



# **BOURNE CIVIC SOCIETY**

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**Rex Needle** one of our most famous members who we have sadly lost. So many people knew Rex and he did so much for the town of Bourne. He used to write every week in the Bourne Local about the town and wrote many books and published articles and a CD, also he had his own website that was looked at all over the world.

New Signage for the outside of the Mill. We are still awaiting planning permission.

The Society are thinking of all their members and wishing them well so we can all meet up again at our meetings and talks in the not to distant future. Hopefully Wake House can open up so we can get back in there. We hope to open the mill up in May/June. We have had many enquires as to when groups will be able to come and visit, and that is when we will need our wonderful volunteers to be ready to man the mill once again.

### **THE PANDEMIC AND THE HIGH STREET**

With so much shopping on line the high street will suffer, but we hope in time buyers will come back and use the local shops. We hope when we do the June newsletter things will be so much better and we will all feel safe going out and about and see our family and friends, and wont that feel wonderful being normal. We do know the high streets and city centres have been struggling for quite some time, but with all the new ideas being put forward about bringing people back to live and work they will come alive again.

### **BUILDING BEAUTIFUL HOMES**

These are what most people wish to see and Civic Voice want the same. They are the organisation which a lot of Civic Societies belong to and they are the voice to our ministers. The BIMBY HOUSEING MANUAL. This is what Beauty in my back yard is all about. So many front gardens are being paved, concreted, or gravelled over and these are not good for climate change. Even a small front can have a container in with some flowers in to give some colour. So sad that the car is now king.

### **BUSINESS RATE RELIEF**

Mary Portas the former government tsar wants some business rate relief so people will go and spend in the shops locally and this will help as did the “Eat out to help out” did. The streets will become the hub of the community so people can meet and greet

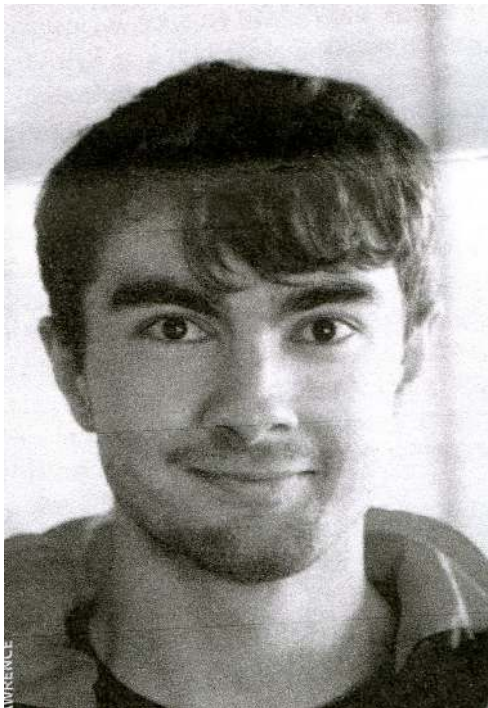
## An Association that Continues

The town of Bourne is nearing a 100-year association with motor racing and that has now been enhanced by its resident, Benn Tilley. The magazine "Auto sport" has named him their top club driver of 2020. "Auto sport" is Britain's weekly magazine reporting on motor racing worldwide. Benn progressed from go-carts winning two national motor and two outright one of "Auto sports" leading special talent for driving a

Benn has been helped by his father who also raced cars. He introduced him to go-carts as a

Other people had recognised lent him their cars to drive in success. The cars may be very fast and the races are hotly more than you see in Formula

This year, Covid-19 permitting, the Classic Formula 3 races in a see him race at Cadwell Park.



to, in the past four years, racing championship classes, championships. As Marcus Pye, reporters says of Benn, he has racing car.

father who also raced cars. He surprise ninth birthday present.

Benn's driving talents and have historic races and with much classed as historic but they are contested and, in my opinion, One.

Benn will again be driving in car kindly lent to him. Go and

As Marcus Pye said in his four page article on Benn there must be something in the water in Bourne for the town have produced so many leaders in Motor Racing, beginning with Raymond Mays.

Peter Putterill

## BRM TAKES MAJOR STEP AS IT ADVANCES BUILD OF NEW V16 FORMULA ONE CARS

BRM solves puzzle of complex 1950s engine with full dry run restoration.

Re-build of the rare original engine paves the way for full recreation of new power units.

BRM to create three new legendary P15 V16 race cars to mark 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

First car, to stay within the BRM family, on schedule for delivery later this year.

New teaser film, set BRMs original engine dyno shed, to go live on March 21.

**BRM press Release**

### Our Mission Statement

It is the aim of the Society to make sure that new developments are of the highest possible quality and developers are made aware of the issues surrounding their schemes. Good design is only possible through a full understanding of any scheme's environment and urban context. We seek to safeguard our existing heritage and the many listed buildings from demolition or neglect.