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# THE BRADFIELD GRAPEVINE



**August 2016**



**No 140**

Summer has at last arrived but as Keith says in his weather report, it's now too hot for some of us! Summer holidays are also here and Val describes the wonders of the Touring Holiday, however I don't think Jim is taking bookings at the moment!

As you will also have noticed the harvest season is beginning. You will find details of the Church Harvest Festival and Harvest Supper arrangements further on in this edition. The plans include a scarecrow competition, displays of historical farm instruments and photographs. Please join in!

You will also see a reminder of the importance of keeping our narrow roads as clear as possible to ensure safe movement of large machinery and others who use all the village roads.

Last month the report from Bishops Farm had a guest contributor and, following this lead, Pitcher's Green Farm has commissioned an experienced and knowledgeable writer in its behalf – you will be impressed!

Finally, a warm welcome to Dave and Dyane who have moved into Bishops Farm Bungalow on Bury Road. I'm sure they will soon become a familiar sight in the village walking their dogs – yes our canine community continues to grow!

PS the Editor is determined to resist the temptation to add yet another to the community!

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## Cockfield Benefice Services – August 2016

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	9.30am Communion BCP 11am Communion 6pm 'Exploring Healing'	Gedding Cockfield Bradfield St Clare
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	8.30am Communion 9.30am Family Service 11am Patronal Communion 6pm Evening Prayer	Felsham Felsham Bradfield St Clare Bradfield St George
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	9.30am Communion 11am Communion 4pm Pet Service	Cockfield Bradfield St George Felsham
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> August 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	11am Patronal Communion	Gedding

Daily Prayer				
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9am Cockfield	12 noon Felsham	6pm Bradfield St Clare	12 noon Gedding	6pm Bradfield St George

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## 01284 386538 (Head office)

### Bin collections in August

Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Black bins
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Blue & Brown bins
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Black bins
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Blue & Brown bins

### The Library Van



**The Library Van calls every 4 weeks on Wednesdays at the Village Hall.**

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## Bradfield St Clare Women's Institute



At our meeting on 13th July, members met Mr Rushmer, his wife and his Guide Dog to learn about the training and daily routines of both the dog and its handler.

At our next meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> August we welcome Mr C Wilkinson who will inform us of the work of The Jubilee Sailing Trust, Pat Brender will be in the Chair.

Sue Last and Sue Smith will provide refreshments

Enid Hunt will organise the Draw Prize

The competition is for a 'Wooden Box'

New members are always welcome and we are pleased to see invited visitors.

Secretary Enid Hunt – 01284 386565

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## OTHER CHURCH SERVICES

### Roman Catholic Church

*St Edmund King & Martyr*  
*Westgate Street, Bury St Edmunds*

Mass every Sunday at 8.30am, 10am and 6pm.

### Gospel Hall

*The Gospel Hall, Bradfield St George*

Every Sunday at 10.30am:	Sunday Breaking of Bread.
Every Sunday at 2.30pm:	Sunday School and Bible Class
Every Sunday at 6.30pm:	Gospel Meeting – all welcome.
Every Wednesday at 6.45pm	Young People's Club

## News from St Clare Church



Thank you to those who attended and contributed to the very enjoyable and successful Mid-Summer Jazz. This delightful evening contributed in excess of £800 for church funds. Our Patronal Holy Communion Service will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> August and this year will be led by Rev Carl with Val Nunn our organist for the morning. Following the service we will offer wine or coffee and nibbles. Do come along to enjoy some time together in our beautiful church set in such peaceful surroundings. In July some members of the PCC met with a representative of Suffolk Wild Life Trust to review our churchyard management plan. We agreed some improvements and alterations need to be made – initially reducing the area of nettles left growing for butterflies and insects and then clearing an area around the stumpery, We will then reduce the extent of the uncut grass area where we had hoped to encourage more wild flowers to grow. It has also been suggested a clear-up working party could be organised early in Autumn and if you are interested in joining in. please let any member of the PCC know.

The Harvest Supper will be held in the Village Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. The price for the supper will be £9 for each adult and £5 for those under 16. As usual, please bring your own liquid refreshments and glasses. It is an event for all members of the village – so please come! To reserve your place please contact Margaret Newlands (388637) or Margaret Lovick (386662) as soon as possible and before 10<sup>th</sup> September. Details of the changes in celebrating the harvest in our benefice and in St Clare appear elsewhere in the magazine and there will be a reminder in next month's copy. A special thanks to Margaret and Mike Lovick and Rebecca and Peter Leando for the wonderful sum of £100 recently raised from the stall outside Linden House.

Thank you to those in the village who have placed flowers in the church and opened it for visitors at weekends. Also many thanks to Andy for regular grass cutting and to Val and Betty for keeping our church so well cared for. If you have any items for the Food bank you can leave them in the church at the weekend, place them in Pat Hipwell's box or telephone me for them to be collected.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Pat Hipwell following her Commissioning as an Elder by Archdeacon David on 24<sup>th</sup> July.

- Margaret Newlands (Church Warden)

## WHIST DRIVE



At our July Whist Drive, Joy won the ladies' prize with a score of 176, closely followed by Ross on 166 and Vera on 163. Siobhan took home a wooden spoon, scoring 140. Jim had the highest score for the men with 170, ahead of Brian and Julie (playing as a man) on 165. Joyce (another pretend man!) was awarded a wooden spoon with 146. Our next Whist Drive in the Village Hall is on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm – please come!

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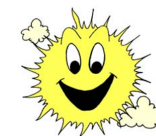
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## Bradfield Weather



***“Summer afternoon – summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.”***

**- Edith Wharton 1934**

Firstly my thanks to John Kirk for minding the gauge during my absence. I believe it did not take long for him to experience the joys of torrential rain. The latter part of June was very wet to produce a total of 99.5mm for the month, almost double our average of 51mm. July has been a total contrast with the feeling that summer has finally arrived with hot sunny days bringing the occasional comment “it’s too hot” to confirm that we are never quite satisfied with our weather. The odd shower has to date produced just 11mm of rain against an average of 55.8mm.

**- Keith Payne 23rd July 2016**

## Dates for your Diary



- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August – Whist Drive at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
- Afternoon Tea at Bush Cottage 6<sup>th</sup> August 2.30- 5pm in aid of The Bury Stray Cat Fund
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> August – Bingo Nights 8pm Village Hall
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August – Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm Village Hall
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August – Bradfield St Clare Book Club - 7pm Village Hall





## Summer Events at Bradfield Woods

The following events are planned for August by the Suffolk Wildlife Trust at Bradfield Woods

Mon 1 August - 10.30am-2.30pm

Children's activity for 8-14 year olds, £7 per person please book

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August - 10.30am - 12.30pm

Family Activity - Tree-mendous Twigs

£4 children, £2 adults please book

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August - 10.30am - 12.30pm

Family Activity - Wild Play

£4 children, £2 adults please book

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August - 11am - 1pm

Guided Walk: Trees

£4 per person please book

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August - 10.30 am - 2.30pm

Young Wardens at Bradfield Woods for 10 -16 year olds

£4 per person please book

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August - 10.30 am - 12.30pm

Family Activity: Mind boggling maps at Bradfield Woods

Find the lost treasure of the woodland

£4 children, £2 adults please book

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 10.30 - 2.30pm

Wild Wednesday at Bradfield Woods - for 8 - 14 year olds

£7 per person please book

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am - 2.30pm

Wild Skills: Terrific Trees - find out about trees and their uses, make string, food and dyes - £5 per person please book

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August - 10.30am - 12.30pm

Wild Wednesday at Bradfield Woods - for 8 - 14 year olds

£7 per person please book

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August 11am - 1pm

Guided Walk: Butterflies

£4 per person please book

**ALL THE EVENTS CAN BE BOOKED ONLINE AT:-**

[www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org](http://www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org) or 'phone: 01473 890089



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### SEPTEMBER ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements for the September issue of The Bradfield Grapevine should be sent to either of the two Editors, whose names and addresses appear on the front page, by Friday 19th August.

The cost is £1 per insertion for small ads, £36 per year for half page boxes.

Payment to Bradfield St Clare Village Hall  
Contact: Peter Newlands or Margaret Lovick

# PLEASE ASSIST YOUR FARMING COMMUNITY



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But he calls back "Not now"  
And onward we plough  
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We drive up to Yorkshire, a beautiful place  
But the scenes flash by at a merciless rate  
Whitby, Scarborough, Robin Hood Bay  
We visit them all ... in one bloomin' day!  
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Now don't get me wrong Jim  
I'm not on the moan  
But the family have grown now  
Our time is our own  
But I'm wasting my breath  
There's no time to rest  
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One of these days I'll dig in my heels  
Go off on my own  
And see how that feels  
But we do have good fun...  
Get an awful lot done!  
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- Val Nunn



*While most of us are finally enjoying the long-awaited summer, please spare a thought for the **WHOLE** farming community.*

*We live in a lovely rural location, which at this time of year becomes a hive of 'busyness'!!!!*

*Please as a community could we help things to run smoothly by keeping all field accesses **CLEAR**, and parked vehicles off **ALL** roadways and lanes (as much as is humanly possible).*

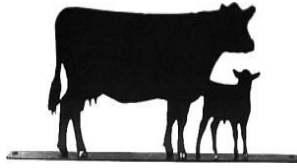
*Some machinery is 'massive', so narrow roads prove a challenge at the best of times.*

*If you come 'face to face' with any of these vital 'beasts of farming' please show consideration, much easier to reverse a car.....! Indeed if following, please allow plenty of 'room for manoeuvre'.*

***THANKYOU** and hope you **ALL** continue to enjoy the products of this years **HARVEST**.*

- **BISHOPS FARM**

# News From Pitchers Green



Cows in Milk: 40

Milking:30

Youngstock:24

Calvings

Rose AAX Bull calf called Ant

Namaah Jersey bull calf called Ari

Romilly Jersey heifer calf called Amanda

Precious AngusX calf called Abel

Nellie Jersey heifer called Abigail

Rae Jersey heifer calf called Adele.

Milk Yield around 1000litres EOD

May milk price 21.9/ppl and June 20.7/ppl

Hello, my name is IMP, Pitchfield Leland Imp to give me my full name. My father was American and my mother half Danish. I was born on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2006 at Pitchers Green Farm and I am now the oldest cow in the herd. I have had seven calves; 4 bull calves and 3 heifers(Marie, Sunshine and Angelica) and I am expecting again next March. In six lactations so far I have produced 42,180 litres of milk, it feels like a lot more but that is what the record says.

This is my day. We are woken at about 6.15am by the 'Boss' (as he likes to be called) and walked to the collecting yard for milking. I'm not as young and energetic as I used to be so I go in to be milked about halfway through, my favourite place is at the end bay near the window, but I'm not really fussed – not like some of the other prima donnas who will only be milked in one particular stall. After being milked it's a bit of a wait whilst the rest are done so time for chewing the cud and a bit of grooming. Then it's off up the road to the daytime grazing. The Boss at one end of the road, the 'real Boss' at the other.

Some of you may have had to wait for us in the morning as you drive to work – sorry about that ☺. A few hours grazing and resting and more chewing the cud and it's 4pm and time for the afternoon milking, back down the road and into the yard – passing the next year's winter feed in the silage clamp. There was about 30 acres ensiled this year – up a bit from last year and quite a heavy crop what with all that rain we have had. The word was that this wet will make the grass grow and it did however,

getting through the mud to the grass was not an easy feat. On past a trailer with some nice looking hay – putting temptation in our way! You know it will upset the Boss if we push our way through the string, which we are meant to think is electric!! Into the parlour and milked again before going to the night grazing out the back for more eating and sleeping and chewing the cud. This is my basic routine for the summer; of course we do like to spice things up now and again as you will have read in previous Grapevines.

Regards

Imp

(PS - not sure where the boss is this month)

## **Harvest Festival Bradfield St. Clare**

**23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> September**



### *Village Scarecrow Competition!*

This year as our contribution to the Cockfield Benefice Harvest Festival Bradfield St. Clare PCC will be putting on a display in our Church to portray the history through to modern day of the harvest in our village and to celebrate the harvest on which our and every other rural community, not mention the nation has depended throughout history. We intend to display old farming implements and photographs showing the harvest as it was in the past and as it is today. There will also be floral arrangements and a display of produce for donation to the Foodbank by the Church following the event.

We also hope to have two scarecrows dressed in the apparel as worn by the old farm workers, positioned on the edge of the Footpath leading to the rear entrance of the church grounds on the approach from the Water Tower.

We have some farming implements already but if anyone has any that relate to the harvest and are prepared to loan them this would be very much appreciated. However, what we really need are more photographs to put on display. They will of course be looked after and returned to you afterwards. Please identify them as belonging to you if you have any that you are prepared to loan.

***Please contact any of the people below if you feel you can help***

***John Kirk – 01284 388422***

***Margaret Newlands – 01284 388637***