

Maiden Bradley

Parish News

No 338 August 2017



Jessie Betts and Elsie Swan-Stevens celebrate their excellent achievements at Gillingham School

Diary August 2017

2 nd	Wed	Prayer Meeting – Details 844817	6.30 pm
4 th	Fri	E.G.M. of Hall Trustees & Committee	7.00 pm
6 th	Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am
7 th	Mon	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
9 th	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
13 th	Sun	Patronal Service at West Knoyle	10.00 am
14 th	Mon	Black Box, Blue & Green Bin Collection	7.00 am
16 th	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
17 th	Thu	Hall's Away Day to Weymouth	9.00 am
20 th	Sun	Parish Communion – Church	10.00 am

20th Sun Copy Day for articles for September News to pat@visa-office.com

21 st	Mon	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
22 nd	Tue	Welcome Club Outing to Stratford-upon-Avon	9.00 am
23 rd	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
24 th	Thu	Friends of Maiden Bradley Church – Summer Party at The Church	6.00-8.00 pm
26 th -28 th	Sat/Sun/Mon	Arts Festival – Memorial Hall Cream Teas Served	11.00 am – 5.00 pm 3.00-5.00 pm
27 th	Sun	A Service of the Word – Church	10.00 am
28 th	Mon	Black Box, Blue & Green Bin Collection	7.00 am

September

2 nd	Sat	Maiden Bradley Produce Show – Memorial Hall	2.00 pm
6 th	Wed	Book Group Meeting – Rodmesd Farm	8.00 pm

**Mass times:- St. George's, Warminster – Saturday 6 pm (Vigil); Sunday 8 am
10 am**

St. Mary's, Mere – Friday 10 am; Saturday 5.30 pm

Dr Harding's Surgery every Monday at the Memorial Hall except Bank Holidays 5-6 pm.

Due to pressure of work the Surgery at Silton, Bourton, is unable to accept repeat orders for medication by telephone. Please bring your orders to Memorial Hall Surgery the week before they are due so that the Doctor can collect them.

Dustbin Day every Monday for Bank Holiday changes see Wiltshire Council website.

Mother & Toddlers every Tuesday 10.00 am to 12 noon..

Useful telephone Nos.: The Village Shop: 844206; The Post Office: 845040; The Pub: 844207; Memorial Hall bookings – Amanda Dye 845205 ; Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or murrisona@parliament.uk; Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096; Rev. Carol Wilson-Barker 01747 861859

Maiden Bradley Parish News: contributions are welcome in any format. E-Mail: pat@visa-office.com

Editorial

Like me, you are probably looking forward to the Art Festival and the Produce Show. The artistic talent in this small village is exceptional. We have several excellent painters, a nationally acclaimed photographer, a superb wood turner and most of our artists have their work made into greetings cards which are on sale in the village shop.

The Produce Show is great fun for all ages and abilities and the entry money goes to support the Memorial Hall. So if you have grown fruit, vegetables, flowers, made jam, marmalade, biscuits or cakes, make lots of entries and try to win the trophy by gaining the most points.

Have a great summer holiday.

Pat Kennedy 845397

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Reminder that The Village Hall Outing to Weymouth is on Thursday 17th August. We are leaving the Village Hall at 9am and 9.15am Horningsham. Adults £10.00 children half price. Please let me know as soon as possible if you want to come or alternatively, sign the list in the kitchen of the Village Hall.



The Friends of Maiden Bradley Church

**We are having a summer party
at the Church**

on 24th August at 6pm – 8pm
and invite everyone in Maiden Bradley
to come and join us!

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about our beautiful church.*

Admission free.

**Pearl Hudson
844779**

News From the Hall - August 17

Dates to note:

Thursday 17th August

is the halls Away Day To Weymouth. Adults £10 Children £5 spaces are limited so please book early.

Coach departs Maiden Bradley at 9.00 am returning between 7 & 8.00 pm

Saturday 2nd September

is the date for the Maiden Bradley Produce show, along with the produce will be Tombola, Raffle and Cream Teams. Don't forget to get your entries in on time, it's cheaper to enter them on the Friday.

Saturday 28th October

We have the Warminster Military Wives Choir booked. Tickets will go on sale in September, Adults £10 Children (under 16) £5 in advance £12 & £6 on the door. We are limited to 80 so please book your tickets early. There will be a bar and raffle. Doors will open at 7.00 pm.

There will not be a film night in August but it will be back in September with "La La Land"



Youth open Day

I would like to thank the TWO young lads that came along and the other 3 that submitted survey forms. There is money available under the YAG (Youth Activity Grants) scheme, from Warminster area board, for such things as Paint balling , war games and outings, but we need the youth of the community to participate in getting access to it, so if you want activities laid on then you need to let me know as soon as possible.

Hall restoration

The National Lottery has now turned us down twice, but we will persevere with trying to raise enough money for a new roof. To replace the existing roof we need to raise £65,000. In the mean time we intend upgrading the toilets and electrics from the funds already raised,(£15,000).

The new sound system that Derek James donated to the hall is finally going to be fitted, so we will have all around sound to go with the projector kit.



EGM

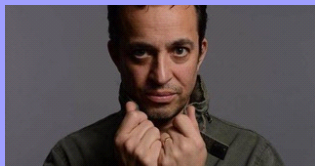
There is to be an EGM of the Hall Trustees and Management Committee on Friday 4th August at 7.00 pm to discuss the future of the hall. The public, are invited to attend and there will be an open session prior to the EGM where your views can be made. You may remain for the rest of the meeting but will not be able to partake.

Mel Thomas

Welcome Club

We had a lovely trip in June to The Mumbles and Pearl writes that with the day being so hot they were concerned that the coach ride would be too hot, but Will the driver, had all the right controls set to avoid this. After stopping at Chepstow Garden Centre for coffee, a lovely ride to the Mumbles was enjoyed. There was a hold-up in traffic after Swansea and so arrived a little late for lunch at 1.30pm. Pearl continues that some members stayed in the village and some went on to Mumbles Head. Our return trip included a stop at Chepstow for a drink when Tom did the raffle and then back home after a lovely day out. Christine Johnson told us about the Leopards of Namibia and we had a trip to Dartmouth and Buckfast Abbey, but more of these happenings next time. This month we will not meet in the hall at Horningsham but are having a trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon on August 22nd, so please let me have your names as soon as possible. Here's hoping the weather is good for the rest of the summer. Happy times!

Chris Short 01985 847373



Jason Rebello, Jazz piano



Deverills Performing Arts 2017
Saturday 16 September
Kingston Deverill church, 7.30pm

Classically trained but inspired by Herbie Hancock, Jason has worked with such artists as Sting, Peter Gabriel, Phil Collins, Pee Wee Ellis, Joss Stone, Madeleine Peyroux and Manu Katché.

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Stuart Nicholson, author Jazz: The Modern Resurgence.

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This is a thank you to Dad, to his friends and to Maiden Bradley.

William George Hubert Bennett.

28. Nov. 1934 – 14. June. 2017

Bill to his friends and Billy as a young lad to his family, with whom he moved to Maiden Bradley in 1949 first living in the cottage at Bricefields, with his Mum Edith, older Sister Phyllis [Lanfear] and his nephews Tom and Geoff Lanfear and young niece Barbara. Here he worked for Hartley Higgins at Church Farm and these years were forever remembered fondly by dad. Proud among his memories were winning of his ploughing trophy and being presented it by the late Duke of Somerset and likewise with his interest in bee keeping and the prizes he and his bees won. This teenaged Billy had a girlfriend, Connie George.

From here the Bennett – Lanfear family moved to the 'council houses' [Frome View] in the High Street. He met and married Dorothy Griggs and moved to a cottage in Kingston Lane and very soon Deb Bennett was born in 1957, followed by Donna in 1960 and Derryn in 1963. The family moved to 31 Church St, where, at long last after the three failed attempts, their Son Will, was born in 1966. They stopped there...

Bill worked with his Father in Law Morris Griggs, Brother-in-Law Dick Griggs, Mike Collier, Tom and Geoff Lanfear, his son Will and Donna's partner, Terry Stevens and even best mate Brian Bullock and many others for many happy and eventful years from the late 1950's through to the very late 1980's Griggs Reclamation, or as it was colloquially known 'The Scrap Yard' was very much a family business.

After the breakup of his marriage to Dorothy he brought up his three younger children as a single dad, quite a feat for 1970's Maiden Bradley.

Never did we go to school without breakfast and always home to a hot meal all while he worked a full-time exhausting job at Griggs Reclamation. Bill was a keen local darts player and he also proved to be an excellent pistol shot,

travelling the Country with fellow Bradley man, Rod Newbury. They were recognised as some of the best shots in the Country in their disciplines and even developing and innovating the sport in certain directions.

Bill had a lifelong love of motorbikes and racing, starting in his youth watching John Surtees at Bulford camp with his best mate Brian Bullock riding their BSA's around the UK race tracks to watch the action. He also went to the Isle of Man TT in 1957 and for many years after, and travelled all over the UK to follow the sport, always with his camera and usually with Derryn and Will, Donna and her husband Terry and very often with other family and friends, Mike and Pauline Collier who dad would have counted among his best friends, and Tom and Geoff Lanfear and their families, many others were welcomed too. This love of motorcycles and racing has been to the great benefit to most of us and continues to this day with his son and Grandsons, all involved in motorcycles and motorcycle racing for business and pleasure. We are a proud motorcycling family and that is due to Bill.

The Bennetts stayed in Maiden Bradley until the late 1980's until Bill retired from the Griggs-Bennett partnership and moved to Taunton to aid his eldest daughter, Debbie's business back to good health. Shortly after, his son Will, had to also leave.

Some years later Bills Daughter Donna Stevens and family moved into Barcroft or as we would have known it, 'Bertie Mile's farm' keeping the Maiden Bradley connection alive and well.

Bill's life was to take a positive turn in the mid 90's through an incredible run of coincidences he was reunited with his teenage sweetheart and recently widowed, fellow motorcyclist, Connie Rushton [George] who he spent the rest of his life with in EverCreech.

They had a packed life together, enjoying motorcycle racing of all types, Steam rallies, sightseeing, Connie and Bill would often be found in the race paddock or at local steam rallies showing their engines, or at family parties in their trusty VW Camper. They enjoyed life, be it their well-tended garden, or staying at their caravan in Corfe Mullen. Dad died after a very short illness with Connie, Derryn and Debbie close by. He was 82. Derryn and Debbie arranged a lovely well attended service at Shepton Mallet Crematorium.

Bills wake was appropriately held at the Village Hall in Maiden Bradley, where so many people who played such a part in his life were there to celebrate his memory, together. It was humbling and thought provoking to see all those people mingling and chatting in that familiar space. From his oldest pal Brian Bullock who featured high in so many stories of a reckless childhood in Witham, to more recent friends. Donna and Will would like to thank some superb friends who helped keep the tea flowing the whisky poured and the bread, cheese and lardy cake fresh. Caz Gunter was relentless in her help. Zena Gunter, Tim Snook, Matt and Mandy Lanfear and many others also wielded the tea pot and washing up cloth and afterwards, a broom, to make it a lovely, happy, thoughtful send off for Bill. 'Uncle' Col Dowson made me chuckle when I bumped into him within 4 hours of dad passing away, that takes some doing and I thank him for that as well as making the church look so nice, him and everyone else. Likewise, to Mervin, Mr Priestner, Mrs Smart and everyone we met at the Hall who made it possible for us to arrange such a celebration of Dad's life at such stupidly short notice. When the going got tough, it was ours and dad's friends who stepped in to help create new and very fond memories and reasons to smile.

The families who we ran and cycled the streets with, played in the rec with and climbed 'Clump' with 30 years and more ago were those same families who were there by our side. Gunters, Lanfears, Snooks, Colliers, Deans, Lucas's, Hills and Seals, Balls and Bennetts to name a few. Very fitting.

Some of you may have less hair and more face, children and grandchildren and lives being well lived but we realise at times like this that the relentless years mean little, that we are still those same Bradley kids with our mates looking out for each other. Bill is buried with his Mum, Edith Bennett, in Maiden Bradley Church. They are overlooked, as are you all, by daughter - Sister, and Maiden Bradley stalwart, Phyliss Lanfear from the Knoll. Bill will be massively missed but always remembered because he left us all with wonderful memories. As is the way of life, new ones are already being made

Will Bennett. Wells, Somerset. Summer 2017

Recipe for Ice Pops

Ingredients

- 405ml can light condensed milk
- 1 tsp vanilla bean paste
- 1 ripe chopped banana
- 10 strawberries or 3 tbsp chocolate hazelnut spread

Method

1. Pour the light condensed milk into a food processor and add the vanilla bean paste and chopped banana. Whizz until smooth. Add either the strawberries or chocolate hazelnut spread and whizz again.
2. Divide the mixture between 4 paper cups, cover with foil, then push a lolly stick through the foil lid of each cup until you hit the base. Freeze for 4 hrs or until solid. Will keep in the freezer for 2 months.





Maiden Bradley Village Produce Show

Saturday September 2nd at 2pm
In the Memorial Hall

Lots of exhibits -
produce, flowers, baking,
children's classes

Plus-
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In Recognition of Bravery.

Corpl. C. Adlam, of the 1st Battalion Scots Guards, has been home on leave at Maiden Bradley after spending three birthdays in the trenches. It was a year and a half since he had his last leave home, and he came back with the Military Medal, won for conspicuous bravery on the field during the Battle of the Somme. Corpl. Adlam had formerly been employed at Bradley House Gardens and was a member of the Duke of Somerset's Own Troop of Boy Scouts. To commemorate his bravery the Duke of Somerset presented him with a suitably engraved gold watch, the presentation being made before a parade of the Scouts and wounded soldiers at Bradley House. His Grace remarked how pleased he was to welcome an old Scout, and wished Corpl. Adlam every success in the future.

Wiltshire Times 18 August 1917

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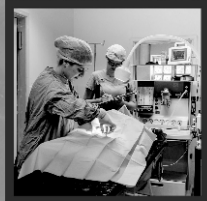
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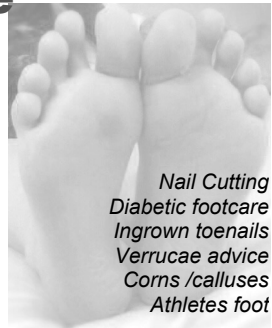
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