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BRADDA LOTTO

August Winners are:

Number 52	£60
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Number 184	£15

BRADDA BINGO

The sun has been shining during this summer which must have encouraged the many people to support the Bingo sessions at the Memorial Hall. A total of over £3,000 has been given away in prize money during this year and a total of £1,200 has been raised for the Memorial Hall. Requests have been made to the organisers to return for a third year, during the summer of 2026, so please watch this space when our *Two Fish" and "Two Parrots" will be promoting next years starting date. An evaluation of this years programme will be held in the Library (Memorial Hall) on Thursday 2nd October at 7.30pm to which anyone interested, or are maybe looking towards becoming one of our volunteer helpers, are welcome to attend. Thank You again for all your support this year. PS: Happy Christmas!

WAR MEMORIAL HALL

The Hall is a Village owned charity and is an essential part of the community activities. It is used by our schools, the Centenary Players, exercise groups, the Parish Council, pre school play groups and the Scouts. It houses our library, hosts our Pensioners Christmas Lunch and provides the venue for our exercise of our democratic right to vote.

It is run by a manager, Vanessa aided by a voluntary committee on behalf of the user groups. At this time **we need a Treasurer** to be responsible, with assistance, for our financial activities and to help to apply for any available Grant assistance. We would also appreciate a further Committee member to share the work load and hopefully to be prepared to take on an officer's role in the future. If you would like to know more about how it all works please contact our Hall Manager, Vanessa Ball or me Brian Salisbury brsalis@aol.com or bradwellwarmemorial@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

This month's Community Café is on **Saturday October 4th** at St Barnabas Church. It's a lovely opportunity to meet people, enjoy fabulous home-made cakes, maybe win a raffle prize, and enjoy yourself! The local group we are supporting is FOBS, so do come and support this community event.

APPLE DAY

Come and celebrate **Apple Day** with Bradwell Community Orchard Group at Dick's Yard (near the traffic lights) on **Saturday 18th October between Noon and 3pm**. You'll be able to see, taste and take home locally grown apples, enjoy a glass of freshly pressed apple juice and buy home made cakes, jams and chutney.

HALLOWEEN COMPETITION



This year, in collaboration with Bradwell Parish Council we will be running a Halloween "Best Dressed House" Competition. If you would like to join in with the fun and be in with a chance of winning a prize please enter the competition. It is free to enter and there will be first, second and third prizes generously donated by Woodhouse Plumbing and Tiling. Email Vanessa parishclerk@bradda.org or call 07730370759 for more information and to enter. If you don't want to decorate your house but would be interested in judging then we'd also love to hear from you. Judging will take place on 31st October. If you are choosing to join in with trick or treat you can add your house to the map here at www.trickortreatmap.com so that everyone can see which properties are happy to be trick or treated. Whilst good fun and exciting for some, Halloween is not for everyone so please be aware.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The activities started again this September, their continuation made possible by financial contributions from various local groups and businesses. The BYAC would like to send a big thank you to the Tour of Bradwell for their contribution through Richard Patton and the team which organises the different local fell races. It mean so much to the group that they can learn skills which wouldn't usually be possible.

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 Steve (620329). You can also leave hand written copy at the Post Office. For questions on advertising please contact Caroline carolinepreston37@gmail.com
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PC NOTES

Council Meeting: There was no parish council meeting in September, but councillors are working on a number of issues. As has been announced elsewhere we can confirm that a device to monitor vehicle speeds was installed at the end of August on Main Road, just past Beggars Plot playing field. Many residents have questioned why this location was chosen and we can say that it was placed there because figures from Speed Watch sessions have shown that a large percentage of speeding occurs at this location. Should funds be available in the future we will consider buying another device. Speed Watch co-ordinator George did identify many sites where a device could potentially be installed but for various reasons these were not approved by Derbyshire County Council. There have also been questions why a speed camera cannot be installed. We've asked for a camera, but the police will only allow one if there are very persuasive reasons, such as fatalities caused by speeding vehicles.

ANPR Cameras: PCSO Will Brockett confirms that the start of the ANPR project for the Hope Valley has been a success. Each parish council in the valley contributed approx. £1,500, so with the three cameras donated by Breedon there are now six cameras covering the valley. Derbyshire Constabulary will not tell us where they are, but we are reassured that they are only used for the detection of crime and for any case involving the police such as in missing person cases.

Dredging of the brook: The Environment Agency tell us they are now taking all the required steps to begin the process of desilting sections of the brook, including securing contractors and contacting the landowners. They have confirmed that dredging should be completed before the end of Autumn.

Potholes: From reports, potholes in sections of the village have now been repaired, which is great news. Other reported issues on pavements have also been resolved, so we would like to remind residents to keep reporting these problems on the Derbyshire County Council website or via the clerk who will do it on your behalf.

Youth activities: Bradwell Youth Activities, an organisation which is run, but not funded by the parish council, has been running for many years now. Funding for these activities relies on donations and grants, which this year have come from Breedon, Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Dales District and most recently Richard Patton and Greg Rimmer via "The Tour of Bradwell". These grants provide village youngsters with many exciting opportunities for personal development and are very much appreciated. If you feel you might be in a position to offer any kind of sponsorship, whether it be from your business or of a personal nature please contact the clerk, who will be delighted to hear from you.

Volunteers: As we begin to move into the cooler months of the year our thinking starts to shift towards possible snow. We are always looking for volunteers to join our Snow Warden scheme, which provides community help in the form of gritting and clearing pavements or checking on vulnerable residents. If you feel you'd be able to spare some time please get in touch with the clerk on parishclerk@bradda.org.

BRADWELL STREET NAMES

Continuing our series of articles on how some of the streets around the village got their names.

3 Bradwell Places and Streets

- **Cresswell Part Lane** – This lane was named after the Cresswell family who built and lived in Smalldale Hall in the 17th Century. "Part" could indicate a division of land or a specific portion of an estate. This could suggest that Cresswell Part Lane was a distinct section or parcel of land within the larger Bradwell area.
- **Dialstone** – The origin of the name "Dialstone" in Bradwell, Derbyshire, could be traced back to a prominent landmark in the area. A "dialstone" typically refers to a stone pillar or column on which a sundial is mounted. Sundials were used in the past to tell time based on the position of the sun's shadow. The presence of a dialstone in Bradwell suggests that there was likely a sundial erected in the area, serving as a timekeeping device for the local community. Over time, the name "Dialstone" became associated with the location where the sundial stood.
- **Eden Tree** – This area (house, business and land) which stands close to the Roman road of Batham Gate and to the Grey Ditch, is said to be the site of a battle where the Sax-on King, Edwin was captured and hung from a nearby tree. The site is referred to in a document of 1570 as 'Edwentrie'.
- **Granby Road** – The Granby family was a prominent English noble family and their name was often used for various locations and landmarks. It is possible that Granby Road in Bradwell was named after the Granby family, either to honour their contributions or because they had a historical connection to the area. The Marquis of Granby is the title of the heir to the Duke of Rutland. A famous Marquis of Granby, Colonel of the Horse Guards led a charge in the seven years war and lost his wig, leading to the expression "to go at it bald headed". Alternatively, Granby Road could have been named after the Granby estate, which could have been located in or near Bradwell. Estates were often named after the owning family or a significant historical figure associated with the property. This road was the boundary between the Town Field and the Moorfur-longs field (and maybe a third field as well). Granby Road was made into a 14ft wide road by the Enclosure Act of 1823.





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- Gore Lane – This lane has one of the more striking names in the village and residents have a number of theories as to the name's origin. One theory is that it is named after the local Roman legion's blood-thirsty methods of control, another theory relates to Anglo-Saxon activities (c.f. the Grey Ditch), while a preferred theory is that the name originated from the historic Norman French "Gore" for a triangular shaped piece of cloth or plot of land. Out of interest, the term is used by the modern road and highway construction industry for a triangular plot of land, usually marked off with highway paint, to control traffic when one road forks off from another.
- To Be Continued.....



RADIO WORTH WATCHING!

HADIT are now in rehearsal for "Casablanca – The Live Radio Play". The production is set during a radio broadcast in front of an invited studio audience (you!). The script is based closely on the classic film and promises a unique night out full of music, love, history, classic villains and flawed heroes. Performances are at Hope Methodist Hall, Edale Road from **Weds 26th to Sat 29th November**. Tickets (£10) are available from 17th October via www.ticketsource.co.uk/hadit or through Carolyn on 01433 620665, which is also the contact number for further details.

MATLOCK BATH ILLUMINATIONS

It's that time of year again and the Matlock Bath illuminations are in full swing. Every year there is a parade of boats on the River Derwent and this year there were a record breaking 14 boats. The parade is the highlight of the illuminations every Saturday and Sunday through to 26 October. Matlock resident Paul Lil's spectacular peacock-themed boat won him a top prize with his entry called 'Peacock of the Peaks'. Event organisers, Derbyshire Dales District Council have already declared all of the six Illuminations October fireworks finale nights a sell-out, plus Saturday 27th September. Tickets for the remaining available nights can be booked at www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/illuminations. The theme of this year's traditional candle boat, which goes out before the main parade and is constructed by all the boat builders to show how the models used to look a century ago, is 'For the Fallen'. Featuring 80 night lights, it marks the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II and is rowed by Mary Henshall.

District Council Leader, Councillor Steve Flitter said: "Matlock Bath Illuminations are undoubtedly this region's premier autumn event and, 128 years after they were first

staged, they continue to play an important role in extending the tourist season by attracting around 100,000 people to the Derbyshire Dales.

And a word of warning from your editor for anyone planning to travel to Matlock Bath to enjoy one of these fascinating occasions. Get there in good time and be prepared to walk from your car to the event itself. Although the parking is carefully marshalled, finding a space can be tough.

NOW AND THEN

"Now and Then" is an audio-visual show by Keith and Kate Brown, to be presented at St Barnabas Church, Bradwell on **Saturday October 25th** between 7pm and 9.15pm. The show is a presentation of sounds, music and images inspired by, and featuring local history, vintage cars, mountain railways, musical legends and beautiful churches. Entry is free but when wine and soft drinks are served at the interval, donations will be invited (cash and contactless). Please do come along and support this event as all funds raised are to be shared between Ashgate Hospice, Blythe House Hospice, Weston Park and St Barnabas Church.

CENTENARY PLAYERS

Early Notice of Pantomime 2026

Bradwell will be playing host to more rats next year with their latest pantomime - "The Pied Piper".. Anyone interested in getting involved would be very welcome to come to a reading, which is being held in the **Memorial Hall on Tuesday October 7th and Thursday October 9th**. Please visit our website for more information.

THANK YOU

Clare Enright and family would like to thank the many villagers who sent messages of condolence on the death of Doug Astill. We were also very touched to receive biscuits from the Ebenezer Trust and are very grateful to Ye Old Bowling Green for their cooperation in organising a fine wake.



BRADDA DADS



Bonfire - Sat 1st Nov - From 5:30pm on the usual field up Michlow Lane opposite the community orchard. Burgers/Hotdogs/Coffees. A procession is being organised so keep an eye out for posters around the village as they will give more details nearer the time.

Pensioners Lunch will be back for this year on **Fri 5th Dec**. A fun packed event based around a free lunch served by the Bradda Dads to all pensioners in the village. If you qualify and would like to attend please complete the reply slip in this newsletter and drop it into the post office.

A huge thank you to the Bradda Dads who replaced the **footbridge between Hall Gate View and Springfield Road**, a proper professional job!

Dads AGM: Sunday 12th October in the White Hart.

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SOWERBY - PARKER



James Sowerby and Sarah Parker were married at Bakewell registry office on 26th June. On Saturday 9th August their wedding was held at Greenacres, Edale. Sarah had planned the whole day and had thought of absolutely everything. Even a surprise police attendance 🚓, plus a magician, excellent music and quiet fireworks. They shared their very special day with lots of friends and family. A good time was had by all, with excellent food and dancing under the stars. Both dads had their jobs as well. They spent the week before ensuring the fields

were mown to perfection. James and Sarah's beautiful daughters, Frankie and Heidi were two of the bridesmaids and did them proud. Our thanks to Gail Newsome, the celebrant who kept everything running like clockwork. This was Gail's first wedding ceremony and she did an excellent job. Thanks also to everyone who shared their day and made it truly special.



GOLF DAY AND RAFFLE

Matty and Ray's Charity Golf Day and Raffle 2025 was another fantastic and successful fundraising event for Ashgate Hospice, in memory of Matty and Ray Horan. The event took place on 30th August at Hope Works Golf Club. On behalf of myself, Anthony, and Laura we want to say a huge thank you to the golfers for playing in the competition, the local businesses and individuals who so generously donated raffle prizes, to our friends for their help, and to everyone who bought raffle tickets and who joined us at Earle's club for the draw and auction. Finally, thank you to Breedon for their continuing support and to Sarah and her team at Earle's Club. This is our third year of running this event and once again we have been overwhelmed with the support. We are pleased to say that an amazing **£5,049.50** was raised on the day and High Peak Comps donated **£40.50** for a grand total of **£5,100!**
Lyn Horan

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for their kind messages, cards and beautiful flowers over recent weeks. It was lovely to hear how Maurice was so well thought of in the village he knew as home all his life. A big thank you must go to Jayne and her team at Assured Social Care who went above and beyond. Thanks also to all at Evelyn Medical Centre, and a special thanks to the District Nursing Team who made it possible for us to care for and keep Maurice at home. Thank you to Paul at J E Nutch for the funeral arrangements and Rev'd Louise Petheram and all at St. Barnabas Church for a lovely service. Thank you to Lynne and her team at The Shoulder of Mutton for a superb afternoon. Finally, thank you to all who attended Maurice's funeral, it was truly overwhelming to see such a full church. The donations raised £535 and will be given to Ashgate Hospice. Andrea, Ayrton, Shane & Kate.

St. Barnabas Church: October 2025

Contact Us: churchwarden.stb@gmail.com

5th	11:00	All Age Worship (Harvest Theme)
12th	10:00	Benefice Communion - Castleton (Harvest Theme)
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