

The Pennant



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Please email your entries for the August 2024 issue to: ThePennant@mail.com by 21st July 2024

Bradford Abbas and Clifton Maybank Parish Council

There have been further reports of blocked drains in roadsides throughout the village. Please report any instances of these to Dorset County Council via this link: <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-gully--drain-or-flooding-issue>.

Please note that the Post Office service at the Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons ceased on 11th June 2024. Any objections to this closure should be addressed to comments@postoffice.co.uk, postofficeviews.co.uk, FREEPOST Your Comments.



On behalf of the village community, the Parish Council would like to express huge thanks to the Telephone Box Team, including Jenny, Squish, Valda, Steve and others, for staging such an eye-catching and informative display in commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings. This included the replica of a dummy paratrooper, known as a 'Rupert', suspended above the telephone box. (Hundreds of these were dropped many miles east of the planned invasion site in order to lure German firepower away from the D-Day landings.)

St Mary's Community Trust

Saturday 13th July – Afternoon Tea. Come down to the church and enjoy a delicious afternoon tea, being served between 3pm and 5pm. If the weather allows, we shall be serving you outside in the churchyard. There will tables inside too for shrinking violets (and also in case it rains a bit).

Saturday 14th September - "The Last Rays of Summer" A celebration of local musical talent in the village playing field (entry in Westbury – just up from the school) with a bar and BBQ food. Come and enjoy a great day with family and friends. Music from 4pm to 9pm. We don't charge a fee to come into these events, but we will ask you for a donation (by cash or card).

See you soon.

Jo, Alan, Rob, Ruth, Trevor and Gary, The ST MARY'S COMMUNITY TRUST team

Bradford Abbas Preschool

Please join us for our Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday 19th July at the village hall. We are looking for a new chairperson, safeguarding officer and members to help organise our much-needed fundraising event. Parents, carers, family members, the village community or anyone who is interested in supporting our preschool are welcome to attend. The preschool has been a valued part of the village since 1967! 57 years of care and education to the children of Bradford Abbas and surrounding areas.

The Rose and Crown, Bradford Abbas

Hopefully as this goes to print England have progressed in the Euro's, so come along to support the Three Lions and look out for our deals whilst England are playing.

Dates in July:

Open every Sunday with our amazing Carvery .

Come along and enjoy our beautiful garden in the sunshine with a lightbite or basket meal and a beer.

Sat 20th July - Music Bingo

Tuesday 23rd July - As the children break up from school this day we are open for you , have a great start to your summer holiday with a relaxing drink whilst children play in our garden.

Keep eyes peeled for any other events

For bookings please phone 01935 423199 or email roseandcrown@btinternet.com

Friends of St Mary's Churchyard

The Friends group are making encouraging progress in terms of planning, tasking and offers of financial support. Initial feedback from our questionnaire indicate that we need both a financial and practical community plan for the management of our churchyard. Fundraising has already started. All monies raised will be allocated to a Churchyard management fund and will not be used to subsidise the costs associated with the church's role as a place of worship.

We believe we can work together and forge a strong community group that will make our churchyard beautiful. A place we can all be proud of and enjoy spending time in.

Volunteers are planning to meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6.30 and Saturday mornings from 10.30. We have a plan available in church of ideas for upkeep and improvements. Villagers may wish to take responsibility for planting and clearing certain areas? Neil will continue to take responsibility for grass cutting.

Please contact Jenny Thomas, Gary Siggins or Alan Fall if you would wish to help in anyway.

Bradford Abbas History Society

Thursday 25th July at 7.00pm. Visit & Guided History tour of "Sherborne Steam & Waterwheel Centre", Osborne Road, DT9 3RX. This is a guided tour and demonstration of the Waterwheel in motion plus details of the history of the Sherborne Public Health Acts of the late 19th Century. Cost will be a £5 per person donation to the Centre. Prior booking with Tony White tel: 01935 424441.

Sherborne Bradford Abbas Camera Club

The club is on its summer break so there are no scheduled meetings. However, summer photoshoots are arranged at short notice, so check on our website for these – sbacameraclub.co.uk. Meetings resume in September.

St. Mary's Church, Bradford Abbas

UPCOMING SERVICES HERE - EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

SUNDAY 7TH JULY 10am Morning Service (lay-led)

SUNDAY 21ST JULY 10am Holy Communion (led by David Dunning)

SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST 10am Morning Service (lay-led)

SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST 10am Holy Communion (led by David Dunning)

Chess at the Rose and Crown

Enjoy a game of chess or 3?

Chess night is on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm at the Rose and Crown, Bradford Abbas.

Beginners welcome.

Interested? Call Jon Morgan 07731 759016 or Phil Roads 07801 397544 for more details.

Bradford Abbas WI – From Seed Bench to Show Tent

How does Rose Do It?

Presented by our award-winning horticulturist, Rose Payne, Tuesday 16th July 7.30pm at Bradford Abbas Village Hall. Celebrating the 107th Birthday of BA WI! Visitors £4 to include refreshments.

Yeovil Railway Centre

- Tuesday 09 July: Main Line Steam, a visit by Merchant Navy Class 35028 Clan Line with 'End of Southern Steam', London to Weymouth. The loco comes into Yeovil Railway Centre for turning and servicing whilst the train continues to Weymouth. Times to be advised.
- Sunday 14 July: Steam Train Day with Pectin. Come and have a spin on our turntable!
- Saturday 27 July and Sunday 28 July: This is our annual Steam Train Day with Tractor and Bygones weekend. You can take the train to the event field.
- Tuesday 30 July: Diesel Train day with one of our diesel engines and a historic brakevan. Check when our coach which has wheelchair access via a ramp for standard size wheelchairs will be in use.

All details for these events are on our web site and Facebook page www.yeovilrailway.freeservers.com

The Friendship Club

The Friendship Club meeting this month is on Tuesday 2nd July at 2.00pm at Bradford Abbas Sports and Social Club. New members will be warmly welcome. We always meet on the first Tuesday afternoon of the month.

Bradford Abbas and Clifton Maybank Village Hall

A BIG thank you to Jamie Wayne Griffiths, owner of The Drinksmaster in Sherborne, for hosting a fun and informative evening of wine tasting. Thank you to everyone who attended. It was a successful evening raising £375.00.

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 **01935 602279**.

Monday Night Bingo

Every Monday at Bradford Abbas Sports and Social Club at 6.45pm with eyes down at 7.15pm. Everyone 18 and over is welcome to our weekly light-hearted evening which also includes a small draw a chance to win the SNOW BALL and of course a laugh and chat, we finish just before 9.00 pm.

Petanque

Wednesday Petanque continues to be enjoyed by the group and remains a firm favourite. There has been interest in more Petanque sessions so from Saturday 1st of June we start our weekend play which will be on alternate Saturdays and Sundays at the Sports and Social Club and starts at 2pm, (weather permitting). The bar is open Sundays from 2:30pm but Saturdays you will have to bring your own. For further information contact Bob on 07840 340799.

Mill Farm Party



MILL FARM PARTY

SATURDAY 27TH JULY

11am – 10:30pm | **LIVE MUSIC** | Mill Farm, Bradford Abbas, Dorset, DT9 6RE

Hello Hopeville | **THE PSYCHODAHLIAS** | **REG MEUROSS**

THE PUFFINS | **ACOUSTIC BADGER BAND** | **Clean Up**

THE DUCKS

 **TICKETS** [MILLFARMGORSET.COM/EVENTS/MILLFARMPARTY2024](https://millfarmdorset.com/events/millfarmparty2024)