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THE BRADFIELD GRAPEVINE



OCTOBER 2018



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As I write this the sun is shining and the sky is a beautiful peaceful blue but it is COLD! At 10.30 in the morning the temperature has not yet reached double figures – but it is the beginning of Autumn after all.

The Harvest Supper was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by those who were able to attend. Hopefully the Kit Café/Mcmillan Coffee Morning will go as well and the village can make a significant contribution to this amazing charity. Whilst on this subject, if you managed to get to the Coffee Morning you will have seen a wonderful fruit cake that was used for the ‘Guess the Weight’ competition. Well, the recipe for the cake is in this edition of The Grapevine! Many thanks to Doreen for contributing the one she uses and remembers her Welsh mother-in-law making.

The Harvest Thanksgiving in St Clare Church gives thanks for all we have and the arduous work of those who produce the food we enjoy. Don’t forget those who have less than us – the Food Bank box is our way of helping people who, for no fault of their own, have much less.

You will see from this edition that there will not be a Kit Café in October but two in November, one with a very special focus. An additional key event for your diary is the annual St Clare Church Quiz Night . Again more details are in this copy of The Grapevine.

Finally an apology from me. You may remember that last month I included a piece about a court case 100 years ago where a young man was charged with stealing eggs – interesting to read of things that happened in our community so long ago. I tried to treat the story in a whimsical way but apparently some people took the warning about youths with baskets preparing to steal eggs seriously! Yes my sense of humour can sometimes go astray. Sorry to those who mis-read it and to Val for any inconvenience she experienced!

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Cockfield Benefice Services – October 2018

Sunday 7 th October 19 th after Trinity	8am Communion BCP	Cockfield
	9.30am Benefice Family Service with guests Bishop Mike and Simon Snell from Christian Aid	Felsham
Sunday 14 th October 20 th after Trinity	9.30am Communion BCP	Gedding
	11am Communion	Cockfield
	6pm Evening Prayer	Bradfield St Clare
Sunday 21 st October 21 st after Trinity	9.30am Morning Prayer	Gedding
	11am Communion	Bradfield St Clare
	6pm Evening Prayer	Bradfield St George
Sunday 28 th October Last after Trinity	9.30am Communion	Bradfield St George
	11am Communion	Cockfield
	6pm Six2seven	Felsham

Daily Prayer				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
5pm Gedding	9am Cockfield	5pm Felsham	5pm Bradfield St Clare	5pm Bradfield St George

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Bradfield Woods

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

News from St Clare Church



October is a time of change - the clocks 'fall back' and at the end of the month St Clare Church ceases to be open at weekends, except for the scheduled services. A huge debt of thanks is owed to the volunteers who have placed flowers on the alter and opened the church during the Spring and Summer months. We are also grateful to Val and Betty for making sure St Clare Church is always beautifully presented. So many people remark on its appearance!

The Harvest Supper was a great success - good food and happy people. Thank you to all who came and a special thanks to those who worked so hard before and during the event.

At the time of writing our Harvest Thanksgiving Service has not yet taken place. Hopefully it provided an opportunity to pause and give thanks for everything we have and also for those who work hard to provide our harvests. Sadly many people still do not have enough to eat. Contributions to the Food Bank box are taken to the Bury St Edmunds branch of Gatehouse every month. However, recently not much food has been placed in the box - please try to leave something when you can.

Our Church Quiz will be held on 26th October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Entry is £6 per person to include some light refreshments. Please let Pat Hipwell (01284 386636) or myself (01284 388637) know if you are interested in coming by 20th October - **Please do come!**

Thank you for supporting our sale of books this Summer. During October all the books will be reduced to 25p per book before being removed from the church.

- Margaret Newlands (Church Warden)

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Dates for your Diary



- Friday 5th October – Whist Drive – 7.30pm – Village Hall
- Tuesday 16th October – Book Club – 7.00pm
- Friday 26th October – St Clare Church Quiz Night – 7.30pm – Village Hall
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Bradfield Weather



***'Listen! The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves,
We have had our summer evenings, now for October eves !'***

Humbert Wolfe 1855 – 1940

After our hot and dry summer, August, whilst still very warm, turned out to be quite wet in heavy bursts to produce 71.5mm of rain against our average of 64mm but just about the same as last year.

September, to date, has remained warm with little rain but in recent days we have been buffeted by very heavy winds as we catch the outskirts of a couple of the many storms, which seem to be sweeping the world at present. Rainfall has been, so far, 16mm with our average of 48.3mm for this month.

- Keith Payne 22nd September 2018

"Bradfield Nights"

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One of the great pleasures for the Editors of The Bradfield Grapevine is receiving contributions from villagers. Often these come in voluntarily – without any arm-twisting! ***Please keep them coming!***

Recipes, poems, short stories and accounts of exciting things you have been engaged in are welcome and always much appreciated by fellow villagers.

Just let Peter Newlands or Margret Lovick know if you would like to contribute. You can submit by email to: ***pjmrn@aol.com***

The Library Van



NEXT VISITS: 9.40 – 9.55 am on 24th October 2018

To contact the mobile library van driver Steve ring him on: 07837 58137



KIT CAFÉ



By the time you read this we shall have hopefully held a “wildly successful” MacMillan Coffee morning, welcomed plenty of people and raised lots of money. Many thanks to all who supported this very worthy cause. We will let you know the total amount raised next month.

The next event for the KIT Café will have a Remembrance (Armistice) Day theme to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. We are planning a scrumptious Afternoon Tea with all the usual favourite cakes and treats to be held on **Saturday, 10th November from 2-5 pm**. If anyone has any war memorabilia from WWI or WW2 i.e. medals, photographs, cards, letters, cap badges etc. please share them with us so that we can display them in the hall. We may end with a bit of a sing-song of well known war songs for the final hour. If anyone has any ideas of what else we could do to mark this very special anniversary in any way PLEASE get in touch. We would love to hear from you.

The KIT Café will also be open the following **Saturday, 17th November** for everyone and we’re sure those taking part in the litter pick will welcome a cup of tea or coffee and maybe a bacon butty for brunch!

As there will be two Café openings in November there are no plans at present to open in October. However if anyone feels they would like an October opening and could maybe lend a hand please get in touch and we can help to make it happen. More details of the two November openings will be in the next issue of Grapevine.

For further information contact:

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 Val Nunn 388830 or 07483245825
 Dyane Wood 388637 or 07900984823

WHIST DRIVE



September

Fifteen players turned out for our September Whist Drive. The dummy made up the 16th slot to give us four tables. The dummy really tests the skill of all players but it did make for an interesting night's play and a good time was had by all.

The ladies results couldn't have been closer. Val Nunn just scraped the win with 163 points, just one point ahead of Val Offord in second place on 162 and Ros was one point behind on 161 for the third place. The booby prize went to Jus with 144 points.

The men did better than the ladies this time and Jim came first on 169, Ian second with 165 and Steve came third on 164. John took the booby prize with 140.

Thanks to all who donated draw prizes and bought tickets. £40 was raised from the draw for village hall funds.

- Val Nunn

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Gospel Hall

The Gospel Hall, Bradfield St George
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 Every Sunday at 2.30pm: Sunday School and Bible Class
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At the September meeting, members enjoyed an informative talk from one of the organisers of 'Woolpit Complementary'. This was followed by enjoyable refreshments!

This month's meeting is on 10th October when we welcome Jen Lerner for 'Circle Dancing' with a competition involving an interpretation of 'Halloween'!

Rosie Swiney will be in the chair, Kathryn Bryan-Smith and Linda Dixey will provide refreshments and Barbara Dahl will arrange for a draw prize.

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St Clare Church

Quiz Night



26th October at 7:30pm
In Bradfield St Clare Village Hall

£6 each

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Tables of 4 (can arrange on the night)
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glasses!*

PLEASE BOOK by 22nd October

'Phone: 01284 388637 or 386636



Boiled Fruit Cake

This is my twin sisters recipe' she got from a relation, I can also remember years ago my Welsh mother-in-law making this cake regularly. You can change the ingredients to suit your preference I sometimes add glace' cherries or chopped apricots.

Boil the ingredients below for 5-10mins in a large saucepan.

6oz raisins

6oz sultanas

6oz sugar – caster, soft brown – your preference

2oz mixed peel

4oz margarine/butter, I use Flora Light

One cup of water

LEAVE TO COOL

Dry ingredients:

4oz of plain flour

4oz of self - raising flour

1 teaspoon of mixed spice

1 teaspoon of cinnamon

1 teaspoon of bi – carbonate of soda

Pinch of salt

2 beaten eggs

Line a cake tin with greaseproof paper to stop cake sticking, round or square

Bake for 1 1/4 hours approximately at 160°C perhaps bit lower for a Fan Oven.

Check half way, I add a piece of foil or greaseproof paper to the top of the cake so not to get too baked.

I always double up the quantities and make two cakes.

- Doreen Owens

News from Home Field



The main news this month is that Kirsty my official 'house cow' is still with us. During mid-August, when the weather was hot and the flies were bothering , she managed to cut her teat quite badly cutting it ¾ of the way around. I think she kicked at the flies on her udder and caught her teat, so obviously she had to be repaired. With daily bathing and iodine spray she healed without antibiotics and inspite of the flies she now only milks on 3 quarters but gives a little milk so the big decision looms again – it was so much easier with 40 cows to manage, it wasn't quite as personal.

Down at the farm with Kirsty are 10 in-calf heifers (pregnant with their first calf). The first heifer to calve is Adele in mid-October , so it is time for them to be sold in order for them to settle into their new surroundings. "Back in myday" (I can say that now), the heifers close to calving would be put through ther parlour about a month before their due date to get them used to the different movements, noises and most importantly where the food was. After calving (hopefully a heifer calf) comes the unpredictable part – will she let her milk down? Will she kick like a donkey? Will she be just like her mother? Will she be a record breaker? And if she is, why haven't I got 20 more like her?

On the fields up the road are 15 other cattle comprising 4 Aberdeen Angus cross Jersey and 4 Jersey steers (castrated males) who will all eventually go for beef. There are then 7 Jersey heifers who will be artificially inseminated at about 16-18 months old to calve at just over 2years (9 months gestation) – that's my grand plan, no doubt there will be some twists and turns on the way.

Linking the twists and turns is a certain sheep named Lucy who thinks herself as one of the cattle. She came to us as an orphan lamb 16 months ago, her first summer at grass was with the baby calves behind an electric fence; no problem there. When she came in last autumn for the winter I thought she would appreciate her own field (the front lawn with electric fence and shelter). She was having none of it and went through the electric fence she had respected all summer and went off to the cattle yards to join her 'buddies'. She stayed there all winter and was turned out with them in the spring, hence the reason for 15 cattle and 1 sheep. She often gets knocked about by the steers in the group who are 4 times her size and I feel sorry for her. Then you turn around and she is making use of her 3 horns (one snapped off') to restore the status quo. Debbie and I are off to the cinema tonight to see a film about a pig that thinks it's a sheepdog. The film is called 'Babe' and is totally fictional I think!

- Glyn