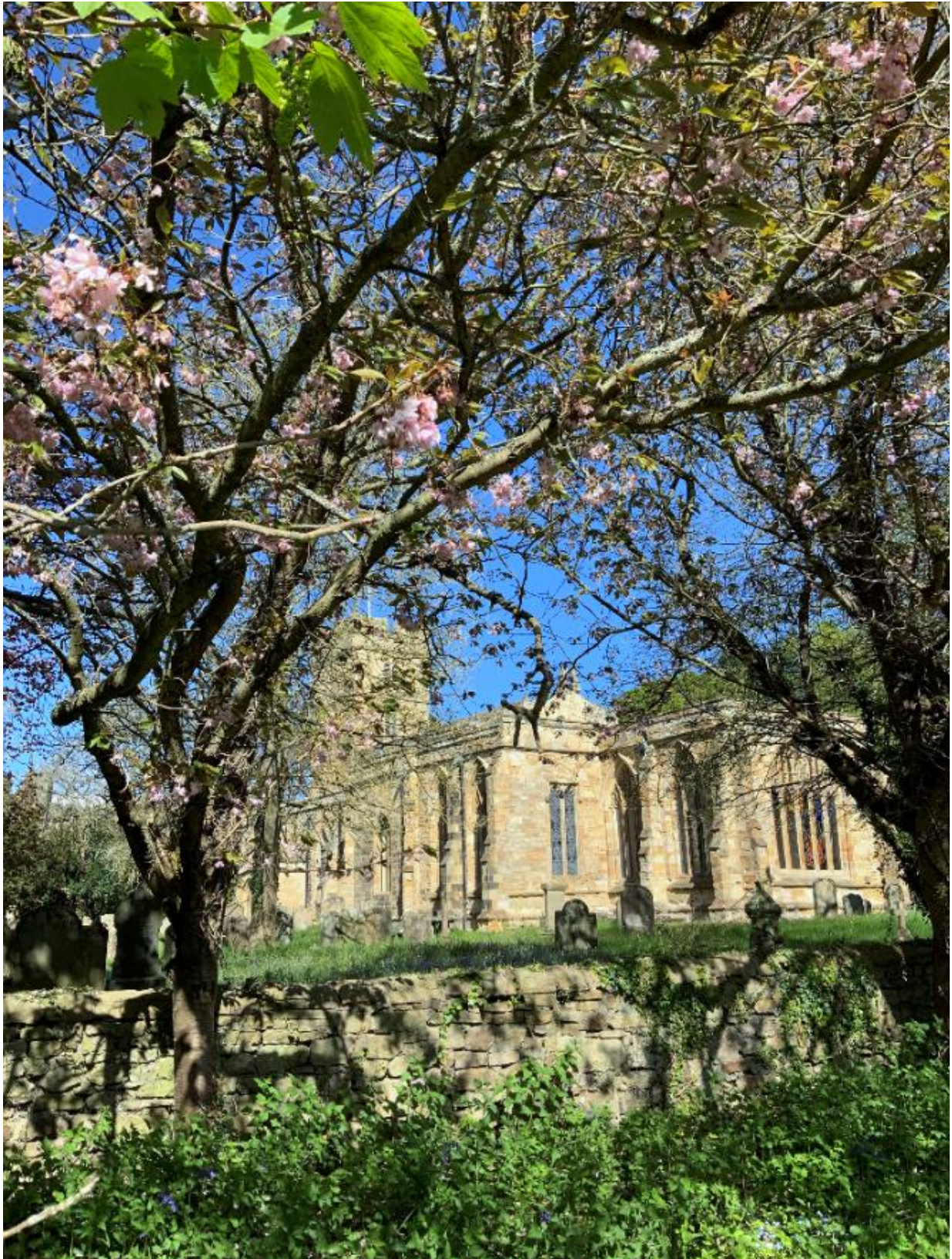


# **ST BRANDON'S CHURCH**

## **BRANCEPETH**



**NEWSLETTER: JUNE 2021**

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**Are delighted to announce two events in support of the  
British Lung Foundation**

## **PICNIC ON THE FIELD**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 (Midsummer's Day) from 5pm**

A chance for the whole village to meet together and celebrate the end of the lockdown, to hold a minute's silence to remember those we have lost and hold a hearty round of applause to thank the NHS staff, care workers, delivery drivers and all those others who have helped us throughout the pandemic.

Bring along your chair, a bottle (or two) of wine and your picnic and relax in our lovely historic cricket field with your friends and neighbours with whom we have all gone through this together.

Everyone is welcome

## **FUN IN THE FIELD !**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, 2 – 5pm**

Come and let your hair down with an afternoon of fun for all villagers and friends to celebrate the easing of lockdown restrictions and to raise money for a great cause.

Bring a picnic, enjoy the music and make this a day to remember.

Games and activities including golf, cricket, football, wellie wanging, tug of war, face painting, a range of fun activities for the little ones and much more ...

... and, for the less energetic, there will be flower arranging, stalls of books, plants and cakes

Everyone is welcome

## Parochial Church Council

Priest in Charge	Rev'd Anna Brooker (3780578) or <a href="mailto:rector@stbrandon.org.uk">rector@stbrandon.org.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:anna.brooker@durham.ac.uk">anna.brooker@durham.ac.uk</a>
Associate Minister	Rev'd. Alison Hobbs (3789670) <a href="mailto:alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk">alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk</a>
Lay Reader	Geoff Moore – co-opted member of P.C.C. (3735674)
Church Wardens:	Hester Higton (5974675) James Morgan (4476520)
Secretary	Carol Beeby (3847431), (07592 975002)
Treasurer	Mike Higton (5974675)
Deanery Synod	Caroline Middleditch (378 1400)

### Other members:-

Amy Gooding (07753606115) Janette Foxe (07587 225 200).  
Tom Hobbs (07857437860) Sue Morgan (3781172)  
Jean Hodgson (3780289) Robert Scott-Biggs (3735907).  
Steve Hodgson (3780289)

Prayer Team	Amy Gooding (07753606115), Alison Hobbs (378 9670), Deborah Hodge (01388 745455), Sue Hope, Alison Moore (373 5674), Myrleen Stewart (378 0862).
Sunday School	Martin Peacock (07503242074)
Messy Church	Rev'd Anna Brooker
Organist	Richard Hird
Sacristans	Carol Beeby (3847431), Valeria Dietz, Lucy Hodge (07891867181).
Safeguarding Officer	Geoff Moore (3735674)
Events coordinator	Janette Foxe <a href="mailto:events@stbrandon.org.uk">events@stbrandon.org.uk</a> .
Flower Guild	Lynne Hastie (3781871)
Churchyard	Edward Staines (3780858)
Youth Club	Geoff Moore (3735674), Martin Peacock (07503242074)
Worship Team	Rev'd Anna Brooker, Janette Foxe, Richard Gooding, Hester Higton, Rev'd Alison Hobbs, Geoff Moore, Sue Morgan.
SMD Team:	Evelyn Aitken, Anna Brooker (ex-officio), Carys Funnell, Richard Gooding, Alison Hobbs (ex officio), Tom Hobbs, Martin Peacock, Sally Scott-Biggs.
Fabric:	James Morgan (chair), Alison Hobbs, Tom Hobbs, Steve Hodgson, Robert Scott-Biggs, Edward Staines.
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**July/August** Newsletter entries – no later than **June 18th**

Please send to Sue Morgan – [sueatpeppermires@gmail.com](mailto:sueatpeppermires@gmail.com)

Dear friends

Varied and constant birdsong; happy chatter from busy allotments; the hum of a distant lawnmower; passing traffic on the A690... these are my sounds of summer in Brancepeth! I'm pleased to say that another sound will soon return- the ringing of the bells of St Brandon's.

Listen out, not only on Sunday mornings before the service, but also for evening practices and peals, as the Durham University bell ringers return to practise, along with our village ringers. BY the way, more local ringers are always welcome- contact James Morgan for more details. There may also be bells as weddings are celebrated in the coming months, after none being possible last year.

During June we will be holding the first of several baptisms this summer, as we welcome babies and children into the family of the church. That's another much-loved sound: children in and around St Brandon's. I'm so grateful to our Sunday School team, who always have activities prepared each week, and to the Messy Church team who are planning a Treasure Hunt and picnic in the churchyard later this month.

All this contrasts starkly and tragically with what we hear in the news. The sounds of war and terror in the middle east; of fear and desperation on European coasts as migrants arrive; of sorrow and anger as the pandemic continues to rage across India and elsewhere. We can only pray, campaign, give and not close our ears to the cries of others.

A special thank you, therefore, to everyone who gave generously to this year's Christian Aid Week, whether online or via the house-to-house collection. Their work addresses emergency needs and long- term development, and they campaign for justice, climate action and peace. Christian Aid Week may be past, but the work goes on, so in closing I commend this Christian Aid prayer to you:

Great God,  
Who makes the sun to rise, and opens the heavens,  
Hear the cry of the people  
Who sow in hope for rain, but reap only despair.  
Hear the cry of the people  
Seeking shelter from the storm, their hopes and homes submerged.  
Hear the cry of the people,  
When creation is hitting back, with rage and resistance.  
Give us hope, grant us salvation,  
Give us a new relationship with creation,  
With reverence to tend this gift from You  
And say once again of the earth and all you created  
It is GOOD. Amen.

With all good wishes

*Anna*

Anna Brooker

Priest in Charge, St Brandon's Church



## St Brandon's June 2021– Services and readings

*All Sunday services are now 'blended.'*

*You can come to church or join in via Zoom.*

*In all cases, everyone is welcome and children's activities are provided.*

*In addition to the services below, each day Monday – Friday,*

***Morning Prayer** is shared online at **8.15am***

*and there is a **Midday Eucharist** from Brancepeth Castle at **12noon**.*

*Online service invitations are sent via NAVIGATOR, St Brandon's email link.*

*Please phone or email for further details*

<b>June 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trinity 1</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist – 10.15am</b>	
Readings:	First:	Jayne Cook	Genesis 3: 8-15
	Gospel:	Alison Moore	Mark 3: 20-35
	Psalm 130		
		Amy Gooding	Intercessions
<b>June 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trinity 2</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with Baptism 10.15am</b>	
Readings:	First:	Gillian Smellie	Ezekiel 17: 22-end
	Gospel:	Edward Staines	Mark 4: 26-34
	Psalm 92: 1-8		
		David Eltringham	Intercessions
<b>Interment of Ashes 11.45am</b>			
<b>Messy Church 3pm: Outdoor Treasure Hunt and Picnic</b>			
<b>June 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trinity 4</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist 10.15am</b>	
	First:	Evelyn Aitken	Job 38:1-11
	Gospel:	Sue Morgan	Mark 4: 35-41
	Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32		
		Edward Staines	Intercessions
<b>June 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trinity 5</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with Baptism 10.15am</b>	
	First:	Peter Cook	Lamentations 3:22-33
	Gospel:	Robert Scott-Biggs	Mark 5: 21-43
	Psalm 30		
		Alison Moore	Intercessions

July 4<sup>th</sup>

**Trinity 6**

**Parish Eucharist 10.15am**

First:

Tom Hobbs

Ezekiel 2: 1-5

Gospel:

James Morgan

Mark 6: 1-13

Psalm 123

Geoff Moore

Intercessions

**Sidespersons**

Jun 6<sup>th</sup>

Nick Brooker & Joan Nesbitt

Jun 13<sup>th</sup>

Jayne & Peter Cook

Jun 20<sup>th</sup>

Sue Morgan & Jean Hodgson

Jun 27<sup>th</sup>

Fiona & David Eltringham

Jul 4<sup>th</sup>

Bonny Bainbridge & Jane Stout

**Flowers**

Jun 6<sup>th</sup>

Iris Waggott

Jun 13<sup>th</sup>

Isabel Rae

Jun 20<sup>th</sup>

Eileen Crawford

Jun 27<sup>th</sup>

Lynne Crawford

Jul 4<sup>th</sup>

Christine Dodds

**St. Brandon's Church – Grass Cutting Rota May – June**

**30<sup>th</sup> May – 12<sup>th</sup> June**

Stephen Hodgson, Geoff Harrison

**13<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> June**

Tom Hobbs, Richard Hobbs

**27<sup>th</sup> June – 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Simon Elliot, David Jackson

***Do you know anyone who, for any reason, would appreciate a prayer or a friendly chat?***

**Please tell Alison Moore of the Prayer Team 0191 373 5674/07890 733757.**

**PRAYER REQUESTS** Please text to this dedicated number: 07598 600571 and your prayer requests will be included in our regular Friday morning service. Normally we would have been inviting you to leave a prayer on the altar, so this is the safe alternative!

If you would welcome a short time of Christian worship with friends and neighbours, we would love to see you

You are invited to join us for a small and friendly

‘home Eucharist service’

in the Castle Chapel and/or on zoom as Covid regulations permit.



Tuesdays 8 & 22 June 2021 at 11:00

Tuesdays 6 & 20 June 2021 at 11:00

*For more information, and the zoom link, please email  
[alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk](mailto:alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk)*



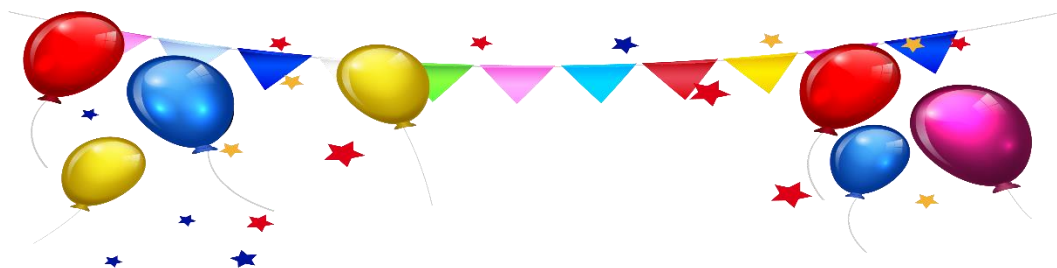
**June's MESSY CHURCH is on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 3-5pm, in person.**

**We do hope you can come!**

**We will meet outside church for a Treasure Hunt and Picnic.**

**Lots more details will be sent out in advance and we are really looking forward to seeing everyone again!**

**Depending on the easing of restrictions, we are also planning...**



**Messy Church Summer Party**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 3-5pm in Church**

## PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING DIARY February 2021

You are invited to use this diary to share in the prayers offered daily

### We pray for:

- 1 Woolley Grange, High Woolley, Weather Hill, South Brandon farm, Springwell farm and Brawn's Den
- 2 Foxes Row, Russell Close and North Field View
- 3 *Corpus Christi*: pray in gratitude for the gift of Holy Communion
- 4 Refreshment & joy for school children and staff half-way through their whit holiday
- 5 Goodwell Lea
- 6 Give thanks for the NHS who continue to offer an extraordinary service**
- 7 The Village South
- 8 The Bothy, Park Lodge, Nursery House, Garden House and the Golf Club
- 9 For those who experience little family support
- 10 Durham Road and The Forge
- 11 *Feast of St Barnabas*: pray we may be encouragers, and faithful in friendship
- 12 Peace and connection with God for all who walk and sit in our beautiful Churchyard
- 13 Baptism & ashes: give thanks for the faithful departed and the newly arrived**
- 14 The Government and scientists as they weigh up the Covid risk and the route ahead.
- 15 Littlewhite Farm, Morley Farm, Quarry Hill, the cottages, and Goodwell Field
- 16 candidates to come forward to form a new BCA committee in a fortnight
- 17 Whitworth Lane and Black House
- 18 Oakenshaw Rd
- 19 Scription, Peppermires, Nafferton, Tudhoe Lodge, Holywell, East Parks area
- 20 In gratitude for the vaccine programme; for all that gives us cause for hope.**
- 21 all who give time and energy to enhance our Worship with music, and with flowers
- 22 Rectory, Thornberry Garth, Hoppy Acres, Rectory Cottages, Constable Meadows, and Bridleway
- 23 for those who are anxious and unable to find your stillness and peace
- 24 *Birth of John the Baptist*: Pray for someone who prepared & pointed you in The Way
- 25 Stockley Grove, Bridge Road and Tanglewood
- 26 The Village North, Station House and Railway cottages
- 27 The zoom-only members of our congregation, and all who joined us in lockdown**
- 28 Castle and Lodge
- 29 *Peter & Paul, Apostles*: Pray for our Bishops Sarah & Paul, and their leadership
- 30 Pray for Deborah, Claire and Grace as they embark on their pre-ordination retreats

*If you would like something included in the Prayer Diary, please contact Alison Moore  
durmoores@btinternet.com*





**We continue to meet every Sunday in June to listen to a story and make something relating to the story.**

**Initially we join the morning service at 10.15 before going into the Neville Chapel and return to the service during Communion.**

**Come along and have some fun!**

**Covid guidelines followed.**

## **Brancepeth Youth Club**

### **June - July 2021**

All young people in the Village (and beyond, and their friends) are warmly welcome. The age range is from 11 to 17 years inclusive.

*We'll continue to meet weekly by Zoom, 6.00-7.30pm on Sunday evenings.*

*If you haven't yet joined one of the Zoom meetings and would like to, then please phone or email Geoff for details.*

#### *Leaders*

Geoff Moore

373 5674 [durmoores@btinternet.com](mailto:durmoores@btinternet.com)

Martin Peacock

07503 242074

## **Book Club**

Our next date is July 9th at 7.30pm when the book will be 'Hamnet' by Maggie O'Farrell. The imagined story behind the writing of Hamlet by Shakespeare. All welcome; venue to be confirmed!

## A message from Amy Gooding

Dear friends,

Some of you will know that I have been in a period of discernment for a while regarding a Call to ministry.

I am humbled and excited (and slightly terrified!) to let you know that I have been recommended for ordination training in the Church of England and will begin a 2 year course (weekly boarding) in September, studying at The College



of the Resurrection in Mirfield. I have been so thankful for your prayers and would be grateful for continued prayers for me during my training and for our family as we navigate these transitions. God is faithful.

The College has been really thoughtful in offering me a small cottage so that it is easy for family and friends to come and stay. It is only sparsely furnished, so if anyone has any basic furniture or household items you wish to part with, I'd be really pleased to know and very grateful. Do spread the word too!

Some of the key things are: wardrobe and bookcases, lamps, desk and desk chair. I would not want to take anything away from people in serious need. My email address is [amy.gooding@btinternet.com](mailto:amy.gooding@btinternet.com) for any donations.

Yours in faith and gratitude,

Amy Gooding

## **Music and worship at St Brandon's: looking to the future**

The last fifteen months have taxed to the limit our abilities as a church to provide Sunday services. We are so grateful to all those who have made it possible for us not to miss a single Sunday since 22 March last year, when we first ventured into the realm of virtual services. From wholly Zoom services during the lockdowns to blended services at other times that have brought together people in the church building and at home, we have worked hard to sustain the community within our congregation.

Of course, worship would not be worship without music. We are hugely grateful to the Gooding/Farquhar family, who have provided us with hymns from day one, first live from their own home, then recorded faithfully week by week, and more recently live in church. Alongside them, Richard Hird has recorded organ voluntaries for us and has been able to play the organ in services over the last few weeks, Jean Merrington has blessed us with beautifully judged piano music to close online services, Alison Moore and Wilfred Foxe have offered sensitive instrumental interludes, and Tom and Ulli Hobbs have brought us singing from the Castle. We thank them all!

The constraints of worshipping under lockdowns and in blended services have been an opportunity to experiment with different forms of music in worship, and we are now looking at how we can develop our use of music to draw on the best of our long-standing traditions and the innovations of recent months. A few weeks ago we asked the congregation their opinion on what they have enjoyed and what they would like to see in the future.

Unsurprisingly, there was a wide range of opinion! A few people regret having fewer old traditional hymns accompanied by the church organ, and would like to go back to that sort of worship more regularly. At the other end of the scale, a few people were in favour of moving to more modern forms of worship. But the vast majority of the people who replied said how much they have enjoyed the variety of forms of music that we have used in the last 18 months, and that they would very much like to see that continue as we move back towards more 'normal' services. We are very grateful to everyone who responded to the survey. PCC will now be discussing future plans, and we hope that you enjoy the musical offerings over the coming months.

*Hester Higton*



***A tribute to Jane Waugh who will be laid to rest in the Circle of Remembrance  
on Sunday June 13th 2021***

Jane, Douglas and Katherine Waugh lived at Corner House during the 1970s and 1980s and those who lived in the village at that time may remember seeing Jane out every day walking with daughter Katherine and Bip the dog.

Jane and Doug transformed Corner House (the old estate reading room) from an uninhabitable wreck, with no plumbing and mushrooms growing in the kitchen, into a family home.

Jane was active in village life, she served as clerk to the Russell Trust for many years and then helped with the church Sunday School and the village toddler group as Katherine grew up.

Katherine and James Morgan were born within three weeks of each other and have remained good friends despite the Waughs moving away, first to Burnham and then Richmond, North Yorkshire. When Jane sadly died last year it was not possible to have more than a simple funeral so June 13th will be an opportunity for family and friends to celebrate her life in a place she always loved.

May she rest in peace.

Sue Morgan



*Happy times for the Waughs and Morgans!*



*Jane and Bip*

## **GARDEN CLUB**

Garden Club's AGM will be at the village hall 7.30pm on Friday 25 June. The business part of the evening is to receive the financial accounts and a statement from the Chairman. Then to elect the committee and officers. As is traditional for Garden Club AGMs, this will be followed by a light buffet and refreshments.

J. B. Dickinson.



## **Brancepeth Community Association (BCA)**

### **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 30th June 2021, 7:30pm Village Hall**

Our next AGM will take place on the above date. To receive:

- Annual Financial Accounts
- Election of officers of the BCA (for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer & Social Secretary).

Any resolutions to be with the Secretary (Jo Dalton: [brancepethca@gmail.com](mailto:brancepethca@gmail.com)) one week beforehand. All members are very welcome to attend. Several committee members are stepping down this year, having kindly served for many years. As usual, nominations for the BCA management committee will be accepted up to the start of the meeting.

NB: If social distancing rules are still in force at that time, the meeting will take place online (open to all members using a link posted on the BCA website).

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## **KNIT AND NATTER.**

Knit and Natter will meet in a socially distanced way in the Village Hall from 2 pm to 4 pm on the 8th & 24th June.

Evelyn Aitken

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## Parish Council Update

The three new elected Parish Councillors officially took up their duties at the AGM and subsequent Ordinary Meeting held in the Village Hall on 18<sup>th</sup> May. We are delighted to be joined by Tom Hobbs, Gillian Smellie and Michael Stephenson who were co-opted onto the council at that meeting and we look forward to working together.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our newly appointed Parish Clerk, Kirsty Charlton, for her invaluable help and support during the transfer period. We would also like to thank the outgoing Parish Councillors, some of whom have been on the PC for many years. It cannot have been easy to keep things going during Covid lockdowns.

As a brand new PC one of our first priorities is to identify specific areas requiring attention (the Cricket field lease, road safety, street lighting, village maintenance and appearance, etc) and we will be shortly choosing Lead Councillor/s for each area so that villagers will know who to contact if they have particular concerns. We hope to get up and running and quickly as possible and we will provide regular updates and reports in this Parish Magazine, on our Noticeboards and on our new website where villagers can also contact the Clerk directly.

Mary Coffield

Deputy Chair

### RETURN OF BRANCEPETH TAI CHI EXERCISE CLUB

After 14 months we are planning to re-commence Brancepeth Tai Chi Exercise Club on Wednesday 23rd June 0930-1030 at Brancepeth Village Hall. Hopefully Government restrictions will be fully lifted by then which means we can all meet up again in a safe environment. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Deborah Chapman (07485 026877)



## **BRANCEPETH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME IS HERE AGAIN!**

Subscriptions for 2021 are due from 1 July. ***Rates remain the same for the 14<sup>th</sup> year running!***

<b>FAMILY MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>£15</b>
<b>ADULTS</b>	<b>£ 7.50</b>
<b>IN RECEIPT OF STATE PENSION</b>	<b>£ 5.00</b>

Collectors will be calling to issue cards and take subscriptions.

Annual subscriptions are a significant part of the Community Association income. Your membership helps to ensure that the village hall is maintained as an attractive centre for the village activities for which Brancepeth is well known. Subscriptions also support the social, recreational and educational events organised by the committee and various clubs in the village. Additionally members enjoy reduced admission charges to many events and are able to hire items of equipment from the hall.

If you pay income tax and have previously signed a **Gift Aid** form, thank you. You don't need to complete another one. If you are a new member, or have not previously completed a form and would like the association to be able to reclaim the tax on your subscription, please ask your collector for a form. Please return the completed form to your collector. Thank you.

#### **GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

#### **CINEMA CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

As in previous years, collectors will also be happy to collect subscriptions to the Garden and Cinema Clubs. If you wish to renew your membership of, or to join either or both, please pay your collector. Annual subscriptions are:

<b>GARDEN CLUB</b>	<b>£3</b>	<b>CINEMA CLUB</b>	<b>Adult</b>	<b>£3</b>	<b>Child</b>	<b>£1</b>
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**Thank you. If you have any suggestions or questions relating to the BCA or associated clubs please contact any committee member or officer listed in the newsletter or visit the web site [brancepethcommunityassociation.btck.co.uk](http://brancepethcommunityassociation.btck.co.uk)**

**Brancepeth Community Association is fully compliant with the 2018 GDPR on privacy. Details of BCA policy can be found on the web site or obtained from any committee member.**

## **CASTLE: ROOFING AND WINDOW REPAIRS**

You may be wondering what's happening at the castle under the big white tent: are we building some grand extension?? No, but it is an exciting project: many of you will have been in the central room known as the Ballroom or Great Hall, perhaps for a wedding dance, or an exhibition, and some may have seen the enormous domed stairwell and double stair behind the closed arch?

Thanks to a big Heritage Stimulus grant from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, in conjunction with Historic England, we are re-roofing this whole area and renovating the impressive, 4m diameter bronze skylight. The skylight had been shrouded in tarpaulins for the last twenty years so it will be wonderful to see daylight shining on the stair again, something Margaret would never have believed possible.

Margaret would also have been thrilled to see the new windows installed in the Billiard Room, designed by local glass artist Mike Davis, a long standing friend of hers. The room itself is the new home for the Brancepeth Archive, which she helped found as the BHAG, and now sunny, rich colours greatly enhance the whole experience of the room for them. The repair and renovation of these windows and those in the adjacent Constable Tower (used for art and craft exhibitions amongst other things), was grant funded by Historic England through the covid recovery fund.

Alison Hobbs

### **Churchyard Tidy-up time again!**

**June 12th - 10.00am onwards.**

Tidy up work continues to be necessary to maintain the churchyard and keep it looking as attractive as possible.

If you have a spare hour (or more) and could help, please talk to Edward Staines or James Morgan about what you might be able to do, or, just turn up.

All welcome especially if you value and appreciate this calm space in our village.

## **Dates for the Diary:-**

Jun	Mondays	Yoga, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Jun	Tuesday 8th & 24th	– Knit & Natter, 2.00 -4.00pm, Village Hall
Jun	Wednesdays from 23rd	– Tai Chi, 9.30am- 10.30am. Village Hall
Jun	Thursdays	Badminton, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Jun	12th Sat	Churchyard Tidy–up, 10.00am start
Jun	13th Sun	Messy Church, 4.00pm, Zoom
Jun	25th Fri	Garden Club AGM, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Jun	30th Wed	BCA AGM, 7,30pm, Village Hall
Jul	9th Fri	Book Club, 7.30pm, Zoom.
Jul	12th Mon	PCC, 7.30
Jul	18th Sun	Messy Church, 4.00pm
Sept	13th Mon	PCC, 7.30pm

## **Photos**

**Front cover** - © Sue Morgan – Blossom around the churchyard

**Inside front cover** – ©Richard Jackson – Advertisement for events on the Cricket Field

**Back cover** - © - Mary Coffield. Our new Parish Council. (names and contact details below)

**Inside back cover** – © Alison Hobbs – Stained glass windows in the Castle Billiard Room.

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## Brancepeth Community Association - Management Committee

Peter Aitken	<i>Chairman</i>	Ian Stoker	
Martyn Jones	<i>Vice chairman</i>	Jean Merrington	<i>Choir &amp; Church</i>
Jo Dalton	<i>Secretary (&amp; Website)</i>	Geraldine Jennings	<i>Bookings &amp; Garden Club</i>
Margot Harrison	<i>Treasurer</i>	Joan Taylor	<i>Subscription, Wednesday</i>
Josie Armstrong	<i>Social Secretary</i>		<i>Coffee &amp; Cinema Club</i>
Anna Brooker	<i>Church Representative</i>		

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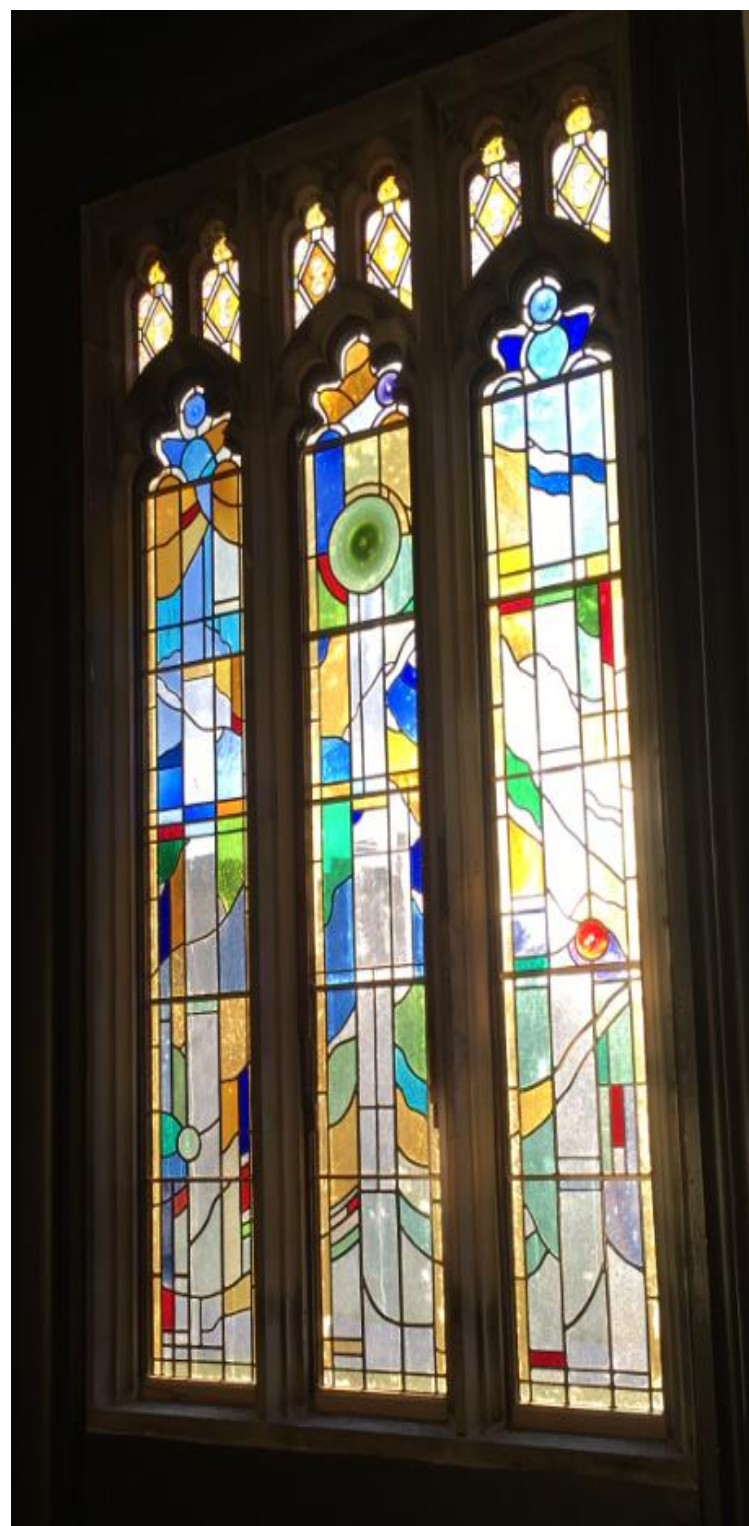
### Parish Activities

Chairman B.C.A.	Peter Aitken, The Copse, Foxes Row (3789908)
Secretary	Jo Dalton, 1 Rectory Cottages (3780771)
Treasurer	Margot Harrison, Downsgarth (3784813)
Membership	Joan Taylor, 5 The Village (3783630)
Hall Bookings	Geraldine Jennings, 6 Goodwell Lea (3781583)
Archives & History	Vivienne Lowe, 17 The Village (3780974)
Badminton	Peter Hodge, (01388 745455)
Brancepeth Allotment & Leisure Gardeners' Club	Sue Morgan, Carole Reed & Liz Burdess baacommittee3@gmail.com
Book Club	Val Gibbons (3784200)
Choir	Jean Merrington (3780952)
Drama	Martin Peacock (07503242074)
Flower Guild	Jessie Brown (3782748)
Garden Club	Barry Dickinson (3782398)
Snooker Bookings	Geraldine Jennings (3781583)
Wednesday Coffee	Joan Taylor (3783630)
Yoga	Lynne Hastie (3781871)
Youth Club	Geoff Moore (3735674)

### Parish Council

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The two new stained glass windows in the Castle billiard room which will house the Brancepeth Archives and History Group records and provide a base for their activities. The windows were designed by Mike Davies a local stained glass craftsman.

This is part of the restoration work being undertaken at Brancepeth Castle.



