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# THE BRADFIELD GRAPEVINE



**August  
2019**

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As I write this, the Summer Holidays are now here, the children have broken up from school and it is so hot! What an odd year it has been with our weather. Keith has all of this recorded for history!

Thinking about Summer Holidays and buckets and spades, you will see this is the theme of this month's Kit Café. It is amazing to think that this much appreciated community activity has now been in action for a year. Regularly enjoyed at the Kit Café are those ginger nuts! Well you can now make your own as we have the recipe in this edition.

An important issue for our community is the access to open spaces through our footpaths and by-ways. Suffolk County Council is embarking on a consultation called The Suffolk Green Access Strategy. There are brief details elsewhere and you are invited to have your say.

In our village we have so many people with fascinating hobbies and really interesting jobs. This month Peter Johnson shares with us the incredible venture he is involved in with the rebuilding and modification of a Hurricane fighter aircraft into a two-seat aircraft. This has been an amazing complex project and hopefully we will see it in the Autumn flying over our village. Peter promises to keep us up to date as things progress.

If you are off on holiday, have a wonderful and relaxing break. If not keep cool!

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## Cockfield Benefice Services – August 2019

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> August 7 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity/ St Clare	9.30am Communion	Bradfield St George
	11am Patronal Communion	Bradfield St Clare
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> August 8 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity/ St Mary the Virgin	9.30am Patronal Communion BCP	Gedding
	11am Communion	Cockfield
	6pm Evening Prayer	Bradfield St Clare
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August 9 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity	8am Said Communion BCP	Cockfield
	9.30am Family Service	Felsham
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 10 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity	9.30am Worshipping Together	Bradfield St George
	9.30am Morning Prayer BCP	Gedding
	11am Communion	Cockfield

A service of Celtic Morning Prayer is held every Tuesday at Cockfield at 9am

A service of Celtic Evening Prayer is held every Thursday at Bradfield St Clare at 5pm - all are welcome – these services are approximately 15 minutes in duration.

(6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> August no evening prayer services due to annual leave)

Please note these services may be subject to change – for up-to-date service times see the benefice website at [www.cockfieldbenefice.com](http://www.cockfieldbenefice.com)



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(Head office)

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Thursday 1st August	Black bins
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Blue and brown bins
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Black bins
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Blue and brown bins
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Black bins</b>

Latest West Suffolk re-cycling guide is at:-

[www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/bins/upload/guide-to-recycling-2019-v2.pdf](http://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/bins/upload/guide-to-recycling-2019-v2.pdf)

### Dates for your Diary



- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August – Whist Drive – 7.30pm – Village Hall
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August – Book Club – Village Hall – 7.00pm
- Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August – Kit Café – 11am to 1pm – Village Hall

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## News from St Clare Church



In the month of August we celebrate the life of St Clare who lived at the same time as St Francis of Assisi. The lovely embroidered kneelers in our church are a celebration of St Clare who is our Patron Saint. We have a Patronal Service on 4<sup>th</sup> August at 11.00am and everyone in the village is invited to attend and stay on for a glass of wine and some refreshments! Weather permitting we hope to serve the food in the churchyard close to the porch.

### **Some early information of events in September:-**

- The annual ‘Ride and Stride’ in aid of Suffolk’s Historic Churches will be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Pat Hipwell will have the sponsorship forms for you if you decide to take part
- A little later in the month, on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September we have our Harvest Festival Service at 6.00pm. This will be followed by the annual Village Harvest Supper – open to everyone - in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Please book in advance so that the cooks can ensure there is food and seating for all. More details will follow next month

Finally huge thank to those who have been opening the church on the weekends and providing the lovely flowers. This is much appreciated by those attending services or simply just visiting the church and spending quiet moments there.

If you need further information about any of these events or anything else connected to the church, please feel free to contact me on:-  
01284 388637

**- Margaret Newlands (Church Warden)**

*We offer our condolences to Lorraine Morley following the recent loss of her father. Our thoughts are with her mother and all the family.*

## Ginger nut Biscuits

Or an alternative!

*Two for the price of one!*

(Both can be made in a food mixer)

I have been asked so many times for this recipe for ginger nuts – I'm tired of writing it out by hand! I can honestly say I have not bought a ginger nut since 1979 when Delia Smith's Cookery Course books came out! They are Peter's favourite snack – I always double up the amount and at one time made them once a week. So with thanks to Delia; ginger nuts ridiculously simple makes 16:-

4oz self raising flour

I slightly rounded teaspoon of ground ginger and bicarbonate of soda

1 1/2oz of granulated sugar

2oz butter

2 tablespoons of golden syrup

Oven – gas mark 5 or 160C (fan oven)

2 small baking sheets lightly greased

Sift flour, ginger and bicarbonate of soda into a bowl

Add sugar and then rub in the butter

Add the syrup and mix all together to a soft paste

Divide into 16 and roll into balls

Place on baking sheet – not too close – flatten slightly

Bake for 10-15 minutes, remove and leave on sheet for 10 minutes to cool before moving to a rack

Store in a tin

### Second recipe – even easier!

2, 4, 6 Biscuits

2oz icing sugar

4oz butter

6oz self raising flour

Almonds or cherries if you wish

Cream butter and sugar and add flour

Either roll out and cut into rounds or form into a log and roll in cling film

Put in fridge for 15 to 20 minutes

Slice into rounds and place on baking sheet

Place almonds or cherries in the middle

Bake in oven gas mark 5 or 160C (fan oven) for 20 to 30 minutes

Don't over cook - cool on rack

**Both of these recipes comply with my dear old friend Heather's mantra, "It's against my religion to cook anything with more than 5 ingredients"!**

- Pat Hipwell

## Last Month's Crossword Puzzle

*How did you do?*



*Sorry!*

*No prizes even if you did complete it correctly!*

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## Bradfield Weather



June proved to be a month of contrasts. Two warm days to start, then wet and not very warm and finishing again with two hot days including the warmest day of the year to date. There was one further day of heavy rain in the latter part of the month for a total of 103mm. This compares to 1.5mm in June 2018 and an average of 51.6mm and the highest monthly fall since June in 1997.

July has reverted to the recent pattern of drier months. Several nights there has been evidence of overnight rain but not enough to register on the gauge, with the first significant fall arriving overnight on 19/20<sup>th</sup>. Total to date is 10.5mm against our average of 53.6mm. It has been generally warm with 30C+ temperatures promised during the last few days of the month. With clear skies there was an excellent view of the eclipse of the moon just after dark on the evening of Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>.

- Keith Payne 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019



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## *Highways Dept*

### SUFFOLK GREEN ACCESS STRATEGY

The County Council under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (2000) is required to put together a plan that identifies changes, which will improve rights of way provision for walkers, cyclists, horse riders and those with mobility problems.

The plan, which looks at rights of way access up until 2026, details why green access is so relevant to Suffolk's population and its visitors. It focuses on how green access can benefit quality of life.

A public consultation opened on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and runs until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

You can have your say by visiting:-

[www.suffolk.gov.uk/rowip](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/rowip)

***A paper copy can be requested by telephoning:-***

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A huge thank you to Linda our organiser and her husband David our chauffeur.

***Do you recognise the brave paddler? She said the water was warm!***

Next month we welcome Colin Wilkinson from The Jubilee Sailing Trust. If you would like to come along, please contact Enid Hunt:-

**01284 386565 [richardenid088@btinternet.com](mailto:richardenid088@btinternet.com)**



**Free Community Café**  
(Contributions welcome!)

Last Saturday, 34 people 'dropping in for doughnuts' – delicious! There was a lovely mix of customers, two who had only moved into the village the previous weekend. A warm welcome to Debbie, who has moved into Daphne Barkers' bungalow, and to her sister. There were also three 'returnees' who moved out of the village many moons ago and who were delighted to catch up with old friends. That's what it is all about!

Our Community café is open again on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August for:  
**SUN, SEA and SAND(wiches)**

And a slice of birthday cake – yes believe it or not we are a year old. We have gone from strength to strength since last August so please make a special attempt come and help celebrate, after all it is **your** café. Please bring family, friends, neighbours and newcomers young and old.

**Advanced Notice**

We will be hosting the Macmillan Coffee Morning in September. Please start collecting good 'nearly new' items for sale and books, plants home produce and raffle prizes. Last year we raised over £600 – incredible! Let's see if we can better that

***We are very grateful for the continued sponsorship of  
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***Advertisements for the September 2019 issue of The Bradfield Grapevine should be sent to either of the two Editors, whose names and addresses appear on the front page by Wednesday 21st August. The cost is £4 per insertion for small ads, £36 per year for half page boxes or £20 for 6 months.***

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

# Bradfield Woods

## August Activities



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**Family courses**

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£45 per adult & child; £20 per additional child or adult (max 1)

**Events for families on Tuesday mornings**

£4 children £2 adults, please book  
6 August - Oh Deer!  
20 August - It's a bug's life  
27 August - Wood you be leaf it!

**Events for families on a Thursday morning:**

29 August – Woodland fun

**Wild in the woods holiday club for children aged 6-11 years**

12, 13 and 14 August 9am- 3.30pm, with campfire lunch  
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**Children's activities for 6 - 11 year olds on Wednesdays**

10.30am - 2.30pm £7 per child, please book  
31 July - Woodland day camp - camouflage, art & wild images  
7 August - Woodland day camp - shelter, fire, bows & arrows



## OTHER CHURCH SERVICES

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### Gospel Hall

The Gospel Hall, Bradfield St George

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## WHIST DRIVE



**July 2019**

Fourteen players arrived at the village hall for our July Whist Drive which gave us three tables of four players and one 'flirt table'. One lady and one gentleman sit out for the next game when they land on the flirt table and are awarded seven points. We had some very enjoyable games and the night passed really quickly.

Gina took first prize for the ladies with 173 points, Val Offord came second on 167 and Joy third with 163. Sylvia was awarded the wooden spoon this month on 141. The men's scores were extremely close - Derek came first With 164, Jus (playing as a man) took second place on 163 and Keith one point below on 162. John was awarded the wooden spoon prize with 139.

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# **A TALE OF TWO SEATS**

*In 1946 Hawker Aircraft Ltd. (who manufactured the famous WW2 Hawker Hurricane fighter) embarked on the design and production of a two-seat Hurricane fighter for the Persian Airforce of which only two were ever built. Unfortunately, none of the aircraft, design or production data associated with these unique aircraft survived the war. I can already hear readers of Grapevine saying "but what has this obscure bit of history to do with Bradfield St Clare?" Read on.*

*Some of you may have seen brief reports on television about a small Suffolk-based company specialising in the restoration of original Hawker Hurricane fighters. The business is now located in new purpose-built premises on Elmsett Airfield very near to the town of Hadleigh. Three years ago, the company was sold to new management and a year later I was asked to take over the position of Chief Engineer and Team Leader for a very interesting and as it turned out demanding project.*

*Towards the end of 2018 a decision was made to convert an existing Hurricane fighter to a two-seat aircraft. Once completed this will be the first time such an aircraft has been seen in British skies in 73 years. Furthermore, the aircraft will be the only one of its type flying anywhere in the world.*

*The Hurricane structure is incredibly complex comprising tens of thousands of individual components. The primary structure is closely based on that used by Hawkers throughout the 1930's when they were busy producing elegant interwar biplane fighters. We knew the standard Hurricane airframe could be modified to accommodate a second seat based on*

*photographic evidence dating back to 1946. However, at this stage we had no idea if the rear cockpit of the 1946 aircraft was equipped with a full set of duplicated flying controls. The design team's initial thoughts were that the chances of achieving fully duplicated flying controls in the rear cockpit was probably less than 20%. If correct, this assumption would limit the aircraft to giving members of the public "pleasure flights" while more serious "type conversion flying" for existing qualified pilots would still be impossible unlike that afforded by the very popular two seat Spitfire.*

*We pushed on first developing the changes to the structure necessary to accommodate the rear seat, and when this phase was complete, we started the much more difficult task of redesigning the aircraft's control systems. After six months of intensive work we have just about finished the task, and it has been a credit to the company that a full set of controls now reside in the rear cockpit. The UK Civil Aviation Authority will soon approve the modification and issue the aircraft a permit to fly, thus allowing the Hurricane to commence its flight test programme.*

*The first flight is scheduled for late October this year and I will ensure that the world's only two seat Hurricane fighter appears over Bradfield St Clare in the very near future.*

*- Peter Johnson (Longacre)*