

# Maiden Bradley

Parish News

No 327 September 2016



**Jules Horn at the Village Art Festival**  
More art on back cover - Produce Show inside!

## DIARY SEPTEMBER 2016

1 <sup>st</sup>	Thu	Welcome Club Meeting – Horningsham Hall	2.30 pm
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00am
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	Household Waste Collection	7.00 am
		Bingo – Memorial Hall	7.30 for 8.00 pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Tue	Welcome Club Outing to Swanage & Poole	9.00 am
7 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
11 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	Parish Communion – Church	10.00 am
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	Black Box, Blue & Green Bin Collection	7.00 am
		Book Club Meeting – 1, Castle Hill Lane, Mere	8.00 pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Tue	Parish Council Meeting – Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
14 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	Matins – Church	10.00 am.
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	<b>Household Waste Collection</b>	<b>7.00 am</b>

**20th Tue Copy Day for articles for October News to [pat@visa-office.com](mailto:pat@visa-office.com)**

21 <sup>st</sup>	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	Patronal Service at St Michael's, Mere	10.30 am
		NO service at All Saints'.	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	Black Box, Blue & Green Bins Collection	7.00 am
27 <sup>th</sup>	Tue	W.I.Meeting – Stourton Village Hall	7.20 pm
28 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	Prayer Meeting	6.30 pm
29 <sup>th</sup>	Thu	Welcome Club Meeting – Horningsham Hall	2.30 pm

**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. 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..

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The Pub: 844207;

Memorial Hall bookings – Amanda Dye 845205 ;

Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or [murrisona@parliament.uk](mailto:murrisona@parliament.uk);

Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096;

Rev. Carol Wilson-Barker 01747 861859

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## Editorial

Creativity abounds in Maiden Bradley again this year as this issue will portray. Both the Produce Show and the Arts Festival have been well supported with the Show raising over £400 for the Village Hall. Jules Horn is front cover this month, one of our extremely talented local artists. Back stage on both occasions, providing wonderful Cream Teas, are Pearl Hudson and Tom Allday who are to be thanked for their continued support of these events.

I hope that all the GCSE and A level results were satisfactory for our young adults and wish those returning to school, starting work or going on to further education, a very successful future.

Pat Kennedy 845397 pat@visa-office.com

### *SIDE TO SIDE CYCLE RIDE*

Four years ago I cycled the "TOP TO TOE" 1000 miles from John O Groats to Lands End in aid of Save The Children and now I'm at it again.

This time I'm going to try to cycle 500 miles across England from the Westernmost point at Lands End to the Easternmost point at Lowestoft, starting on my birthday 12 September – ok it's not as far but I'm four years older!!

As usual I will have a full, dedicated support team (Carol).

I will be raising money for *SAVE THE CHILDREN* again and also *WATER AID* and I would be very grateful if you could help by sponsoring me online at the following link.

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RayKenzieWesttoEast>

If you don't like computers or the internet, I'm hoping that the shop will allow me to have a collection tin, so you could try there.

Thanks a lot

**Ray Kenzie**



## August News from the Hall 2016

With the summer break and holidays almost behind us the hall hopes to become busy yet again after a fairly quiet month.

The produce show was again a very successful day thanks to all the hard work and time put in by the dedicated few who organize it on your behalf.

We hope that this Years Art Festival will be as big a draw as it was last year.

24 of us ventured forth on the villages first Coach Trip to a very sunny and warm Weymouth, where some even ventured to swim in the sea. A very enjoyable day was had by one and all , hopefully more of you will join us next time.

Coming up we have a Lunch on the 7<sup>th</sup> October, so book early as places are limited.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October sees the return of “The Full Motley” so dig out your dancing shoes for another very lively night at the Village Hop.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct will be Quiz Night so put your brains into gear and sort out your teams for a very entertaining night.

The Village hall **AGM** is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm we would like to see as many of you as possible attend.

If anyone would like to join the committee please let Mel Thomas know by Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> Sept

Our first attempt at getting a Grant from the Lottery Fund failed, I am sad to say but like Arnie “We will be back”

The hall now has an industrial Dishwasher so don't let the washing up put you off from booking it for any upcoming family party or function you may be considering. You will not get better rates of hire anywhere else.

Mel Thomas

**Check out the Village Hall's new look website  
[www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk](http://www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk)**

### Village Hall Lottery

July					
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ben Gunstone	£22.75	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sheila Foley	£11.35
3 <sup>rd</sup>	A. Brierley	£6.90	4 <sup>th</sup>	Nigel Lavender	£4.50
August					
1 <sup>st</sup>	Robert Morris	£22.75	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gilly Hayden	£11.35
3 <sup>rd</sup>	R. Higgins	£6.90	4 <sup>th</sup>	. Cooper	£4.50

Since 1998 the lottery has brought in a total of £190167.00 to help maintain the village hall. Therefore £9508.50 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.

## Parish Council July 2016



Maiden Bradley with Yarnfield Parish Council wish to thank Bristol City Football Club for their generosity in donating a set of Football nets to the Community, for use on the Community recreational area. Special thanks are given to Neville Dean, Parishioner in Maiden Bradley for arranging the project to restore of the Football posts and to Dan Sparks, Head Groundsman Bristol City Football for the donation of the nets.

Dan Sparks, Head Groundsman Bristol City Football pictured here with the nets at the Bristol City training ground.

**Highways** - The Parish Council also wish to thank publicly Parishioner Giles de Mare for the work actioned in Church Street that was the Parish Stewards remit; he had felt that whilst waiting for the scheme to restart the work would just increase the degeneration of the Highway. Council wish publicly, to thank him for all the hard work he has actioned for the benefit of the Community.

**The Forces March Group** - have donated £100.00 to the Village Shop, they had offered to make a donation to the Community following the use to the recreational area. The Parish Council were only to pleased that they had chosen to have the donation made to the shop, as the shop subsequently had the chiller breakdown and the donation was put to good use.

**SID Pole Project**- the Parish Council is awaiting for the metal poles to be installed to enable the two Speed Indicator units gifted to the Warminster Area from Wiltshire Council to be installed at regular intervals through the year, alerting drivers to their speed etc. The scheme has now started in Warminster and is being seen as proactive in the areas it is deployed.

**Parish Steward Scheme** – The Parish Steward Scheme starts in October and the Parish Council will be able to highlight to the Parish Steward areas it wishes work to be actioned. Any issues found by parishioners still need to be reported using the Wiltshire Council app or online at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/mywiltshirelogin.htm>

**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, the Wiltshire Council App or on the landline number 0300 456 0105.**

**Planning- Application-** 16/05398/LBC Location: Bothy and Potting Shed Bradley House Maiden Bradley Warminster Wiltshire BA12 7HL Proposal: Conversion to provide ancillary accommodation Resolved: Supported

Application Number: 16/06383/FUL Location: 76 High Street Maiden Bradley Warminster Wiltshire BA12 7JG Proposal: single storey rear extension and first floor dormer to existing dwelling Resolved: Supported

**(Please note: in planning matters the Council acts as the consultee of the Principal Authority. The Principal Authority being the deciding body)**

**Items for the next Agenda:** Accounts Internal Councillor check to take place on the 10th or 11th September 2016.

Review of Freedom of information charges, Work Place Health & Safety check to be actioned, Second Precept payment to be received, Emergency Plan review update re contact details and the condition of the garden at the chapel to be highlighted to the trust and reported back.

**Date of the next meeting-** The Council agreed that Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016 will 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 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: [maidenbradley@virginmedia.com](mailto:maidenbradley@virginmedia.com) or phone: 01985 213436 Parish Clerk 9 Beech Grove Warminster BA12 0AB

# MAIDEN BRADLEY VILLAGE SHOP

Hello again from the Village shop,

As a result of the tasting day in August we now have a new range of Andrew Barclay meats. They are exceedingly good quality and competitively priced. You can place an order for as much or as little as you like. I will need your orders by Tuesday for delivery on Friday. If needed I can order on Monday for a Wednesday delivery so please indicate your preference on your order.

I have changed our supplier of cold meats and now we can provide a greater variety. The roast pork and stuffing and salami range has certainly proved popular so far. The fresh sandwich range has been extended and now includes rolls and baguettes. I am open to suggestions for new fillings so please speak up and I will try to accommodate all requests.

We are having a new bean to cup coffee machine installed although as yet the exact date has not been confirmed. To compliment this new addition we intend to have a small seating area for you to enjoy the new facility. Watch the board for more details and dates.

I would like to have a few more tasting days in September but no hard and fast plans as yet. If you have any suggestions as to what products we could trial please feel free to make suggestions. Keep an eye on the notice board for further details.

The chiller failure last month was closely followed by the second one giving up the ghost. Thankfully with all your support and a donation of £100 from the Veterans Charity both have been repaired and are fully operational. A huge thank you to Elaine Lavender for her donation of a Dyson vacuum cleaner to replace the recently deceased shop vacuum cleaner.

And finally don't forget that if there is anything you are looking for that we don't currently have in stock please don't hesitate to ask and I will try to source it for you. If I get enough requests for an item it may even become a new line for the shop that everyone can enjoy.

**\*\*\*\*\*STOP PRESS\*\*\*\*\***

**'MINI CAFE' NOW UP AND RUNNING!**

Huge thanks to Sue and Richard for the hard work reorganising, to Nick Morgan for the exterior chairs and tables and to everyone who supports us by

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which made it possible

***Vacancy for additional Saturday Assistant - speak to Sue***

## LUNCHEON CLUB OUTING

Thursday August 5th dawned rather murkily, but by the time our coach had picked up the travellers at Horningsham and Maiden Bradley, we were bowling along the A303 in sunshine through Wiltshire and Somerset to glorious Devon.

We stopped for an hour at the Otter Nurseries for refreshment and a browse in the well-stocked garden centre. Some of us bought plants.

By lunchtime, we were set down in Exmouth town centre for a wander through the shopping centre, then across the gardens to the sea front. Bright sunshine and a refreshing breeze, made ideal conditions for a walk along the esplanade, where there were beautifully planted and maintained flower beds. There was plenty of soft golden sand for the bucket and spade group and a variety of eating places in town and in cafes along the seafront for choice of lunch venue. A glass of chilled white wine and a plate of antipasto looking out to sea was our ideal spot.



We all assembled at the coach to be taken to our boarding slipway for a trip up the river Exe estuary in a ferry boat. Burly sailors assisted in negotiating the long steep gangplank on to the Tudor Rose. The weather was still set fair as we made our way upstream towards Topsham. Our navigator pointed out places of interest along the way such as: Powderham Castle, home of the Courtenay family; Cockwood village

where Devon violet perfume was first made and marketed from the local violets; the Royal Marines Commando Training Centre; and the Exmouth mussel

fisheries where the mussels are now sold to top restaurants in the country as well as being a local speciality. We skirted round the mid-estuary seafood restaurant accessible by water taxi and made our return journey facing the sea and the beginning of the enormous Lyme Bay and the start of the great Jurassic red cliffs.



On the way, we were served cream teas, efficiently handed out by the crew so we could continue to enjoy the lovely scenery while munching our way through delicious cream and jam covered Devon Buns washed down with mugs of tea, coffee, or cider. On reaching dry land, we re-joined our coach, pausing to buy some mussels at the fish shop, and then headed for home, stopping on the way for a raffle organised as usual by Tom and arrived back from our seaside trip tired but happy.

Many thanks to Pearl for organising such a successful trip yet again.

**Carole Hill**



**R.I.P. Trudie.**  
**Trudeys Hof Twicky 2000 - 2016**

**Pam Tomlinson**



A beautiful dark bay mare, almost black,  
When first she was mine not even safe to hack!

But so sweet and with a kind eye  
Not her fault, sold again with a lie.

She had been passed from pillar to post,  
To make her rideable I would do my utmost.

Some day she'll behave, don't know when,  
Kind of taught me to ride all over again.

Renamed "Attitude" her behaviour so bad  
But didn't give up for which I am glad.

A lot of patience, work and time spent  
Help from Liz and Laura they were heaven sent.

Trudie improved greatly and went onto compete  
Made me happy, horsey life again complete.

Time passed, she was "Troodledoodle" or "Tru"  
And needless to say, my love for her grew.

She was brilliant in traffic, to box, clip or shoe  
Loved to be cuddled, as most of us do.

Still had naughty moments from time to time,  
But equally had moments of being sublime.

Wonderful rides in Longleat woods and beyond  
Jumping over logs or splashing through a pond  
The memories of our time together will live on;  
I'll cherish them so much now that she's gone.

The terrible day came, had to say goodbye,  
Love will remain, that will never die.

Little whinny of greeting over stable door  
Sadly, will not, be heard anymore.

Thought I had more time with her left,  
Now so sad and feeling bereft.

At least she's at peace and now pain free  
And time must now heal the heartache in me.

### **For the Chocolate Meringue Base**

6 large egg whites

300 grams caster sugar

3 tablespoons cocoa powder (sieved)

1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar (or red wine vinegar)

50 grams dark chocolate (finely chopped)

### **For the Topping**

500 millilitres double cream

500 grams raspberries

3 tablespoons dark chocolate (coarsely grated)

### **Method**

Preheat the oven to 180°C/gas mark 4/350°F and line a baking tray with baking parchment.

Beat the egg whites until satiny peaks form, and then beat in the sugar a spoonful at a time until the meringue is stiff and shiny. Sprinkle over the cocoa and vinegar, and the chopped chocolate. Then gently fold everything until the cocoa is thoroughly mixed in. Mound on to a baking sheet in a fat circle approximately 23cm / 9 inches in diameter, smoothing the sides and top. Place in the oven, then immediately turn the temperature down to 150°C/gas mark 2/300°F and cook for about one to one and a quarter hours. When it's ready it should look crisp around the edges and on the sides and be dry on top, but when you prod the centre you should feel the promise of squidginess beneath your fingers. Turn off the oven and open the door slightly, and let the chocolate meringue disc cool completely.

When you're ready to serve, invert on to a big, flat-bottomed plate. Whisk the cream till thick but still soft and pile it on top of the meringue, then scatter over the raspberries. Coarsely grate the chocolate so that you get curls rather than rubble, as you don't want the raspberries' luscious colour and form to be obscured, and sprinkle haphazardly over the top, letting some fall, as it will, on the plate's rim.

### **Chocolate Raspberry Meringue**

**Serves: 8-10**





**Winners from the Village Produce Show:**

**Rosie and family - Rose Bowl for best garden**

**Sue Priestner - winner of the Ladie's cup**

**James Kennedy - winner of the men's cup**

**Elaine Lavender for Matthew - Best Village Dog**

**Elsie Swan-Stevens**

**Di Stevens**



Sally Higgin's winning flower arrangement and James Kennedy's Winning carrots

Tombola, teas, raffle and chat.....  
A HUGE Thank You to everyone!



## Welcome Club

We've now had our short summer break and are raring to go for the rest of the year! The first date is awkward as it falls on 1<sup>st</sup> September, Magazine publishing day. The Dog's Trust, complete with dog will be with us, hopefully we will put in a good showing.

We are off to Swanage and Poole on 6<sup>th</sup> September, usual departure times and places. Are you going to join us? With the odd September dates, the 29<sup>th</sup> is another Thursday and we are pleased that Tom Allday will be Storytelling. If he repeats his style from the last time in March, we shall have a very entertaining afternoon.

To continue with 'squeezed in' dates, our final trip for the season is on October 4<sup>th</sup> and we are going to Winchester and the New Forest; names as usual, please.

See you, Chris Short. 01985 847373

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On the last Saturday in July we held our Club 2-Wood pairs competition with Don Butchers and John FitzGerald coming out victors over David Anley and John Marks, a great days bowling was had by all, especially David as he only joined the Club this year and was part of the three that won the club triples competition back in May. Just goes to show that this is a sport for all and that you can get up to a reasonable standard in no time.

We fixed our Singles Finals Date without first checking other items in the diary, guess what? A clash with the booking of the pavilion by Mere Carnival. So our finals for 2016 will be held at the Green on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September, this should see a wonderful display of bowling by the best bowlers in the Club, this event is open to all members and their guests, the normal facilities will be available.

Finally I would like to advise all our readers that the three ladies involved in the car accident on their way back from a match at Wimborne are doing well and should be back on the green in no time, they are Karen Guy, Mary Hooper and Sandy Fingerhut – get well soon ladies, we miss you!

For any other details about the Club please contact either Alan Inwood on 01985-844215, Alan Spencer on 01747-860803 or Don Butchers on 01747-860775 also [don.butchers@btinternet.com](mailto:don.butchers@btinternet.com)

Don Butchers – Club Secretary

## Birthday Fishing Trip for Adi Roach

Following a very successful trip last year I decided to charter a fishing boat out of Weymouth as a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday present to myself. Due to the popularity of such trips they need to be booked months in advance and therefore a gamble with the weather. Whilst conditions were far from ideal (8 foot waves!) we managed to get to a mark 3 miles south of Portland Bill. Initially there was a very strong tide running which required 2lb of lead to hold our baits on the bottom. Even the fittest of anglers will find using so much lead hard to retrieve, even without a fish on.



Alex with a double figure Tope

Alex was the first to score with a double figure Tope, at this stage putting him in the running for the biggest fish. However, this was just the start of bigger things to come.

The wind got progressively stronger and some of the anglers were beginning to get a bit green around the gills so we decided to go closer inshore for a bit of shelter and flatter water but not before Bob (our American friend) caught an impressive 31lb Tope.

The fishing over the inshore mark proved equally prolific with all anglers catching fish. This where Lucy hooked into something big – really big. After a 20 minute struggle she managed to land a 45lb specimen



Bob with his 31lb Tope



Lucy needing a hand from Alex to show off her monster fish  
The smile says it all!

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Thursday	8am – 5.30pm	9am – 12.30pm
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Saturday	8am – 2.00pm	Closed
Sunday	9am – 12noon	Closed

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