



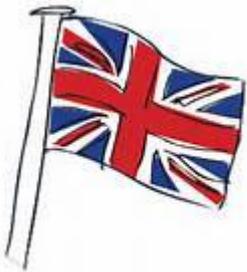
The Bradley Bugle

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HAPPY NEW YEAR - 2016!



6th February -
Her Majesty's Accession

Anniversaries coming up this year

March - 100 years since Albert Einstein published the Theory of General Relativity (1916).

April – 400th anniversary of William Shakespeare's death (1616).

April – 200th anniversary of Charlotte Bronte's birth (1816).

June – Celebration for Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday (1926).

Look out for details of Great Bradley's own event on Sat 4th / Sun 5th June

July – 150th anniversary of the birth of author Beatrix Potter (1866).

August – Capability Brown - 300th anniversary of his birth (1716).

Sept. – 350th anniversary of the Great Fire of London (1666).

Sept. – 100th anniversary of Roald Dahl's birth (1916).

Oct. – 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings (1066).

This year also marks the 100 year anniversary of a number of significant events during the course of The First World War, including Battle of the Somme and Battle of Jutland (1916).

And of course it's 50 years this July since England won a major football trophy, the World Cup on 30th July 1966, who knows maybe that will change this year!?

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Village Diary

All events take place in the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Coming up Soon ...		
Presentation	Wed. 2 nd March – History of RAF Stradishall	7:30 – 9:45pm, details p5
Village Quiz Night	March – Date TBC	7pm, p4 - details next edition
Weekly Events		
SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING	Lively, light exercise and fun! Contact Ella Hollins on 710340	Mondays 2 – 4pm
FLEXIBLE FRIENDS	Gentle stretching exercises. Contact Jacquie on 783354	Tuesdays 10:30am – 12 noon
ART CLASS	Art Classes resumed on Tuesday 19th Jan. 2016 at 2pm in the Village Hall. New Members are always welcome. If you would like to come along for a free taster session then please contact Anne Pigden 783175 or Pat Spires 783269 for details.	Tuesdays 2 – 4pm
PILATES	Contact Helen Axon mob: 07843 097671	Tuesdays 7:30 – 8:30pm
WEA 2016	New course: Started on Jan 6 th on the history of Little Lavenham Hall. New members are very welcome to come along for a free taster week. Contact Peter Smith for more info. 783278.	Wednesdays at 10:15am
MOBILE LIBRARY	Evergreen Lane 12:20 – 12:35pm (Rt 18 – Stp E) http://suffolklibraries.co.uk/community-services/mobile-libraries	Wednesday 3rd February (Every 4 weeks)
AFTERNOON CLUB	All welcome, all ages, all interests. Come and meet neighbours for tea, cake, loads of news, views and lots of laughter. Contact Gill Dunn on 783362.	Thursday 18th February and in March, Willow Basket weaving demo by Robert
BLUE BIN ONLY	Fridays 5 th & 19 th February 2016	
BLACK & BROWN BINS	Fridays 12 th & 26 th February 2016	
Further Ahead ...		
Parish Council Meetings	16 th March, 18 th May (Annual PC meeting), 29 th June, 14 th September, 16 th November.	7:30pm
Annual Village Meeting	13 th April	
Village Fete	Sunday 3 rd July	
Further Afield ...		
FARMERS MARKET	Saturday 27th February	Gt. Thurlow Village Hall, 10am – 1pm

Great Bradley Village Hall Lottery Draw

Well, Goodness, Gracious Me !! Is Great Bradley actually coming alive at last ?? It was so very heartening for the organisers to see the Village Hall crammed TO CAPACITY and with more Lottery entries at the sell-out Quiz Night (Thank You !) we can now hold BONUS months with bigger prizes, so watch out for news of these in future Bugles. Last year the Lottery raised over £500 which helps with the maintenance of the only facility in the Village that is available to all.

Since the December draw, more Lottery tickets were bought at the Quiz Night, and some good folk even gave a ticket away as a Christmas present ! What a great idea - it all helps to keep our lovely Village Hall the warm and welcoming place it is, and more entries means a bigger prize fund ! The monthly Lottery entry now stands at 90, which is more than last years' total, so thank you. But there are 400 people living in this village, and if just half entered the Lottery the future of the Village Hall would be assured. So make it a belated New Year's resolution to phone George on 783415 today It's that easy ... To enter the Lottery from March - October inclusive will now cost just £8 per name, and there is a much better chance of winning than other Lotteries I can mention ! Why not phone George Hendry now on 783415, and show your support for the only amenity left in the village !

The December draw was held on Tuesday 1st December and the January Draw was held on Tuesday 12th January, both in the Village Hall, the winners were as follows :-

1 st Prize	£15.00	–	Maureen Barnett, Fox Cottage
2 nd Prize	£10.00	–	Kitty Fletcher, Matthews Lane
3 rd Prize	£6.00	–	Amelia Ireland, Evergreen Lane
4 th Prize	£5.00	–	Elaine Potter, Haverhill
5 th Prize	£4.00	–	Anne Turner, Fox Green
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1 st Prize	£15.00	– No 51	Janet Tedham, Haverhill
2 nd Prize	£10.00	– No 71	Helen Axon, Fox Green
3 rd Prize	£7.00	– No 64	David Dolby, Clarendale
4 th Prize	£5.00	– No 88	Deidre Carson, Fox Farm
5 th Prize	£5.00	– No 62	Roy Roberts, Clarendale

Promoter - George Hendry, Rose Cottage, Gt Bradley, Newmarket, CB8 9LQ. Tel: 01440 783415.

Registered with St Edmundsbury Borough Council as a Small Society Lottery for the Gambling Act 2005, Registration Number SL3204.

WEA

It is hoped to offer a WEA computer course (run by Alan Bampton) of 3 sessions on 25th February, 3rd and 10th March at the Village Hall, each commencing at 9.45 am for 3 hours plus a short refreshment break. The fee will be £42 and numbers will be limited to 10. Participants are welcome to bring their own laptops if they wish.

Topics will include:

- Why is there a need for yet another version of Windows?
- What's new?
- Why should I upgrade?
- How do I upgrade?
- Upgrade issues to watch out for.

Those who would like to participate must register by 18th February by contacting WEA at Cintra House in Cambridge on 01223 417320 or by email at eastern@wea.org.uk.

Possible life saving equipment for Great Bradley



There was recently a most successful evening course on Emergency Life Support at the Village Hall suggested and run by Liz Whittaker, Lead Resuscitation Officer at Addenbrookes, who also lives in the village, as part of European Heart Restart Day. Those who attended were very impressed, learnt a lot and saw with 'hands on' experience, just how useful a defibrillator can be. The technology has improved so they are straightforward and simple to use, if ever you are in the situation where one may be needed.

During the course of the evening several people suggested that it might be a very useful thing for the village to have. Liz indicated there may be grants available so after some investigation we have been successful in getting a whole defibrillator package free of charge (defibrillator + proper heated exterior case from British Heart Foundation + training kit to run further sessions in the village).

The case with the defibrillator inside must be available at all times so it needs to be mounted on an exterior wall at the Village Hall. The case has to be connected to a mains supply as it is heated.

All we need is someone to do the electrical work to connect it and so we are appealing to any Great Bradley electricians to do this for the village on a voluntary basis to help provide a vital service to everyone. If you would like to do this please contact John Barnett 783903.



Great Bradley Quiz Night



March – Date TBC

Fish 'n' Chip supper - Fish / Scampi / Chicken / Sausage

Organised by the Afternoon Club to support the Village Hall –

more details to follow next month, so keep an eye out for confirmation of date

A History of R.A.F. Stradishall 1938 – 1970



A presentation given by Jock Whitehouse
and Mike Pettitt at

Great Bradley Village Hall

Wednesday 2nd March

7.30 - 9.45pm

All welcome - there will be a break for free
refreshments around 8.30pm

Burrough Green Toddlers Group

Calling all babies and toddlers, come and play at the reading rooms in Burrough Green on Wednesday mornings, while mum/dad/grandparent/etc enjoy a cuppa and a bit of cake. Variety of toys to play with including ride ons, books, puzzles and a playmat. And if you use all your energy playing with all your new friends, there will be healthy snacks to munch on.



Wednesday's from 9am, £2 per family. Find us on Facebook @ Burrough Green baby & toddler group for more information and updates. Contact Vicki Brand 07877675286 or babyethan@btinternet.com.

Forthcoming Events

St. Mary's Church, Great Bradley



Month	Church cleaning	Flowers
February	Ken and Sue Ireland	No flowers during Lent

Church Services – February 2016

31 January	10 am	Benefice Service	Kedington
7 February	11 am	Holy Communion	Great Thurlow
14 February	11 am	Holy Communion	Little Bradley
21 February	10 am	Benefice Service	Great Bradley
28 February	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Little Thurlow
6 March	11 am	Mother's Day Service	Great Bradley
13 March	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Little Bradley
20 March	10 am	Palm Sunday Communion	Kedington
27 March	9.30 am	Easter Day Communion	Little Thurlow

See Benefice News for details of services at other churches in the Benefice.

Save the date!

It's never too early to start thinking about the Great Bradley Fete – Sunday July 3!

Mark the date in your diary now!

What's On - Out And About

News from the Ellesmere Centre – February 2016

Unbearable Pleasures of Being a Woman - This play which is headed for the Edingurgh Festival will be at the Ellesmere Centre for one night only on Friday 12th February. Great fun - bring along a party of friends (recommended 18yrs+). Brilliant girls night out or dare to bring your partner!



Tickets £12.50. Licensed bar.

Half Term Activities - February 2016

Date	Activity	Time	Age	Contact/Cost
Mon 15 th	1 ST STEP SPORTS FUN DAY	All day	4-11yrs	alex@1 st step sports.co.uk
Tues 16 th	GYMNASTICS DAY	9.00am-4.00pm	4-11yrs	abc_gymnastics@yahoo.co.uk.
Wed 17 th	OPPORTUNITY GROUP special needs.	1-3pm	preschool	Free
Thurs 19 th	JOLLY TOTS play session	9.30-12.30pm	Preschool	£2 per adult £1 per child
	ROLLER SKATING	2-4pm	All ages	£2 to skate £1 skate hire
Fri 21 st	Craft Day For details contact Ellen Merry 01638 731348			



Open Mic- date for your diary – Saturday March 12th

The Ellesmere Centre, Ley Road, Stetchworth, CB8 9TS.

www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk

Tel 01638 508212. Email office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk.

Granta Chorale - Music for Valentine's Day

at Saffron Hall, Saffron Walden on Saturday 13th February at 7.30pm

To celebrate Valentine's Day, Granta Chorale presents a feast of love-songs exploring the joys, the sorrows, and the lighter side of love.

Songs by Purcell, Holst, Britten and Rutter, Monteverdi's ardent Sfogava con le stele and Si ch'io vorrei morire, plus Janet Wheeler's setting of Sonnet 8 (Music to hear, why hear'st thou music sadly?), are joined by more contemporary pieces and a capella jazz standards such as Blue Moon, A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square and Elvis Presley's Can't help falling in love.

The choir is delighted to be joined by pianist Richard Carr who will play Rachmaninov's Vocalise and arrangements of well-loved Gershwin songs.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with favourite love songs, a chocolate surprise and perhaps a glass of bubbly from



the Saffron Hall bar.

If Music be the food of love, sing on!

Saffron Hall, CB11 4UH is a very attractive venue within Saffron Walden High School with lots of free parking!

Tickets £14, £4 (under 18s) - from:

Saffron Walden Tourist Information Office

From Saffron Hall box office – T: 0845 548 7650 and at the door.

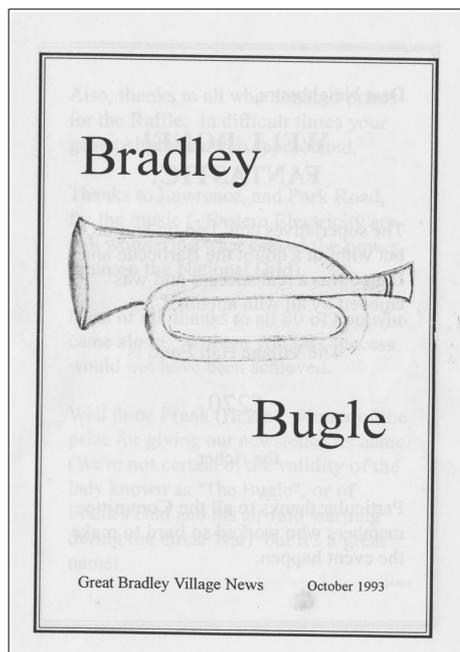
online at: www.saffronhall.com www.saffronhall.com/calendar/granta-chorale-2/

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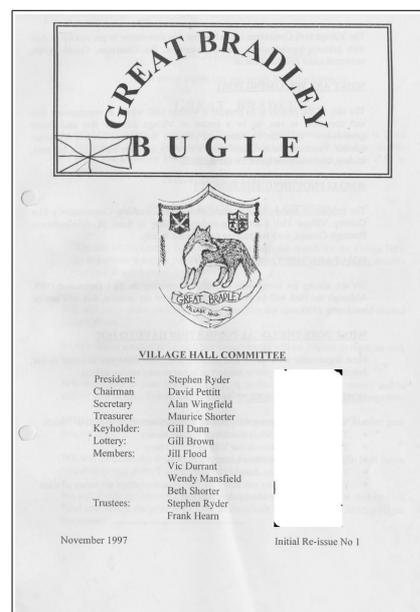
The Bradley Bugle ... A Brief History!

The eagle eyed amongst you may have noticed the Bradley Bugle has reached a milestone with this issue, number 200! A none too insignificant one given the disappearance of many paper publications these days and with the rise of the computer, what was reported to be the death knell for printing as a whole!

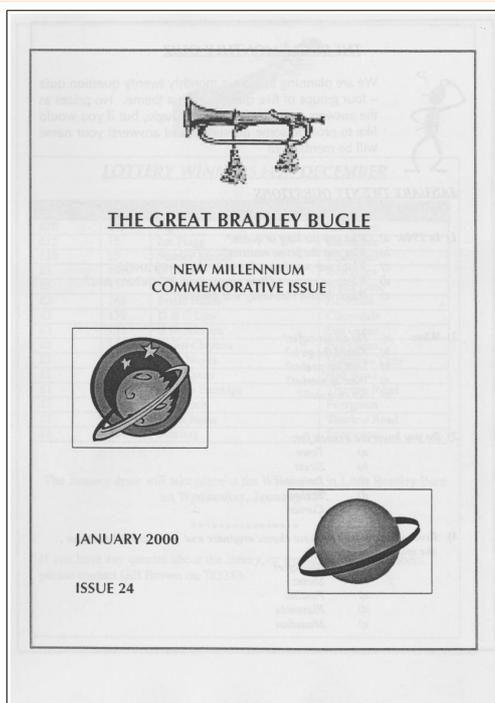
The Village Archive has most of the back issues of the Bugle, though the early ones are a bit fragmented but the birth of the Bugle itself was quite sporadic. It grew out of what was the 'Village Times' in August 1993 (so not that long ago, in many respects). The first copy of the renamed 'Bradley Bugle' appeared in October 1993 – though as yet not numbered – as a single sheet A5 newsletter. These appeared sporadically for a number of years until the first numbered issue was produced in November 1997 – then possibly re-issued, before the new Bradley Bugle became a regular publication early in 1998. It was



produced on behalf of the Village Hall Committee, to disseminate information to villagers and to raise awareness of the project to refurbish the Village Hall. This was a major undertaking for the village requiring significant funds and local additional fund-raising efforts, so having a local regular newsletter to keep everyone updated and cajole them along was a key requirement. The Editor during this time was Barbara Buchs ably assisted by Gill Brown. A quick delve into the archives shows how they developed and expanded the Bugle from its initial



single sheet into substantial publication with local news, information – often with recipes and reviews, and of course a diary of events and results of the local lottery. The team celebrated with a special issue for the millennium and soon a golden jubilee issue No. 50, in April 2002. Barbara continued in her post, with Gill, until 2006 when she stepped down, but not without racking up the centenary issue. At the end of 2006 Ann Pigden, Sue Silvester-Bradley and Helen Smith volunteered to take over the reins of the Bugle further developing and expanding the Bugle into more like the publication produced today. They themselves retired at the end of 2012, after nearly 70 issues, when John and myself took over. The production of the Bugle has changed dramatically over its lifetime with the development of computers and technology, gone are the days of correction fluid and cut out



pieces of articles before sending the assembled paper copy off to the printers. Now it is all electronic, but with still a good deal of cutting and pasting, whether the process has become speedier and easier is another matter of course!

Reading through the archive of back issues of the Bugle had been very interesting and thrown up some intriguing snippets of information; including profiles of new residents, birthday wishes and reviews of local places and services. During this time however, many of the social interests and requirements have remained constant, requests for help and funds etc, as well as similar moans and groans, but above all so has the commitment, enthusiasm and dedication of many many villagers to help out where and whenever required.

A big thank-you to all those who have supported and helped with the Bugle over the years, there are many people behind the scenes who all have played their part, from advertising, to writing articles, printing to distribution and of course creation and editing, it wouldn't have made it to 200 without all of your help. Thank-you!

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To get involved or to find out more please call us on 0345 345 0054, visit www.rnib.org.uk/fundraisingvolunteers or email communityfundraising@rnib.org.uk

About RNIB

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Please tell us your news or send an article or photograph – We'll be delighted to hear from you! We are also looking to extend the range of articles and information we publish so if you have any ideas for things to cover or are willing to put together something for inclusion, please let us know.

In order that your Bugle reaches you early in the month all copy must be received in good time.

N.B. Deadline for the next issue, March is the 15th of February.

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