

The Pennant



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Telephone Box News

Thank you to the many people who helped decorate the Telephone Box for the Jubilee and especially to volunteers including Simon for his amazing painting of the Queen, to Squish for her realistic corgis which she had painted in oils and cut out with a knife and to Mick Payne for his beautifully designed and hand-crafted plant container to commemorate the fallen in-front of the war memorial. Thanks to all our planting and watering team. We hope that you all enjoyed a memorable weekend.

There continues to be a wonderful selection of books thanks to your generosity.

The Telephone Box Team

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

BRADFORD ABBAS CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to all those people in Bradford Abbas who decorated their homes and streets to put a smile on everyone's face. Thanks to everyone who helped to make the weekend a success. The team spirit was just great. Thanks also go to everybody in the village who came out to support our Jubilee events. We estimate that about 300 people took part in the street party on Church Road on Friday 3rd June and, although some of them went home when the mid-afternoon rain hit, others came out for music in front of the church and then inside later in the afternoon and evening.

On Saturday, the Sports Club enjoyed a successful day and evening and then laid on a spectacular

thunderstorm to encourage people to stay until late. They then had about 50 people in for breakfast on Sunday morning. At the church, Sunday brunch came with a heart-warming walk down memory lane, sharing stories from the early decades of the Queen's reign. Our raffle raised a good amount, meaning that a substantial donation can be made towards the cost of new playground equipment for the park.

Bradford Abbas Parish Council

I hope you will join the Parish Council in congratulating the Jubilee Celebration organisers for a wonderfully festive weekend. The village was looking very royal, decorated in red, white and blue along with scarecrows, pictures and paintings of the Queen, and of course the fantastic Corgis outside the telephone box. The Parish Council has planted a tree in the playing field dedicated to her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. Many thanks to Rob Green for all his help. A plaque will be erected soon.

- Parish Clerk Vacancy deadline is 30th June 2022. Contact the Clerk, Tricia Chapman, if you are interested but missed the deadline, there may still be time! Details about this rewarding role are on the website: <https://bradford-abbas.uk/vacancy>.
- Don't forget you can report any fly tipping, flooding and potholes on the Dorset Council Website: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/roads-highways-and-maintenance>.
- Please go to the Parish Council Website for a Neighbourhood Plan update: <https://bradford-abbas.uk/village-plan-index>.
- We are currently looking for two distributors to help deliver The Pennant to village households. Please contact Tricia Chapman (see details below).

Feel free to contact the Parish Clerk, Tricia Chapman, bradfordabbaspc@hotmail.co.uk or 01935 473833 to discuss any village matters that may need addressing.

St.Mary's Community Trust

Saturday 16th July (3 - 5pm) **AFTERNOON CREAM TEA** taking place in the church (with outdoor tables if the weather allows). A donation from the money made at this event will go to support Yeovil District Hospital Charity, as part of the NHS Big Tea.

Saturday 10th September (from 3pm until late) **THE CHURCH THAT ROCKS 2** in the village playing field. Live music.

Come and join us. If you can help, please speak to one of us.

Jo, Alan, Rob, Ruth, Trevor and Gary

The ST MARY'S COMMUNITY TRUST team, email: info@StMarysWeekBA.org.uk.

A message of thanks to the St.Mary's Community Trust Team

We send our warmest thanks to the St.Mary's Community Trust team, Jo, Alan, Rob Ruth, Trevor, Gary and all the other volunteers who worked so hard for months and during the 4-day bank holiday weekend, planning and organising such wonderfully varied celebrations in Bradford Abbas to mark the Queen's Jubilee anniversary.

There was something for everyone, and a wonderful time was had by all...thankyou...

Wendy and Jack Mellish.

Bradford Abbas Sports & Recreational Club

New members are always welcome. The Club Function Room can be hired for Private Parties. For bookings, please contact the club, Tel: (01935) 420575, or see our website: www.bradfordabbasclub.co.uk

Crib Morning - Mondays from 10:15am. Tea, coffee and lots of laughs are available

Bingo - Monday evenings - Starting at 6:45 pm with eyes down at 7:15pm

Arts & Crafts - Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm. If you are feeling artistic, why not join like minds.

Cycling Club - Wednesday evenings. Meet at 6:45pm. We cater for all abilities and welcome ladies and children to join us for a leisurely cycle ride of various distances.

Bat and Trap - Wednesdays from 7:45pm Join us to learn this ancient game and have some fun.

Mixed Ability Yoga - Thursdays 7:00pm-8:00pm and Fridays 11:15am-12:15pm - Everyone is welcome to join these friendly, fun classes! To book or for further information, please contact Sara Goodchild on 07850 477661.

Happy Hour - Every Sunday we are open from 1:00pm-5:00pm and we have a happy hour 3:00pm-4:00pm

Upcoming Events:

Saturday 6th August 2022 - 80's themed Charity Party in aid of Weldmar Hospice

Tickets £10 (under 16 free) - Small Buffet included; Raffle; Optional Fancy Dress with a prize for best dressed - Please contact either Jemma 07956 918792 or Tania 07807667466 or Sarah 07805884825.

St Mary's CE Primary School, Bradford Abbas

The summer term is always such an exciting time in the school calendar. We are so grateful to be hosting some school events that have been put on hold for the last couple of years, for obvious reasons! June saw the return of our whole-school sports day, which was well supported by our families and friends. The sun shone down on us all, while the children ran, jumped, hopped and skipped their way down the track. Many thanks to all our parent 'volunteers' who helped during the races and then bravely took part in our parents' race. You were all such good sports.

Our new Early Years children, who will be joining St Mary's in September, have started their weekly visits to school; coming in to join Miss Langdon and Mrs Lockwood. It has been lovely to see their enthusiastic little faces, full of excitement, as they make themselves at home in our early years class and outdoor area.

Our PTA has been back in action selling ice creams, tattoos and face painting during village jubilee celebrations. This was a taster for the St Mary's School Summer Fair, which is coming on Thursday 7th July, starting at 3.30 in the school grounds. Please come along and play games, buy cakes and support our fund-raising efforts. The PTA and the school would like to give a special mention to Lisa, from the Rose and Crown, who has supported our PTA in so many ways already this month. Thank you, Lisa, for all your help!

If you would like any further information about our wonderful school or to see some photos of our events, please visit our school website at www.bradfordabbasprimary.co.uk.

Many blessings from the staff and children at St Mary's CE Primary School., Graham Simpson (Deputy Headteacher)

Bradford Abbas Village and Clifton Maybank Village Hall

In order to book the village hall please go to the Parish Council website (<https://bradford-abbas.uk/hall>) to see if the hall is available and how to book, alternatively please email bacmvh@gmail.com or ring the Booking Secretary (Tricia Chapman) on 473833.

Yeovil Railway Centre at Yeovil Junction

- Saturday 2 July: Main Line Steam. Merchant Navy Class 35028 *Clan Line* passes Yeovil Junction en route from London to Exeter.*
- Sunday 3 July: Steam Train day hauled by one of our steam locos. An additional attraction – come and have a spin on our turntable!
- Saturday 9 July: Main Line Steam. "The End of Southern Steam" 35028 *Clan Line* calls at Yeovil Railway Centre for servicing. This is a Railway Touring Company's run from London to Weymouth via Yeovil Junction, returning to London via Bournemouth.*
- Sunday 17 July: Steam Train Day with 0-4-0 *Pectin*. Calling adults and children, come along dressed as your favourite Super Hero or Villain! Prizes! All our usual attractions will be available.

- Tuesday 26 July: Diesel train Day using one of our diesels for a trip down the former GWR Clifton Maybank branch. Adults £5, children 0 - 4 free, child 5 -15 £2 (but with one admitted free per paying adult).
- Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 July: This weekend is our annual Steam Train and Tractor Event (now expanded to two days due to popularity). Take the train, hauled by *Pectin* to the Wilderness Halt, then walk up the newly made path to the top field where there is more space for more tractors.

* timings for Main Line Steam not yet available. Further details: <http://www.yeovilrailway.freesevers.com/>

Sherborne Open Art Exhibition 2022

Sat 23rd – Sun 31st July, 10am – 5pm (2pm on the 31st), at the Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, free admission. Open to all, this juried exhibition celebrates the wealth and variety of visual arts in the region. Enjoy a huge range of artwork, with the opportunity to buy an original piece, and nominate your favourite for the 'Viewer's Choice', one of the many prizes for artists.

Artists: The exhibition is open for entry until hand-in closes (hand-in days: Fri 15th July 1pm – 6pm and Sat 16th July 10am - 1pm). The details and conditions of entry, and the simple online submission form can all be found at www.sherbornearts.org.

Blackmore Vale Scribes

Have you ever considered trying Calligraphy? We are a small and friendly group of hobby calligraphers who meet monthly in Bradford Abbas Village Hall (usually on the second Saturday). We range from near beginners to the more experienced and enjoy practising together and sharing skills, as well as holding three Day Workshops during the year, with nationally accredited Tutors.

New members are always welcomed, and we intend to have an Open Afternoon for our September 10th meeting, from 2-5pm, when you are welcome to drop in and see what we get up to and maybe even to have a go yourself!

Please visit our website for more information: blackmorevalescribes.co.uk, or contact bvscribes@gmail.com.

Sherborne Bradford Abbas Camera Club

Saturday 16 July: Glastonbury, Levels & Wells Photoshoot. The levels around Glastonbury can make for some interesting landscape photography, with the Tor as a backdrop and the six different rivers (Rhynes) draining the levels, and then on to Wells with the Cathedral, Bishops Palace and the Almshouses at the Vicar's Close. Further details: sbaclub@yahoo.com.

Friendship Club

This year's coach outing is on **THURSDAY 14 JULY 2022**, picking up at the Rose & Crown at 11.00 am and then at Manor Close just after. We will have a scenic drive to Whitstone's Fish & Chip shop in Shepton Mallet for 1.00 pm. You are to order and pay your own bill, there will be a senior citizen menu available if you prefer. After our lunch the bus will pick us up and take us to Dobbie's Garden Centre for a look around and if you wish Tea in their cafeteria. We will then be picked up at 4.00 pm so we should be back in the village by 5.00 pm.

We have some seats available for fellow villagers if you would like a trip out as described above for a return trip of £8.00 per seat. Call Tony on 01935 424441.

Bradford Abbas History Society

Tony White will be continuing with the third section of his historical tours of the village with a tour of the Church.

The dates are **Tuesday afternoon 26 July**, meet in the Church at 2.30pm OR

The second date is **Wednesday evening 27 July**, meet in the Church at 7.30pm OR

The third date is **Thursday evening 28 July** meet in the Church at 7.30pm.

A small fee of £2 for members and £4 for non-members (per tour), all towards the society funds plus a donation to the church. Please drop a note of interest with names and contact details including fees through the door of Wisteria Cottage, The Cross, Bradford Abbas.

Rose and Crown, Bradford Abbas

July events:

Sat 16th Medium Night with Anne & Tanya 7-9pm, £10pp, held in function room.

Sat 16th An evening with Peter Littlewood 8-11pm

Fri 29th Bingo from 8pm, hosted by Lisa

Sat 30th Quiz Night from 8.30pm

And every Sunday from 1pm Carvery - bookings only

All enquiries ring Lisa 01935 507174

St.Mary's Church, Bradford Abbas

SERVICES IN JULY & AUGUST

We have the following services in Bradford Abbas in July and August, EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

- SUNDAY 10TH JULY 10am Welcome to Worship (lay-led)
- SUNDAY 17TH JULY 10am Holy Communion
- SUNDAY 14TH AUGUST 10am Holy Communion
- SUNDAY 21ST AUGUST 10am Welcome to Worship (lay-led)

On weekends when we are without a service in Bradford Abbas, we encourage villagers to join a service at one of our neighbouring churches. These are posted on the notice boards outside the church.