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A Very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year to You All.

EVENTS

Sat 4: St Barnabas Xmas Fair at the Memorial Hall: 10-1130
Fri 10: Tideswell Band Concert: St Barnabas: 7:30pm. Tickets at Xmas Fair or from Tim Bradwell on 07751122009
From Sun 12: Christmas Tree Festival at St Barnabas: see poster for further details.
Sun 12: St Barnabas Carol Service: 6pm

BRADDA LOTTO

Winning numbers in the November draw were:
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BRADWELL PRE SCHOOL

Pre-school will be running their **Annual Christmas Raffle** this year. The Pre School is a charity and relies on fundraising activities to enhance the learning resources and experiences which the children can experience. The proceeds from this raffle will be used to provide the children with a trip to an outdoor learning and activity centre, so by taking part you will be helping to enable this opportunity.

First prize will be a hamper of items donated by the children and parents, and there will be other prizes which have been provided by local businesses. It is not too late to donate a prize. If you would like to do so please contact Cath Flitcroft at: (secretary.bps1@gmail.com).

Please support us by purchasing tickets using the slip included with this newsletter which, once completed can be taken to the Post Office or Christa's Hair Design. The raffle will be drawn live on Facebook on **16th December**.

ENDINGS



Well, they do say that "all good things must come to an end", and one of those "good things" just ended for Bradda. Margaret and Dick Morley were running High Peak Heating on Towngate when I moved into the village in 2001. A lot of our initial set-up stuff for the house came from there, and over the years we had become accustomed to popping in for light bulbs, kettles, screws and nails - just about anything you wanted of a hardware nature. When our Spanish observatory needed a plastic skirt to keep rain out we bought materials from

Margaret and carried them out of the country. When all the copper pipe in our Bradwell house needed replacing, Jonathan Woodhouse bought all the replacement plastic pipe and fittings from - Margaret. The village will miss being able to do that, and although most things can be bought on Amazon these days and delivered to your door (or someone else's) there is no substitute for popping in to Margaret for it. But the village will lose something else as well. Much village information changed hands in that shop, either at the counter or sitting on the corner stool sipping on a cuppa. Assuredly the information will still get around the village on the whispernet, but somehow you could be fairly certain that if you heard it at HPH it was probably mostly true.

So I am sure you will join with the *Bradwell News* team when we wish Margaret all the very best for a long and happy retirement. And who knows, she just might pop up again in another disguise. All that energy and enthusiasm has to be allowed to escape somewhere. Watch this space - Ed.

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

Snow wardens - A number of residents are snow wardens, helping with snow clearing/gritting activities through the winter months. More volunteers are needed to help keep the pavements gritted in the bad weather, so if you are interested in joining this team please contact the Parish Clerk.

Flood wardens – Unfortunately, some areas of Bradwell suffer from flooding when there is a lot of rain. A number of residents have volunteered to be flood wardens to help out when this happens. There is a need for more volunteers to assist with putting out barriers and sandbags to try and prevent water getting into houses. If you are interested in joining this team please contact the Parish Clerk.

Wildflowers – The wildflower group presented their final report to the parish council at the last council meeting. Some land covered by the project is owned by the parish council and the group brought councillors up to date with the outcome of the first project year. The group are also working with Derbyshire Dales District Council as part of a three-year project of introducing wildflower areas into villages. The group were thanked by council for their hard work and council agreed to support the project for the next two years. The wildflower group agreed to produce a single page for council, defining which areas should be protected from early season mowing. This report will also advise when the areas should be mown

Footbridge from Bradwell Springs to Softwater Lane – Discussions have started with Camstead on the building of a pedestrian bridge from Bradwell Springs onto Softwater Lane. The parish council have given permission to Camstead to use the area of land recently purchased by council, and Camstead will be responsible for ensuring all necessary permissions are in place, including agreements with all relevant parties.

Support for Bradwell Hydro - Lights on the Town Bottom Playing Field trees: As per last year a group of residents are planning a display of Christmas lights on some trees on the playing field, to be powered by a micro hydro-electric scheme in the Brook. The lights will be low powered and illuminated during the evening for a number of days at Christmas.

Refuse collections: Following the poor service provided by Serco a group of residents have developed and implemented a procedure for reporting missed collections to DDDC. The scheme involves a number of residents, located throughout the village, sending information to one resident coordinator, who then contacts Derbyshire Dales District Council. The scheme appears to be working and the hope is that this will result in a longer term fix for our refuse collection problems.

Please Note that this does **not** mean you should not report when your collection has been missed. This can still be done on Derbyshire Dales District Council website - *Report: missed waste collection*. District Councillor Furness has advised council that there will be an independent investigation into the service provided by Serco over the last year.

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.

Contacts:
Parish Clerk (623485) or parishclerk@bradda.org
Council Chair (623941) or cllrdowning@bradda.org

SELLING A HOUSE?

If you are in need of local, qualified help for such things as Conveyancing, Wills or Powers of Attorney there is a company in the Hope Valley specialising in these areas. Contact Eve Lake Conveyancing and Legal Services on 01433 627268 or visit their website at <https://evelake.co.uk/>

HALLOWE'EN TRAIL



I think it's safe to say that despite the weather, the trail was a huge success. Well over 100 children joined in and there was lots of laughter and merriment, which was lovely to see. Thank you to everyone who was involved. Hopefully next year will be even better, and we'll start the planning soon. Vanessa.

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for other events.
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RICHARD 'DICK' MORLEY



Dick Morley passed away in Bradwell, his home for 45 years, on 24th September, 2021 after a short but tenacious battle with pancreatic cancer. Born in 1951 he grew up in High Green Sheffield and enjoyed a memorable post-war childhood playing in the open fields, steelworks and collieries that surrounded the village. As a teenager he loved music and was a talented footballer – being named Sheffield League player of the year in 1976, but his passion

was always joinery, in which he was apprenticed after leaving school (as soon as was possible) at fifteen. He met Margaret while working on Hope Valley College and they were married in 1976. Moving to South Lea in Bradwell he took on the Bradwell milk round, helped out on the farm and, through the refit of Brough Mill became a joiner for the National Trust, working for Peter Eyre – a job which he loved due to the places he visited alongside the people he worked with who would become life-long friends. Son Ben was born in 1984, and many a happy hour was spent on the farm or in the “workshop” by the Brook. He was entrepreneurial by nature, and alongside the National Trust he built dog kennels and sheds which he and Margaret showed at local shows, renovated property, and started a business - VES Pest Control which would gain him boardroom access to a number of major companies. He was to go on to sell products worldwide – something for which he was rightfully proud. Eventually taking on High Peak Heating alongside Margaret in 2000 he found a place right at the heart of this community.

Dick was a community man at heart and, while not one for committees or being ‘at the front’, he could always be relied upon to get things done, and his support for many groups and individuals in the village will leave a lasting memory and legacy. Leaving South Lea in 2018 he first fully renovated (despite a major heart attack mid way through) and eventually moved into his retirement bachelor pad at Softwater Mill surrounded by his beloved collection of classic cars. In his latter years he would spend more time with his grandchildren, Elizabeth and Abigail whom he doted upon, with trips to Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Whitby and Wales being memories we shall treasure. He was a local man with a love of family and friends, who believed in hard work and a strong community, demonstrating this right to the end through his concern for others and his motto to “just get on with it” – which is what he would tell us to do now!

The whole family thank the village for their support, best wishes and the turnout at the funeral - which he himself helped plan. He would have been humbled but chuffed. His ashes will be interred at Bradwell Church in December, residing evermore at the centre of the community he called home.

BETTY'S BRADWELL

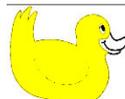
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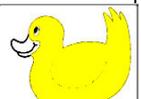
Hope Valley is known for its beauty.
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We're lucky to live in the Peak District,
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Each season of the year is attractive
in it's own unique stylish way.
We are blessed with such natural beauty,
Whatever the month or the day.
Betty Bancroft.

POPPY APPEAL 2021

The service and laying of wreaths was very well attended, and a big thank you to the generous folk of Bradwell for donating to this year's appeal for a magnificent total of **£2893.07**. I would particularly like to thank the ladies (Thea Stevens and team) who again organised and raised money with the Lamppost Poppies. They looked superb! Also a big thank you to all the House to House Collectors. As several of these collectors had to give up their rounds this year due to age, ill health and other reasons, I could not cover it all. I apologise for this as there were a few missed rounds in the village. Hopefully next year we will be able to cover the whole village again and so, to this end I am trying to find volunteers to take on a round. If you can help, please contact me: Keith Brett, Tel (621404) or 07540 659587



BRADDA DADS



Seasons greetings from the Dads!
Christmas cards will be delivered shortly, if you haven't received one please accept our apologies and pick one up from the post office. Events:
- World Famous Duck Race - Boxing Day 11am: Town Bottom, tickets outside Co-op every Sat. in Dec. & on the day.
- Curry Cabin, Hope - 17th Dec. Time TBC. All old, current and new members very welcome. Please email braddadads.secretary@gmail.com if you're coming so we have an idea of numbers to book!

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PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WILLIAM ROWLAND
14th September 1960 – 16th September 2021



William passed away at home on 16th September 2021 after a short illness. He was the first of three sons born to Walter and Rita Rowland. Starting life at The Nook on Nether-side and then onto Oswald House within his first year, William later became the eldest brother to Richard and Stephen and later still a proud uncle to his nieces. He lived

in Bradwell all his life. In his early years he enjoyed playing cricket at home and football on the playing field. He organised games in the garden or on the Hills as well as exploring caves and occasional outdoor cooking exploits in Bradwell Dale. Going to school in Bradwell, Hope Valley College, then Lady Manners, William left to work at Cambion in Castleton in 1979. There he stayed, the company having various names, now Cambion Electronics, until he retired early, in 2018. He enjoyed his working life, becoming Chief Accountant and Company Secretary. Work was more akin to family and many colleagues would become lifelong friends. William's favourite hobby was cricket, first playing for Hope Valley College and then for Blue Circle Cement. He took delight in watching Derbyshire, travelling the country for forty plus years. He also followed England to South Africa and Australia. His second hobby was football, first playing for Bradwell during his school years and then watching Sheffield Wednesday. Quite often he

would follow Matlock Town too. William loved his rock music, Status Quo being his favourite band. He went to many concerts and festivals in the UK, France and Belgium. He liked being outdoors, walking and gardening much of the time. His final years were spent caring for Walter, then Rita, a challenge for which he retired early. Finally, he battled with his brain tumour but still enjoyed living life to the full. A funeral service was held on 11th October 2021 at Bradwell Methodist Church, followed by burial at the Primitive Methodist Chapel. A collection for 'The Brain Tumour Charity' was held on William's behalf.

THANKS

Richard and Stephen Rowland and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for all their cards, comforting words and support following William's death, and for the generous donations to The Brain Tumour Charity. Special thanks to the Reverend Julie Letts, Paul Tanfield and Mary Oldfield.

Well, this village and surrounding areas have once again risen to the occasion. Dick Morley's funeral was outstanding, from you all stood on the pavement to the many who attended at both Hutcliffe Wood and the service at church. Grateful thanks to Louise for conducting both services (very professional). To Paul and his team for actually organising us all (he needs a medal). To the bearers for carrying their mate (couldn't have been easy) and to Lynne and her team for feeding and watering us (lovely food Lynne). Dick would have said, in his understated way "A JOB WELL DONE"

Many thanks to all who came, helped and supported the Royal British Legion Community Café on 6th November at St. Barnabas. It raised an amazing **£320** plus a great time for all.

2021	5th December	12th December	19th December	24th December	25th December
ST BARNABAS DECEMBER SERVICES	1100 All Age Worship	1000 Benefice Communion Service at Hope	0930 Holy Communion	1430 Crib Service	Communions will be held at Castleton at 0930 and Hope at 1030
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