



# The Bradley Bugle

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Don't forget to recycle your textiles!

**Are you recycling your old clothes and textiles?**

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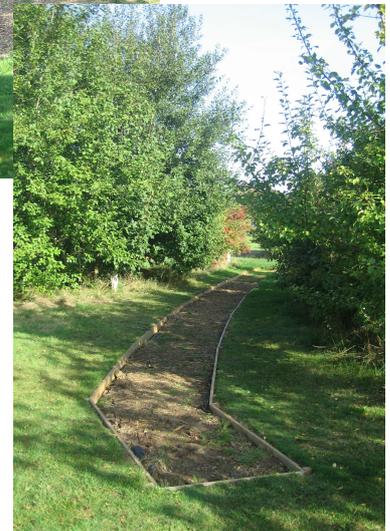
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Path edging within the glade has been replaced, chippings to be renewed soon!



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# Village Diary

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

October		
Antiques Road Show	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> October; 7:30pm with Barrie Stevenson	Details p.3
Computer Courses	New courses to start this month!	Details p.4
Weekly Events		
SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING	Lively, light exercise and fun! Contact Ella Hollins on 710340	Mondays 2 – 4pm
CARPET BOWLS	Contact Jill Rodwell 783371 or Carole Durrant 783307	No meetings – due to lack of interest.
FLEXIBLE FRIENDS	Gentle stretching exercises. Contact Jaquie on 783354.	Tuesdays 10:30am – 12 noon
ART CLASS	<b>Restarts Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October</b> <b>New members welcome !</b> Contact Anne Pigden for details 783175.	Tuesdays 2 – 4pm.
PILATES	Contact Helen Axon mob: 07843 097671	Tuesdays 7:30 – 8:30pm
WEA 2013	Restarts again 18 <sup>th</sup> September with; 'History of the English Language' New members are very welcome to come along for a free taster week. Contact Peter Smith for more info. on 783278	Wednesdays at 10:15am
MOBILE LIBRARY	Evergreen Lane 12:20 – 12:35pm. <b>Note: Revised Schedule</b>	<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b> (Every 4 weeks)
AFTERNOON CLUB	All welcome, all ages, all interests. Come and meet friends and neighbours. Contact Gill Dunn on 783362	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> 2:30pm
ECELECTIC YOGA	A powerful energising, balanced workout. Contact Lisa on 783680 or mb. 07402 655556	Thursdays 6:30 – 7:30pm
AEROBICS	Mixed ability, back to basics fun workout. Contact Birgit 07972 108491	Fridays 10:30 – 11:30am (school terms)
BLACK BINS	Friday October 11 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup>	
BLUE & BROWN BINS	Friday October 4 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	
Further Ahead		
Public Meeting	Tackling Speeding; Thurlow VH. Fri. Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Details p. 7
Bonfire Night	Saturday November 9 <sup>th</sup> Trailer available on Recreation Ground on: Saturdays 19 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct. and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	Full details to follow next month.
Quiz Night	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November; 7:30pm	Details p. 6

## Village News & Notices

### Antiques Roadshow

**Do you have any old or interesting objects?**

**Would you like to learn more about them?**

**Bring them along to:**

**Great Bradley Village Hall**

**on:**

**Saturday October 26th at 7-30pm!**



Barrie Stevenson will be hosting an Antiques Road Show Evening where he will discuss any items brought along.

(Please note evaluations will not be given)

***Entrance fee £3 to include refreshments***

### Great Bradley Village Hall Lottery

#### Winners for September and October 2013

	September		October	
First	Anne Smith	Clarendale	Arline Vollam	Fox Green
Second	Les Bunyan	Clarendale	Maureen Barnett	Fox Cottage
Third	Vron Lewis	Clarendale	Murray Hearn	East Green
Fourth	Alice Ryder	The Hall	Geoffery Vollam	Fox Green

For further details and information please contact Simon Kiddy.

### Parish Council Update

A meeting of the Great Bradley Parish Council (PC) was held on Wednesday 18th September. Here is a summary of the meetings main points, a full set of minutes are available from the Parish Clerk, on request or via the Great Bradley website <http://greatbradley.weebly.com/2013.html>

- A plan for the garden area has been received, this will be further reviewed at the next meeting.
- Leaflets (as published with last month's Bugle) are now available by the Interpretation Panel, these will be replaced as required. PC to look at producing seasonal leaflets.
- The Police reported no crimes in the village since last meeting

- Funding for new series of Computer Courses, details to be announced (see Bugle p.4 below )
- A question has been raised about the new position of the bottle bank. This move is temporary while the bell housing is repaired.
- The new permissive footpath from Hall Road linking the the current footpath near 'The Three Tuns' will be open as soon as the signs are ready.
- This meeting was the Pre-budget Planning meeting, the following were suggested as ideas:
  - WWI commemoration to mark upcoming anniversary
  - Local brewery presentation
  - Summer event
  - Village Hall reserve fund
  - New signs for footpaths
  - Allotments
- New County Councillor Mary Evans talked about meeting at Thurlow Village Hall to discuss speeding on B1061 (details p. 7)
- Mary also highlighted that 5000 school children in Suffolk could claim school meals but aren't
- Parish Clerk to organise Village archive meeting – please let us know if you would like to be involved.
- Bonfire night event will be on November 9<sup>th</sup>
- The play equipment has recently had its annual independent safety check. This was reviewed and action will be taken as needed.
- External auditor has approved the councils 2012/2013 accounts.

**There now two vacancies for councillors on the committee, please come and talk to any of the current council if you are interested.**

**The date of the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm.**

***Karina Joyce (councillor)***

## Dog Fouling Update

It has been noted that over the summer period there has been an continued reduction in the amount of dog mess found on the footpaths, especially on the permissive footpath and along by the river. So a big **THANK-YOU** to everyone for making the effort. However we can't be complacent, we still need to continue the efforts and be vigilant as not everyone is clearing up after their dog, there were two fresh piles noted on the recreation ground just the other day!

## More Computer Courses at the Village Hall

A number of successful computer courses have been held in Great Bradley Village Hall during the last year and the sessions have included word processing; spreadsheets; getting to know your computer; organising your data; email and internet use, etc. Funds have been secured to run a further series of sessions which will start on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. There will be two courses of 6 sessions, each of two hours. The morning session will commence at 09:45 and the afternoon sessions at 13:30. Thanks to a substantial grant from



Awards for All (The Big Lottery Fund) the cost will remain at £10.00 for each 12 hour course.

The morning course will cover basic digital photography from taking pictures; transferring them from camera to computer; simple editing such as removing "red eye" and "lamp posts sticking out of people's heads"; sending and receiving photographs by email; and how to organise your photographs on your computer.

The afternoon course will be building on previous sessions related to getting to know your computer. Whilst it is not essential to have attended the earlier courses, students will need to have some knowledge of how to use a computer. The course will include organising data; keeping your computer in good order; trouble shooting; using the internet and email safely; and introduction to "video chats" using Skype and/or Gmail.

Up to six people can be accommodated in each 2 hour session and Windows laptop computers are provided, although participants can bring their own laptops if they prefer.

In the New Year we are planning to run another spreadsheet course in the morning slots and a basic beginners' course in the afternoons. Details will be announced nearer the time.

If anyone has ideas for subjects they would like to learn about, please let us know, and if there is sufficient interest it may be possible for them to be included in future. Please contact John Barnett, Fox Cottage, tel: 783903 if you wish to be included in any of these courses or would like further information.

The courses are open to all ages and remember you are never too old to learn and we aim to have some fun during the sessions.

## For Sale!

1. High chair in good condition and rarely used.
2. 5ft Office desk in teak; desk high filing cabinet with 2 drawers and one suspension file drawer in matching colour.
3. Adjustable desk chair in grey colour fabric.

All items as new.

Any reasonable offer considered.

Please contact: Stephen or Zoe on 01440 783588, Evergreen Lane, Great Bradley.

*Advertise yourself or items for exchange or sale here, reasonable rates – please contact the Bugle team!*

## Forthcoming Events

### St. Mary's Church, Great Bradley



Month	Church cleaning	Flowers
October	Volunteers please!	Harvest Festival – meet at church at 10am on Saturday 12 October
November	Ken and Sue Ireland	Volunteers please!

## Church Services - Autumn 2013

29 September	10 am	Benefice Communion	Little Thurlow
6 October	11 am	Holy Communion	Little Thurlow
<b>13 October</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Great Bradley</b>
20 October	10 am	Benefice Communion	Little Bradley
27 October	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Great Thurlow
3 November	11 am	Holy Communion	Little Thurlow

Please see Benefice News for details of other services.

### Benefice Harvest Supper

All are welcome to the Benefice Harvest Supper in Thurlow Village Hall on Saturday 26 October at 7 pm. The cost will be £4 per head for a plated main course, dessert and soft drinks. Bring your own wine. To assist with catering please reserve your place by 12 October.

For bookings and further information call Sally Hollis 763066.



# Great Bradley Quiz Night

**Saturday 23rd November at 7.30pm**  
**£6 per person to include:**  
**A choice of fish and chips,**  
**chicken and chips**  
**or scampi and chips**

Put your quiz hats on and join in the fun at the Great Bradley Village Hall Quiz Night  
Teams to be maximum of 5 members!

Please bring your own choice of wine, beer or soft drink

Numbers and money to Wendy Mansfield  
At 16 Clarendale 01440 783358



Hope to see you there!



## Public Meeting

### “TACKLING SPEEDING THROUGH OUR VILLAGES”

With Matthew Hancock MP & local representatives

FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER

7pm (doors open 6.30pm) at

THURLOW VILLAGE HALL

Great Thurlow CB9 7LA



For further information please contact [matthew.hancock.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:matthew.hancock.mp@parliament.uk)

## What's On - Out & About

### News from the Ellesmere Centre October 2013



#### New Classes

**Little Tots FC. Fridays from 1-2 pm.** Due to the coach's broken leg this will not be starting until after October half term. Call Linette on 01223 894451 for details.



**Bollywood Dance Workout** –Thursday 6-7pm. Get ready to have fun and stay fit by dancing to jazzy Bollywood songs in this unique Dance Workout class! Every session is ended by yogic breathing exercises to relax the body.



Call Kriti on 07447831310 to book or for more details.

**Circuit Training is coming soon.** To register an interest please email : [elena@1ststepsports.co.uk](mailto:elena@1ststepsports.co.uk)

**Jolly Tots Parent and Toddler Group** meets at the Centre on Thursday mornings from 9.30-11.30am. This is a relaxed, friendly group so come along and give it a try. New members are always welcome. Cost just £3 per family which includes refreshments.



#### Adult Classes

**The Zumba Class with Disa on Wednesday evenings** would welcome new members. This is a really fun way to keep fit so come along and give it a go. All ages and fitness levels welcome.

**The Carpet Bowls Club** would welcome new members on Monday evenings at 7.30pm. Call John on 01638 507636.

Pilates, Kick Boxing, Aerobics, Badminton, Squash, Table Tennis, Bridge & Art classes take place on a weekly basis.

**Children's Classes** this term still have some spaces.

Monday - Football 5pm. 4-11years.

Tuesday - Table Tennis 6-7pm. 8yrs+.

Saturday - Athletics 9.30am 4-11years.

**Half Term Activities** will run from 28<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November. Fun days, Crafts & Pumpkin Carving, Roller Skating, Netball and Preschool Bounce Session.

For more information on all our classes contact the office or visit our new website.

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## **The Beer & Music Festival**

**will be held on**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> (Open Mic) and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> of October (Bands).**

**Great local real ales and good music.**

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

[www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk](http://www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk) Tel. 01638 508212. Email [office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk](mailto:office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk).

## **Saffron Walden Choral Society**

### **Press Release**

Saffron Walden Choral Society has an exciting season of music ahead. The bicentenary celebrations for Giuseppe Verdi's birth in 1813 come to Saffron Walden with the composer's Requiem at 7.30pm on Saturday 9 November. SWCS is privileged to perform Verdi's dramatic, large-scale work in Saffron Walden's wonderful new auditorium in this countdown event to the official opening of Saffron Hall at the end of November. The choir will be joined by Chameleon Arts Orchestra with Ann-Helen Moen, soprano, Gaynor Keeble, mezzo-soprano, Ben Thapa, tenor and James Oldfield, bass, with Janet Wheeler conducting.

The season will also include the traditional Spirit of Christmas concerts on 7 December in St Mary's Church. In 2014 there is a singing day on 1 February, which is open to all singers. The spring concert on 15 March will be Bach's Magnificat in D major and Handel's Dixit Dominus. To round off the season the Choral Society will be performing Will Todd's Mass in Blue, Janet Wheeler's On the Breath of the Sky. The Will Todd Trio also perform a Jazz Set. The Saffron Walden Youth Choir, SinguptoSing will be joining the Choral Society for this concert.

Rehearsals for the November concert begin on 2 September. The choir includes many experienced singers but also those with less experience. For more details on how to join, contact membership secretary Carol Hunt on 01279 813392, email: [membership@swchoral.co.uk](mailto:membership@swchoral.co.uk)

Tickets for the concert on 9 November at St Mary's Church Saffron Walden are £20, £18 concessions, £10 students, accompanied under 18s £2, and are available from SWCS Box Office Tel: 01799 531127 email [tickets@swchoral.org.uk](mailto:tickets@swchoral.org.uk), from Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre and from SWCS members.

The society's brochure giving details of the whole season is available from the Tourist Information Centre. Details are also on the website [www.swchoral.co.uk](http://www.swchoral.co.uk).

The development of Saffron Hall has been a major project which is in its final stages, more information including stage by stage pictures and short films can be found at [www.saffronhall.com](http://www.saffronhall.com)

### Les & Anne's nature Notes

#### YELLOWSTONE REPORTS [AGAIN!]

Yes folks it's that time of year again when we head to Yellowstone National Park in the good ol' U.S. of A. This year's trip was full of great wildlife sightings and good weather. High on our list of things to spot were of course Wolves and it wasn't long before our first view of one came. Way off in the distance from a good vantage point a black wolf crossed an open meadow. That wetted our appetite and we were always on the lookout for anything dead which might attract



predators. Our luck was in when a fellow traveller pointed out a Bison carcass only about 100 yards from a road, but well hidden in the sagebrush. The following day we saw a brownish /grey wolf on this feeding for about 30 minutes and the best bit was there were only 4 other people watching it! This is very rare as wolves usually attract dozens of excited watchers. The very next day we had a very close encounter with yet another beautiful silver grey wolf who walked within a few yards of us. As you can just make out from the photo, he is sporting a radio tracking collar. We hope you agree he is a handsome creature. We also saw Grizzly and Black Bears as well as a host of other mammals such as Bison, Elk, Pronghorn Antelope, Moose and one of our favourites, American Badgers. Unlike ours, these critters are about during the day and are pretty fearsome creatures. The photo was taken thankfully with my telephoto lens from eye level at a safe distance. Birds played a big part this year too with superb views of Bald Eagles, Ospreys, Sandhill Cranes and even a Hummingbird along with a myriad of other hawks and songbirds.



We have said it many times but Yellowstone is a place that anyone interested in wild life should visit, we will certainly be back!

Next time it's back to more domestic sightings, so for now Happy Spotting.

**Les & Anne**

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Healthwatch Suffolk has been given the role to listen and the power to significantly influence change within the health and social care system. It gets your voice heard where it matters; where decisions are made. To find out more and have your say now you can contact the team on 01449 703949, follow Healthwatch Suffolk on Twitter (@hwsuffolk), visit [www.healthwatchsuffolk.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchsuffolk.co.uk) or send an email to [info@healthwatchsuffolk.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchsuffolk.co.uk).

You can also send Healthwatch Suffolk your views by Freepost (no stamp required). Simply write the following address onto your envelope and post it.

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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 month's issue, is the 15th of this month.**

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