

# The Pennant



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Please email your entries for the September 2024 issue to: [ThePennant@mail.com](mailto:ThePennant@mail.com) by 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024

## Bradford Abbas and Clifton Maybank Parish Council



You will be relieved to know that the chickens have returned to roost following the reinstatement of the playpark spring chickens! Many thanks to Peter who arranged for the welding of the baseplate by the Yeovil Railway Centre and to Dave who helped Peter bolt it back down.

## St Mary's Community Trust

**Cream Tea.** Thanks to everyone who came to our cream tea on 13<sup>th</sup> July, especially tennis fans who bravely walked away from their TVs on Wimbledon finals weekend.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September - "The Last Rays of Summer"** A celebration of local musical talent to be held 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

## The Rose and Crown, Bradford Abbas

Events during August:-

Sat 3rd August - Pete Littlewood & Genx, 8-30-11pm

Sat 17th August - Paella & Sangria evening 6-9pm

Bank holiday Monday 26th August - Phil Dewhurst performing 12-6pm, food will be served 12-3pm

For bookings please phone 01935 423199 or email [roseandcrown@btinternet.com](mailto:roseandcrown@btinternet.com)

## **The Friendship Club**

There is no meeting this month as we are away on our Summer Coach Trip to Groves Garden Centre, Bridport, which we are all looking forward to. A BIG THANK YOU from all our members to Bradford Abbas Variety Club for their thoughtful donation towards our funds and for this trip.

Our next meeting in the village will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 2pm at Bradford Abbas Sports and Social Club. There is Bingo, a small draw, Tea Biscuits and a chance to have a chat and laugh with fellow villagers. New members will be warmly welcomed. We always meet on the first Tuesday afternoon of the month.

## **Yeovil Railway Centre**

Tuesday 06<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> August we are running Diesel Train days with one of our diesel engines and historic brake vans. Please check in advance about accessibility for wheelchair use.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August: Steam Punk and Steam Day, also Classic Vehicles. Take the train to the event field! We will be using our 0-4-0 Peckett steam engine 'Pectin' and our coach, which is standard wheelchair accessible. At lunchtime we will run a limited diesel shuttle and brake van, which is not wheelchair accessible.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August: Steam Train Day with Pectin and our coach.

All details for these events are on our web site and Facebook page [www.yeovilrailway.freeservers.com](http://www.yeovilrailway.freeservers.com)

## **Bradford Abbas History Society**

There is no meeting in August. Our next meetings are on 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall when Jasmine Ely will give a talk on the History and Heritage of HAM HILL. Details will be in next month's Pennant. This is NOT to be Missed !!!

We are still looking for nominations for the Chairmanship of the Society. Please contact Tony White, 01935 424441.

## **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 like to help in anyway.

## **Mixed Ability Yoga has a new time 8.30am-9.30am**

Saturday morning yoga has moved to a new time at Bradford Abbas Village Hall on Saturday mornings, now from 8.30am--9.30am. So come along and join us! These are friendly and fun classes, suitable for most. Start your weekend with movement and relaxation. £9 per session.

August dates - 3rd / 10th / 24th / 31st

No class 17th August

September dates - 7th / 14th / 21st / 28<sup>th</sup>

Emma Riley

<https://www.facebook.com/Emma-Riley-Yoga-112642420645325>

[https://www.instagram.com/emma\\_riley\\_yoga/](https://www.instagram.com/emma_riley_yoga/)

## **Sherborne Bradford Abbas Camera Club**

We meet in Bradford Abbas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm and usually finishing about 9.30pm on the second and fourth Tuesday in the month. There are no meetings this month, we resume in September. In the meantime, look at our website [sbacameraclub.co.uk](http://sbacameraclub.co.uk). for more information.

## **Bradford Abbas 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](mailto: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**

Weekend petanque at the Sports and Social Club has started and is growing steadily, thanks to all who support us. Starts at 2pm, weather permitting.

Anyone needing more information contact Bob on 07840 340799.

## David Rees

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people of Bradford Abbas for their beautiful cards, flowers and messages on the death of David Rees. His wish was for a quiet and private cremation and this took place recently. I wanted to thank you all, it is very much appreciated. Sue Rees

## St. Mary's Church, Bradford Abbas

### UPCOMING SERVICES - EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 10am Morning Service (lay-led)

SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 10am Holy Communion (led by David Dunning)

SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 10am Patronal Service - celebrating St Mary (lay-led)

SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 10am Holy Communion (led by David Dunning)

On Sundays when we are without a service here in Bradford Abbas, we encourage villagers to take in a service at one of our neighbouring churches. There is always a list of these on display in the church porch.

### Thank you!

Nicola and I would like to thank you all for the wonderful send-off we had in June. The final service in Thornford Church was just lovely and the Reception at the Village Hall was a great way of saying goodbye to you all.

Thank you also for the very generous cheque you gave us – we think that we will use it to buy a new set of bookcases to house our many books.

We've thoroughly enjoyed our 10+ years with you all in the Three Valleys Benefice and will miss you all greatly.

Best wishes

**Tony and Nicola Gilbert**