

# The Bradwellian Jubilee Souvenir Edition

## Her Majesty's Platinum Celebration 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Back in early February this year, at the invitation of Bradwell Parish Council a discrete group of local stakeholders formed a Working Group to plan a set of events for the residents of Bradwell for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's II's Platinum Jubilee.

The Working Group consisted of a small number of representatives from the following groups and organisations the Old School Village Centre, the Bradwell WI, the Methodist Hall, the Bradwell Library Reading Room, St. Nicholas Church (Bradwell), Great Yarmouth and District Photographic Society, the Bradwell Allotments Association and Bradwell Parish Council.

Meeting on a fortnightly basis from the start the working group endeavoured to put on a series of events across all four days. This ambitious set of events was funded by Bradwell Parish Council and a National Lottery Community Grant which was applied for by the Parish council.

### Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> June

On this day two Events were planned:

First of all the Methodist Hall held a Chapel Tea Room from 2-5pm They worked extremely hard baking Cakes and biscuits and serving Teas and Coffees and raised £400 for the East Anglian Air Ambulance and Great Yarmouth & Gorleston Young Carers.

They will each receive £200.



Then at 9.00pm the main launch event started with the raising of the Flag by the Chairman of Bradwell Parish Council, Daniel Candon, and the playing of "God Save the Queen" on Green Lane.

Following this the bells of St. Nicholas Church then rang and the event moved to the highest point in the village for the lighting of the lantern at 9.45pm. This was then followed by a toast to her Majesty, for which a dozen bottles of Prosecco were purchased to be shared with and enjoyed by all who were present.



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## Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> June

On this day the event was the Street party on Church Walk at St Nicholas Church. The Event was planned to run from 1.00 to 4.00pm. Numerous items, performers and other things were purchased or put in place for this event. We would also like to thank all the local organisations and supermarkets including Londis, Morrisons, Tesco's and the Fish Inn to name only a few, who were extremely generous giving gifts to the events of food and wine. It is estimated that up to 350 people attended this event alone, on what turned out to be a warm and sunny afternoon.

As the Punch and Judy man Liam said  
**"that's the way we do it"**



  
St Nicholas



## Saturday the 4th June

The first event on the Saturday was the pop up Jubilee Cafe from 10am to 4pm at the Old School Village centre run by the wonderful WI ladies. It is fair to say that the ladies were initially concerned there may not be enough interest and that they would be left with a lot of unwanted food. So step up the local photography club that usually meets on Wednesday Evenings at the Centre who offered to put up a photographic exhibition around the halls to attract more interest.

As you can see from the picture, there was no need for them to worry as it was incredibly busy.

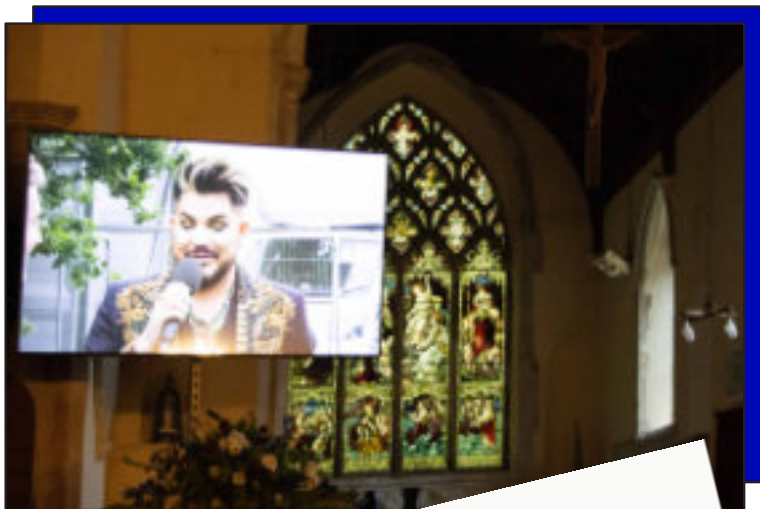


They in fact found that they were working pretty much flat out from when they opened the doors to the centre at 10am until they finished at 4pm. When the event had finished they found they had taken a significant amount of money and, as such, have decided so far to divide it up to local charities as follows: £100 to the friends of St Nicholas; £100 to The Old School Village Centre and £100 to the Mary Magdalene Food Bank.



In the evening, the Reverend Steve Deall offered the televised live streaming of the Concert from the Palace being shown from 7.30 - 10.30pm in St. Nicholas Church.

For those that went along there was a real but also free treat of a cream tea with a choice of tea or coffee. Yet another magical event offered to the community from a small group of Volunteers.



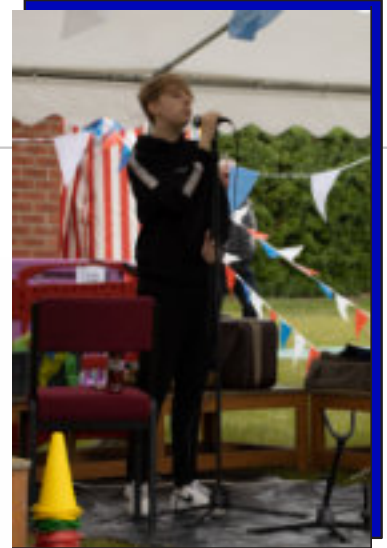
## Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> June

The Jubilee Celebrations continued with the 10am Jubilee Church Service at St Nicholas Church.

Then came the final event of the Jubilee weekend the "Picnic in the Park Concert Event". The Concert set-up team arrived early in the morning at 6 am keen and ready to erect the two marques and set up the music/sound system etc. needed for the event.

Unfortunately the weather had taken a significant turn for the worse and as such by 7.30am the team were soaked through to the skin and spirits were very low. Was it going to stop raining they asked? The plucky bunch of volunteers decided to grit there teeth and carry on. **"The show would go on."**

By noon, the craft stalls had arrived and it was all go, it also had stopped raining. At 12.00 the event was officially opened by the Parish Council Vice Chairman and at 12:15pm the first act Ronan, was on stage. What a very talented young singer he was.



We then had a short break after which our saxophonist Barrie James played his wonderful instrument to us. During his performance there was short break while the children had a tug of war and played games such as egg and spoon race,

The next act to appear was Fay Bedford's Dance School followed by the Tri-Star Twirler who put on a terrific performance for us despite a disappointingly slowly deteriorating weather situation.

Charlotte Gray was the next artist to perform. A very talented singer and musician, she sang a good range of songs including some original work. The final act to appear was Emily and Zak, a talented singing duo all were supported by our wonderful DJ Bex. We are hoping that Charlotte and Ronan will be able to join us again on the 14<sup>th</sup> August for our Food and Craft Village Show. Then all what was left was to take everything down again and of course by this time it had started to rain quite heavily.



**Bradwell Parish Council, St. Nicholas Church, the WI, the Old School Village Centre, the Methodist Chapel and the Library**

Would like to thank all their trustees, councillors, volunteers and helpers for the their support, without this, none of these events would have been possible.

**Volunteers are not paid  
Not because they are worthless  
But because they are priceless.**