

Maiden Bradley

Parish News

No. 313 July 2015

HENRY CRABBE

10th January 1944 - 27th April 2015



Diary July 2015

1 st Wed	Mobile Library – Somerset Arms Prayer Meeting – Church	9.30-9.45 am 6.30 pm
5 th Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am
6 th Mon	Black Box & Blue Bin Collection Bingo – Memorial Hall	7.00 am 7.30 for 8.00 pm
8 th Wed	Kids@MB – Memorial Hall Prayer Meeting – Church	6.00-7.30 pm 6.30 pm
12 th Sun	Sea Sunday Service – Church	10.00 am
13 th Mon	Household Waste Collection only	7.00 am
14 th Tue	Parish Council Meeting – Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
15 th Wed	Mobile Library – Somerset Arms Kids@MB – Memorial Hall Prayer Meeting – Church	9.35-9.55 am 6.00-7.30 pm 6.30 pm
16 th Thu	Welcome Club Summer Quiz –Horningsham Hall	2.30 pm
18 th Sat	Film – The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel	7.00 for 7.30 pm
19 th Sun	Holy Communion - Church	10.00 am
20 th Mon	Black Box & Blue Bins Collection	7.00 am
20th	Copy day for articles for August News to pat@visa-office.com	
21 st Tue	Welcome Club Outing to Lynton & Lynmouth W.I. Meeting – Stourton Village Hall	9.00 am 7.30 pm
26 th Sun	Parish Communion with Baptism – Church	10.00 am
27 th Mon	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
29 th Wed	Mobile Library – Somerset Arms Prayer Meeting – Church	9.35-9.55 am 6.30 pm

1st August – Beer & Music Festival at The Somerset Arms

Mass times in Warminster and Mere:-

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.
Due to pressure of work the Surgery at Silton, Bourton, is unable to accept repeat orders for medication by telephone. Please bring your orders to Memorial Hall Surgery the week before they are due so that the Doctor can collect them.

Dustbin Day 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
Maiden Bradley Parish News: contributions are welcome in any format. E-Mail:
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From the Editor

We are pleased that common sense has prevailed and Maiden Bradley will not now lose its telephone box and public phone line.

Many congratulations to Liz and Patrick Nixon for their excellent open garden fundraiser with proceeds going to support the Warminster Food Bank and our Village Shop.

Apologies to Christine Crabbe for failing to include the following message in last month's News:

Henry Crabbe - 10th January 1944 to 27th April 2015

I would like to thank everyone for the very many messages of condolence we have received in memory of Henry. His short illness has left the family, his friends and many acquaintances with a great sense of shock but the sincerity of sympathy sent to us, has helped us through this difficult time.

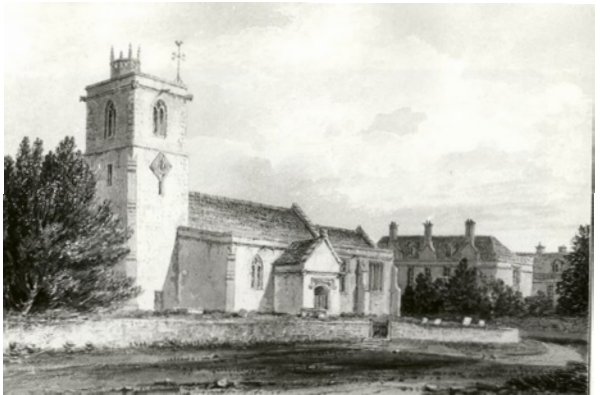
Henry was a gentle man in many ways, loved his family, had many interests, was enthusiastic about his bell ringing and his work and therefore never really retired from the things he loved to do. We are comforted to know how well loved and respected he was. Christine Crabbe

845397

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Church News

Since my last letter for Maiden Bradley News we have had several meetings about forming a Friends of All Saints church. Friends' organisations give people a chance to contribute to the preservation of our heritage and support much-loved buildings. Members of our sister church in Mere has been very helpful in giving advice and offering support as we seek to get the Friends up and running. Please speak to me or one of the Churchwardens if you are interested in becoming a member in the future.



As I write this letter I'm really pleased to say that the Wednesday evening prayer group has just met for the 3rd time. Originally it was going to be monthly but members felt so invigorated by praying together that it is now weekly in the church at 6.30. We pray about all sorts of things—nothing is too small or too large. Please let us know if there is something you think needs prayer. With Bradley Hall once again advertising itself as a wedding venue couples are also showing an interest in getting married at All Saints. I have seen several lovely couples for whom marriage in church is important and we are making arrangements accordingly, they feel that God's presence is a vital part of making their marriages fruitful and special.

With every blessing for the summer

Rev Carol

All Saints' Special Service for Sea Sunday

Have you ever wondered where so much of our food comes from? Not to mention fuel, medicines, fridges and TVs. They arrive in this country in container ships, some of which are 400 metres long (around ¼ mile). 90% of world trade is done by sea.

We probably don't very often think of the men – and less often, women – who crew these ships. They are often treated very badly, abandoned on their ships without pay and often with no water, food or fuel. Without money they have no means of getting home and can't contact anyone for help because they don't have mobile phones.

These are the people the Mission to Seafarers helps. It is there for seafarers in tragedy and crisis, visiting ships and running seafarers' centres. It offers practical support: food, clothing, use of mobile phones and so on and it needs our support to enable it to continue this vital work.

July 12th is Sea Sunday. Why not come along to church on that day as we remember and pray for the work of the Mission to Seafarers? Jesus said, 'truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' This is our opportunity to help those who are so much less fortunate than ourselves and yet without whom we could not lead our comfortable lives. Next time you drive your car, or watch TV or eat imported food, please remember them.

Sea Sunday 12th July @ 10.00 am at All Saints' Church.

There will be a retiring collection in aid of the Mission to Seafarers.

Jane Hurd, Licensed Lay Minister for All Saints' Church.

MERE LITERARY FESTIVAL – Raising funds for the Mere & District Link scheme

QUIZ NIGHT with Ploughman's Supper

July 24th 7 for 7.30 p.m.

The Grove Building, Mere

Mere Literary Festival launches its 2015 programme with a Quiz Night on Friday July 24th. 7p.m. for 7.30 p.m. start in the Grove Building. Come along in a team of four or individually to test your general knowledge and enjoy a fun evening. Admission is £6 per person which includes a delicious Ploughman's Supper. **To book a table in advance Phone 861969.**

And a reminder that the Poetry Competition closes on July 6th.

Adrienne Howell

Group heating oil order

To take advantage of low summer prices I am placing a group buying order early in July. Recently we have received discounts of up to 3p a litre: the more people involved the better the discount. Anyone interested please contact me no later than 9 July

Patrick Nixon - 844242
patricknixon82@gmail.com

News From the Hall

June has been fairly quiet now that most of the major work has been completed.

The Art Trail was a success and congratulations go to Tonia Gunstone and Steve Gunter for their displays, which attracted a good number of visitors. We hope to replicate this over the August bank holiday, when several of the villages artists will be holding an exhibition on the Saturday, Sunday & Monday 10.00 am- 4.00 pm. Entry will be free.

Tom Allday, Mary Stevens, Pearl Hudson & Sarah Muir did a sterling job and a roaring trade with the cream teas, please watch out for more cream tea days, keep an eye on the notice boards for dates.

The next film evening will be Saturday 18th July we will be showing

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel
Doors open 7.00 pm and the film starts at 7.30 pm



The Memorial Garden is looking really excellent now that all the plants are starting to bloom, once again a big thank you goes to all involved, it's a credit to the village the way an eyesore has been turned into something we can be proud of.

The hall needs to be used so please if you have an upcoming party or event put it on your list for consideration, its one of the cheapest venues around but offers excellent facilities

Mel Thomas - Chairman
845111

The Horse Trough Monument

Many thanks to Nick Morgan of Maiden Bradley who runs Lakeside Garden Centre for his kind donation of plants that cheers up the centre of the Village.

Retail Ramblings

I really thought summer was finally upon us, until I sold a packet of firefighters yesterday, which has had me rummaging for a vest on stand-by...



I'm not going to ramble on this time about all the different edible things you can find in the shop, delightful and delicious as they are. New products, special offers, and the Coming In Soon notices are all evident on the board, as long as you can read my writing...

So whilst we have a chiller full of cold drinks, enough bottled water to reconstitute a small section of Antarctica, and an exotically wide selection of ice creams, there are other aspects of your shop that you may have missed.

So, in no particular order : we have a mini library, all donated by you. Have a look at what your neighbours have read, and for 50p you could read it too ? Bring in one you've enjoyed, and hope that someone else will feel the same.

We have an interesting, imaginative and excellently priced wine selection, and if you're not sure what you're looking for there are some useful crib notes on the shelf edge. Also in my handwriting, so please ask if you would like a translation..

We're also gradually expanding our range of beers, and would love some feedback as to what we've chosen so far !

You can bring your laundry and dry cleaning to us, have it all back in two days, and someone else has done the ironing.

And the top of the hot food cabinet has become a de facto communication centre, if it's happening at all, it's probably up on there !

So, a glass of wine, a good book, and someone else to do the ironing... Sounds like heaven on a plate to me..

Amanda



Maiden Bradley Community Shop needs You!

We need someone to work Saturdays in the shop, on a one in three rota basis.

You'd be responsible for opening up, manning and then closing the shop at the end of the working day.

For full details, and any questions you may have, please ring Amanda on 01985 844206. Or drop into the shop in person.

We're looking forward to meeting you !

Horningsham Luncheon Club Annual Outing

I am organising the Horningsham Luncheon Club Annual Outing and this year we are going to the Isle of Wight on Thursday August 6th.

We have a few vacant seats and anyone is welcome to join us.

The charge for non members is £15 per person. We will be leaving Maiden Bradley at 8.45 am, as we have to catch the ferry at 11 am at Southampton where we cross to Cowes. Then we will go onto Sandown where people can get some lunch. Afterwards we will make a further stop for tea, before catching the ferry home.

If anyone is interested in the outing or even joining the Luncheon Club which is held Thursday lunchtimes at 12.30pm. We are very well fed by our band of very good cooks, we have a main course plus pudding and cup of tea for the pricey sum of £2.50. So please come and join us, we may be getting older in age but still have a good laugh?

Pearl Hudson - 844779

Open Garden Fundraiser at the Old Vicarage

We would like to thank all those who kindly donated cakes and plants for the event. Special thanks must go to Mary and Richard Stevens for their gallant work of transporting tables and chairs, Sue and John Priestner for helping with the plants, and to Kim, Ravi, Meg and Amanda for their help with teas, ice creams and the raffle. Without their help we couldn't have made the event such a success.

The Warminster Food Bank team were hugely efficient putting up gazebos and running the various stalls. It was a great team effort.

A final personal thank you goes to Sarah Muir who persuaded me to open our garden and then helped to make sure that the garden looked at its best... and the sun shone! We raised £944. £472 will be donated to the Village Shop.

Liz and Patrick Nixon

The Welcome Club

Fascinating time spent with Alex Booth when we returned to memories of childhood with a most realistic performance of 'Punch and Judy', although the origin of the show was far from childlike. Mrs Booth has been involved with presenting the puppets for some years and gave us a most enjoyable, laughter-filled afternoon.

Weston was Terrific, a gorgeous day, plenty of time for shopping eating, sun bathing – topped off with a visit to the Burrington Inn on the way home for a cream tea. A lovely day.

We have just had our Bring and Buy sale which realised £51.30. Many thanks to all helpers and purchasers. Any unsold items were taken to a cancer charity in town.

Our trip to Exmouth will be reported next time and this month we shall be having a prize quiz in Horningsham Hall on July 16th and visiting Lynton and Lynmouth on July 21st. Names please if you would like to travel with us – all are welcome.

Chris Short 01985 847373

Maiden Bradley with Yarnfield Parish Council

Public phone box update: The Parish Council wish to inform Parishioners that when it turned down the request by British Telecom to adopt the telephone box near the bus stop in Maiden Bradley it discussed the following considerations:

In adopting the phone box the telecommunications unit inside of the box would be removed leaving the parish with no landline emergency phone line. Although there is a limited provision by the mobile telecommunications provider 02 within the parish, all mobile providers allow 999 calls from any provider to be made in that area of cover and so piggy back on their system, so there would be an emergency call system in place if it did adopt the phone box.

British Telecom. If there is another phone box within 400 metres BT can remove a phone box without the need for consultation. If there isn't another phone box within 400 metres then they have to consult with the relevant body. So BT are unable to remove the phone box without consultation though Wiltshire Council and with the community. The consultation process can be found at <http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultation/uso/statement/removals.pdf>

The Parish Council could not see any use which the box might have if it was adopted. The defibrillator was thought to be in the best accessible position and safest position under the watch of the shop security system and using its electricity. The defibrillator can be used by anyone and does not need a phone call to the emergency services to be activated.

Under the contract between the Parish Council and BT additional health and safety checks would be needed weekly and the Council would be required to arrange cleaning of the phone box. A contractor would also have to be employed to paint and maintain the phone box due to the leaded paint already used: volunteers could not be used as the leaded paint brings health and safety risks for those painting the unit.

As the phone box without the telecommunications unit is valued at £4805.00 the Parish Council would be responsible for insuring the phone box at a cost of about £50 per year. To cover the cost of replacement parts, maintenance and cleaning costs the Risk and Contingency budget would have to increase by about £700.

The Parish Council hopes that parishioners will understand why it decided in 2008 and again in 2015 not to adopt the telephone box; and that until BT decide to seek permission for its removal the phone box and its landline will remain in its present position.

Mobile Library Service Parish Council Consultation 2015 - Wiltshire Council are consulting on the Mobile Library Service. The service would be withdrawn from Maiden Bradley due to the low usage it received. (Wiltshire Council were withdrawing stops with less than 3 customers using the service) Council did appreciate that Wiltshire Council are having to make savings. It did appreciate though that it was making available a Home library service which will be offered to those parishioners who are unable to access the library because of a disability, frailty or ill health and have none to visit on their behalf. This would be arranged via the consultation paper and those users would be informed by the library Service. The hope by advertising this information in the Parish News, those who used the service would have a further reminder to be aware of the withdrawal.

Planning -15/04844/FUL Proposal Remove 10 m section of hedgerow to create new access. Location: Grange Farm Dukes Lane Maiden Bradley BA12 7HX Council agreed to support the application. (Please note: in planning matters the Council acts as the consultee of the Principal Authority. The Principal Authority being the deciding body)

Date of the next meeting - Tuesday 14th July is the date of the next meeting. The Parish Meeting will start at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend

Recipe

Victoria sandwich

8 oz softened butter
8 oz caster sugar
4 eggs
8 oz self-raising flour
1-2 tbsp water or milk
Raspberry jam

Heat the oven to 180F/160F (for a fan oven)

Brush two sandwich tins with oil and line the base with parchment paper. Cream the butter and sugar together until light and fluffy. Whisk the eggs and add to the mixture slowly, adding a little sifted flour if the mixture looks as if it will curdle. Fold in the rest of the flour adding the milk or water to

produce a soft dropping consistency and then divide the mixture into the two cake tins. Place in the pre-heated oven and cook for 20 to 30 minutes until golden brown.

When cooked and cooled spread the raspberry jam on one cake and sandwich both together, then sprinkle caster sugar on the top.



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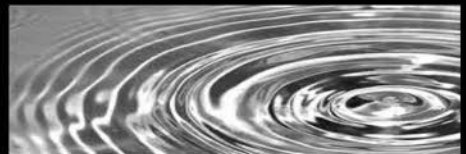
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Mark & Wendy Lucas-Phillips are raising money for 3 charities by walking the West Highland Way and climbing Ben Nevis; a 96 mile journey from Glasgow to Fort William in July topped off with a day climbing the highest peak in the UK.

Then in September they are both taking to the skies for a 15,000 ft tandem skydive in Salisbury.

Both events are to raise as much as possible for:

Positive Action on Cancer; a Frome based free counselling service for people affected by cancer, Mama Upendo; another Frome based charity that supports an African Orphanage and lastly Crohns & Colitis UK.

Mark works for local dessert manufacturer Marston Foods, who have pledged to raise a total of £50,000 in 2015 to support the 3 charities, for every £ raised by the couple Marston Foods will equal the donation.

Any donation is very gratefully received; sponsor forms can be found in the village shop & the pub or you can donate online via Virgin Money Giving (www.virginmoneygiving.com) and search for Mark Lucas-Phillips or Marston Foods



Many thanks, Mark & Wendy

