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If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

RACE NIGHT

Place your bets!

**Saturday 27th February 2010 in the
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Come and have a night at the races.
More details in the February issue.

Put the date in your diary.

More information Jo Mills 22384



THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.



CAKE BAKERS FOR JANUARY

January	8	Cecily Robertson	Lauraine Bourne	Sheila Lawrence	
	15	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Nancy Rowson	Mary Menzies
	22	Marj Robinson	Marian Cresswell	Margaret Stanford	
	29	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	

HELPERS FOR JANUARY

January	8	Mary Knowles
	15	Linda Bulpitt
	22	Olga Crowhurst
	29	Joy West

Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

December

1st - P.Parrot (81); 2nd - M.Knowles (82); 3rd - J. Williams (65)

Annette Booth



AT THE MEETING PLACE ON JANUARY 22ND 2010

To celebrate my eligibility for a free bus pass, the tea and cakes will be on me !

Lori Taylor

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB



The 41st AGM of the club took place on Friday 11th Dec. Brenda Milam and June Trim have resigned from their positions as Chairman and Secretary, Marian Cresswell has offered to help with the secretarial duties but as of now we do not have a Chairman. If you would be prepared to help please contact Mrs Anne Blunt our President.

After the usual club business, Mrs June Trim was presented with a garden token and an orchid and was made an honorary life member, as a thank you for all the years as a committee member and as secretary for the last eight years. Mrs Brenda Milam was also presented with an orchid as a thank you for the past year as chairman.

The evening finished with wine and nibbles and a crossword quiz compiled and presented by Mr Geoff Hawkins.

Our next meeting will be our famous annual party on Friday 8th January at 7.30 in Froyle Village Hall. Tickets cost £5 (a bargain) and are available from Anne Blunt.

June Trim

FROYLE CAN BE PROUD

We have just had a letter from Patricia Elkington (National Gardens Scheme) to congratulate us all on our spectacular results with last year's Gardens Open weekend.

We have been told the results (£6,445) are by far the best Hampshire has ever had. The overall result for Hampshire is up by 25%, and these are only 9 months' results as the new financial year will match the calendar year. 40,000 people visited in Hampshire raising £181,000.

Can we do even better next year? We gardeners do realize these results are so good because the village supports the event so well.

We are very grateful.

Brenda Milam

FROYLE RAINFALL FOR NOVEMBER

2009	198.5mm	7.8in
2008	69.0mm	2.7in
Wettest November 2009	198.5mm	7.8in
Driest November 1978	18.0 mm	0.7in
November long-term average - the 2nd wettest month	84.8 mm	3.3in
Cumulative January - November 2009	723.0 mm	28.5in
Long-term average January - November	695.6 mm	27.4in

“Be careful watch you wish for...” as the saying goes: I guess nobody needs reminding that, after suggesting in recent magazines that we were heading for a well below-average year, November confounded everything and delivered in spades:

- it was our wettest November, certainly since my records began (and probably since 1970) at well over twice the norm;
- the second wettest month in the last 32 years after October 1987;
- it has taken the total for the year so far to back above the long-term average; and
- has jacked up the monthly average so much that it has usurped December as Froyle’s 2nd wettest month.

No such predictions for December therefore...



“The Weather Man”

THE VILLAGE CALENDAR

A huge festive thank you to June Trim, who came up with the fantastic idea to design a Village Calendar. Tirelessly she has collated and trawled through over 250 photographs, short listed and judged the final 12 and finally organised the artwork and printed the final masterpiece.

Thank you for your continued hard work and effort, you have started something that we will all look forward to next year.

Jerry Saunders

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

When you are all doing your shopping online this year, I would be very grateful if you could register with The Giving Machine website and shop with your favourite stores through it.

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Thank you very much.

Jerry Saunders

VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN - AN UPDATE

The application for a grant from EHDC was presented and debated at the Community Forum meeting at the Alton Maltings on Tuesday 24th November. Andrew Joy, representing Glynis Watts, sponsored the proposal and this was supported very eloquently by Nick Whines speaking from the floor. After lots of positive noises from various District Councillors and only one sidetrack on a misunderstanding on available budgets, the meeting voted to support the application.

On Thursday 10th December, Jerry Saunders hosted an 'on site' inspection by two officers of EHDC. (Here, I do have to apologise to the Still Life art class that was "in residence" for the interruption to their day.) The visit seemed to go positively and so the next step is ratification (hopefully) by a full Council meeting in January. This will also trigger a grant from Hampshire County Council of 50% of that committed by the Parish and District Councils.

Meanwhile, we have had commitments to three substantial donations from individuals in the village - thank you. And we will be sending out letters to all of you in the New Year asking for your financial support, just as soon as you have recovered from the festive excesses.....

Charlie Finlay

LENT LUNCHES

Ash Wednesday 2010 is February 17th, so not long! I do hope all our brilliant soup makers will start planning, and not just thinking about their pancakes the day before! It will be our 20th year and has raised lots of money for a real mixture of charities – all VERY deserving.



We started Lent Lunches in Froyle in 1991, so this is our 20th year - and I'm sure there a few people in the village who have been to all 102 of them!

To remind everyone: they are a simple soup, bread and cheese lunch in aid of a charity chosen by the hostess.

The lunches are from 12.30 - 2.00 p.m. and we ask you to give £2 as a basic donation (though please feel free to give more!).

Pre-school children free.



Anyone wanting to help in any way, give a lunch, offer/ need a lift, donation if you are unable to come, please telephone **Margaret Stanford on 22139.**

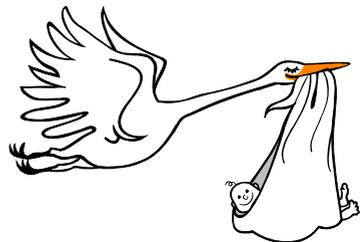
We look forward to seeing you during Lent, more details in the February magazine.

Margaret Stanford

Martin and Anthea McRiley

are thrilled to announce the birth of Alana Nicole, a beautiful younger sister for Hazel and Robbie. Alana arrived 8 weeks early on 28th November.

Martin and Anthea would like to thank all our friends and neighbours, who offered us support during the difficult last month of pregnancy and during Alana's stay in special care. We are especially grateful to the people who helped look after Hazel and Robbie. This has truly made us appreciate how fortunate we are to live in such a close knit community.



Alana is doing very well and we anticipate bringing her home in time to see in the New Year.

Letters to the Editor

As a nation, we do not officially fly our flag at 'half mast' to mark British soldiers' deaths in wartime or our opinion of war and politicians. Flying the flag in this way might give the enemy the impression that the nation's morale is low and result in another onslaught on British soldiers. Individuals are free to use their own flagpoles for these purposes.

There is an accepted convention on the position of the Union flag, the times for raising and lowering it etc, but flags have, for example, been put half way down the parish council's flagpole and not at 'half mast'. No flag has been removed from this flagpole when flying at half mast.

The permission of the property owner should be obtained before use is made of their property, otherwise use may be unlawful. Claimed motive and support is no justification for not doing so. Innuendo or defamatory statements should not be made of the owner or the owner's agent (in this case, myself when wearing the 'cap' of clerk to the parish council) when he or she is preserving both property rights and democratic rights, nor should these statements be made to cow him or her from continuing to do so.

In this matter, I have played but a small part in standing up for English Common Law rights and the respectful treatment of the British flag, and am proud to have done so. A former paratrooper tells me that, judging from his experience of them, soldiers would not like the way our flag has been misused in Froyle.

Philippa Cullen, resident

The Parish Council were pleased to see the letters regarding the use of the flagpole to mark the deaths of those lost in battle. One of the purposes of this magazine is to act as a forum for discussion and debate. It is one of the ways by which, together with public meetings, correspondence and individual conversations, Parishioners can make their views known to the Council.

It might be helpful if I provide some background to the flag flying debate. In the summer of 2007 the Parish Council received a number of complaints concerning the fact that the Union Flag was, from time-to-time, being flown at half-mast at the war memorial to mark the deaths of British service personnel. A separate concern was that the flagpole was too tall and dominant.

The Council considered the matter carefully. It was decided to move the flagpole to the village hall and to ask two members of the Council to develop a policy for its use. (This can be found on the PC website.) The policy was adopted by the Council at its meeting of 6 August 2007. It broadly follows the conventions of flag flying on public buildings, specifying certain days like the Queen's birthday when the flag can be flown and adding special Froyle days like the Fete and the Open Gardens Weekend. The policy also states that anyone wanting to fly a flag from the village flagpole ask the Council's permission. So for example, we were recently happy to see the RNLI flag flying.

Whilst I would ask everybody to respect the Council's policy with regard to flag flying, it is important that the policy reflects the view of the majority of the village. To this end, I would ask anyone who wishes to express a view on this or related matters to contact myself or another parish councillor and we will represent your views as fairly as we can.

Mick Wells

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am in Froyle Village Hall

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Our meeting dates for January are
7th 14th 21st 28th

Any questions please call Alison on 22336
or Anthea on 520134

Cinema

I went to my first movie in 1937. The closing footage showed a handsome ship under full sail heading into a glorious sunset to the strains of a heavenly choir. I watched it, fascinated, to THE very END. Standing for the last four bars of the National Anthem was a modest price to pay, an opinion few shared judging by a panic rush to the exits.

A year later, I was movie-going weekly – at my primary school on Saturday mornings, at one halfpenny per throw. This enterprise rivalled the twopenny rush at the fleapit near the library. Most of the films exhibited by Effra ended like my first film, with that ship steering a westerly course late in the evening. I believe to this day that historical cinema epics all had the last reel in common, no doubt an example of studios' cost-saving cooperation forced on them by the Great Depression. The films shown at school were certainly not in colour, hardly even in black and white, conforming no doubt with the contentious issues of the day, only to be measured in shades of grey.

Two years later, in Lewes, I was to become a Wednesday afternoon regular at the ambitiously named Cinema de Luxe. The double feature invariably, as I remember it, comprised a Western and a sub-pre-Bilko U.S. military skit. Many will be familiar with the Colonel Hall character, easily bamboozled by conniving subordinates, and he featured – or perhaps it was his father - in every supporting feature on those illicit Wednesday afternoons.

They tell me that the authorities are bringing back compulsory sport in schools for 5 – 16 year olds. I predict a cinema matinee boom as children use well-honed inherited skills to skip games.

Back at the de Luxe in 1940, we twelve year olds were a degree embarrassed because certain avant garde third-formers attended accompanied by girls. Smug girls from the County School. This produced a reaction from us similar to Oscar Wilde's on meeting his chum in the Haymarket sporting a pet lobster on a lead. Reluctantly impressed, with raised eyebrows, in some astonishment, we produced a hesitant chorus of derision as the young swains entered with their paramours. The third-formers tried to look nonchalant, but usually one or two cracked and were unable to refrain from threats like "I'll get you tomorrow..."

It was a novel experience to attend the up-market Lewes Odeon one morning with the whole school, to see Chaplin in "The Great Dictator". It was truly one of those unforgettable events, and to this day I regard that much-praised propagandist masterpiece as the most boring film ever made. To confirm my total lack of judgement and taste, let me blaspheme and challenge world opinion by adding that Charles Chaplin was consistently the unfunniest bore in the history of theatre, cinema and the universe. Actually, I suspect I am not alone, but anti-Chaplinism stays stubbornly

underground. To criticise Chaplin seems to be as unthinkable as accusing Paul Gascoigne of lack of ball sense. It has long been an embarrassment to know of his South London origins.

Long long after, a second school visit to that bourgeois Odeon counted as four Eng. Lit. periods, as we were treated to Olivier's Henry V. In a critical essay to be handed in by Monday morning at the latest, I rated it better than the Odeon's previous offering, and I remember offering the opinion that the chap who played the King took his part well.

Much later cinema-going involved other considerations than the quality of the screened epic. Discreetly lit un-overlooked back rows were in style from teens to twenties. Some kind of paradise for a reasonable three-and-six was available in some small town cinemas in the shape of fauteuils-for-two. Facilities for refreshment varied from Astoria to Odeon, from Empire to Palace. For sheer consistency a well-remembered Embassy now, alas, no more, took the catering award annually for its poached egg on toast, waitress served at one-and-sixpence with aspidistra accompaniment. The Rear Admiral at the entrance could not have been more helpful in steering those of us without his navigational skills to the one-and-nine queue.

You would need all those skills to get to see your film of choice at our new local cinema, which boasts ten screens and parking for two-and-a-half thousand. Most normally forgetful folk leave in the wrong Escort. After all, they all look the same, like the films.

Ted Crowhurst

Froyle Ladies Group

The final gathering of the group took place in December when we had an excellent Christmas meal provided by Jo Mills. A raffle was held and members decided the funds should go to Help for Heroes. A cheque for £30 has been sent to them. Members, do remember a lot of gardening club talks are very similar to those we used to have so do consider joining.

Brenda Milam

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

I wrote my last letter just before a rather large tree decided to fall down on my car as Jenny and I travelled up Brockham Hill one evening before Christmas. We both realise how fortunate we have been that we did not suffer serious injuries or worse.

We would both like to thank all in Froyle who have enquired after us and sent cards and letters. Thank you to those who have given me lifts from Holybourne to Froyle and to the fracture clinic in Basingstoke!

We would also like to thank all the three emergency services who helped on that evening as well as the people who stopped their cars, talked to us and generally helped us in whatever way they could.

I would additionally like to thank all at Basingstoke Hospital who cared for me so well and professionally both on the night of the accident and the following day when I had a minor operation on my hand.

I wish everybody in Froyle a very happy 2010!

With every blessing,

James

Dates for your diary in 2010

PCC Meetings

January 28th, March 11th, April 20th (AGM at the Church)

The Textile Group will be holding their exhibition the same weekend as "Gardens Open" which is June 5th and 6th

There will be an Open Air Service "Songs of Praise" at the Recreation Ground on Sunday July 11th.

Harvest Supper Friday October 1st.

Harvest Festival Service Sunday October 2nd.

St Mary's Church Notes

Vicar

The Reverend James Croft

Tel: 01420 83240

Churchwarden

Mrs.J.Dundas Brocas Farm, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520279



Church Services in January

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist
9.30 a.m. Family Service

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

Church Report

The PCC would like to thank all the many people who supported the recent Church Christmas Fayre, which after expenses, raised the grand total of £1,243.03. You may like to know that an 11 year old boy won the "Anchor" meal voucher for two complete with a bottle of wine!

Stall takings:

Raffle	714.50	Door	14.93
Cakes + deli	219.50	Donation	10.00
Bric-a-brac	98.70		
Toys	33.00	Total	1,316.33
Gifts	117.00		
Bottles	54.00	Expenses	73.30
Childrens' tombola	2.00		
Books	40.00	Net "profit"	1,243.03
Teas	12.70		

After the huge success of our Christmas Tree Festival in 2008, it is proposed to have another towards the end of November 2010. More information later in the year.

Dates for your diary of some other Church events in 2010 can be found on page 12.

Jean Norkett

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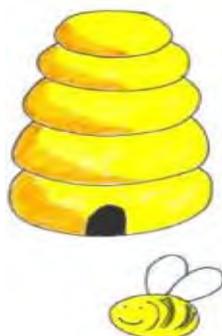
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Nigel Fisher

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Cancer Research UK - *Margaret Stanford* - 22139

The Meeting Place - *Annette Booth* - 22364

League of Friends LMTC - *Jo Mills* - 22384

Froyle Archive - *Chris & Annette Booth* - 22364

AFC Froyle - *Jason Smith* - 521056

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Froyle Friends - *Annette Booth* - 22364

St Mary's Vestment Group - *Linda Bulpitt* - 22725

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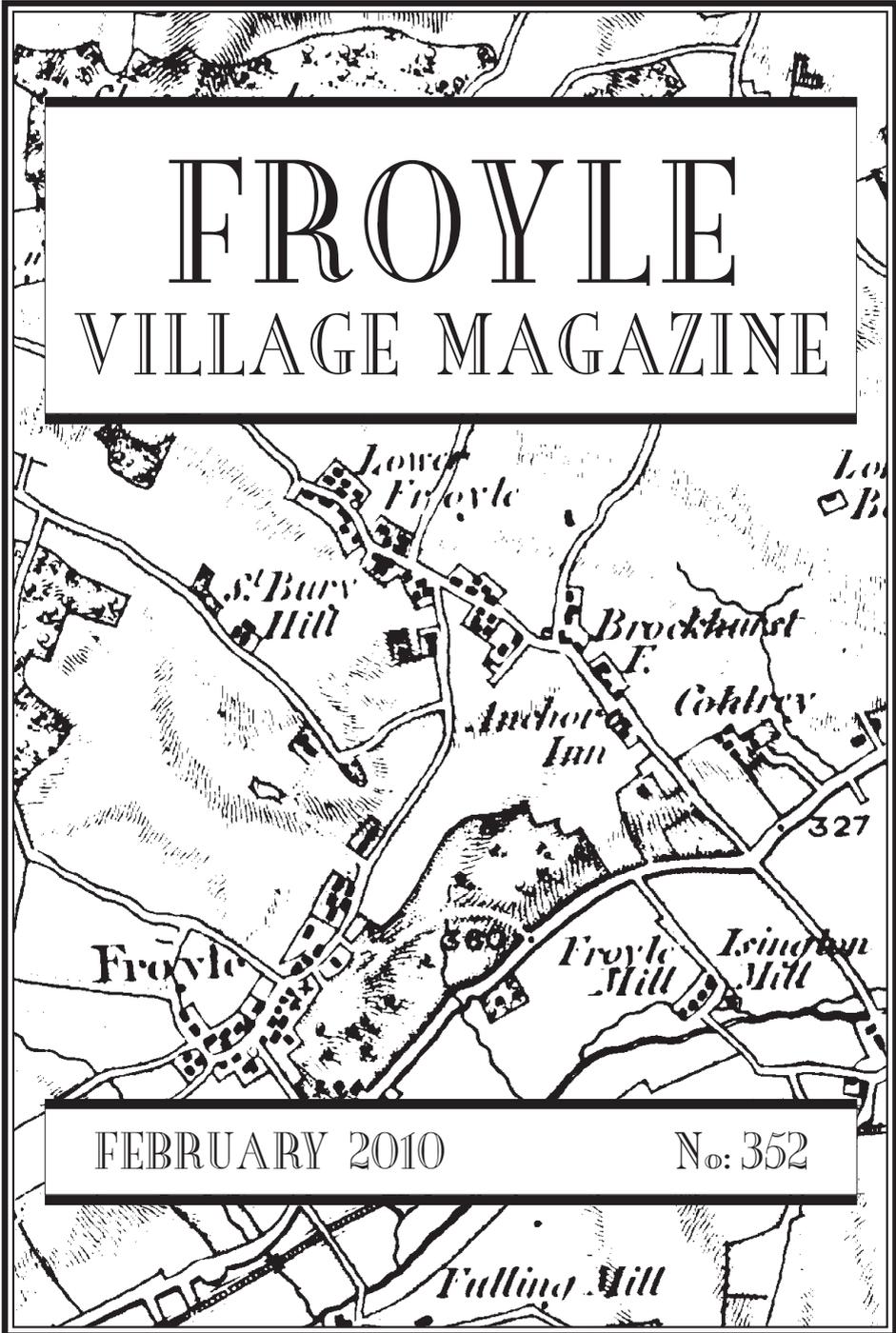
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FROYLE RACE NIGHT

IN AID OF FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

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Place a bet (min £1) at the Tote Table on whichever horse you think will win the race – you can bet on as many horses as you like. You will be given a ticket for each bet. Hold on to this, you will need it to claim your winnings!

When all bets have been placed, the race will be shown.

If you've backed the winner, collect your winnings from the Tote Table.

If you would like to sponsor a race (offers invited) and or buy a horse (£2 each), please ask head stable girl Jo Mills for details. If you buy a horse and it wins its race, you will win a prize.

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Bookings : Jo Mills, Bentley 22384

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Will hirers please make doubly sure that heating is shut off, lights, especially the gents and ladies toilets, are turned off, curtains opened and kitchen and front doors locked. Please return the key through the letterbox of Brecklands as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME** Would hall users also please ensure that both the Yale lock and mortice lock are secured when the front door is closed.

From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition. **Currently a number of plates, several chairs and two small tables are missing. If you have these please return them as soon as possible.**

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

Thanks from the FVHC

Thanks to Cherida Cannon for donating a superb Christmas tree and to the staff of Scribelands for their assistance in putting it up outside the Village Hall.

Thanks also to Mary Menzies for her help over the last couple of years in setting up the Tuesday afternoon surgery in the Village Hall. Everyone who makes use of this facility appreciates the convenience of being able to see the doctor in the village. It's pleasing to report that Maureen Fry has now taken over this role following her welcome return to Chapel Cottage.

Later this year Jeannie Whitely and her family will be returning to America and we are looking for someone who would like to take on the role of Village Hall house keeper when the time comes. Jeannie has worked very hard to keep the hall looking bright and attractive and we are all grateful for her efforts. The job involves 3-4 hours a week and is paid by the hour. Please let one of the Village Hall Committee know if you are interested or if you know someone who might be.

THE MEETING PLACE

Christmas seems ages ago now, but may I just thank all those people who helped at the Christmas Meeting Place:- Eira Cray for her delicious punch (I've already booked her yet again for next year!); Joy West & Jean Norkett in the kitchen; Maureen Fry for running the Raffle; Sue Sykes for playing the keyboard and Geoff Sykes for leading the carol singing with such enthusiasm; Father Christmas for dropping in; and, most importantly, all those who struggled through the snow to make it such a happy occasion.



Thanks also to all those people who donated food or Raffle prizes. Thank you all very much.

CAKE BAKERS FOR FEBRUARY

February	5	Kay Goodall	Sue Carr	Mary Perryman
	12	Joy West	Kay Pogson	Elizabeth Sealey
	19	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam
	26	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Clair Walley

HELPERS FOR FEBRUARY

February	5	Lauraine Bourne
	12	Jane Macnabb
	19	Sue Clark
	26	Gill Bradley

Annette Booth (22364)

THE MEETING PLACE

Friday, January 15th

With the terrible news of the earthquake in Haiti, The Meeting Place thought that it would do its bit, however small, to raise money for the appeal. With the money from refreshments and your donations we were able to send £50 to the Disasters Emergency Committee Haiti Earthquake Appeal. Thank you.

Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

January

1st - W. Stanford (24); 2nd - J. Fenn (16); 3rd - J. McKenzie (11)

Annette Booth

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB



Owing to the bad weather conditions, we decided to postpone the New Year Party. A provisional date has been arranged for Friday 5th February. Ticket holders will be given confirmation of this date nearer the time.

On Friday 12th February we welcome Mr Stan Witcher who will be presenting a talk entitled "Under My Hats", an intriguing title. Do come and see what it's all about. All are very welcome to both events.

Marian Cresswell

Please can I have the following cups for engraving:

Froyle Fete:

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BUSH CUP
HOLLAND CUP

Autumn Show - I need all cups back.
Thank you.

Due to a problem with my phone some people may have left messages and I have not received them, so I am sorry if you have been trying to get hold of me. Everything is ok now.

I will collect the cups from you if you are not coming to the February meeting at the Village Hall.

The meeting for the Gardening Club will be on Friday 12th February at 7.30pm with a talk by Mr Stan Witcher 'Under my Hats', which we will be all looking forward to.

For more information ring Jayne Williams show secretary 01420 23076

FROYLE RAINFALL FOR NOVEMBER

2009	131.0mm	5.2in
2008	51.0mm	2.0in
Wettest December 1979	167.0mm	6.6in
Driest December 1978	17.0 mm	0.7in
December long-term average - the 3rd wettest month	84.1 mm	3.3in
2009 as a whole	854.0 mm	33.6in
Annual long-term average	777.9 mm	30.7in

What a way to end the decade, the wettest December for 20 years; and, with both rain and snow helping to produce 329.5mm (almost 40% of the year's total) rainfall in the last 2 months, you have to go all the way back to, I believe, October and November 1940 – does anybody remember that particular winter? – for wetter, consecutive months. And for the year as a whole, 2009 may have been 10% above the long-term average, but it was still more or less in line with the last 3 years (2007 – 896.5mm; 2008 – 830.5mm).



“The Weather Man”

THE WIZARD OF OZ

It was with great sadness that we had to take the decision to cancel this year's Pantomime (with ticket sales going so well). The bad weather before Christmas had already taken its toll on rehearsals and then to start losing more in early January we started to struggle. The bad weather not only affected rehearsals, it also made extremely difficult to get the scenery completed in time and to the high standard that we have come to expect (which does not happen by magic overnight but takes a lot of long cold nights building, painting etc). Coupled to that the logistics of trying to get lorries to and from the barn and School

We have always said that if we could not "do it right" we would not do it at all, and we felt that to try and continue would have resulted in a poor show or us having to cancel a few days before the opening night.

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone involved in the production for all their hard work which we hope won't have been in vain.

The plan is to "mothball" the production and then resurrect it in September. There won't be any auditions (unless people drop out and we have to recast a few parts) so keep hold of your scripts and we will expect you all to be word perfect in September. Look out in future Magazines for more updates

Mark Cray, on behalf of the Froyle Players

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

By now we hope everybody will have received a letter appealing for help with the Kitchen Refurbishment Project. If you have already responded, thank you very much. The good news is that at the time of writing we have received several generous donations for which the Committee is grateful and encouraged to believe that the new kitchen will become a reality by the end of the summer. If you would like to make a donation please make your cheque payable to Froyle Village Hall and send it to Charlie Findlay at Beech Cottage, Lower Froyle, GU34 4LL. Alternatively, you can contribute via the website www.justgiving.co.uk/froylevillagehall where there is also the option to make your donation anonymously.

If you do any online shopping, another way you can help is to sign up at the website www.thegivingmachine.co.uk. It costs nothing to register and you nominate Froyle Village Hall as the charity you wish to support. The shops you use on the site donate to the hall a small percentage of the money you spend. So far only 5 people have signed up but they have raised over £80 in less than a month.

Our next fund raising event is a Race Night to be held on Saturday 27th February. For further details see the piece on page 1 or contact Jo Mills on 22384. Book early because it's going to be fun and tickets will be strictly limited!

INVITATION TO MEET DAMIAN HINDS

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**6th MARCH
6 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.**

Froyle Village Hall

Come and say goodbye to James Arbuthnot MP, who due to boundary changes will no longer be the MP for Froyle after the next election – and welcome Damian Hinds and his wife Jackie.

RSVP

**Margaret Stanford – 01420 22139
Cllr Glynis Watts - glynis.watts@virgin.net**

**Dress: Casual
Wine and nibbles**

Lent Lunches

We started Lent Lunches in Froyle in 1991, so this is our 20th year - and I'm sure there a few people in the village who have been to all 102 of them!



To remind everyone: they are a simple soup, bread and cheese lunch in aid of a charity chosen by the hostess.

The lunches are from 12.30 - 2.00 p.m. and we ask you to give £2 as a basic donation (though please feel free to give more!).

Pre-school children free.

Anyone wanting to help in any way, give a lunch, offer/need a lift, donation if you are unable to come, please telephone **Margaret Stanford on 22139**.

Ash Wednesday 17th February at the Old Malt House, Lower Froyle
in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice
Gill Bradley 520484

Wednesday 24th February at Beech Cottage, Lower Froyle
in aid of Leukaemia Research
Caroline Findlay 22019

Wednesday 3rd March, at Brecklands, Lower Froyle
in aid of Multiple Sclerosis Research
Jo Mills 22384

Details of the last 3 will be in the March magazine.



We look forward to seeing lots of you during Lent - please come and enjoy the delicious soups (and chat!).

Margaret Stanford

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Letters to the Editor



During the past week, I have been so very grateful for the extreme kindness of neighbours. Every day people rang, either at the door or on the telephone, to know if I was alright and if I needed anything. My paths were cleared, shopping done and money from the bank. Although I could not get out, I needed nothing. I know from friends that this has been happening all over the village. Am I surprised? No, because I know the kindness and concern of Froyle inhabitants, but **THANK YOU**. You all made what could have been a difficult time, very special.

Anne Wetherall

We write to record a huge “thank you” to all those good neighbours who shopped, salted and shovelled snow to help us through the Big Freeze of 2010.

Their aid was truly appreciated and we send them our warmest wishes.

Olga and Ted Crowhurst

THANK YOU once again Froyle. What a wonderful village we live in. Thank you to the friends and neighbours who during the bad weather, offered me help, phoned me to check if I needed anything and generally looked after me. Froyle must be one of the friendliest, most caring villages ever.

June Trim

Many thanks to Michelle Essenson and Charlie Finlay for mounting a rescue mission for many folk in Froyle who were running low on food essentials early in the snow blast. It was mission impossible but the intrepid pair organised and transported many bags of food across the village. Once again ‘The Friendly Village’ has risen to the challenge.

Douglas Law



News from The Froyle Archive

Normally at this time of the year we advertise our annual Open Day. Because of a lower than usual number of visitors in 2009, we have decided not to hold an event until June 2011, when we will be once again organising another “Village Open Day”.

However, we have been invited to attend an Alton & Surrounding Villages Local History occasion on 15th May in the Assembly Rooms in Alton (*details nearer the time, when we receive them!*) and we hope to see some of you there.

We must also thank all those of you who have already sent us details of Builders Marks on and in your houses, and you can see them at:-

<http://www.froyle.com/bmmenu.htm>

Do keep them coming!

Finally, we have used part of our grant from the Parish Council for 2010, for which we are most appreciative, to purchase access to the 1911 Census. The records for Froyle are available at:-

<http://www.froyle.com/census.htm>

And if anyone would like to use the opportunity to look elsewhere than Froyle in the 1911 Census, we have access until the beginning of June.

It is of interest that the next Census, 1921, which will be available in 2021(!), will be the last for many years as the 1931 records were destroyed in a fire (*see page 10 of this magazine*) and, of course, there was no Census taken in 1941. There is an attempt, by the group that got the 1911 Census released early, to get the 1939 Registration Details (*for ID cards*) released under a Freedom of Information request.

Watch this space.

Chris & Annette Booth 22364

FROYLE CALENDAR

What a success! Thank you to everybody who helped, by entering photographs (well over 200), by buying the finished calendars and by supporting me throughout. Thank you especially to Tony Souter for judging the final twelve photos (a lot of hard work), and Adrian Trim for all the artwork. I could not have done it without them.

There are still a few calendars left at the time of going to press, so if you have been meaning to get one but have not got around to it phone me on 01420 23336. They are £5 each.

June Trim

The loss of the 1931 Census

(extract from 1911Census.org.uk)

In theory the 1931 census for England & Wales would have been available for public access in 2032 or perhaps earlier if rules were to be changed. However that is not to be. On the night of Saturday 19th December 1942, there was a fire at a store in Hayes, Middlesex. The store, the responsibility of the Office of Works, contained a large amount of furniture but in addition it contained the census records for England & Wales for 1931, that is the whole of the schedules, enumeration books and plans. They were all completely destroyed.

The fire was not caused by enemy action and the civil servant from the General Register Office who visited the site a few days later was bemused as to how a fire “achieved such dimensions in a store in which special hydrants had been fitted and was said to have been in charge of a fire guard of 6 paid firewatchers” and that it is “a mystery which will need investigation”.

He reported that he and his colleague “are both satisfied that it would be useless to attempt any sort of salvage operation; we are leaving the Office of Works to clear and dispose of the debris in any way they think desirable”.

The file on this at the National Archives shows that the General Register Office continued to try and find out what caused the fire - the final word on this seemed to be in March the following year when it was reported that “the fierceness of the fire obliterated all traces of its cause and the only clue is a suggestion in the police report that it may have been due to a lighted cigarette thrown down by one of the fire watchers. There is not sufficient evidence to justify any action”.

Chris & Annette Booth 22364

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THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

Well... I suppose the most significant happening in our country at the moment has been the weather. Perhaps with the distinct chill in the air now is not the time to mention the "L" word! You know what I mean, yes, "Lent" – the time we give up things like sweets, wine or chocolate! I am going to do the Christian Aid Lenten discipline called "Count Your Blessings 2010 – a life-changing experience for Lent. What you do is use a small, simple attractive calendar from Christian Aid reminding us of the needs of the world and then on each day you are invited to make a daily response. It looks fun and creative, so if you want a calendar do get in touch with me and I can let you have one. I will put some at the back of church as well for anyone who might be interested.

In addition to our normal pattern of Sunday services there will also be:-

Ash Wednesday 17th February 9.30am Eucharist in St Mary's Froyle
6.30pm Eucharist in Holybourne Church

and on the following Sundays:

21st February 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

28th February 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

7th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

14th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

21st March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

28th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

Last year the additional services were very well supported so please do come along again. All are welcome.

With every blessing,

James

St Mary's Church Notes

Vicar

The Reverend James Croft

Tel: 01420 83240

Churchwarden

Mrs. J. Dundas Brocas Farm, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520279



Church Services in February

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

CHURCH REPORT from Jean Norkett

In spite of the earlier winter weather which came on 18th December and virtually closed the Beeches Hill to anything but 4 x 4's, it was remarkable how high the attendances were through the Christmas season. First with the Carol Service and then there were record numbers for the Crib Service (Linda counted 102 children, parents, grandparents and friends). The Midnight Mass was celebrated by a congregation of 68, followed by over 50 at the Christmas morning service. Most people had to drive the long way round, down to the A31 road and then up Ryebriidge Hill to the church. During that time a team of church flower arrangers and tree decorators got to church, decorated it and then dismantled it all by the end of the Twelve Days. All this time James, who had a damaged hand and was unable to drive himself, was chauffeured to and from by a team of volunteer drivers.

Now another church calendar is underway. Lent starts with Ash Wednesday on 17th February and the first of the Lent lunches takes place. The Froyle Vestments Group is holding their Lent Lunch at the Church on 17th March. See Margaret Stanford's notice for further details about the Lunches.

Easter falls in early April this year. On Saturday 3rd April the church flowers are done by the congregation in the morning – see Brenda Milam re Church flowers.

Also on that Saturday during the afternoon, James and the children will be making an Easter Garden, which will be followed by a short prayer or two, and then the Easter Egg Hunt and tea for the children.

Easter Sunday Services are at 8am and 9.30am being the first Sunday of the month.

Latest news from the two Parishes of Bentley and Binsted, who are in the process of finding a new Parish priest, is that interviews are on 4th and 5th February.

Froyle PCC will be included in this process as ultimately Froyle will be in that Benefice.

ALTON COMMUNITY CARE A Resolution for the New Year?

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COULD YOU HELP?

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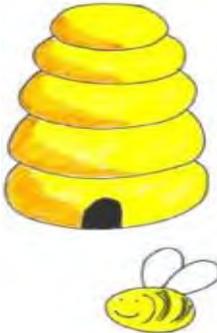
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Nigel Fisher

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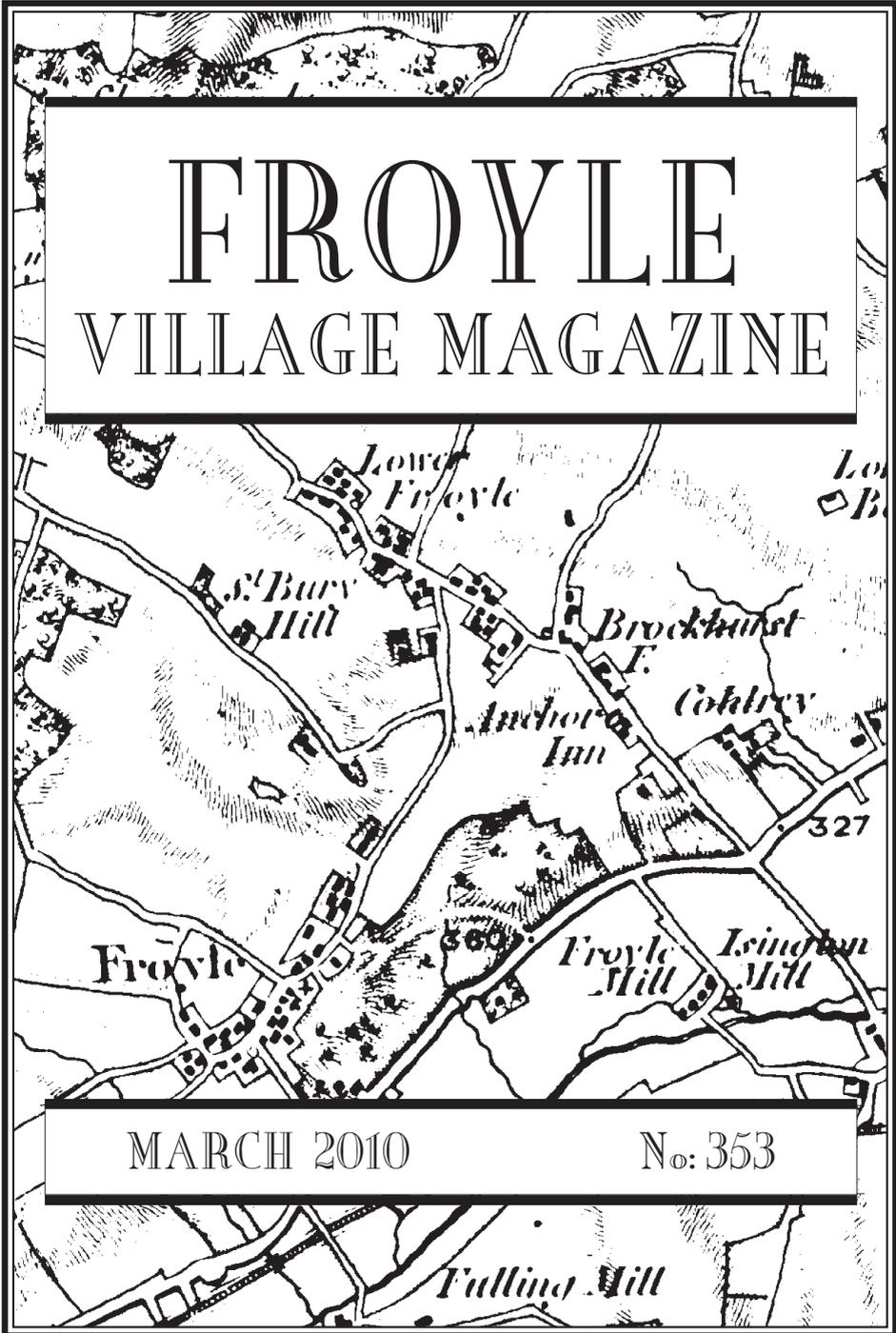
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Village Hall Kitchen Fund Raising Update

I would like to thank everyone in the village who has donated towards the Village Hall kitchen project, the response has been very encouraging and for that we are extremely grateful. Because of your generosity we are now well on the way to our target of £35,000 and to making this much-needed project happen.

To recap, we estimate we require a budget of £35,000 to extend the usable kitchen space by 50%, get new ovens, a gas hob, a fridge and worksurfaces AS WELL AS to sort the leaking flat roof and replace the central heating and hot water system and electricity distribution board.

So far we have the following commitments:

- Froyle residents have so far donated £11,000.
- The Village Hall Committee has allocated £5,000, with additional for the contingency budget.
- Froyle Parish Council has committed £3,000.
- EHDC have agreed to fund £5,000.
- HCC £4,000 (50% of FPC and EHDC).
- Fete from 2009 has donated £2,000.

We therefore need just £5,000.00 to reach our target, so please if you haven't donated yet please give generously.

You can donate anonymously at www.justgiving.com/froylevillagehall or simply drop in a cheque or cash to Charlie Findlay, Beech Cottage, Lower Froyle.

Many Thanks
Jerry Saunders 22478

Please see page2 for more Village Hall News



FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Bookings : Jo Mills, Bentley 22384

HIRERS OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Will hirers please make doubly sure that heating is shut off, lights, especially the gents and ladies toilets, are turned off, curtains opened and kitchen and front doors locked. Please return the key through the letterbox of Brecklands as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME** Would hall users also please ensure that both the Yale lock and mortice lock are secured when the front door is closed.

From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition. **Currently a number of plates, several chairs and two small tables are missing. If you have these please return them as soon as possible.**

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

The Kitchen Project - Reviewing the Plans

Some of you have wanted to know more about the project and what we are proposing, how it is going to look and where is all the money going.

Charlie Findlay and Jerry Saunders have been holding various individual and small group sessions at the Village Hall, and one or both have been attending the meeting place to run through things with people. The feedback from these consultations we have found very useful. We are presently preparing a permanent display to be hung in the Village Hall of plans and finishes for the Village to view.

If you want further details on the kitchen or for us to run through the designs, please do not hesitate to call either of us.

Jerry Saunders 22478

Charlie Findlay 22019

THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.



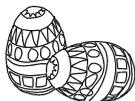
CAKE BAKERS FOR MARCH

March	5	Kate Barnden	Vivien Riley	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts
	12	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	
	19	Cecily Robertson	Lauraine Bourne	Sheila Lawrence	
	26	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Nancy Rowson	Mary Menzies

HELPERS FOR MARCH

March	5	Maureen Fry
	12	Cecily Robertson
	19	Margaret Stanford
	26	Maria Jefferson

Advance Notice



EASTER MEETING PLACE



On Friday, 2nd April for your Hot Cross Buns, or home-made cake if you prefer, and good company. We will be open, as usual, from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon. For the youngsters amongst you there is our Decorated Egg Competition. This will be judged in age groups again this year to make it fairer on all entrants.

Classes will be: Under 5 years, 5-7, 8-11, and 11+. There will be a prize of an Easter Egg for the winner in each class and sweets to all competitors. You can decorate your hard boiled egg in any way, but it must be in some form of egg cup. Please bring your entry to the Village Hall by 10.30am. The competition will be judged at 11.15am by popular vote. We hope to see a lot of you entering!! There will be our usual RAFFLE to raise funds to keep The Meeting Place running smoothly.

Once again we shall have our EASTER BONNET competition for the adults. You can make it out of anything or simply dress up a hat you already have. Wear it to the Easter Meeting Place and there will be a £10 Gardening Voucher for the winner. This will be judged by a small panel. We have so many talented ladies (*and gentlemen*) in Froyle - come on, show us what you can do!!

Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB



The New Year Party (held later than usual owing to the bad weather) was enjoyed by a large number of members and friends. Many thanks to all those who helped in any way to make the evening such a success. Special thanks to Dorothy for the beautiful table flowers and to Megan and Katie who took charge of the kitchen and waited on us all so efficiently.

For the first meeting of 2010 we were right royally entertained by Stan Witcher who gave us an insight into the life of a town crier. Very interesting and often hilarious, we all enjoyed first class entertainment.

On March 12th Mr Brian Herbert will be telling us about the ancient art of beekeeping. Very different - we hope to see you there.

Marian Cresswell

The Alton & District Fund Raising Committee

Cancer Research UK

invite you to a

BRIDGE TEA

Wednesday 14 April 2010 2-5pm

Froyle Village Hall

Please bring cloth/scorers/cards

Committee: Margaret Stanford (01420 22139), Gill Bradley, Hopper Cavendish, Sarah Floyd, Sona Harrap

**Please would anyone interested ring Margaret on 22139 or Gill on 520484.
Tables are £40.**

Easter Challenge

Wouldn't it be lovely if we could fill the church window sills with Spring flowers for Easter.

The plan is for as many people as possible to contribute a flower pot lined with clingfilm and filled with oasis and also flowers of course. Any size, any number!

We will put a supply of flower pots and oasis at the back of the church for those who need them. Children's pots VERY WELCOME. Any one can do this, so come and join in on Easter Saturday morning or afternoon.

REMEMBER: James will be with the children creating the Easter garden on that day at 4 pm. This will be followed at 5 pm by a short service, an Easter Egg hunt and tea and cakes. This was great fun last year so come and enjoy .

Brenda Milam

Additional Services During March

7th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

14th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

21st March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

28th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

The Hedge by the Recreation Ground - Spring pruning

This hedge will shortly be given a dramatic pruning. It is now the appropriate time, ahead of the growing season. It will look quite bare to start with. Please do not be alarmed! The hedge will soon grow back to its former glory and the pavement access will be improved.

COMING SOON to froyle.com

F-BAY

By the time you read this, we hope to be launching “F-Bay”, a page in Froyle Promotions rather like the small ads in this magazine, where you can advertise items for sale.

This is not an auction site, merely a place to sell goods and there will be no charge for this service.

Contact details will be by forwarded email from an anonymous link on the page (*something like seller01@froyle.com which would then be forwarded to your email address*) which should protect your privacy.

There will be space for a photograph and details, as well as your asking price. Take a look at www.froyle.com/fropro after 1st March .

The idea and name are the brainchild of Sue & Mark Carr - thank you both!

Chris & Annette Booth

Thank you from Roz

Thank you to all my many friends around my delivery for the seasonal greetings and gifts that you so very kindly gave me.

Roz

Jane, Phil and the family would like to thank all their friends in the village for their overwhelming support and kindness following Jane’s recent accident.

After some wonderful treatment at Salisbury’s Odstock hospital, Jane is well on the way to a full recovery.

Phil Clift

Lent Lunches

As I write this, it is still a week to Ash Wednesday - I hope everybody has the first three dates firmly in their diary, and much look forward to seeing lots of people at every lunch.



The lunches are from 12.30 - 2pm and we ask you to give £2 as a basic donation (though please feel free to give more!). Pre school children free.

Anyone wanting to help in any way, offer/request lifts etc, please ring Margaret Stanford on 22139.

Wednesday 10 March at Bamber Cottage, Lower Froyle in aid of Kidney Research Portsmouth - Margaret Stanford 22139

Wednesday 17 March at St Mary's Church in aid of the Vestment Restoration Fund - Linda Bulpitt 22725 (The Vestment Group)

Wednesday 24 March at Treetops (behind the Hen & Chicken) in aid of The Teloar Trust - Mary Perryman 520647



We do hope to see lots of you - please come and enjoy the company, delicious soups and charming houses.

Margaret Stanford

Big Thank You

To all who came to the Meeting Place on 22nd January to help me celebrate my significant birthday. Thank you for all your kind wishes, lovely gifts and beautiful (and amusing) cards.

I couldn't have wished for a nicer way to mark my special birthday. Huge, huge thanks to Annette and Chris for organising food and drink, flowers, card, balloons etc, all of which were a great and wonderful surprise. Special thanks, too, to Jeanette and Tanya for my birthday cake, and all the ladies who provided the 'goodies' to eat. Not forgetting the ladies in the kitchen, including Linda and Joy (please forgive if I haven't mentioned your name); sorry for all the extra work!!

Thank you, again, to my dear Froylian Friends.

Lori

Froyle Rain (and Snow-) fall in January

This year - which includes 16.5 inches (42 cm) of snow, equivalent to 1.65 inches (42 mm) of water.

97 mm 3.8 inches

Last year

88 mm 3.46 inches

Wettest January (1986)

153 mm

6.02 inches

Driest January (1997)

13 mm

0.51 inches

Long term average for January
- the 4th wettest month

80.8 mm 3.18 inches

Lest you need reminding, snow came to Froyle in no uncertain terms on the 5th, 6th and 13th of the month which, if translated at the recognised rate of 10 cm of snow being equivalent to 1 cm of rain, accounted for getting on for half of the month's rainfall. Inconvenient though of course it was, some may recall the winter of 1963 when the snow lingered for rather longer. I recall that the snowman we built in the garden in February still being there in the Easter holidays - and it crossed nobody's mind then to complain about the impassability of the roads; mind you we didn't have the excellent toboggan run at Saintbury Hill either!



“The Weather Man”

FROYLE ‘100 CLUB’ DRAW

February

1st - Mrs J Elliott (41); 2nd - Mrs A Reiner (32); 3rd - Mrs M Cresswell (78)

Annette Booth

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Sword of Damocles

I remember the Desmond Bailey of 1946, a cheery optimist who habitually read his horoscope in the Daily Express. As a pessimist I would never let him read it to me, since we share the same birth date.

One dull day Des burst excitedly into the general office on the third floor, where I pushed a reluctant pen.

“Quick” he said, “I’ve got the keys to the safe below the banking hall. I’ll show you Daniel O’Connell’s sword.”

Pen gratefully discarded, I joined him in the long descent, only mildly intrigued. Once in the vault Des moved to the far end, fiddled with the keys, and extracted what I assume was an early nineteenth century dress sword, housed in appropriately crafted scabbard. I reached forward to touch it and did, just, but in that very instant Des drew the sword, yelling “Have at ye varlet!”

The scabbard broke in half.

Our faces shone in the half-light.

“What are we going to do?”

“Was it broken already?”

And, simultaneously, “Lets put it back.”

We gingerly slotted the scabbard halves on to the priceless artefact – in our minds its value was increasing by the second – and replaced the relic where it had rested.

Des looked up. I don’t think we spoke. We climbed the endless stairs. My reluctant pen seemed to offer itself as a safe attractive comforter. Desmond went on his way.

I don’t think I slept for several nights. I don’t know if Des slept, for he never mentioned the incident again. No more I. And neither did anyone else.....

Once or twice in the passing years I have swallowed hard at the memory of the O’Connell Sword Disaster. To this day I don’t know its history, value, whereabouts or significance. Others will.

All I hope is that the statute of limitations applies. At my time of life I wouldn’t want to be questioned about what some might call an act of gross vandalism.

And I wish I’d thought to wipe our prints off before we left the vault.

Ted Crowhurst

2010 – The International Year of Biodiversity - IYB

Biodiversity – The variety of life on earth and the habitats that support them.

We need biodiversity because our lives depend on the natural world for clean water, food, the air we breathe, health, clothing and more. In recognition of this the UN have designated 2010 as the International Year of Biodiversity.

It is shocking to learn that plants and animals are becoming extinct at a faster rate today than at any time in the last 65 million years. 17,000 different species are on the brink of extinction including one fifth of the world's mammals. Reasons for this include habitat destruction and fragmentation, pollution and over exploitation of natural resources. For more information visit the Natural History Museum website <http://www.nhm.ac.uk/nature-online/biodiversity/index.html>

In the UK, in addition to already rare species, many others, that we take for granted, have also declined such as the song thrush, house sparrow, common toad, grass snake, hedgehog, brown hare and various bat species. For a full list of UK animals, plants and habitats of conservation concern visit -<http://www.ukbap.org.uk/newprioritylist.aspx>

In Hampshire we have a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) which details the national priority species/habitats that occur within the county and our locally rare/declining/threatened species/habitats. For information on Hampshire's Biodiversity please contact Biodiversity Officer, Jacklyn Johnston on 01962 832315 jacklyn.johnston@hants.gov.uk or go to <http://www.hampshirebiodiversity.org.uk/>

Back in Froyle itself, many people in the village are already very active in creating and maintaining wildlife friendly habitats in their gardens. It would be great, if via the magazine, people shared their sightings and hints and tips for sustaining and growing biodiversity in our gardens. For example:

- ◆ What have you found to be the best nectar and berry rich trees, shrubs and flowers to attract and feed different birds, bees, butterflies, bats and moths in your garden?
- ◆ Has anyone put up bird and bat boxes in their garden and seen positive results?
- ◆ What foods do you put out to attract and feed different species of birds or other animals e.g. hedgehogs?
- ◆ Where do you get your bird/other garden visitor food supplies from?
- ◆ Do you have any recipes for making bird and garden visitor food treats at home?
- ◆ Has anyone consciously used compost heaps and log piles to create wildlife habitats and if so, what results have you had?
- ◆ Are there any species that you are particularly worried about and how are you supporting and maintaining these in your own garden?

- ◆ What would you like people to do in their gardens in 2010 and beyond to help sustain and grow the biodiversity we have in Froyle?

Michelle Essenson has volunteered to collate people's input in a format ready for insertion in the village magazine each month. So please send any input to her at Barns End or via [michelle.essenson at essentia.ltd.uk](mailto:michelle.essenson@essentia.ltd.uk)

Chris Booth is happy to receive any Froyle wildlife photos for the website site to help everyone enjoy and learn about our own local biodiversity. naturepix@froyle.com

For starters watch out for two Bumble Bee look a likes in March/April, photos on naturepix

Links to some conservation and wildlife websites, identification guides etc. can be found on the Nature page of Froyle website: <http://www.froyle.com/nature.htm>

Sue Clark and Michelle Essenson

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings **Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am in Froyle Village Hall**

Apologies for not being organised enough to put a list of dates in the last magazine, I was enjoying our new arrival and time flies past....

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee.

There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Our meeting dates for March are
4th, 11th, 18th, 25th.

Our meeting dates for April are
1st, 22nd, 29th.

Any questions please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336

The 682nd Lord Mayor of the City of London visits Treloar's

On Wednesday 3 February, the 682nd Lord Mayor of the City of London, Alderman Nick Anstee made the annual visit to Treloar's. Accompanied by the Lady Mayoress, Sheriff, Mr Alderman David Wootton and Masters of over 30 London Livery Companies, the close bond between the City of London and Treloar's was further cemented.

Treloar's welcomed their guests firstly to the College, where they met the students from TEPS - Treloar's Enterprise Printing Solution- a small high quality printing business run by students at Treloar College. The visit started with inspiring speeches from Tony Reid, the Chief Executive of Treloar Trust and Pat Teague, Principal of the College.

The guests were led by students on a whistle stop tour of the highlights of student activities, including classes in art and textiles, a presentation by the World of Work team, a demonstrations of speech and language and physiotherapy sessions.

Guests were also shown the new ground breaking service, Treloar's Direct, which was funded thanks to the kind support of the Worshipful Company of Merchant Taylors and other generous benefactors. The Lord Mayor said: "I have been impressed to see Treloar's Direct, a mobile therapy and assistive technology service which will provide much needed support for disabled students studying at mainstream schools and colleges. "

The visit ended at the School with Headteacher Harry Dicks summing up the day for the guests, many of whom were visibly moved by the positive and enthusiastic attitude of all the students they met.

The Lord Mayor of the City of London went on to say: "Treloar's is a wonderful place producing impressive young people with the self confidence to learn and develop their skills and interest enhancing their opportunity for future independence. My wife and I have thoroughly enjoyed the day."

Antonio Cappelletti, Marketing Executive
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THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

Last month, on Sunday 31st January it was announced at all services in the Benefice of Froyle and Holybourne that I had accepted a new appointment as Priest-in-Charge of Chesterfield, SS Augustine and Priest-in-Charge of St Mark Brampton within the Diocese of Derby and that I will be leaving Froyle this summer.

As I said in Church on the day, I made the announcement with a mixture of sadness and excitement, sadness after thirteen years living and ministering amongst you but excitement as well as I move to a very different kind of ministry. This is to serve as a Priest in an urban environment where there is much challenging social need. After twenty years as a Priest working in, and, very much enjoying, rural/semi-rural ministry, I felt over some period of time that I was very much being called to a different kind of parish work. I would very much appreciate your thoughts and prayers as Jenny and I and the family prepare for the challenges that lie ahead.

I am very aware that my forthcoming move now resolves Pastoral Reorganisation issues that have “hung in the air” over the Benefice for many years now. I am equally aware that the last two years, as Pastoral Reorganisation has proceeded apace, have been a time of uncertainty for many, especially for those actively involved in the life of our two churches. In some isolated cases this has resulted in extreme frustration, even anger. I regret this but equally I would like to thank people for their patience and their support of me personally during this difficult time of impending change.

So, when I am licensed and take up the new post, subject to the Pastoral Scheme continuing to proceed smoothly, Froyle will become part of a new Benefice of Binsted, Bentley and Froyle and Holybourne will join the new Parish of the Resurrection. Alton already in covenant with the Alton Methodist Church. As I prepare to leave I will endeavour to keep you informed of the handover arrangements.

I will, of course continue to hold you all in my prayers as you face new and exciting futures.

With every blessing,

James

St Mary's Church Notes

Vicar

The Reverend James Croft

Tel: 01420 83240

Churchwarden

Mrs.J.Dundas Brocas Farm, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520279



Church Services in March

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

7th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

14th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

21st March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

28th March 6.30pm Evening Prayer with short Quiet Meditation

Church Report – March 2010

By now most of you will be aware that our vicar James Croft is leaving the benefice of Froyle and Holybourne. James and his family are going to Derbyshire and he will take his last service in Froyle sometime in August. In the meantime there lies ahead a busy summer with christenings, weddings and blessings at our Church.

With James leaving, Holybourne goes in the direction of Alton to join the Churches there and Froyle joins Bentley and Binsted in the hunt for a vicar to cover all three parishes.

Froyle Church is holding its annual **Jumble Sale on Saturday 15th May** in the Village Hall. Doors open at 2pm. Margaret Stanford is running the raffle

We do need help in the morning with sorting and setting up and the selling in the afternoon. Can you help us? There will be all the usual stalls: bric-a-brac, books, toys and of course, teas. Give me a call if you can help, even for an hour. Thank you.

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6th MARCH
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Froyle Village Hall

Come and say goodbye to James Arbuthnot MP, who due to boundary changes will no longer be the MP for Froyle after the next election – and welcome Damian Hinds and his wife Jackie.

RSVP

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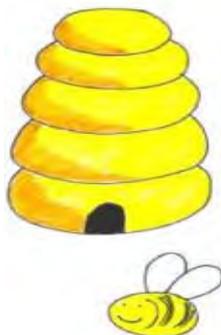
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MONDAY MARCH 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

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Thursday	8.30 - 11.00am	4.00 - 6.00pm
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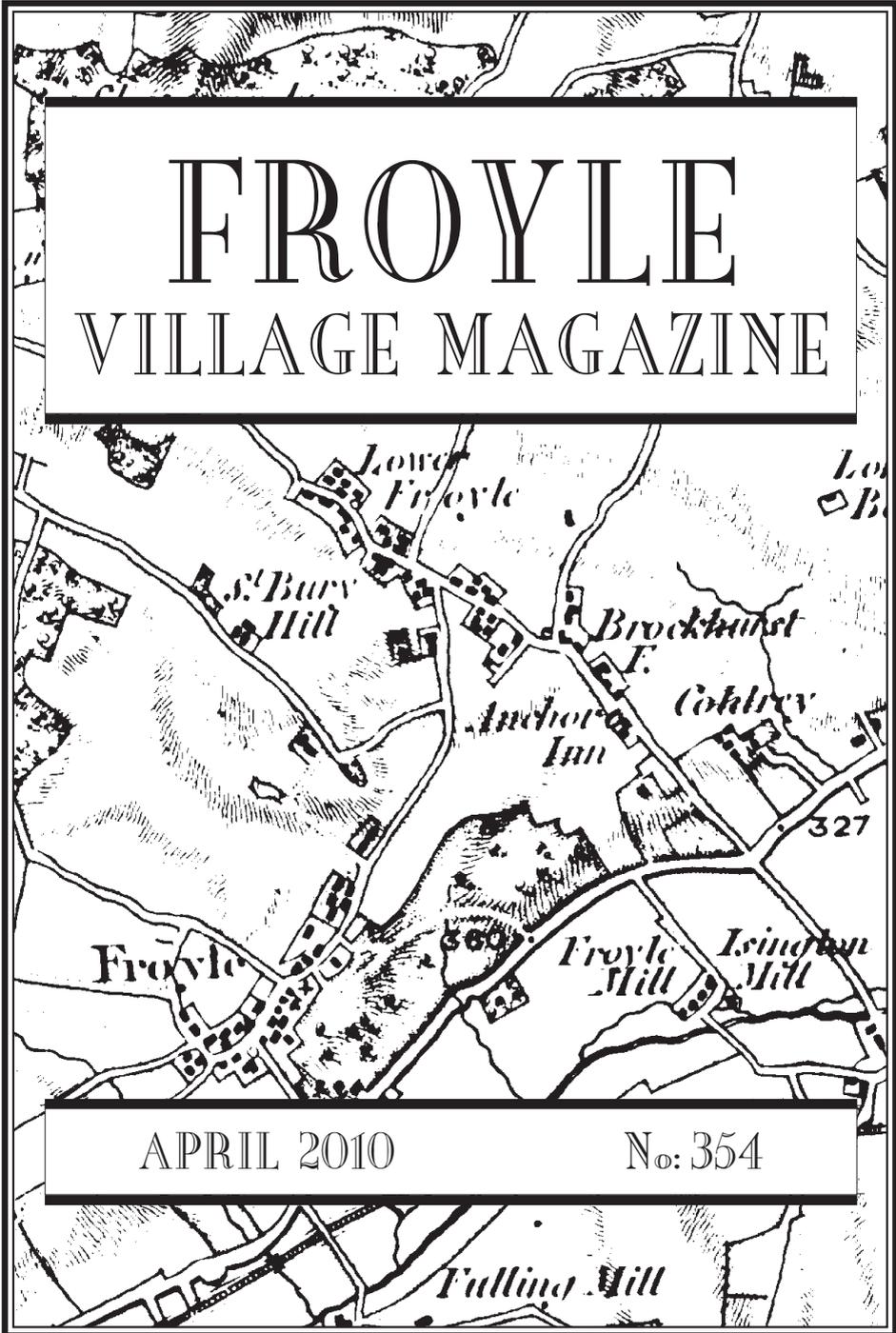
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FROYLE

VILLAGE MAGAZINE

APRIL 2010

No. 354

PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

Crabtree Gate, Well Lane, Lower Froyle Tel:01420 520102

ALL ELECTORS OF FROYLE

are invited to take part in the

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

to be held in

FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

on Wednesday April 21st at 8.00 p.m.

The agenda will include matters raised by electors, reports from the County Councillor and District Councillor and reports from village groups.

After the meeting refreshments will be available and there will be a chance for informal discussions with Councillors.



FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Bookings : Jo Mills, Bentley 22384

HIRERS OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Will hirers please make doubly sure that heating is shut off, lights, especially the gents and ladies toilets, are turned off, curtains opened and kitchen and front doors locked. Please return the key through the letterbox of Brecklands as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME** Would hall users also please ensure that both the Yale lock and mortice lock are secured when the front door is closed.

From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition. **Currently a number of plates, several chairs and two small tables are missing. If you have these please return them as soon as possible.**

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

Morning Police Surgeries in the Village Hall

Friday April 9th

PC Louisa Whatmore

Friday April 23rd

PCSO Andy White

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

March

1st - T. Crowhust (71); 2nd - M. Wilde (77); 3rd - M. Pritchard (99)

Annette Booth

THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.

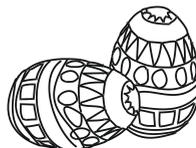
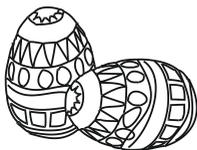


CAKE BAKERS FOR APRIL

April	2	Marj Robinson	Marian Cresswell	Margaret Stanford
	9	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin
	16	Kay Goodall	Sue Carr	Jennie Thomas Mary Perryman
	23	Joy West	Kay Pogson	Elizabeth Sealey
	30	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam

HELPERS FOR APRIL

April	2	Elizabeth Sealey & Jean Norkett
	9	Madeleine Black
	16	Mary Wilde
	23	Kay Pogson
	30	Lyn Pritchard



EASTER MEETING PLACE

On Friday, 2nd April for your Hot Cross Buns, or home-made cake if you prefer, and good company. We will be open, as usual, from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon. For the youngsters amongst you there is our Decorated Egg Competition. This will be judged in age groups again this year to make it fairer on all entrants.

Classes will be: Under 5 years, 5-7, 8-11, and 11+. There will be a prize of an Easter Egg for the winner in each class and sweets to all competitors. You can decorate your hard boiled egg in any way, but it must be in some form of egg cup. Please bring your entry to the Village Hall by 10.30am. The competition will be judged at 11.15am by popular vote. We hope to see a lot of you entering!! There will be our usual RAFFLE to raise funds to keep The Meeting Place running smoothly.

Once again we shall have our EASTER BONNET competition for the adults. You can make it out of anything or simply dress up a hat you already have. Wear it to the Easter Meeting Place and there will be a £10 Gardening Voucher for the winner. This will be judged by a small panel. We have so many talented ladies (*and gentlemen*) in Froyle - come on, show us what you can do!!



Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB



A large gathering of members enjoyed a very interesting and detailed account of what it means to be a beekeeper. I am sure we all learned many things. A pot of Brian Roberts's honey was the cherry on the cake!

Next month is "Spring Show" time. We hope to fill the hall with spring flowers. Remember, you only need three perfect flowers to win one of the trophies. So, if you are a gardening club member, why not give it a try? All are welcome to come and see this lovely display of spring flowers.

Do try and come – and enjoy some refreshments as well.

Marian Cresswell

Totty on the Run!

Sharon Edwards and her dear friend Minna are taking part in the London Marathon On Sunday 25th April 2010 to raise money for the MS Society.

Sharon was diagnosed with MS two years ago. The MS Society has helped Sharon, her friends and family learn to live with the disease. This is their chance to give back to the MS Society.

Please offer your support and donate on their website

justgiving.com/tottyontherun

or pop in to the Hen & Chicken who are supporting Sharon and Minna by also collecting money on their behalf.

Thank you for supporting this great cause!!

Letters to the Editor

The Hedge by the Recreation Ground – Spring Pruning

I see by the March magazine the hedge at the recreation ground is going to be cut.

Spring Pruning

Spring is not the time to cut hedges. The early nesting birds have started to make their nests. They are a little later this year because of the cold weather. Blackbirds, thrush, robin, dunnock and some reptiles and mammals will be coming out of hibernation and will be disturbed.

The only hedge which is cut in spring is any of the prunus family. This is cut when the sap is rising as this helps to prevent diseases and die back. Beech hedges are cut from the last week in July into August. The hedge will make enough growth and mature before the first frost. This will give wildlife some cover before winter.

It is only non-gardeners that like to cut their hedges in spring and tidy their gardens with no thought for wildlife.

Ann Figgins

**Former Froyle Parish Council Tree and Biodiversity
Warden**

Editor's Note

Due to the deadline for the magazine production, copy for the March edition was already with the printer before it was realized that the hedge-cutting contractor was unavailable to carry out a hard cut before the start of the nesting season. Some trimming has taken place to ensure that the pavement remains passable and the situation will be reviewed later in the year.

Nigel Fisher

Bentley School

Portsmouth 6-aside Competition

On 5th March 2010 Bentley Primary School Year 6 participated in the semi-finals of the School Premiership Cup. The competition consisted of 7 teams, each playing all of the other teams once. Bentley played 6 games and won all of them, the scores being: 4-0, 4-0, 4-1, 3-2, 10-0 and 5-0. We therefore won the tournament. Bentley will now go and represent Portsmouth in a competition against other schools that will represent other Premiership clubs. The Competition will be played on the pitch of Stamford Bridge in Chelsea.

By Guy Remington and Jack Dunne, Year 6

The Farnham Assemblies Team came in and helped us to learn about God. They told us how Jesus was crucified and came back to life. We made a plate that said 'this is my body, this is my blood, remember me'. It had bread for his body, wine for his blood and hearts for his love.

By Sophie, Year 3

In African drumming everyone loves it, is great fun. We are learning different types of rhythms and putting it all into four pieces of music. We've been doing it now for three weeks. The teacher is very kind.

By Libby and Beatrice, Year 3

On Friday 26th February some members of Year Five went to Eggar's School to to an ICT conference. We made movies to advertise the school on Windows Movie Maker and added music and pictures off the website. Previously Eggar's had come in an videoed the school, which we used as well. The people at Eggar's were very kind and helped when we got stuck. There was a choice of school dinners and the snack bar was AWESOME! At playtime we played 'it' with some of the students there, it was really fun. AT the end of the day the teacher showed one video from each school We really enjoyed our trip.

Village Hall Kitchen Project

I am pleased to announce that due to the extremely kind generosity of the Village to the Kitchen Project, over £15,000.00 has been donated which means that all systems are go for the kitchen to start construction in late July of this year. This news is fantastic for everybody who has worked on the project, and means that the whole village can benefit from a modern kitchen in the Village Hall.

The Kitchen Committee are presently finalizing plans and specifications, and as I promised last month, when this is completed will be forming a permanent exhibition for everybody to view at the Village Hall as to what is being built.

Thank you all once again, this project has been made possible by your generosity.

Jerry Saunders, Chairman FVH

To all race goers!

Thank you all for coming and making the race night such a Grand National event. We raised an amazing £1,106! Also thank you to Susie for all her help with the food, and all the other helpers on the night.

Jo

Village Hall Race Night

A huge thank you to Jo Mills for organizing such a great race night at the Village Hall. Over 70 people attended and through their generosity, we managed to raise for the Hall over £1,100.00.

Thank you to all those who helped on the night and everyone who attended, making it such a success.

See you next year!

Jerry Saunders

Froyle Fete and Flower Show

Saturday 10th July

After the themed events of recent years, in 2010 it's back to a "traditional" village fete. This means the welcome return of arcane activities such as welly wanging and the egg and spoon race to complement old favourites like the dog show and tug o' war.

I'm pleased to report that the magazine has exclusively secured the services of a special "countryman" correspondent whose new column in the months ahead will introduce the delights of some of these half forgotten rural activities to younger readers and newcomers to the village. We are hoping that a traditional gypsy fortune teller will be at the fete, but she can't predict what she'll be doing that far ahead! As for food and drink, what could be more traditional than a toothsome locally sourced burger washed down by a pint of local ale, or a slice of succulent home baked fruit cake accompanied by a cup of tea? More details of all the events in forthcoming editions.

As usual, if you'd like to run a stall or help with setting up or taking down, please contact Jenny Gove on 23697. New hands are always welcome. If you have any other questions or ideas about the event then call Mary Knowles on 23164.

Nigel Fisher

The secret's out

This year's Village Quiz is on

Saturday October 30th

You wouldn't want to miss it

Froyle Rainfall for February

This year	104 mm	4.1 inches
Last year	72 mm	2.8 inches
Wettest February (1990)	157 mm	6.2 inches
Driest February (1993)	5 mm	0.2 inches
Long-term average for February – the 8 th wettest month	55.4 mm	2.2 inches

With 90% falling in the last 10 days of the month, 2010 ended up having the third highest February rainfall in over 30 years and was the wettest since 1995. Oddly though, following both those wetter Februarys (in 1990 and 1995), the subsequent annual totals were both comfortably below the long-term average; coincidence..? or a straw in the wind for 2010..? Watch this space.



“TheUmbrellaMan”

Froyle Parish Council - Keeping in Touch

The Council is thinking of establishing an “opt-in” e-mail list to improve communication with the village. We generally receive information on road closures, variations to refuse collection, planning matters etc by e-mail and it would be a straightforward and timely process to forward relevant correspondence to interested villagers via an “opt-in” e-mail list.

Your e-mail address would remain confidential and your name would not appear on any publicly circulated list.

If you would like to be included on this list, please forward your details to magazine@froyle.com.

Nigel Fisher

The Case of the Mutant Bullion

I remember, fondly, one J.L.Jameson, manager in the late fifties of the Bayswater branch - proud claimant to the title “First Joint-Stock Bank West of Marble Arch”. “Jammy” must have been the first bank manager to have on his desk a screen which came to life at the touch of a button. In his case it was a nine inch screen carrying no stock prices or customer data whatever. Its function was to bring BBC Childrens’ Hour to the parlour at 4.15 p.m. daily - Jammy was addicted - and some of us would be pressed to join him to watch, even if the cash didn’t agree.

Jammy was full of across-the-sea anecdotes, having served in the Bank in Ireland in his youth. My all-time favourite yarn brought with it solemn career advice from J.L.J.

It seems that the Inspectors made a surprise visit to the branch where lots of cash was kept for the military. The long-established walls of cloth silver bags in the vault flattered to deceive, for the contents had mysteriously mutated to mere copper coinage. But none knew when.

The manager, Mr. X, so Jammy’s story ran, was swiftly on the carpet before the Dublin Board. He survived, but left as deflated as the branch cash holdings.

One month later the Board met again. They dealt with a heavy agenda, and confronted the last item - the appointment of someone to a very senior post in the Bank indeed. Inspiration was lacking until one director, hesitant memory suddenly triggered, said “What about X? I seem to have heard a lot about him lately.” his colleagues nodded, sagely.

And so it came to pass.

And Jammy’s career advice?

“Whatever you do, get your name before the Board.”

Ted Crowhurst

BIODIVERSITY FORUM

Many thanks to Ann Figgins for her contribution on bees. If anyone else wants to make note of the plants that attract bees in their garden and gives us the details we will compile a list. We look forward to more contributions for next month – Michelle Essenson & Sue Clark.



Looking after our Bees

We have three types of bees – bumble bees, honeybees and solitary bees. They are all very important in our food chain for pollinating our fruit and vegetable crops. We need to look after them by planting flowers and shrubs that have lots of pollen (and nectar). Not plants with double flowers as bees cannot get to the little pollen they have.

Flowers that are recommended include what are called “cut and come again” mixed annuals which most seed catalogues have this year. Herbs, such as thyme, marjoram, chives, borage and many more are also good. Green manures, if you let them come up to flower e.g. red clover, phacelia and lupins are also very good plants for pollen for the bees.

I have a shrub *sarcococca humilis* – sweet box in the garden. As soon as the sun comes out in the morning it is full of bees trying to find the nectar.

Autumn flowering plants such as ivy are important food sources to enable honey bees to build up their reserves to survive the winter.

Another way to encourage the bees into our gardens is to build them a nest. Encourage some kinds of solitary bees by getting a tin, filling it with lengths of bamboo and fixing it to a fence or other structure. You can also make nests for bumble bees by taking a ball of dried moss about the size of a tennis ball and putting this under a shed. They also like old bird boxes.

Insecticides - if you use these, spray late afternoon when the bees have gone back to their hives and holes. If sprayed in the day when the sun is full it will kill them.

And, just like any other creature bees need water.

Enjoy the bees in your garden and see how many species you have.

Ann Figgins

PS I have seen the first BRIMSTONE Butterfly in the garden this morning (14th March), I hope it is a sign that Spring is just around the corner after this long Winter.

Competition Time

Here's a chance for budding graphic artists to make their mark in Froyle. The Village Hall Committee would like you to design a new logo for the Village Hall. Colours, fonts etc are entirely up to you and there's a special prize for the winner!

The winning entry will feature on the website and be used as a letterhead.

E-mail your efforts to magazine@froyle.com or deliver hard copy to any member of the Committee.

Closing date is April 27th.

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am in Froyle Village Hall

Our numbers have steadily been increasing and I was delighted last week when eleven families came together for the Froyle baby and toddler morning.

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Our meeting dates for April are
1st, 22nd, 29th.

Our meeting dates for May are
6th, 13th, 20th and 27th.

Any questions please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336



Neighbourhood Watch

John Thursfield has received the following information:

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More information on SMARTWATER is available on the website www.smartwater.com.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

Thursday April 1st 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist

Friday April 2nd 12.30pm Short Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday April 3rd 4.00pm Easter Garden, Egg Hunt and Children's Service

Sunday April 4th Easter Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist 9.30am Eucharist

CONFIRMATION SERVICE AT HOLYBOURNE CHURCH

6.00pm April 18th by the Bishop of Winchester. There are five adult candidates including John and Linda Wilkie from Froyle. Please come along and support John and Linda, if you can, on this very special occasion for them

AN EASTER REMINDER

It's all happening on Easter Saturday

Please Bring Your Flower Pots of Daffodils/Spring Flowers to the church on Easter Saturday morning or afternoon up to 5.0 pm. This is for all ages so we have a really good show and think of the scent !

Easter Garden

James will be in church at 4.0pm.to help make the Easter Garden

Children's Easter Service 5.0pm

Easter Egg Hunt and Goodies Approximately 5.30 pm

Please join in for a fun afternoon

Brenda Milam

News from Treloar's

Having survived the snow and all its problems, we are now looking forward to the summer at Treloar's, which is always a busy time with lots of events going on.

With signs of spring appearing we are planning our annual League of Friends Plant Sale, which will take place at Treloar College on Saturday 8th May between 10.00am and 12.30pm. The Plant Sale is always a great opportunity to buy lots of bargain plants, many of which are grown by the students at the College. As well as bedding and herbaceous plants we will have lots of the usual cake and raffle stalls plus creative gardening tools for all the family. This year for the first time we will have two new attractions - a 'Gardeners' Question Time Corner' with well known local gardener Geoff Hawkins, ready to solve all your gardening problems, and a Willow Demonstration with willow crafts on sale. It's FREE entry!!!

On a rather different theme, Treloar's will be holding a special evening on Friday 21st May, a Moulin Rouge Ball in a marquee in the grounds of Lord Wandsworth College. With a champagne reception, 3 course meal, dancing to a live band and a few surprises. This themed evening will be one not to miss. Tickets are £75 and available from Fiona Janczur at Treloar Trust on 01420 526511 or email fiona.janczur@treloar.org.uk.

As we move into summer, there will be more things coming up... we do hope that you will be able to join us at some of them.

Fiona Janczur
Events Manager
Treloar Trust

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

It has been a long time since I have so much wanted for springtime (and with it) Easter to come and to come soon! The cold weather and the snow have had a lot to do with this. I remember fondly the words of a former Churchwarden from another parish and from another place, saying, after I had commented appreciatively on the bright sunshine, “Yes but I wish it would warm up a bit!” Who knows by the time you read this the weather will have already done so!

Springtime, with the flowers and the rest of nature coming alive, speaks of hope and new life but the follower of Jesus (the disciple) wants to say something more. It is, as it were, that the natural course of springtime seductively invites us in and says, “Come along here are my jewels”; Easter accepts the offering and says “Behold!”

God does indeed bid us to behold; behold, he says, “The Risen Lord Jesus Christ” - you saw and experienced death in creation but in death and desolation there is resurrection. We are given the ultimate paradox as truth. Death has been destroyed.

So Behold this Easter time; Alleluia! He is Risen, He is risen indeed Alleluia!

I wish everybody in Froyle a very happy Easter

With every blessing,

James

Easter Services at St. Marys

Please see page 14 for details of Services during Easter and Holy Week

St Mary's Church Notes

Vicar

The Reverend James Croft

Tel: 01420 83240

Churchwarden

Mrs.J.Dundas Brocas Farm, Lower

Froyle *Tel: 01420 520279*



Church Services in April

Please see the notice on page 14 for details of services over Easter.

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

ST MARY'S CHURCH REPORT

Church Jumble Sale

St Mary's Church will be holding its annual Jumble Sale on Saturday 15th May in the Village Hall. Doors open 2pm.

We would appreciate good, clean jumble of any sort but not furniture or any electrical goods. The Raffle is in Margaret Stanford's capable hands and she would be happy to accept any prizes. (Tel 22139). The Cake Stall is being run by Janet Dobson who would like anything in the cake line, biscuits, scones etc jams, marmalade, produce and plants. The Book Stall is Lauraine Bourne's department. Books to her or on the day (Tel 22159)

Please come along, if only to have a cup of tea and a chat and buy a raffle ticket. All profits to the church up- keep.

Thank you
Jean Norkett
(Tel 22591)



Organised by the Friends of Alton Abbey

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 14th May

7 for 7.30p.m.

Beech Village Hall

Tickets £12 to include a Fish and Chip supper

Tables of 6 - bring a Team, or come individually

Please bring your own drinks, glasses and cutlery



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The Alton & District Fund Raising Committee

Cancer Research UK

invite you to a

BRIDGE TEA

Wednesday 14 April 2010 2-5pm

Froyle Village Hall

Please bring cloth/scorers/cards

Committee: Margaret Stanford (01420 22139), Gill Bradley, Hopper
Cavendish, Sarah Floyd, Sona Harrap

Please would anyone interested ring Margaret on 22139 or Gill on 520484.
Tables are £40.

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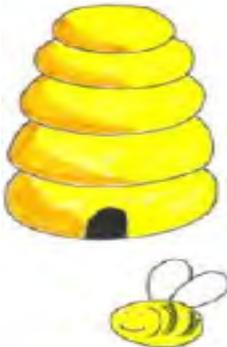
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11	12	13	14	15	16 Mobile Library	17
18	19	20	21	22 Toddler Morning	23 Police Surgery	24
25	26	27	28	29 Toddler Morning	30	

DEADLINE FOR THE MAY MAGAZINE

THURSDAY APRIL 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

VILLAGE INFORMATION

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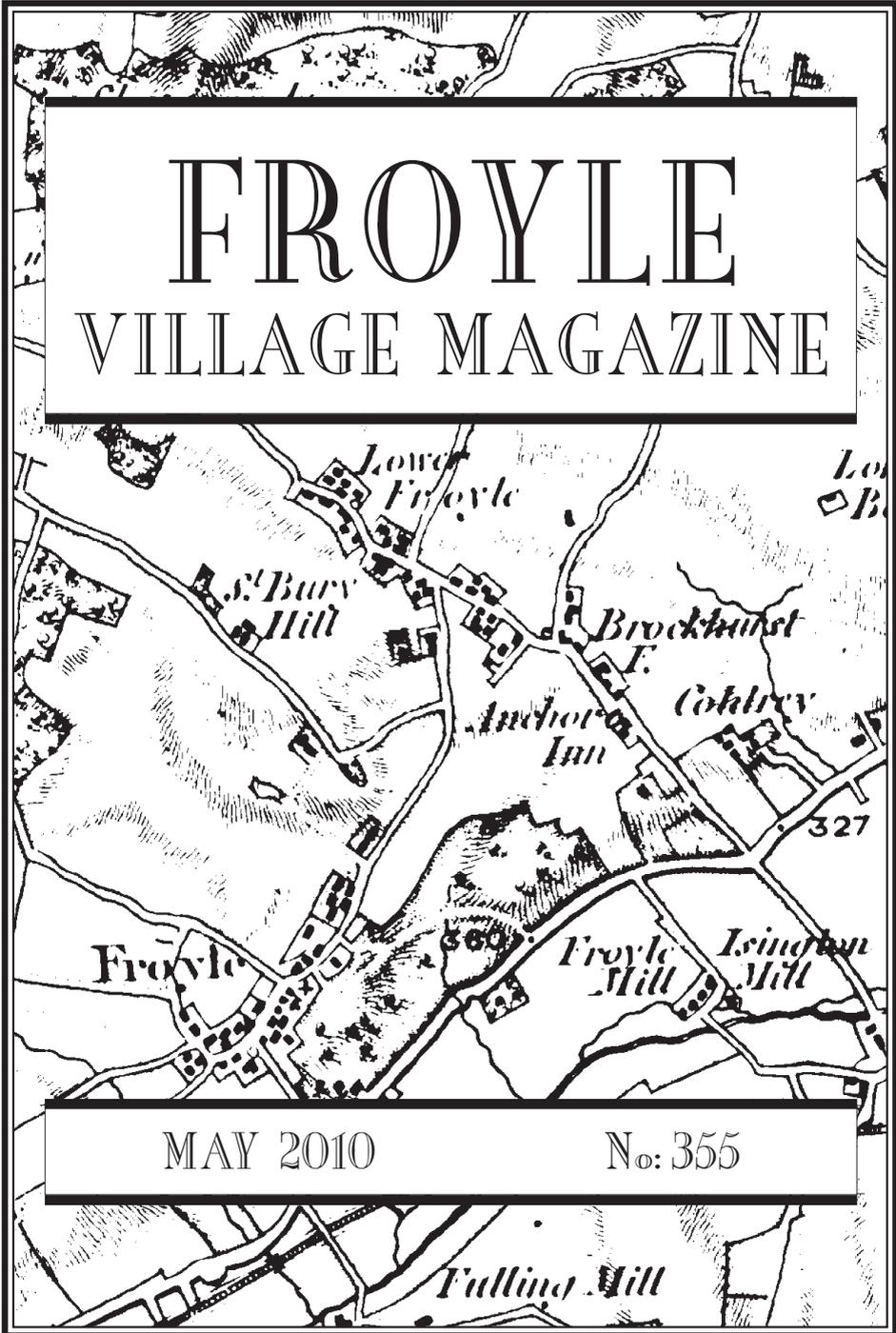
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Jumble Sale
in aid of St. Mary's Church
Saturday 15th May
2.00 p.m. Village Hall



Froyle Village Hall
Annual General Meeting
Thursday 13th May 7.30 p.m.
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Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

KITCHEN REFURBISHMENT - EARLY NOTICE

It is anticipated that work on the new kitchen will commence in July and the hall will be closed from July 16th until early September. More details in next month's magazine

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

April

1st - T. Riley (13); 2nd - C. Bush (97); 3rd - D. Snow (54)

Annette Booth

THE MEETING PLACE

I would like to thank all of you who supported The Easter Meeting Place, particularly Jean Norkett, Elizabeth Sealey and all those ladies and gentlemen who helped in the kitchen. Also Maureen Fry for manning the Raffle which raised £108. Thanks also to Gill Bradley who made Chris's 65th Birthday cake and helped organise his little surprise.



This year we had a wonderful entry in the Easter Egg Competition, and many congratulations to all of you who entered. If you would like to see the winners, and a short video of the morning, they can all be found at <http://www.froyle.com/Froylcam/frocam53.htm>

Congratulations not only to Joy West who, once more, won the Easter Bonnet Competition but to all those ladies, both young and not quite so young, who entered as well. Perhaps we will see even more hats next Easter!

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.

CAKE BAKERS FOR MAY

May	7	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Clair Walley	
	14	Kate Barnden	Vivien Riley	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts
	21	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	
	28	Cecily Robertson	Lauraine Bourne	Sheila Lawrence	

HELPERS FOR MAY

7	Ann Roberts
14	Lori Taylor
21	Vivien Riley
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Annette Booth (22364)

Thank You, Thank You, Thank you!

Many, many thanks to everyone at The Easter Meeting Place who helped make my 65th Birthday such a special occasion. Your signed card, gift and singing got the day off to a perfect start.

Chris Booth

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB



Despite the late season the Village Hall was filled with colour and scent from the many flowers entered for the Spring Show. The judge, Mr Eckton, summing up after judging, complimented members on the variety and quality of the entries, awarding “Best in Show” to Anne Blunt for a beautiful yellow orchid. Anne also won the “Beech Bowl” for her collection of spring flowers. David Menzies won the “Pollock Plate” for best entry in the daffodil classes, and he also amassed the most points overall and received a gift token.

Next month, May 14th, we welcome Mr Tim Woodland who will be giving us tips on how to provide colour in our gardens throughout the year by adding bulbs to our borders and tubs. Do come if you can!

Marian Cresswell

Lost an Umbrella?

Found - black broly in village hall after March Garden Club Meeting - call 23520.

Cresswells Coffee Morning 22nd May 2010



We are still holding this annual event on the above date, 10 – 12 noon. We would like to see friends from Froyle at 7 Will Hall Close, Alton, if they can manage it. As well as the coffee and biscuits (£1) there will be the usual Cake and Plant Stalls, plus raffle. Profits are divided between Action for Children (old NCH) and Methodist Overseas Mission. Hoping for a fine sunny morning.

Marian and John Cresswell

News from the Froyle Archive

Local History Day - Alton & the Surrounding Villages

Saturday 15th May

10 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.

This year there will not be an Archive Open Day in June, but, instead, we will be participating in a Local History Day in Alton Assembly Rooms.

We shall, of course, take along our usual displays and lots of information.

The theme is Alton and its surrounding villages, so we shall be joining in with similar organisations from Beech, Bentworth, Binsted, Chawton, East Worldham, Holybourne, Farringdon and Kingsley.

Full details on the right.

Next year we shall return to Froyle with an Archive Open Day and Village Reunion at the end of June 2011.

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Chris & Annette Booth

FROYLE GARDENS OPEN

One minute it is Christmas, the next we are organizing teas in June. It is unbelievable! This year's dates, 5th & 6th June. Gill Bradley is again organizing the teas and as usual she will need cakes and helpers. Her number is 520484. I cannot believe we will be so popular this year but we'd better be prepared. Thanks in anticipation.

B.J.M.

Froyle Fete and Flower Show

Saturday 10th July

TRADITIONAL FÊTE QUIZ

1. Who was Prime Minister at the time of the the first Froyle Fête?
2. Who released Tug of War (album and title track) in 1982?
3. Wellie wanging originated in _____ county, when someone accidentally spilt _____ beer into someone's wellie.
4. At Raynes Park High School, 1000 kids ran a 100-metre Egg and Spoon race. How many crossed the Finish Line with their eggs still on the spoon, breaking the world reggord?
5. Name five traditional sweets from your childhood. You might find them all on 10 July at our very traditional Fête.

(Sweets to the first person with all the right answers. Email Mary: msgins@aol.com)

The Village Fete

When I was a lad, the fete was as much a part of rural life as drinking dandelion and burdoch, eating rabbit pie or getting a clip round the ear from the village bobby. Those days when olive oil was Popeye's girlfriend or something you bought from the chemist to deal with ear-wax, being gay was being ever-so-cheerful and Iceland was solvent and still called Bejams.

How times have changed, and not always for the best, so I was delighted when my old friend Mary Knowles told me that this year the Froyle Fete is returning to a traditional theme. My thoughts immediately turned to the fete days of my youth when the sun always shone and the vicar usually had one too many glasses of rose-hip burgundy before judging the whittling competition. We had bowling for a pig in those days too, and apple-bobbing, but I dare say those Johnny Foreigners in Brussels have put a stop to that.

However, I'm pleased to report that this year old favourites like the three-legged race and the egg-and-spoon race will be returning, so get practising. The tug-of-war is always great fun too, and we will be looking for teams of six to sign up at the beer tent on the day. We may not have as many horny-handed sons of the soil in Froyle as in days of

yore, but I'm sure there'll be plenty of lads and lasses eager to get on the pull. It's a great way to work up a thirst and the beer tent will oblige by having a range of local traditional ale for sale at prices that may well remind you of those pre-decimal days when bar staff didn't need to use a till to work out how much change to give you from half a crown. I'm told that the barbeque will be close by, serving up a range of traditional fare that will put Hector Bloomingheck to shame, with nary an e-number or guideline daily amount to be seen. Eat, drink and be merry has always been part of the Countryman's Code and it's never done me any harm!

More next month when I might even let you into a few secrets about what to do with a mangelwurzel.

Keep Wassailing!

Jethro Hamtunscir

**A reminder to dog walkers on the Recreation Ground
If you don't already do this - Please pick up after your dog**

The magazine has received several reports of problems on the recreation ground concerning dog faeces being left on the ground.

Dog mess that is not being picked up on the recreation ground is unpleasant to see, smell or tread in.

Remember it is an offence for a dog walker not to remove their dog's faeces from land to which the public have access - The Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996.

Dog faeces can carry a dangerous disease called toxocariasis. This can cause severe health problems especially to children.

Please use a poop scoop or a bag to pick up your dog's mess and put it in the bins provided.

Nigel Fisher

Froyle Rainfall for March

This year	68 mm	2.7 inches
Last year	41 mm	1.6 inches
Wettest March (2001)	129.5 mm	5.1 inches
Driest March (1990)	6 mm	0.2 inches
Long-term average for March – the 6 th wettest month	60.5 mm	2.4 inches

In summary, March 2010 adhered nicely to the ancient lore of coming in like a lamb and going out like a lion – and not this year the other way round as is often quoted. Much inclement weather towards the end of the month helped make it only the fifth time in the last 21 years when the rainfall was actually above the long-term average, and then by not much. However, the average over just the last 2 decades is a paltry 47 mm (1.8 inches), thus in recent times making March nigh on the driest month of the year – not quite how some of us remember it back in the late 70's and 80's!



“The Umbrella Man”

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am in Froyle Village Hall

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Our meeting dates for May are
6th, 13th, 20th and 27th.

Any questions please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336

Lent Lunches

This year the six lunches raised £809.30 which is extremely good in these credit crunch times.

Very many thanks to everyone who supported them in any way – especially the Hostesses and Helpers for all their soup making, furniture moving, laying tables and washing-up. We must not forget the drivers and lifts to more remote houses. You are all very kind and generous.

The following charities benefited

Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice	£126
Leukaemia Research	£146
Multiple Sclerosis Research	£130
The Renal Unit, Portsmouth	£179.30
Vestment Restoration Fund	£123
Treloar Trust	£105
	£809.30

Very many thanks indeed.

Margaret Stanford

Valerie Blunden

Lawrie wishes to express his wholehearted thanks and appreciation to all those in the village who attended Valerie's funeral on Monday 22nd March at St Mary's Church, Froyle.

Lawrie would also like to extend his thanks to all of those who have been so kind in expressing their sympathy and support since Valerie's passing. This kindness has been such a comfort to Lawrie during this sad time.

Valerie and Lawrie moved to Froyle from Farnham a number of years ago as they were immediately impressed with the village, and wanted to become part of this in their latter years. Lawrie feels that the recent support and friendship extended by friends in the village has confirmed that they made the right choice when coming to Froyle, which has shown itself to be a very special place, made so in no small measure by the community who live there.

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GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES

There are 59 species of butterfly found in Britain, 46 in Hampshire, most require exacting habitat conditions to exist which includes an abundance of the larval food plant. These food plants differ from species to species and comprise specific native flowers, grasses, trees and shrubs. Nectar is also required for the adults giving them vital energy to fly and breed. Some of the richest habitats are traditionally managed woodlands, chalk downlands, meadows and heathlands but vast areas have been lost in the past 60 years with agricultural intensification and habitat destruction taking their toll. Consequently invertebrates dependant on these plant communities are seeing worrying declines which include three quarters of UK butterfly species.

Some butterflies are less particular in their requirements - hedgerows, copses, flowery field margins, track and roadside verges all play an important role in their survival but wild flowers have declined here too. We can help by providing nectar for adults and in some cases food plants for the larvae. Butterflies not only brighten our gardens with movement and colour but also, along with moths, provide vital food supplies for other species especially birds and bats.

NECTAR PLANTS (a selection of garden and wild flowers)- Primrose, Chionodoxa, Pussy Willow, Bluebell, Aubrietia, Hyacinth, Cuckoo Flower, Forget-me-not, Perennial Wallflower – Bowles Mauve, Honesty, Sweet Rocket – *Hesperis matronalis*, Bird's-foot Trefoil, Lavender, Marjoram, Bramble, Mint, Hyssop, Perennial Pea - *Lathyrus latifolius*, Hebe, Buddleia, Verbena bonariensis Field Scabious , Hemp Agrimony, Teasel, Phlox, Ice plant- *Sedum spectabile*, Cone Flower, *Inula hookeri*, Michaelmas Daisy. Annuals include Candytuft, Tithonia, and Single dahlias. Flowering Ivy is an important late season nectar source for many insects including the Red Admiral. It's a larval food plant of the Holly Blue butterfly and the Brimstone will hibernate in it. Birds find shelter, build nests amongst it and eat the berries in winter. The juice from rotting windfall

fruit is often a magnet for Comma and Red Admiral.

Aim to provide a continuous source of nectar from early spring to late autumn. Butterflies seek out warmth so try and position your nectar plants in sunny areas sheltered from the wind. Many of the plants will also attract other invertebrates including Moths, Honey Bees, Bumble Bees, Solitary Bees and Hoverflies.

LARVAL FOOD PLANTS - The adult female must search for the right food plants to lay her eggs. The Peacock seeks out Nettle, the only plant her caterpillars (larva) will eat. Small Tortoiseshell, Comma and Red Admiral are the other nettle feeders. Cabbage Whites, can be tempted away from our brassicas by planting Nasturtiums. The Holly Blue lays on Holly in the spring and Ivy in the autumn and the Orange tip on Sweet Rocket, Honesty, Ladies Smock and Garlic Mustard –Brimstone larvae will only eat Buckthorn or Alder Buckthorn. Again these plants need to be in sunny sheltered areas and of course chemicals should be avoided.

SPECIES TO LOOK OUT FOR IN OUR GARDENS - Brimstone, Peacock, Small Tortoiseshell, Comma and Red Admiral, are the first species on the wing in spring having hibernated as adults. By May Holly Blue, Green-veined White, Orange Tip, Small Copper, Speckled Wood, Large and Small White (Collectively known as Cabbage Whites) will be flying and perhaps the migrant Painted Lady. Others to watch for during the year are Common Blue, Meadow Brown, Large and Small Skipper, Gatekeeper and Ringlet. These are the most likely species to turn up in our Froyle gardens but others could make an appearance. A list of the 35 species recorded in the Parish in the past 20 years plus suggested butterfly ID guides will soon be on <http://www.froyle.com/nature.htm>.

What flowers do butterflies visit in your garden? Pass your observations to Michelle either through her letterbox or via michelle.essenson@essentia.ltd.uk and we'll draw up a Froyle list for next year.

Sue Clark

2010 International Year of Biodiversity

Natural History Museum 2010 IYB <http://www.nhm.ac.uk/nature-online/biodiversity/index.html>

Butterfly Conservation <http://www.butterfly-conservation.org/> Dedicated to saving wild butterflies, moths and their habitats. Play and learn section for youngsters.

Hampshires butterflies <http://www.hantsiow-butterflies.org.uk> Non members are very welcome to join the field trips. Click on “Events” for 2010 programme. You can also submit your garden records (sightings) here.

Buglife is calling on Government to create a network of wildflower meadows to support pollinating insects (and ultimately ourselves!)

<http://www.buglife.org.uk/News/callformorewildflowers>

The Hampshire Bird Festival is a year long celebration of the birds of this county. For more information including a list of the events and details of the Hampshire House Sparrow Survey see <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/birds> Survey forms online, at “The Meeting Place” and Alton library

Sue Clark

Feeding the birds in our gardens

Up until recently many people believed that the wild birds in our garden should only be fed during the winter months. However, it is now recognised that feeding birds throughout the year can support the recovery of declining species and help local bird populations thrive.

This month I would like to say thank you to CJ Wild Bird Foods, for agreeing to let us include a copy of their bird feeding guide “Who Eats What and When” as an insert in the magazine. I hope you will find the guide helpful when selecting foods to support or encourage specific species in your garden. There is also a useful bird identification chart on the reverse.

(For more information from CJ Wildlife, to request a copy of their FREE Handbook of Garden Wildlife, to view their complete product range or to place an order, visit www.birdfood.co.uk or call Freephone 0800 731 2820)

Michelle Essenson

100 Club

The 100 Club was set up to raise funds for the Village Hall. As the name suggests, it consists of 100 people who have each bought a number at a cost of £1 a month to be entered into a monthly draw. Once you have been allocated a number it remains yours until you stop paying. There are three prizes a month (£30, £15, £5) and the draw takes place at the Meeting Place on the second Friday of the month. At present, all the numbers are taken, but if you would like to go on a waiting list, send an e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or give me a call on 22574. If we have a lot of people on the waiting list, we may consider increasing the number of club members and would increase the monthly prizes accordingly.

Nigel Fisher

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New beginners salsa class starting at the Lower Froyle Village Hall on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

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My name is Chris and I am a Leisure and Tourism student at Treloar College. I worked in the Fundraising Marketing Department for four days, where I helped the editor put together this newsletter and the Case Study that you are now about to read. I hope you enjoy it!

Pat Teague is Principal of Treloar College and will be retiring in April after working at Treloar's for seven years. In this interview she talks about her work and enjoyment during these years. Pat worked for nearly 20 years at the general FE College in Eastleigh, Hampshire, where she had seven different jobs and she wasn't planning to leave...but something changed her mind.

“One Sunday, while I was reading the Times Educational Supplement, I saw a job advert for a Vice Principal at Treloar College. The job grabbed my attention for two reasons: firstly I knew Treloar's, and secondly it was a strategic role that required some knowledge in health...in other words it suited me. So, I felt as though it was all coming together. I applied, I went for an interview and after a tour around the College site I was offered the job. Was it fate? Maybe, I believe it may have been.”

Pat never planned to become Principal at Treloar's but after only three years a new opportunity knocked on her door. “I had no plan to be Principal and I still think I was extremely lucky. I have always said it is the best job I've ever had although no two days are the same.” Pat continues: “it is a big job and it entails many hours a week. It is difficult to find the time to fit everything in.”

All the challenges Pat has faced at Treloar College have been positive and her greatest enjoyment has come from working with students, staff and families. Pat is supported by a great team that works together to make sure all students and staff can do their very best. “I very much enjoy working with students, their families and the staff. We have achieved so much together. A very important moment for me was when Treloar College was awarded Beacon Status in 2004. This was a very important award that has given us the opportunity to influence others, and an incentive to link with other Colleges.”

What prompted you to retire this year? “I am over the age of retirement, however I feel the time is right to hand over to a new Principal who can see the Vision project through from start to finish.” Vision Treloar's has many positive aspects but according to Pat the most important of these is coming together as one organisation at Holybourne. Pat has no idea how she will spend her retirement, but there is no doubt that she will miss the students and the staff. Despite working very long hours, maybe she will also miss working.

Do you have a message for the new Principal? “If she enjoys it as much as I have, she will find it a great job.”

Amanda Quincey will join Treloar's as Principal in April from the NCYPE – National Centre for Young People with Epilepsy.

Chris Cartwright
Leisure and Tourism student at Treloar College

FROYLE PARISH NEWS

The proposal to transfer the parish of Froyle from one benefice to another has to go through certain “legal” processes.

Our move is one of four proposals that must be agreed at the same time, including the move of Holybourne to join the parish of the Resurrection, Alton and the agreement of the patronage arrangements for each of the two Benefices.

Our current patrons are The Guild of All Souls and The Dean and Chapter of Winchester Cathedral. The present patrons of the benefice of Bentley and Binsted are The Dean and Chapter of Winchester Cathedral and the Archdeacon of Surrey. Under the new arrangements the benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle will have all three as patrons. Patrons are involved in the appointment of a priest.

The proposals must be “made” by the Church Commissioners before they take effect. Wendy Harris (Diocesan Pastoral Secretary) will send notices to our PCC secretary, who must put them in the Church for 3 consecutive Sundays. The process will take until late May/early June.

In the meantime, an advertisement for a new priest will be placed in two church newspapers towards the end of April and interviews should take place early in June.

James’s last day in Froyle will be Sunday 18th July.

Nigel Bulpitt

EASTER FLOWERS

WELL! Has the church ever looked so good? How lovely when we arrived to go into church to see a lovely jug of flowers beautifully arranged by Flo Marston. Well done all arrangers and Jo (Mills) for your brilliant idea. A big thankyou to all those who brought pots of flowers and daffodils, especially those who didn’t get a personal thank-you. They made such a difference and helped to make it a communal happening. We`ll see what we come up with for Harvest.

B.J.M.

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

Well the General Election was called at last and we shall be going to the polls this month. A lot of people think that this election is going to be highly interesting. Who will win? Will any party win outright? Will there be a hung Parliament? Will there be a second election this year? What has been the fallout from the MP's expenses scandal? Will people turn out to vote? How will the smaller parties get on? What about the TV debates – will they make a difference?

Behind this myriad of questions lie other questions, deeper questions. Which party is going to lead our country forward and in the right way that truly values people and values our freedoms? This is tricky stuff to get one's head and heart around. The Christian and others would certainly want to give a good deal of prayer to the issues. How is God guiding me when I go to the polling booth? Praying in this way, I do not believe is a kind of opting out of our responsibility, nor is it demeaning to our intelligence but an honest attempt for God to use us in the wonderful privilege that we have in this country, denied so many in our world, to put a cross on a piece of paper.

Do vote and do pray for all our candidates as we approach this historic day in the life of our nation.

With every blessing,

James

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Church Services in May

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist
9.30 a.m. Family Service

All Other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

Church Report

For all those who came along on Easter Saturday afternoon it was a very happy 1 ½ hours. This is the second year running that Brenda has arranged this event. Lots of parents came with children of all ages. It was great to see so many dads too. An enthusiastic group of children helped James build the Easter Garden, followed by a short service, Easter Egg hunt and a tea of chocolate cup-cakes and such goodies.

On May 15th we have the annual Church Jumble Sale in the Village Hall. Doors open at 2pm - but obviously the work starts before and after that time, so all offers of help very much appreciated. Jumble needed (not furniture or electrical goods).

The first weekend of June will see the village Gardens Open and a Textile Exhibition in the Church on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th, 2pm – 6pm. Both the Gardens Open people and the Textile Group would love help, so any offers to help make this another great weekend will be greatly appreciated.

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Jean Norkett
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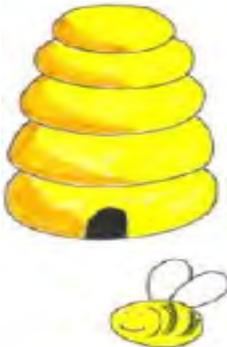
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23	24	25	26	27 Toddler Morning	28 Mobile Library	29

DEADLINE FOR THE MAY MAGAZINE

SATURDAY MAY 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

VILLAGE INFORMATION

USEFUL NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS

Clerk to Froyle Parish Council - *Philippa Cullen Stephenson* - 520102
District Councillor - *Glynis Watts* - 01252 718437 (New Number)
Editor, Froyle Village Magazine - *Nigel Fisher* - 22574
Alton Police - 0845 045 45 45
Froyle Village Hall Committee: *Chairman* - *Jerry Saunders* - 22478
Cancer Research UK - *Margaret Stanford* - 22139
The Meeting Place - *Annette Booth* - 22364
League of Friends LMTC - *Jo Mills* - 22384
Froyle Archive - *Chris & Annette Booth* - 22364
AFC Froyle - *Jason Smith* - 521056
Froyle Players - *Mark Cray* - 22709
Froyle Friends - *Annette Booth* - 22364
St Mary's Vestment Group - *Linda Bulpitt* - 22725
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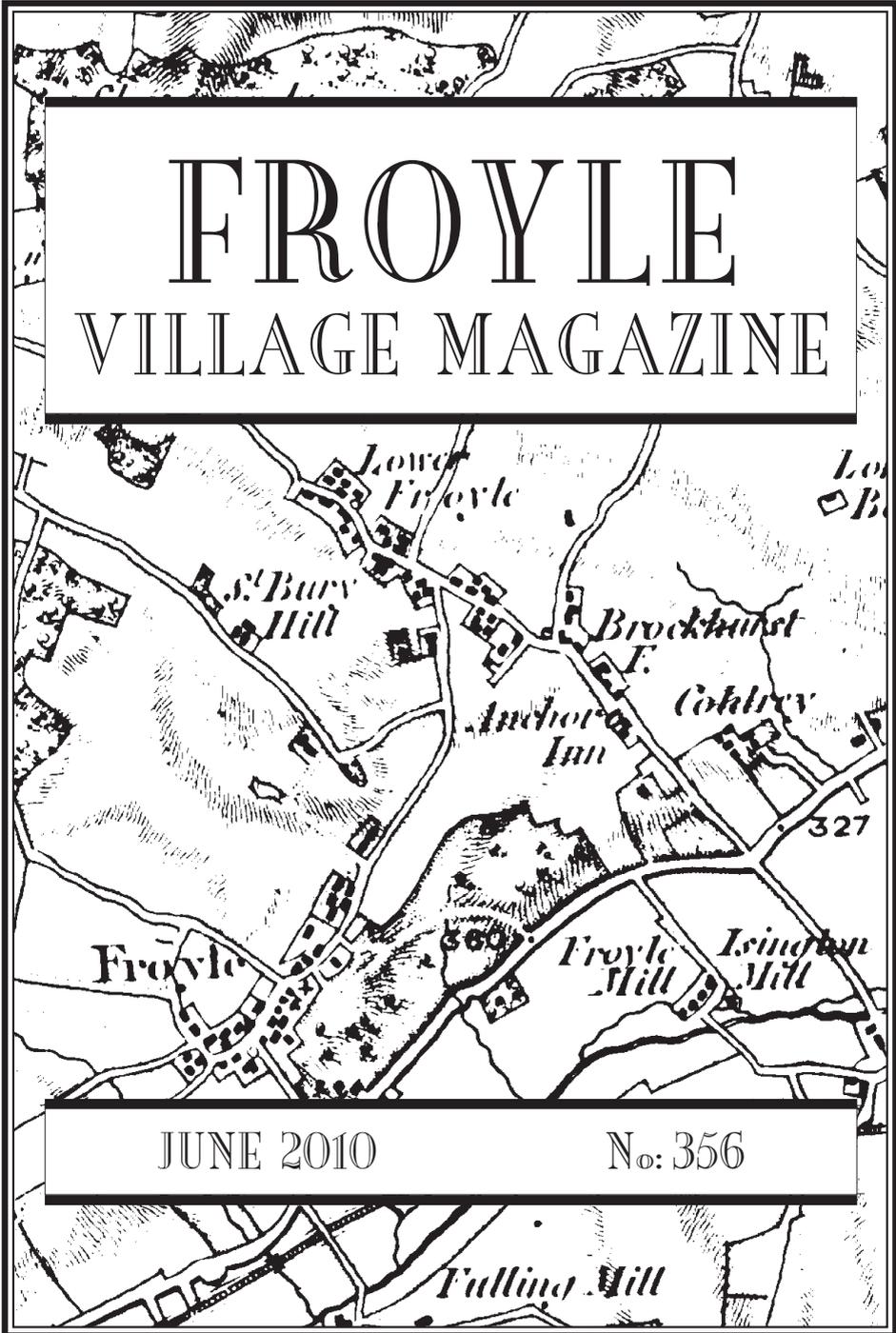
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FROYLE

VILLAGE MAGAZINE

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No: 356

PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

Crabtree Gate, Well Lane, Lower Froyle Tel:01420 520102

Annual Parish Meeting

This year's Parish Meeting was held in April.

Groups and organizations in the village came together to report on their meetings and events during the year.

It was also an opportunity to meet with local council representatives, County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee, District Councillor Glynis Watts and members of Froyle Parish Council who were also in attendance.

Some of the items aired this year included:

Salt bins in the village, the decision not to have them at this time, farmers may store salt in the future.

Builders parking and signs.

Cyclists using the village hall as a base and their car parking, the Village Hall Committee active in trying to find a solution.

Drum Housing, new build in the village.

Treloar School move from the village to Holybourne, the Parish Council has no further information on this.

The meeting concluded with a general chat amongst those in attendance accompanied by refreshments kindly provided by Jean Norkett and Jo Mills.

Mick Wells
Chairman
Froyle Parish Council

**THE VILLAGE HALL WILL BE CLOSED
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Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

VILLAGE HALL CLOSURE

The hall will be closed from **MONDAY 12TH JULY** until the scheduled completion of the kitchen refurbishment in mid September.

USERS OF THE TUESDAY EVENING SURGERY

Please rest assured that alternative arrangements are being made to enable this facility, and the prescription service, to continue during the period of the hall closure.

FULL DETAILS IN NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE

THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.



CAKE BAKERS FOR JUNE

June	4	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Nancy Rowson	Mary Menzies
	11	Marj Robinson	Marian Cresswell	Margaret Stanford	
	18	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	
	25	Kay Goodall	Sue Carr	Jennie Thomas	Mary Perryman

HELPERS FOR JUNE

June	4	David & Mary Perryman
	11	Mary Knowles
	18	Linda Bulpitt
	25	Olga Crowhurst

Annette Booth (22364)

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEETING PLACE CUSTOMERS

As the Village Hall will be closing for kitchen refurbishment etc., The Meeting Place of July 9th will be the last until Friday, September 17th unless you hear to the contrary.

We are sorry for the inconvenience but we promise we will be back as soon as we can in September.

Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

May

1st - A. Pritchard (95); 2nd - M. Jefferson (56); 3rd - S. Robertson (62)

Annette Booth

For more 100 Club news please see page 13

Froyle Charity Golf Day

Thursday September 9th Blackmoor Golf Club
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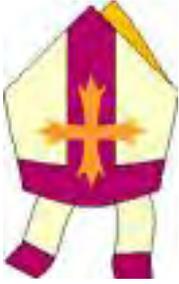
Jamie Stewart-Smith (22072)
or Ian Whitmore (22634)

Village Calendar

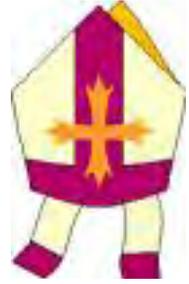
Following the success of the 2010 calendar which raised over £300 for the Village Hall, it has been decided to repeat the exercise for 2011.

Keep your camera handy during the months ahead. If selected your photo could be admired by millions!

More details in forthcoming magazines.



FROYLE VESTMENTS GROUP



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Andhomemade teas in the Village Hall

FROYLE FÊTE AND FLOWER SHOW SATURDAY, 10 JULY, 1:00-4:00 PM ON THE VILLAGE RECREATION GROUND

It's almost time. Thanks to all who are participating: we are always grateful to stallholders, tea helpers and strongmen. We'd especially welcome some extra hands setting up on Friday afternoon/Saturday morning and taking down following the festivities. Come help for a little while on the Rec. It will be refreshing.

There's no special theme this year, just a good old-fashioned fête. All our favorite stalls and activities, and a few new ones. Great food and drink, starting at 1:00. Three different kinds of live music. Wonderful raffle prizes, of course. New contests to show off your pooch. And this year the Fête Committee will win the Tug of War—maybe.

Full schedule of events in next month's Magazine.

If you want to help or suggest anything, please call Mary (23164) or Jenny (23697)

FÊTE TEAS

HELPERS AND CAKE WANTED!

I am looking for volunteers to help on the fete tea stall. If you can spare an hour between 1pm and 4pm why not come and join us? It's a busy afternoon but good fun and you'll be very welcome! Please call Mary Chaplin on 22574, sign up at the Meeting Place in June or speak to Nigel Fisher.

Tea we have, but I am in need of cakes, scones, cookies, savouries and other nice things for the stall. Please bring to Homestead Cottage up to the day before the fete or to the Village Hall on the day. All contributions will be very gratefully received. And eaten.

Mary Chaplin (22574)

BOTTLE STALL

We will be collecting bottles for the stall in the week commencing June 28th. Champagne to ketchup. Please give generously.

BOOKS

Please try not to bring books on the day as we need time to put them into some sort of order. Please deliver to Homestead Cottage or ring Nigel Fisher (22574) to arrange delivery/collection.

BRIC-A-BRAC

Please bring items to the big barn at Copse Hill Farm during the month of June. Thereafter, to the stall on the day. If you have any larger items for collection please contact Andrew and Sarah Potter (520294).

CAKES AND PRODUCE

Please bring to Sue Carr (23116), The Cottage, Hussey's Lane (who has freezer space), or bring on the day. Very grateful for all your efforts.

TOMBOLA

Unwanted gifts (newish please) to Meeting Place, Fridays in June, or call Lauraine Bourne (22159).

CROCKERY SMASHING

Please would everyone have a look in their kitchen/under the bed/in garden sheds for old crockery which they would like to donate to the stall. Please contact Jo Mills (22384) for further information.

JUMBLE

Rummage around your drawers.....and wardrobes, and bring your good quality jumble for us to sell at the fete. From toddlers 'T's to ladies fashions to XL menswear.....all welcome.

Please bring your donations to the Meeting Place the day before or to the Rec on the morning of the fete. Thank you very much, in anticipation. Lori (Taylor) 22148 and Maureen (Fry) 22557.

FÊTE DOG SHOW

Last year the dog competition was, I'm afraid, a bit of a shambles. This year, it promises to be even worse. But never mind; there are at least two pieces of good news.

The first good news is that this year we have a very kind sponsor, namely Dapper Dogs, who are dog groomers in Chawton, and who are offering a free groom to Froyle's finest dog (does this mean scruffiest? We'll have to see...).

There will, as last year, be five or six (or maybe more...) classes, separate prizes for each class, all classes open to all breeds and ages of dog. You will be encouraged to enter your hound for all classes. The classes will be listed in next month's magazine, but you know the kind of thing - most obedient/disobedient, scruffiest, waggiest, weirdest, most wonderful - not to forget the one that looks most like his or her owner (no opting out of that one, I'm afraid).

How can all these things be objectively judged? Well, that's the second piece of good news. The competition will be judged by someone who many of you know to be one of the most knowledgeable and experienced dog lovers in this part of the world, and who also will open this year's Fete, Roy Norkett.

Any questions to William on 23164.

Woof woof!



WELLY WANGING

I'm glad there's going to be welling wanging at the fete this year. It's many years since I wanged my first welly but it's just the sort of wholesome pursuit I remember from my youth. Childhood was much more straightforward in those days. We chortled at the black-and-white capers of "Mr. Pastry" on the small flickering screen in the corner of the room after waiting patiently for the set to warm up, and read about the antics of Lord Snooty and his chums in our weekly comic rather than watching them in parliament. In those days footballers wore boots not bedroom slippers, trainers were balding men in tracksuits with magic sponges, and a welly really was a welly - mud-encrusted, black, hard and heavy.

There's a lot of debate about the best technique to wang a welly. Some recommend a short run-up to generate the momentum to propel the boot forward using an underarm throw, but I prefer to stand still and circle my arm round and round like Pete Townshend (for the benefit of younger readers, he was the lead guitarist in a 1960s beat combo – ask your dad). The drawback with this style is that it's quite easy to let go at the wrong time causing the boot to fly in a fairly random direction. Many years ago I mistimed the release so badly the welly knocked a pint of beer out of Ned the Thatcher's hand, but that's another story!

Remember it's not just about brute force. Just like a lot of things in life - timing is everything.

Jethro Hamtunscir

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB

SUMMER SHOW JULY 10TH 2010

SECTION A - OPEN VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

Plates will be provided where necessary.

Please display names of varieties where possible.

One variety per class except Class 12.

Class

1. Peas. One dish of six pods.
2. Broad beans. One dish of six pods.
3. Potatoes. One dish of three.
4. Cabbage. Two.
5. Lettuce (Cos). Two heads.
6. Lettuce (any one variety excluding Cos). Two heads.
7. Onions. One dish of three. Trimmed but not tied.
8. Carrots. One dish of four, without foliage.
9. Beet. One dish of three, without foliage.
10. Rhubarb. Three sticks.
11. Any other vegetable. One dish. Quantities as in Appendix except courgettes
12. Herbs. Collection of three kinds. Cut and bunched individually in water.
13. Gooseberries. A dish of eight.
14. Raspberries. A dish of twelve.
15. Blackcurrants. A dish of six strings.
16. Strawberries. A dish of six.
17. Any other fruit. Quantities as Appendix.

SECTION B - OPEN FLOWERS

Please display names of varieties where possible.
Vases are available for classes 20-22, 24-28, & 34

Class

20. One "large-flowered" (Hybrid Tea) rose, specimen bloom.
21. One stem of "cluster – flowered" (Floribunda) roses.
22. Three stems of roses, same variety; 1 bud, 1 specimen bloom, 1 fully open.
23. Bowl or vase of roses, no more than 10 stems.
24. Sweet peas, twelve stems.
25. Pinks, six stems.
26. Lily one stem.
27. Collection of mixed garden flowers; 9 stems, 3 or more varieties (may include shrubs),
28. Collection of mixed foliage; 9 stems, 3 or more varieties.
29. Pansies or violas, six.
30. Four clematis blooms one or more varieties.
31. Pot plant in bloom. Inside diameter of pot 18 cm (7") or less.
32. Pot plant grown for foliage. Inside diameter. of pot 18 cm (7") or less.
33. Cactus or succulent.
34. Penstemon, three stems.

SECTION C - OPEN DOMESTIC

Men and children can enter all these classes.
Exhibitors are asked to provide their own plates as necessary.
Screw- top lids are available at club meetings.

40. Jar of marmalade.
41. Jar of strawberry jam.
42. Jar of jam, excluding strawberry.
43. Jar of jelly, approx 225g (½ lb).
44. Jar of chutney.
45. Chocolate sandwich cake with butter cream filling
46. Four gingerbread squares
47. Four savoury scones.
48. Something new from something old
49. An example of handicraft
50. Eggs, 6 (displayed in an egg box)

**SECTION D - OPEN (EXCEPT CLASS 60)
FLOWER ARRANGEMENT**

Accessories may be used in all classes.

Classes 61, 62 & 63 will be staged in front of a cream background.

All tabling draped in pale green.

- 60. FROYLE RESIDENTS ONLY - Dr. Lewarne Cup
"Alfresco". An exhibit for a buffet table.
Space allowed: width 60cm, depth 60cm, height optional.
- 61. "Playing with Shapes". An exhibit.
Space allowed: width 60cm, depth 60 cm, height optional.
- 62. "Summer Sunshine". An exhibit.
Space allowed: width 45cm, depth 45 cm, height optional.
NOVICES ONLY (Those who have not won more than one 1st prize for flower arrangement.
- 63. "Downsizing". A miniature arrangement.
Space allowed: width 10 cm, depth 10 cm, height 10 cm.

SECTION E – CHILDREN

No entrance fee. Age will be taken into account:

a) Up to and including 8 yrs ; b) 9 yrs up to and including 15 yrs

- 70. FROYLE GIRLS - Mrs. Lewarne Cup
Handmade article in any medium e.g. needlework, painting, pottery etc.
- 71.. FROYLE BOYS - Bush Cup
A model in any medium. Max size 45 cm.
- 72. Face made from fruit or vegetables, on a max size plate of 20 cm.
- 73. A photograph, max size 20 cm x 15cm.
- 74. A flower arrangement in a tea-cup.

Cycling Clubs at the Village Hall

Following the disquiet expressed at the Annual Parish Meeting, the Village Hall Committee has written to the cycling clubs that hire the Hall to remind them in forceful terms of their responsibilities regarding parking and general courtesy towards residents. If you experience any problems with these organized cycling groups, please inform a member of the Village Hall Committee.

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Totty Did The Run!

Sharon Edwards and her dear friend Minna would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported them with raising £3370.63 for the MS Society.

We completed the London Marathon in 4 hours 54 minutes and 5 seconds. It was a fantastic day with lots of family and friends coming up to support us. The atmosphere was amazing with the crowds helping to keep us going until that finish line.

We would also like to thank Kevin and Laura Anfield from the Hen & Chicken who raised an amazing £506.33 towards our total.

All the staff at the Hen & Chicken have been so supportive, we cannot thank you all enough

100 Club - A Clarification

Please note that membership of the 100 Club means “one PERSON - one number” so several individuals in a family/ household can participate. To go on the waiting list call me on 22574, or e-mail magazine@froyle.com. Remember, if we can get sufficient numbers to increase the club membership to 150 or beyond, more funds would be raised for the Village Hall and we could adjust the number and value of the prizes accordingly.

Nigel Fisher

Froyle Rainfall for April

This year	21 mm	0.8 inches
Last year	31 mm	1.2 inches
Wettest April (2000)	155 mm	6.1 inches
Driest April (2007)	1 mm	0.04 inches
Long-term average for April – the 2 nd driest month	50.5 mm	2.0 inches

Spooky - or what?

2007: January to March – 269 mm in aggregate;
 April - 1 mm (the lowest in living memory);
 May to July – 360.5 mm in aggregate (the highest in living memory)

2010: January to March – 269 mm in aggregate;
 April - 21 mm (the 2nd lowest for 26 years);
 May to July ?

But never fear, even if the dry April signals a very wet summer in prospect, at least the strawberry crop should be good; according to the Times: ‘with April having been one of the sunniest on record, the combination of warm days and cool nights has produced a bumper yield of “excellent-tasting berries”’. So forget the showers, just bring on the cream...



“The Umbrella Man”

2010 Village Quiz

A quick reminder that this year it’s on Saturday October 23rd.

Froyle Gardens Open

Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th June

2.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Help! Help! All offers to help with serving teas and baking cakes will be gratefully received.

Teas will be served from 2.00 pm - 5.30 pm each afternoon and all profits will go to the National Garden Scheme, which supports many worthwhile national charities. Just an hour of your time would be much appreciated.

Gill Bradley
520484

James's Last Service in Froyle

The last service that James takes at Froyle Church will be a choral evensong at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 18th July. This will be followed by a wine and nibbles party at the Church. All are very welcome.

The PCC do hope many adults and children will be able to attend to wish James and his family well when he takes up his new post in Chesterfield in September.



St Mary's Church Notes

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Church Services in June

First Sunday of the month

All Other Sundays

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

OPEN AIR SONGS OF PRAISE

On Sunday 11th July at 11am there will be an Open Air Songs of Praise, once more with with your pets. If it is a wet morning we will be in the Village Hall where we are serving coffee, squash and biscuits afterwards. This service is after Fete Day and was very well attended when it was held for the second time last year.

There will be a collection this year in aid of Miller's Ark Animals.

Hope to see you there

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

A phrase that has been around now for some time within the life of the church has been the phrase: “Fresh Expressions”. Perhaps you have heard the phrase used, even if you never or rarely go to church. It is a description of the church and the life of the church so we get “Fresh Expressions of Church”.

Amongst Christians there has been a certain amount of cynicism concerning this label. I have heard it said “There is one thing I think the church is not and that is an expression” and even a bishop (not one of ours!) said to me “I don’t believe in fresh expressions but old expressions done well”. I have to admit I have been rather sceptical myself.

The phrase “Fresh Expressions” comes from that common part of our worship that promises “to proclaim afresh the Gospel to every generation”. When I discovered this I found it helped enormously and a bit of a personal breakthrough. I learnt that the phrase was not some catchy, trendy gimmick in order “to get people through the doors” but a serious attempt to take seriously the communication of the Gospel, the Good News of God and what God has done and continues to do, sometimes through us, sometimes in spite of us!

A fresh expression of the church might be a group of people sitting around a table over a coffee, sharing their experiences of life, their questions, listening to others and reflecting on a part of the Bible. A fresh expression might be a new modern style of worship using technology, screens and multi-media projectors using clips of film say instead of the traditional sermon.

I suppose, in a sense, Fresh Expressions has been a bit what we have been about since our launch of “St Mary’s - the way forward” by using different styles of worship e.g. our outdoor services and such creative initiatives as the “Christmas Tree festival”.

Through “Fresh Expressions” of the church God challenges us to use all of our imaginations as we seek to respond to God’s own imaginative calling and to reach out to the world around us, in expectation and love.

With every blessing,

James

The Wizard of Oz

Students at Treloar School are busy rehearsing for our summer show 'The Wizard of Oz'. It promises to be another occasion full of talent and entertainment. All students have had the opportunity to participate, and we have a magnificent cast of over 50 students!

The public performances are on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th July 2010. Tickets will be on sale from May 4th. Full price tickets cost £5 and concessions are £2.50.

Money from the ticket sales pays for the various costs of putting on the show, and any profits made will go forward to help finance future shows. Students in 10R and 10S will be managing the ticket sales with supervision from Mr Ross, as part of their work-related learning.

For tickets or more information please contact the School office on 01420 526 400.

Do you have a head for heights?

Treloar's is seeking out any brave souls with a head for heights who will test their nerves at their charity abseil event on Sunday 20th June at Westmead House – Farnborough, Hampshire.

It is the second time that fundraisers have abseiled down in aid of Treloar's who each year change the lives of some of the most disabled young people from the UK and overseas.

Last year a team of 14 brave souls scaled down the side of a building in London. This year the Treloar's fundraising department is looking for participants closer to home to tackle the over 60ft building on the Hampshire skyline, which is one of the tallest buildings in Farnborough.

Westmead House is owned by Wilky Property Holdings PLC who have kindly agreed to host the event. Colin Moore, Marketing Director at Wilky is keen to get as many of his staff involved in the fundraising effort and to encourage businesses in the area to take part.

Vanessa Casey, Director of External Affairs, said: "this is a great opportunity to do something different and raise money for Treloar's at the same time. The sponsorship raised will help us to continue to provide

high quality education, care, therapy and independence training to young people with physical disabilities. We really hope local businesses will come on board to support Treloar's who support so many young people from the Hampshire and Surrey community."

Fiona Janczur, Treloar's Events Manager, said: "whilst the brave participants will get a 'green spotty' t-shirt, we are also hoping people will come in fancy dress to add some extra fun to the event. So, we need as many people as possible to take part and cheer on the intrepid abseilers. It promises to be a great day."

It costs just £30 to register and participants are asked to try to raise at least £100 in sponsorship. For more information please call Fiona Janczur on 01420 526 511 or email her at events@treloar.org.uk

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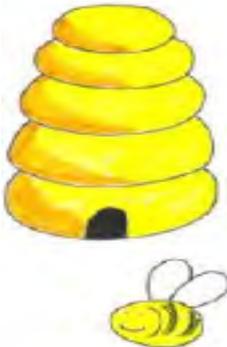
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DEADLINE FOR THE JULY MAGAZINE

TUESDAY JUNE 15TH

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Nigel Fisher

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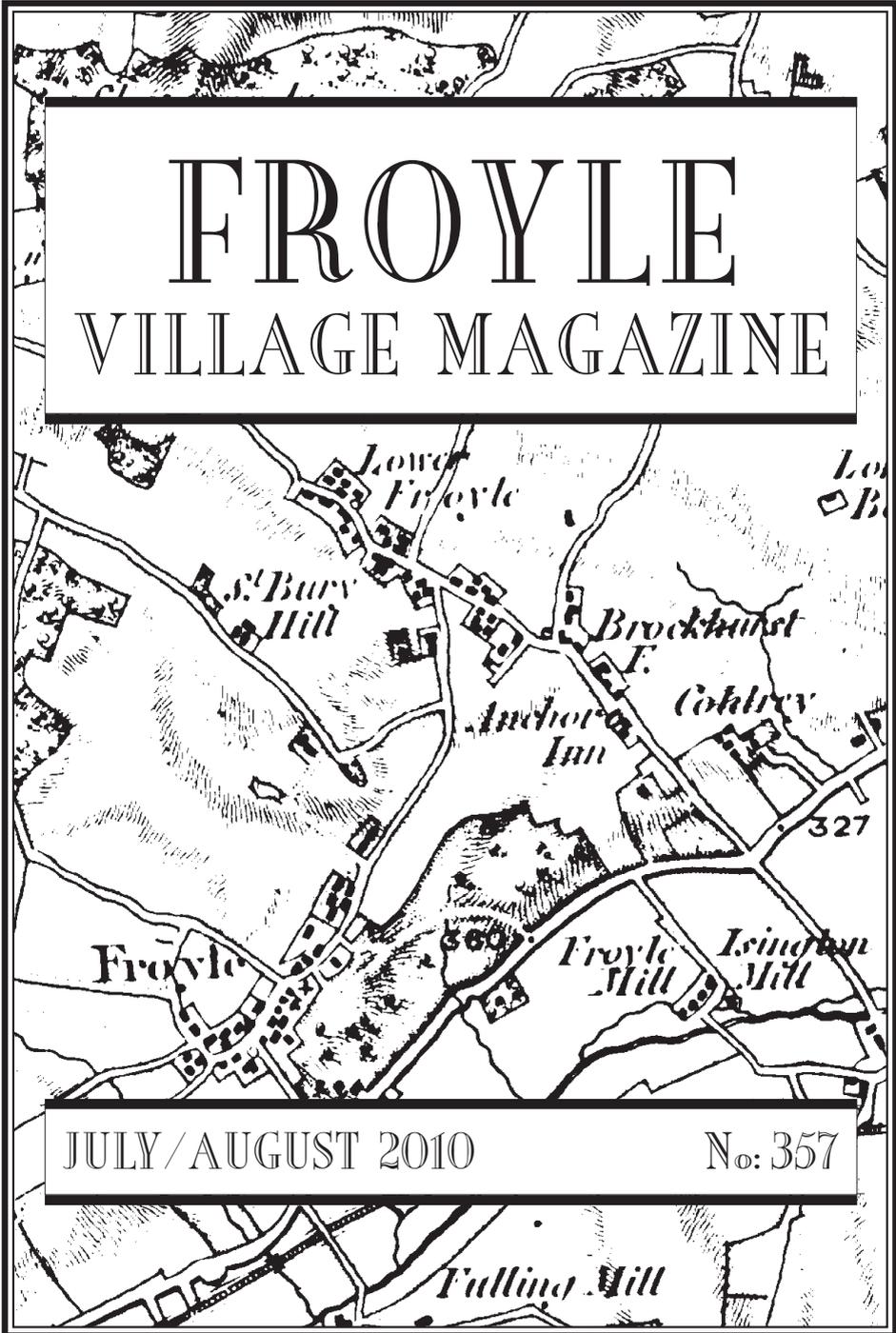
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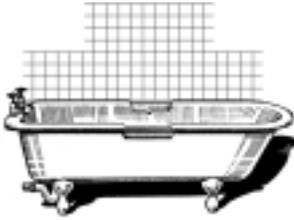
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FROYLE FÊTE AND FLOWER SHOW

SATURDAY, 10TH JULY

The 64th Froyle Fête and Flower Show will begin at 1:00 pm. It will be a traditional village festival. In addition to our usual favorites, there will be some old-fashioned activities: welly whanging, egg and spoon races, etc.

Please note the following changes to this year's schedule:

The Boys Brigade Band will escort our distinguished Fête opener, Mr. Roy Norkett, and will arrive at about 1:00 pm.

Since we have no special theme this year, there is no fancy dress competition.

The Dog Show will start at about 2:30 pm. See details p.10

The Tug of War events will begin at 3:30 pm.

Flower Show prizes will follow the Tug of War

The Grand Raffle will follow at about 4:00 pm.

Our Fête celebrates tradition this year. A few thoughts on the subject follow. Who wrote them?

1. "Tradition is the illusion of permanence."
2. "Tradition is a guide, not a jailer."
3. "There is little value in ensuring the survival of our nation if our traditions do not survive with it."

(Answers on page 18)



FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Bookings : Jo Mills, Bentley 22384

HIRERS OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Will hirers please make doubly sure that heating is shut off, lights, especially the gents and ladies toilets, are turned off, curtains opened and kitchen and front doors locked. Please return the key through the letterbox of Brecklands as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME** Would hall users also please ensure that both the Yale lock and mortice lock are secured when the front door is closed.

From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition. **Currently a number of plates, several chairs and two small tables are missing. If you have these please return them as soon as possible.**

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, **other than bookings**, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

June

1st - Mrs M Wilde (77); 2nd - Mrs K Bainbridge (93); 3rd - Ms J Ezzard (8)

Annette Booth

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - HALL CLOSURE

Please see pages 5 and 7 for details of the hall closure including the interim arrangements for the Tuesday Surgery.

THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.



CAKE BAKERS FOR JULY

July	2	Joy West	Kay Pogson	Elizabeth Sealey	
	9	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	Lorraine Jeffs

HELPERS FOR JULY

July	2	Joy West
	9	Lorraine Bourne

Friday July 9th

As I am sure you are all aware Friday July 9th will be the last Meeting Place before the kitchen refurbishment, and we hope as many of you will join us on that day to share a glass of bubbly, especially as it will be the 1025th Meeting Place (*shame we missed the 1000th!*)

Annette Booth (22364)

Dear Residents of Froyle,

As we move back home we will dearly miss all of our friends, neighbours (specially Ron Figgins, Brenda/Ernie Milam and family), fetes, bonfires, pubs, castles and even driving on the opposite side of the road. My family and I would like to say Thank You, we have enjoyed living here in Froyle/England for 5 years. We will remember all the natural beauty that surrounds the countryside of England. While here in Europe we have taken advantage to travel to at least 25 countries and have seen most of England which we all have enjoyed.

**The Whitley Family
(Farthingdown House)**

Froyle Charity Golf Day

Thursday September 9th Blackmoor Golf Club
Tee-off time 1.30 p.m.

For the prestigious “Prince of Wales Golf Society” trophy and other interesting prizes.

Price £50, includes sandwich lunch.

To reserve your place or for further information contact:

Jamie Stewart-Smith (22072)
or Ian Whitmore (22634)

Dog Owners

The problem of dog fouling on the recreation ground and public footpaths was raised at the Parish Council meeting on June 7th.

Dog mess that is not being picked up on the recreation ground is unpleasant to see, smell or tread in.

Remember it is an offence for a dog walker not to remove their dog's faeces from land to which the public have access - The Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996.

Dog faeces can carry a dangerous disease called toxocariasis. This can cause severe health problems especially to children.

Please use a poop scoop or a bag to pick up your dog's mess and put it in the bins provided.

Nigel Fisher

News from the Village Hall

Closed from 11th July to mid-September

As you will be aware, Froyle Village Hall is closing for refurbishment on Sunday 11th July after the Open Air Service. The project includes renewing the kitchen, electricity, hot water/central heating, as well as decorating the main hall, curtain cleaning, replacing ceiling tiles and upgrading the lighting. So – there will be no access to any part of the hall while all this happens.

We plan to reopen in mid-September.

Following the Open Air Service on Sunday 11th July the hall will be ‘packed away’ pending the arrival of the builders. Could you please make sure any personal items are removed before then as it may be difficult to retrieve them thereafter.

While work on the hall is going on, the area to the north of the hall will be ‘out of bounds’. Please make sure that children are kept well away from the site and the builder’s vehicles. For most of the period of closure the patio can be used as normal.

The recycling bins will be moved next to the football hut.

Photographers Wanted

Following the success of the inaugural village calendar which raised over £300 for the Village Hall, it has been decided to repeat the exercise for 2011.

Future village events such as the Fete and Quiz should provide a fertile hunting ground for happy snappers. If selected for the 2011 calendar your photo could be admired by millions! More details in forthcoming magazines.



OPEN AIR SONGS OF PRAISE

On Sunday 11th July at 11am there will be an Open Air Songs of Praise, once more with your pets. If it is a wet morning we will be in the Village Hall where we are serving coffee, squash and biscuits afterwards. This service is after Fete Day and was very well attended when it was held for the second time last year.

There will be a collection this year in aid of Miller's Ark Animals.



Hope to see you there!



TUESDAY SURGERIES

The last Froyle surgery before the hall closure will take place on Tuesday 6th July. For the period of the closure Dr Moore has kindly agreed to hold an open surgery (no appointment necessary) on Tuesdays between 5 and 6 pm at the Bentley Village Surgery, Hole Lane, Bentley GU10 5LP Tel: 01420 22106. Doors will open at 4.30 pm.

If you have difficulty getting to Bentley, the Binsted, Bentley and Froyle Voluntary Care Group may be able to provide transport. The contact number to ring is 01420 23440. A suggested donation of £2 (there and back) would be appreciated.

Any Froyle drivers who would like to help by joining the group can obtain information from Chris Jackson the Group's secretary on 01420 23526.

If you need a repeat prescription while the hall is closed please write to Dr Moore at Bentley Surgery. Do not leave your prescriptions at the Village Hall as these will not be collected.

We hope to announce the date when the Froyle surgery will restart in the September edition of the magazine and on the hall notice board.

Gardens Open Teas

We've done it again Gill, all thanks to you. As usual, we had a very efficient, cheerful team on both days who worked tirelessly through two very busy afternoons.

Same again next year everyone?

June Fenn

FROYLE FÊTE AND FLOWER SHOW SATURDAY, 10 JULY, 1:00-4:00 PM ON THE VILLAGE RECREATION GROUND

It's almost time. Thanks to all who are participating: we are always grateful to stallholders, tea helpers and strongmen. We'd especially welcome some extra hands setting up on Friday afternoon/Saturday morning and taking down following the festivities. Come help for a little while on the Rec. It will be refreshing.

If you want to help or suggest anything, please call Mary (23164) or Jenny (23697)

FÊTE MEMORIES

This year we thought it would be a good idea to have a covered stall displaying photographs of Froyle fete in years gone by. If you have any relevant photographs you would like to display, please contact Nigel Fisher on 22574 or e-mail to magazine@froyle.com. We will arrange for copies to be displayed so your precious originals will not be at risk.

FÊTE TEAS

HELPERS AND CAKE WANTED!

I am looking for volunteers to help on the fete tea stall. If you can spare an hour between 1pm and 4pm why not come and join us? It's a busy afternoon but good fun and you'll be very welcome! Please call Mary Chaplin on 22574, sign up at the Meeting Place in June or speak to Nigel Fisher.

Tea we have, but I am in need of cakes, scones, cookies, savouries and other nice things for the stall. Please bring to Homestead Cottage up to the day before the fete or to the Village Hall on the day. All contributions will be very gratefully received. And eaten.

Mary Chaplin (22574)

BOTTLE STALL

We will be collecting bottles for the stall in the week commencing June 28th. Champagne to ketchup. Please give generously.

BOOKS

Please try not to bring books on the day as we need time to put them into some sort of order. Please deliver to Homestead Cottage or ring Nigel Fisher (22574) to arrange delivery/collection.

BRIC-A-BRAC

Please bring items to the big barn at Copse Hill Farm during the month of June. Thereafter, to the stall on the day. If you have any larger items for collection please contact Andrew and Sarah Potter (520294).

CAKES AND PRODUCE

Please bring to Sue Carr (23116), The Cottage, Hussey's Lane (who has freezer space), or bring on the day. Very grateful for all your efforts.

TOMBOLA

Unwanted gifts (newish please) to Meeting Place, Fridays in June, or call Lauraine Bourne (22159).

CROCKERY SMASHING

Please would everyone have a look in their kitchen/under the bed/in garden sheds for old crockery which they would like to donate to the stall. Please contact Jo Mills (22384) for further information.

JUMBLE

Rummage around your drawers.....and wardrobes, and bring your good quality jumble for us to sell at the fete.

From toddlers 'T's to ladies fashions to XL menswear.....all welcome.

Please bring your donations to the Meeting Place the day before or to the Rec on the morning of the fete. Thank you very much, in anticipation. Lori (Taylor) 22148 and Maureen (Fry) 22557.

FÊTE DOG SHOW

As promised last month, here are the classes for this year's dog show – those who participated last year will remember the form. There are six classes and two special "overall" awards. Each of the two overall awards is given to the woofers who, over the show as a whole, most fulfil the relevant criteria. We expect particularly tough competition for the Scrappy Doo award... The more classes you enter, the more your dog will have the chance to impress the judge with his or her particular qualifications for one of the special awards. All classes are open to all breeds, any age and either sex (that goes for both owners and dogs, of course...). The price is 50 pence per class, or two pounds for all six classes.

I told a lie last month. Roy Norkett will not be judging the dog show. Roy has, however, guided us towards an outside judge, well versed in canine craziness, who has kindly agreed to come to apply his expert eye to Froyle's finest hounds. So let's try to impress him...

The 6 Classes:

1. Gelert Award - dog that won't budge
2. Tramp Award - scruffiest dog
3. Fred Basset Award - waggiest tail
4. Underdog Award - best trick
5. Gromit Award - dog most like its owner
6. Krypto Award - fastest dog



Overall Awards:

Scrappy Doo - award for most disobedient dog
Balto - Top Dog

Questions please to William (23164).

Froyle Gardening Club

Last month's speaker, Mr. Tim Woodland, gave an interesting and informative talk on the subject of bulbs throughout the year starting with crocus and proceeding through the year to gladioli, cyclamen etc, which flower in late summer.



The next event in the Gardening Club calendar is, of course, the Summer Show. This is the occasion when the Club presents the best examples of veg/fruit/flowers that we –and you- can provide. Anyone can enter and we really hope you will.

The schedule is in the current newsletter starting on page 12. Entries cost 25 pence each and you should pop onto the hall between 7 and 8 p.m. Wednesday 7th July. Jayne has entry forms if you can fill one in before entries night. Childrens entries are free.

Exhibits must be brought to the hall between 9-10.15 a.m. on Saturday morning.

The Flower Show has been part of the fete for many years. We look forward to seeing you on entries night – and of course on Saturday.

Marian Cresswell

Don't Forget

The next magazine will appear in September. Copy deadline 15th August.

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB

SUMMER SHOW JULY 10TH 2010

SECTION A - OPEN VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

Plates will be provided where necessary.
Please display names of varieties where possible.
One variety per class except Class 12.

Class

1. Peas. One dish of six pods.
2. Broad beans. One dish of six pods.
3. Potatoes. One dish of three.
4. Cabbage. Two.
5. Lettuce (Cos). Two heads.
6. Lettuce (any one variety excluding Cos). Two heads.
7. Onions. One dish of three. Trimmed but not tied.
8. Carrots. One dish of four, without foliage.
9. Beet. One dish of three, without foliage.
10. Rhubarb. Three sticks.
11. Any other vegetable. One dish. Quantities as in Appendix except courgettes
12. Herbs. Collection of three kinds. Cut and bunched individually in water.
13. Gooseberries. A dish of eight.
14. Raspberries. A dish of twelve.
15. Blackcurrants. A dish of six strings.
16. Strawberries. A dish of six.
17. Any other fruit. Quantities as Appendix.

SECTION B - OPEN FLOWERS

Please display names of varieties where possible.
Vases are available for classes 20-22, 24-28, & 34

Class

20. One "large-flowered" (Hybrid Tea) rose, specimen bloom.
21. One stem of "cluster – flowered" (Floribunda) roses.
22. Three stems of roses, same variety; 1 bud, 1 specimen bloom, 1 fully open.
23. Bowl or vase of roses, no more than 10 stems.
24. Sweet peas, twelve stems.
25. Pinks, six stems.
26. Lily one stem.
27. Collection of mixed garden flowers; 9 stems, 3 or more varieties (may include shrubs),

28. Collection of mixed foliage; 9 stems, 3 or more varieties.
29. Pansies or violas, six.
30. Four clematis blooms one or more varieties.
31. Pot plant in bloom. Inside diameter of pot 18 cm (7") or less.
32. Pot plant grown for foliage. Inside diameter. of pot 18 cm (7") or less.
33. Cactus or succulent.
34. Penstemon, three stems.

SECTION C - OPEN DOMESTIC

Men and children can enter all these classes.
Exhibitors are asked to provide their own plates as necessary.
Screw- top lids are available at club meetings.

40. Jar of marmalade.
41. Jar of strawberry jam.
42. Jar of jam, excluding strawberry.
43. Jar of jelly, approx 225g (½ lb).
44. Jar of chutney.
45. Chocolate sandwich cake with butter cream filling
46. Four gingerbread squares
47. Four savoury scones.
48. Something new from something old
49. An example of handicraft
50. Eggs, 6 (displayed in an egg box)

SECTION D - OPEN (EXCEPT CLASS 60) FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

Accessories may be used in all classes.
Classes 61, 62 & 63 will be staged in front of a cream background.
All tabling draped in pale green.

60. FROYLE RESIDENTS ONLY - Dr. Lewarne Cup
"Alfresco". An exhibit for a buffet table.
Space allowed: width 60cm, depth 60cm, height optional.
61. "Playing with Shapes". An exhibit.
Space allowed: width 60cm, depth 60 cm, height optional.

62. “Summer Sunshine”. An exhibit.
Space allowed: width 45cm, depth 45 cm, height optional.
NOVICES ONLY (Those who have not won more than one 1st prize for flower arrangement).
63. “Downsizing”. A miniature arrangement.
Space allowed: width 10 cm, depth 10 cm, height 10 cm.

SECTION E – CHILDREN

No entrance fee. Age will be taken into account:

- a) Up to and including 8 yrs ; b) 9 yrs up to and including 15 yrs

70. FROYLE GIRLS - Mrs. Lewarne Cup
Handmade article in any medium e.g. needlework, painting, pottery etc.
- 71.. FROYLE BOYS - Bush Cup
A model in any medium. Max size 45 cm.
72. Face made from fruit or vegetables, on a max size plate of 20 cm.
73. A photograph, max size 20 cm x 15cm.
74. A flower arrangement in a tea-cup.
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FROYLE GARDENS OPEN

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU from all the gardeners to everyone who helped in any way at our Open Gardens Weekend. We made a handsome profit of £5,019 for the N.G.S. and a further £584 was raised from selling plants for other charities. Cecily Robertson excelled making around £400 for children with Leukaemia. These results were down on last year but up on 2008. We are particularly grateful to Gill Bradley for organizing the teas yet again with her wonderful helpers. I believe many people went beyond the call of duty and we thank them very much. The N.G.S. profits go to The Macmillan Nurses, The Marie Curie Nursing service, Crossroads (Caring for Carers), The National Trust to enable them to train gardeners, and a few other nursing and gardening charities. As you can see our efforts are worthwhile so here's to next year.

Brenda Milam

Church Report July and August 2010

The Church Wardens would like to thank everyone who helped and gave up their time at the recent May Jumble Sale in aid of church funds. A big thank you must also go to all the cake makers too. It was the biggest cake stall we have had at a jumble sale and brought in £95.00. Thank you to everyone who turned out their cupboards and donated jumble by the car load! After all the usual expenses had been taken out, we raised £586.56, which is £80 more than last year. Lots of people are involved on the day and we are very grateful to them. Thank you.

The takings were as follows:

Entrance	£15.05
Raffle	£94.00
Teas	£5.00
Bric-a-brac	£130.90
Jumble	£109.01
Hats/Shoes etc	£11.90
Rail	£40.10
Cakes & Produce	£95.60
Toys	£23.19
Books	£45.81
Donations	£16.00
TOTAL	£586.56

Coming up next on the church calendar will be the Open Air Service at 11.00am at the Village Hall on Sunday 11th July. This is the day after the Fete and will be a Songs of Praise. All are welcome – ESPECIALLY your pets, so don't forget to bring them too! There will be refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Church report continued

Advance Notice

Harvest Supper Friday 1st October at 7.30pm. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis during September.

Very Advance Notice!

The Church Christmas Tree Festival will be the weekend of November 27th and 28th. Brenda Milam will be letting you know nearer the time the details.

Jean Norkett
Tel 22591

Froyle Rainfall for May

This year	24 mm	0.9 inches
Last year	27 mm	1.1 inches
Wettest May (1979)	111 mm	4.4 inches
Driest May (1991)	3.5 mm	0.1 inches
Long-term average for May – the 4 th driest month	53.5 mm	2.1 inches

Well, if the 3 months to July 2010 are going to come anywhere near emulating the very wet 2007 equivalent (which I suggested was a symmetrical possibility in last month's report), then June and July are going to have to go some, as May was less than half the long-term average. In fact it was the lowest May rainfall in Froyle since the all-time low of 1991, a month about which, apart from being when the last episode of Dallas was broadcast, I am struggling to find anything else very memorable.



“The Umbrella Man”

FROYLE VESTMENT EXHIBITION

We had a very successful Exhibition of St Mary's Vestments last month when we once again joined the 'Gardens Open' weekend. Time and again people said how amazed they were that such a small village could be looking after such a wealth of heritage. There was no entry charge but we invited people to give a donation and through this we raised over £800. What added to the enjoyment for the visitors was that a number of modern embroidery and textile works were also on show from The Textile Workshop - a group from Doxford who had spent a day with us a couple of years ago and had produced a number of modern textile interpretations from inspiration they found from St Mary's and our Vestment Collection. So all in all it was a most interesting - and lucrative! - weekend.



Linda Bulpitt

James's Last Service in Froyle

The last service that James takes at Froyle Church will be a choral evensong at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 18th July. This will be followed by a wine and nibbles party at the Church. All are very welcome.

The PCC do hope many adults and children will be able to attend to wish James and his family well when he takes up his new post in Chesterfield in September.



Teas for Froyle Gardens Open 5th/6th June

We've done it again – and survived!

Thank you once again to all those who baked cakes and/or helped on Saturday and Sunday for the Teas for the Gardens Open weekend. The numbers were not quite as great as last year but we were still kept pretty busy, unusually, more so on Saturday than Sunday.

Special thanks go to Pat Pritchard, selling tickets and patiently giving directions to visitors and to Martin with his hands in the sink for several hours each afternoon – next year, hopefully, it will be a question of loading the dishwasher! To June Fenn for her expertise in cutting cakes and to the table clearers, driers up and the cashiers. Last but by no means least to those who cleared up and cleaned up at the end.

We made a profit of £1,124 (which included a contribution from an enterprising outlet in Husseys Lane) which goes to the National Garden Scheme to help support their various well known charities.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Gill Bradley

2010 Village Quiz

A quick reminder that this year it's on Saturday October 23rd. Full details in the September magazine.

[Fete Quiz Answers: 1. Woody Allen; 2. W. Somerset Maugham; 3. John F. Kennedy]

St Mary's Church Notes

Vicar

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Churchwardens

Mrs.J.Dundas

Brocas Farm, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520279

Mr.P. Bradley

The Old Malthouse, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520484



Church Services in July

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

Sunday 11th July

11.00 a.m. Open-air Service on the Recreation Ground

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

Sunday 18th July

6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong - James's last service in Froyle

UNCLAIMED JUG

I have a pretty white jug with maroon flowers on it left after Easter in church. It was removed in error. Please ring 22216 to get it back. Apologies for not mentioning it last month.

Brenda Milam

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear All,

This seems very strange as this will be my last letter to you all. Yes, as I am writing this letter I am beginning on the “last of this” and “the last of that” and it leaves a very odd feeling.

I will have so many memories of Froyle church and village community to take with me to Chesterfield. Thank you so much for these. Froyle is a very special place indeed and I know you will all support Jenny and Peter the Churchwardens during the vacancy.

Quite a number of people have asked after other Crofts. Well here goes. Jenny begins her new job as a Learning Support Assistant at the Brookfield Community School in Chesterfield beginning in September. Amy is currently in her first year at Durham University reading Geography so is now enjoying the summer vacation before she begins her second year in October. Rosie, subject to getting the right grades, will be off in the autumn of this year to Bristol University to study Chemistry.

People also ask after our pets. Sadly, Anna our elderly cat (age unknown but very old) and Jack the rabbit, aged nearly 11 years and extremely old have died so we are now down to just one pet, Tilly, now a “mature” cat. She will be moving to Chesterfield and will need to adjust to a more urban environment. We wait to see how she will get on.

With every blessing,

James



TRELOAR TRUST SUMMER BBQ

Tuesday, 27th July 2010

Treloar School, Upper Froyle 12.30pm – 3.00pm

The Chief Executive and Staff would like to invite you to our summer BBQ to be held in the grounds of Treloar School

Come along and join us

BBQ – Children's games – Enjoy the gardens

Places must be booked in advance

Book early to avoid disappointment

Places can be booked direct through the Trust Office

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The Meeting Place, Froyle Village Hall

We look forward to meeting you



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- ♦ Meet Nell the sheepdog and watch her work

£4 per adult, children free - sorry no dogs

The farm will be signposted from the cross-roads by Bentley Memorial Hall

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ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

Qualified tennis coach with transport, Dan Cochrane (18) is available for coaching in and around Froyle during summer holidays, either in the week or at weekends. What ever your age or your ability, if you are interested, give me a call.

01420 22426 or 07701087792

Alton & North East Hampshire Agricultural Show

Froyle Park, Alton
SUNDAY 4th JULY 2010

MAIN ARENA

The Light Cavalry, Honorable Artillery Display,
Bob Hogg Sheepdog Display,
Medina Marching Band and Harbour Pipes and Drums

SHOWGROUND

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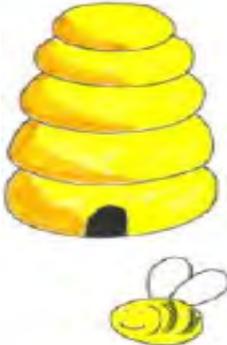
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4 Alton Show	5	6	7	8	9 Mobile Library 1025th Meeting Place	10 Fete and Flower Show
11 Open-Air Service	12 Start of Hall Closure	13	14	15	16	17
18 Choral Evensong	19	20	21	22	23 Mobile Library	24
25 Isnage Open Day	26	27 Treloar BBQ	28	29	30	31

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER MAGAZINE

THURSDAY AUGUST 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

VILLAGE INFORMATION

USEFUL NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS

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District Councillor - *Glynis Watts* - 01252 718437 (New Number)
Editor, Froyle Village Magazine - *Nigel Fisher* - 22574
Alton Police - 0845 045 45 45
Froyle Village Hall Committee: *Chairman* - *Jerry Saunders* - 22478
Cancer Research UK - *Margaret Stanford* - 22139
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Froyle Archive - *Chris & Annette Booth* - 22364
AFC Froyle - *Jason Smith* - 521056
Froyle Players - *Mark Cray* - 22709
Froyle Friends - *Annette Booth* - 22364
St Mary's Vestment Group - *Linda Bulpitt* - 22725
St. Mary's Flower Rota - *Brenda Milam* - 22216
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Lower Froyle 11.30am to 11.45am

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Telephone calls taken from 8.30 a.m. every morning
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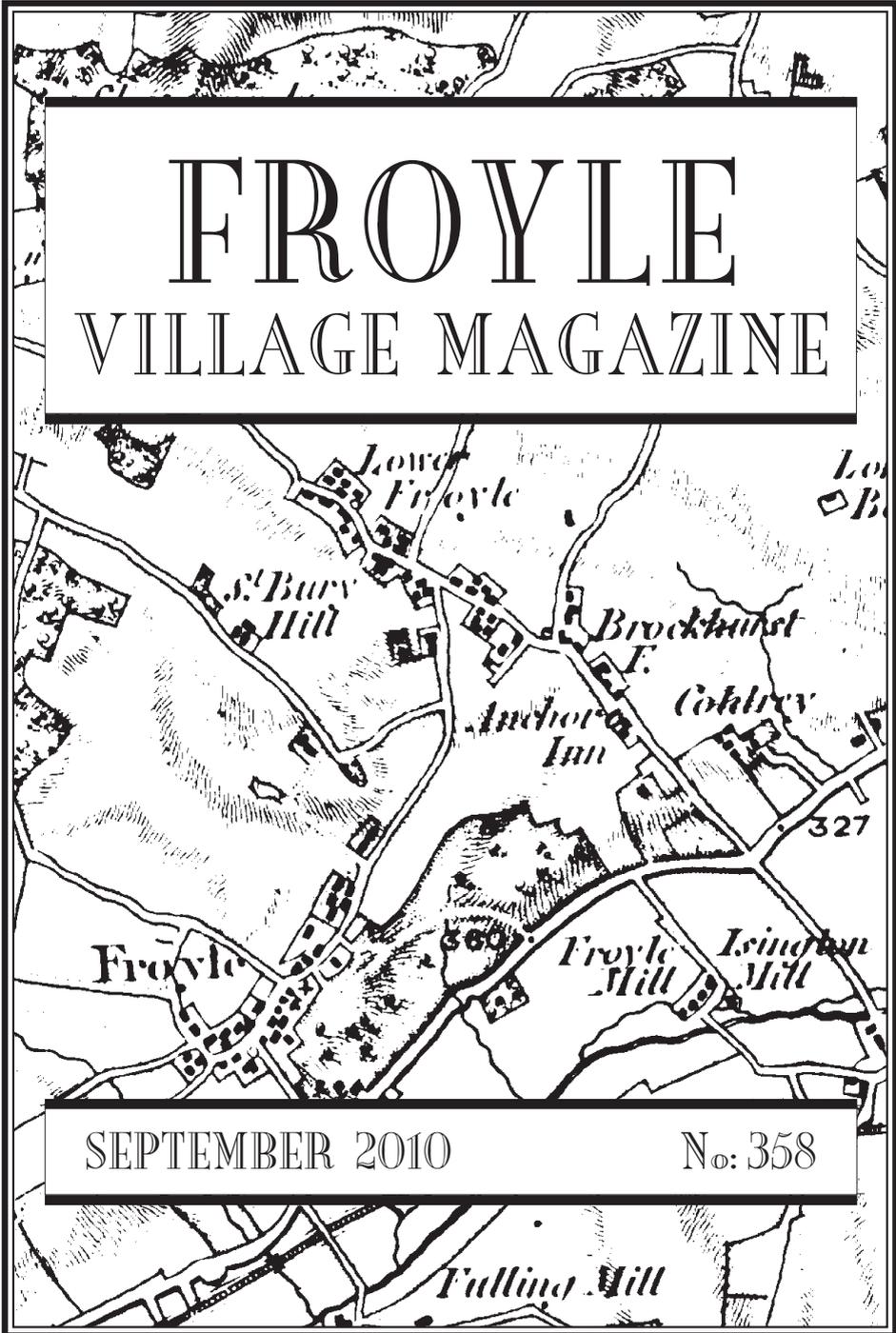
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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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Village Hall Reopening

As most readers will already be aware, the reopening of the Village Hall will now not take place in mid-September. The project ran into early problems when excavations for the foundations of the extension revealed part of an old tennis court. This slowed up progress considerably and it has been difficult to make up for the lost time. The Village Hall Committee met on 12th August and concluded that it was preferable to postpone the reopening for a month rather than risk missing the earlier deadline or open with a partially completed, untested kitchen. It was also important to make the decision at that time to give maximum notice to those who had already booked the hall.

The hall will now reopen on 13th October.

The Village Hall Committee regret that it has been necessary to make this difficult decision and we hope you will agree that this was the most appropriate course of action.

Jerry Saunders
Chairman Froyle VHC

St Mary's Church

New Vicar

It is good to be able to write that we have a new vicar, who will take up his post in January 2011.

His name is Yann Dubreuil and he is currently the Curate at the Church of The Good Shepherd in Four Marks. He is married to Hannah and they have three young children – Sophie, Toby and Max.

When Yann arrives in January he will be the incumbent of the new Benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle.

Meanwhile, regular services will continue as usual with visiting priests.

Jean Norkett



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From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition.

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, other than bookings, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

Village Calendar 2011

Please submit your entries by 15th October

Any photographs that depict life in Froyle will be considered.

Please send your efforts (high resolution preferred) to

June Trim (23336)

or

email: junetrim@btinternet.com

IMPORTANT NEWS
THE MEETING PLACE

As the building work at the Village Hall is taking slightly longer than originally anticipated, there will be no Meeting Place until October. Please see the October Village Magazine for details of our return.



Annette Booth (22364)

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

July

1st - Mrs S Macnabb (69); 2nd - Mrs A McRiley (18); 3rd - Mrs J Southern (30)

August

1st - Mrs A Reiner (32); 2nd - Mr R Norkett (70); 3rd - Mr N Bulpitt (72)

Annette Booth

THE RETURN OF
THE WIZARD OF OZ

Monday 6th Sept 7.30

BROCAS FARM
in the barn

With thanks to Jenny and Jamie Dundas

It is time to dust of your scripts (not that you will need them as you will all be word perfect by now!! (Although there have been a few changes).

All the cast are required for this first rehearsal so we can see who is still with us! So if you do not wish to continue let us know so that we can recast. Also if you do not have a part but would like to be involved please do come along.

At the time of writing it was unsure if the Village Hall would be finished, hopefully by the time we get together on the 6th we should know if we will be in the Hall as usual or somewhere else (Newton-Davis Hall?) for the rest of the rehearsals.

For any more info you can contact Mark Cray on 01420 22709
or markecray@aol.com.

ADAMS FIELD 2010



Passersby may have noticed that we have changed the name of our house from “Little Greystones” to “Adams Field” after 39 years!! The idea came from our new next door neighbours, Mark & Sue, who plan to change *their* house name next year before they move in. We decided to try and commemorate a Froyle name so that it might live on in the future.

The picture above, taken around 1915, shows two gentlemen standing in the field named “Adams” on the Tithe documents of 1847. As they are standing roughly in our back garden, we decided to take on the name of “Adams Field”. Also the name appears in our deeds, some parts of which go back to the 1800s.

*Chris & Annette Booth
“Adams Field”
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Car Boot Sale

Froyle Recreation Ground
Sunday 26th September

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All proceeds to go towards the Village Firework Display

Gates Open 8.00 a.m. Sale Starts 9.00 a.m.

BBQ

Tea and cake stall

(Cake bakers welcomed - please call 22709)

More information from Jeanette Cray 22709

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Froyle Gardening Club

Another great show of flowers, domestic and flower arrangements. Everyone did a great job turning out some fantastic floral arrangements considering the dry hot weather we have had.

Here are the results for the Flower Show:

Hollis Cup	M. Carr
Goschen Cup	J. Norkett
Bootle Wilbraham Cup	G. Hawkins
Kay Newton Davis Cup	B. Milam
Dr. Lewarne Cup	T. Riley
Robertson Rose Bowl	J. Norkett
Mrs. Lewarne Cup	Gemma Williams
Bush Cup	Hector Thorneycroft
Holland Cup	J. Norkett
Graham Blunt Award	G. Hawkins

Jayne Williams

St Mary's Church

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Sunday 31st October – a Bereavement Service
Sunday 14th November – Remembrance Sunday

Saturday 27th/Sunday 28th November – Christmas Tree Festival

This takes place in both the Church and the Village Hall. At the Village Hall there will be a Christmas Grotto for Father Christmas, a Christmas Fare Stall, a Raffle and, for the first time, a Bling Stall (more about that later). Also, throughout the day, Gill Bradley and her team will be serving food and drinks.

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings **Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am**

We hope all our Froyle Families had a lovely summer. It was great to catch up with so many at the well attended play dates we held on the field during the school holidays.

As there is a delay in the Village Hall reopening we are planning to continue meeting outdoors until we are back in the hall. So from Thursday 16th September we will be meeting alfresco. For those of you who have been shy on trying us out, perhaps this is a more relaxed opportunity to pop along to the swings and say hello for the first time.

Wonderful Helen, who works for Sure Start will be bringing along outdoor toys and initiating games. Although the coffee and tea may be in short supply, I do hope those of you with young children in your care will venture out to join us.

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/ carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee.

Our meeting dates for September are
16th, 23rd, 30th.

Our meeting dates for October are
7th, 14th, 21st.

Any questions, or to check if we are still planning to meet during inclement weather, please call

Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336

FROYLE FÊTE AND FLOWER SHOW 2010

We hope you all enjoyed our traditional-style celebration this year. We had photographs and memories from the old days, but were delighted to have so many newcomers in our time. There were many new stallholders and a whole gang of helpers setting up and taking down. Thanks, all, for joining in. Our long-time helpers were there again—and we are grateful, as always. Special thanks to Roy Norkett, who started things off with flair and humour.

The takings for the stalls are listed below. Total revenue was more than £5,500, up about 17% from 2009. Weather makes a difference, and the sun shone on Froyle this year. We continued our policy of not raising prices. At the Travellers' Rest Inn, this was possible owing to support from our local pubs: the Anchor donated local brews again, and the Hen & Chicken contributed the Pimms. Thanks, too, for our many generous raffle and stall prizes, cash and other sponsorships.

Mary Knowles

Stall	Net Takings 2010	Net 2009
BBQ	564.20	430.50
Beat the Goalie	52.00	39.00
Beer Tent	660.65	579.80
Books	179.89	206.66
Bottle Stall	345.50	265.25
Bric a Brac	301.97	150.03
Cakes	249.50	207.60
Coconuts	144.50	111.50
Crockery Smashing	166.50	75.70
Dog Show	21.50	25.86
Face Painting	26.60	41.50
Gardening Club Plant Stall	67.39	69.31
Go Karts	25.90	10.98
Grand Raffle	834.90	901.00

High Low	81.55	62.50
Ice cream	118.11	27.50
Jar of Sweets	69.80	69.30
Jumble	107.96	69.85
Rolling Raffle	119.01	120.00
Teas	328.20	341.58
Tombola	111.90	94.90
Welly Wanging	51.14	
Whack the Rat	10.31	

TEAS

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the fete teas. I am so grateful to all those who helped on the day, both behind the scenes and front of house, and to the many cooks and cake-bakers. We had a wonderful selection of cakes and many happy customers. Thank you all for your generosity and support.

Mary Chaplin

Village Quiz Night

In aid of Naomi House Childrens Hospice

Saturday 23rd October

Quiz starts 7.30 p.m.

Doors Open 7.00 p.m - come early to take part in the warm-up round, buy your raffle tickets and beat the rush at the bar!

Tickets £7 per person (includes food)
Please let us know if you require a vegetarian meal

Teams of 6 - reserve your place now

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Froyle Rainfall for June and July

	June		July	
This year	22.5mm	0.9ins	30mm	1.2ins
Last year	23mm	0.9ins	78mm	3.0ins
Wettest (2007/2007)	122.5mm	4.8ins	139.5mm	5.5ins
Driest (1995/1978)	5mm	0.2ins	11mm	0.4ins
Long-term averages – the 3 rd driest and driest months respectively	52.8mm	2.1ins	47.9mm	1.9ins

I suggested in May that the rainfall in the early months of 2010 bore such similarities to 2007 that a very wet May, June and July could easily follow. “Don’t give up your day job” would be a fair riposte to that particular bit of amateur forecasting given that, at a grand total of 76.5mm, Froyle subsequently had its driest early summer since 1995, when only 52mm of rain fell. It’s probably therefore not worth even giving a second thought to the fact that 1995 also had the wettest September since the mid-70’s...



“The Umbrella Man”

HARVEST FESTIVAL 17th October

Following the success of the Easter “POTS”, we are again inviting you all to produce a pot, container or other offering to celebrate the Harvest Season. (Scarecrows will feature NEXT YEAR - watch this space). These may be flowers, produce, pictures or anything else which takes your fancy. The main thing is to take part; we really do want to see the church decorated by you.

Brenda Milam

HARVEST SUPPER



NEW DATE FRIDAY 15TH OCTOBER
7pm for 7.30pm

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We last submitted an article in 2007 along with a map showing the public and permissive rights of way on the Estate. In that article I confirmed that the permissive rights of way were created under the Countryside Stewardship Scheme which expires at the end of September 2010 and that they would be reviewed thereafter. The Froyle Estate is going to make two alterations to the Permissive Rights of Way on the Estate. One the of these amendments is in Upper Froyle, and the other is on the western boundary of the Estate at Row Wood.

In Upper Froyle, the circular permissive bridleway is going to be withdrawn at the end of September. The other alteration at Row Wood is the downgrading of a permissive bridleway to a permissive footpath and some re-routing of that permissive right of way.

**Crispin Mahony
Savills (L&P) Ltd**

Editor's note

You can see which routes are affected by visiting the Froyle website:

www.froyle.com

Click on “Froyle Today” and go to the “Maps” menu

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 27th and 28th November

Yes, there will be another Christmas Tree Festival this year and we will be making space for more trees in the Village Hall, so get your imagination going ready to book a space in October. Also there will be a sales table for Bling care of Karen Hatcher and Tanya Lucas. More details next month .

Brenda Milam

Fern Britton

Recently Treloar's was thrilled to welcome TV presenter Fern Britton to the School and College. Taking time out of her busy schedule, Fern Britton dropped in on a number of classes at the School including a unique music lesson with students playing keyboards and drums. Fern then moved to the College for a sumptuous three-course lunch, prepared by College students and served in the Domestic Independence flat.

In the afternoon the day's programme continued with a visit to the Assistive Technology, Speech and Language departments and TEPS - Treloar's Enterprise Printing Solutions, where Fern was presented with a picture specially produced by a student to commemorate her visit.

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Salsa

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Brocas Farm, Lower Froyle

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Mr.P. Bradley

The Old Malthouse, Lower Froyle

Tel: 01420 520484



Church Services in September

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

September Church Report

There was a grand turn-out for James's last service at our church last month. James chose to have a Choral Evensong for this occasion. Afterwards, at the wine and cheese party he was thanked for the last 13 years he has been here. A cheque and a finely embroidered framed picture of St Mary's armorial window were presented to him.

James and his family (plus Tilly their cat) have moved to Chesterfield for him to start on September 2nd.

Harvest Festival Service

PLEASE NOTE – NEW DATE 17TH OCTOBER

Decorating the Church on Saturday 16th October by the congregation

See Brenda Milam – Tel 22216.

Thank you

Jean Norkett
Tel 22591

A Country Day Out for All the Family
Saturday 11th September
Roke Farm, Odiham
including
Roke Farm Bale Push Championship

The Bale Push Championship will be the main event of the day. Pushing will be for teams of four in various categories – gentlemen only, ladies only, family, under 16, etc.

The fun starts at 12 noon with a hog roast and continues until 4pm

Big tractor driving (under supervision!)
Toy tractors for children
Children's races
Ferret racing
Tug of war
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Cream teas
Licensed bar by Crondall Brewery
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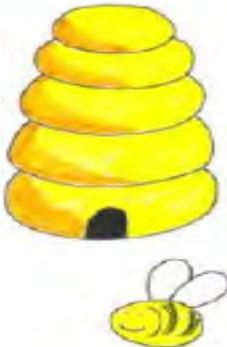
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19	20	21	22	23 Toddler Group	24	25
26 Car Boot Sale	27	28	29	30		

DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER MAGAZINE

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

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Editor, Froyle Village Magazine - *Nigel Fisher* - 22574
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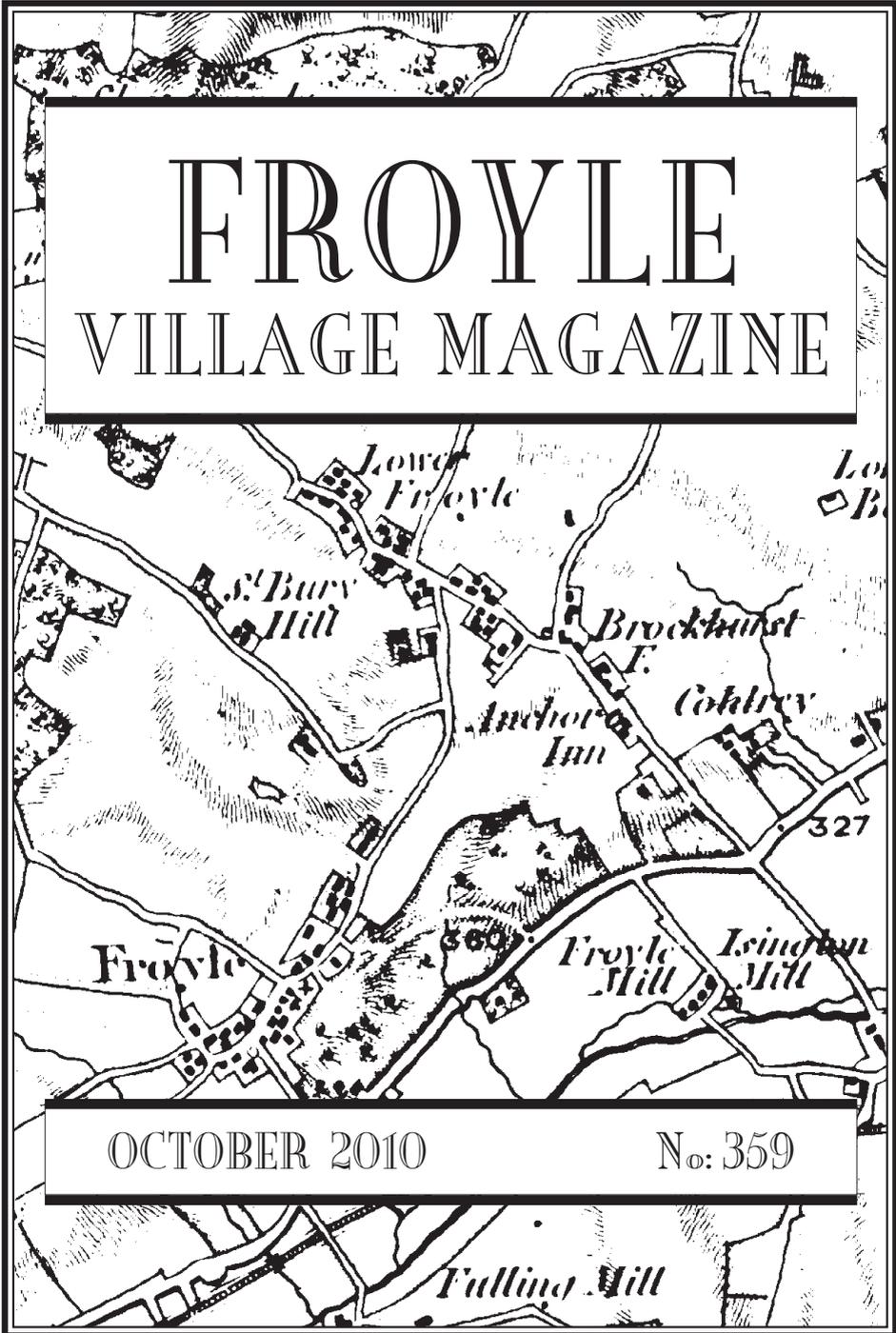
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Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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Village Hall Reopening

Wednesday 13th October

All Villagers are invited to help us celebrate the completion of the new kitchen and refurbishment of the Hall

Drinks and nibbles 7.00-8.30 p.m.

Ribbon-cutting 7.30 p.m.

Village Calendar 2011

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ENTRIES BY 15TH OCTOBER

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From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition.

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, other than bookings, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

Village Quiz Night

In aid of Naomi House Children's Hospice

Saturday 23rd October

Quiz starts 7.30 p.m.

Doors Open 7.00 p.m. - come early to take part in the warm-up round, buy your raffle tickets and beat the rush at the bar!

ALL TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD

Any queries call 22574 or e-mail nigel.fisher05@virgin.net

THE MEETING PLACE RETURNS ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 15TH

We look forward to serving you again from our brand new kitchen and we do hope that as many of you as possible will pop in, especially as we will also be celebrating a Meeting Place Milestone:-



Twenty Years of Serving the Community

CAKE BAKERS FOR OCTOBER

October 15	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	
22	Cecily Robertson	Lauraine Bourne	Sheila Lawrence	
29	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Nancy Rowson	Mary Menzies

HELPERS FOR OCTOBER

October 15	Lyn Pritchard
22	Ann Roberts
29	Lori Taylor

Annette Booth 22364

Harvest Supper Village Hall

7 for 7.30 p.m.

Friday 15th October

All tickets for this event have been sold.

Mary Wilde's 80th Birthday

Please come to the Meeting Place on October 15th to help Mary Wilde celebrate her 80th birthday.



NEWS FROM THE FROYLE ARCHIVE

In early August we were contacted by Sir John Smiley, whose family lived at Froyle House, now the White House, from 1937 until the early 1950s. He was visiting the house to show it to his children before Treloars moved out.

The Smiley name crops up in the history written, at the time, by Tom Knight and in Christopher Hussey's 1941 article, and many of the older residents will remember the family. We asked Sir John if he had any photographs of his time in Froyle and he agreed to have a look and bring some with him when he visited the village.

He brought with him two large albums of pictures taken, mainly by his mother, but some by his uncle - Cecil Beaton!

They also include one of the last ever photographs of Sir Hubert Miller, taken, we believe, on July 1st 1940. Sir Hubert died suddenly shortly after celebrating his 82nd birthday on September 12th.

Sir John very kindly gave us permission to copy and use a selection of them on the website. The majority of them can be accessed at:-

<http://www.froyle.com/fhalbums.htm>

However, there is also a selection of specifically wartime pictures at:-

<http://www.froyle.com/fh1939.htm>

These record the arrival, just over 70 years ago on September 3rd 1939, of A Squadron of the 12th Royal Lancers who requisitioned Froyle House as their Headquarters until they left for France three weeks later.

We would greatly appreciate it if those who can, take a look at the pictures and make a note of any of their memories of that era that have been recalled by seeing the pictures. As a result of this great treasure trove of information, we are making the 1930s, 40s & 50s the theme of our Village Reunion and Open Day at the end of June next year.

Lady Smiley was very particular in captioning the pictures so we do know who is portrayed, but she also kept a diary in which she recorded the events in Froyle during the war and we have reproduced the most significant entries.

Once again, if these trigger any of your memories, please let us know!

Chris & Annette Booth

Lady Smiley's Diaries

1940

June	6 th	Air Raid Warning
	7 th	ARP Meeting in the Hut
	24 th	Air Raid Warning
	25 th	11.15pm to 3.30am. Planes overhead. Two explosions shake house
	30 th	1.15am Planes overhead, 2 bombs dropped at 2.00am (<i>to the NE of Shrubbery House</i>)
July	23 rd	Air Raid Warning. Planes overhead
August	13 th	Bombs and dog fight overhead
	16 th	5.00am Siren. Noise of 100s of planes overhead. Occasional bombs and gunfire lasting ten minutes
	22 nd	11.30pm Terrific explosion. Red glow in the sky
	26 th	Planes and explosions
	27 th	Planes and explosions for 4 hours
September	9 th	Air fight overhead. Mr Brown (<i>the gardener</i>) sees 6 planes come down.
	10 th	Planes all night
	11 th	Planes all night
	16 th	Planes all night
	25 th	Very noisy. Bombs heard.
October	18 th	Mr & Mrs Lovett, evacuees from Poplar, arrive.

1941

April 23rd "Canadians here"

1943

Mid year. Frequent references to Canadian Officers dining at the house

1944

June 20th Doodlebug (*V1 flying bomb*) flies over the house
July 24th Mrs Jarvis + 5 children evacuees arrive.

Froyle Gardening Club

Due to a delay in the completion of the village hall refurbishment, our October meeting has needed to be postponed from 8th to 22nd of October. Fortunately, our speaker, Mr. Patton has been able to change his dates. He will be talking on "Autumn Activities". We hope to notify all members who do not receive a copy of the newsletter, but if you could spread the word it would be very helpful.

See you in our beautiful "new" hall on the 22nd.



Marian Cresswell

HARVEST FESTIVAL

CHURCH DECORATING FOR ALL

Just a reminder that we are hoping that we will receive lots and lots of flower pots, baskets or any other containers decorated by YOU containing flowers, berries, fruit, vegetables, pictures - anything you like. Everyone is really welcome from 1 year to 100 years old. The church was lovely at Easter, let's make it even better to celebrate the Harvest. Contributions may be taken to the church on Friday 15th and Saturday 16th October.



Brenda Milam

News from Chesterfield

Well we finally made it here to Chesterfield! The move went off smoothly and we are now well and truly “in”. Both Jenny and I have been absolutely overwhelmed by your generosity and kindness with the cheque that you gave us and the picture. We promise that we will indeed spend it in the that you asked us to. It will finance our holidays for 2011!!!

Thank you for such a wonderful send off and to all who came and organised my very final service and thank you as well for all your kindness and love towards me and my family during my ministry in Froyle.

God bless you all,

James Croft

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

I will be ready to receive your bookings from the beginning of October. Just ring Brenda on 22216 with the size and title of your tree. I would also like to know if you will be lighting your tree. From last time we realize that it is best if most are lit. Remember we will be needing Christmas goodies, your unwanted jewellery and accessories. Also your time to man stalls, help with refreshments and steward the church. Also all your spare extension leads etc. It can be even more spectacular!

Brenda Milam

Froyle Charity Golf Day 2010

Golfers of all ages gathered at Harry Colt's famous Blackmoor course on September 9th to compete for one of the sport's most prestigious and romantically-named amateur trophies "The Old Prince of Wales Golf Society Silver Salver". After a nutritionally balanced lunch of sandwiches, chips and, in some cases, beer, battle commenced on a typical early autumn afternoon of bright sunshine and sharp showers. Defending champion Jamie Stewart-Smith's grip on the trophy was vice-like and he was again triumphant. Jonathan Hern and Nigel Mills finished 2nd and 3rd respectively, with Jonathan also winning the prize for longest drive. Johnny Rath completed the cohort of prize winners by finishing nearest the pin on the 9th. Thanks are due to Ian Whitmore for organizing a successful and hugely enjoyable day which raised a tidy sum for the charity Help for Heroes.

Nigel Fisher



Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings **Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am**

This month sees the reopening of the Village Hall. We will have our last al fresco baby and toddler meeting on the field on Thursday 7th October and then we will be back in the warm. I for one am looking forward to getting stuck into the wonderful art and craft materials we have. Normal coffee and tea services will also resume.

I do hope those of you with young children in your care will come along and join in the fun.

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Our meeting dates for October are
7th, 14th, 21st.

Our November meeting dates are
4th, 11th, 18th 25th.

Any questions, please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336

Poppy Appeal

2010

It is pleasing to see the celebrations of the 65th anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the media attention surrounding the Battle of Britain 70th year.

We must remember those who have fallen and we must collect for those who are currently serving.

In Afghanistan our armed forces are involved in a bitter struggle and require assistance.

Please give generously to this year's Poppy appeal.

Many thanks

Jamie Stewart-Smith



St. Mary's Froyle



Choral Evensong at 18:30 on October 10th

Music will include:

Canticles and Anthem by Henry Purcell
Responses by Richard Ayleward

All most warmly welcome.

Froyle Rainfall for August

This year	106.5 mm	4.2 ins
Last year	42 mm	1.6 ins
Wettest August (2001)	134 mm	5.3 ins
Driest August (1995)	3.5 mm	0.1 ins
Long-term average for August – vies with March and September for the monthly median	60.9 mm	2.4 ins

This was only the sixth August in the last 50 years when there was more than 100 mm of rain. Though for the year as a whole so far, at 473 mm, we are now back in line with the long-term average (463.2 mm), it doesn't bode terribly well for the autumn – 4 of those 5 previous Augusts were followed by very wet Octobers – so keep those galoshes to hand.



“The Umbrella Man”

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Biodiversity Forum

Grass Snake, Slow-worm and Adder records wanted

Have you seen grass snakes in your garden or elsewhere in Britain? Or maybe you've encountered adders or slow-worms. If so the Amphibian and Reptile Conservation trust would like to know as part of their "Sliding Scales" survey which aims to discover more on the distribution of these species. You can report your sightings via a simple online form at http://www.arc-trust.org/sliding_scales/report.php where you'll find identification help and can pinpoint the location on an interactive map. Additionally you can contribute records online to the Hampshire Reptile and Amphibian Conservation Group – HARG at <http://www.hwt.org.uk/pages/hampshire-amphibian-reptile-group.html> or pick up a recording leaflet from the Meeting Place. HARG runs an annual programme of walks, talks and training events in identification and recording, an ideal way to get to know these fascinating and elusive creatures. A sample newsletter is on the above website.

Grass Snakes

- Can be recognised by their yellow collar.
- Are often seen hunting in water for amphibian and fish prey.
- Prefer areas undisturbed by people or pets.
- Prefer to lay eggs in warm humid conditions – Large compost heaps, muck heaps.
- Are about 7" (18cm) on hatching and young can often be seen in October.
- Often hibernate underground or in bracken litter, appearing again in March.
- Are declining through loss of habitat, breeding sites and declines in amphibian prey.
- Often become entangled in flexible garden netting and die.
- Have been killed and maimed by strimmers so check the area thoroughly first.

If you have a compost heap that you suspect Grass Snakes may have laid eggs in, try and avoid disturbing it till the middle of October. In his book "Britain's Reptiles and Amphibians" Howard Inns advises to leave heaps alone till next spring if possible thus allowing the young snakes to hatch giving them the option to hibernate in the heap.

All six of our native reptiles - **Grass Snake, Adder, *Smooth Snake, Slow-worm, Common Lizard and *Sand Lizard** are national priority Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) species i.e. of conservation concern as are 3 of our six native amphibians - ***Great Crested Newt, Common Toad and *Natterjack Toad**. The starred* species are fully protected under national and international law. The Adder is the only venomous snake in Britain and may bite if it feels threatened.

Hoverflies have been abundant this year. If you have taken photos of these – there are over 200 species in Britain – or any other wildlife and want help in identification log onto **iSpot** at <http://www.ispot.org.uk/help-start> or try using some of the links on the Froyle Archive <http://www.froyle.com/naturelinks.htm> you can send your Froyle wildlife photos to naturepix at froyle.com. Access the gallery from <http://www.froyle.com/nature.htm> and click biodiversity 2010.

iSpot was featured in BBC radio 4's programme "Saving Species" episode 13, last broadcast on 1st July 2010, which you can listen to again on BBC iplayer <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00rt8qq/episodes/player>

Sue Clark

Highway House Footpath

It has been lovely to see so many people taking advantage of the warm start to the summer and using the public footpaths all around. Since we have moved in to Highway House we have been working on ensuring that the footpaths are clear for walkers and have made some repairs to the stiles to make them dog friendly as well!

For those of you who have been walking across the fields at Highway House you will see that we have now also got horses in the fields. The path comes in over a stile and then goes down to two other stiles into the field. We have put up a small gate to the left of the last stile to make access to both the footpaths easier. One footpath then goes diagonally across the field to our boundary where you will find another stile into this field. The other carries on towards the A31 and goes through the woodland via a gate and has a gate the other end where there is a short walk to another stile bringing you out by the A31.

We would ask that walkers follow the countryside rules of shutting all gates behind them and ensuring that all dogs are kept under control around the horses. The horses are very friendly but have been spooked by a couple of dogs recently. Currently they are in the stables during the day and out in the fields at night but this will change as the weather changes. We are planning to work all the fields and so you will find the horses being moved across the fields but we will always ensure that the footpaths are clear for walkers.

Happy walking!

Christine Dickinson – Highway House, Lower Froyle

Treloar's Welcomes Mark Birch

Treloar's is delighted to welcome Mark Birch as new Chaplain at Treloar School and College. Mark is an ordained minister of the Church of England and for the last few years worked as Chaplain and Co-ordinator of Spiritual Care at Helen and Douglas House in Oxford. This is a highly respected Hospice for young adults and children, which has links with Treloar's. Mark will also spend some of his time in care supporting students on the houses.

Sam Scargill

Treloar College photography student, Sam Scargill has recently won a City & Guilds photography competition to have his work displayed at Morley Gallery in London. After being judged by three photography experts, Sam beat over 300 applicants to take first prize with his photography 'Hanging in there'. Speaking on his success, Sam said: ***"I didn't believe my tutor when she first told me that I had won! When it sunk in, I felt excited and very proud of the work that I had done. I wanted to tell my mum straight away."***

Antonio Cappelletti
Marketing Executive

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The classes are aimed at people with little or no experience of using a computer and anyone from the last group who wishes to start again, revisit or extend their skills.

We will cover browsing the web to look up things of interest, how to make voice and video telephone calls via Skype, how to use online shopping sites, computer and web security, how to set-up and use email accounts, social networking and specific applications that the group are interested in. Last year applications included Microsoft Office - Word, Excel etc, Open Office and Photoshop. We can add in other topics depending on the specific interests in the group.

Douglas Law, Madeleine Black and I are happy to run the classes in the winter months from November to late March with a break over Christmas and the New Year. You are welcome to bring your own laptop or use one that we provide. The classes are very informal and we will work at whatever pace suits you.

I need to establish the best day and time to run the classes. When you call please let me know what would work for you in terms of afternoon or evening and preferred day in the week. Please note that Tuesdays are not possible as the hall is booked all day and early evening.

Sadly for us we have lost one of our tutors as Jamie Dickinson is off to university this year. Jamie was a fantastic tutor and I would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to him and wish him all the very best in his studies. Jamie - perhaps we can Skype you during the class if we have any really tough challenges!

If anyone is interested in helping run the classes please also let me know. The more tutors we have the better as it enables us to give people a higher level of individual attention. We also always need extra laptops so if anyone has an old one, please lend it or donate it to us. We can help youfully erase any personal data.

Michelle Essenson

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Church Services in October

First Sunday of the month

8.00 a.m. Eucharist

9.30 a.m. Family Service

All other Sundays

11.00 a.m. Eucharist

Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 17th October at 11.00 a.m.

Regular services continue as usual with visiting priests at St. Mary's Church while we wait for the new incumbent who starts in January 2011.

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Sunday 31st October – a Bereavement Service
Sunday 14th November – Remembrance Sunday

Saturday 27th/Sunday 28th November – Christmas Tree Festival

This takes place in both the Church and the Village Hall. At the Village Hall there will be a Christmas Grotto for Father Christmas, a Christmas Fare Stall, a Raffle and, for the first time, a Bling Stall (more about that later). Also, throughout the day, Gill Bradley and her team will be serving food and drinks.

100 Club

The 100 Club was set up to raise funds for the Village Hall. As the name suggests, it consists of 100 people who have each bought a number at a cost of £1 a month to be entered into a monthly draw. Once you have been allocated a number it remains yours until you stop paying. Please note it is one person, one number, NOT one number per household. There are three prizes a month (£30, £15, £5) and the draw takes place at the Meeting Place on the second Friday of the month. At present, all the numbers are taken, but if you would like to go on a waiting list, send an e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or give me a call on 22574. If we have a lot of people on the waiting list, we may consider increasing the number of club members and would increase the monthly prizes accordingly.

Nigel Fisher

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Ring Lana on 0772 337 9686 to reserve your place in the class.

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Entry forms from:
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denise@cardiac-rehab.co.uk
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CARDIAC REHAB ANNUAL LECTURE WITH LORD OWEN

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Christmas Parties:

Following last year's success we are offering a 2 course or 3 course Christmas Party Menu which will be available lunchtimes as well as in the Evening from Friday 26th November through to Friday 24th December. We've even managed to hold the 3 course option to the same price as last year! There are no minimum number requirements and maximum numbers are only limited to our seating capacity. So whether you are on your own, meeting up with family or friends or organising a get together for work colleagues we will be happy to welcome you. All Christmas Party Bookings will have festive decorations on the tables and our Bar Staff and waiting staff will be there to look after all your needs.

Christmas Day:

Christmas Day is a real family occasion at the Hen and Chicken. To create a warm and friendly atmosphere we invite all our guests to arrive at the same time where you will be greeted with homemade canapés and Bucks Fizz! Christmas Day Lunch is a leisurely experience consisting of five courses. We are pleased to welcome back Rob Gaffney our guest magician who will entertain and amaze you between courses! Head Chef has suggested a selection of meats; which he and his chefs will carve at your table. With no cooking and no washing up you're free to enjoy the rest of your day!

New Years Eve:

Join in the fun on New Years Eve at our My Generation Party, enjoy a buffet and see in the New Year with sparkling wine and fireworks!

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3	4	5	6	7 Toddler Group	8	9
10 Choral Evensong	11	12	13 Hall Reopens	14 Toddler Group	15 Mobile Library Harvest Supper	16
17 Harvest Festival Service	18	19	20	21 Toddler Group	22 Garden Club	23 Quiz Night
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER MAGAZINE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 15TH

Please deliver copy to Homestead Cottage, leave in the folder at The Meeting Place, e-mail to magazine@froyle.com or fax to 08714338956.

Nigel Fisher

VILLAGE INFORMATION

USEFUL NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS

Clerk to Froyle Parish Council - *Philippa Cullen Stephenson* - 520102
District Councillor - *Glynis Watts* - 01252 718437 (New Number)
Editor, Froyle Village Magazine - *Nigel Fisher* - 22574
Alton Police - 0845 045 45 45
Froyle Village Hall Committee: *Chairman - Jerry Saunders* - 22478
Cancer Research UK - *Margaret Stanford* - 22139
The Meeting Place - *Annette Booth* - 22364
League of Friends LMTC - *Jo Mills* - 22384
Froyle Archive - *Chris & Annette Booth* - 22364
AFC Froyle - *Jason Smith* - 521056
Froyle Players - *Mark Cray* - 22709
Froyle Friends - *Annette Booth* - 22364
St Mary's Vestment Group - *Linda Bulpitt* - 22725
St. Mary's Flower Rota - *Brenda Milam* - 22216
Veolia (Recycling) - *Sue Jones (sec to John Collis)* - 01962 76400
Should you or your club be on this list? Phone 22574 for inclusion

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMES

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Lower Froyle 11.30am to 11.45am

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Dr.J.W.A. Moore and Dr.M.Way

Telephone calls taken from 8.30 a.m. every morning
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Monday	8.30 - 11.00am	4.00 - 6.00pm
Tuesday	8.30 - 11.00am	Closed
Wednesday	8.30 - 11.00am	4.00 - 6.00pm
Thursday	8.30 - 11.00am	4.00 - 6.00pm
Friday	8.30 - 11.00am	4.00 - 6.00pm

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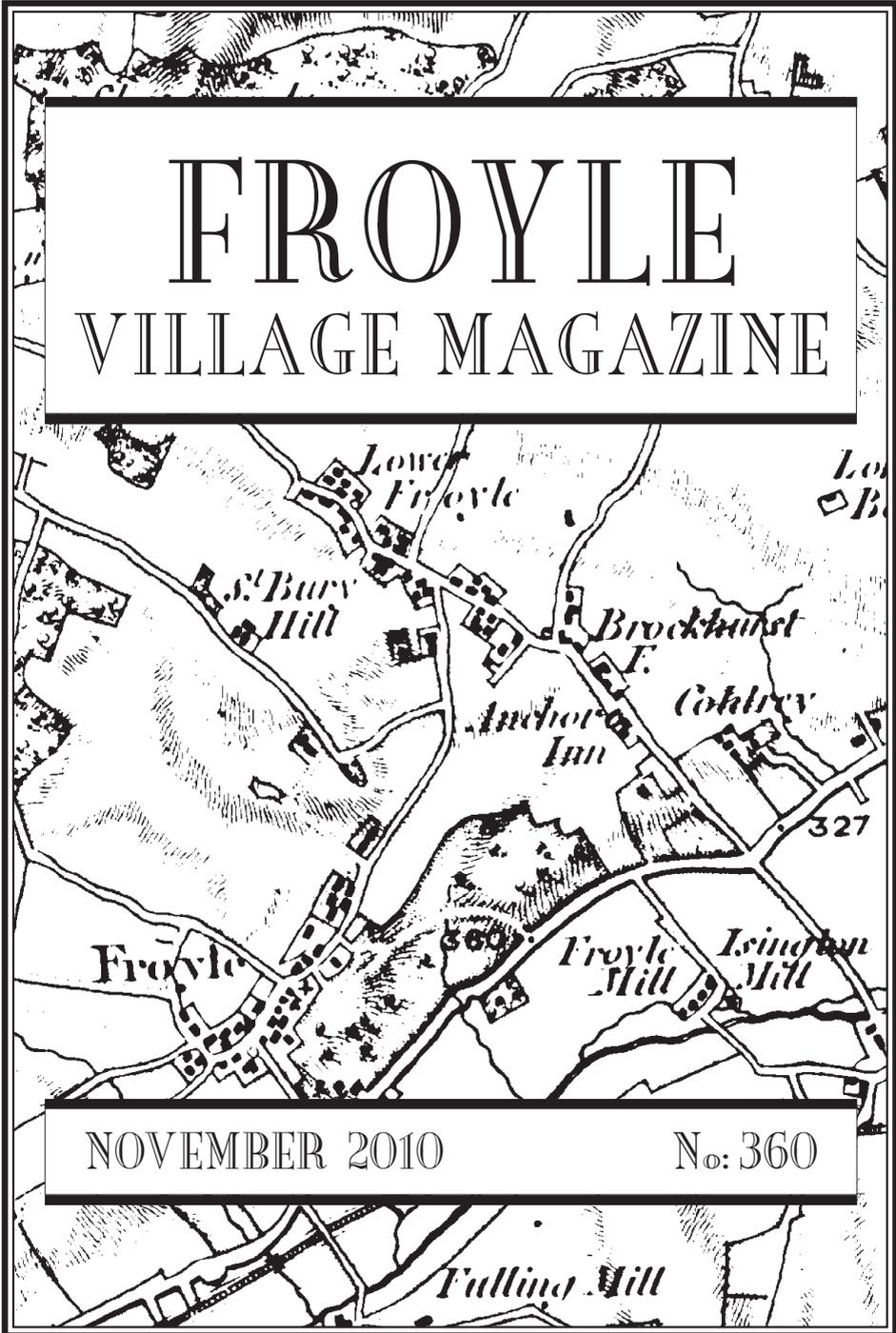
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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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FIREWORK DISPLAY

Friday 5th November

Froyle Recreation Ground



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Guy Competition - bring
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Bonfire lit at 6.30pm
Fireworks after

**STOP PRESS! BONFIRE BUILDING ON SUNDAY 31ST
OCTOBER AT 9.00AM**

Remember, remember

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night and please give generously.



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From time to time residents borrow tables and chairs from the Village Hall. If you wish to borrow equipment please write to one of the Committee Officers (Jerry Saunders, Nick Whines or Charlie Findlay) stating what you need and for how long. If equipment is borrowed please make sure it is returned quickly and in good condition.

Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, other than bookings, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

100 Club September

1st. Gill Bradley

2nd. Jane Macnabb

3rd. Barbara Starbuck

October

1st. Maureen Allan

2nd. Nancy Rowson

3rd. Susie Robertson

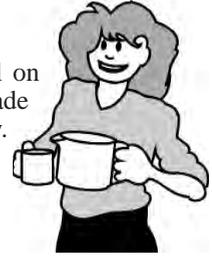
Meeting Place November 19th Royal National Lifeboat Institution



RNLI Morning on Friday 19th November. There will be Christmas cards and other gifts on sale. We hope to see you there to support them.

THE MEETING PLACE

Remember that the Meeting Place is open in Froyle Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, postage stamps, local papers, greetings cards and company. You can always contact me on a Friday morning at the Village Hall on 07724243948.



CAKE BAKERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 5	Marj Robinson	Marian Cresswell	Margaret Stanford	
12	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	
19	Kay Goodall	Sue Carr	Jennie Thomas	Mary Perryman
26	Joy West	Kay Pogson	Elizabeth Sealey	

HELPERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 5	Vivien Riley
12	Jenny Gove
19	David & Mary Perryman
26	Mary Knowles

BIRTHDAY THANKS

It was good to see so many of you at our 20th Birthday Meeting Place, especially as it was the first one since the Hall re-opened. It was certainly a pleasure using the new facilities and we congratulate the Village Hall Committee on a job well done!

WILL YOU CARRY ON HELPING THE MEETING PLACE IN 2011?

May I take this opportunity to thank all of you who have helped ensure that The Meeting Place stayed open during 2010 - I really want you to know that it simply could not happen without you! If you would be willing to continue in 2011, **YOU DON'T NEED TO DO A THING** and I will give you your new rota in December. I only need to hear from you if you would like to give it a break for a while.

NEW BAKERS NEEDED!

Owing to our increasing popularity, we are **DESPERATELY** looking for new cake bakers. If you would like to join, please either ring me, Annette Booth, on 22364, or sign the lists that are at The Meeting Place every Friday from now until December.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THE MEETING PLACE, but do not bake or feel able to help in the kitchen, we would be most grateful for any small donation that would enable me to purchase cakes to make up any shortfall. Thank you all once again.

Annette Booth 22364

FROYLE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

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SHORT CHILDREN'S SERVICE SUNDAY 5.30p.m.
(SQUASH AND BISCUITS)

Please see Brenda Milam's piece on page 6 for details of how you can help with this event.

Froyle Gardening Club

At the time of writing we are still looking forward to our October speaker, Mr Patton, so a report on his talk next month.

“What did the Romans ever do for us (in the garden)?” is the intriguing title of our November meeting. Do come along on November 12th and find out, but we hope to see old friends and new in advance of that on October 22nd.

Marian Cresswell



The Refectory at Winchester Cathedral

A huge thank you to everyone who has helped this year especially newcomers.

A team of 8 ladies goes from Froyle to help in the restaurant at Winchester Cathedral three times a year. In 2011 the dates will be in January, May and October. It will be hard work, but fun - definitely different.

I hope all the present helpers will continue but I would love to hear from anyone new - whether for a 4 hour shift or all day! Anyone interested (who is not already on my list) contact Margaret Stanford (22139) and I can explain all. Just one stint a year would be a real help. Although Kaye Pogson has moved to Farnham and Eira Cray to Alton, they still join us which is a great help.

Margaret Stanford

Christmas Tree Festival

27th and 28th November

Your help and contributions are urgently needed

I need your unwanted jewellery, scarves, hats and other accessories. I am also looking for wig stands or similar for displaying items, black velvet material and large unwanted picture frames to borrow, all needed in advance. Also needed: your electrical extension leads of all kinds, labelled please.
Brenda Milam 22216

Christmas Fayre
Contributions of cakes, mince pies and other good things to eat.

Jo Mills 22384

Refreshments
Donations of cakes, savouries etc. for refreshments.
Gill Bradley 520484

We also need you to man stalls, steward the church and help with refreshments.

Contact Jenny Gove 23697 for the church rota, and for the rota for the Froyle Frippery (Bling) Stall contact Jane Macnabb 23195.

I almost forgot we need your trees! Please ring me to book a space. I am also hoping to have a display of nativity scenes of different kinds. If you have anything you would like to include please ring me on 22216.

Brenda Milam

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

**Our November meeting dates are
4th, 11th, 18th 25th.**

**Any questions, please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336**

Fundraising Lunch

18th November 2010

12 - 2.30 pm

Elm Croft, Lower Froyle

Raising money to allow me to join a volunteer project to work in a hospital and also do HIV prevention and education work in Ghana.

- *Soup lunch with a glass of wine*
- *Buy your chocolates for Christmas or just stock up your store with Chocolates from 'Chocaholics'*
- *Browse my handmade iris-fold cards*
- *Handmade crafts and furnishings for sale*
- *Raffle*

All are welcome. Hope you can come.

Jo Barnden

(23309)



Poppy Appeal

2010

It is pleasing to see the celebrations of the 65th anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the media attention surrounding the Battle of Britain 70th year.

We must remember those who have fallen and we must collect for those who are currently serving.

In Afghanistan our armed forces are involved in a bitter struggle and require assistance.

Please give generously to this year's Poppy appeal.

Many thanks

Jamie Stewart-Smith



Remembrance Sunday Service

On Sunday 14th November, there will be a short Remembrance Ceremony at the War Memorial at 10.50 a.m. followed by matins in St. Mary's Church, Froyle.

Froyle Rainfall for September

This year	44 mm	1.7 ins
Last year	67 mm	2.6 ins
Wettest September (1995)	150 mm	5.9 ins
Driest September (2003)	7 mm	0.3 ins
Long-term average for September – currently with March the equal 6 th driest/wettest month	60.5 mm	2.4 ins

Following the catch-up in August, at a cumulative 517 mm (20.4 ins) of rain after a lower-than-normal September, we are now even closer to the long-term average of 513.7 mm (20.2 ins) for the first three quarters of the year; and a dri-ish September, for almost 70% of the time, is also followed by a below average end to the year. So am I forecasting that again for 2010? Holding my wet finger up in the wind I say ... Yes!



“The Umbrella Man”

Changes at Well Lane Corner

We have recently bought Well Lane Corner (formerly Sierra), and are very much looking forward to moving to Lower Froyle, hopefully sometime next year, after we have made some improvement to the house and garden. You may have noticed that we have started removing some of the large conifers, and clearing the undergrowth, and we hope that work will start on the house early in the New Year.

In the meantime, we shall be spending as much time as possible at Well Lane Corner - there's a lot of digging to do!

Sue and Mark Lelliott

Saturday 13 November 2010

**Holy Cross, Binsted - The Vicarage Garden
from 10.00am onwards**

In preparation for Yann and Hannah's arrival next year we have organised a day to tidy up the vicarage garden. After many months of vacancy the garden is in great need of care and attention.

We would love as many people as possible to come along and help us - whether you consider yourself a 'gardener' or not!

Please bring your own secateurs, gloves and any other favourite tools - we will be able to provide some tools, wheelbarrows and ladders!

Coffee and Tea will be available during the day and over lunchtime we will take a break with soup and bread.

It would be helpful, but not essential, if you could let me know if you are planning to come so I can make sure we have enough soup!

Further details from Kathy Ogilvie Thompson

Tel 01420 23125 or 07500 949465

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All are warmly welcome to

St. Mary's Froyle on

Saturday 27th November

for an Advent Service

at 18:30.

Damian Hinds visits Treloar's



Recently Treloar's welcomed the Member of the Parliament for East Hampshire, Damian Hinds, to the School and College. Taking time out of his busy schedule, Damian Hinds dropped in on a number of activities at the School including physiotherapy and speech and language sessions. He also attended an interesting lesson in literature, where students were busy studying some of Shakespeare's poems. The visit continued at the College where Damian was greeted by Principal Amanda Quincey who led the tour on a visit to TEPS - Treloar's Enterprise Printing Solutions; Damian was presented with a picture and coaster specially produced by a student to commemorate his visit.

Damian really enjoyed his visit and said: "Treloar's is an amazing facility – a national and international leader – which we are very lucky to have in East Hampshire. The School and College's level of care, the creativity and the ambition of all students are truly impressive and inspiring."

Antonio Cappelletti
Marketing Executive

Frank

Uncle Frank worked on the farm and he, his wife, and three children lived at Bennett's Cottage. I saw him a lot in the Easter holidays which I spent at my grandmother's house a couple of miles away, deep in the Kent hopfields.

Frank could take on a variety of farm work, but enjoyed most driving what in my memory was a huge wagon, drawn by an immensely strong docile horse with sound road sense. Driving was scarcely an onerous task for Frank, as the beast hardly needed any steering between Wheeler's Farm and Wateringbury. High on the driving seat my uncle was free to think, looking weather-beaten, older than his years, yet healthy enough, and most of all absorbed. His pleasure in solitary contemplation did not deter him from taking me with him nearly every day that holiday, and it was during those spring weeks that my eyes opened to the infinite curiosity and latent abilities of so many Uncle Franks.

Frank could read well as befitted a regular chapel-goer who had attended school till he was twelve years old. He would rarely have had the need to use his writing skills. The employment of a number of Italian prisoners of war on local farms had, it emerged from our talks, provoked in him a heightened curiosity, a need to know about words. When he discovered I was to take my General Schools Certificate in four languages, English, French, Latin and Greek, a change took place in our relationship. Of a sudden, I acquired an authority I was never to aspire to again. It would be wrong to suggest that my uncle would evince excitement, but I believe it was there, only just contained within the countryman's exterior.

He explained that the modern day Italian tongue owed much to Ancient Rome. His contacts with the prisoner of war farm workers had equipped him with an impressive Italian vocabulary which he took to airing, expecting me to respond in fluent colloquial Latin. The conversational fruits of our respective efforts were disappointing to Frank, who clearly thought that my G.C.S. results were destined to deflate my mother, come June. Thus it came about that the uncultivated Frank Evans began patiently to explain to the not-so-clever grammar school boy the intricacies of case, number, gender, declension, and conjugation in that spring of 1944. What this instinctive grasp of linguistics said about Frank's capabilities made me wonder, knowing that it was triggered by foreign visitors with no knowledge of English when they met only weeks before. I often speculated as to what my uncle would have become, had formal education come his way. What heights he might have climbed, to the benefit of Man? I am consoled by knowing that he would never have sat thinking in the sun, on that creaking wagon on the way to Wateringbury, in April.

In those times it was rare indeed for farm workers to travel very far, and a

shopping visit to Maidstone was the longest journey of the year for many of the wives. The locals who escaped farm work, a reserved occupation, for the Armed Forces were to trickle back to the Weald in the next year or two bringing fresh ideas, literally outlandish ideas, and change was brought about, though not overnight. The motor-cycle with sidecar was a great lever to change, and was brought within the means of single young men through modest gratuities and even more modest improvements in agricultural wages. Suddenly Maidstone was within easy reach, and even more distant sophistication. By the late fifties whole families, infected by Saturday afternoon sport on television were motoring to Medway towns to see the wrestling, live.

There they would encounter modern plumbing, early fast foods, clothing from outside a catalogue, and milk sold in cartons. Back home once more, the milk was delivered to the house “loose”, poured into a jug. The diet was bread, potatoes, and suet puddings. And at the end of the narrow cottage gardens, down building-brick paths, the two-holers stood sturdy and enduring. And so some do, still.

I drove slowly past Bennett’s Cottage the other day. Incongruously, it sports one of those antennae. No doubt my Uncle Frank, if he had survived, would have marvelled at the plenty brought to the home screen. Yet the wonder he would feel would scarce rival the wonder he felt making a first tentative grasp at communication years ago with alien foes.

Ted Crowhurst

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Other Dates for November

Sunday 21st November- 2.30 pm. Clean and tidy the inside of the church. All volunteers welcome.

Sunday 28th November- 6.00 pm. Advent Carol Service.

Saturday 27th/Sunday 28th November- Christmas Tree Festival. See separate articles on pages 4 and 6.

Last but not least- The induction of our new vicar, Yann Dubreuil, will take place on Wednesday, 26th January in Saint Mary's Church Bentley followed by refreshments at Froyle Village Hall. There is a "3 parishes" working party on the Binsted Vicarage garden on 13th November. See page 10.

Peter Bradley

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21	22	23	24	25 Toddler Group	26 Mobile Library Garden Club	27 Tree Festival Advent Service
28 Tree Festival Advent Carols	29	30				

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MONDAY NOVEMBER 15TH

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Nigel Fisher

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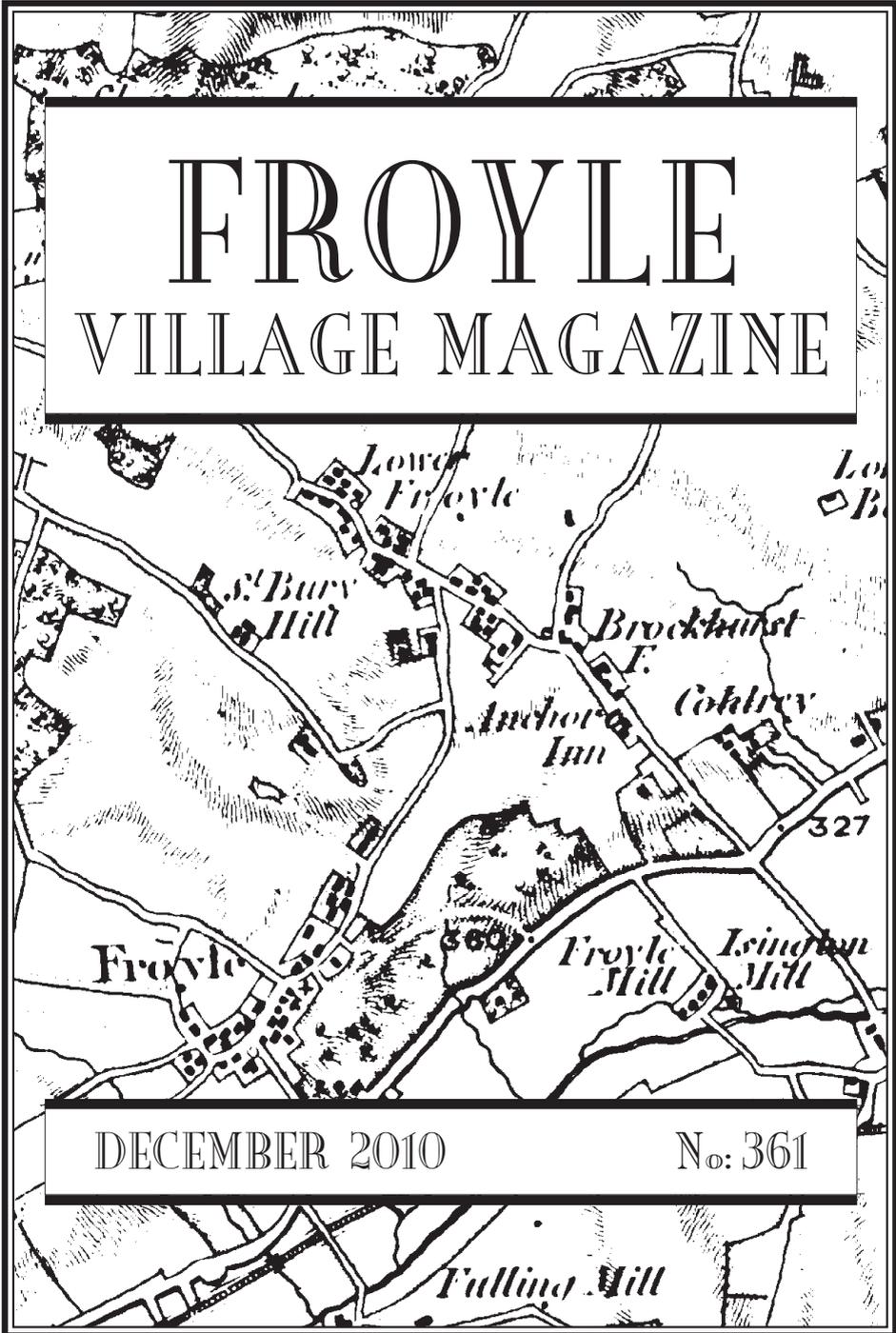
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Would users and hirers of the Hall please note that they are responsible for removing any rubbish they create. We only have one small bin and that is insufficient to hold two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you have any comments, queries or complaints about the hall, other than bookings, please contact Nick Whines on 23130.

FROYLE '100 CLUB' DRAW

November

1st - Mrs J McKenzie (11); 2nd - Mrs J Cray (90); 3rd - Mrs L Bourne (98)

THANK YOU!

Many, many thanks to all the people who were at the Meeting Place on October 15th to help celebrate my birthday. The flowers and cake were a lovely surprise.

Thank you all again,

Mary Wilde

THE CHRISTMAS MEETING PLACE

We do hope you will be able to join us on Friday, 17th December, any time from 10.00am until 1.00 pm (**NOTE NEW TIME**), when we shall be getting into the Christmas spirit! Once more, we shall be serving **MULLED WINE**, as well as our usual tea and coffee, for those who prefer it. This will be accompanied by mince pies, cakes and savouries. Music and Carol Singing are on the agenda and there will be our usual raffle as well as a visit from Santa, sometime after 12 noon, if he can find the time in his busy schedule.



If you are not a regular helper or cake maker and feel you would like to contribute to The Meeting Place, we would be very grateful for either a small raffle prize, or a promise of mince pies, savouries etc. We hope you will find a few moments at this very busy time of year to pop in, along with friends or family, and share the happiness and friendship of a real village Christmas.

CAKE BAKERS FOR DECEMBER

December 3	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	Lorraine Jeffs
10	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Clair Walley	
17	<i>Any offers of sandwiches, savouries, cakes etc.</i>			

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3 Linda Bulpitt
10 Olga Crowhurst
17 2 Willing Volunteers please



We shall be open on Friday December 31st and we promise you there won't be any mince pies on offer!!

Annette Booth (22364)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL MUMS COMING TO THE CHRISTMAS MEETING PLACE

As in previous years, Santa would be grateful for some help with his presents. Perhaps you could ring me for more information, or catch me on Fridays. This really is important as I would hate any child to be disappointed on December 17th.

Annette Booth (22364)

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

Well it was a long haul over the summer but we finally got there. The hall reopened on 13 October. A good crowd assembled hear Jerry thank the very large number of people who had helped and to see Mick Wells cut the ribbon and declare the new kitchen open.

It was soon in use with the harvest festival supper and quiz night providing an excellent test of the facilities. The new fridge and the self cleaning ovens won approval and the commercial dishwasher was declared a hit. Clear-up times will now be much reduced. Everybody remarked that the kitchen now felt much larger than the small extension would suggest. The new back door improves the sense of spaciousness and affords fine views of the cottages beyond.

Thanks to the generosity of the parish council the hall itself has been fully redecorated and the floor refurbished. The curtains have been cleaned and rehung. A much improved lighting system has been installed. Banks of dimmable down lighters means that for the first time we can match the mood of the lighting to the occasion.

And behind the scenes we now have a state of the art German boiler to keep the hall snug when the weather gets cold. And Nick can now control the time and temperature sensors from the comfort of his study or anywhere else in the world he happens to be. Froyle Village Hall is truly online.

So a triumph? Well not quite. Sadly the new ceiling tiles have not been a success. Instead of absorbing sound they reflect and even seem to amplify it. For some it makes the hall very uncomfortable.

What to do? The committee has agreed that the present situation is not acceptable. Putting things right will be expensive, probably in the order of £3000 and is not straight forward. We are taking advice from tile manufacturers but we may need to consult an acoustic engineer. So if you are one or know one who can help please let us know. We intend to redo the ceiling in the New Year. In the meantime pass the ear plugs.

The bonfire night party was a great success. Despite a wet and miserable afternoon getting ready the weather suddenly improved and there was an excellent turn out. The party does not organise itself and thanks are due to all those who helped: bonfire builders, risk assessors, provision shoppers, barbecuers, sweetie sellers, bucket shakers, pyrotechnicians, washer uppers, litter pickers, money counters, clearer uppers. And at the end of it all we broke even, just. Next year we hope to have a bit more to spend on fireworks thanks to our car boot sale.

This year we have decided against putting up a Christmas tree in the car park. Instead we plan to illuminate the small oak tree to the left of the hall. Then on 22 December it will be the gathering point for our carol singing party to which everyone is welcome. There will be mulled wine, mince pies and there is talk of a band. Last year it snowed. Jerry still brought his snow machine. This year who knows.

Nick Whines

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Christmas Day – Saturday 25th December 11.00am

One Star Hotel

The young couple had hung on as long as they could in the village a few miles out. She was expecting her first. Inexperienced as they were they could tell that the baby was nearly due.

“It’s time to go” she said, but her husband was already collecting their few belongings together, throwing them in a bundle over his shoulder.

There had been a fine road into the city’s outer suburbs but now it was pitted, potholed, cratered by months of shelling and mortar fire. They trudged painfully, each with a burden, towards the faint glow reflected by clouds over the western end of the town.

It had been a fine hotel until the war, attracting many holidaymakers from North West Europe, always fully booked. Now much of the roof sagged across the swimming pool at a crazy angle, and its red tiles had cascaded into the tennis court. The second storey bedrooms were open to the sky and from directly above the picture would have been of a breeze block maze.

The hotel was full. There were three times as many occupants as there were in pre-war glory days, but these were in the main regular soldiers, defenders of a beleaguered city. A self-styled colonel – or was he for real? – seemed to have assumed casual command.

The young couple looked without much hope for space in the once luxurious lounge, now damaged beyond repair yet occupied by what were clearly family groups, huddled together for warmth. The colonel gestured to a companion who asked their names and could hardly fail to notice the young woman’s condition.

“You’ll have to go with the others in the garage” he said, not unkindly, “they’ll find a corner for you”. The garage was huge and almost intact, built to protect the pre-war tourists’ Mercedes. The young man stood hesitantly in the entrance. A woman from his own village looked up, and relieved perhaps at finding something positive to do, busied herself and a friend making space and some sort of comfort for his pregnant wife. Women silenced their children and bustled to such effect that a shrapnel-scarred mattress and blankets were found. A communal pot yielded some warming soup. A young boy, following whispered words from his mother, left the garage, to return after a hazardous climb to the upper room with torn sheets, which his mother folded into ordered shape and handed to the new arrivals. “For the baby” she whispered.

Two hours later the village woman smiled up at her former neighbour. “You got here just in time. You’ve got a fine boy”. A buzz went round the garage, and some clapped their hands, gently, falteringly. Curious, attracted by the sounds, the colonel looked in, saw what happened, grinned briefly, and went back to his bunk in the hotel. There seemed to be some activity on the hill, so the colonel sent a message for the perimeter guards to bring in the two cows and the goats. Their hooves rattled on the garage floor in the far corner.

The guards strolled over, curious to see the child, smiling, nodding to the proud parents. And made off looking for coffee grounds to boil up for a third time, stacking their weapons within reach.

From across the town three observers had made their way westward towards the city's outer boundary through desultory gunfire. They had frequently to backtrack in the truck and seek an alternative route because of the state of the roads. The major was not well pleased, he could have done with some sleep, but Intelligence had said that something was going on in the colonel's sector.. Needs must as advisers to investigate.

The colonel met them on the hotel steps, assured them all was quiet, found a bottle of brandy.

"Nothing happening tonight then?" asked the major.

"Well, someone had a baby."

"Life goes on", grumbled the corporal. "What a start in life! Mother and baby doing well?" He didn't sound all that interested.

"Let's go look", said the lieutenant.

They took in the garage scene, smiled and nodded to the young couple, and touched the baby bundle, awkwardly, as men do.

"There must be something in the truck", said the major. The corporal came back with some Gold Blend, some flour, and some milk. Powdered, but milk all the same. The young couple beamed. The women beamed and began to busy themselves with these precious gifts. The advisers looked awkward again, embarrassed.

"We ought to get back, I suppose", said the major, making for the truck, swapping a steel helmet for a blue beret, though the night, nearing morning, was strangely quiet.

Even the spasmodic mortar fire from the hill to the south had stopped. As the corporal got into the driver's seat he could hear a drift of song, and a guitar, faint at this distance from the hotel. The young lieutenant climbed in beside the driver.

"I wonder what they'll call him".

The three advisers were oddly subdued."I wonder what he'll make of himself" said the major, opening his journal to a new blank sheet, hunting in his thigh pocket for a biro.

He turned back a page under the dim light in the rear of the truck to remind himself of the date, and with an upright hand headed up the new page "Sarajevo, 25th December."

Ted Crowhurst

Froyle Baby and Toddler Mornings Thursdays 9.45 am – 11.45 am

Our November meetings were great fun for those of us enjoying the opportunity to get our youngsters out during the wet weather.

We were busy creating decorations for the Toddler Group Tree entered in the Christmas Tree Festival. Our tree was provided by Focus, the DIY store in Mill Lane, Alton. We are grateful to them for their support. Thanks also to Granny Sue who got us involved and did a lot of preparation for the decorations and set up. We hope you all saw the finished tree which looked fantastic.

The group is open to all babies and toddlers with their parents or carers and aims to provide an opportunity for the children to play and socialise and local parents/carers to enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee. There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the Village Hall.

December will see us having more creative Christmas themed fun.

Future meeting dates are
December 2nd, 9th.

January 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th.

**Any questions, please call Anthea on 520134
or Alison on 22336**

100+ Club

We are still eager for new members so we can increase the prize money and amount raised for the Village Hall. For practical reasons, and in order to be fair to everyone, we will not do this until we have at least 25 potential new participants signed up. The list is still open, so if you'd like to join, or have any questions, please send an e-mail to

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You can also speak to any of the Village Hall Committee or call me on 22574.

Nigel Fisher

Froyle Rainfall for October

This year	94 mm	3.7 ins
Last year	55.5 mm	2.2 ins
Wettest October (1987)	226 mm	8.9 ins
Driest October (1978)	7 mm	0.3 ins
Long-term average for October – the wettest month of the year	88.1 mm	3.5 ins

October 2010 was distinguished by the fact that over 50 mm (2 ins) of rain fell in the first 3 days and you have to go all the way back to October 2001 to find a similar occurrence. Consequently my forecast last month of a below average end to the year looked like being scuppered at the off. However, with the month as a whole having ended up being only a slightly up on the norm, I'm not yet giving up hope - though it's fair to add that, in the last 30 years, an above average October has marginally favoured an above average November and December.



“The Umbrella Man”

2010 Village Quiz

Thanks to all those who attended and contributed in other ways to the success of this annual intellectual tussle. It was a closely fought battle won by the Gardening Club this year. We raised £995 for Naomi House.

The Cray/Pratt/Wimshurst team have volunteered to organize the 2011 extravaganza - look out for an announcement early next summer.

Nigel Fisher

St. Mary's Church, Froyle



NEW INCUMBENT – YANN DUBREUIL

It was thought that people might be interested in having some information on Yann Dubreuil, who will become vicar of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle in January. I therefore spent some time with Yann to learn a little about him. This meeting has been transposed into a Question and Answer format.

Q. Your name causes some confusion. Can you explain.

A. I was born in France to French parents. My father came from Brittany and Yann is a Breton name. In English it could be John.

Q. So, French is your mother tongue.

A. Yes, but I left France when I was 7 as my mother subsequently remarried and we have lived in England ever since. My French vocabulary is rusty as I do not use it much.

Q. You were educated in England.

A. Yes, I went to school in Reigate, Surrey, and then on to Birmingham University to read Medical Biochemistry, but ended up with a French degree!

Q. Since then you have done a variety of jobs.

A. I am a French citizen, so I had to do military service in France for a short time. Not recommended, though at one time I came close to joining the British Army and going to Sandhurst. I've worked in a variety of settings, including: as a broker consultant in the City, as a French assistant, and as an actor - amongst a variety of other jobs. More recently, I worked as a Parish Assistant focussing on children's and youth work in a Church. I then went to Wycliffe Hall in Oxford for 2 years to study theology before taking my first appointment as curate at Four Marks church, where I have been for the last three and a half years.

Q. You are married to Hannah.

A. Yes, we have been married almost 10 years, and have three lovely children: Sophie, 7, Toby, 4 and Max, 2. Hannah was a primary school teacher but now has a full time job with the family. She is looking forward to helping me with work in the parishes.

Q. When did you come to faith?

A. I became a Christian as a teenager but I had a crisis of faith in my early 20's. My faith was dramatically renewed a few years later.

Q. How do you relax?

A. I love sport. I played cricket and rugby but am too old for the latter now! In the last few years I have been dabbling at golf. I'm also interested in I.T. and I

enjoy different kinds of music as well as attempting to complete cryptic crosswords. Finally, I really do enjoy a pint of real ale!

Q. I hope you are looking forward to the new job in January.

A. Yes, I'm really excited about the move. I'm especially looking forward to getting to know everyone and joining in with this thriving community. My hope and desire is that as we seek God's will together, we will not only see the church continue to blossom, but the community in which we live and serve.

Julian Lyon Taylor

Julian Lyon Taylor lives in Isington and is currently Reader at Bentley and Binsted churches and Chair of Bentley PCC.

Poppy Appeal 2010

You have done it again. This year the total raised was £1,168.24 which is an increase of £84.43 on the previous collection.

Thank you very much for your generosity, which will be put to good use to help those in our armed forces.

I am very grateful to the following people who have helped raise these funds:

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The secretary and staff of Lord Mayor Treloars School
The organisers of the Meeting Place
The lady in the Anchor Inn who donated £50

A special thank you to Maria Jefferson who has for the last 17 years collected for the Poppy appeal and raised a considerable amount of money. Maria has decided to hang up her collecting tin and I would like to thank her for all her hard work.

Jamie Stewart-Smith

Froyle Gardening Club

A large number of members were present at our November meeting to discover “What the Romans did for us (in the garden)”. They were not disappointed, as Mr. Templeton, our speaker, with great enthusiasm, knowledge and much humour, opened our eyes to the many signs of Roman horticulture still to be found in the gardens of many of our stately homes and sites such as Fishbourne. Garden visits will never be the same again.



The meeting on 10th December is our A.G.M. The A.G.M. business will be quickly accomplished in order to welcome Peter Spriggs who will tell us “How to garden without aches and strains!” Peter is reputed to be a very humorous speaker so we look forward to a pleasant evening. Do come and enjoy mince pies etc and find out.

Marian Cresswell

P.S. A reminder that subs are payable at the A.G.M. Tickets for our New Year party on 14th January at a cost of £5 will be available at the A.G.M. on 10th December.

Bonfire Building

Many thanks to all those who helped with bonfire building on Sunday 31st October, including Tony Goodsell whose arrival with a grab-fitted tractor speeded up the process immensely.

Jerry Saunders

The H.H. at the Anchor

On Saturday 4th December, the Hampshire Hunt will again be meeting at the Anchor. Following the success of last year's gathering, we will be offering breakfast from 8.00 a.m and a special set lunch after the hunt. The hounds meet at 10.45 a.m. and will depart at 11.30.

A Message from the Police

For those of you who don't know me, I am PC Louisa Whatmore and have become the beat officer for Alton Rural East Beat and have taken over from PC Simon Dear. Within the past month PCSO Andy White has also left the beat to join the constabulary as a regular officer. He has been replaced by PCSO Patricia Gibbs (known as Tria). Tria has been a PCSO for many years and is also a tutor to other PCSOs. Prior to joining the constabulary she has worked within the farming community and currently runs our Countrywatch Scheme. I have asked for a small slot in the parish magazine to assist in communication between the police and public and I hope to use this to keep you all up to date on things occurring in your district.

Within the district in the past month we have suffered with vehicles driving across private land (more than likely poaching) and also suspicious sightings of vehicles around the area, believed to be up to no good. I would urge people if they see something they believe to be not right to let us know, whether it is a vehicle driving on a field or a vehicle that looks out of place then please don't hesitate to let us know.

Lastly, if you have any groups or meetings you wish either myself or PCSO Gibbs to attend to have a chat or give advice please feel free to contact us.



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Mark Birch, new Chaplain at Treloar Trust

The new Chaplain to the Treloar Trust, Mark Birch, started work at the beginning of this term, both in the traditional role of Chaplain, and also as a residential support worker on Brewer House at the College. On Thursday 21st October, the new Bishop of Basingstoke, Peter Hancock, came to officially licence Mark as Chaplain in a small service at the Treloar College Chapel.

Many aspects of the Trust were represented at the service: Tony Reid, Treloar's CEO and Michael Del Mar, Chairman of Trustees, who presented Mark to the Bishop. Readings were given by Victoria, President of the Student Council and Karen Booker, Co-ordinator of Religious Education at the School.

The Chapel was decorated with flowers, grown and arranged by a number of students at the College, and the order of service itself was produced by the Ian Karten Centre.

Before the service, Bishop Peter was given a tour of the College, including the Assistive Technology department, the domestic independence classroom and Brewer House.

In the Chapel, the Bishop pointed to one of the readings, which included the words: 'God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong', and suggested that everyone 'watch this space' to see what the new Chaplain might have to say about this!

Bishop Peter is looking forward to getting to know more about Treloar's, as he settles into his new role, and might even make an appearance at 'Friday live!'

Antonio Cappelletti
Marketing Manager

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Church Services in December

5th December	8.00 am Eucharist	9.30 am Family Service
12th December	11.00 am Eucharist	
19th December	11.00 am Eucharist 6.00 pm Christmas Carol Service followed by Minced Pies and Mulled Wine	
24th December	5.30 pm Christmas Crib Service 11.30 pm Christmas Midnight Mass	
25th December	11.00 am Eucharist	
26th December	No Service	

Church Notes

Harvest Supper

A huge thank you to every-one who supported the Harvest Supper, with particular thanks to Jean Norkett for organising it all. A magnificent £803.00 was raised towards General Church Funds.

Yann Dubrueil

Please read the interview with Yann on page 10. His Induction Service will be on Wednesday January 26th at 7.30pm in Bentley church followed by a reception in Froyle Village Hall. Yann's first service will be a joint service with Bentley and Binsted at St Mary's Froyle.

Peter Bradley



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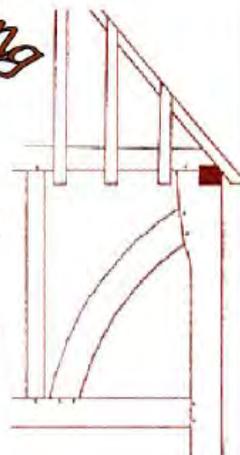
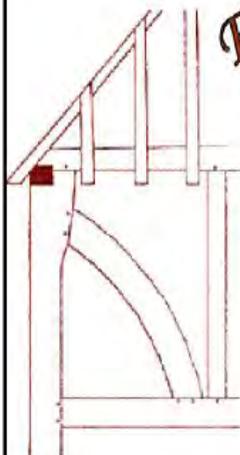
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