

The Pennant



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Please email your entries for the June 2022 issue to ThePennant@mail.com by 21st May 2022

Bradford Abbas Parish Council

DMMO (Definitive Map Modification Order): The Parish Council is in the process of making an application for a right of way in Gollops Ground near the river based on user evidence. WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please attend a drop-in session to find out more about this application and how you can provide evidence to ensure it is successful. The sessions will be held at the following times:

- Friday 13th May 6pm to 8pm in the Village Hall
- Saturday 21st May 10:30am to 12:30am in the Village Hall
- Sunday 22nd May 3pm to 5pm at the Sports and Social Club.

This application cannot move forward without the help of residents providing evidence and unfortunately this cannot be completed online. If you are unable to attend any of the sessions and wish to provide evidence please contact the Parish Clerk, Tricia Chapman: bradfordabbaspc@hotmail.co.uk or 01935 423138.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The following programme is now planned...

Friday 3rd June – From 1pm, Street Party in Church Road (the road will be closed to traffic). Children (and brave adults) are invited to come along dressed as a king or a queen. There might even be a prize for the best costume. Some tables will be set up in the street. Villagers and their friends/families are invited to bring a picnic from home and a chair. (If you have a light fold-up table you might like to bring that too). The Rose and Crown will open at lunchtime and will have live music in the pub garden. The school will host entertainments for children. From 3pm, the W.I. will serve afternoon tea in front of the Village Hall. From 4pm, it's The Church That Rocks run by SMCT. There will be live music in front of the church and later inside the church. There will be a bar in the village hall and food available.

Saturday 4th June – From 4pm, the Sports Club will host an afternoon of sporting activities which everybody can join in. The bar will be open and there will be music and a BBQ into the evening. The club is inviting villagers who fancy camping out, to pitch their tents on the club's field and avoid that wobbly walk home at the end of the evening. They will have hot drinks and breakfast available for you on Sunday morning.

Sunday 5th June – At 11am, there will be a Commonwealth Brunch in the church. Join us for a bite to eat and to hear some tales of life from the early part of the Queen's reign.

DECORATING THE VILLAGE – We are asking everyone to help brighten up the village by decorating their houses and leaving the decorations up through the four-day holiday. Please follow a Red, White and Blue theme. You might have a royal scarecrow or a model of a king or queen from history or make your house look like a palace or anything really.

There is a big raffle (to be drawn at the pub on Sunday afternoon) and we will be asking for donations of prizes. We also hope there will be displays/exhibitions across the long weekend. Details to follow. Please tell your family and friends and join us to make a memorable weekend.

Bradford Abbas Women's Institute

Our regular meeting in May will take place at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday 17th May at the Social Club when we will attempt a game of French Boule and look forward to cheese and wine refreshments. The competition will be 'something French' – all welcome.

News from the Telephone Box Team

Many thanks for your continued support.

We would be very grateful for any red, white and blue plants for the troughs and for any books on the Royal Family. Please tel. 01935 706519 or 01935 413119.

We would also be delighted to receive seeds or cuttings etc for people to take, just leave them in the Telephone Box... this was very popular last year.

Mixed Ability Yoga

Bradford Abbas Sports and Recreation Club, DT9 6RP, Thursdays 7 – 8pm, Fridays 11.15am – 12.15pm. Everyone's welcome to join these friendly, fun classes! Further information or to book please contact Sara Goodchild, tel 07850 477661.

St.Mary's Community Trust

Make a note in your diary and tell your friends...

Friday 3rd June THE CHURCH THAT ROCKS (as part of the village's Jubilee celebrations).

There will be musical entertainment in front of the church from 4pm. Later in the evening there will be a band playing inside the church. Bar and hot food available.

Saturday 10th September THE CHURCH THAT ROCKS 2 – in the playing field behind the churchyard.

In December, we'll have various Christmassy events – to be announced.

Look out for posters and notices on the Pennant's Facebook page for details of all these.

If you can help with any of these events, please contact us.

Jo, Alan, Rob, Ruth, Trevor and Gary

The ST MARY'S COMMUNITY TRUST team

email: info@StMarysWeekBA.org.uk.

St.Mary's CE Primary School

At St.Mary's we have worked hard to come to terms with the 'new normal' and we were so excited to be able to run some school trips in the last weeks of term!

Our Key Stage One children enjoyed a trip to Puxton Park in Hewish, where they had a fantastic time. They enjoyed a tractor ride around the dairy, before they met the newest arrivals to the park: the lambs and a week-old emu! They were lucky enough to spend some time feeding the alpacas. There was even some time for relaxation, playing on some very large bouncy pillows, enjoying a train ride and some time in soft play, before returning home!

Our Year Five children enjoyed an overnight stay at Leeson House in Swanage, where they took part in beachcombing and field study skills amongst many others. They returned to school worn out and wind-blown but buzzing after their adventures!

On our last day of the Spring Term we spent some time exploring an Easter Experience in St.Mary's Church. This was an excellent opportunity for the children to get a better understanding of the events of Holy Week and it was thoughtful and enjoyable. Our thanks go to Jenny Thomas and the team at St.Mary's Church for putting this experience together. It was much appreciated by all.

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 History Society

Tony White is proposing a few historical tours of the village in the summer months. It is expected that these will be well subscribed so therefore a few dates have been arranged to cater for a maximum of 20 people per tour at a small fee of £2 for members and £4 for non-members, all towards the society funds.

The first tour is Tuesday afternoon 24th May - meet at the top of North Street at 2.30 pm OR

The second tour is on Wednesday evening 25th May - meet at the top of North Street at 7.30 pm OR

The third tour is on Thursday evening 26th May - meet at the top of North Street at 7.30 pm.

This tour will cover the first section of the village and will last about an hour to an hour and a half. As there is so much to be seen and pointed out it had to be split into two. If you wish to come on the second tour the following month this will cover the remaining section of the village. Dates and details to follow on shortly. Families are welcome, for those 16 and under, you are free.

To beat the rush for the May tour, drop a note of interest with name and contact details, including fees, through the door of Wisteria cottage, The Cross, Bradford Abbas.

Monday Night Bingo

Every Monday at 6.45pm with eyes down at 7.15pm at Bradford Abbas Sports and Social Club.

Sherborne Bradford Abbas Camera Club

- Tuesday 10 May: Best of Year Competition judged by Eddy Lane
- Tuesday 24 May: Outdoor photoshoot with the venue to be decided.

More information at sbaclub@yahoo.com.

Yeovil Railway Centre at Yeovil Junction

After a highly successful Easter blessed with fine weather, we are looking forward to May's Steam Train days:

- Sunday 8th May: Arrr Jim lad, it's a Steam Train Day with Pirates as the theme – prizes for the best-dressed pirates
- Sunday 22nd May: Steam Train Day

See our web site www.yeovilrailway.freeservers.com and our Facebook page for full details of all the included attractions – the miniature railway, model railway layout, Chard Signalling Panel project, and the timings and costs etc.

Friendship Club

The Friendship Club meets on the first Tuesday afternoon of the month at 2pm in the Village Hall. There will be Bingo, a draw, Tea & Biscuits and a chance to buy Eva's cakes and quiches from our trading table. Also, there is a chance to have a chat and laugh with fellow villagers. Everyone is more than welcome.

St.Mary's Church, Bradford Abbas

SERVICES IN MAY/JUNE

We have the following services in Bradford Abbas in May and June - EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

SUNDAY 8TH MAY 10am Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 15TH MAY 10am Holy Communion

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 11am BRUNCH & REMINISCENCES (part of Jubilee celebrations)

SUNDAY 12TH JUNE 10am Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 19TH JUNE 10am Holy Communion

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.

On Saturday 7th May the **ABER VALLEY MALE VOICE CHOIR** is performing in the church. Tickets can be bought in person from Alan Fall, Trevor Jacklin or Gary Siggins or online from www.eventbrite.co.uk .