normal activities from October, kicking off with (wait for it...) a meeting in the pub! We'll share details of this on social media and any past, present and future members who'd like to join us will receive a warm welcome

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PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIAN WHARTON



It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Brian Frederick Wharton aged 87. He passed away on 22 August 2021 at Robina Hospital on the Gold Coast, Australia after a long battle with cancer. Dad was born in Church Street, Bradwell in 1934, the "nipper" of a family of nine. He was predeceased by siblings Jack, Ron, Lil and Frank and survived by his sister

Hilda, children Robert and Sandra, granddaughter Ruth and 5 great grandsons. In 1956 he married Val (nee Townsend) and in 1975 they bought the White Shop in Eyam, working side by side for the remainder of their working lives. Subsequently they owned the Post Office and Rose and Crown, and for a time Dad was both Postmaster and Landlord simultaneously. Probably one of the last traditional "shovel and barrow" spar miners he started out working spar on Hazlebadge and eased into retirement dry stone walling around Eyam, Bretton and beyond, until full retirement and their move to Australia in 1994. Sadly, Val died in 1999. Despite over 25 years in Australia, Brian considered himself very much a Bradda-ite. His more memorable stories of growing up in Bradwell in the 1930s included working with his brother Frank as they helped their father Jack, a journeyman butcher, to slaughter the village pigs. Happier reflections involved Bradda Brook, Edwin Roberts' pies, Bradwell's ice cream, and fishing at Earles. We shall be bringing his ashes back to Derbyshire once Covid

restrictions permit, taking a final trip up Bradda Edge, before he is laid to rest alongside his beloved wife Val in Eyam churchyard.

JOHN PRICE 1927 - 2021



Born in Bexhill on Sea, John lived in Canterbury during his early years. He moved to Sheffield in 1937 and was educated at King Edward VII School, which was where he spent the last years of his teaching career. He did his National Service with the RAF, eventually becoming a sergeant. He took up hockey during this time. A passionate and talented sportsman, John represented Sheffield in swimming competitions in his youth. He was very interested in cricket, enjoyed playing bowls and was an active member of Sickleholme Golf Club. He was a keen gardener, winning trophies for his tomatoes in annual shows and he was a member of Hathersage Horticultural Society. He loved literature and was an avid reader. Over many years John was involved in charity work with the Freemasons and for 26 years with the Royal British Legion and was a very well-respected member of both Hathersage and Bamford RBL branches. He also worked in a voluntary capacity for Derby County for 13 years. John and Patricia moved to the village 14 years ago and holidays, often with friends, to places such as St. Agnes and Rosemund were special times. In Bradwell they soon made many good and loyal friends who added to their full and happy life together.

2021	3rd October	10th October	17th October	24th October	31st October
ST BARNABAS OCTOBER SERVICES	1045 Joint Harvest Service with Methodists at Methodist Chapel	1000 United Benefice Service	0930 Holy Communion	1000 Online Outdoor Service by Zoom	1000 United Service with Edale at Hope Church
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