

Maiden Bradley

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Parish News



Diary June 2013

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| 2 nd | Sun | Holy Communion – Church | 9.30 am |
| 3 rd | Mon | Household & Garden Waste Collection | 7.00 am |
| | | Bingo – Village Hall | 7.30 for 8.00 pm |
| 5 th | Wed | Mobile Library – Somerset Arms | 9.35-9.55 am |
| 6 th | Thu | Book Club Meeting - The Old Vicarage | 8.00 pm |
| 9 th | Sun | Matins – Church | 9.30 am |
| 10 th | Mon | Black Box & Blue Bins Collection | 7.00 am |
| 11 th | Tue | Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall | 7.30 pm |
| 12 th | Wed | Kids@MB – Village Hall | 6.00-7.30 pm |
| 15 th | Sat | Bird Club - meet Village Hall Car Park | 10.00 am |
| | | Concert St Peter's Church Stourton | 7.30 pm |
| 16 th | Sun | Parish Communion - Church | 10.30 am |
| 17 th | Mon | Household & Garden Waste Collection | 7.00 am |
| 19 th | Wed | Mobile Library – Somerset Arms | 9.35-9.55 am |
| 20 th | Thu | Welcome Club Meeting – Horningsham | 2.30 pm |
| | | Hall Bring and Buy Sale | |
| 21st | Fri | Deadline for Contributions to July MBPN | |
| 23 rd | Sun | Holy Communion – Church | 9.30 am |
| 24 th | Mon | Black Box & Blue Bins Collection | 7.00 am |
| 25 th | Tue | W.I. Meeting – Stourton Village Hall | 7.30 pm |
| | | Welcome Club trip to Stratford -upon-Avon. | |
| | | Horningsham | 8.45 am |
| | | Maiden Bradley | 9.00 am |
| 26 th | Wed | Kids@MB – Village Hall | 6.00-7.30 pm |
| 28 th | Fri | Quiz Night – Village Hall | 7.00 pm |
| 30 th | Sun | Benefice Songs of Praise in Stourhead | |
| | | Gardens – invitation to bring a picnic lunch | 0.30 am |
| 1 st | July | Mon Household & Garden Waste Collection | 7.00 am |

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; Sunday 5 pm

Dr Harding's Surgery every Monday at 36 Church Street 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 36, Church Street 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; Village Hall bookings – Sam Higgins: 844671; Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or murrisona@parliament.uk; Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096; Rev Carol: 01747 861859.

Maiden Bradley Parish News: contributions are welcome in any format. E-Mail: editor@maidenbradley.net or contact Les Mayne; 845235.

The front cover photo shows the Forces March setting off from Maiden Bradley. On the back cover are shots of Somerfest.

Editorial

The tragic event of last week in London is a graphic reminder of the dangerous world and divided society in which we live. Disaffected members of the community feel they have to make some sort of statement regardless of the consequences for the rest of society. One is at a loss to understand what the perpetrators hope to achieve. Yet out of this horrible incident there came a beacon of light. I am thinking particularly of the woman who saw what had happened and left the bus she was on to see if she could render some assistance to the stricken soldier. Moreover, she then confronted the assailants without any apparent thought for her own safety; many would have passed on the other side. Further to that, there was a huge uplift in donations to the Help for Heroes charity whose web site was unable to cope with the level of contributions being offered. So, even in the most distressing of circumstances, the British nation at large sends an unequivocal signal to those who would seek to disrupt our way of life and attempt to cow us into submission. It shall never be. And as the woman who went to the aid of the victim said to the assailant: "You will lose because you are few and we are many." The passing through our village of the Forces March reinforces that mind-set. In adversity, we rise to the occasion. The participants in the March are doing their bit to raise awareness of the plight of our servicemen who face all manner of danger in foreign lands as well as at home as has been so graphically demonstrated. We owe our servicemen and women a great debt and it should never be forgotten.

On the brighter side, the sun shone, the walkers came and went and there was a palpable change in the air as the Somerfest began. It was a delight to see young and old, families and friends enjoying the sunshine, the open air and the broad range of music on offer featuring our own John Kenzie, Mark Lucas-Phillips and many others.

Les Mayne



News From All Saints'

Vicar's Letter

I'm writing this fresh from our Rogation Service up at Church Farm. Fresh being the operative word for the breezes we experienced. However, it didn't rain and we were able to be under four trees that formed a lovely canopy, a natural arch for an outside cathedral. Our seats were two hay bales (with even

an aisle between them) and the altar was another bale. We sang and celebrated God's love and His generous provision to us. We also remembered all those who farm in Maiden Bradley asking God's blessing on them.

Rogationtide was taken originally from the words in the Prayer Book gospel for the day: "Whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give to you". The Latin is 'Rogare' - to ask and in the strictly biblical context, the chief thing to ask for is the spirit of God. In these days when people tend to believe they have less need of God, it is important that believers continue to pray blessings on their communities and neighbours. If we ask boldly and faithfully in prayer, who knows what benefit we can gain for them?

As the church in Maiden Bradley we want to give a big "thank you" to our volunteer cleaner of many years, Pam Cole, who is leaving the area. Pam, thank you for all the time you have given and the hours of cleaning the church; we are very grateful for everything you have done for us. We hope you be very happy living nearer to your family, but we will miss you.

With love in Christ, *Rev Carol*

The Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Council meeting 14th May 2013

Many of the Parish Groups and Clubs came to the meeting and gave a report on their activities and aspirations. Council agreed that this was extremely interesting and informative. Council Elected Councillor Angus Neish as Chairman for the Year ahead and Councillor Patrick Nixon was elected as Vice Chairman. A new Councillor was Co-opted on to the Team; Councillor Karen Jenkins was warmly welcomed by all.

Appointment of Committee Members LGA 1972 sections 101-106 and schedule 12 – the following appointments were made:

Planning Committee – Planning would be brought to Full Council meetings.

Staffing Committee – Vice Chairman Patrick Nixon and Councillors Ben Gunstone & Franck Baudrain.

Rights of Way Representative, Councillor Angus Neish.

Village Hall Representative, Councillor Karen Jenkins.

Neighbourhood Watch Representative, Councillor Jerry Rayner was agreed in his absence.

Community Emergency Volunteer, Councillor Patrick Nixon.

Review and adoption of Parish Documentation. Council reviewed several important documents regarding its governance and agreed to adopt the following documentation; Complaints procedure, Grant Policy, Email Policy. Council noted it had reviewed the following documentation already; Standing Orders, Financial Orders, Freedom of Information, Asset Register, Risk Assessment, Dates for the year ahead meetings and it has renewed its Data Protection Licence. Council also resolved that it now met the criteria for the Power of General Competence, $\frac{3}{4}$ Elected Council, Qualified Clerk and the resolution that it meets the Criteria.

Community Asset Listing. Council heard the good news that the clerk had had an email to confirm that Wiltshire Council had agreed to the listing of the Village Shop as a Community Asset and that the documentation was to follow.

Community Speed Watch. Council heard a report from Councillor Patrick Nixon regarding the lack of response by the police to the evidence sent in regarding speeding offences logged. Council agreed that the letter Councillor Patrick Nixon had drafted should be sent to Wiltshire Council and the Police. Councillor Nixon would send it from the CWS Group, Unitary Councillor Fleur De Rhe Philipe would be provided with a copy along with other CWS Team Leaders. She asked if she could have copies of all the correspondence of concern.

Radio. The Clerk reported that the Warminster Community area radio team had approached her to have a monthly slot. It was agreed that this will be a useful communications tool. Council agreed that the Clerk was to attend and brief re goings on in Parish Council and the parish social events.

Items for the next Agenda: Clerks Appraisal, Update of Clerks Contract and United Reform Chapel Ownership Contact details.

Date of the next meeting - The Council agreed that the 11th June 2013 would be the date of the next Parish Council meeting. The Parish Council Meeting will start at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend. 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 Southwilts.com (Maiden Bradley) 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 shop.

Sarah Jeffries can be contacted by email: maidenbradleyipc@o2.co.uk or phone: 01985 213436 9 Beech Grove Warminster BA12 0AB

Family News

We are delighted to announce the birth of a daughter, Milly Jane, to Ali and Mark Higgins on 12 May. Both Mum and Daughter are well. Milly weighed in at an eye-watering 10lbs 1oz. Congratulations to all (especially Ali)!!!

Nicky Holloway moved into 5 Barcroft and is already finding Maiden Bradley a very friendly and welcoming village!

Pam Cole

The friends and neighbours of Pam Cole wish her good luck when she leaves Maiden Bradley to be nearer her family in Wales. For many years Pam has been a familiar face when walking her animals through the village. In the past her beautiful pony and, more recently, her goats have made many of us smile and given us cause to pause and have a chat. Her many years of helping in the community like cleaning in the village hall, the shop and All Saints Church have been greatly appreciated and will be sadly missed. We are sad to see her go but our prayers and good wishes go with her.

Tom Allday

Quiz Night in the Village Hall – Friday 28th June at 7pm

There will be a quiz night for teams of up to 6 players. Also included will be a raffle and a sweepstake. Entry fee will be £3 per person. “Nibbles” provided but please bring your own liquid refreshment – don't forget the glasses! Prizes will be cash and all profits will be split between the Village Hall and the Wiltshire Air Ambulance. So give your brain a workout and do good at the same time. WARNING – there will be a current affairs round from the news that week so make sure you order a paper from the village shop. Look forward to seeing you there.

Pam Thomlinson - 01985 844838

Village Show News

The show schedule is now available from the shop, it will not be put in the Parish News.

The Garden Competition - Margarate Smith Rose Bowl

This is advance notice to all you gardeners that judging for best village garden will take place in August this year.

Horningsham Youth Club

Horningsham Youth Club will be re-opening in September 2013 and to promote this a Fun Day is being organised at Horningsham Village Hall on 20th July between 12 and 5pm all young people from 10 to 19yrs and their parents are welcome. The entertainment will include:

- Drumming.
- Animation Workshop.
- Cupcake Decoration.
- Art Workshop.
- Free Running Parkour.
- Climbing Wall.
- Live Band.
- Assault Course.
- B-B-Q.

Entrance is free. Why not come along, enjoy the day, find out more about the youth club and offer your ideas on the future activities of the club. All young people from Maiden Bradley are welcome.

The new Club will be led by Sandra Samuel (contact on 218561), the Youth Development Co-coordinator- Warminster Area, from the Integrated Youth Service- Youth Work Team. [She is](#) employed by Wiltshire Council and will be affiliated with the Warminster Development Centre for Young People.

Request for Information

The following has been received and it is self-explanatory. I have included it as received. Anyone who can help with this quest is invited to contact David Garside direct.

My name is David Garside and I live in Andover, Hants...just 45 miles away and we had a recent trip to your lovely village last Sunday. Whilst there I bought the local "Memories" book by Don Newbury and also had a walk around the graveyard.

I am trying to follow the family tree of my Mother who was born in Weymouth, but her Father was born in Maiden Bradley. I would like to ask if there are any current family members who may be able to give me some history of the family and how it developed.

My Grandfather's name was Emmanuel George White. born 1880. I believe he had brothers too...Alfred born c1887, Harry born C1889 (buried in the graveyard, and is also in photographs in the book) and Osmand C born C1899.

If anyone could shed any light on others it would help a great deal. I would be happy for you to publish my e mail address for any replies - dvdggarside@aol.com.

David (Garside), 26 Millstream Close, Andover, Hants, SP10 2NB

Treasure Hunt 14 July 2013

Here is an advance note for your diary. On 14 Jul there will be a walking treasure hunt around the village followed by a cream tea at a select venue. More details will be published in the next issue of the MBPN. Watch this space for exciting developments.

Di Stevens

Welcome Club

John Craig and his singers gave us a most pleasant afternoon's entertainment on May 16. They were a complete act, singing, dancing, comedy and some acting too; very enjoyable.

We have now been on our second trip of the season – we went to Worthing on May 21. Thirty members were able to come and we had a great day out. It was a somewhat longer journey than usual, but it was good to visit the West Sussex town again – once more in dry weather even though the sun was a little shy! Our visit lasted about 4 hours with lunch, shopping and taking in the lovely sea air filling the time before boarding the coach for home. A stop for a nightcap was made just outside Salisbury where we also had the raffle and then completed the journey in bright sunshine.

For future reference, should there be anyone interested in joining us on our trips or any specific trip, you do not need to be a member and age is no barrier. Please contact me at the number below to book a seat or seats. Give it some thought; we would love to see you. See the Diary dates at the front of the News for events in June.

Chris Short - 01985 847373

Wylde Valley Arts Trail

There is still time to catch Jules Horn's exhibition of paintings and prints - part of the Wylde Valley Art Trail. The exhibition is at the Lakeside Garden Centre, Crockerton, until Sunday afternoon 2nd June.



New Principal for Whitesheet Primary

Whitesheet Primary School is delighted to be able to announce the appointment of Mrs Karen Brooker as their new permanent Principal.

Catherine Spencer, Chair of Governors, said "This is *such* exciting news – I am so thrilled that at last Whitesheet now has secure leadership, of

outstanding calibre, confirmed! The School is at a hugely important stage in its transition to becoming an Academy – and this appointment is fundamental to that process."

Karen is a highly experienced Headteacher of two schools on three sites, Shepton Beauchamp CE VC Primary and St Mary and St Peter's CE VC Primary which is a split site school with bases four miles apart.

She has been Head Teacher for five and a half years, has taken both schools from OFSTED 'Satisfactory' to 'Good with Outstanding Features', and has led the schools through two major changes. She has changed the schools from First Schools to Primaries, and under her leadership the schools have become hard federated; they have one governing body for both schools. Karen is also a Local Leader of Education, in which role she supports other schools in raising the standards of teaching and learning.

At the second of two full day candidate interview meetings held on the 26th April members of Whitesheet School Governing Body together with representatives of the Department for Education, Salisbury Diocese Board of Education, the Diocese of Salisbury Multi Academy Trust, Cambridge Education and Wiltshire Local Authority resolved to ratify the unanimous decision to appoint Mrs Brooker. She will start her role as new Principal of Whitesheet School at the start of the new academic year in September 2013 and is attending the school frequently in the interim.

Fundraising Concert St Peter's Church Stourton – 15 Jun 2013

We had a successful concert last Saturday with Ad Hoc and raised £600 and now it's time for the next one with Thomas Bowes!

In order to raise much needed funds to replace the stolen lead roof, St. Peter's Stourton has invited Thomas Bowes to perform a Bach Sonata and Partitas for solo violin in its beautiful Grade 1 listed church. This concert is part of Thomas Bowes's nationwide Bach Pilgrimage 2013, sharing the miracle of Bach's deep faith, humility and wondrous creativity.

Thomas Bowes is a versatile musician, having led The Academy of St. Martin in the Fields on a US tour last autumn. He is the most in demand orchestra leader for Hollywood film scores recorded at Abbey Road Studios. He also led the orchestra on the Bond film, Skyfall plus The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, The Hobbit, The Avengers and The Iron Lady amongst others.



The concert begins at 7.30 pm with the opportunity of a glass of wine beforehand from 6.45 pm (included in the £10 ticket price), whilst overlooking the famous gardens of Stourhead. Tickets are available from Jane Joyce 01747 840149 / j-joyce@dircon.co.uk. Just send a cheque made out to Upper Stour St. Peter's LCC with an s.a.e. to the address below.

*Jane Joyce, Old School Cottage, Gasper, Stourton, Wiltshire, BA12 6PY
Tel: 01747 840149, Mobile: 07785 997 581*

Recipe

Beef Layer Pie with Yoghurt Topping

Pre-heat the oven to 190C/375F/mark 5

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| 4 oz onions, chopped | 1lb potatoes (cooked and sliced) |
| 1 oz unsalted butter | 1/2lb tomatoes (skinned and sliced) |
| 1/2lb cold roast beef, (minced) | 1 egg |
| ¼ level teaspoon dried mixed herbs | 1oz flour |
| 2 level tablespoons tomato puree | 5 fl oz natural yoghurt |
| 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce | Paprika |
| Salt and pepper | |

Cook the onion gently in the butter. Add the cooked minced meat, mixed herbs, tomato puree and Worcestershire sauce; season well to taste. Starting with the potatoes, arrange layers of potato, then the meat mixture, then the tomatoes into a 2 pint casserole, finishing with a layer of potatoes. Cover casserole and bake in oven for 30 minutes. Beat the egg and blend in the flour and yoghurt; season to taste and spoon over the pie. Return pie to the oven, lid off, and cook for a further 30 minutes. Dust top with paprika before serving.

This is a very versatile dish. You could use lamb or chicken to good effect.



My Skydive

I would like to say a massive thank you to all who gave generously for my first ever skydive, in aid of Dorothy House hospice care. It took place on Sunday 26th May at 10,000ft above Redlands airfield near Swindon. The two lovely ladies with me raised approx £1000 each, with an overall total of £2900, all for this wonderful charity.

The experience was life changing, we exited the plane in a back roll, seeing sky and earth in rapid succession. Around a mile of free fall with breathtaking views through Azure skies and hints of white fluffiness! Including 360 spins, my tandem instructor certainly gave me a top class ride! The canopy time was serene and blissful.....and needless to say I will be taking to the skies again!

Mark Lucas-Phillips

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From Behind The Counter

Moira. Most of you will know by now of the untimely death of Moira Brown from Gare Hill. Moira supplied the shop with olive oil and olives. She had recently increased her range of olive related products to include infused oils and a tapenade and had also introduced vinaigrettes and sun dried tomato pate; we were going to properly launch those on Super Saturday on 1st June. That has obviously had to be rethought. However, I am delighted to be able to say that, having talked to Keith, Moira's husband, we are still going to have a lovely Super Saturday tasting of Moira's products but on Super Saturday in July which will be the 6th. Please come and try all that will be on offer; it will be a celebration of Moira's vision for the Trullo Bellissimo olive harvest and her talent in making the lovely products.

Milk. You will be aware that we stock milk from 2 dairies. One is Somerset Dairy and is milk supplied by Sally and Robert Higgins, one of our own village farms. The other is from Blackmore Vale Dairy. Why have both? It is quite simple – the milk from Blackmore Vale is homogenised and the Higgins milk is not. The process of homogenisation entails blasting the fat globules that naturally occur in milk through very small holes thus breaking up the globules to such an extent that they cannot regroup. Some people prefer to have the homogenised milk because it doesn't create rings on the milk jug and doesn't taste as fatty. Others prefer the non-homogenised milk because it has certain health benefits. Our problem is that the Blackmore Vale milk has much shorter shelf life dates on it when we receive it than does the Somerset dairy milk. This has resulted in a fair bit of wastage for us and short life dates for our customers. We have therefore decided to cut down on our supply of Blackmore Vale milk to a point where my aim will be zero wastage. To achieve this it may mean that we will often run out completely. If you want to be sure of getting Blackmore Vale milk then either come in to buy it on Monday pm and/or Fri am when it comes in, or ask us to put some aside for you. We will be happy to do that.

Ice Cream. We have invested in a new ice cream freezer which is larger than the one we have at the moment so please come and buy lots of ice cream so that we can recoup our investment!

Fruit and Veg. As we go (hopefully) into the warmer weather, I would like to remind you that the fruit and veg will not keep as well in the shop. We will do our best to preserve it but if you could try to buy at the weekend, it would help! Remember we get it fresh in every Thursday afternoon.

Magazines. Those who hang on my every word (!) will recall that I said a few months ago that we had some expert advice regarding what magazines to stock in the shop. Well, that advice turned out to be completely and utterly wrong for our village. I have now stopped a lot of those magazines and I will continue to refine our holding. Let me know if there are any magazines that you would like to have and we can get them for you.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Kay M

PS. Can anyone advise me - do rusks taste like Weetabix? Do you think Les would notice?

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| Sun | 9.00 am – 12.00 pm |

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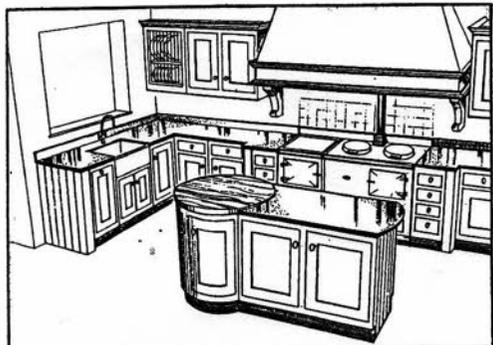
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