

Maiden Bradley

Parish News

No 343 January 2018



Happy New Year to all our readers!

Diary

3 rd	Wed	Black Box & Blue Bin Collection (not Green)	7.00 am
		Prayer Meeting – Details 844817	6.30 pm
7 th	Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am
9 th	Tue	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
		Parish Council Meeting – Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
10 th	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
14 th	Sun	Matins – Church	10.00 am
15 th	Mon	Black Box, Blue & Green Bins Collection	7.00 am
17 th	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
19 th	Fri	Film Night – Memorial Hall – “Dunkirk”	7.00 for 7.30 pm

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

21 st	Sun	Churches Together Service, URC, Mere	11.00 am
22 nd	Mon	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
23 rd	Tue	Book Club Meeting at 1, Barcroft	8.00 pm
24 th	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
28 th	Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am

**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.
Please bring your orders to Memorial Hall Surgery the week before they are due for the Doctor to process.

Refuse & Recycling Collections 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 – Mel Thomas 845111 ; Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or murrisona@parliament.uk:

Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096.

Rev. Carol Wilson-Barker 01747 861859.

**Bell Ringing every Tuesday 7 pm in the Bell Tower at the Churh.
Beginners welcome 844475**

Coffee Mornings every Friday in the Hall 10 am till 12 noon

Maiden Bradley Parish News – contributions are welcome and preferred in WORD format.

Email pat@visa-office.com.

Editorial

To state the obvious, Christmas is over for another year and with any luck the magazine will be out before Twelfth Night. Lamb's Wool is frequently mentioned since at least the sixteenth century as a drink for special occasions, particularly winter celebrations such as Christmas, Twelfth Night, New Year, and it was offered by Wassailers. Its ingredients vary, but its base was hot cider, ale or more rarely, wine. Sugar and spices such as nutmeg, ginger or cinnamon were added along with the essential element, apples; the latter were baked or roasted until their pulp fell apart in the liquid, giving the appearance of lamb's wool.

Whatever you will be drinking on Twelfth Night, the Editorial Team and loyal Distributors, wish all our readers a very Happy and Healthy 2018.

Pat Kennedy 845397 pat@visa-office.com

Can anyone help trace an old friend?

I have received a letter- see attached. Mr Noel Creighton formerly of the Dragon G Guards / 4th Haman Lines in the 1980-1986 is seeking to reunite with Mr Noel Lamb from the D squadron. I just wondering if we could publish this in the Parish news in case someone has some useful information that could be transmitted back to Mr Creighton. I am happy to be the initial point of contact for any information.

Franck Baudrain
01985 844907
3 Kingston Lane,
MB

DEAR SIR/MADAM
Just trying to reconnect to past
when I lived in Warrminster. 1984-1986
I served as a CPT in the 5th Inniskilling
Dragon Guards 1980-1986.
I just found a letter dated March 22nd 1986
from 'Captain' Noel Lamb also in the 'Skinner's'
'D Squadron. I was in 4th Troop 'Haman
Lines'
The address on the letter is the only
point of contact I have for him. I would really
like to get in touch I realize some 37 years have
past, such a long time I know. But if you can
help in any way please get in touch. I can
send you a copy of the letter if you wish
Yours hopefully
Noel Creighton

December News from the Hall

I'm sorry to say I've missed the last 2 issues of the magazine due to health problems, I hope I can get back to keeping you informed once more.

I would like to thank all the well wishers and those that offered a helping hand in a time of need.

We had a good start to the month with a reasonable turn out for both the Christmas Bingo and Bazaar Well done all those who organized the events.

The Mendip health Walkers once again chose the hall as its venue for their Christmas lunch. 53 sat down to a bowl of Soup & Bread followed by Christmas pudding and mince pies.

Friday 15th saw our 4th village Christmas lunch and a big thank you , .goes out to both Kim Mattia (Horningsam) & Diane Loader (Buckland Dinham) both non villagers who stepped in and provided the cooking, in my absence.

Saturday 16th saw Kaz Gunter organise another concert by the up and coming "Newton Country" all profits going to the Hall Roof Fund.

Thank you Kaz, for all your efforts at a difficult time.

In October we opened the Pit Stop café, this not only appeared popular with those passing through the village but we also attracted a steady flow of customers from locals popping in for their Bacon Butties. Please watch this space in the words of Arnie - "It will be Back "

Our roof Fund received a boost from The Bernard Sunley Trust (£5000.00) and the materials to enable us to repair the kitchens flat roof from "Repair our Hut" fund. In the New Year we will be having the electrics upgraded to include USB plugs throughout the hall.

Our next large purchase in the New Year is a new cooker, the one we have is now obsolete and seen its best days.

We can only supply the services we do with the continued support of the village. As you can read in the Parish Council Report we are in need of help. If you can help, then please contact me.

The Hall Committee would like to wish you a very good New Year.

Mel Thomas
845111



Parish Council December 2017

Speed Indicator Device - The Speed Indicator Device has been delivered and will be in place in a few days' time. A rota for its placement is to be actioned and it has been added to the Parish Council Asset list and Insurance policy. Councillors Patrick Nixon and Simon Wager are seeking more volunteers for the prospective Community Speed Watch Group. If you are able to give some time to this Community Working Group to help educate drivers passing through Maiden Bradley please contact either of them or clerk;

Highways - If any Parishioner sees or is aware of anything which they feel needs attention in and around the parish highways, they are requested to contact Wiltshire Council using either the online website above, the Wiltshire Council App or on the landline number **0300 456 0105**.

The Wiltshire Council app can be used to report Highways issues or online at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/mywiltshirelogin.htm>

Village Design Statement – The Parish Council sadly had only three parishioners come forward and so following discussions as to the work involved, it was deemed that there was not enough interest to invest in the project.

Planning Decisions - Application Ref: 17/09113/FUL Application for Full Planning Proposal: - Rear first floor and dormer extensions and construction of new porch to front elevation Location: 60 the Rank, Bradley Lane, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7JF
Decision: Approve with conditions. These can be viewed on the Wiltshire Council website.

Village Hall - parishioners are asked to come forward to assist the Village Hall Committee following receipt of the below report from the Village Hall Chairman.

Due to my on-going health issues, I am afraid to say I have not been able to carry out my duties as MBMH Chairman over the last 2 months.

The committee have carried out their duties to the best of their abilities, but some of the work required has fallen behind.

1. The halls cooker was deemed unfit for purpose, I have tried to get the remedial work quoted for but getting companies to treat it as urgent without constantly chasing them is impossible.

2. We have received a grant in the way of goods and equipment

To repair the kitchens flat roof which is now coming to the end of its life. Finding a company to carry out the work is also looking impossible.

3. One piece of good news, we have received the promise of

£ 5000.00 from the Bernard Sunley Foundation once work starts on the new roof.

I am going to be out of action for several months to come, as I will be undergoing chemotherapy

Unless I can find someone to take on some of my work load, I am afraid the halls situation is not going to get any better, if anything it will deteriorate.

If there are parishioners who can help with just one of the items above please contact the Chairman by email phone your time will be much appreciated however little or large.

Finally, the Parish Council Team would like to wish you the Community, a Happy New Year.

Items for the next Agenda: Litter Pick, Quality Gold and Finger Post repairs/replacement costs.

Date of the next meeting- The Council agreed that **Tuesday 9th January 2018** would be the date of the next Parish Council meeting. As always, the Parish Council meeting will be open at the start with an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions or make comments on any matter. The website www.maidenbradley.org.uk can be accessed to read a copy of the Agenda and Minutes electronically or copies are displayed on the Community Notice Board at the Village Hall and Bus Stop.

Sarah Jeffries the clerk can be contacted by email:

maidenbradley@virginmedia.com or phone: 01985 213436 or by mail to Maiden Bradley Parish Clerk 9 Beech Grove Warminster BA12 0AB

Congratulations to Todd Lucas-Phillips

We would like to share with you that Todd passed his grade 8 RSL drum exam with a stunning 87%!

At just 14 that is some achievement. The whole family is very proud and pleased.

Todd has been playing drums since the age of 6. We spotted

his talent in the high chair, where he would bang his plastic spoon in time to the music we played at mealtimes. The track would change and the spoon would keep time! We brought him his first kit at just 6 and he's been playing ever since.

We'd like to thank all of our neighbours, for their patience and support, as well as his teacher Tom Pepler of Pepler Drums, Frome.

Todd has recently formed a band and they are working on original material, so hopefully we may see them perform in the village hall sometime next year!

This photo of Todd was taken a good few years back in a friend's studio, rocking out with a face that may well become famous!



Mark Lucas-Phillips

Meanwhile - back in 1963.....



Fifty five years ago saw the harsh winter of 1963. This is a photo of John Samways clearing snow on the Maiden Bradley to Bruton Road which took place between Boxing Day and the end of March.

This photo was taken on March 29th 1963.

Welcome Club

As the 2017 season has drawn to a close we look forward to another year of adventure and friendship at the beginning of 2018. The Bingo evening, so kindly run by Brenda and her team at the hall, raised £131.10 for club funds and this was followed by a successful trip to The Bell at Andover for our Christmas Lunch in early December. Both events were most enjoyable and will hopefully remain regulars.

We begin our new season at 2.30pm in the Horningsham Hall on February 15th. This will be a general get-together which will include tea and the raffle. Tell your friends about us and bring them along!

A Happy and Healthy 2018 to you all.

Chris Short

Pea and ham soup

Preparation time less than 30 mins - Cooking time 10 to 30 mins - Serves 2-4

Pea and ham soup is a really satisfying dinner, ready in 15 minutes, using simple ingredients you probably already have in the cupboard.

Equipment and preparation: For this recipe you will need a stick blender.

This meal, if served as four portions, provides 236kcal, 17g protein, 25g carbohydrate (of which 7g sugars), 6g fat (of which 2g saturates), 6g fibre and 0.9g salt per portion.

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 large potato (about 250g/9oz), cut into small cubes
- 300g/10½oz frozen petits pois or garden peas
- 400ml/14fl oz chicken stock, or vegetable stock if preferred
- 200ml/7fl oz semi-skimmed or whole milk
- 100g/3½oz thick cut ham
- small handful fresh mint leaves, optional
- salt and freshly ground black pepper



Method

1. Heat the oil in a large saucepan on low or medium heat, then add the onion and potato, season with salt and pepper, then stir to coat the vegetables in the oil.
2. Take a piece of baking paper large enough to cover the top of the pan, scrunch it up then unfold it. Lay the paper over the surface of the vegetables, sealing them in right to the edges of the pan (this helps cook the vegetables more quickly). Put a lid on the pan, cook on a low heat for 8-10 minutes, until the potatoes are tender and the onions are soft and translucent.
3. Remove the paper. Add the peas and stock to the pan, then bring to the boil. Cook for a couple of minutes, or until all of the peas have floated to the top and are tender and bright.
4. Take the pan off the heat. Using a stick blender, process the peas until very smooth. Add the milk (or, if preferred, use more stock, water or cream). Tear in most of the ham. Bring the soup back to a simmer, then season to taste with salt and pepper, remembering that the ham is fairly salty.
5. To serve, ladle the soup into bowls then scatter with the rest of the ham and a few torn mint leaves.

Village Lottery

November

1 st I. Henry	£23.50	2 nd Sam Higgins	£11.75
3 rd P. Coleman	£7.15	4 th Kiera Stevens	£4.60

December

1 st Robert Morris	£23.50	2 nd Jamie Smart	£11.75
3 rd Juliette Clarke	£7.15	4 th Nick Morgan	£4.60

Since 1998 the lottery has brought in a total of £20105.25 to help maintain the village hall. Therefore £10052.62 has gone to the village hall and the same amount in prize money up to last December.

If you would like to help support your Village Hall, please get in contact with John Priestner on 844244 who has some spare numbers. Only 50p per number per month, you can have more than one number. Half the draw's income goes to the Village Hall and half goes in prizes.

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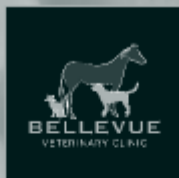


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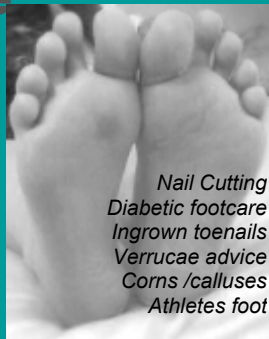
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