A detailed historical map of Froyle village, Hampshire, England. The map shows the River Test flowing through the center, with several mills and inns marked. The title 'FROYLE VILLAGE MAGAZINE' is printed in a large, serif font across the top half of the map. Below the title, the map shows the village layout with buildings, roads, and fields. Labels include 'Sheepwood Coppice' at the top, 'St. Bury Mill', 'Anchor Inn', 'Brockhurst', 'Coktrev', 'Froyle', 'Froyle Mill', 'Isington Mill', and 'Falling Mill' at the bottom. The number '327' is also visible on a road.

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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

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“Lest We Forget”

Now that all the “Lest We Forget” books have been delivered, the Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Annette and Chris Booth for the creation and production of this book. A copy is lodged with The British Library, making it invaluable to anyone researching their Froyle ancestors of the time.

Planning.

EHDC has now granted permission for the demolition of numbers 39 – 41 Westburn Fields. To be replaced with 8 new houses. The Parish Council has no further details of timescale at present.

Parish Council Archives

September 14th 1903

“The business of the meeting was the consideration of the reduction of speed with regard to the Motor Act of 1903 and the safety of the public through certain parts and places of the Parish of Froyle and the setting up of signposts denoting such dangerous corners and precipitous places. The meeting having been called by the District Council through a letter received from the County Council. The Parish council felt that rates of speed should be reduced through the parish for safety of public on such narrow roads which in some parts measured only from 12 to 14 feet in width. The Parish Council recommended that danger boards should be erected at the Hen & Chicken, Quarry Bottom, the crossroads by Highway leading to Isington and Froyle and in various places through Lower Froyle which was especially dangerous at such times of Motor traffic. A letter to this effect was sent to the District Council for their perusal.”

Over 100 years later letters are still being written to the District Council about the dangers of motor traffic and there wasn't the problem of cyclists then!!



Bookings: Jo Mills

01420 22384

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

FOR YOUR DIARIES FROYLE FILM NIGHT DATES 2015

Froyle Film Nights will be held on the following dates in 2015:-

Friday 6th March 2015

Friday 12th June 2015

Friday 27th November 2015

Details of the films to be shown will be published nearer the time.

A Date For Your Diary

Wednesday 18th February is Ash Wednesday, and therefore the first Lent lunch. There will be more detail in the February magazine, but if there is anyone who has not yet hosted a Lent lunch, and would like to join the list, please let me know.

Jenny Gove 23697

THE MEETING PLACE

The first Meeting Place of 2015 will be on Friday 2nd January and we look forward to seeing you as usual for coffee, tea, squash, home-made cakes, stamps, local papers, cards etc and of course good company. Many thanks to all those who have baked cakes and helped in the kitchen during 2014, without you the Meeting Place could not operate. We hope you all have your new Rotas for 2015. We welcome all our new Volunteers and if there is anyone else who like to come forward we would be very pleased to hear from them.

A special **Thank You** to Patty for her continuing help with setting up each week.

Cake Bakers for January

2nd Jan.	Madeleine Black	Elizabeth Sealey	Janet Dodson	Charlotte Roberts
9th Jan.	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	
16th Jan.	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Caroline Findlay	Helen MacDonald
23rd Jan.	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts	Sue Lelliott	Sarah Roberts
30th Jan	Kay Pogson	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	Alison Pincott

Helpers for January

02 Jan.	Gill Bradley	Ann Nethaway
09 Jan.	Sue Carr	Jack Watts
16th Jan.	Kim Blake	Margaret Stanford
23rd Jan.	Jill MacKenzie	Sue Sharman
30th Jan.	Kay Pogson	Jack Watts



Gill Bradley

Christmas Quiz News

Breaking News - After a number of requests the deadline for entering the Christmas Quiz which you will find again on page 14 of this month's magazine has been extended until the first Meeting Place in January, the 2nd January.

So why not spend some time over the festive period testing your general knowledge with a chance of winning cash prizes to spend in the sales.

B Rainy

Pat Pritchard

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Pat Pritchard following a long illness, bravely borne.

Froyle lost a very lovely lady who had spent her whole life in the village. Pat was born 80 years ago to Tom and Mercy Milne and went to Froyle Village School and Amery Hill School. She worked locally at Chesterfields, Upper Froyle P.O., Froyle Quarry, and The Cold Store. She attended the Methodist Church and took part in amateur dramatics, The Ladies Group, Good Companions and the Meeting Place. She was a founder member of The Froyle Archive and, having lived in the village all her 80 years, an invaluable fount of all knowledge about Froyle.

All her friends will have their own special memories but a lot of us will always remember her taking the money for Teas at the Froyle Fete, which she did for many years.

Pat was quietly spoken , independent lady, who was a rock to her family, who she adored.

Janet Dobson/ Annette Booth

Our mum Pat Pritchard played an active role in village life but more importantly to us she was Mum, an independent lady with a good sense of humour who would help anyone whenever she could. Amazingly Mum, who suffered over the last two years never once complained, she was a remarkable woman.

We were moved by the reaction to Mum's passing and all the support we received. We would like to say a special thanks to the meeting places ladies for the wake and the wonderful food, to the ladies of the church for the flowers and finally to the Reverent Yann Dubreuil and the Methodist Minister Keith Underhill for conducting the service in Froyle thereby meeting our Mum's final wish.

Our Mum will be sadly missed by us all but she will nevr be forgotten.

Thank you so very much

Andrew, Martin and Miranda

FROYLE 100 CLUB

A Very Happy New Year to all members of the Froyle 100 Club.

With the arrival of the New Year, those of you who pay by standing order will have your bank accounts debited with your contribution for the year. Everyone else will be nagged for their cash contributions. If anyone wishes to change from cash to standing order contribution, please let me know.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, if anyone in the village is not currently a member (or can't remember whether they are...) and would like to be, do please get in touch with me. The rules are simple:

- each member contributes £12 a year in January (£1 per month, so people can join at any time during the year), is allocated a number and participates in a draw which takes place at the Meeting Place in the Froyle Village Hall on the first Friday of each month;
- there are four winning numbers each month, with cash prizes currently ranging from £30 first prize to £5 fourth prize; the amount of prize money available each month is set so that half the total contributions are paid out in prizes, and the other half goes to the FVH;
- Any adult can be a member, so for example a family of husband and wife with school age kids can have two memberships.

It is an entertaining and relatively painless way of raising much needed funds for the Village Hall, and of course the greater the number of people who contribute, the more prize money is available, the more money the FVH gets, and the more fun it is.

Although it is called a 100 club, there is no limit on the number of members. It would be a wonderful thing for the village if everyone with an interest in the well-being of the Village Hall were to participate, whether or not they ever come to the Meeting Place – and that is certainly more than 100 people. **So just give me a call or send me an email.....**

William Tel: 23164/07775 928933

Email: wbk@wbknowles.com

Froyle 100 Club Result December

1st prize: June Fenn 2nd prize: Jane McNabb

3rd prize: Elizabeth Sealey 4th prize: Nigel Southern

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles



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

January meetings are on Thursdays 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th.

Come and join us!

Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Sylvie Nonhebel 520779



Better Balance

The New Year starts with a swing. Better Balance sessions will be held on Wednesdays January 7th and 14th in the Village Hall, at 2.30pm. Then there will be a short break until February 4th. If you have not been before, come for a trial session!

Madeleine Black 23371

Age Concern Hampshire 'Time to Talk' Counselling Service update

Free Counselling for people with memory loss or dementia was launched in March 2014. Experienced volunteer counsellors are able to provide face to face counselling sessions locally from the Rosefield Centre in Odiham. Hampshire residents or their family or friends can make a referral through ACH reception on 01962 868 545

Madeleine Black 23371

Remember the Quiz, Go to Page 14

Wildlife Walks and Talks



Our meeting in November was a very enjoyable and informative talk by the Chairman of the Hampshire Bat Group, Nik Knight. His obvious enthusiasm and knowledge of his subject certainly gave us plenty of food for thought. He was delighted with the interest and enthusiasm shown for bats in Froyle, and with his very generous donation of £75 which we collected for the Hampshire Bat Group. Thank you everyone who attended.

We are lucky in Froyle to have several species of bats, among them the rare and endangered Barbastelle bat. Although bats are a protected species by law they are declining in numbers, and Nik suggested various ways that we could help them, such as leaving spaces for them to roost including in trees, inserting bat tiles in existing and new roofs, putting up bat boxes and limiting external lighting so they do not become confused. Nik also said that he would be happy to come free of charge and advise if you are contemplating doing any work which may disturb bats. As a follow up to his talk, we have arranged an evening when he will bring some bat detectors so we can identify what is flying around Froyle at dusk. This will be **on Tuesday May 5th** starting at approximately 8pm. More details nearer the date.

On **March 9th at 7.30** in the Village Hall, we are delighted that Geoff Hawkins will give one of his amusing, informative talks about the wild flowers we might see around Froyle. It is sure to be a fun evening, so it would be good to see lots of you then.

Our next walk will be on **Sunday April 12th** starting at 9am at the Village Hall. This will be led by our excellent speaker from October's meeting, Keith Betton. More details later.

Children are welcome at all our meetings; please bring them along as they always ask the most interesting questions!

If you have any ideas about future meeting or for more information about these meetings please contact Sue Sharman 22603

Froyle birds

Bird recording in Froyle

The eleven species to look out for during the next 12 months are Grey Partridge, Cuckoo, Skylark, Lapwing, Yellowhammer, Woodcock, Little Egret, Red Kite, Barn Owl, Little Owl (also a count of occupied House Martin nests, more details later)

Do sign up and have a go! - Sightings should be made from public rights of way (or with permission from landowner on private land) or you might see a Red Kite flying over your garden or hear a Barn Owl, Little Owl or Cuckoo.

Note what you saw, **where** you saw/heard it and **when** you saw it and let me know by phone or email or I'll be at the Meeting Place on the last Friday of each month.

Your sightings count - let's see what we can find out about the abundance and distribution of these birds in our parish.

For full details please call or email me – Sue Clark see below

RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch 24 - 25 January 2015

Spend an enjoyable hour watching the birds in your garden on the weekend of the 24-25 January and record the highest number of each bird species you see the same time. Then send your data online to the RSPB. For information on why and how plus the birds to look for see

<http://www.rspb.org.uk/discoverandenjoynature/discoverandlearn/birdwatch/how.aspx>

The winter is a tough season for many birds so putting out food and water now will really help them and they will get used to visiting you garden in time for the Bird Watch.

<http://www.rspb.org.uk/makeahomeforwildlife/advice/helpingbirds/feeding/whatfood/>

Bentley Station Meadow SSSI Butterfly Conservation Reserve

Scrub clearing

The last two winter work party dates of the season are Wednesdays 7th January and 4th February, 10am -3pm or stay as little or as long as you like. A great way to burn off those extra pounds! No experience necessary, training and tools provided.

Gain practical habitat management experience and learn a little about the wildlife here. Contact me if you'd like to share a lift. More details at <http://www.hantsiow-butterflies.org.uk/workparties.php>

Sue Clark Froyle Nature Conservation Group (FNCG) s.f.clark@talk21.com or phone 23520

U3A Open Lecture

Whilst there is **no Monthly Meeting in December**, the Committee of the Alton Branch of the U3A wish all Readers a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and a Healthy and Enlightening New Year.

The January Monthly Meeting will be as usual at the Community Centre, at 2.00pm on Friday January 16th 2015. The speaker will be Phil Holt, who has been an Air Traffic Controller for thirty years and will explain how the air space is managed, by whom, and how the space up there is allocated to all who require to use it. This will be a factual but amusing account.

All are welcome, members or not, and a half year subscription is available if you like what is on offer.

Penelope Kennedy



Upcoming Events at Treloar's

Burns Night: Saturday 24 January 2015

Treloar's campus Holybourne

A wonderful evening's entertainment with all the traditional Scottish trimmings; a delicious three course supper followed by a live ceilidh band with a fun caller for all standards of dancing. To avoid disappointment, please book early as tickets are selling very quickly!

£35 per person

St Swithun's Way Walk and Run: Sunday 26 April 2015

Jowett Centre, Treloar's campus Holybourne, 1.30-3.30pm, FREE entry

We would love you to join us once again for our annual St Swithun's Way Walk and Run! St Swithun's Way is an ancient path once used by pilgrims travelling to Winchester and follows some of Hampshire's most beautiful countryside paths. You can choose to either walk or run the 5-mile route from Treloar's to Bentley or carry on to Farnham and complete the 10-mile route. Buses will be available for the return journey and refreshments available. This is not a wheelchair-friendly event.

Entry only £10 per adult, £5 for under 16s and children under 5 go free.

Family Ticket (based on 2 adults and 3 children) for £25

FROYLE RACE NIGHT

SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY 2015 □

Come and have great fun! □

TICKETS £7.50 PER HEAD INCLUDING SUPPER □

GATES OPEN 7pm. FIRST RACE 7.30pm □

WINE AND SOFT DRINKS ON SALE DURING THE EVENING □
DON'T FORGET TO BRING EXTRA MONEY FOR BETTING! □

HOW THE EVENING WORKS:

 □

We will be showing eight films of actual horse races, each with eight numbered horses. □
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 have backed a 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 it's race you will win a prize. □

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM JO MILLS 22384 □

joannamills@yahoo.com

Deadline Monday 19th January □



ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Benefice Pastoral Care: Kathy Ogilvie Thompson (23125)

Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 4 th January	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 11 th January	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion Messy Church
Sunday 18 th January	Froyle	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 25 th January	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	BCP Communion
		11.00am	Morning Worship with Bishop of Basingstoke
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship with Bishop of Basingstoke

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

In years gone by, All Saints, Christmas, Epiphany and Candlemas were the big four winter festivals. They brought light and celebration to this dark and cold season.

As we put Christmas to bed, we now enter upon the two last winter Feasts of the year. Epiphany (Jan 6th) and Candlemas (Feb 2nd). Epiphany remembers the arrival of the wise men with its theme of recognising God in Christ. All very well that a baby has been born, but do we see God in Him? Candlemas remembers Mary and Joseph presenting the child to old Simeon in the Temple. He cries out the words of the Nunc Dimittis: 'Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation...', words we repeat every third Sunday of the month at our Evensong Service. It traditionally became the moment, when candles were brought to church to be blessed by the Priest. Again the theme is one of recognition, of enlightenment regarding Jesus' divinity and thus the promise and assurance of something wonderful to come. In common with many of Jesus' first followers, St Paul endured extraordinary hardship on account of the Gospel revealed to him which he proclaimed. Yet he knew that the very same revelation that brought him hardship was also that which paradoxically brought him hope. This is why he prayed for the church in Ephesus:

" I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe." (Ephesians 1:17-19)

So, this new Year, my prayer is that we may also be granted revelation - that we may truly see and truly hope.

Blessings and a very happy New Year!

Yann.

Songs of Praise –St Mary's Church, Froyle

We are hoping to hold a service of **Songs of Praise** in the New Year at which popular hymns, chosen by the congregation, and anyone else who is interested, would be sung. We therefore invite **YOU** to let us have your choice of hymn or hymns and a selection from the most popular will be chosen.

After Christmas there will be sheets in the Church and at the Meeting Place and we ask you to suggest one or more of your favourite hymns to be sung at this service.
St. Mary's Church Community Group

Froyle Rainfall for November 2014

This year	133.5 mm	5.3 inches
Last year	105.5 mm	4.2 inches
Wettest November (2009) – the wettest ever month	198.5 mm	7.8 inches
Driest November (1978)	18 mm	0.7 inches
Long-term average for November –the wettest month	85.5 mm	3.4 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	910.5 mm	35.8 inches
Long-term average for the year to the end November	699.8 mm	27.6 inches

If as expected, 2014 ends up being the most inclement year for 50 years, at 133.5 mm November will have played no small part – it was only exceeded by January. Perhaps though we should not too surprised because November has generally been getting wetter since the Seventies, as follows:

November average 1971-1980: 76 mm;

1981-1990: 81 mm;

1991-2000: 88 mm;

2001-2010: 101 mm;

2011-2014: 90 mm.



“The Umbrella Man”

Fire Safety Hints issued by Hampshire Fire and Rescue

Ensure you have working smoke alarms installed on all levels of your home.

A working alarm can give you the vital time needed to escape in a fire. Test your smoke alarms regularly and never remove batteries!

Never leave cooking unattended. The majority of fires start in the kitchen so this is a high risk area. Always turn off kitchen appliances when you have finished cooking.

Don’t overload sockets. Ensure only one plug per socket. Always turn off plugs when they are not in use, except those that are designed to be left on, like freezers.

Froyle Christmas General Knowledge Prize Quiz

1st Prize £20, 2nd Prize £10, 3rd £5, generously sponsored by the Parish Council.

1. Which elusive brown long-beaked wading bird can be seen in woods around Froyle?
2. What was Froyle's population according to the 1901 census – a) 358, b) 494, c) 669?
3. Who was the Prime Minister at the outbreak of the First World War?
4. Which National Trust house is nearest to Froyle: a) The Vyne, b) Uppark, c) Hinton Ampner?
5. A loganberry is a hybrid between which two berries?
6. In 2014, Scotland voted not to leave the United Kingdom and gain independence. In which year was the Treaty of Union agreed? Was it in a) 1603, b) 1706, c) 1800?
7. Meles Meles is the scientific name of which mammal found all around Froyle?
8. When was the Hen & Chicken built as a coaching inn? In a) 1912, b) 1754, c) 1890?
9. Who wrote the lyrics of the Christmas song that appears in this magazine?
10. Whose first cookery book was entitled 'How to cheat at cooking'?
11. What is the common name for Helianthus, the tall yellow flower seen in the fields of France and many gardens in Froyle?
12. The footpath which runs through Froyle on the route from Winchester to Farnham Castle is named after which prominent person?
13. Why is Westburn Fields so named?
14. Which butterfly is named after the London district in which it was first sighted?
15. At which museum near Farnham will the 2015 Weyfest Festival be held?
16. In which year did Froyle School close?
17. In which year was Vladimir Putin first elected President of Russia?
18. What is the next number in this famous numerical sequence 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8?
19. How many names are recorded on the Froyle War Memorial from the period of the Great War, 1914-1918?
20. The east window of St Mary's Church in Froyle has how many tall stained glass Panels?

The winner will be the entry with the highest number of correct answers, or in the event of a tie, drawn from a hat by the Editor, whose decision is final.

Please email your answers to magazine@froyle.com, or drop written answers, addressed to Prize Quiz, c/o Froyle Magazine, at the Meeting Place by 19th December 2014. Don't forget to include your name and telephone number so that we can inform the lucky winners!

B. Rainy



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Thank you so much to all those who helped with, contributed to or bought from the **Gardening Club Christmas Stall** on December 5th. The stall was a huge success and we made a whopping **£272.00** to put towards subsidising future projects. What a great way to end the year. I think it's a wonderful testament to the wealth of talent that exists within our membership - every item was handmade.

Due to the magazine's early deadlines, details of December's AGM on the 12th will appear in February's magazine, so watch this space.

The Club's Annual **New Year Bash** will be held on **Friday 9th January** at the Village Hall at 7:30pm. If you didn't buy your tickets at the AGM, they can be bought by contacting Molly Court ASAP on 01420 23141.

Anne Blunt will be holding a series of her inspirational **Flower Arranging classes** in the New Year, this time to be held once a month. The first class will be on 21st January and from then on will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7:30 -9:30pm at the Village Hall. For details, please contact Anne on 22262 or a.blunt247@btinternet.com

Diana Moore

New Year walk

After the excesses of New Year you'll need a good walk but maybe one that avoids the muddy fields and one which all the family would enjoy. Leave Lower Froyle on the road towards the Golden Pot, follow the road out of the village and all the way past Bumpers until you reach the entrance on your left to Yarnhams take the track to Yarnhams. When you get to the house you can either go left and follow the drive which leads you all the way to Bamber Lane and return to Lower Froyle or for a longer walk continue on the drive past Yarnhams passing the farm bungalows on you right and go to the end of the drive and turn left onto the road leading to Upper Froyle. Enter Upper Froyle by the church and turn left returning to Lower Froyle.

R Ambling



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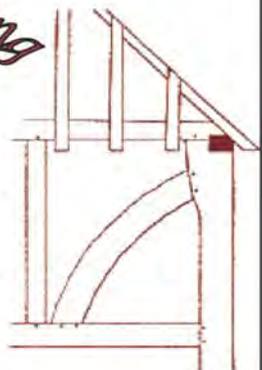
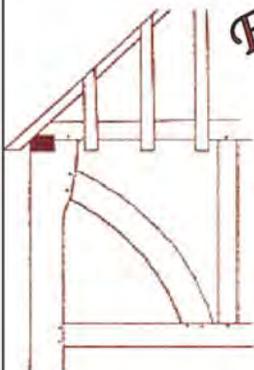
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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		<i>30</i> <i>Recycling & glass</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>4</i> <i>8.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> <i>Refuse Only</i>	<i>7</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>8</i> <i>Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>9</i> <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>7.30pm</i> <i>GC</i> <i>Bash</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>11</i> <i>9.30am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Recycling</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>18</i> <i>6.30pm</i> <i>Choral</i> <i>Evensong</i>	<i>19</i> <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> <i>7.30pm</i> <i>Flower arranging</i> <i>VH</i>	<i>22</i> <i>Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>23</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>24</i> <i>7.00pm</i> <i>Race Night</i>
<i>25</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Recycling and glass</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> <i>Babes & Toddlers</i>	<i>30</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>31</i>

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BENTLEY VILLAGE SURGERY TIMES

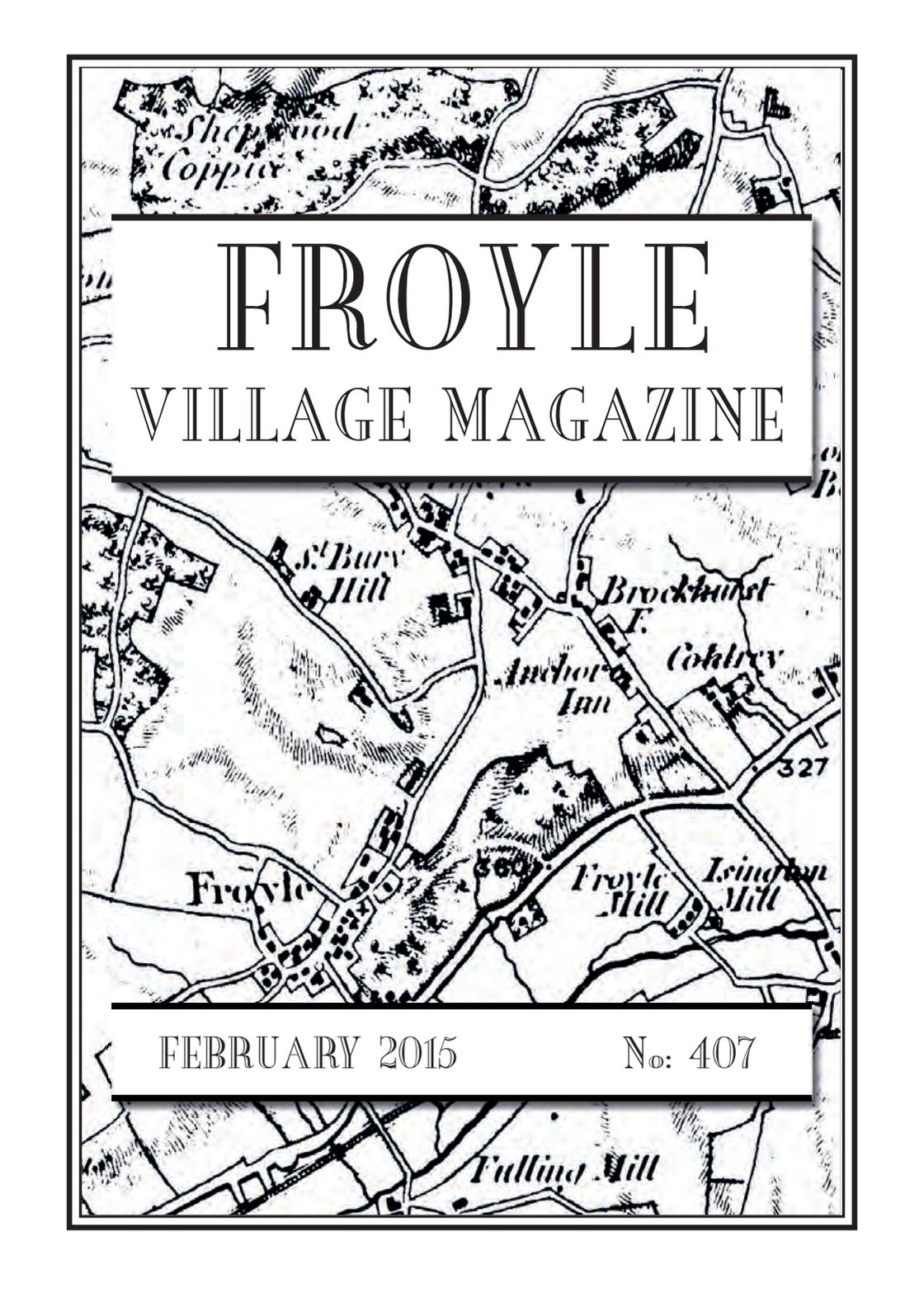
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A detailed historical map of Froyle village, Hampshire, England. The map shows the River Test flowing through the center, with several mills and inns marked. The title 'FROYLE VILLAGE MAGAZINE' is printed in a large, serif font across the middle of the map. The map includes labels for 'Sheepwood Coppice' at the top, 'St. Bury Mill', 'Anchor Inn', 'Brockhurst', 'Coktrev', 'Froyle', 'Froyle Mill', 'Isington Mill', and 'Falling Mill' at the bottom. The map is framed by a double-line border.

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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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Planning.

There has been a further application for two houses on the site between Cattleys and Colthouse and the entrance drive for Froyle House. the Parish Council has objected for the same reasons as before, but it prepared to accept one house as per the extant permission.

A31 litter.

One of our councillors has written to the CEO of Veolia regarding the constant problem of litter in the proximity of the recycling facility.

Froyle Park.

Village Welcome Packs are now being handed out to new Froyle residents as they move into their new homes. More details on page 9

The Playground.

The original wooden playground was a Millenium Project, now 15 years old it is looking tired and in need of some refurbishment. Members of the PC inspect it regularly, however it a community responsibility. We ask parents to keep an eye on it and inform the Parish clerk if anything causes concern. We are minded to upgrade the playground when funding is available. The Football Hut is also in need of repair.

Election.

This May the election of a new Parish Council coincides with the General Election. Anyone interested in standing at parish level should get in touch with the Parish Clerk.

Mick Wells

Christmas Quiz

Congratulations to James and Lorna Sheldon who were the worthy winners of the Christmas Quiz.



Bookings: Jo Mills

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Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

DWP news: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/state-pension-toolkit>
On 6 April 2016 the current State Pension scheme will be replaced by a clearer one. The toolkit helps people understand State Pension from that date.

Having difficulty paying fuel bills on a fixed income? HCC have money to help low income families and individuals in the rural villages.

Call the Hitting the Cold Spots Advisor on 0800 804 8601 or email staywarm@environmentcentre.com for advice.

THE MEETING PLACE

If you have never been to our weekly Meeting Place come and join us on a Friday morning between 9.30 and 12 noon in the Village Hall for coffee, tea, squash and home-made cakes. You will be very welcome. We also sell the local newspaper, stamps and a selection of cards. We collect plastic milk bottle tops and stamps for charity and we have a selection of magazines and books to borrow. On the first Friday of each month the '100 club' draw is made.

Cake Bakers for February

6th Feb.	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	Barbara Starbuck
13th Feb	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Louise Marsden	Anne Blunt
20th Feb	Marj Robinson	Marion Cresswell	Jenny Dundas	
27th Feb	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	Lucia Lindblom

Helpers for February

6th Feb	Jenny Gove	Jack Watts
13th Feb	David and Mary Ferryman	
20th Feb	Linda Bulpitt	Mary Knowles
27th Feb	Susie Robertson	Jenny Dundas



Many thanks to you all.

Gill Bradley

Froyle 100 Club Result December

1st prize: Rozi Dwerryhouse 2nd prize: Eva Brambley
3rd prize: Jamie Dundas 4th prize: Tamsin Saunders

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles

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Sorry – a month late in reporting the results of the St Mary's Church Christmas Fair on 22nd November. Many thanks, as always, to all who supported it. Special thanks to Father Christmas and all those who helped setting up, manning stalls and clearing away, and in particular to Caroline Findlay, who nobly undertook the daunting act of stepping into the shoes of Jean Norkett in masterminding the event.

The takings were as follows – very similar to 2013:

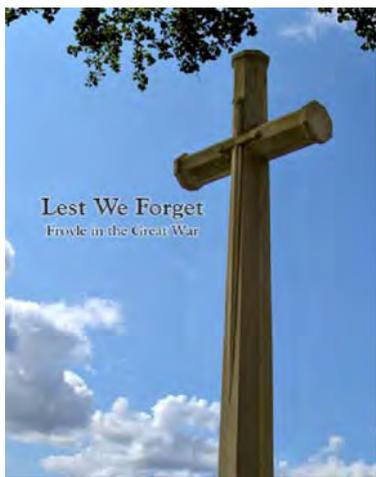
	£
Bric-a-Brac	113.94
Books	107.25
Cakes and Deli	219.71
Christmas Gifts	132.10
Teas	17.10
Raffle	674.80
Door	19.70
Toys	28.75
Bottles	81.50
Less expenses	(115.10)
TOTAL	£1279.75

William Knowles

Lest We Forget - Update

In last month's Village Magazine it was noted that a copy of "Lest We Forget" had been lodged in the British Library.

Just as the magazine deadline is due, we have received requests for copies from:-



The Bodleian Library, Oxford University,
The Cambridge University Library,
National Library of Scotland,
National Library of Wales, and
Trinity College, Dublin.

These are being posted off before the end of the month.

Do also take a look at lestweforget.froyle.com for the latest news, including a Froyle connection to the declaration of war in August 1914.

Remember, if you would like to buy additional copies of the book, they can be purchased from us at Adams Field, Lower Froyle, at £10 per signed copy

LENT LUNCHESES

Lent lunches began in 1991, and have been organised ever since, by Margaret Stanford. Thank you Margaret; you are a hard act to follow!

Starting on Ash Wednesday, each lunch is a simple soup, bread and cheese affair, in aid of a charity chosen by the hostess.

The lunches are from 12.30 - 2.00 pm. Pre school children can stuff themselves for no charge, though we ask for donations from grown ups!

If anyone needs a lift, would like to offer a lift, or has any other queries, please call Jenny Gove 23697.

Ash Wednesday 18th February at The Old Dairy, in aid of Mencap.

Sarah Roberts; 520041

Wednesday 25th February at Wykeham House, in aid of the Piam Brown ward at Southampton hospital

Susie Robertson; 520820

Wednesday 4th March at Badgersbank, in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice

Lauraine Bourne ;22159

Wednesday 11th March at Stowells in aid of Cancer Research

Cherida Cannon; 520470

Wednesday 18th March at Brewery House in aid of St Michael's Hospice

John & Vivienne Sexton; 520098

Wednesday 25th March in St Mary's Church in aid of the Vestments

Jenny Gove 23697

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for delicious soup and chat



*Jenny Gove
Cherida Cannon*



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

February meetings are on Thursdays 5th, 12th and 26th.

Come and join us!

Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Sylvie Nonhebel 520779



Better Balance

Better Balance 2015 sessions continue on Wednesdays at 2.30 in the Village Hall

Dates: February 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

See you there!

Madeleine Black 23371

U3A. ALTON BRANCH

February's Monthly Lecture will take us back to Tudor Times and reveal the life, and death, of a sailor aboard the Mary Rose. Trevor Sapey works for the Mary Rose Trust and was involved with the recovery of the ship and the building of a museum.

The lecture is **on 20th February at 2-00pm** at the Community Centre. All are welcome.



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

We started the New Year with our usual Christmas Party which was a very happy fun event with good food and Quizzes. The Committee worked very hard to produce this event and Jean Norkett, June Fenn, Peter Bradley and Tony Riley in particular did a sterling job assisting us. Thankyou to everyone helping or Providing food. On February 13th at 7.30 we look forward to welcoming Mr Thomas Stone to tell us about the Roses of Mottisfont. We are hoping that people will enter the competition 'A Spring Posy'. Please also try to bring any interesting specimens from your garden.

Dates For Your Diary

March 14th Froyle Village Hall 10.0am Geoff Hawkins Seed Sowing and propagation Excellent for new gardeners

May 12th A Coach trip to Beth Chattos garden near Colchester. £20 for members, £25 non members. Please book asap and pay on booking to secure seats as this will be advertised outside the club.

Early July a possible trip to Andy McIndoes garden at Sherfield English near Romsey. We would need drivers and numbers interested asap. Also please indicate preferred days of the week. This garden is highly recommended but does cost £8 entry. It does include I believe tea and biscuits.

Please ring Brenda for all bookings on 22216

Diana Moore

Songs of Praise – Sunday 15th February at 6.30 pm - St Mary's Church



Our very own Songs of Praise singing your most popular hymns. You still have time to tell us your choice, there will be a list at the Meeting Place and in the Church until 6th February or phone Gill Bradey 520484. We look forward to seeing you there!

Holybourne Shop and Post Office

Local couple Paul and Jo Guppy who lived in Upper Froyle for almost five years, recently bought Holybourne Shop and Post Office with their young daughter Sophia. Going from their previous careers in Account Management (Jo) and Garden Design (Paul) to running a busy village shop with popular Post Office and organising the delivery of over 700 newspapers a day has been a steep learning curve, but one they are now starting to enjoy.

"We want to improve and enhance the shop in a way that will be both exciting and beneficial to the local community. We have already introduced local products such as Tunworth, Lyburn and Isle of Wight Cheeses, a selection of excellent wines and craft ales which are proving to be very popular. We have a coffee machine being installed from Jack's Beans at the end of the month and we will be baking a new range of pastries and breads to accompany these. The existing stock has also been improved and the pricing structure brought in line with other retailers so that customers can enjoy a one stop shop.

We are also looking at many other locally sourced products to enhance our range such as fresh flowers, fruit and vegetables, chutneys and pickles and can also provide a delivery service as required. Other day to day products and services include fire wood and kindling, dry cleaning, free range eggs, Holybourne Honey and Cider, and with Post Office services such as cash withdrawals means that customers can shop with us on a daily basis and not have to travel into town.

Please do come down and visit us at 130 London Road, Holybourne GU34 4ES, call us on 01420 83323 or email: holybournestores@aol.com if there are other products or services that we may be able to provide for you. Like us on Facebook at: Holybourne Shop and Post Office for regular updates on the changes and plans.

All the best,

Jo and Paul Guppy
holybournestores@aol.com

Does anyone remember the Air crash of 1948?

Whilst reading "Farnborough, 100 years of British Aviation" by Peter Cooper, I found a passage which may be of interest to your readers.

On the 12 February 1948 the general Aircraft Ltd had built a tail-less flying wing (military serial TS507) which was being tested by Royal Aircraft Establishment Farnborough, who had based it at Lasham. The flying wing was on that date carrying out stall research flying and operated by G.A.L. company, when it went into a steep dive from which it never recovered and crashed at Lower Froyle. The GAL56 was normally towed by a Spitfire, but sometimes by a Miles Martinet trainer.

I wondered if this would bring back memories for the older members of the village and whether they remembered where it came down and whether there were any casualties. My son, Neil Brough, lives in Husseys Lane, hence my knowledge of the village and your village magazine. My name is John Sills and my address is 17 Larchwood Rise, Knossington, Oakham, LEICS LE15 8LS if anyone wishes to get in touch.

John Sills

Parish Plan - New Resident Pack

As a result of the Parish Plan project it was agreed to produce a 'New Resident Pack'. Thanks to a lot of hard work by the small group tasked with the job, but also many others in the village, a booklet has now been produced. This full colour 24 page booklet includes sections on the History of Froyle, details of Clubs and

Activities, a Map of Froyle, information on Volunteering Activities, Essential Services (such as doctors and chemists) and the many Events we hold.

We have printed 100 copies and are handing them to new residents as they move in. The booklets are handed over personally rather than just put through the door. We hope this personal approach will encourage new residents to feel welcome and to participate in the life of the village.

Sue Sharman and Vicky Poulson are looking after Lower Froyle, while Linda and I are focused on Upper Froyle. If anyone would like to help with the distribution we would be very grateful. Do let us know if you get new neighbours just in case we have not heard of their arrival.

My deep thanks go to Linda (who volunteered me for this!), John Sexton, Nigel Fisher, Sue Sharman, Vicky Poulson and Royston Annible who all contributed time and effort. But I must single out Yvonne Irvine because without her design skills we would have struggled and not produced such a professional finished article. Thanks also to Barry Clark, The Froyle Archive and Nick Whines for photographs and to Wag Design for the rather fancy map work.

Nigel Bulpitt

Bentley CE Primary School News

There have been some changes to the history curriculum across schools in England this academic year as the new 2014 curriculum has made learning more sequential. Greeks have shifted from Year 3 to Year 6 to bring in higher order thinking skills. Gone are some old favourite topics, like the Victorians, but in came the Stone Age! Our fantastic History Leader in Mrs Elliott retired in July but left her subject leadership in very safe hands with Mrs Wood! She inspired the whole school to hold a brilliant commemorative topic week about World War One and staff are feeling well supported to teach their new topics.

One very popular era is the Tudors and we were pleased that the chronology allowed this to stay as the stories of romance in the Tudor courts (followed by some gory endings) goes down rather well with our Year 5 girls and boys.

Here is one pupil recounting their special visit to Hampton Court with their teacher Mrs Rushin.

Katy Pinchess, Headteacher

Hampton Court

On Monday 10th November our class – Year 5- travelled to Hampton Court. It took a decent amount of time but it definitely worth it!

We went to Hampton Court to extend our learning of Henry VIII and the Tudors. For our first activity we marched over to the enormous Tudor kitchens. In the first room we heard the disgusting noise of a knife slicing through some meat (it made me feel a bit sick); also there were a few fake pork pies in the kitchen which showed us how they made them and what they used.

Secondly we explored the dark corridors and ended up in the wine cellar. It was slightly gloomy and creepy because of the wine noises. There were over 20 barrels full of wine and they were brought to Henry VIII in a big silver jug and be poured into a silver goblet for Henry to drink out of.

After that we carried on exploring and found a big garden where we spotted some stones carved by the Tudors. That is over 200 years old!

Then we strode over to the great Hall where we had our photos taken sitting on the Royal Chairs. In the same room there were little fake plates wit facts about eating; on the walls were amazing tapestries of good events and bad events, such as wars and battles.

We carried on walking and while we were waling we observed some portraits of Tudor monarchs. There was Henry VIII and Edward VI and many more people. When we where going to have our lunch we found Henry VIII coming up the stairs towards us so we had to bow and curtsy until he said ‘You may rise.’

Jack Weston

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th February	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 15th February	Froyle	6.30pm	Songs of Praise
	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Ash Wednesday 18th February	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd January	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	BCP Communion
		11.00am	Morning Worship
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

The Winchester Lent Course - starting 22nd February 2014

Jesus says:

“Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me – watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”

Matthew 11:28-30 (The Message)

Jesus’ invitation as paraphrased here by Eugene Peterson expresses just what we’re doing in the Diocese of Winchester this Lent. The course we’ve prepared works at several levels; there is material for groups to follow (please call the parish office if you’re interested in joining one of our home groups), but there is also material for individuals who’d like to engage with the Benedictine tradition which has shaped this Diocese from its very earliest days, with a view to creating a personal Rule of Life. Such a Rule is not an end in itself, but a flexible framework to support our vocation – so no two Rules will look the same.

There is no prescribed structure or content for an individual Rule of Life, but they are likely to include a relationship dimension and a time dimension – a rhythm. As the purpose of a Rule is to support a Christian in their particular vocation, that would be the test of its effectiveness.

Life in the 21st Century could be described as frenetic and so in the first session we are going to do something very Lenten. We’re going to head out into the wilderness with Jesus, into the cave with Benedict, to commit ourselves to 40 days of contemplation and reflection. To try and simplify life a little and to slow down, even if it’s just for a short while. Together we are going to consider what it is that God has called us to, and how we might work that out together in a simple rule of life, a simple text that might help us to become even more the kind of people that God has created us to be.

Check out our website - www.benbinfro.co.uk/lent-course/ - for more details!

Blessings

Yann.

Froyle Rainfall for December 2014 and for the past year

This year	40mm	1.6 inches
Last year	134.5 mm	5.3 inches
Wettest December (1989)	167 mm	6.6 inches
Driest December (1988)	17 mm	0.7 inches
Long-term average for December–2nd wettest month	85.1 mm	3.4 inches
Total rainfall for 2014	976 mm	38.4 inches
Long-term average for the year as a whole	784.9 mm	30.9 inches

Well it's now official; at almost 25% more than the average, **2014 was the wettest year in Froyle since 1960** (when over 1,100 mm of rain fell). And even if December's contribution was incidental, more often than not, this has indicated a relatively dry first quarter of the new year, Furthermore, so far as the outlook for 2015 as a whole is concerned, you will be pleased to note that only once in living memory (1967 and 1968) have we had two consecutive years of more than 900mm. So time to think about putting away the galoshes maybe...?



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FROYLE PARK, UPPER FROYLE: REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

As Froyle Park's first residents settle into their homes, the new development is well on its way to transforming into a new neighbourhood.

The beginning of 2015 has brought fresh changes to the former Treloar College campus in Upper Froyle, where progress continues to deliver a village green arrangement of 58 high quality properties.

The refurbishment of Burnham House into new and converted apartments and houses, for instance, is now moving beyond the structural phase with the steelwork and foundations in place. The team is starting work on internal preparations now, ready for launching the show home in the summer.

The current show house by the entrance to Froyle Park has received a warm response from visitors and there have been eight sales, including the three households who moved in during December.

The collection will range from stylish two and three-bedroom terraced houses to prestigious four and five-bedroom detached properties with large gardens. They have been designed with traditional Hampshire red brick and clay tile to blend into the Froyle Conservation Area.

So far, 21 houses have been topped out, and the fresh grass of the village green, with a beautiful tulip tree at the centre, has taken root and more trees are set for planting. The site entrance has been opened up too.

The construction team was recently alerted to light packaging materials which had collected over Christmas on private land along the avenue from Froyle Park to Gid Lane. An investigation confirmed the waste was not of the type used by Linden Homes and had blown there from elsewhere.

Project manager Andrew Maull explained: "I'd like to thank residents who alerted us to the issue, which we checked to make sure it hadn't been caused by our team. We think it has been carried there by the weather and landed on private property, which unfortunately also means we can't interfere with it."

Andrew added: "We'd also like to urge visitors coming to look around **the** development to check in with the sales centre first when they arrive as parts of Froyle Park are still busy with construction."

Linden Homes Guildford is committed to minimising inconvenience to **neighbours**, and the development is registered under the Considerate Constructors' Scheme, a national initiative aimed at building up the industry's reputation.

Linden Homes Guildford managing director Peter Youll said: "Now we have completed most of the structural work, people will see lots of progress at Froyle Park. It's a very exciting time – households are moving in and interest is very high."

A Response to Linden Home - From The Editor

Having shown Linden Homes response to a couple of the individuals who had originally identified the problem of packaging debris which they assumed had come from the Linden Homes Development they were certainly not satisfied with the response so the editor decided to investigate further. Firstly on speaking to a couple of large house builders polystyrene, which is almost all of the debris, is in fact a common packaging material used in the house building sector.

On inspecting the debris and without leaving St Swithuns Way I found material from Rugby Cement and Wavin Building Products which would certainly indicate that the polystyrene and other debris did come from a building site. Also Froyle Park is exactly due South West from where the majority of the material has blown against the fence which certainly indicates it may have come from that direction.

Obviously the Project Manager couldn't get too close to the material as it is on the private land which they are not allowed to interfere with but was able to clearly identify that it wasn't caused by them. This land is owned by Nicholas James Group, Linden Homes' co-developer of Froyle Park. I'm sure that NJC wouldn't hesitate to allow anyone wishing to remove this debris as it is clearly visible from the public areas of their Country Club and Wedding Venue.

After my investigation unless Linden wish to reconsider their position it may be best that Froyle Residents who pride themselves on their community spirit organise to remove the rubbish, subject to permission from Nicholas James Group. Having inspected the debris it will probably take one person with a large bin liner the best part of an hour to clear. The editor may be up for the job.

Walking the Lanes

Whilst it is still quite wet and muddy I would suggest another pleasant walk keeping to the lanes. Walk to the Hen and Chicken, walk past the Garage and along towards West End Farm. Cross the A31 and follow the lane towards Mill Court, after approximately 1/4 mile turn left and following quite a steep rise continue along the lane. It can become quite exposed but with really good views back across to Upper Froyle, the Church and Froyle Park. Keep straight on, don't turn toward Binsted. Then when you get to the T junction turn left towards Isington. You will go over the railway bridge and on the bend reach Isington Farm Shop which now has a coffee shop. Continue right and in approx. 100 yards turn left signposted Lower Froyle and go past Isington Mill, over the Wey and upto the A31. Crossing the A31 here can be quite scary especially with Children or dogs, therefore an alternative is to follow the road go under the A31 and follow Coldrey Drive past the cottages, turn right onto the road and past the Anchor back into the Village. \The walks will take approximately 1.5 hours.

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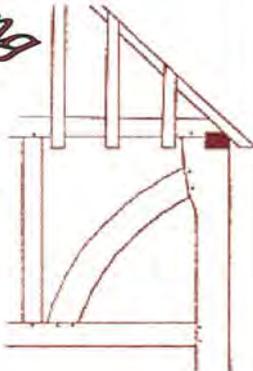
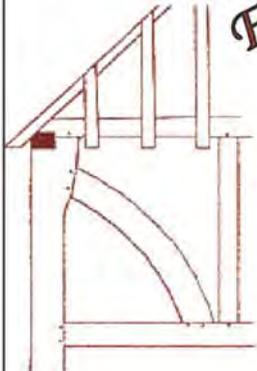
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<i>8</i> <i>8.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>9</i> <i>Recycling</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>13</i> <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>7.30pm</i> <i>GC</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>15</i> <i>6.30pm</i> <i>Songs of Praise</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> <i>8.30am</i> <i>HC</i> <i>12.30pm</i> <i>Lent L</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>22</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>23</i> <i>Recycling & Bottles</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> <i>12.30pm</i> <i>Lent L</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>27</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>28</i>

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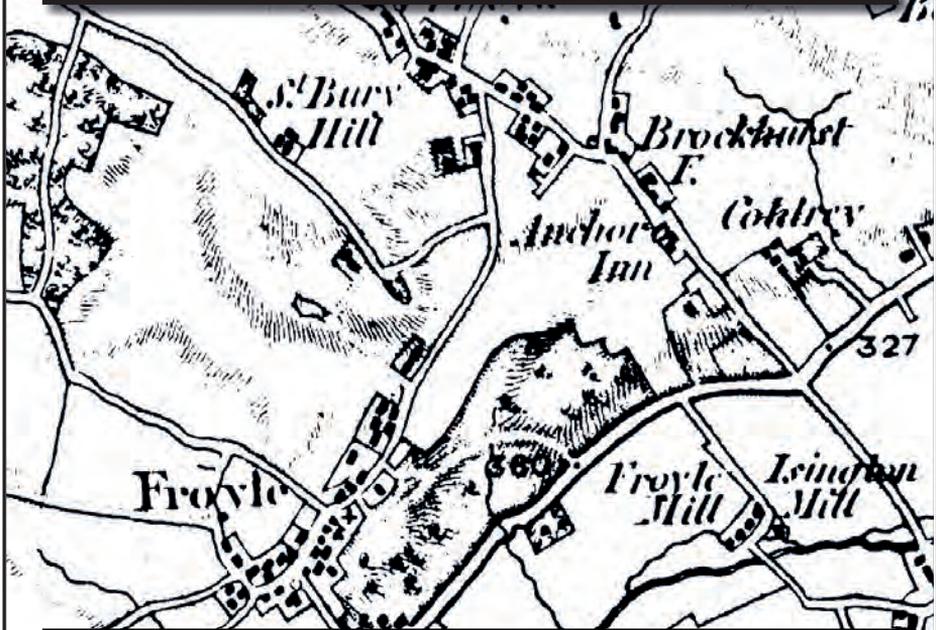
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Planning.

In spite of the Parish Council's best endeavours, the planning inspector has allowed the appeal on the application for two houses on the site between Cattleys, Colthouse and the entrance to Froyle House,

Thank you.

Thank you to Scribeland, namely Tony and Leslie for cutting the recreation ground hedges.

Reminders.

The Annual Parish Meeting is on **Wednesday 22nd April.**

The AGM of the Parish Council is on **Monday 11th May.**

Local and Parish Council elections are also in May.

Mick Wells

Calendar of Events in Froyle

Most of you will be aware that Froyle has had a website, <http://www.froyle.com>, for sometime. This contains a whole host of items about the Village and all its activities both past, present and future. Chris Booth has now set up a rolling 12 month Froyle calendar on the site, giving details of up and coming events for the next year, which you can access on: http://www.froyle.com/events_2015.htm

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Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Village Hall Notices

Please be aware that the Village Hall will be out of action from 12th to 17th April for redecoration.

For those unaware, the Village Hall Committee operates an informal email list to directly inform and remind residents about forthcoming Village events, such as the Film Night, Race Night etc. To add your name to the list, please email chair@froylevillagehall.com.

THE MEETING PLACE

This takes place every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30 – 12 noon and everyone is welcome, if you are new to the Village or have never been to the Meeting Place – come and join us. We serve tea, coffee, squash and home-made cakes, we sell local papers, stamps and a selection of birthday and other cards. There are books and magazines to borrow and we have various leaflets relating to local groups and organisations on display.

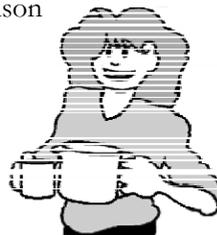
Cake Bakers for March

6th	Sue Carr	Sue Sharman	Jill McKenzie	Mary Knowles
13th	Elizabeth Sealey	Jane Stewart Smith	Sarah Roberts	
20th	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	
27th	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Caroline Findlay	Helen MacDonald

Helpers for March

6th	Lauraine Bourne	Jo Mills
13th*	Molly Court	Caroline Findlay
20th	Jane MacNabb	Philippa Cullen Stephenson
27th	Sarah Lovell	Jenny Topping

* Comic Relief Day – There will be a **Bake Sale** for which your contributions will be gratefully accepted and we shall be collecting donations for this worthy cause.



Froyle 100 Club Result February

1st prize: Sue Carr 2nd prize: Janet Dobson
3rd prize: David Robertson 4th prize: Patty Parrott

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles

RACE NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came to the race night to make it such a fun evening. We raised the fantastic sum of £1200 for the village hall.

Jo Mills



Better Balance

Better Balance dates till Easter: **March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and April 1st.**

Usual place, usual time (2.30pm). Look forward to seeing you there for some exercise to music, followed by tea and biscuits!

What shall I cook tonight? Community cooking classes for men. If you are aged 55 or over why not come along to a 6 week course to learn how to cook and gain simple ideas.

Thursdays 5,12,19, 26 March and 2, 9 April. Venue: Rushmoor Fire Station, Lynchford Rd, Farnborough GU14 6BF. Time 2.30-4.30pm. Cost - free. Call Jackie Priestman for info and to book 01252 774276 or eh@hart.gov.uk

55 or over? You can now request a free statement of your estimated new State pension, based on your existing National Insurance contribution record, on www.gov.uk/state-pension-statement.

Call Age Concern Hampshire Information and Advice line on 0800 328 7154, between 10-3pm weekdays

Madeleine Black 23371

LENT LUNCHESES IN MARCH



The lunches are from 12.30 to 2.00pm. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for delicious soup and chat

Wednesday 4th March at Badgers Bank, in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.;
Lauraine Bourne 22159

Wednesday 11th March at Stowells in aid of Cancer Research;
Cherida Cannon 520470

Wednesday 18th March at Brewery House in aid of St Michael's Hospice;
John & Vivienne Sexton 520098

Wednesday 25th March in St Mary's Church in aid of Vestments;
Jenny Gove 23697

Jenny Gove



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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop!

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

March meetings are on Thursdays 5th,12th,19th and 26th.

Last month, we had a lot of fun making Valentine's cards.

This month, we are planning to make and decorate crosses. Our arty work will be on display in St Mary's church during the Easter holidays...

We will also be playing with playdough, paint and make rainbow fish with paper plates!

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!

Any questions, please call me.

Sylvie Nonhebel 520779

Help at Hand!

Dynamic Thai cleaning duo whose skills include cleaning, ironing, changing sheets, etc, are looking to help another family in Froyle. £10 per hour each. Excellent references from Sarah Roberts - 01420 520041

Driver required for school run

Mornings and afternoons Froyle to St Swithuns Winchester

Generous rates of pay and car provided

Contact jonathan.hern@btinternet.com or 07812043446



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

The talk given at February's meeting on **The Roses of Mottisfont**, given by Thomas Stone, was very well attended. The meeting also saw the first of the new Monthly competitions introduced by the club - February's theme was 'A Spring posy.' Many members rose to the challenge and Mr Stone awarded first place to **Marion Cresswell** !

The next meeting will be on **Friday 13th March**, with a talk being given on the theme of '**Therapy through Horticulture**' by the charity THRIVE.

Diana Moore

Froyle Gardening Club's very own

Geoff Hawkins

Horticultural Speaker, Broadcaster and Gardening Consultant
(LBC's Weekend Matters, BBC Southern Counties Radio and Delta FM)

The Magic of Seeds & Cuttings

OPEN TO ALL!

An interactive workshop exploring the skills needed in successfully sowing small and large seeds, both in containers and in the soil. This class is suitable for **ALL AGES** and levels of experience, and given by our very own expert, Geoff Hawkins!

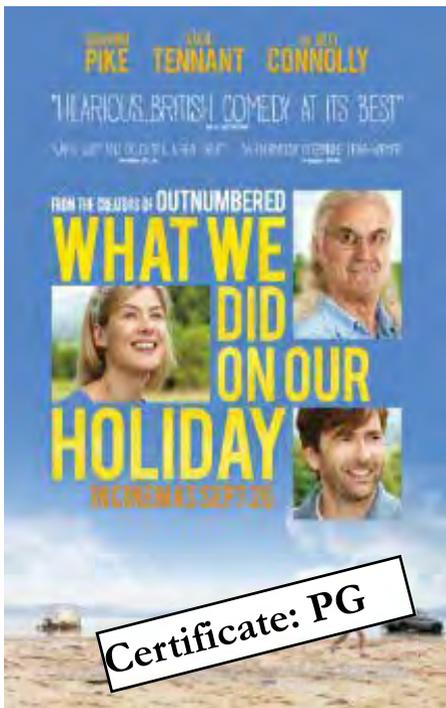
DATE: SATURDAY 14 MARCH 2015

WHERE: FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

TIME: 10 AM - £5 including refreshments

Feel free to bring along any seeds you have problems with, along with the materials used to sow them in, for discussion.

PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE BY CALLING OR EMAILING BRENDA MILAM ON 22216 OR walbury@uwclub.net



Froyle Film Night proudly presents

“A Hilarious British
Comedy at its best”

‘What We Did On Our Holiday’

THE FILM :

From the creators of the
hit BBC comedy series
Outnumbered - WHAT WE
DID ON OUR HOLIDAY is a
heart-warming, uplifting
comedy for all the family.

Starring David Tennant,
Rosamund Pike & Billy
Connolly

Please contact:
Karen Potter (520294)
Or Jerry Saunders (22478)
for tickets

To be held on

Friday 6th March

Froyle Village Hall

Doors open 7 p.m.

Film commences 7.30 p.m.

Price - £8.00

Price includes a sausage bap,
available before the film
commences (7 – 7.30 p.m.).

Pay bar will be available.

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Vicar: The Reverend Yann Dubreuil Tel: 07777 684 533 yann@benbinfro.org

Administrator: Tel 07500 949 465; e-mail admin@benbinfro.org



Churchwardens:

Mr. William Knowles

Park Edge, Upper Froyle

Tel: 01420 23164

wbk@wbknowles.com

Mrs. Sarah Roberts

The Old Dairy, Upper Froyle

Tel: 01420 520041

sarabr@marketingnetworks.co.uk

Benefice Pastoral Care: Kathy Ogilvie Thompson (23125)

Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 1st March	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th March	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 15th March	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
Mothering Sunday	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd March	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	BCP Communion
		11.00am	Morning Worship
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship
Sunday 29th March	Froyle	11.00am	Joint Benefice Service
Maundy Thursday 2nd April	Froyle	6.00pm	Choral Eucharist
Good Friday 3rd April	Binsted	1.00pm	Good Friday Meditation
Easter Sunday 5th April	Froyle	11.00am	Easter Communion
	Bentley	5.30am	Sunrise Service
		11.00am	All Together Service
	Binsted	9.30am	Easter Communion

Please note: The service on 3rd Sunday (Mothering Sunday) is at 11.00am. There will be no evensong that day.

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

"Aiii, I saye, thou madde Marche Hare" John Skelton Replycacion, 1528
The reference to a mad March hare quoted above was written by John Skelton in a highly satirical poem against students taking on the ideas of the reformer Martin Luther in the early 16th Century. Luther's ideas were challenging the Roman Catholic church's stance on what it really meant to be a Christian. Luther argued that the Bible, not the institution of the church, was the true source of wisdom and authority for our lives. And the Bible said that salvation came unmerited through faith and not by good works or following the Church's rules. In other words, Luther's ideas directly challenged the authority of the Church as it was and many of its medieval practices which would have formed a great part of everyday life. "Who or what directs your life and who or what should?" was at the root of Luther's challenge to his generation.

The season of Lent provides us all with a time to reflect on these age old questions again. How do we decide what is right and good for not only our own lives but those whom we love? Should we consult the media, the church, our bosses or colleagues, our friends, or simply our own gut feelings and desires?

Luther's contention was that Holy Scripture alone provided ultimate authority to living life in all its fullness – and his view remains as challenging now as it ever was. For Luther, though, it wasn't that the Bible was the point, it was that the Bible pointed towards someone – Jesus Christ - and by knowing him, we could begin to know what life was really for and how best to live it.

I think Skelton was wrong – Luther's ideas were far from being mad ones – they were trying to stop the madness of continuing life with a head full of unchallenged suppositions. Even if you disagree with his conclusions, at least he was asking the right questions. This March let us take time to stop and reflect on why we do what we do lest we lead lives empty of thought or reason.

***Blessings
Yann.***

St Mary's Church Diary Dates

Mothering Sunday - 15th March 11.00am - A service for **all** the family

Easter Decorations

The Church will be decorated for Easter on **Saturday 4th April from 9.00am**. Our theme this year is decorated crosses but we will also welcome lots of Spring flowers. We hope to see as many volunteers as possible to help prepare our Church for the Easter celebration. Any queries to Sarah 23294 or Gill 520484



AGM and ACPM Thursday 23rd April, 7.00 for 7.30 pm in the church

Church Jumble Sale – Saturday 25th April

This annual event raises much needed funds for the church and hopefully is also quite fun to be involved in. We are always very grateful for any help setting up or selling in the afternoon. Most important of all we need plenty of good, clean clothes, household goods, toys, books and yummy home-made cakes, savouries and produce. There will also be a raffle (prizes please!) and teas.

- **Cake bakers** – Jo Mills 22384 and Janet Dobson 23340 would love to hear from you
- **Books** – Lauraine & Robert Bourne 22159, do go through your bookshelves for books you do not want or simply haven't got any room for, we'll take CDs/DVDs too!
- **Jumble** – Lori wants you to have a darn good clear out, if you haven't worn it for over a year, it's time to say goodbye! Lori 22148



Songs of Praise

The Songs of Praise service on Sunday 15th February was enjoyed by over 50 people, who gave hearty voice to the 5 hymns voted favourites in Froyle. The resulting thirst was satisfied by a glass or 3 of wine, soaked up by various nibbles. The last Songs of Praise was at least 7 years ago, and all participants felt it should be an annual February event, to cheer up a dull month. Let's raise the roof further next year!

Jenny Gove

And many thanks to the Community Group for organising a really splendid evening, and to Jane, Martin & Yann on the night.

Sarah and William



What being a Scout means to us

By Jordan, Sam, Joe, Libby, Chloe, Annabelle

Educational

At scouts it's all about team work. You learn how to trust and rely on each other. We are constantly working together and helping each other to build things and do other great activities. We also learned how to cook, make fires, pitch tents and other practical skills. Making friends is also something we learnt while at scouts.

Fun

Scouts is fun because we get to play games at the start and end of nights. Also it's fun because we get to see people who we wouldn't get to see as they go to different schools. Scouts is fun because we get to do different things that we wouldn't get the opportunity to do at school or other clubs.

Being Charitable

At scouts we do a lot of charity work to help other charities and those less fortunate. We enjoy doing this because it's good fun and makes you feel good doing something to help others. We do hikes, sell things and help at the jumble sale to raise money.

Adventurous

To us, scouts is adventurous as we get to go outside and do lots of activities. We really like the hikes, assault courses on camps and outdoor crafts and skills. Also we like learning new things, or getting better at basic skills we already know. It is also adventurous because we get to go on camps away from our families and have to learn to cook.

Creative

Scouting is creative as we get to design things and make them on Friday nights, like the work we did for our creative badge, making bird boxes, Christmas decorations and mosaics. It is also creative because we get to come up with new ideas and activities ourselves and then have fun doing them.

Curtain pole - polished oak

Corded, Gilt washed artichoke finials, Brass brackets/hardware

Length 204 ins/520 cm : diameter 2 ins/5 cm

Excellent condition. **Offered free on collection** (Upper Froyle)

Contact details - 01420 23858 or mobile 07831 716357

Froyle Fete Flag Competition

How would you like to design the flag that will fly above the fete each year?

Open to children residing in Froyle and up to the age of 14 we are looking for the most imaginative and eye-catching design that celebrates a traditional village fete. The flag should be rectangular and will be transferred onto a standard sized flag, 5' by 3'. Entries should be on no less than A3 sized paper and if you are unable to source this size of paper then we can organise for you to collect from the Meeting Place.

The winning design will be judged by the Froyle fete committee, the closing date for entries will be **31st May 2015**. The winning entry will be flown above the fete and used in other ways to advertise the fete not only this year but also in future years. As well as the winner there will be prizes for the 2nd and 3rd placed flags and all entries will form a display at this year's fete.

Further details of the prizes will be in next month's magazine.

St Swithuns Way and Saintbury Hill

Hopefully by March with a little decent weather we may be able to walk more of the paths that have been a little muddy during the winter. So this is decent easy walk taking the best part of 1.5 hours but with an option to reduce this if you wish.

Start by walking to the Anchor Inn turn immediately right after the pub onto St Swithuns Way, following this all the way to Gid Lane (remember for those with dogs that the second field often has sheep grazing). Cross Gid Lane through the gate and follow the avenue of trees towards Froyle Park nearing the top of the avenue you will see a gate on the right go through the gate and follow the path diagonally across the field to a stile. Over the stile onto the lane, turn left and then right opposite the church into Cemetery Hill. Follow the lane for approximately 200 yards and then turn right and follow the path keeping the hedgerow on your right. At the end of the hedgerow you will come to an open field and will see a path in front of you past the dead tree which will take you up to Saintbury Hill, onto Bamber Lane and back into Lower Froyle. However if you wish you can turn left and follow the grassed path between the two fields. At the end of this wide grassed path you will see the path going diagonally across the field, sometimes this isn't well marked but you should be able to make it out. There is a gap in the hedge into the next field and again you should follow the path diagonally across the field always going up towards the left corner of the field. Follow the path through the very small spinney of trees and in the next field again cross it diagonally toward the left corner of the field. You will then come onto a small track, turn right and this will take you all the way back to Bamber Lane and again back into Lower Froyle.

R Ambling

Froyle Nature Conservation Group – Connecting with Nature

Watching wildlife and starting a wildlife diary

Folklore says that February 14th is the first day of spring, the day that birds first start to choose their mates. And writing this on Valentine's Day the birds do indeed seem to be staking their territory, with Robins, Dunnock and Mistle Thrush serenading a morning walk and Sparrows inspecting nest boxes on the side of the house. Soon the lengthening days and warm sunshine will tempt creatures from hibernation and us into the garden. What better time to start watching and recording wildlife and find out more about the flora and fauna that shares our patch of the planet!

Ideas - Many of us have quite a few birds and butterflies visiting our gardens, but exactly how many different ones do we get? Try naming and noting each one seen during the year, it may surprise you! The 'First Sightings' of Honey Bee, Bumble Bee, Swallow, Swift, Frog spawn, Bluebell etc are fun to watch out for. Or note which birds are singing, collecting nest material or feeding young; which plants do butterflies, bees and hoverflies prefer in yours and friends gardens; which creatures are using your pond. Or maybe discovering the names of wild flowers in the veg plot, lawn, or alongside a favourite footpath appeals. It really is a case of the more we look and listen the more we see and hear - and then realise how much we don't know!

Equipment - Looking closely at a bird whilst it sings is probably the best way to learn their song so a pair of **binoculars** 8x30 or 8x42 would be a good investment (or present?) those that focus down to 6 foot or so will be handy for butterfly watching as well.

A close focus digital **camera** will reveal the amazing detail and beauty of insects and plants. Once images are downloaded onto a computer there are many websites to aid identification and gather facts. **Identification books** are preferred by many and are sometimes the best choice. Choosing books that detail species occurring in the UK, rather than those that also cover the rest of Europe, narrows down the ID options. **Phone apps** another idea.

So how about making your next purchase an **A5 notebook** and start jotting down *what* you see and *when* and *where* you saw it. Extra details such as weather conditions, how many of them/ what they were doing, enable us to understand their life needs. Involve youngsters, they are great 'spotters' and their wildlife encounters will stay with them forever.

Why not share your encounters with wildlife through the Froyle Magazine.

Bird recording in Froyle, news update February 2015

Many thanks to all those that have submitted sightings of the 'Target Birds' please keep them coming in! A flock of around 20 lapwings were seen on 3rd Feb and the first skylark of the year, a singing male, was reported from north east Froyle on 11th Feb with two more from Upper Froyle on the 14th. Red kites have been seen in four 1km map squares and yellowhammers in three. These 4 species are probably the most likely 'Target Birds' to be seen. Please keep a special listen out for cuckoos' come April and watch out for little egret near the river. Little owls have a number of calls, can be heard by day and have occurred in Upper and Lower Froyle in the past. All are welcome to send in sightings of the Target Birds; Red Kite, Yellowhammer, Lapwing, Skylark, Cuckoo, Little Owl, Barn Owl, Little Egret, Grey Partridge, Woodcock. For further information please contact Sue on s.f.clark@talk21.com. Thanks.

Sue Clark

Froyle Rainfall for January 2015

This year	69mm	2.7 inches
Last year	191.5 mm	7.6 inches
Wettest January (2014)	191.5 mm	7.6 inches
Driest January (1997)	13 mm	0.5 inches
Long-term average for January—4th wettest month	82.5 mm	3.2 inches

You may recall that 2014 began with the wettest January in living memory; but not so 2015. And last month I mentioned that, after the deluge that was the whole of last year, more often than not, this has indicated a relatively dry first quarter of the new year, and thus it has begun.

But don't just take my word for it, listen to what they were saying in Roman times:

“If on St Vincent Day the sky is clear,
More wine than water will crown the year”;
and

“If St Ananias' Day be fair and clear,
It betokeneth a happy year”

Suffice to say that on both these days – the 22nd and 25th of January, not a drop of rain fell on Froyle...



“The Umbrella Man”

We would like our big, red Chesterfield sofa to find a good home!

It is about 2m / 80 inches long and about 85cm / 34 inches deep. It was carefully reupholstered by its owner last century.

If you are interested in having this classic sofa and are able to collect it from Upper Froyle, please call **Aidan and Jo on 01420 23496 or 07846 904 194**.

We are giving the sofa away
(Model negotiable)



The Air Crash of 1948 - Follow Up

Dear Editor,

This month's (February 2015) village magazine has a letter from John Sills asking whether there would be anyone with memories of The Flying Wing glider that crashed in Lower Froyle in February 1948.

I believe the glider came down in the field that was then known as Rockhouse Field - now part of Copse Hill Farm and known as 'Glider'. A couple of years ago Mark Cray gave me a copy of the August 2012 Britain at War magazine, along with photocopies of the articles in the Alton Gazette of 13th February and 20th February 1948. The photocopies are difficult to read but I can make out the following:

"An experimental aircraft from General Aircraft, known locally as the Flying Wing crashed into Rockhouse Field, Lower Froyle, at mid-day yesterday, and one man, the pilot, is believed to have been killed. He was promptly removed in an ambulance. A second man landed by parachute and escaped with shock. Mr F Pennells, an agricultural worker of Westbrook Cottages, Froyle Road, told our reporter that he was riding a carhorse home to lunch when he saw an aeroplane approaching at roof-top level. It appeared to be flying upside-down, and he saw a man drop from it by parachute. Mrs Pennells said that she was resting on a settee by the fire in her cottage when she heard a rushing and whistling noise, and through the window she saw the aeroplane crash"

I am attaching a scanned copy of the article from the Britain at War magazine about the Flying Wing.

Ian MacNabb

Editors Note: The scanned articles will not reproduce well in print, but I will forward them to The Froyle Archive in case they can be displayed via froyle.com

Gid Lane Rubbish - Linden Homes Response

Further to your recent reply to Linden Homes in your latest edition regarding the rubbish that has blown along Gid Lane, I can confirm that I have spoken with the team on site and they have clarified that the suppliers referenced on the materials found are not suppliers of Linden Homes' Froyle Park development or the neighbouring wedding venue. It is disappointing that the loose material has made its way there, but it does not belong to Linden Homes and as such the team is unable to claim responsibility for it. Having said that, Linden Homes and the Nicholas James Group have now dealt with the rubbish and it has been cleared away.

From Councillor Glynis Watts

There are two topics currently causing major interest or concern at the moment. One is Planning, and I will write in next month's magazine when all the potential major developments in Alton will have been to Committee. The other issue is the rubbish that has been bordering our roads since the major verge cut late last year. It has been much worse than normal as this particular cut was much deeper than usual, thus exposing litter that has lain hidden. This is compounded by the fact Hampshire County Council's contractors do the cutting and ours (EHDC's) do the collecting and co-ordinating both appears to have fallen down on this occasion. In addition, the Team tasked with arranging litter collection, are contending with emerging new health and safety rules currently under review, and until such time as this is clear, road closures will be required on our main trunk roads. There have sadly been fatalities which is clearly unacceptable.

I know we believe Veolia are major culprits along the A31 and I have recently written to their UK Managing Director to help find a solution – but this problem has been throughout East Hampshire and all Ward Councillors are being confronted on a regular basis by irate residents! However, we have all seen lorries (not necessarily Veolia) visiting and leaving the site shedding materials – please if you see anything like this – log the time and date, vehicle number and if safe (ie not driving!) take a picture of the vehicle with your mobile phone. Forward everything to me as I now have a direct line to the Service Manager in Winchester. I cannot promise an immediate solution, but everyone from the Leader of Hampshire County Council downwards is concentrating on finding a way to end this totally unacceptable state of affairs.

If anyone would like a trip around Veolia to see what goes on there, please get in touch with me

Cllr Glynis Watts
Holybourne and Froyle – 07747 628 333
glynis.watts@easthants.gov.uk

Item available for free!

Life-like Model of the **Taj Mahal** brought all the way from Mumbai!

Approx 10" square x 10" high.

Free to anyone who would like it. You would just need to collect it.

Sharon Durham 01420 23726

Damian Hinds M.P.

will be visiting the villages of Binsted, Bentley and Froyle
on the following days

Thursday 19th March 6.30 for 7.00 pm in FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

Thursday 9th April 6.30 for 7.00 pm in BENTLEY VILLAGE HALL

Thursday 16th April 7.30 for 8.00 pm in the WYKHAM INSTITUTE, BINSTED

Damian will give a short address and then answer any of your questions.

If your own village date is not convenient, you are welcome to come on one of the others.

The Sky's the Limit!



**Phyllis
Tuckwell
Hospice**

Ever fancied throwing yourself out of a plane? Imagine that exhilarating feeling as the wind first catches your breath and streams through your hair, and you look around to see the panorama stretched out below you, buildings and people mere dots.

So why not seize the day and take the plunge? Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice is holding three Skydive Days to raise money for their services, which care for and support terminally ill patients and their relatives across West Surrey and North East Hampshire. All you need to do is pay a £50 registration fee and raise a minimum of £450 sponsorship. And then pluck up the courage to jump out of that plane!!

There are three dates to choose from: **Friday 27th March**, **Friday 5th June** – be quick for this one as it's booking up fast, and **Friday 25th September**.

All three jumps will take place at the Airfield Camp at Netheravon, Wiltshire. They are all organised and run by the Army Parachute Association, so rest assured you're in safe hands!

So if you've always harboured the urge to jump from the skies, here's your chance. Fulfil an ambition at the same time as helping a good cause. Call 01252 729446 or email fundraising@pth.org.uk to sign up!

NFU Mutual & Hampshire Hunt Point to Point Races

Sunday 15th March 2015 - first race 12.45

Hackwood Park, Tunworth Road, off A339 near Basingstoke

A fabulous day out for the price of £30 per car

With course side parking, get close and watch the thrills and spills of steeplechasing as horses fly over 4ft fences at speeds of up to 30mph. You can picnic, party, drink, shop and gamble, everyone backs a winner at Hackwood Park!

Bar and food available if you don't bring your own.

Premium Car Park - Reserved Slot - £40 on the day or £35 if booked and paid for before 8th March. Please send your cheques, (payable to Hampshire Hunt Point to Point) and SAE to Mrs N Rowsell, West Stoke Farm, Stoke Charity, Winchester, SO21 3PN, or buy them at designated HH meets.

Standard Car Park - £30 on the day.

www.hackwoodparkracecourse.co.uk



CONCERT

**Winchester University Foundation Music Soloists &
King Alfred Consort chamber choir**

will perform in The Abbey Church of Our Lady & St John

Saturday 21st March 2015,

6.30pm: for refreshments with wine 7.30pm: Concert

Tickets £15.00 available from "Tickets", Friends of Alton Abbey,
Alton Abbey, Beech, Alton, GU34 4AP

Cheques should be made payable to "Friends of Alton Abbey".

Please include a SAE & a telephone number and/or email address

Organised by the Friends of Alton Abbey: Registered Charity No 284876

U3A. ALTON BRANCH

The Alton Branch of the U3A invite you to APRIL's Monthly Meeting, when David Assersohn will talk about modern slavery, and how it has never disappeared. David works for an Anti-Slavery organisation.

This will be held as usual at the Alton Community Centre on **April 17th at 2.00 pm.**
All are welcome.

Scam postcards are being delivered to UK residents' homes claiming that a parcel containing "jewellery" is waiting for the homeowner.

The personally addressed postcards say:

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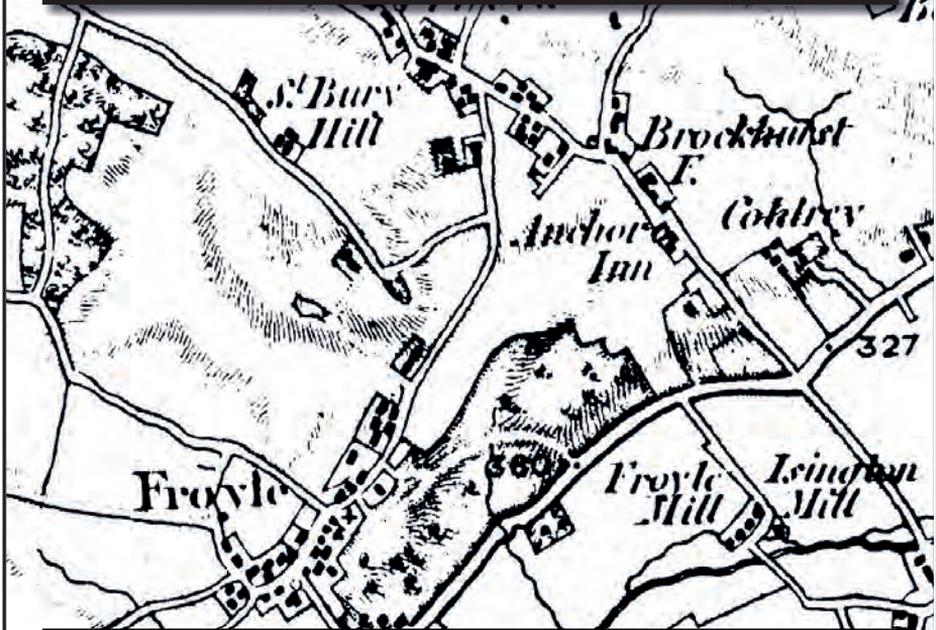
Village Events March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 8.00am HC	2 Refuse & Garden P.C. Meeting 8.00pm VH	3	4 12.30pm Lent Lunch Badgers Bank 2.30pm Better Bal	5 9.45am Babies & Toddlers VH	6 Meeting Place 7.00pm Film Night	7
8 9.30am HC	9 Recycling	10	11 12.30pm Lent Lunch Stowells 2.30pm Better Bal	12 9.45am Babies & Toddlers VH	13 Meeting Place Gardening Club VH	14 10.00am GC Seeds & Prop VH
15 11.00pm HC Mothering Sunday	16 Refuse & Garden	17	18 12.30pm Lent Lunch Brewery House 2.30pm Better Bal	19 9.45am Babies & Toddlers 6.30pm Damian Hinds VH	20 Meeting Place	21
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29 11.00am Joint Benefice Service	30 Refuse & Garden	31				



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Dates to remember.

Village Hall AGM and Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 22 April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

These two events are again being held on the same evening.

The first meeting includes a review of the activities of the Village Hall Committee. It will be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting which includes reports from our District and County Councillors and village groups. There will also be a discussion on the future of the football hut. All are welcome.

General, District and Parish Council elections will take place on 7th May.

Anyone intending to stand for the Parish Council should obtain nomination forms from East Hants District Council and have them filled in and returned to EHDC Penns Place by the 9th of April

Parish Council Annual General Meeting 18th May

Notices

The Playground.

The playground was a Millenium Project and is beginning to look it's age. One or two pieces have had to be removed and the remainder is monitored weekly but will need replacing in the near future. We have been advised by ROSPA that the area should be grassed, meaning that the bark in place now will have to be removed, levelled with topsoil and seeded. These improvements can only take place when funding becomes available. We will be looking for grants from various bodies. The PC has put aside some monies towards this venture, but we may have to ask for help from the people of the village.

Bird Scarers.

The issue of bird scarers has been raised recently. Details of rules regarding their use can be obtained from EHDC's Environmental Services.

A31 litter.

Anyone seeing litter being strewn by lorries leaving the Veolia Waste Site can complain by visiting the website, www.wastemanagementoperations@hants.gov.uk.

Froyle Village Football Hut – Situation and Proposal March 2015

Since 2012 when the last football team regularly used the Rec, the pavilion, more commonly known as the Hut, has been unused, except for some storage of Fete equipment. However over the years it has required regular maintenance and now needs a major refurbishment. Before committing to the associated substantial cost, the Parish Council would like to consider alternative approaches which might lead to better use of this facility.

For those who don't know, the Hut is a timber framed construction 8.5m by 6.1m, 28ft X 20ft, dating from 1978/9. The entrance on the Rec side gives onto a small entrance facing a central column with the hotwater tank etc and doors to left and right to changing rooms. At the back of both changing rooms are doors to a space running across the back incorporating toilets, showers and storage.

The main 'challenges' with the existing building are:

1. Rotting doors and windows.
2. Disintegrating roof (made from asbestos/cement tiles which are expensive to replace.)
3. Toilet and showers need replacement
4. An inconvenient layout for any other use.
5. Old and poorly sited hot water heating unit and an inefficient hot water cylinder for typical patterns of use.
6. Old and limited electrical distribution board which does not meet current standards

As a result of the layout, the range of activities that the Hut can be used for is limited. This in turn reduces the amount of investment that is justified in modernising the facilities. Nor can it be effectively hired out to generate some income to help in its maintenance.

Given the ongoing cost of maintaining the Hut, it is the view of the Parish Council that we should all consider its future use, possibly even generating some income, in order for it to remain viable.

Consultation

An initial discussion is planned as part of the **Village Meeting on Wednesday 22nd April** when we hope to gather the Village's ideas on the opportunities and challenges. Over the following month, a sub-committee will work to develop a number of alternative futures for the Hut. We expect two or three designs to be considered using the existing structure and/or the foot print of the building. These will be considered by the Parish Council in June and publicised through the Village Magazine in July, along with initial cost estimates. Feedback will be collected on the pros and cons of each option.

A final plan will be agreed in September. - 2 -

Funding

The Parish Council has received a quotation to re-roof, replace the doors and windows and refurbish the showers and toilets which amounts to £20,000. This is our baseline against which to judge the costs and benefits of alternative proposals.

The Parish Council has encouraged the Village Hall Committee to consider how they might offer the Hut as an Annex or alternative space to those hiring the Hall with a view of having a more flexible space and a better location for those wishing to base an event on the Rec.

There are a number of grants available depending on the proposals which will be investigated.

And if appropriate, we will approach the village to help fund the development.

Summary

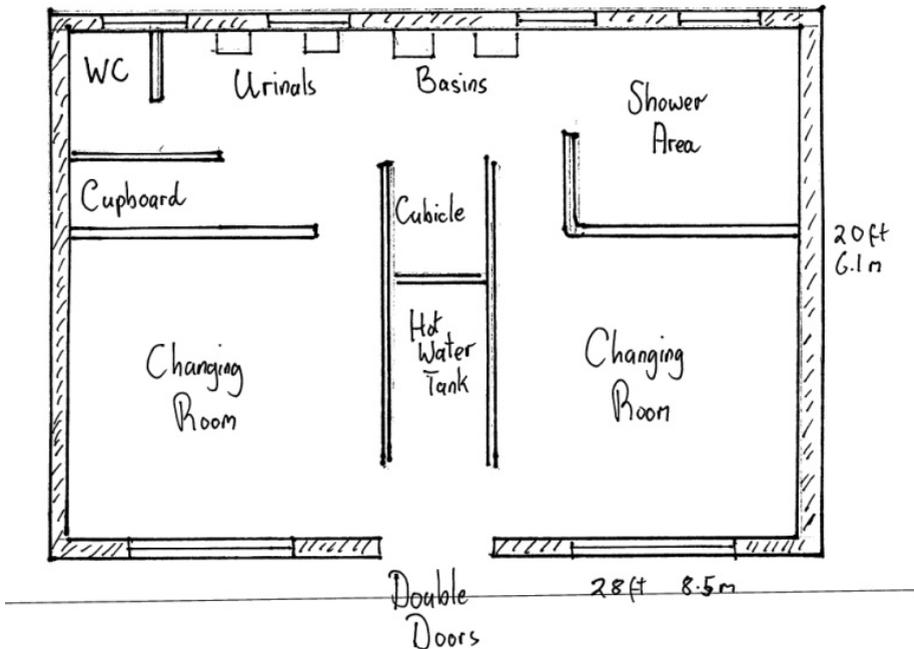
In summary, we are looking for:

1. Delivery of essential works which would be required in any case – leaking roof, rotting doors and windows, electricity distribution board, poor hot water and unusable showers and toilets.

Plus, possibly

2. Improved facilities allowing a wider range of functions for all users
3. A more attractive Hut overall

Mick Wells





Bookings: Jo Mills

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Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands' - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX** - as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME.** The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Froyle 100 Club Result February

1st prize: Molly Court 2nd prize: Tony Riley

3rd prize: Lauraine Bourne 4th prize: Jan Elliott

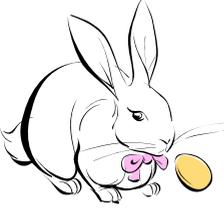
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The Easter Meeting Place



This will take place as usual on Good Friday, this year the 3rd April, from 9.30 – 12 noon in the Village Hall.

We shall serve **Hot Cross Buns** as well delicious homemade cakes, and of course coffee, tea and squash. We shall have the usual **Raffle** and there will be a **Decorated Egg Competition**

which will be open to all, and a prize for the best **Easter Bonnet**.

Cake Bakers for April

3rd April	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts	Sue Lelliott	Pratt Young Bakers
10 th	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	Barbara Starbuck
17 th	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	
24 th	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Louise Marston	Anne Blunt

Helpers for April

3rd April	Easter Meeting Place	- The Team
10 th	Maureen Fry	Gillian Pickering
17 th	Elizabeth Sealey	Judith Lesley Smith
24 th	Barbara Starbuck	Sarah Roberts

Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

Thank you to all those who joined in the games and gave so generously to this cause. We were able to send off a cheque for £200.

Gill Bradley



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Spring has always been a busy time for the Gardening Club and this year was no exception. In March we had a wonderfully presented talk by the charity, THRIVE who told us all about the valuable work they do with horticulture as therapy. Those who attended found it a fascinating and inspiring evening. We were also treated to Geoff Hawkins's thoroughly entertaining Workshop which was the best attended yet. Even the most seasoned of Gardeners came away with useful tips and practical hints to get the most out of our seed growing and preparation.

April sees the Club's annual Spring Show, held on **April 10th at the Village Hall at 7:30pm** onwards. For a copy of the schedule and guidelines, please contact Brenda Milam on 22216. Copies will also be available at the Meeting Place.



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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop!

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

**Due to the Easter holidays, we will only meet twice this month:
Thursday 23rd and 30th.**

Last month, we had a lot of fun making cards for Mother's day. We also made rainbow fish and decorated crosses for St Mary's church.

This month, we will celebrate spring and make daffodils.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning
in our newly decorated hall!

Any questions please call me.

Sylvie Nonhebel 520779



Better Balance dates for April:

This months dates are Wed 1st, then we have an Easter break, starting again Wed April 22nd and April 29th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall

Madeleine Black 23371

Better Balance

Our Better Balance classes, now 5 months into its 3rd year, continue with the help of our instructor Sue Sharman who encourages us through all the machinations and tricks of better balance. The sessions are both challenging and fun. The average class size is about 16, many of whom are loyal supporters from Day One. Thank you Sue.

Betty Balance

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Maundy Thurs 2nd April	Froyle	6.00pm	Choral Eucharist
Good Friday 3rd April	Binsted	1.00pm	Good Friday Meditation
Easter Sunday 5th April	Froyle	11.00am	Easter Communion
	Bentley	5.30am	Sunrise Service
		11.00am	All Together Service
	Binsted	9.30am	Easter Communion
Sunday 12th April	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 19th April	Froyle	6.30pm	Congregational Evensong
	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 26th April	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	BCP Communion
		11.00am	Morning Worship
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

Perseverance

One of the hardest lessons to learn (and teach!) is to keep on going - no matter what. Perseverance is essential to achieve any kind of real success in just about every discipline. As we approach Easter, we remember Jesus' perseverance through Passion Week, how he resolutely kept on the course set for him by his Heavenly Father, and did not deviate from it, despite all the opportunities and temptations around him.

We've been thinking about the value of perseverance at Bentley and Binsted schools this half term, from a number of different perspectives. However, they all had one thing in common - all the examples of people persevering (e.g. the widow and unjust judge, Winston Churchill's 'Never give in' speech, Derek Redmond's 400m Olympic semi final) were ones of remarkable submission to their own goals, objectives and targets. At Easter we remember Jesus requesting his Father "take this cup away from me." In other words, Jesus admitting that this was not his way but his Father's will to take him to the cross. "Not my will but Yours" he said.

Submitting to God's will instead of our own and then persevering in following it requires huge character and perseverance, yet the Good News of Easter is that it leads to new life and joy. The one can't be realised without the other. So, this Easter as we reflect on the life path that we are following, a path that may not be of our choosing, we are again encouraged to draw strength from Jesus' extraordinary resolve and rejoice along with St Paul and others who observed that as we imitate him, "... suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."

A happy Easter, full of hope to you all,

Blessings

Yann.

St Mary's Church Diary Dates

Reminder – Decorating the Church for Easter

The theme this year is Decorated Crosses and baskets or vases of Spring flowers. We shall be decorating on **Saturday 4th April from 9.00a.m.** and look forward to having as much help as possible!



AGM and ACPM Thursday 23rd April, 7.00 for 7.30 pm in the church

Summer Cream Tea

*St. Mary's Church will be offering tea & scones on **Tuesdays during June.***

Come and enjoy the sunshine and beautiful views. (if weather is poor, we will move into the church)

An informal friendly gathering open to everyone 2.30 – 4.30 pm

More details in the next magazine.

Concert at St Mary's Church Sunday 21 June at 6:00 pm

Some of you will remember the wonderful concert given at the church two summers ago by The Choir of Jesus College Cambridge.

James Hudleston is very generously sponsoring another concert by them this summer. As last time, the programme will comprise a varied selection of both sacred and secular choral music and some solo instrumental pieces, classical and not-so-classical (“from Bach to Gershwin”, as the poster which will be going up in the village puts it).

The concert is entitled:

If Music be the Food of Love.....

....and in addition to music, there will indeed be food, in the form of supper kindly hosted by James at St Paul's House after the concert.

Tickets (£40, to include supper) will be available any time from 1 April from either **Jenny Gove** (olejen@btinternet.com, tel: 23697) or **William Knowles** (wbk@wbknowles.com, tel: 23164). The capacity of the church is limited, so do please book early if you would like to come.

Church Jumble Sale – Saturday 25th April

Froyle Village Hall – 2.00 pm

Spring is nearly in the air! So it must be time for the annual spring clean that perhaps might involve you turning out one or two items that we could be include in the upcoming Church Jumble sale.

This annual event raises much needed funds for the church and hopefully is also quite fun to be involved in. We are always very grateful for any help setting up or selling in the afternoon. Most important of all we need plenty of good, clean clothes, household goods, toys, books and yummy home-made cakes, savouries and produce. All of the team below would be happy to collect any goodies from you, alternatively do drop in any contributions to the **Meeting Place, on Friday 17th April or Friday 24th April**

Cake bakers – Jo Mills 22384 and Janet Dobson 23340

Books – Lauraine & Robert Bourne 22159

Jumble – Lori Taylor 22148

Bric-a-Brac – Jane Macnabb 23195

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED – do ring Sarah (5200141) or Julie (520620)



You are invited to join us on

Sunday 12th April

3.30 – 5.30pm

In Binsted School Hall, Binsted Village

for a time of

Fun, crafts, celebration & food

All are invited - young & old alike, adults, children, teenagers, carers, grandparents, come as friends, families or partners, or come on your own, everyone is welcome.

If you are a child you will need to bring an adult with you.

Just come !

Entrance free

Messy Team Co-ordinator: Nick Carter 01420 472861

messychurch@benbinfro.org

2nd Bentley Scouts



Last year, along with 34 other Explorer scouts, I travelled from Hampshire to Soma in the Gambia to stay at the Kaira Konko scout lodge. Kaira Konko was built by Gambian Scouts with funds raised by Marion Christmas and the 2nd Bentley Scout Group, and was opened in 1998 by The British High Commissioner. It is run by Lamin Kinteh who was part of a three man trip to England back in 1991 which is when the idea was started.

We had three training weekends before the actual expedition, including a camp where we spent the night sleeping in cardboard boxes. The training weekends were a brilliant way of getting to know people and also to learn new skills. We did lots of different activities such as 'speed dating' and bricklaying. It was a lot easier going away to a place you have never been before when you have good friends going with you.

Whilst we were in the Gambia we completed many projects in and around Soma. Each day a list would be put out for us to sign up for numerous tasks during the day. These included re-roofing a house, painting a mosque and painting numerous classrooms. The best part about doing the projects for me was the gratitude that we got back from the Gambian people. They were so grateful for everything that we did which was a special experience and made you feel proud to be part of it. Some projects involved large numbers and a long trip whereas some were in Kaira Konko itself. On one occasion we all set off and camped at a school where we did a lot of work handing out mosquito nets, painting classrooms and sorting out the school library.

From going on this remarkable trip I have made friends for life who I was sad to part with but cannot wait to see again. I have learnt valuable skills but mainly to be confident in myself. However the biggest eye opener was to see what life is really like without many of the things we take for granted and how money isn't always happiness.

Tye Rath



Senior residents of the Benefice are invited to a

St. George's Day Tea Party

On Thursday April 23rd at St. Mary's Church
Hall, Bentley, 3-5pm



Please RSVP to Libby May 23323 or Kathy Ogilvie Thompson 23125

Please let us know if you need transport

Hampshire Beers

Look up Breweries in Hampshire and you will be amazed at the amount and variety of beers to be found in the county. The first micro-brewery was probably Ringwood established by Peter Austin in 1978, Peter became revered as “the father of micro brewing”. This and the growth of micro breweries gave the discerning beer drinker an alternative to the bland nationally recognised ales of the time.

Locally we have a number of excellent breweries but I have chosen three to review. The largest and most established is **Triple F**, started by Graham Trott in 1997 who like Peter Austin was a keen home brewer. Triple F beers have won awards throughout the UK. Their most popular beers are: **Alton's Pride**: A traditional English bitter brewed using water from the Hampshire chalk hills. Full and clean tasting, initially malty then tangerine fruit and resinous hop build to a quenching bitter finish. Camra Supreme Champion Beer of Britain 2008. **Moondance**: One of the original recipes brewed since 1997, amber coloured best bitter with copious amounts of American Cascade hops. Wonderfully aromatic floral nose balanced by a gentle bitterness with a hint of sweetness.

Andwell, a newer local brewery started in 2008. From their range of beers I would recommend: **Gold Muddler**: A golden blonde ale with fresh taste and citrus aroma. **King John**: Rich amber beer with a fruity hoppyness.

Then finally the **Flowerpots at Cheriton** is both a pub and a Brewery which supplies not only their own pub but also supplies beer to many other local establishments. Again I would recommend you should try:

Flowerpots Bitter: A dry, hoppy traditional bitter with a light bronze colour.

Perridge Pale: A light straw colour with a subtle twist of citrus hop. A very refreshing beer with a perfect clean finish.

Gooden Gold: A classic beer in the modern 'Golden Ale' style, with a superb gold colour and fullness in the mouth, which come from a subtle mixture of lightly caramelised malts. Packed full of powerful but fruity North American hops giving a good level of bitterness to perfectly balance the gravity.

A small quiz, Triple f have named many of the beers after 70's rock songs, Moondance by Van Morrison but would you know the artists that spawned the names of the following beers “Stairway”, “Comfortably Numb” “Dazed and Confused” “Ramble Tamble” or even “Pressed Rat and Warthog”. No prizes but if you get them all right you may need to get out more.

T. Ankard

Froyle Fete Flag Competition

As announced in last month's magazine this is your opportunity to design the full sized flag which will be on the flag pole each fete day. The competition which is open to all Froyle residents 14 and under and will be judged by the fete organising committee, the closing date will be 31st May 2015. Entries should be on A3 size paper, which if you need any, will be available at the meeting place.

Prizes will be:

1st Wooden Box Art Set and a fete golden ticket giving free entry to various rides and activities on fete day.

2nd and 3rd prized entries will also receive a fete golden ticket and all entries will be on display at the fete.

Circular Route around Lower Froyle:

An easy walk of about 1 hour

It has been very pleasant in recent weeks to walk without wellingtons, therefore this month's walk takes you across various fields skirting Lower Froyle. Start by walking up Bamber Lane, just prior to the farm house on the right go over the stile, by the gate into the right hand field. Follow the footpath down the field and go through the two gates across a small bridge into the next large field and again follow the path diagonally down the field and after going through the gate follow the narrow path between the houses down to the road. Turn left and follow the road and having passed the last thatched cottage on the right go up the drive of Copse Hill Farm. 50 yards along the drive take the stile or gate into the field and follow the path that goes along the right hand side of the field, follow the path through two fields and then over the stile onto Well lane, turn left and then immediately right into the entrance to the quarry. Within a few yards go over the stile by the gate on the right and follow the path up the field, over the two stiles and follow the path through two further fields until you come to Husseys Lane (An unmade road at this point), turn right down Husseys Lane and return to the village.

R Ambling

Sue Harris - Sponsored Skydive for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice

I am doing a skydive on March 27th on behalf of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice as publicised in the March Parish Magazine. I will have done the skydive by the time you read this, but my just giving page will still be open and I would like to raise as much money as possible. My page is on the Froyle website for all the details and how much I have raised so far or the link is www.justgiving.com/Sue-Harris7

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone in Froyle who has sponsored me. If you have any questions please email my daughter Tracey, trcharris17@gmail.com as I don't get online as much as she does.

Froyle Nature Conservation Group – Connecting with Nature

Bird Walk Sunday 12th April.

Leader Keith Betton, Hampshire Bird Recorder

Interested to learn more about the birds to be found in our parish? Then you could do no better than joining Keith (who gave the great talk in the village hall last autumn) on a 5 mile round walk from the village hall to see what's flying and singing.

Please meet at the hall for a prompt 9am start. Should anyone prefer a shorter walk of 3.75 miles ending at the church in Upper Froyle, then do please let Sue Sharman or I know so that transport can be arranged to and fro.

Allow 2 ½ – 3 ½ hours and bring a snack and drink if you wish plus binoculars if you have them and would suggest walking boots or wellies as parts of Saintbury hill track can be very muddy. Telephone myself or Sue Sharman on the day if wet.

Sue Clark Tel 23520 Sue Sharman 22603

Bird recording in Froyle.

So far 41 records have been submitted totalling 101 bird sightings and covering 7 of the eleven target species, well done everyone and please keep the records coming in.

April sees the return of the cuckoo, a bird whose breeding population in the UK has fallen by half in the past 20 years and the subject of a BTO (British Trust for Ornithology) tracking project to find out why. Please keep a special listen out and send in your records, but beware, sometimes the collared dove gives a good impression of a cuckoo!

House martins are also on their way from Africa and will begin nesting in May, making their mud nests on house walls. For this species please send in records of active nests only.

See <http://www.rspb.org.uk/> and search house martin for information on this lovely species.

Anyone can join in this survey, the target species being skylark, lapwing, yellowhammer, red kite, barn owl, little owl, little egret, cuckoo, grey partridge and woodcock.(+ house martin active nest count) For an information pack email s.f.clark@talk21.com, phone 23520 or come along to the Meeting Place on the last Friday of the month where I'll be with the Bird Maps and Froyle Nature Conservation Group display boards.

Sue Clark

Which do you think should be Britain's national bird? You can vote for one of the 10 contenders at <http://www.votenationalbird.com/> voting closes May 7th 2015.

Froyle Rainfa!! for February 2015

This year	50.5 mm	2.0 inches
Last year	130 mm	5.1 inches
Wettest February (1990)	157 mm	6.2 inches
Driest February (1993)	5 mm	0.2 inches
Long-term average for February – the 4 th driest month	55.9 mm	2.2 inches
Total rainfa!! for the year so far	119.5 mm	4.7 inches
Long-term average for the year so far	138.4 mm	5.5 inches

The second low'ish month in a row means we are almost 15% below the annual average, as I suggested we might be at the end of 2014, and there seems no sign of this changing, for the next few weeks at any rate.

That said the Scots would disagree:

“If Candlemas Day [February 2nd] be dry and fair, [it was]
The half o’winter’s to come and mair;
If Candlemas Day be wet and foul,
The half of winter’s gane at Yule.”

So who will be right?
Stay tuned...



“The Umbrella Man”

PLANTS IN THE PIAZZA

MAY 9th 10 – 12.30

The Friend’s of Treloars Plant Sale has a new home!

This year there will be Plants, Planters, Bring and Buy Plants, Expert Advice and Phoenix Perennials all around the Piazza at

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From Councillor Glynis Watts March 2015

Development in Alton

Since our revised core strategy stipulated a minimum of 700 new houses on greenfield sites in and around Alton over the plan period to 2028, Alton has been inundated with applications. As a District, we now have our 5 year housing land supply (albeit this is a rolling number), so we are in a much better position to refuse unwanted applications. However, government policy is to support and encourage sustainable development to fill our country's enormous housing need, so when refusing an application the Council has to have very sound policy reasons, otherwise they fall at appeal. In the Alton area, outline permission (ie agreement on a development in principle with normally just the highways and access under consideration) has been granted on the following - all applications come back to the Planning committee on Reserved Matters :

The Alton Sports and Social Club. Outline permission for up to 85 dwellings. The matter of the breach of the Covenant has caused a lot of comment and a statement is to be made by the EHDC Cabinet . Note, this site does not count towards the 700 total in the JCS.

Cadnams Farm Outline permission for 275 dwellings. Of particular concern on this site was flooding of local housing, and the strong will of the local residents to close off access via Upper Anstey Lane. Both these issues have been addressed.

Will Hall Farm Outline permission for 180 houses. The developer has worked particularly closely with our planners and local opinion in reducing the quantity from 200, and siting the housing away from the sky line.

Land South West of Highmead House – this application for 120 dwellings has been Refused and is at appeal.

Land South West of Old Odiham Road – this application for 97 houses has been Refused and is at appeal

Borovere Farm and Treloars – A hybrid application better known as the South Alton Plan. Outline permission has been granted for up to 529 dwellings over the two sites, with detailed highways permission for new roundabouts and a replacement of one section of the Butts Bridge. This has the benefit of removing an existing traffic bottleneck at this end of town.

Apologies for the jargon!

Cllr Glynis Watts

Bentley C of E Primary School News

Year 6 Visit to Selborne Education Centre

As part of the curriculum Year 6 took a January visit to one of our excellent local education resources at Selborne. The class completed both geographic and scientific work at the Gilbert White Centre. On their return to school they painted some beautiful watercolours of the Hart's Tongue ferns they had studied.

Katy Pinchess, Headteacher

Hart's tongue fern



Background analysis

The Hart's Tongue fern is a hardy plant that stays green all year round. Despite being evergreen, it likes partial shade and grows in drifts basic water because it leaves damp, boggy soil. Although it lives in shaded areas it can grow to 60cm long and in drifts (clumps) of 60cm wide.

Li:O To investigate the growth of the Hart's tongue Fern at different heights of Selborne Zig Zag path.

What we predicted

I predicted that the ferns would be bigger at the bottom because there would be more shelter and moisture for the rain would run down the hill.

It turned out they were bigger at the top because; Human interference, other plants, the soil condition. The water didn't actually run down the hill because the ground was too rough and the bottom of the hill was too crowded.

How we made the testing fair

We made the testing fair by using the same rulers, measuring at the same time of day, Random samples, 150 samples per height,

Location 1 (Bottom of Zig Zag)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	AV.
31cm	29cm	27cm	29cm	38cm	38cm	27cm	31cm	27cm	30.9cm	

Location 2 (middle of Zig Zag)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	AV.
56cm	33cm	29cm	21cm	36cm	44cm	38cm	25cm	42cm	34cm	34.5cm

Location 3 (Top of Zig Zag)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	AV.
44cm	44cm	31cm	50cm	41cm	44cm	23cm	22cm	47cm	26cm	37.2cm



Science work by Tom Stratton-Brown and a watercolour by Katie Pengilly

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Thank you.

Company name

Contact Name (for registration)

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Website address

Nature of business

Discounts for Froyle residents, if applicable

Description of business/services offered

U3A Alton Monthly Meetings

My apologies to you all, I completely misinformed you last month, and failed to mention the MARCH meeting, and instead told you about APRILS subject. So, to repeat myself, the Meeting on April 17th will be given by David Assersohn on Modern Slavery and how though it is illegal, is still amongst us. David works for Anti Slavery International , and this is a topic that will open our eyes to a hidden concern.

I hope no-one missed the March Meeting on aviation due to my stupidity.

The web site "U3A Alton " will always inform you definitively.

Meetings are held at the Alton Community Centre at 2.00pm. All are welcome.

Penelope Kennedy

Do you have what it takes to become a Wakes Weeder?

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The Museum is holding their monthly Chocolate Biscuit Club on **Wednesday 8th April** and would particularly like to invite any keen new garden volunteers to meet with our team and learn about this very special garden.

If you are interested and cannot attend our Chocolate Biscuit Club Event please e-mail info@gilbertwhiteshouse.org.uk or call 01420 511275 for more information.

Picnic To Music In The Park , supporting Phyllis Tuckwell

Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th July

King George V Playing Fields in Farnborough.

On the Saturday, the event will play host to the sensational Counterfeit Stones, whose popularity has gained them bookings from British royalty and famous international celebrities, and led them to be dubbed by Mick Jagger himself as *'the most famous Stones band in England'*.

The Magic of Motown will then take to the stage on the Sunday, returning to perform after their 2013 success and this time bringing their all-new show to town, celebrating 50 years of Motown music with classics from the Four Tops, Supremes, Jackson 5, Stevie Wonder, Diana Ross and Marvin Gaye, to name but a few. The event, which is kindly organised by the Rotary Club of Farnborough, has taken place every other year since 2001, and raises a huge amount of money for the Hospice, which provides specialist end of life care to patients, relatives and carers facing a terminal illness, in West Surrey and North East Hampshire. **Early Bird tickets for this spectacular event are now on sale at www.pth.org.uk** with a fixed price of £17 until 1st June (u-12s are free). Gates will open on both days at 5pm ready for the music to start at 7.30pm, followed by grand firework finales both nights at 10.30pm. Refreshments will be available, but please bring your own picnic.



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Village Events April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 2.30pm <i>Better Bal</i>	2 6.00pm <i>Choral Eucharist</i>	3 <i>Easter Meeting Place</i>	4 9.00am <i>St Marys Easter Decorating</i>
5 11.00am <i>Easter Communion</i>	6	7 <i>Recycling</i>	8	9	10 <i>Meeting Place</i> 7.30 <i>Gardening Club Spring Show</i> VH	11
12 9.00am VH <i>Bird Walk</i> 9.30am HC	13 <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	14	15	16	17 <i>Meeting Place</i>	18
19 6.30pm <i>Cong'l Evensong</i>	20 <i>Recycling & Bottles</i>	21	22 2.30pm <i>Better Bal</i> 7.30pm <i>VH AGM & PC APM</i>	23 9.45am <i>Babies & Toddlers</i> VH 7.00pm <i>AGM&ACPM St Marys</i>	24 <i>Meeting Place</i>	25
26 11.00am HC	27 <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	28	29 2.30pm <i>Better Bal</i>	30 9.45am <i>Babies & Toddlers</i> VH		

VILLAGE INFORMATION

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Froyle Vestment Group	<i>Linda Bulpitt</i> - 22725
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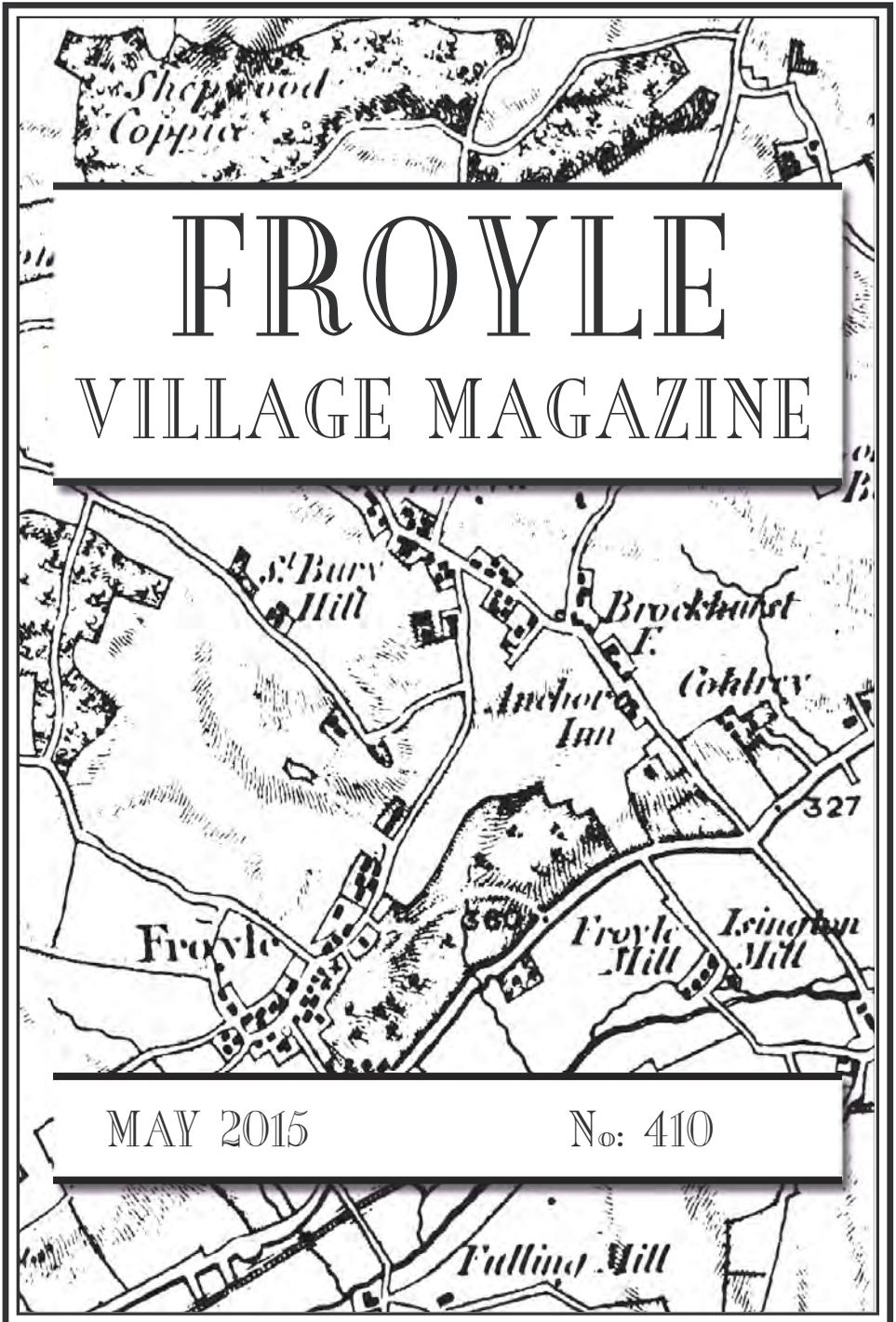
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Tel: 01420 22106 www.bentleysurgery.org.uk

A detailed historical map of the Froyle village area in Hampshire, England. The map shows the River Test flowing through the center, with several mills and inns marked. The title 'FROYLE VILLAGE MAGAZINE' is overlaid on a white rectangular box in the upper middle section. The map includes labels for 'Sheepwood Coppice' at the top, 'St. Bury Mill', 'Anchor Inn', 'Brockhurst', 'Cohdry', 'Froyle', 'Froyle Mill', 'Isington Mill', and 'Falling Mill' at the bottom. A road with the number '327' is also visible.

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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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Annual Parish Meeting, 22 April 2015 Chairman's Report

As last year, planning has dominated the Parish Council's year.

- Those of you in Lower Froyle will be aware that the development in the quarry is progressing and two houses will be built.
- At the moment I am unable to tell you when the re-development at Westburn Fields will take place. I still have no information regarding time scale on this application.
- Permission has been granted at appeal for one large and one medium sized house on the Froyle House, commonly known as The White House, site. The original application was not only refused by the Parish Council, but also by East Hants District Council, but was allowed by the planning inspector.
- The Parish Council had to make it's own application to fell the Red Oak on Jubilee Green. The tree was dying due to fungal disease, it has been removed, and due to the nature of fungal growth it's unlikely we will be able to replace close by.

A while ago I received a letter from Sophia Kahn of Lower Froyle, Sophia had been dismayed to find a duck had been run over on the road adjacent to the pond in Hussey's Lane, she asked whether the Parish Council could help to make might drivers aware that ducks were in the area. We discussed It at a meeting and decided on a style of sign. It has taken a while to select appropriate signs, get landowners permissions to erect the signs and obtain information from Hampshire County Council, but we will shortly be erecting the signs. Funding for these signs has been donated by a Hussey's Lane resident.

Recently I have been asked by another resident, whether the flashing light type of speed limit signs were available for this part of the village. Co-incidentally, the Parish Plan Transport Group have just submitted a report on traffic in the village which we will be discussing at the next parish Council Meeting. The options for controlling speed in the village will be on agenda for when we as a council meet again.

The Millennium Map situated on Jubilee Green is showing signs of age, it is to be replaced with a three bay structure. One side will contain the Millennium Map, opposite side will have an Ordnance Survey walkers map and the central panel will provide space for village notices.

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Parish Council grants totalling £940, this year have been awarded to, The Froyle Archive, Froyle Baby and Toddler Group, Victim support, Better Balance, and, Binsted, Bentley and Froyle Care Group.

Our major expenditure this year, over £2000, was the re-surfacing of the Village Hall car park. We will, we think, find it necessary to raise our precept next year in order to keep pace with the upkeep of Parish Council requirements.

The Parish Council is aware that there are items in the play area that need updating. Predominant are the wooden structures that were installed in 2000 as part of a Millennium project. We cannot replace all of the items at the same time. When funds become available we will replace equipment incrementally. Consultation with children to find out which items are liked best will determine the order of replacement. Parish Councillor John Sexton has taken on the inspection of play area duty, if any problems are found, he can usually rectify them.

The Parish Council continues to fund the Village Magazine, still delivered free to every household. We as the Parish Council would like to thank the editors for their commitment and hard work, we also thank the volunteers who regularly deliver the magazine.

As previously mentioned in the Village Magazine, we have a football hut that is not currently being used for that purpose, nor does it look as if it will be required in the immediate future. Fixtures and fittings maintenance costs are ongoing. The building requires major work on the roof, windows need replacing and general works throughout. As a Parish Council we are concerned not to throw good money after bad, therefore we welcome realistic suggestions as what becomes of the hut. We will start consultations with the Village Hall Committee to see whether it could become a joint venture.

Next month as you will all by now know, the elections will be taking place. This time round there will be no Parish Council election. Only 5 places have been filled out of 8 that are necessary to make up the council. We will be advertising for councillors to be co-opted in the very near future.

And finally, **thanks** to all of you who have represented your group or organization tonight and throughout the year.

- To our County Councillor, Mark Kemp-Gee and District Councillor Glynis Watts for representing the village.
- Philippa, our Parish Clerk, Phil Elliot our internal auditor.
- And again for the amount of planning issues dealt with this year, our Parish Council sub committee, Nick and Ian.

Mick Wells

Diary date: Froyle Parish Council AGM, Monday 18th May, 8.00pm Village Hall



Bookings: Jo Mills

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Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Froyle 100 Club Result April

1st prize: Margaret Stanford 2nd prize: Maureen Fry

3rd prize: Joyce Cousins 4th prize: Gillian Pickering

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles

The Meeting Place

This takes place every Friday in the Village Hall from 9.30 – 12 noon. We serve coffee, tea, squash and homemade cakes. If you are new to the Village or have never been, do come and join us. Our most successful Easter Meeting Place was very well attended and we raised £281 for the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice thanks to the generosity of all those who supported us.

Jo organised a sweepstake for the Grand National on the Friday before the Big Race which was won by Susie Robertson with Patty Parrott winning second place.

Cake bakers for May

1st May	Marj Robinson	Marion Cresswell	Jenny Dundas	Mary Knowles
8th	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	Lucia Lindblom
15th	Sue Carr	Sue Sharman	Janet Dobson	
22nd	Madeleine Black	Jane Stewart Smith	Elizabeth Sealey	Alison Pincott
29th	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	Kay Pogson

Helpers for May

1st May	Jill Mackenzie	Ann Nethaway
8th May	Sue Carr	Sue Marriott
15th May	Jean Norkett	Janet Dobson
22nd May	Madeleine Black	Philippa Cullen-Stephenson
29th May	Kay Pogson	Lori Taylor

Gill Bradley

Advertising in the Village Magazine

Current costs are as follows:

For Froyle small traders: £2+VAT/month minimum for advertisements up to a third of a page, or £3.50+VAT/month for half a page. £5+VAT/month for half a page for non-Froyle or larger businesses. £10 +VAT/month for a full page for both residents and non residents.

All advertising must be requested and paid for through the Parish Clerk:
froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk

One-off non-business advertisements for Froyle residents are free.

FROYLE VILLAGE HALL TRUSTEES REPORT FOR 2014

The Hall was well used during 2014. It proved to be a successful year for Village Hall run events and very busy once again on projects to enhance the Hall. The trustees remained active, meeting regularly on the middle Wednesday of the month with a good level of attendance.

After last year's increase in committee numbers, this year we have had no new members join our happy band. Our new members from last year, Toby Yvonne and Royston have all worked very hard, along with all the other committee members.

The Treasurer's report shows an increase in hirings and takings generally across the year, despite an increase in the commercial charge-out rates to cover increased costs which we discussed at the last AGM, I am pleased to confirm that rates to residents remained unchanged, which is encouraging. (<http://froylevillagehall.co.uk/prices.htm>)

The year began with a substantial amount being owed to the village hall for hiring charges. Matters were quickly resolved and the full amount repaid. A more robust system for insuring that invoices were paid promptly was introduced.

Events

- This year the Race Night was swapped for a Bingo evening. This was well attended and a healthy profit of £900 was made to swell the Village Hall funds.
- In June a successful free party was held to celebrate the hall's 30th anniversary. The event was a joint venture with the Parish Council. It was well attended and thankfully we enjoyed good weather.
- The Bonfire Party on 5 November was described as the 'best ever'. A huge crowd enjoyed an enormous bonfire, excellent fireworks and plenty to eat and drink. They donated generously to the bucket collection which will fund the 2015 event. The committee is grateful to all those who helped build the bonfire and in particular to Tony Goodsell for excellent work with the high loader.
- In February a successful Film Night was held. 'Captain Phillips' was much enjoyed. Later in the year in November 'Nebraska' was shown. Both films seemed popular and 'Film Night' is developing quite a following.
- The year ended with the committee arranging carol singing round the village and an illuminated tree. All of which was enjoyed and appreciated.

Activities

- A new container was acquired for use of the fete committee that relieved the pressure on the village hall container. The village hall contributed some of its shelving. The Parish Council made a grant of £500.
- The Youth Club continued to be inactive so its bank account was closed.
- Tables and chairs were acquired for the under fives thanks to a grant from the District Council. After much discussion and consultation 85 new blue chairs were acquire for the hall and the old chairs disposed of.
- Following the release of £10,000 section 106 money, the committee obtained quotes from 3 companies for the installation of a solar pv system. This is now up and running although it is too early to say exactly what impact it will have on village hall finances.

- We are very grateful to the Parish Council for enabling the car park to be resurfaced.
- In an attempt to keep the storeroom tidy more shelving has been installed and an additional table trolley acquired. New instructions on how to stack tables and chairs have been provided.
- Following a number of complaints, the committee agreed with regret that bookings from cycling clubs would no longer be accepted.
- A new tariff for the hall was agreed and introduced on 1 Jan 2015. This maintained the charge to residents but increased the cost for commercial hirers.
- A PA system was purchased with help from EHDC and was used to good effect at a boisterous and very successful Annual Froyle Quiz Night in October.
- Towards the end of the year a new reserves policy was established with £10k earmarked for a major refurbishment of the floor.
- There has been a decline in the numbers attending the Mothers and Toddlers Group. The committee therefore agreed to waive the hire charge until mid 2015.
- A new lockable cupboard was installed in the Ladies to prevent hall stores from 'disappearing'.
- The '100 Club' is working well and increasing its membership under the vigilant eye of William Knowles. Subscriptions can now be paid by standing order.

Maintenance and cleaning

- Cindy Dennis our housekeeper has continued to do a splendid job and has become a very valued member of the committee.
- In December a professional 'deep clean' was undertaken in the kitchen and lavatories.

Publicity and promotion

- The village hall has continued to use the Magazine to promote events and seek comment and the committee is grateful to the editors for their forbearance when copy has arrived late. In order to prevent this committee meetings have moved from the third Tuesday to the second Wednesday of the month. Meetings have been well attended and frequently convivial events.
- The hall now has a Facebook and a Twitter page. The web page provides plenty of basic information about the hall and its facilities. An ongoing problem is keeping these new media up-to-date.

Looking to the future

The trustees would welcome more involvement from residents. We are always looking for new blood and new ideas, if you are interested please let me know. The majority of the current committee have now served for nearly 10 years. May I personally take this opportunity to thank you- the good people of Froyle, for your constant and tireless support of the Village Hall.

This leads me on to thank the committee, they give up a huge amount of their precious time to run events and manage the daily running and up keep of the Village Hall. Without them, none of this would be possible.

Thanks to Jo who runs the bookings and holds the key to the hall, she seems to always be on call one way or another 24/7 And lastly special thanks as always go to Charlie and Nick.

These two individuals are very special people who do so much behind the scenes, most of which is unsung.

Thank you that concludes the Trustees report.

Jerry Saunders
Chairman

chair@froylevillagehall.co.uk



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

April is the time for our evening Spring Show.

Thanks to the cooler early Spring there were more daffodils available for showing and the hall looked very colourful although there was a surprising lack of Trumpet Daffodils. It seems the amazing choice of large cupped Narcissi have become more popular. Mr Cooper, the judge was extremely complimentary about the standard of the exhibits which is to our credit as we are a small village club.

The results were as follows:

Yellow Trumpet - 1st David Menzies

White Trumpet - 1st Margie Browning

Bicolour Trumpet - 1st Brenda Milam

Large Cupped - 1st Sue Carr, 2nd Brenda Milam, 3rd David Menzies

Small Cupped - 1st Margie Browning, 2nd David Menzies, 3rd Valerie Menzies

Double - 1st Gillian Pickering

Triandus, 1st Brenda Milam, 2nd Sue Sharman

Cyclamineus - 1st Brenda Milam, 2nd David Menzies, 3rd Margie Browning

3 Tulips - 1st Gillian Pickering

3 Polyanthus - 1st Marian Cresswell, 2nd Gill Bradley, 3rd Peter Bradley

Flowering Shrub - 1st Gill Bradley, 2nd Brenda Milam, 3rd Sue Sharman, H.C. June Trim,

Mixed Spring Flowers - 1st Brenda Milam, 2nd Anne Blunt, 3rd Gill Bradley, H.C. Marian Cresswell

Mixed Foliage - 1st Marian Cresswell, 2nd Brenda Milam.

Cactus or Succulent - 1st Jane Harrap, 2nd Marian Cresswell

Pot Plant foliage - 1st David Court, 2nd Mollie Court, 3rd John Cresswell

Phalaenopsis Orchid - 1st John Cresswell, 2nd Gillian Pickering

Pot Alpines - 1st Brenda Milam

Rhubarb - 1st David Menzies

Spring Posy Judged by popular vote - 1st Marian Cresswell, 2nd Brenda Milam, 3rd Sue Cripps.

Photography Judged by popular vote

Fresh Start - 1st John Cresswell, 2nd Gill Bradley, 3rd Marian Cresswell

Winter Landscape - 1st Marian Cresswell, 2nd David Court, 3rd Gill Bradley.

Caithness Paperweight for Best in Show - Brenda Milam

Pollock Plate for Best Daffodils - Brenda Milam

Froyle Beech Bowl for Mixed Spring Flowers - Brenda Milam

Garden Gift Token for Most points in classes 1-24 - Brenda Milam.

Thank you to all those who exhibited or helped in other ways to make the show such an enjoyable event.

GARDENING CLUB DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sadly the trip to Andy McIndoe`s Garden is cancelled due to lack of support .
 On **June 24th** Alton Horticultural society are running an evening coach trip to the garden and there are spaces for £20.

June 10th 7.00pm Gardeners Get together at Walbury – A social event with light refreshments

July 17th 7.00pm at Bramdean House ,Hinton Ampner £5

August 7th Hill House Alresford 6.45 there. Including Tea and Biscuits £4.50

Please ring Brenda on 22216 to book for any of the above . Thanks

At the next meeting we will welcome Mrs Jennifer Carter to speak about The Changing Seasons of Monet`s Garden . 7.30 in the village Hall as usual . Come and join us.

Brenda Milam

Froyle Rainfall for March 2015		
This year	23.5 mm	0.9 inches
Last year	29.5 mm	1.2 inches
Wettest March (2001)	129.5 mm	5.1 inches
Driest March (1990)	6 mm	0.2 inches
Long-term average for March – the 5 th driest month	57.0 mm	2.2 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	143 mm	5.6 inches
Long-term average for the year so far	195.4 mm	7.7 inches

Since 1990 there have only been 4 drier months of March than this one. But despite this continuing a below-average period - as I suggested in January would likely happen - dry starts to the year have been a poor indicator of the outcome of the next three months, let alone the next 12.

April though does seem to hold the key: in 2000 and 2012 for example, after a very dry first three months, we were deluged in April and ended with two of the highest annual rainfalls on record. Whilst in 1997 and 2006, light splatters in April led to two of the lowest in the past 25 years.



“The Umbrella Man”



Froyle Baby and Toddler Morning
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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop!

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

May meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 14th and 21st.

Please note that on **Thursday 7th May**, due to the general election we cannot meet in the village hall; so instead, we will go to Alice Holt for a walk and play that day. Hope to see you then.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!
Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Sylvie Nonbebel

Early warning: Froyle Open Gardens - 6th/7th June 2015

This is an advance request for help in serving teas in the Village Hall and/or making a cake?

Yes another year has gone by. The annual event of **Froyle Open Gardens** is on the weekend of **6th and 7th June**. Several hundred people, some travelling 50 or more miles will visit our lovely Village to see the cottage gardens. These visitors really do appreciate the refreshments we provide in the Village Hall.

If you could spare a couple of hours to help we would be so grateful. If you are new to Froyle this is a great opportunity to meet a few neighbours.

Please let Gill or myself know if you would like to help and your preferred time?

Janet Dobson: 23340, Gill Bradley: 520484

Froyle Fête, Flower and Dog Show
Saturday, 11th July
Village Recreation Ground

Spring is finally, finally, here, and it's time to think about our traditional Fête and Flower Show. Then there's the less traditional Dog Show, but that's a different matter. Food and drink, with new treats on the menu; our favourite band; raffle prizes, games and some new, surprising stalls, including Posh Jumble. We're traditional, but never boring.

There will be lots of entertainment for the kids. Races, animals and creative activities. There's a design competition for the Froyle Fête flag, which will be raised on the day, and will appear on future signs and other publicity materials.

Our last Silent Auction was a great success, so we're doing it again this year. We're grateful for anything you want to offer. (Please call Mary –23164—or anyone on the Fête Committee, if you can provide a prize).

Details and schedules in the June magazine. Meanwhile, start digging out your bric-a-brac, jumble, books and DVD's. Out with the old; make room for the new from this year's Fête.

And just to get your creative cells going, a little quiz:

There are at least two 17th century paintings called (translated as) Village Fête. Which very famous artists painted them?

Mary Knowles 23614

Froyle Fête Flag Competition

As noted above, this is your opportunity to design the full sized flag which will be on the flag pole each fete day. The competition which is open to all Froyle residents 14 and under and will be judged by the fete organising committee, the closing date will be 31st May 2015. Entries should be on A3 size paper, which if you need any, will be available at the meeting place.

Prizes will be:

1st Wooden Box Art Set and a fete golden ticket giving free entry to various rides and activities on fete day.

2nd and 3rd prized entries will also receive a fete golden ticket and all entries will be on display at the fete.

Ian Whitmore

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 3rd May	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 10th May	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 17th May	Froyle	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
		5.00pm	Live @Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 24th May	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	BCP Communion
		11.00am	Holy Communion
	Binsted	9.30am	Messy Church
Sunday 31st May	Bentley	11.00am	Joint Benefice Service

St Mary's Church – Flower Arranging

THANK YOU to all those who helped to decorate the Church for Easter – once again the Church looked AMAZING! Thanks especially to the toddlers for all those crosses, and everyone else who contributed decorated crosses and to those who helped with the lovely Easter Garden.

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

Post Easter adventures

Easter has been and gone and it is tempting to think that the church now goes quiet until our next big feast, Christmas. The reality is, much like the events described in the Bible, quite different. Luke writes of Jesus' work and ministry in his Gospel finishing with his resurrection but then writes a second tome for his dear Roman friend Theophilus, what we now know as the book of Acts. The second part of the story describes the continuing work of Jesus - what Jesus "began to do and to teach" is now to be continued by his followers empowered by God's Holy Spirit.

So it is that Jesus asks his followers to stay and wait for God's Spirit to be given to them in order that they can then fulfil his mission to be his "witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

And then the adventure begins, one that is marked by miracles, persecution, suffering and extraordinary perseverance, joy and hope.

The question that faces Christians of every generation is, "what does it mean to be a witness to the ends of the earth?"

What does it look like in practical terms, in the lives of individuals and of the church family? What does being a witness sound like when we speak, or feel like when we act? How do we convey the Gospel message in a way that is credible, engaging and relevant to the lives of those around us?

Though Christian principles and beliefs may remain unchanged, these questions cannot be answered once and for all as each age brings its own issues and challenges, its own context. Hence the importance of our ongoing reflective practice of intently listening out for God's voice as well as for the needs, hopes and fears of our own communities. Then our adventure begins.

Blessings
Yann.

Bentley, Binsted & Froyle

Rogation Sunday Walk & Tea

Sunday, 10th May 2015



To be suitable for all ages we will be having two meeting places and times:
Adults and older children meet at Binsted Church at 2.30pm for a circular walk
of about 1½ hours

Families with younger children meet at Binsted School at 3pm for a “Messy
Rogation” short walk and treasure hunt

Both groups will meet up to return together to Binsted School for worship and tea.
Four legged friends are welcome on leads.

We do hope that you will be able to join us as we ask for God’s blessing on the fields
of our Parishes and those who work the land

Further details from Jean Stephens 01420 474906



Sunshine and Scones in June

Come and enjoy tea on Tuesdays at St. Mary’s Upper Froyle.

We are offering leisurely cream teas **every Tuesday in June from 2.30 – 4.30.**

There will be a treasure hunt for the young and energetic, plus brass rubbing and a chance to explore the bell tower. Everyone is welcome, we hope it will be a chance to chat and enjoy the beautiful views, but we can move into the church if it rains.

If anyone would like a lift, please ring Nigel and Linda Bulpitt 22725 or Jane Macnabb 23195.

Vestments Display 6th/7th June.

Once again Tony Riley will be masterminding the decorations for this weekend and we would be very grateful for any greenery and green arrangements in baskets. These should be delivered to the church on Thursday or early Friday 4th/5th June.

St Marys Church Froyle
Summary of Annual Meeting of Parishioners and
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
23rd April 2015

The minutes of these meetings will be posted on the church notice board. Copies of the PCC Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2014 can be obtained from any of Peter Bradley (secretary of the PCC), Nigel Bulpitt (treasurer) or either of the two churchwardens (Sarah Roberts and William Knowles) – do please ask for copies if you were unable to attend but are interested.

In brief, at these meetings:

- Sarah Roberts and William Knowles were re-elected as churchwardens for the next 12 months.
- Peter Bradley, Nigel Bulpitt, Nigel Mills, Linda Bulpitt, Andy Jeffs, Mike Starbuck, Nigel Southern and Ali Maude were re-elected as members of the PCC. Jenny Gove has retired after many years' service on the PCC, and was thanked for all her work over the years – she will continue to be actively involved in the Church!
- The PCC Annual Report highlighted events in 2014, in particular:
 - Services and events in the Church, mostly happy ones, some powerful and moving ones, including: the Remembrance Sunday service, some glorious performances by the choir (particularly at the Advent and Maundy Thursday services), the services organised by the Community Group (particularly the open air pet service on the Rec and the Songs of Praise service earlier this year), and the magnificent concert given by Dianna Moore in celebration of the life of Kathleen Ferrier;
 - A very sad event in the form of the funeral for Andrew Thomson, a good friend to the Church in Froyle and to so many of the congregation in so many ways;
 - The way the church is always so beautifully and appropriately decorated – mention was made particularly of the imaginative way in which the glorious display of vegetables used to decorate the church for harvest thanksgiving were turned into a soup lunch at FVH for the enjoyment of many;
 - Repairs to the roof and other parts of the fabric of the church building, and the addition to the Church's tangible assets of the two lovely pedestal stands kindly donated by the Robertson family as a memorial to Cecily;
 - The first Froyle Park weddings in the church, and the welcome given to young couples required to attend Church regularly in the period leading up to their wedding;
 - The establishment of the four new 'Interest Groups', as sub-committees of the PCC, to provide a more systematic and informed basis for managing (1) the church fabric and tangible assets, (2) the conduct of services and worship, (3) fundraising, and (4) the churchyard and cemetery.

(APCM Report contd)

- The Financial Statements for 2014 were presented. These showed finances to be slightly ahead of last year. Phil Elliot was appointed as Independent Auditor for 2015.

- It was explained that, following an initiative launched by the Bishop of Winchester in 2013, whereby all levels of the Church within the Diocese are asked to consider on a systematic basis how best to address the broader, long term issues confronting the Church, each parish in the Diocese is required in 2015 to look at its priorities over the next few years and how best to achieve them.

- Part of this process involves a consultation with the parish community, which, in Froyle's case, will take the form of a meeting at FVH, tentatively set for 25 June, probably early evening; if this is to be a useful process for the village (rather than just a bureaucratic procedure), we need as many people as possible with an interest in the church as a community asset, whether regular church goers or not, to attend. So please do come – more details in due course, but wine will (of course!) be served.

- Yann gave a short talk, and was thanked for all he does for us – as were David Perryman and Alastair Forman.

- Finally, the many people who make the church (like the broader Froyle community) such a joy to be part of were thanked – you know who you are!

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Lent Lunches

This year the 6 lunches raised £1032, which is a splendid effort. The monies will be divided between the charities chosen by the hostesses.

Many thanks to all of them and their helpers. The quality of the soups was of the usual high standard, and much enjoyed by all who came to sample them, along with good conversation and jolly company.

Jenny Gove

70th Anniversary VE Day Beacons

A shared moment of celebration

“At the going down of the sun on the **8th May** the first beacon will be lit. Minutes later, cities and others the length and breadth of the country will fire their beacons as we celebrate light emerging from the darkness of war, and the triumph of the human spirit. We hope these will be followed by beacons being lit in many other towns and villages, enabling local communities to remember lost loved ones and the sacrifices they made to secure the peace we all enjoy today.” - Eric Goldrein, 94 who served with the Royal Artillery during the Second World War.

Froyle is joining in these celebrations by lighting a beacon at the top of Husseys Lane. All are welcome and should the weather be kind maybe bring some refreshments and enjoy the evening, **the beacon will be lit at approximately 9.30pm.**

Unfortunately there is no parking so you will need to walk, a torch may be advisable for the return trip. If you would like to attend but not up to the walk, then if you contact **Ian Whitmore on 22634** then we should be able to organise some form of transport.

There will be a collection on the night with contributions being donated to a suitable forces charity.

Ian Whitmore

Froyle Charity Golf Day

Blackmoor Golf Club – Thursday 18th September

Open to both teams of 4 or individuals, this prestigious event is fast being considered the fifth major.

If you are interesting in joining us on the day contact Ian Whitmore on 01420 22634.



Better Balance dates for May

Better Balance continues through May at 2.30pm on Wednesdays in the Village Hall. Dates: 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th

Madeleine Black 23371

Extra Funds Available for Fuel Poverty – Rural Areas of Hampshire Extended until March 31st 2016

Hitting the cold spots



Thanks to funding from the Hampshire County Council Rural Development fund we are pleased to be able to offer, in addition to our current project, extra support to tackle fuel poverty in the rural areas of Hampshire.

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What about a holiday in Pembrokeshire?

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2015 dates still available - May half term, Aug 7-14, Aug 21-28

Details from Margaret Stanford 22139

The Froyle Archive Open Day & Reunion

Sunday June 14th 2015

10.00-17.00

Froyle Village Hall

This year we will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Archive. The main theme will be “Froyle in the Great War” and part of the central display will be the exhibition we staged back in November last year at the launch of “Lest We Forget” which several people would have liked to have been available for longer. Appropriately enough, the date of the Open Day is just two days before Robert Scrivener was killed at Gallipoli. Every November a small cross is placed on the War Memorial by an unknown person in remembrance of his sacrifice. Maybe, if they read this magazine, they would like to come along.....

In addition we will have all our records, censuses, church and school records on display and will be running our collection of videos throughout the day.

Our other main display will be our record of the transformation of Froyle Place over the past years.

Please do come along and find out more about your village and its history. Light refreshments will be available between 12 noon and 2pm.

This will be the last Open Day due to the amount of effort involved in transporting and setting up all the material and displays becoming too much for the two of us.

However, of course, The Froyle Archive will continue to be available on the Internet and you will always be most welcome at “Adams Field”.

Final details of the Open Day in next month’s magazine.

Chris & Annette Booth

Long Sutton Open Gardens- Sunday 28th June 2-6pm.

There will be 7 beautiful gardens open in Long Sutton village during the afternoon of **June 28th**. Please come and visit these very diverse and interesting gardens. Delicious teas will be available throughout the afternoon.

Entry is £5 per person (small children free). All money raised will go towards Long Sutton Church Roof Restoration. Tickets available on the day from the gardens. Parking available.

In addition the stunning garden of Bumpers Farm, Long Sutton, will be open on **Friday 26th June 6-9pm for a jazz evening in aid of St Michaels Hospice**. tickets £15- phone Stella on 01256 862055 or 07766 754993.

Wildlife Walks and Talks



The weather certainly did us proud on Sunday April 12th for our bird walk led by Keith Betton. We were able to see and hear over 30 different species with Keith helping us to identify those more unfamiliar to some of us. Seven of these; House Sparrow, Linnet, Marsh Tit, Skylark, Song Thrush, Starling and Yellowhammer, were on the BTO Red list meaning they have declined severely (at least 50%) in UK breeding population over last 25 years, or longer-term period. Others we saw on the Amber list were Red

Kite, Stock Dove, Swallow (the first this year) and Mistle Thrush. I think that this shows how incredibly lucky we are in Froyle to still have these species, and how important it is to preserve the environment so that they continue to delight us.

Our next walk on **Tuesday May 5th** will be a bat walk led by our speaker last November, Nik Knight from the Hampshire Bat group. **We shall start at the Village Hall car park at 8.00pm**, taking a circular walk, finishing at the Village Hall. Nik will bring bat detectors so that we can hopefully be able to identify some of the species of bats that are around Froyle.

Two Mills walk Saturday 30th May

Join us for leisurely 2.5 mile stroll following footpaths and quiet lanes taking in Isington and Froyle Mills. We will be and looking to see what's flowering and flying on the way with refreshments to follow at Mill Farm Organics Shop (to be paid for individually). Afterwards there is the option of a further 1.3 mile round walk on footpaths through the farm, south of the railway line, then back to the shop.

Meet at Froyle Village hall for a prompt 9.00 am start. The going is mostly flat with the odd gentle incline -there are some stiles. We will be taking the underpass so we don't have to dodge the A31 traffic! Allow about 3 hours plus an extra 1 hour if you wish to extend the walk as above.

Please let Sue Clark know at least three days beforehand if you would like to come. Mill Farm needs to organise enough tables and cakes and we need to organise transport back to the hall. Thanks **Sue Clark Tel: 23520**

Advance notice; in October we hope to see what small mammals are around Froyle as John Buckley, Hampshire amphibian and reptile conservation officer, will lead us in identifying what small mammals have been temporarily caught in traps that he will lay. More details later.

For further information, please contact Sue Sharman 22603 or Sue or Barry Clark 23520

Sue Sharman

Bentley CE Primary School Update

We are very fortunate to live in such a beautiful area and not only does the school have great grounds but we have brilliant local places to visit. We make the most of our locality from trips to Mill Farm to residential opportunities for the older children. It all starts with our youngest children in our Reception class.

Research shows that many children of this age learn best outdoors and we try to offer lots of great learning opportunities outdoors every day in all weather, believing that 'there is no such thing as the wrong weather just the wrong clothes'!

A very popular part of the week for every Year R child is 'Forest Schools' time. Under the direction of the class teacher a fantastic team of parent volunteers work with groups of children for an afternoon of great fun and lots of learning in our wooded area in school. They have covered all sorts of activities through nature including art and science. Recently they wrote down what their favourite activities have been:

"I liked making maps in Forest School" – Lottie

"I liked the scavenger hunt" – Morgan

"I liked making our Easter garden" – Michaela

"I liked building the mobiles from leaves" – Will S-B

"I liked building the bridge for the Billy Goats Gruff" – Anya

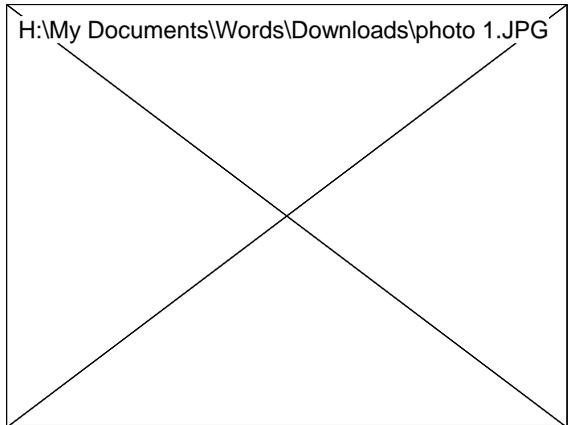
"I liked making the Hansel and Gretel maps" – Ben

"I liked finding icicles in the woods!" – Millie

"I liked building the house for the three pigs" Emily

Their class teacher Miss Raggett writes: "The children have thoroughly enjoyed joining in with the Forest School activities this year. A big thank you to all those parents who have made this possible".

We know that our children will continue to enjoy the great outdoors even more in the summer term, albeit with sun hats and suntan lotion on rather than raincoats and gloves!



*Katy Pinchess,
Headteacher*

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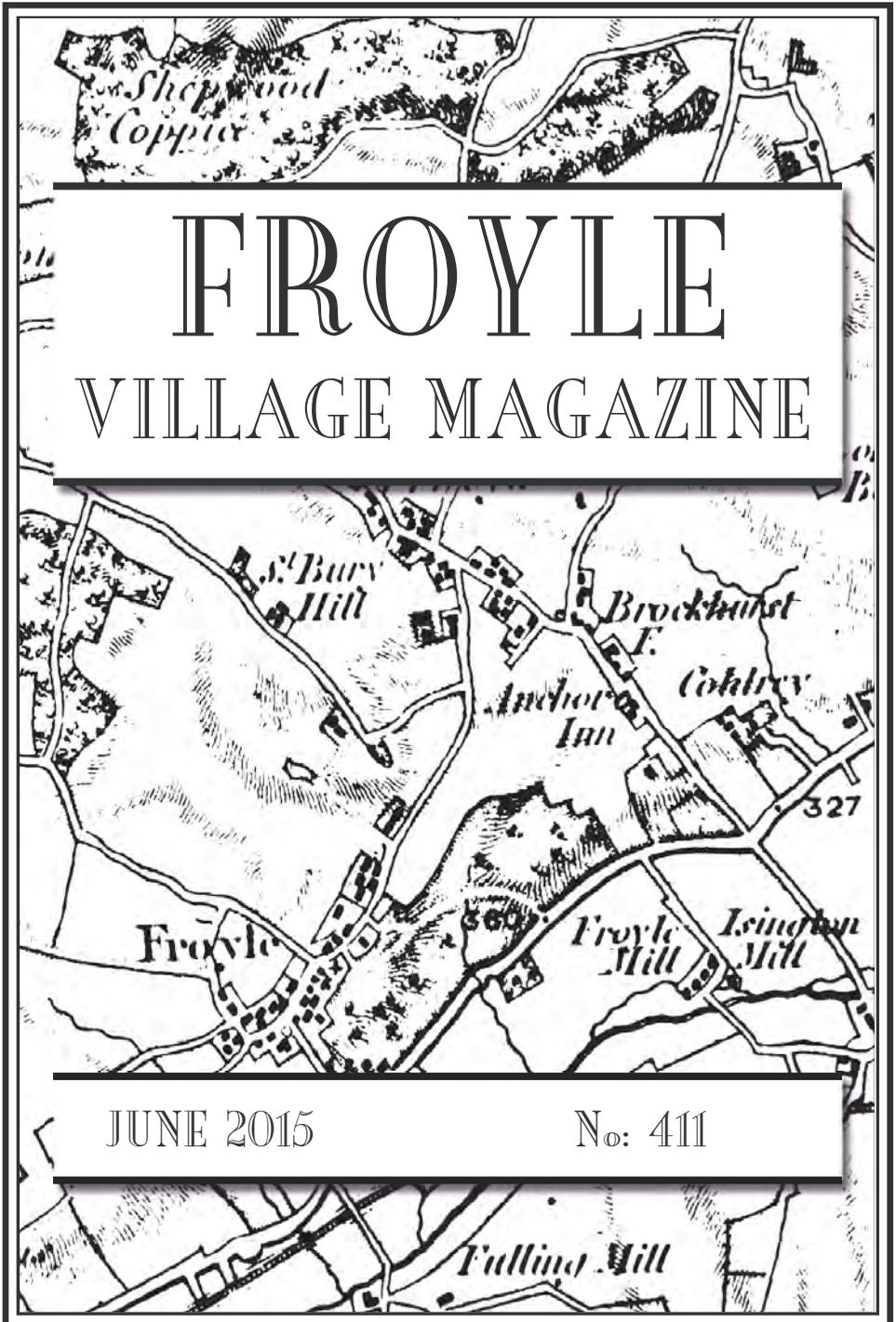
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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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The Parish Council is looking to co-opt three new councillors to bring it's numbers up to the required eight. Anyone interested should contact the Parish Clerk. Contact details are listed in this magazine.

We have received a further application from the Nicolas James Group to convert single storey buildings into four two storey houses. The previous application for this site was for single storey suites for wedding guests, this one however is for residential dwellings, nothing to do with the wedding venue.

This latest application would bring to eleven, the number of extra dwellings on top of the number of those agreed.

The Parish Council would urge any villagers with concerns about over further development on this site to review the plans and write to EHDC.

The application number is 55541/001.

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Advertising in the Village Magazine

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For Froyle small traders: £2+VAT/month minimum for advertisements up to a third of a page, or £3.50+VAT/month for half a page. £5+VAT/month for half a page for non-Froyle or larger businesses. £10 +VAT/month for a full page for both residents and non residents.

All advertising must be requested and paid for through the Parish Clerk:

froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk

One-off non-business advertisements for Froyle residents are free.



Bookings: Jo Mills

01420 22384

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Froyle Village Hall Dates for your diary **IMPORTANT - FILM NIGHT**

Please note that, sadly, the village hall has had to cancel the proposed Film Night on Friday 12th June. However, a new date has been added to take its place.

The dates for the film nights in 2015 are now:

Friday 18th September (New Date)
Friday 27th November

Charges for hiring the Froyle Village Hall From: 1st January 2015

The Hall is generally hired out for a whole session of 4 hours - mornings, or afternoons or evenings. Shorter periods can usually be booked by the hour on Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

Hirers complete a Hiring Agreement for each event and agree to a Standard Terms and Conditions, available from the website, <http://www.froylevillagehall.co.uk/>

To check availability and make a booking, please contact the Bookings Secretary, Jo Mills, on 01420 22384 or bookings@froylevillagehall.co.uk

<u>By session:</u>	Resident	Non-resident	All Others
Morning (8.30am - 12.30pm)	£20.00	£35.00	£60.00
Afternoon (1.30pm - 5.30pm)	£20.00	£35.00	£60.00
Evening (6pm - 10pm)	£20.00	£35.00	£60.00
Extended Eve (6pm - 11:30pm)	£27.50	£50.00	£80.00
All Day (8.30am – 5.30pm)	£40.00	£70.00	£120.00
All Day (8.30am - 10pm)	£60.00	£105.00	£180.00
All Day (8.30am - 11:30pm)	£67.50	£120.00	£200.00
<u>Hourly Rate:</u> (Wed pm & eve only)	£10.00	£17.50	£30.00
<i>Effective hourly rate for full sessions ie Session Rates / 4 hours</i>	£5.00	£8.75	£15.00
<i>and for All Day bookings ie Session Rates / 13.5 hours</i>	£4.44	£7.78	£13.33

Resident: Froyle residents hiring the Hall for not-for-profit events.

Non-resident: Other individuals or charitable organisations hiring the Hall for not-for-profit events.

Others: All others.

Froyle 100 Club Result April

1st prize: Maureen Allan 2nd prize: Jan Elliott

3rd prize: Nick Whines 4th prize: Kay Goodall

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles

The Meeting Place



Continues every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30 - 12 noon. Do come and join us for coffee, tea, squash and homemade cake. We commemorated VE day on 8th May with flags and bunting and cakes made to a wartime recipe.

Cake Bakers for June:

5th June	Jill McKenzie	Maureen Fry	Mary Perryman	Caroline Findlay
12th	Jeanette Cray	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts	Sue Lelliott
19th	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	Barbara Starbuck
26th	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Jane Stewart Smith	

Helpers for June:

5th June	Jenny Gove	Sue Sherman
12th	David and Mary Perryman	
19th	Linda Bulpitt	Mary Knowles
26th	Ann Roberts	Jenny Dundas

Many thanks as usual to all our bakers, helpers and supporters!

Gill Bradley

FROYLE VILLAGE HALL SUMMER BBQ

Help us to see out the summer with food, drink and fun

**SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2015
12.30 p.m.**

**FROYLE VILLAGE HALL & RECREATION
GROUND**

More Information Soon.

Froyle Fete, Dog Show and Flower Show

Saturday 11th July 2015

All roads lead to Froyle on July 11th, as one of the highlights of Hampshire's summer social scene takes place on the Recreation Ground. Yes, it's fete time again and once again it's "traditional"- no gimmicks, no theme and, as always, unlike some neighbouring villages, no admission charge. There will be live music, your usual favourite stalls, and food and drink to satisfy the hungriest kids and adults. As usual, the Village Hall will be the venue for a display of horticultural excellence to rival the Chelsea Show, and the central arena will host the United Kingdom's most talked about dog show after Crufts. It's an afternoon of fun for all the family with prizes to be won, bargains to be bought, exhibits to observe and entertainment aplenty so tell all your friends and come along. We are eternally grateful to all the stall holders, tea helpers, cake bakers, setters up and taker downers. If you'd like to get involved, we welcome extra help on Friday afternoon or Saturday. Just come along to the Rec - many hands make light work-- and you won't necessarily be signed up for next year! Otherwise just turn up on the day-- come rain or shine the show will go on! Full schedule in July's mag.

A special welcome to our new neighbours in Froyle Park! Do come on the day—it's really one of Froyle's finer moments. Call with questions or offers to join in (Mary, 23164).

Bric-a-Brac

Now is the perfect time to sort out all those things which you no longer have use or room

for but which someone else would love to own. Crockery (unchipped), ornaments, pictures, costume jewellery, children's toys in good condition, sporting gear all sell well. If you have any larger items requiring collection during the week before the fete, please ring Nick Whines (23130). Otherwise, please bring to the stall on the day.

Bottles

We will be collecting bottles for the bottle stall, starting Wednesday, July 1st; anything from

champagne to ketchup. Please give generously!

Books

Isn't it time you had a clear out of your book shelves?? Please let us have any books in good order, for the book stall. Either drop them off at Copse Hill farm beforehand, or at the stall early on the day. Please don't bring just before the Fete, because we have no time to sort them out. If you need them collected, please ring Ian Whitmore (22634).

Fete Teas - The fete teas need you!

Helpers and Cakes Wanted

It's not an all day commitment so it's a good way to help with the fete without signing up for the whole afternoon. Just an hour between 1pm and 4pm, so why not come and join us? It's a busy afternoon but good fun and you'll be very welcome! Please call me, sign up at the Meeting Place in June or speak to Nigel Fisher. We need of cakes of all sorts, cookies, savouries and other nice things. Please bring to the Village Hall on the day. All contributions will be very gratefully received. And eaten. Mary Chaplin (22574).

Cake Stall

Please get cake-making!!! There's such baking talent in this village. The tea stall needs you (above), and so does the cake stall. Please call Natalie: 07760-559454.

Tombola

We need unwanted gifts (newish please). There will be a box at the Meeting Place, Fridays end of June/ beginning of July, or Mary (23164).

Have A Rumble In The Jumble

Bring me all your hidden clothing treasures lurking at the back of your wardrobes. Good, clean resalable clothes, shoes, accessories and linens wanted (Please 'weed out' the tat, thanks) Remember, if you haven't worn it for 2 years, you never will, so make space for the new, and bring your old, and not-so-old, goodies to the jumble stall on the morning of the fete or to the Meeting Place on Friday 12th July. Many thanks, in anticipation. Lori (Taylor) 22148

Mary Knowles 23614

Froyle Fête Flag Competition

The closing date for the competition is close, your completed flag should be handed into Royston Annible at the Toddler Group or the Meeting Place on the 11th or 12th June or by the 12th to the Hen and Chicken or if you call Ian Whitmore he will be kind enough to collect. Judging will take place on Monday 15th June and the winners will be announced in the July magazine.

Remember the prizes will be:

1st Wooden Box Art Set and a fete golden ticket giving free entry to various rides and activities on fete day.

2nd and 3rd prized entries will also receive a fete golden ticket and all entries will be on display at the fete.

And as well as the winning entry being flown on the flagpole on the day all entries will be displayed on the day.

Ian Whitmore



THE FROYLE FETE IS GOING TO THE DOGS...■ ■ ■

...so make sure you bring your woofers to the fete to participate in the chaos of the dog competition, which starts at 2:30 pm at the fete on Saturday 11 July. Badly trained dogs (and their owners) will feel right at home, but please no aggressive dogs.

The format doesn't change: there are six classes. Price: £1 per class, £3 for all six classes, designed to encourage dogs being entered for all six. You can sign up at the fete at any time before the competition starts.

The six classes are:

1. The last dog sitting



2. The scruffiest dog

3. The dog with the waggiest tail



4. The dog with the best trick

5. The dog most like its owner



6. The fastest dog

Dogs participating in all six classes will be eligible for the two hugely prestigious overall championship prizes awarded at the end of the competition:

The MOST BADLY BEHAVED DOG and.... The TOP DOG

For more information, call William on 23164 or Sharon on 520575.

The Froyle Archive Open Day & Reunion

Sunday June 14th 2015

10.00-17.00 Froyle Village Hall



As we celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Archive, we will not only be looking back, but also looking forward with an exhibition recording the transformation of the Treloar site over the past years (*picture above*).

Looking back, the other display will be “Lest We Forget”. Appropriately enough, the date of the Open Day is just two days before Robert Scrivener was killed at Gallipoli. Every November a small cross is placed on the War Memorial by an unknown person in remembrance of his sacrifice. Maybe, if they read this magazine, they would like to come along.

As in past Open Days all our records, censuses, church and school records are on display and we will also be running our collection of videos throughout the day. Please do come along and find out more about your village and its history. Light refreshments will be available between 12 noon and 2pm.

This will be the last ever Open Day, as the amount of effort involved in transporting and setting up all the material and displays is becoming too much for the two of us.

However, of course, The Froyle Archive will continue to be available on the Internet and you will always be most welcome at “Adams Field”.

Chris & Annette Booth



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

FROYLE GADENING CLUB

This month Mrs Jennifer Carter gave us an interesting well illustrated talk on the Changing Seasons of Monet`s Garden. She also brought beautiful pieces of embroidery for us to enjoy depicting scenes of Monet`s Garden composed of small pieces of fabric stitched together and over embroidered. One or two others embroidered on singed Taylor`s Coffee bags which were surprisingly very effective. The monthly competition-A petite flower arrangement was jointly won by Marian Cresswell and Brenda Milam.

For the next 3 months we have visits. A Gardeners Get Together at Walbury on June 10th 7.0pm

A visit to Bramdean House July 17th meeting there at 7.0pm

A visit to Hill House Alresford on August 7th meeting there at 6.45pm

For any of the above please book with Brenda on 01420 22216 unless you have already signed up .

FETE & FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 11th July

Please don`t forget to enter for the flower show on Wednesday 8th July 7.0- 8.0pm in the Village Hall or contact Mollie Court Tel no 23141 EVERY ONE IS WELCOME TO ENTER

This year we will again be running a stall with preserves, flowers, plants etc. So if you have any spares we would be glad to receive them .

VE Day Beacon

Thanks to all those who attended at the top of Husseys Lane on what was not the most pleasant evening but whilst damp I think the evening was generally enjoyable and successful. A particular thanks to Neil Brough for his trumpet solos which certainly added to the atmosphere and to the cadets for lighting the beacon.

Thanks also to the Parish Council and Village Hall who together with the collection on the evening helped us to raise £360 for the SSAFA Military Charity

Ian Whitmore

FROYLE GARDENS OPEN
JUNE 6th & 7th 2.0pm – 6.0pm

THE OLD SCHOOL
BRAMBLINS
WALBURY
DAY COTTAGE
GLEBE COTTAGE
FORDS COTTAGE
TEAS IN VILLAGE HALL
PLANTS FOR SALE

TEAS: PLEASE DON'T FORGET YOUR CAKES AND YOUR HELP WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE OUR FAMOUS TEAS SO PLEASE CONTACT GILL BRADLEY IF YOU CAN HELP

The Profit from the Gardens open goes to the National Garden's Scheme to be distributed to the following Charities

Macmillan Cancer Support
Hospices U.K.
Queens nursing Institute
N.T. Gardening Careerships
Perennial

Marie Curie Cancer Care
Carers Trust
Garden Museum
Parkinsons U.K.
R. H. S.

£2,500,000 was donated to the above last year

Froyle Walks

Circular Route from Upper Froyle
40 minutes easy walk

Starting from the Church follow the Road past Froyle Park past the new development, at Froyle Place follow the lane to the right, keeping to the lane past The Barracks. The lane becomes shingle but keep following down past the thatched house on the right. After the metal gate you can either continue on the lane or through the gap and follow the path up the right hand side of the field. Just before the steel barn follow the path to the left into the woods. Continue through the woods which are extremely pleasant when the bluebells are in flower. Near the end of the wood follow the path to the left and come out into a large field. The path crosses the centre of the field, with good views of the recycling centre on the A31. Once across the field the path goes downhill and passes the lake West End farm on the right, continue uphill, past the cottages on the left and then the industrial buildings. You can follow the lane back to the church.



Froyle Baby and Toddler Morning
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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop! There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

June meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th.

Please note we will have a special craft activity for Father's day on June 18th. Please note that on **Thursday 7th May**, due to the general election we cannot meet in the village hall; so instead, we will go to Alice Holt for a walk and play that day. Hope to see you then.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!
Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Froyle Charity Golf Day
Blackmoor Golf Club – Thursday 17th September

Sorry the date in the May Magazine was incorrect .
If you are interesting in joining us on the day contact Ian Whitmore on 01420 22634.

BABYSITTING SERVICE AVAILABLE.

I am an experienced babysitter and references are available on request. I am a local girl and live in Froyle.

For more information please contact Phoebe Cray.
Mobile:07557569985
Home:01420 22709

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Park Edge, Upper Froyle

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The Old Dairy, Upper Froyle

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sarabr@marketingnetworks.co.uk

Benefice Pastoral Care: Kathy Ogilvie Thompson (23125)

Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 7th June	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion HC & Children's Church Live@Five
	Bentley	11.00am 5.00pm	
Sunday 14th June	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion Remember Robert Scrivenor HC & Children's Church BCP Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	
	Binsted	8.00am	
Sunday 21st June	Froyle	6.00pm	Concert. No Evensong All Together Service Live @Five
	Bentley	11.00am 5.00pm	
Sunday 28th June	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion BCP Communion Morning Worship
	Bentley	8.00am 11.00am	

Vestments Display 6th/7th June.

Once again Tony Riley will be masterminding the decorations for this weekend and we would be very grateful for any greenery and green arrangements in baskets. These should be delivered to the church on Thursday or early Friday 4th/5th June.

Sarah Thursfield 23294

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

With the summer now under way (with, as I write, an interesting mix of sunshine, rain and low temperatures!) I am reminded that this is a great time for social gatherings. Summer BBQs, drinks and dinner parties are all on the menu (forgive the pun) at this time of the year. And what's more - it's spiritual! "Are you sure, Vicar?" I hear some cry. Of course! Here's three reasons why:-

- 1) Jesus first recorded miracle in John's Gospel is the turning of water into wine at a wedding party in Cana - not just one or two bottles mind, more like 600! Why was this the first miracle recorded by John? Could it be that Jesus came to announce a party?
- 2) Jesus was himself accused of being a glutton and a drunkard - they compared him to John the Baptist who was a teetotaler and known for his ascetic lifestyle. Jesus ministry was different - he ate and drank with all sorts!
- 3) The Bible speaks repeatedly about feasts, celebrations and banquets in the past, for now and for what is to come.

So there you go - partying is officially a spiritual thing to do! Absolutely, provided that, of course, we include the poor and the marginalised, we remember to help those who are without - this needs to be good news for everyone - and we must leave room for God's Holy Spirit rather than just relying on our own drinks and spirits to bring us the joy we all crave.

***Blessings
Yann.***

Sunshine and Scones in June

Come and enjoy tea on Tuesdays at St. Mary's Upper Froyle.

We are offering leisurely cream teas **every Tuesday in June from 2.30 – 4.30.**

There will be a treasure hunt for the young and energetic, plus brass rubbing and a chance to explore the bell tower. Everyone is welcome, we hope it will be a chance to chat and enjoy the beautiful views, but we can move into the church if it rains.

If anyone would like a lift, please ring Nigel and Linda Bulpitt 22725 or Jane Macnabb 23195.



+++++++ Church "pMAP" Meeting +++++++
+++++++ Thursday 25 June, 6:30 pm +++++++

What is pMAP.....?

The Bishop of Winchester has asked each parish Church in the Diocese to prepare over the course of this summer a document (the pMAP) listing three or four key long term objectives for the parish to work towards in the coming years, and identifying, in the case of each objective, what we hope to achieve and how.

This is all to be done within the framework of an overall approach established by the Diocese.

The PCC is responsible for preparing this document, but part of the process involves, naturally, listening to what **everyone** in the village thinks. This is an excellent opportunity for a structured but wide-ranging discussion about how we see the Church developing in the coming years.

So there will be a meeting at FVH on **Thursday 25 June at 6:30 pm**, to which not only Froyle churchgoers but anyone else with an interest in the future of the Church in Froyle is welcome. Needless to say, wine (and other refreshments) will be served.....

A small amount of background reading material will be available before the meeting. This will be circulated to all on the Church Electoral Roll. If you are not on that Electoral Roll - or don't know whether you are or not - and would like to attend (or to contribute to the debate even if you can't attend), please let either Sarah or William know and we'll get you the material.

**The senior residents of the
villages of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle
are invited to a
Summer Tea Party
in the garden of
Mill Court, Nr Upper Froyle
on
Wednesday the 1st July 2015
from 3-5pm
Please call Libby May (23323)
or Kathy Ogilvie Thompson (23125) if you would like to join us.
We can arrange transport for you if required.**

English Sparkling Wines

Everyone knows what Champagne is - the French sparkling wine associated with celebration, but which also goes well with lighter foods such as fish. But did you know there has been a revolution in winemaking right here in England? We are now making sparkling wines that compete head-on with the classics (such as champagne) and regularly score as well when tasted blind in international competitions.

The revolution began back in 1988, when Stuart and Sandy Moss noticed that the geology of the English Downs was identical to the prime wine-growing region of champagne. They bought the estate of **Nyetimber** in Sussex, planted it with the classic champagne grapes, and the rest is now history. You can buy this wine in most supermarkets today.

But here in Hampshire, we have several leading producers. In fact, two are very close to Froyle.

Jenkyn Place is in Bentley - their vineyards lie north and east of the doctor's surgery, facing south. To the west, **Hattingley Valley** is based in Lower Wield, though their vineyards are a little to the south. Both produce award-winning wines in the classic mould. A bit further afield, there are **Meon Hill** and **Hambledon** heading to the south of the county. To the north are **Coates & Seeley** and **Cottonworth**. These are the main producers, but there are smaller ones too, and the pattern is repeated across the other counties of the south.

These are dry wines. They are very much in the style of champagne (rather than cheaper sparklers such as Prosecco). And like champagne, the sparkle is put in by the laborious process of fermenting the wine in each bottle individually. If their taste varies slightly from that of champagne, it is slightly in the direction of expressing more freshness, as of spring flowers. Prosecco is made in large tanks using a different grape variety.

Next time you want to celebrate, or just dine *al fresco* this summer, why not do it with a bottle of English bubbly? You can buy both the local ones direct (see Jenkyn Place's ad. in this magazine), or from Alton (Waitrose or Majestic Wine). Jenkyn Place is also stocked by Bentley Stores. All are available from Berry Brothers in Basingstoke except for Meon Hill, which is stocked by Fareham Wine Cellar.

If you are interested to learn more about how the wines are made, then Hattingley Valley and Hambledon offer guided tours of their vineyards and **wineries**. Check their websites for details. It makes an interesting day out!

"Anne Oldsoke"

Froyle Rainfall for April 2015

This year	21.5 mm	0.8 inches
Last year	91 mm	3.6 inches
Wettest April (2000)	155 mm	6.1 inches
Driest April (2007 & 2011)	1 mm	0.04 inches
Long-term average for April – the 2 nd driest month of the year (after July)	51.4 mm	2.0 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	164.5 mm	6.5 inches
Long-term average for the year so far	246.8 mm	9.7 inches

Last month I suggested that April holds the key for the rest of the year, if January through March is ultra-dry. As you can see last month was again well down, in fact barely 40% of the norm, which means we are currently running at exactly two-thirds of the expected annual rainfall by this time of the year.

So “foot-in-mouth time” but, if my records are anything to be relied upon, I can now very tentatively predict that, by New Tears Eve 2015, we will have been lucky to have had much more than 700 mm of rainfall - ie at least 10% down.



“The Umbrella Man”



You are invited to join us on **Sunday 14th June 3.30 – 5.30pm**

In Binsted School Hall, Binsted Village for a time of

Fun, crafts, celebration & food

All are invited – young & old alike, adults, children, teenagers, carers, grandparents, come as friends, families or partners, or come on your own, everyone is welcome.

If you are a child you will need to bring an adult with you.

Just come ! Entrance free

Messy Team Co-ordinator: Nick Carter 01420 472861

messychurch@benbinfro.org

C18th **VESTMENT DISPLAY**

FROYLE VESTMENTS GROUP

www.froylevestmentsgroup.org.uk



**2pm - 6pm Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th June
at St Mary's Church,
Upper Froyle, GU34 4JZ**

*Our unique vestment display coincides with the
NGS Froyle Gardens Group open weekend.
Delicious home-made teas will be served in the Village Hall,
all excellent reasons to visit Froyle this summer.*

We will also have foliage exhibits on a theme of "Magna Carta" by Tony Riley



Better Balance continues in June and July on the following dates:

June , 3rd, 17th, 24th, (NOT 10th)

July 8th, 15th, 22nd. (NOT 1st, 29th)

We'll take a well earned holiday after 22nd July and start again on Sept 2nd.

From the Police Community Support Officers

2 Police Community Support Officers cover Upper and Lower Froyle, they are PCSO David Nops and PCSO Jess Hornsby both will be at the Meeting Place on Friday 5th June if anyone wishes to have a chat with them.



Hampshire Alerts is an alert system the Police use to let people know about crime that is happening in their area. You sign up and select what alerts you would like. The website can be found at:

<https://www.hampshirealert.co.uk/pages/2740/1/About.html>

The communities of Hampshire play a key role in helping to prevent and detect crime and anti-social behaviour so improving the flow of information between the community and the police is vital to achieving their aim of deterring criminals and keep communities safe.

If you live in Hampshire you can register to become a recipient of messages of information, crime alerts and witness appeals local to the area in which you live. Just click on the REGISTER button of the website to sign up.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS SERVICE IS NOT FOR REPORTING CRIMES OR INCIDENTS - TO REPORT THESE PLEASE CONTACT HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY ON 101.

Long Sutton Open Gardens- Sunday 28th June 2-6pm.

There will be 7 beautiful gardens open in Long Sutton village during the afternoon of **June 28th**. Please come and visit these very diverse and interesting gardens.

Delicious teas will be available throughout the afternoon.

Entry is £5 per person (small children free). All money raised will go towards Long Sutton Church Roof Restoration. Tickets available on the day from the gardens.

Parking available.

In addition the stunning garden of Bumpers Farm, Long Sutton, will be open on **Friday 26th June 6-9pm for a jazz evening in aid of St Michaels Hospice.** tickets £15- phone Stella on 01256 862055 or 07766 754993.



‘Medicine for the Soul’*

In this new column we are planning to **review favourite books, for which we would really like your contributions.**

So do please let us have a few lines about your favourite good read; they may be:

- fact or fiction,
- classics or recent publications,
- chick lit or boys’ own,
- long or short,
- funny or serious,

just anything that you have enjoyed which in turn you think others might enjoy too.

And your recommendation can be just a couple of sentences or a couple of paragraphs, but just a short summary of what genre it is, what it’s about and why you liked it.

So come all you bookworms, time to share your love of literature with the village!

So to kick the whole thing off...

A Delicate Truth by John le Carré

(Contemporary suspense thriller)

For those who think that le Carré’s last few novels were not his best, were overly complicated and dealt with a world which we neither understand nor care much about, this is a real return to form – with a more than passing basis of historical fact - that grips like a vice. Not since his early novels like “A Spy who came in from the Cold” and “Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy” has this story about a government cover-up and its subsequent unravelling seemed so much of the moment. Beautifully written as ever, with not a word out of place, this is a marvellous modern fiction, I read it in 24 hours!

(David Robertson)

*Inscription over the door of the library at Thebes

Froyle Wildlife Walks and Talks



On Friday 12th May, an intrepid band went on a bat walk. Despite it being a lovely Spring day, the evening soon turned a bit too cold but not before we had good soundings and sightings of Common Pipistrelle, Soprano Pipistrelle, and Daubenton's bats by the Wey River bridge at Bentley. We then came back to the Village Hall, walked

to Well lane, then Park Lane and Husseys Lane where we had soundings of Common Pipistrelle bats. As it turned cold, there were not as many bats as hoped, but the group were all able to use the bat detectors which Nik Knight and Phil from the Hampshire Bat Group kindly supplied for us to use. We donated £35 to the Hampshire Bat Group which was gratefully received. Many thanks to Sue and Barry Clark for all their efforts in planning where we might have good bat sightings.

At the moment more talks are being planned for the Autumn, so watch this space!

Sue Sharman 22603

Froyle Nature Conservation Group - Bird recording in Froyle update

Cuckoos are being elusive in Froyle with no reports of any heard at the time of writing. They have declined by 63% in England over the last 25 years so that may have some bearing.

Whilst we wait in hope here's a selection of Cuckoo facts gathered from the web; Only male birds 'cuckoo' females make what is described as a bubbling call often in flight Hairy caterpillars are a favourite food. In flight a cuckoo resembles a sparrowhawk or kestrel. Each season a female lays up to 25 eggs, all in different nests

In Britain, dunnoek, meadow pipit and reed bunting are most favoured as host nests Blind and naked cuckoo chicks instinctively push the hosts eggs and chicks out of the nest. Cuckoo chicks are fed by host bird for around 6 weeks

Adult cuckoos return to Africa in July and August or even late June in southern England Juveniles follow a month or so later

Please send records of the 11 Target Species including those of occupied house martin nests, to me at s.f.clark@talk21.com Further information at <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/recording/> Anyone can join in at any time, who will be first to hear the cuckoo? Thanks SC

OPEN GARDEN BINSTED PLACE

SUNDAY JULY 12TH, 11 – 5.30

The lovely, informal and very English garden at Binsted Place with its large vegetable garden, will be open on Sunday 12th July in aid of the Wickham Institute (Binsted Village Hall) and other local charities. Teas and light refreshments will be available, but you are welcome to bring a picnic.

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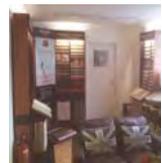
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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Recycling</i>	2	3	4 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	5 <i>Meeting Place</i>	6
7 <i>8.00am HC</i>	8 <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	9	10 <i>2.30pm Better Bal</i> <i>7.00pm GC gettogether</i>	11 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	12 <i>Meeting Place</i>	13
14 <i>9.30am HC Froyle Archive Day</i>	15 <i>Recycling & Bottles</i>	16	17 <i>2.30pm Better Bal</i>	18 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers VH</i>	19 <i>Meeting Place</i>	20
21 <i>6.00pm Concert</i>	22 <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	23	24 <i>2.30pm Better Bal</i>	25 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers VH</i> <i>6.30pm PMAP meeting</i>	26 <i>Meeting Place</i>	27
28 <i>11.00am HC</i>	29 <i>Recycling</i>	30				

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Froyle Vestment Group	<i>Linda Bulpitt</i> - 22725
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Froyle Archive	<i>Chris & Annette Booth</i> - 22364
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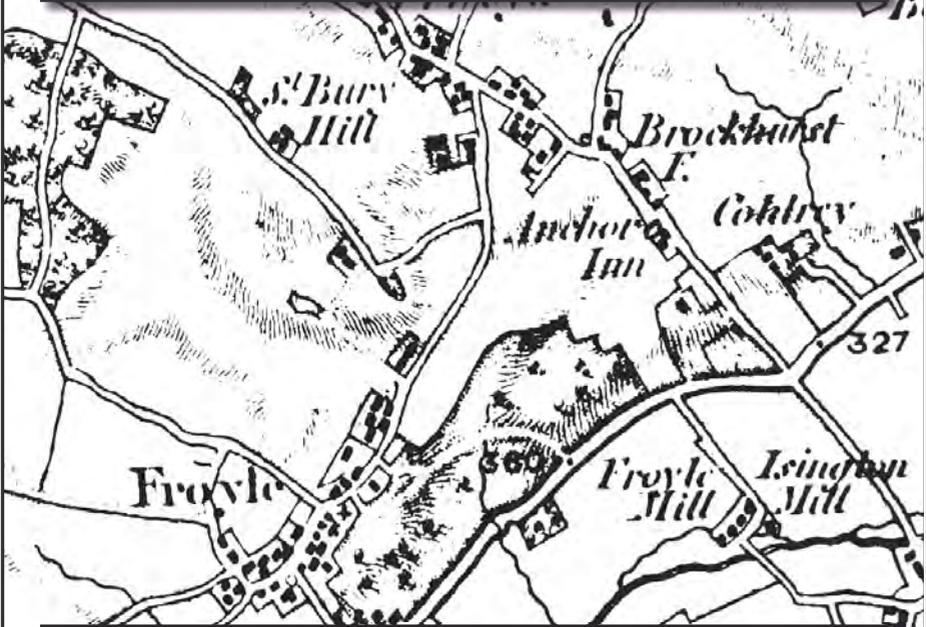
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The Froyle Archive held its final open day on Sunday 14th June in the Village Hall. It was the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Archive, which has become a facility available for users world wide as they seek ancestors, long lost friends, old school friends. It has recorded village life that will enable generations to come to view the changes in our community.

The amount of detailed work and research that has gone into this archive is staggering. We as a village owe a huge debt to Annette and Chris Booth for its creation and expansion.

My visit brought back many memories from school records, photographs from long ago; my Uncle Alec, when Froyle had a very successful Tug of War team, cricket teams, football teams, now sadly none of these now exist. Photos of the fête when it was held in the grounds of Froyle House (The White House), and the gardens of Park Edge.

Access to the Archive will continue to be available on the internet. Annette and Chris thank you for keeping all those years of memories.

Planning

The application from the Nicolas James Group to convert single storey buildings into two storey dwellings, mentioned in last month's newsletter has now been withdrawn.

Advertising in the Village Magazine

Current costs are as follows:

For Froyle small traders: £2+VAT/month minimum for advertisements up to a third of a page, or £3.50+VAT/month for half a page. £5+VAT/month for half a page for non-Froyle or larger businesses. £10 +VAT/month for a full page for both residents and non residents.

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Parish Plan - Transport Group

The Transport Group was formed following the Parish Plan launch event back in September 2013. Several concerned residents put their names down for the Transport related projects of 'Traffic in the Village', 'Community Transport' and 'Bentley Station' and the group was formed under the watchful eye of the Parish Council. We met regularly over the following 18 months and explored the issues involved in the three projects over several bottles of wine. We will update on other projects later in the year, but this month summarise progress, and suggested action, on the first project.

Traffic in the Village

The Parish Plan highlighted concerns with the speed and volume of traffic through the village and so we began by conducting surveys to get a sense of the actual problem. This was a valuable exercise, both to quantify the immediate issue and also to serve as a baseline for future surveys as other developments, within and outside the village, further affect traffic volume and speed. We arranged for Hampshire Police to deploy two speed monitors and undertook our own survey of volume, type and destination of vehicles through the village. These by their nature were only snapshots, but revealed that although there was some speeding it was not at a level that would prompt direct Police action. It also highlighted the fact that residents accounted for the majority of traffic movements in the village, although the Anchor/Golden Pot road does have around 50% through traffic. We researched the full range of traffic calming measures, but concluded most were not applicable to a rural village setting. We were looking for a gradual and relatively low cost, low environmental approach and concluded that the 'Community SpeedWatch' scheme, managed by the police but operated by volunteers was the most appropriate, initial approach. This uses a temporary Speed Indication Device (flashing sign) to periodically remind motorists of the speed limit, with the team issuing offenders with reminder letters and repeat offenders receiving Police attention.

We have recommended to the Parish Council that we gauge the interest in starting a Community SpeedWatch team in the village (see below), which will begin to address the issue of speeding, as well as provide useful additional survey information to help obtain a more comprehensive picture.

Volunteers please

If you are concerned about speed through the village, and would be prepared to volunteer some time for training and operating the Community SpeedWatch scheme, please let the Parish Council know. We would need around 10 volunteers, each of whom would need to commit 2-3 days per annum to the scheme. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Copies of the full report on Traffic in the Village are available from the Parish Clerk.

Froyle PC Transport Group



Bookings: Jo Mills

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Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

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Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands'** - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX - as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME.** The next booking may start very early the next day. If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130)
secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Froyle Village Hall

AUTUMN SEASON FILM NIGHT DATES

Make a note in your diary now for the next film nights and something to look forward to when the evenings start drawing in:

Friday 18th September

Friday 27th November

Further details to be announced in the next issue of the magazine.

FROYLE VILLAGE HALL SUMMER BBQ

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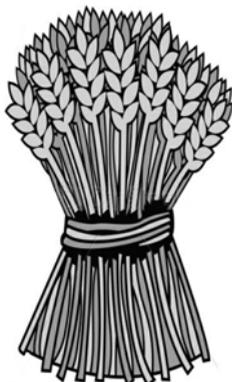
1st prize: John Dobson 2nd prize: Jean Norkett

3rd prize: June Fenn 4th prize: Jimmy Evans

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles

More dates for the diary

HARVEST SUPPER: Friday 25th September
HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday 27th September



The theme for Harvest Festival will be
fresh produce and wheelbarrows!
Fresh vegetables will be made into soup for a
Soup Lunch to be held in
the Village Hall on Thursday 12th November.
Further details will be in the September magazine.

The Meeting Place

Every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30 – 12 noon.
If you have never been do come and join us. We serve coffee,
tea, squash and homemade cakes. All are very welcome.



Cake Bakers for July:

3 rd	Susie Robertson	Anne Wetherall	Louise Marston	Anne Blunt
10 th	Marj Robinson	Marion Cresswell	Jenny Dundas	Mary Knowles
17 th	Sarah Roberts	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	Alison Pincott
24 th	June Trim	Janet Dobson	Madeleine Black	
31 st	Sue Carr	Sue Sharman	Maureen Fry	Helen MacDonald

Helpers for July:

3 rd	Lauraine Bourne	Judith Leslie Smith
10 th	Sarah Lovell	Caroline Findlay
17 th	Jane MaNabb	Sarah Roberts
24 th	Mollie Court	Jenny Topping
31 st	Kim Blake	Lori Taylor

Cake Bakers for August:

7 th	Kay Pogson	Elizabeth Sealy	Cray Young Bakers	Lucia Lindblom
14 th	Gill Bradley	Jenny Gove	Brenda Milam	Jane Stewart Smith
21 st	Jeanette Cray	Jill McKenzie	Caroline Findlay	
28 th	Bea Sword	Alex Robert	Pratt Young Bakers	

Helpers for August:

7 th	Elizabeth Sealy	Gillian Piking
14 th	Janet Dobson	Mary Wilde
21 st	Barbara Starbuck	Maria Jefferson
28 th	Bea Sword	Ann Nethaway

Many thanks as usual to all our bakers, helpers and supporters!

Gill Bradley



The 69th Froyle Fête, Garden and Dog Show Saturday 11th July 2015

It's Fête time again, and we hope to see you all on the Recreation Ground on July 11th. The event kicks off at 1pm but will be officially opened by a local favourite at 1.45pm. The schedule for the afternoon is as follows, subject, as always to weather and the unexpected:

- 13:00 Open for lunch and drinks, fun and games, shopping and strolling
- 13.30 Raising the new Froyle Fête Flag
- 13.45 Official opening
- 14.00 Children's Races
- 14.45 Kid's Garden Prizes
- 15.00 Dog Show
- 16.00 Garden Prizes
- 16.15 Grand Raffle (prizes include Apple Ipad and Kindle Fire)

As usual, we're extremely grateful to all our sponsors. The Anchor and Hen and Chicken and Froyle Park are sponsoring the Traveller's Rest, which will be manned as usual by Ian Whitmore and his experienced team. It wouldn't be Froyle if at least two Nigel's weren't involved in running the barbeque, and on the 11th they'll be joined by a well-known Hampshire chef, and offering a tasty new addition to the menu. Races, animals and new attractions will entertain the kids, with innovations promised for old favourites, like Hucky Ducky.

So come along on the 11th - you'll be sorry if you miss it! We can't promise that the sun will be shining, but you're sure to have a good time.

If anyone has questions, ideas or donations, please call Mary (23164) or anyone else on the Fête Committee. And please join in with set-up and take-down. It should be easy this year—more innovations!

We'll be coming around the village collecting for the Bottle Stall from June 29th.

Mary Knowles 23614



And to remind you that the dog show has six classes:

1. **The last dog sitting**
2. **The scruffiest dog**
3. **The dog with waggiest tail**
4. **The dog with the best trick**
5. **The dog most like its owner**
6. **The fastest dog**

Don't forget, it starts at 3pm. For more details of the dog show and how to enter, see the June edition of the magazine – any questions, call William (23164). Just think: your woofers could be this year's TOP DOG!

JUMBLE or should I say "PRE-LOVED CLOTHES"!!!

Please have a look in your wardrobes (in the suitcases ABOVE the wardrobes or under the beds), and bring those clothes that you somehow never got around to wearing, or the kids have grown out of (but are still 'in good nick') and donate them to the jumble stall.

Bring them to the stall on the morning of Fête day, or to the Meeting Place on Friday 10th July. De-clutter and feel liberated, and get a nice warm glow inside from going good. Many thanks, in anticipation.

Lori Taylor 01420 22148

FLOWER SHOW July 11th

Please don't forget to enter the flower show on Wednesday 8th July in Froyle Village Hall between 7pm and 8pm. You can also send your entry to Mollie Court at Green Down or contact her on tel 01420 23141 before 8th July. Forms can be collected from the box on the side wall at Walbury or at the Meeting Place. Let's make it a show to remember and please note it is open to everyone.

Please don't forget we have a stall for jams and preserves as well as plants so please give us any you can spare.

Brenda Milam



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

FROYLE GARDENS OPEN

Well the sun shone and visitors came in droves. Not bad after 16 years. So it's a huge THANK YOU to everyone. Obviously the gardeners but it could not happen without the support of the village as a whole. A huge thank you to Gill Bradley, Janet Dobson, all the cake makers and helpers - you do a fantastic job - and we as gardeners are really grateful. The final profit was £831 of which £714 came from the teas. We had 820 visitors which is quite amazing but not a record.

WELL DONE and THANK YOU to everyone involved.

Brenda Milam

FROYLE GARDENING CLUB

This month we have just had a Gardeners Get Together but on Friday 17th July we are visiting Bramdean House. The house is 4 miles south of Alresford in the centre of Bramdean on the A272 and we will be meeting there at 7pm.

On Friday 7th August, we are visiting Hill House, Old Alresford. From Alresford, the house is 1 mile along the B3046 towards Basingstoke, turn right by church. Meeting there at 6.45pm.

For any of the above please, book with Brenda on 01420 22216 unless you have already signed up.

Froyle Open Gardens Weekend

A huge thank you to all those who toiled in the kitchen on Saturday and Sunday afternoons to keep up with the demand for tea, coffee and cakes. Thank you also to those who made the delicious cakes, we certainly have a reputation for our baking! Thanks to those who cleared the tables and loaded the dishwasher. Thank you also to those who took the money, a very important job, both at the door and 'on the till'. Thanks to those who helped set up, and even more importantly clear away at the end of the weekend. We served over 600 people and our efforts were rewarded by takings of £1,714.35 which goes to the NGS charities. We were a small band who all worked hard together but we would love to see more volunteers next year!

Janet and Gill



Froyle Baby and Toddler Morning 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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop! There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

July meetings in the Village Hall are on Thursdays 2nd, 9th and 16th.

Please note there are no sessions in August.
We will be back on September 3rd.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!
Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

ATTENTION!

All vegetable gardeners, fruit growers, flower producers, etc.

Particularly at this time of year, no doubt many of you find the garden starting to run (away with?) itself and flowers, fruit and vegetables begin to appear in abundance, generally in rather greater quantities than even the hungriest mouths can eat.

It would seem a shame to have little to show for your labours, so, rather than throw it all onto the compost heap, **do bring any produce you have left over to the Meeting Place, any Friday, preferably before 11 o'clock**; I'm sure we'll find a home for anything you can spare.

(And if you are able to help us out, could you do your best **to make sure everything, especially vegetables, is as clean as possible.**)

Susie Robertson – 520820

LEFT BEHIND AT THE FROYLE ARCHIVE OPEN DAY

When we were clearing up after The Froyle Archive Open Day with David Bennett, Maureen Fry and Annette Eyre - thanks to them, by the way, we simply couldn't have managed without you - we found a black padded body warmer. We have it at Adams Field, Lower Froyle, 01420 22364, if it is yours!

We were disappointed with the number of people who visited the Open Day, especially as it was our last one, but thank you if you were one of the 49 people who signed our visitor's book!

Chris & Annette Booth



The Better Balance class meets on 8th and 15th July and then takes a holiday till 2nd September.

Scams awareness month: Don't Be Rushed, Don't be Hushed. Scammers use speed, surprise and secrecy to catch you out. Take time to talk about scams.

There's some useful information from the CAB - copy and paste this link:

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/>

[about-us/campaigns/current_campaigns/scams-awareness-month/](https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/about-us/campaigns/current_campaigns/scams-awareness-month/)

Also the latest scams are on the news section of Action Fraud- copy and paste this link: <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk>

Madeleine Black 23371

From the Police Community Support Officers

PCSO David Nops suggests trying a different method of getting people's attention. Something along the lines of:

Want to know when there's an accident blocking the M3?

Want to know about local thefts or break-ins?

Want to help find missing animals?

Want to know about the Royal Mail email scam ?

(it has Cryptolocker virus attached)



Sign up to the alerts you want from Hampshire Police on www.hampshirealert.co.uk.

PS they also let you know when the missing animal is found.

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Sunday 5th July	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
		5.00pm	Live@Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 12th July	Froyle	11.00am	Pet Service on rec
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 19th July	Froyle	6.30pm	Evensong
	Bentley	11.00am	Marquee Service
Sunday 26th July	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Binsted	11.00am	Marquee Service

VESTMENTS EXHIBITION

To all who supported us, welcomed our multitude of visitors, set up, took down and helped in any way - THANK YOU.

We could not mount such a big display without you.

Sarah, Jean, Madeleine, Linda, Maureen B, Karen, Jenny, Jan

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

The Party goes on

The month of July is the month of Fêtes in our villages. Fête is, of course, a French word literally meaning party or celebration. And so I find myself continuing this month's letter where I left off last time - with a reminder that these summer months are an opportunity to celebrate together. Celebrate what? Well, for some it will be the beginning of married life - the number of weddings in our Benefice rises sharply during these months for obvious reasons - for some it will be celebrating the end of term and of exams, for others just celebrating our community with our fantastic village fêtes.

But what does God celebrate?

The prophet Jeremiah wrote, "Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, but let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have the understanding to know me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,"

The emphasis on justice runs throughout the Bible. In response to his people prioritising religiosity over social justice, God says: "Away with the noise of your songs! I will not listen to the music of your harps. But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"

His justice transcends ours, however. Divine justice is not simply about punishing the wrongdoer. God does not delight in the death of anyone we are told in Ezekiel, but rather than we repent and live. In Luke 15, Jesus explains, "there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."

At the heart of God's justice, at the heart of all the celebration of heaven, the greatest party of all, is grace.

Blessings
Yann.

A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

It was in the spring last year that I surprised Mary my wife by announcing at a service in Froyle church, that we were planning to lead a Holy Land pilgrimage in 2015 if anyone was interested. It was 15 years since we had last made such plans. Then in two successive years, Israeli politics prevented our group of 45 from travelling. It took all that time for me to get over the disappointment.

Plans came together, a brochure was published, friends were contacted and gradually a group of 27 came together. On 28th April we took off from Heathrow together, bound for Tel Aviv. In my letter introducing the brochure, I said that there was no experience for a Christian like visiting the places of Jesus' ministry, that reading the bible would never be the same again. By the end of our pilgrimage, person after person was making the same declaration.

Where did we go? What did we see? The answer is lots! After arriving in Jerusalem at about midnight, we were on the road at 8.00 am the following day, starting our pilgrimage on the Mount of Olives overlooking Jerusalem. We spent that first morning following some of the events of Holy Week, descending the Mount of Olives as Jesus did on Palm Sunday, visiting the Garden of Gethsemane with its ancient olive trees dating back to Jesus' Day, seeing the steps by which he ascended from the Kidron valley and the high priests house where he was tried by the Sanhedrin and Peter denied him in the courtyard.

Space does not permit description of the many places we visited in a packed schedule, with five nights in Jerusalem and four in Galilee. We saw the sites of Jesus' passion, places of his miracles and a possible baptismal site. We visited the historic hill fortress of Masada, Qumran where the Dead Sea scrolls were found, we floated in the Dead Sea. We went to Bethlehem, to Jericho (the oldest and lowest city on earth). We travelled to Nazareth and Cana in Galilee, to Capernaum, to Mount Tabor (probably place of the Transfiguration) and to Caesarea Philippi where Peter declared Jesus to be the Christ. We sailed on the Sea of Galilee, and remembered the stories of Jesus there, some people swam in it while others were content with the swimming pool.

What made it a pilgrimage? It was a pilgrimage because we used it as an opportunity to think about Jesus and his ministry, to reflect and grow our faith and understanding. At many sites we read the bible stories, often we sang an appropriate hymn and we prayed. Each evening we met together briefly to worship and reflect on our busy day. We saw the places as the context of the bible stories, both Old and New Testament and we grew in understanding.

... continued (*A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land*)

Can we really believe in these sites? For some the provenance is quite thin, but for most it is remarkably convincing. Physical evidence dates back to the time of Helena, the mother of Emperor Constantine who was the first great pilgrim. She discovered that the early Christians had been revering these sites because of their association with Jesus, and began to build churches to mark the spots. The remains exist still to bear testimony to the history.

What about Israel today? Although our focus was on 'holy history', we could not be unaware of the tensions of the Middle East today. The guide who accompanied us on our travels was an Arab Christian living in Old Jerusalem. While even handed, he did not hide the realities of the tensions. We saw and crossed the wall of separation and we saw the poignant pop-art with its political messages, we saw the soldiers on the street and the observation points on the hilltops, we saw the new Jewish settlements growing on every hill. We visited the Golan Heights and looked into Syria, we saw a Syrian city which we were told had transferred several times between government and ISIS. So we reflected from first hand on the intractable questions which dominate the lives of the people of the land and the pressures under which our brother and sister Christians live.

It was only ten days, but it was a live-changing journey, indeed a Pilgrimage to the Holy land.

David Perryman

Froyle Wildlife Photo Competition

What better way to connect with nature than to capture images of what you see. Examples of subjects might include wild flowers, insects, garden birds, trees and woodland, countryside views, ponds and river Wey -the choice is yours.

Photos must have been taken within the parish of Froyle. Images should preferably be landscape format with a max .jpg file size 2MB or prints max 7"x5" size. The winning photos will be displayed on the website froylewildlife.co.uk along with at least one photo from each person entering. Entries from under 14's will be judged in a separate category.

Please submit up to 4 entries by **31st October 2015** either by email to: **photo15@froylewildlife.co.uk** or at the Village Hall Meeting Place on the last Friday of each month.

June Trim

Froyle Nature Conservation Group

Wildflower area on recreation ground

An area 5x20m on the northern edge of Froyle recreation ground is going to be sown with native wildflower seed this autumn. A meadow mixture of spring/summer flowering perennials is planned with cornfield annuals included to provide a display in 2016 and act as a nurse crop for the perennials that take longer to establish. Thanks to Froyle Parish Council for purchasing the seed.

Now all we need are volunteers to make it happen! Can you help on Sunday 19th July 9-12am to remove and stack turves into habitat piles? (The turf will have already have been cut by machine). If so please bring a garden spade and gloves, refreshments will be available. We will then hoe weeds every 3 weeks on Sundays 9th and 30th August and 20th September at 9am and again assistance would be appreciated. The wildflower seed should be sown in late September depending on weather.

See <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/wildflower-area/> for more information. An idea of numbers would be appreciated so please contact 01420 23520 if you can help.

Barry Clark and Geoff Hawkins

Big Butterfly Count 17th July – 9th August 2015

“The Big Butterfly Count is about more than just counting butterflies – we’ll be taking the pulse of nature” Sir David Attenborough, Butterfly Conservation President.

Butterflies react very quickly to change in their environment which makes them excellent biodiversity indicators, their declines are an early warning for other wildlife losses. The resulting data will help the charity Butterfly Conservation plan how to protect butterflies from extinction and understand the effects of climate change on our wildlife

What could be nicer than counting butterflies for 15 minutes on a sunny day whilst helping conservation efforts? You can take part in as many counts as you want in different places for example your garden, a park, school grounds, forests, fields or on a walk. For more information see <http://www.bigbutterflycount.org/> about where you can also download a handy identification chart. Send your sightings in online or by smartphone apps.

Good spotting! SC Froyle Nature Conservation Group. <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/>

Froyle Fête Flag Competition

WOW what a great response, almost thirty entries of a very high standard and from all ages. It was a very difficult task for the judges but after a great deal of discussion the result was:

1st Sam Frost:

Sam's design is currently being produced as a flag and will fly on fête day and he also wins an artist set and a golden ticket giving free access to activities and stalls at the fête.

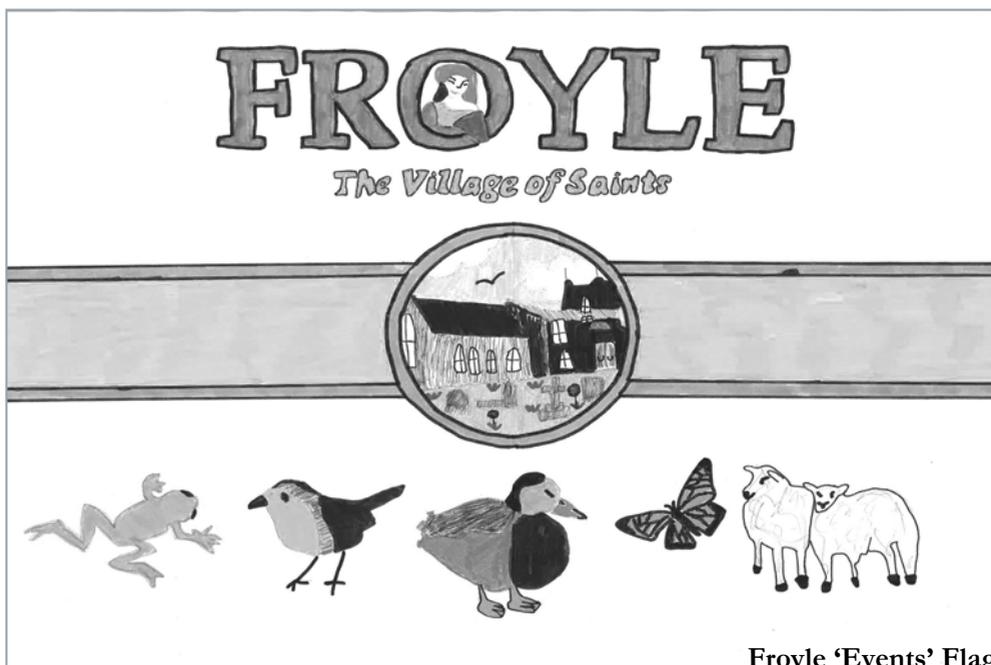
2nd Isabel Roberts:

Isabel also wins a golden ticket so does Kitkin Thorneycroft who was judged in 3rd place.

In addition, one other very good entry by Megan Hern was judged to be a village rather than a fête theme and, after showing it to the Village Hall Committee, they decided it should also be produced as a flag and will fly at the hall for Froyle events.

All entries will be displayed at the fête so you will see the difficulty the judges had.

Ian Whitmore





Froyle Fête Flag Competition Winning Entry

Bentley Primary School

Past, Present and Future week

We welcome friends of the school and the local community to celebrate the past and present and to find out more about our exciting plans for the future. Please come along to one of our events and see what has been going on in your local school. Please contact the school office on 01420 525010 if you have any further suggestions or would like to know more.

Friday 10th July: Open afternoon with PTFA Leavers' tea party and bar on the playground 2-4pm. Art show open in the dining hall. Rock Steady concert in the hall at 2pm. All visitors, former families and staff warmly welcome to join the fun.

Saturday 11th July: Art Show in dining hall 10-12pm.

Monday 13th July: 2-3pm tea party in the hall for older residents of Bentley hosted by Year 6 and 3. If you cannot get out to see us then perhaps we can come to see you?

Tuesday 14th July: 'Next generation' babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers party and play 2-3pm in hall hosted by Year 5, 2 and R.

Thursday 16th July: Former pupils' afternoon 2-3pm – show rounds and refreshments in hall hosted by Year 4 and 1.

Katie Pinchess, Headteacher

The Mongol Rally

This summer I am taking part in a charity expedition known as the Mongol Rally. Leaving on 19th July from Goodwood racetrack, I and two team mates will be driving to Mongolia in a 1991 Nissan Micra (the rules of the Rally require the car to be inappropriate for the job). We will travel through Europe to Istanbul, on to Georgia and into Azerbaijan; from there we take a ferry across the Caspian Sea to Turkmenistan and then on to Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Russia and Mongolia. We are completely unsupported; any problems that arise we have to sort out ourselves, with help from the locals and the other teams taking part. The main aim of this exciting and, at various points dangerous trip, is to raise money for two charities: one is Cool Earth, a rainforest preservation charity and the other is Cancer Research, helping to fight a disease that has had a close impact on the families of both me and my team mates.

I would be extremely grateful for any donations you could make to our cause at:

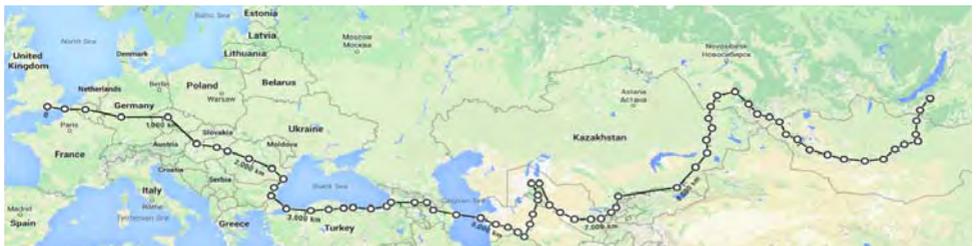
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You can follow our progress on our *Facebook page AstonMicra2015* and feel free to email me with any questions at findlaycj@googlemail.com

Thanks

Chris Findlay





‘Medicine for the Soul’

All Passion Spent
by Vita Sackville-West

Published in 1931, this is a gentle, slow-paced novel, but don’t let that put you off. It isn’t long, but it is a thing of beauty – exquisitely written and a joy to read.

The novel tells the story of 88-year-old Lady Slane, a recently widowed former Vicereine of India. Her six children, all in their 60s, assume that it will now fall to them to look after their mother, who will live out her days quietly, staying with each of them in turn as a paying guest.

Lady Slane, however, has other ideas, electing instead to rent a small house in Hampstead which had caught her eye decades earlier, and to form her own new friendships and live her own life, away from the commitments to family and society to which she had previously dedicated herself. She recalls her earlier life and the hopes and dreams she gave up to become a wife and consort. Her seemingly cold-hearted and objective views on her own children and their spouses are acerbic and witty.

The ending, which I won’t give away here, felt perfect – a beginning as well as an end. It isn’t available on Kindle, so you’ll have to buy, or borrow, a paper copy. I’m afraid I’ve already lent mine to a friend.

(Sarah Foster)

The Human Flies and Satellite People **by Hans Olav Lahlum**

(murder mysteries)

In these whodunnits set in 1960’ Oslo and fluently translated by Kari Dickson, Lahlum takes two classic murder plots – the murder where no suspect has a motive or opportunity and a murder where all the suspects have motives and opportunity – and sends his detective Inspector Kolbjorn Kristiansen on a rapid descent into a world of deceit and lies. Inspector Kolbjorn’ stumbling progress among the feminine wiles and long buried secrets of his suspects, under the watchful eye of his cynical and clever acquaintance Patricia is an entertaining masterclass in modern suspense storytelling. Read them for the cunning twists and turns of the plot and the exciting denouement.

(Mashud Darlington)

BDUK Broadband Project Update

The government set up a body called Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) with the goal of enabling 90% of the residents in each local authority area to gain access to broadband with download speeds of 24Mbps or better (NB this covers the local authority area and does not mean 90% of the residents in Froyle), and for everyone to be able to access broadband speeds of 2Mbps.

Lower Froyle can now access "Fibre to the Cabinet" broadband services via the BT network which will deliver speeds of up to 76Mbps downstream and 19.5Mbps upstream. You can find out whether you can receive the "FTTC" service by entering your phone number or your address here:

<https://www.btwholesale.com/includes/adsl/main.html>

The results will show which cabinet you are connected to, if you can receive the service and at what estimated speeds. The speed will vary depending on how far you are from the cabinet, which is near to The Anchor pub - the further away, the lower the potential speeds as while the service is referred to as "fibre" it is still delivered by telephone lines.

The service is faster than "ADSL broadband" currently available at between approx 0.5 and 7Mbps in the village because the fibre is brought to the cabinet e.g. nearer to residents. To receive the service you will need to buy an upgraded package from your provider, or from another provider - your current broadband service will continue as before unless/until you do so.

Froyle is served by two "cabinets" - numbers 3 and 4. The cabinet you are connected to is indicated by the result of the above check. Only cabinet 3, which serves Lower Froyle, has been upgraded.

Upper Froyle is not currently planned to receive an upgrade, however it is included in the review phase 2016 to 2017. For those living in Upper Froyle, the fastest broadband services remain 3G and 4G solutions from Three, Vodafone and EE if you are able to get a strong signal.

You can follow the progress of the Hampshire project at:

<http://www.hampshiresuperfastbroadband.com/>

If you have any questions about the project, you can email the project co-ordinators at the above link or should you have any further questions, you can contact

business@froyle.com.

Mark Phillips

Froyle Rainfall for May 2015

This year	56.5 mm	2.2 inches
Last year	64 mm	2.5 inches
Wettest May (1979)	111 mm	4.4 inches
Driest May (1991)	3.5 mm	0.1 inches
Long-term average for May – the 3 rd driest month of the year after July and April	53 mm	2.1 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	221 mm	8.7 inches
Long-term average for the year so far	299.8 mm	11.8 inches

If we look to history, during the 80's and 90's, May and June tended to have very similar rainfall patterns. But latterly, June has moved ahead, with on average about 2.5 mm more. At the same time, the monthly variation around the mean shows that May is comfortably the least volatile, ie the most predictable, month of the year, whilst June is not far off the most volatile.

Not surprising then that May this year was again pretty average, with the rainfall spread fairly evenly through the month; and with June at this stage looking unexceptional, we remain well down on the running average for the year.



“The Umbrella Man”

GARDENS OPEN FOR CHARITY BINSTED PLACE, GU34 4PQ SUNDAY JULY 12TH, 11 – 5.30

The lovely, informal and very English garden at Binsted Place with its large vegetable garden, will be open on Sunday 12th July in aid of the Wickham Institute (Binsted Village Hall) and the BELONG project at TRELOARS. This is a centre for mothers and their babies and toddlers born with disabilities which aims to support and stimulate these children from the earliest age.

Teas and light refreshments will be available from 2pm, but you are welcome to bring a picnic. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome.

There will be signposting from Binsted crossroads and from the Jolly Farmer. For any further information, please call the Hadfields on 01420 23146

In next month's issue

Please note that this is a combined July and August issue and that the next issue of the magazine will be September.

Our thanks go to all those who contributed to this issue and we look forward to receiving your contributions by email to magazine@froyle.com.

Lots more to come in next month's issue including details on our autumn events, book reviews (keep sending those reviews in) and our wine column will resume with an article on Rosé wines.

Copy deadline for September magazine is Wednesday 19th August.

Froyle Charity Golf Day Blackmoor Golf Club – Thursday 17th September

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11th July Froyle Fete and after we will be having the launch of our new garden. Join us after the fete for live music from 4pm in the garden, nibbles and drinks on offer all evening. Come down with your family friends to celebrate the start of summer.

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Village Events July 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	3 <i>Meeting Place</i>	4
5 <i>8.00am HC</i>	6 <i>Refuse & Garden</i> <i>8pm PC Meeting</i>	7	8 <i>2.30pm Better Bal</i> <i>7.30pm VH Committee Mtg</i>	9 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	10 <i>Meeting Place</i>	11 <i>Froyle Fête, Garden & Dog Show</i>
12 <i>11am Pet Service rec ground</i>	13 <i>Recycling & Bottles</i>	14	15 <i>2.30pm Better Bal</i>	16 <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	17 <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>GC outing Bramdean House</i>	18
19 <i>6.30pm Evensong</i>	20 <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>Meeting Place</i>	25
26 <i>11.00am HC</i>	27 <i>Recycling</i>	28	29	30	31 <i>Meeting Place</i>	

VILLAGE INFORMATION

USEFUL NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS

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Froyle Players	<i>Mark Cray</i> - 22709
Froyle Vestment Group	<i>Linda Bulpitt</i> - 22725
St. Mary's Flower Rota	<i>Sarah Thursfield</i> - 23294
Froyle Archive	<i>Chris & Annette Booth</i> - 22364
The Meeting Place	<i>Susie Robertson</i> - 520820
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Froyle Village Agent for Age Concern	<i>Madeleine Black</i> - 23371
Froyle Friends (<i>visiting friends in hospital</i>)	<i>Annette Booth</i> - 22364
Bentley, Binsted & Froyle Care Group (<i>transport to medical appointments</i>)	23440
Age Concern Hampshire (<i>Winchester information & advice line</i>)	0800 328 7154
League of Friends LMTC	<i>Jo Mills</i> - 22384
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Wednesday 19th August 2015

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Hard copy can be dropped off at The Meeting Place

BENTLEY VILLAGE SURGERY

Dr J Moore, Dr M Way & Dr A Evers

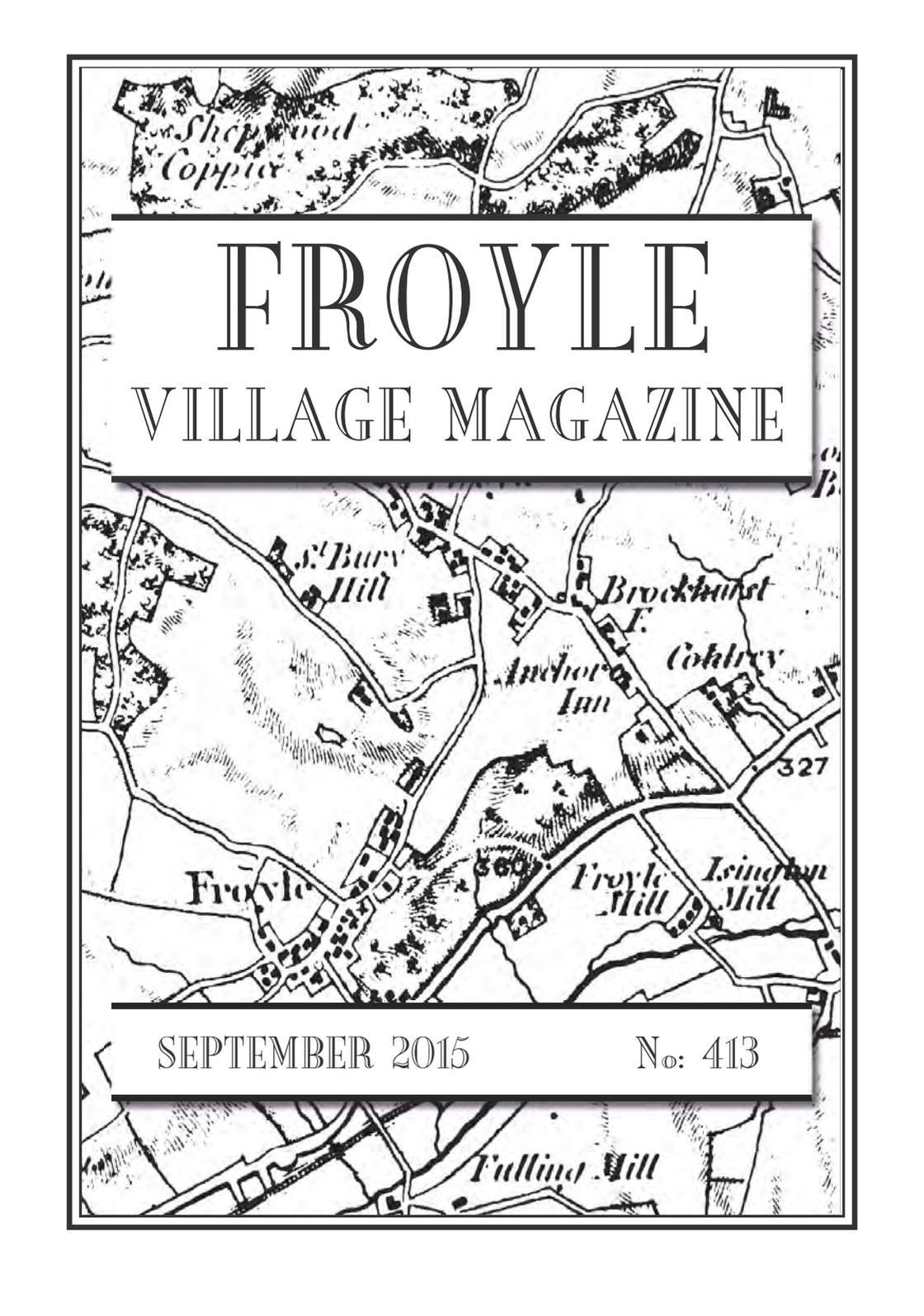
The surgery is open from 8am – 6.30pm Monday – Friday

The Dispensary is open from 8.30 – 12.30 and 4.00 – 6.30pm Mon to Fri

When the surgery is closed please call 111

To register for Online appointment booking and repeat prescriptions,
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Tel: 01420 22106 www.bentleysurgery.org.uk

A detailed historical map of Froyle, Hampshire, showing the River Test and various landmarks. The map is rendered in a woodcut style with fine lines and hatching for shading. Labels include 'Sheepwood Coppice' at the top, 'St. Bury Mill', 'Anchor Inn', 'Brockhurst', 'Cohtry', 'Froyle', 'Froyle Mill', 'Isington Mill', and 'Falling Mill' at the bottom. A road is marked with the number '327'.

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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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

Email: froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk Web: www.froyleparishcouncil.org.uk

As the election did not produce enough candidates for a full Parish Council, co-option was required to fill three remaining places (eight are required for a full council).

We welcome the new councillors: Mark Cray, Ian Macnabb and Jo Wallis

Who join existing members: Mick Wells, Ian Deans, Jenny Gove,
Nick Whines and John Sexton

The Parish Council was gratified with the numbers volunteering for the speedwatch scheme, fifteen people have come forward. Our Vice Chair is in touch with the Community Police Officer with regard to the training required. We hope the scheme will be up and running by the autumn.

Farnborough Expansion Plans

Following the Part A Consultation Report issued last year, Farnborough have revised their proposals slightly and have issued the Feedback Report Part B. There is to be no formal consultation at this point, but MP Damian Hinds is leading a response, more information on his website:

www.damianhinds.com/campaigns/tag-farnborough-airspace-change-proposal

And finally, a reminder to dog owners to pick up after their dogs in public places and footpaths please! *Not only is it unhygienic but a danger to young children.*

Froyle 100 Club Result

July

1st prize: Ian Whitmore 2nd prize: Maureen Fry
3rd prize: Caroline Bush 4th prize: Jamie Dundas

August

1st prize: Joan Ezzard 2nd prize: June Fenn
3rd prize: Jenny Gove 4th prize: Maisie Pritchard

Congratulations to all the winners! - William Knowles



Bookings: Jo Mills

01420 22384

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Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands' - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX** - as soon as your session has ended **NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME.** The next booking may start very early the next day. If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130)
secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Sad news from the Village Hall

The bottle bank at the Village Hall is a useful facility. However it is unacceptable if bottles are left in boxes or carrier bags by the bank and not in it. The bottles can easily get broken and then injuries may result. Recently a large number of bottles were left by the bank in a Lakeland delivery box. Please do not do this.

Thank you to the resident who put the bottles where they belong and suffered a cut hand for their pains. Similarly if you break a bottle while putting it into the bank please sweep it up and dispose of the broken glass. *Do not just leave it there.*

Froyle Village Hall

Summer BBQ

Free
BBQ

Sunday 6th September

12.30 pm onwards



**Froyle Village Hall &
Recreation Ground**

Free BBQ – bring your own drinks



Family rounders match
(adults and children welcome)

EVERYONE WELCOME



The Meeting Place

The Meeting Place takes place every Friday morning and we shall be celebrating our **25th Birthday** in October! Everyone is welcome to join us, and especially if you are new to the Village. We serve tea and coffee, homemade cakes and squash. We also sell local papers, cards and stamps. Do come along any Friday between 9.30 and 12 noon. On **Friday 25th**



September we shall be joining in the Annual **Macmillan Cancer Support** Coffee Morning, there will also be a bake sale and all proceeds will go to Macmillan. Please do bake a cake and/or come along and buy to support this worthwhile charity. We look forward to seeing you.

Cake Bakers for September:

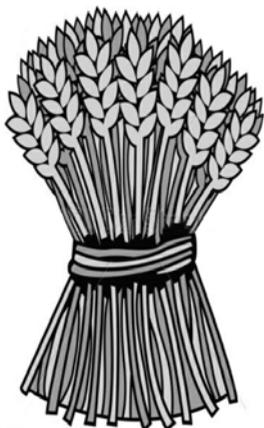
4 th	Ann Roberts	Anne Andrew	Jo Mills	Barbara Starbuck
11 th	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	Sue Lelliott
18 th	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Louise Marston	Anne Blunt
25 th	Marj Robinson	Marion Cresswell	Jenny Dundas	Kay Pogson

Helpers for September:

4 th	Sue Carr	Sue Marriott
11 th	Jean Norkett	Sue Sharman
18 th	Sarah Lovell	Brenda Milam
25 th	Kay Pogson	Lori Taylor

Many thanks as usual to all our bakers, helpers and supporters!

Gill Bradley



HARVEST SUPPER: Friday 25th September **7.00 for 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

Tickets £8 (£4 for children under 12) will be available in early September from Gill Bradley (tel 520484) or from the Meeting Place.

Wine and soft drinks will be available and there will be a raffle.

PS - We would be very grateful to anyone who would be willing to make us a fruit crumble!

MEETING PLACE HELPERS AND CAKE MAKERS FOR 2016

Yes, I know it's only September, and it seems bonkers to be thinking of next year already but.....

To all you lovely, generous people who give their time to help in the kitchen at the Meeting Place, or bake the most marvellous cakes, will you be able to help in 2016? If you feel that you would like to be removed from either roster for any reason, no problem. Just email me, and a big 'Thank you' for all you have done in the past. However, if you are new to the village, or find that now, perhaps through retirement, you do have a little time to help serve in the kitchen about 3 times in the year, or bake a cake approx. 4 times in the year, then we would love to hear from you.

If you are not a regular, or have never been to The Meeting Place on Friday mornings, please do come. You would be made most welcome. It is a most enjoyable way to meet new friends while indulging in Froyle's famous home-made cakes with your tea/coffee (incl. filter).

If you are already 'on the list' and would like to continue, you need do nothing. I will put you on the roster for next year. If you would like to join our 'happy team' of helpers or cake makers, please email me too.

To all volunteers.....if you know of dates next year that you CANNOT do, or have preferences, then let me know by email too, and I will try very hard to accommodate these requirements.

Thank you very much
Lori, lorijaylor@hotmail.com

Froyle Charity Golf Day **Thursday 17th September 2015 - 12.30pm** **Blackmoor Golf Club**

Anyone interested in playing should contact Ian Whitmore 22634
Spaces still available for both individual and team entries.

The last major of the year - don't miss it!



FROYLE FILM NIGHT PROUDLY PRESENTS:



FROM THE AWARD-WINNING DIRECTOR OF "CHOCOLAT"

The HUNDRED-FOOT JOURNEY

BASED ON THE BELOVED, BEST-SELLING NOVEL

Starring Dame Helen Mirren

Rating - PG

To be held on:

Friday 18th September

Froyle Village Hall

Doors open 7 p.m.

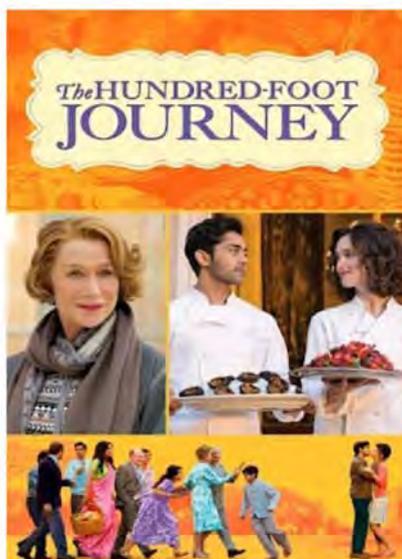
Film commences 7.30

Price = £8.00

**includes a sausage bap
(to be available before the
film commences)**

Pay Bar available

**For Tickets Please contact:
Karen Potter (520294)
Jerry Saunders (22478)**



Hassan Kadam (Manish Dayal) is an extraordinarily talented and largely self-taught culinary novice. When he and his family are displaced from their native India and settle in a quaint French village, they decide to open an Indian eatery. However, Madame Mallory (Helen Mirren), the proprietress of an acclaimed restaurant just 100 feet away, strongly objects. War erupts between the two establishments, until Mallory recognizes Kadam's impressive epicurean gifts and takes him under her wing.



Froyle Fête, Flower and Dog Show 2015

We hope you agree that this one of the happiest fêtes in recent years. The sun shone, and so did Maureen Fry, who was honoured by the British Legion for her decades of service to the Poppy appeal. The new prize-winning Froyle Fête flag was designed and hoisted by Sam Frost. The Froyle Village Hall also has a new flag, designed by Megan Hern, which will wave at future village events.

We made a bit less money this year—for the best of all possible reasons. Everyone was busy with the kids' races (thanks to the Pied Piper Khans) and the Dog Show (well done, Sharon, William and judge, Mick). Food and drink completely sold out which tells how lively the place was. It was also a particularly good year for the Flower Show, with new entrants and lots of participation from the young.

Takings for the Fête are shown on the next page. Profits exceeded £2400. We are very grateful, alphabetically, to our generous sponsors: the Anchor, Dapper Dogs, the Hen & Chicken, the Nicholas James Group, and Tamsin and Jerry Saunders. Sincere thanks, as always, to all who organized and (wo)manned stalls, and to those who baked and served and cleaned up after the hungry and thirsty masses (Hurray for Mary Chaplin and Jo Mills!). We are also hugely indebted to the muscle--all those who set up and took down gazebos, schlepped tables and benches and made the rec clean. This year we had a skip, sponsored by the Saunders, which made everyone's life so much easier (genius idea, Sharon!). And, of course, our thanks to all Froylies, who support and make the Fête a jolly, spirited community day out.

Next year is the 70th Fête. Ideas, everyone????

Froyle Fête Committee



Froyle Fête Takings 2015

Stall	Net Takings 2015	Net Takings 2014	% change over 2014
BBQ	669.30	469.10	42.68
Beat the Goalie	29.00	59.32	-51.11
Beer Tent	744.30	758.25	-1.84
Books	219.85	141.90	54.93
Bottle Stall	217.00	237.99	-8.82
Bracelet's	0.00	21.94	-100.00
Bric a Brac	272.62	206.44	32.06
Cakes	169.60	74.60	127.35
Coconuts	70.00	53.60	30.60
Crockery Smashing	61.50	92.90	-33.80
Dog Show	101.00	110.00	-8.18
Egg Tombola	35.57	62.08	-42.70
Face Painting	34.10	17.50	94.86
Gardening Club Plant Stall	100.00	110.50	-9.50
Grand Raffle	997.75	1098.01	-9.13
Hook-a-duck	25.55	24.10	6.02
Ice cream	124.50	200.10	-37.78
Jar of Sweets	73.84	77.50	-4.72
Jumble	139.60	183.20	-23.80
Kim's Hats	148.75	257.60	-42.26
Splat The Rat	15.75	0.00	+++
Teas	300.55	306.90	-2.07
Tombola	-15.00	122.20	-112.27
Welly Whanging	23.10	51.00	-54.71
Sub Total	4,558.23	4,736.73	-3.77

Circular Walk to Well Long Version – Road and Track

Leave Lower Froyle walking towards the Golden Pot, walk all the way to the first right turn, turn right past Bumpers, a couple of dogs may come and say hello. After approx 250 yards take the footpath on the right. You will continue on this footpath for sometime, it is fine in summer but can become extremely flooded in winter so best to avoid later in the year. Finally you will come to a lane, turn left and follow this until you come to Well Manor on the right. Whilst you will be turning right at this point - if you are in need of sustenance you may turn left, the Chequers is a short distance on the right. Back to the walk, once you have turned right at Well Manor, follow the road for approx one mile, you will pass a cottage on the right, this used to be called No Mans Land Cottage and is interestingly in Froyle Parish (not sure who delivers the magazine though!). Take the first right, this road goes downhill and at the sharp right hand bend take the track directly in front of you. This is Husseys Lane so follow this all the way and you will return to Lower Froyle.





Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

FROYLE FLOWER SHOW

The Flower Show was a great success this year probably due to the later season . There were more roses and the Village Hall looked fabulous with the magnificent displays of Flowers Foliage and Domestic entries. Once again Freddie Thorneycroft outshone the adults with his gardening prowess. Well done Freddie! The list of Trophy Winners and First Prize Winners can be found on the next page.

The Gardening Club again ran a produce stall and the show profit of £100 went towards the Fête.

Now of course we must prepare for our **Autumn Show** on 12th September. Schedules are available from the Meeting Place or the box on the side wall at Walbury. Entries should be made between 7pm and 8pm on Wednesday 9th September. Alternatively post or deliver to Mollie Court (tel 01420 23141) at Greendown, Lower Froyle, before that date.

Brenda Milam

AUTUMN SHOW
on
SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER
from **2.30pm**
FROYLE VILLAGE HALL
REFRESHMENTS
SALES TABLE
EVERYONE REALLY WELCOME

Correction to our earlier reported figures (July issue of magazine) on the Gardens Open weekend. We attracted over 800 people and the profit was almost £6,000 - we can be proud of ourselves!

FROYLE FLOWER SHOW –11th July 2015

TROPHY WINNERS

Hollis Cup: **Freddie Thorneycroft**. Highest points in Section A (vegetables and fruit).
 Goschen Cup: **Maureen Allan**. Highest points in Section B (flowers).
 Boole-Wilbraham Cup: **Freddie Thorneycroft**. Highest points in Sections A & B
(this cup may not be held by any one exhibitor for more than two years in succession).
 Diamond Jubilee Cup: **Brenda Milam**. Judge's choice in Section D (flower arrangements).
 Dr Lewarne Cup: **Brenda Milam**. Best table arrangement – Class 60 – Froyle residents only.
 Robertson Rose Bowl: **Jean Norkett**. Highest points in Section C (domestic).
 Geoff Hawkins Plate: **Sue Sharman**. Best exhibit in Classes 45, 46 & 47.
 Cecil Robertson Trowel: **Susie Robertson**. Best elderflower cordial.
 Mrs Lewarne Cup: **Kitkin Thorneycroft**. Best handmade article by a girl (up to 15 years of age).
 Bush Cup: **Fergus Turvill**. Best handmade article by a boy (up to 15 years of age).
 Holland Cup: **Jean Norkett**. Most points gained by Froyle resident aged 60 plus.
 Graham Blunt Award: **David Court**. Best exhibit in Section A (vegetables and fruit).
 Diploma: **Maureen Allan**. Best exhibit in Section B (flowers).

FIRST PRIZE WINNERS

VEGETABLES & FRUIT

1A. Peas	D Snow
1B. Mangetout/Sugar Snap	G Pickering
2. Broad Beans	M Carr
3. Potatoes	M Carr
6. Lettuce	F Thorneycroft
7. Onions	R Norkett
8. Carrots	R Norkett
9. Beetroot	F Thorneycroft
10. Rhubarb	G Hawkins
11. Any other veg	M Carr
12. Herbs	M Carr
14. Raspberries	D Snow
15. Blackcurrants	G Pickering
17. Any other fruit	A Blunt

FLOWERS

20. Specimen Rose	M Allan
21. Cluster-flower Rose	R Turville
22. Three Roses	N Whines
23. Bowl of Roses	J Macnabb
24. Sweet Peas	R Turville
25. Pinks	B Milam
26. Lily	B Milam
27. Garden Flowers	J Macnabb
28. Foliage	A Blunt
29. Pansies/Violas	S Harris
30. Clematis	B Porter
31. Pot plant in bloom	J Cresswell
32. Foliage pot plant	A Blunt
33. Cactus/succulent	S Harris
34. Penstemon	G Hawkins

DOMESTIC

40. Marmalade	A Blunt
41. Strawberry Jam	J Norkett
42. Jam (excluding strawberry)	J Norkett
43. Jelly	J Norkett
44. Chutney	T Harris
45. Coffee Walnut sponge	J Trim
46. Flapjack	S Sharman
47. Fruit Scones	J Macnabb
50. Eggs	A Blanchard
51. Elderflower Cordial	S Robertson

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

60. 'Childrens' Birthday Party'	B Milam
61. 'A Favourite Place'	B Milam
62. 'Garden Delights'	B Milam

CHILDRENS' CLASSES

70. Handmade article	K Thorneycroft
71. Handmade article	F Turvill
72. Animal made from vegetable/fruit	J Harris
73. Cupcakes	M Blanchard
74. Flower arrangement in teacup	M Blanchard



Froyle Baby and Toddler Morning Thursdays 9.45am – 11.45am 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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop! There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

Baby and Toddler mornings resume in the Village Hall on Thursday 3rd September

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!
Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

HARVEST FESTIVAL Sunday 27th September

Decoration of the church for Harvest Festival will take place on Saturday 26th September from 9.30am. As last year we plan to have a traditional harvest festival with vegetables, fruit and flowers from the garden and hedgerow. Wheelbarrows, pots and baskets, and other containers large and small will be most welcome! If you would like to help with decorating please join us in the church on the Saturday morning.



As last year we plan to make the vegetables into soup and have a Soup Lunch in the Village Hall on 12th November to which all will be welcome. This was a most enjoyable occasion last year! Further details next month.

*Sarah Thursfield 23294
Gill Bradley 520484*



Our Better Balance group meets on Wednesdays from 2.30pm to 3.30pm in the Village Hall. Our September meetings will be on:

Wednesdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th.

In these meetings we go through a series of exercises that are designed to mobilise and strengthen our joints and muscles which in turn helps us to maintain a good sense of balance and well-being as we get older. Balance exercises, along with certain strength exercises, can help prevent falls by improving our ability to control and maintain our body's position, whether we are moving or still. We do the exercises to music as that is so much more enjoyable than just counting numbers of repetitions! There is no age limit, as our group members range from those in their sixties to those in their nineties. Everyone works at their own rate; there is no pressure to keep up with anyone else.

After our exercise we reward ourselves with a well-earned cup of tea or coffee and biscuits, or sometimes even cake, which is an excellent opportunity for a good chat with old friends or an opportunity to meet new ones. If you are new to the village this would be an ideal opportunity to meet new people in a fun way as there are always plenty of laughs! We make a nominal charge of £1 to cover the cost of hiring the hall and refreshments. If you would find it difficult to get to the hall, we can arrange lifts, so come on, give it a go, everyone is welcome!

If you would like more information, phone Sue Sharman 22603 or Madeleine Black 23371.

Village Agents provide information on Carer's Allowance and Carer's Credit

Madeleine is the local Village Agent for Froyle. Village Agents are volunteers who can help older people to find information and services in their local community such as getting out and about; help around the home and on money matters.

There are a range of benefits and entitlements that older people may be able to apply for and this is the second article in a series of articles about various benefits. This edition will look at carer's allowance and carer's credit:

Carer's Allowance

This benefit is for anyone who spends the majority of the week caring for an older friend or relative who is ill or disabled, subject to various criteria:

You need to be 16+, living in Great Britain, not in full time education and earning less than £102 per week.

You need to be caring for that person for 35 hours or more per week and caring for someone who receives either Disability Living Allowance, Personal Independence Payment or Attendance Allowance.

The Carer's allowance is £61.35 per week, non-contributory and not means tested but taxable. It can be back dated for up to 3 months.

To apply, you need to fill in a D5700 form. Contact the Carer's Unit on 0345 608 4321 for a form. For full details see www.gov.uk/carers-allowance/overview

Carer's Credit

This is a credit applied to your National Insurance (NI) record if you are under state pension age and caring for someone else for at least 20 hours. If you are unable to work and make NI payments, this credit helps build your entitlement to the basic pension by making sure there are no gaps in your NI record, subject to various criteria:

You need to be 16+, under state pension age and looking after one or more people for at least 20 hours per week.

You need to be caring from someone who receives [Disability Living Allowance](#) (DLA) care component at the middle or highest rate; [Personal Independence Payment](#) (PIP) – daily living component, at the standard or enhanced rate; [Attendance Allowance](#); [Constant Attendance Allowance](#) (CAA).

You can still get Carer's Credit if you have breaks from caring (up to 12 weeks in a row).. You don't need to apply for Carer's Credit if you get Carer's Allowance – you'll automatically get credits.

To apply, contact the Carer's Allowance Unit on 0845 608 4321.

Your Village Agent Madeleine Black can also help to point you in the right direction to local services and organisations that may be able to help with other needs, such as help in the home, gardening services, finding a local activity club or group, and a wide range of other topics. Give her a call today to find out how they can help you on 01420 23371.

Froyle Nature Conservation Group

Blackberrying

Purple stained fingers and mouths, scratched arms and legs, the ingestion of a maggot or two? *Yes*, but how fondly many of us remember those childhood blackberrying outings. The scent of the ripening berries on a warm autumn day then back off home to a session of blackberry and apple crumble making, helping to mix the crumble if we were lucky. And wasn't the result the best thing ever, having had a hand in it! A simple tradition to pass on to future generations but mind to pick them before Michaelmas which fell on 29th September (pre 1752) as this is when, according to folk law, the devil was flung to earth and landed in a bramble bush and in his anger spoilt the berries by spitting on them. Indeed the berries are not as tasty in October and fly maggots are more prevalent, soaking in salt water for a short time soon brings them out though. Avoid those growing by busy roads, and those growing low enough for a dog to cock his leg over them! Not forgetting to leave some for the birds.

Winged wonders

It's the third week of August and swallows and house martins are gathering on power cables, telephone lines and roof aerials to fluff up feathers, preen and rest then suddenly they launch into a stunning twittering aerobatic display as they chase insects, agilely avoiding obstacles with split second timing.



September and October will see these birds depart to spend the winter in Africa and perhaps this is good time to consider how we could help them by providing nesting opportunities ready for their return next year.

Sheep grazed pasture in September is a good place to see small flocks of meadow pipits and pied wagtails, the latter nimbly flitting low between the sheep chasing flying insects. Stonechats too can often be encountered in the same habitat seen singly or in pairs sitting on fence posts, flying down to the ground and back gathering insect food. They may be passing through to spend the winter on the coast or perhaps on their way to warmer climes.



Quite a few dragonflies will still be flying in the next month or two. Ones to watch out for include the Emperor Dragonfly, Southern Hawker, Brown Hawker, and Common Darter. The latter three often search for food far from water. See <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/dragonfly-sightings-2015/> for more information.

Froyle Rainfall for June and July 2015

	June		July	
This year	28 mm	1.1 inches	58 mm	2.3 inches
Last year	50 mm	2 inches	54 mm	2.1 inches
Wettest (2012/2007)	155.5 mm	6.1 inches	139.5 mm	5.5 inches
Driest (1995/2013)	5 mm	0.2 inches	10 mm	0.4 inches
Long-term averages – the 4th driest and driest month respectively	54.7 mm	2.2 inches	48.8 mm	1.9 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far			307 mm	12.1 inches
Long-term average for the year to the end of July			403.3 mm	15.9 inches

More very dry days in the last 2 months, with the exception of 24th July when we had almost half the period's rainfall (40 mm), meant that we are now getting on for 25% down on the norm for the year so far.

Back in April I suggested that, by New Year's Eve 2015, we would be lucky to have had much more than 700 mm of rainfall - ie at least 10% down on the long-term average; the evidence to support this continues to manifest itself...



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‘Medicine for the Soul’



Arabian Sands by Wilfred Thesiger

I recently re-read *Arabian Sands*, which describes Wilfred Thesiger's late 1940's travels by foot and camel across the Empty Quarter. Avoiding all forms of motor transport in his travels, Thesiger gives a fascinating account of the harsh nomadic life of the Bedu Arabs at the time. He recounts a number of crossings of the Empty Quarter including a two and a half month journey from Manwakh in Yemen to Abu Dhabi 'a small dilapidated town, a large castle, a few palms and a well where we watered our camels'. Travelling without maps, carrying their drinking water in the skins of goats and living on dates and flour, with overnight frost and burning heat by day, conditions were far from those of today's air conditioned luxury.

This is not a book for everyone, but for those who like authentic travel histories without mod cons it is a classic. Thesiger was well known for his foreboding about the impact of technology on traditional lifestyles and in *Arabian Sands* he makes clear his discomfort with the coming transition from desert nomad to gulf oil baron. You'll probably view a holiday in Dubai from a different perspective after reading it.

(Phil Roberts)

Froyle Village Design Statement (VDS) Update

Our group recently met to resume work on completing the VDS for submission to the Alton Community Forum in the Autumn. You may recall that the VDS is a community document which describes the village and captures the local visual characteristics and qualities that the people of our village value. Its purpose is to provide guidance to developers, councils, residents and applicants seeking planning approval for development within the parish boundary. Drafting of the Froyle VDS began alongside the Parish Plan, using results from the village consultation exercise and comments from residents. Work on the document paused last summer, after a first draft was submitted to EHDC for comment. Following recent feedback from the Alton Community Forum, we are now actively finalising the document for resubmission before the end of the year. A revised draft will be sent to the Parish Council for comment, also we plan to publish it online so that we can gather feedback from residents before final submission. We will ask Chris to link to the draft from froyle.com, when the next version is ready, early in September. Please email me if you would like any more information about the VDS.

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Sunday 6th September	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	5.00pm 9.30am	Live@Five Holy Communion
Sunday 13th September	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Messy Church
Sunday 20th September	Froyle	6.30pm	Sung Evensong with HC
	Bentley		No Service
	Binsted		No Service
Sunday 27th September	Froyle	11.00am	Harvest Festival
	Bentley	8.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion Morning Worship
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

My actual view from the Vicarage, on an August morning as I write this, is of a wet and soggy garden with a dampness in the air and a slight chill. Not what one would expect of a summer's day!

How many things there are in life that are not as we would expect! Do we expect illness, redundancy, an accident? Not usually. How many of us, say ten years ago, would have expected the need for, and rise of, Food Banks in England? But it has happened. Not much more than a year ago most of us would not have expected ISIS to have taken such a dreadful hold over Iraq and Syria. But they have.

All this could leave us feeling unsettled and fearful.. But we have a God who knows all about these unexpected things that happen around us. And we can always expect God to be the same in his character: he remains faithful, trustworthy, and constant and much more besides.

The unexpected is not all bad. There are lots of unexpected blessings and encouragements that happen to us all - sometimes small things - but that make each day special. A bird singing, a baby's smile, a thank you. God may even do unexpected things himself!

As we come into the season of Harvest, when we give thanks for the expected and unexpected fruit, not only of the land but also in our own lives and communities, let us look out for the unexpected (even welcome it if we can) as we hold on to the God who surpasses all expectations.

Alison Parr

(Our thanks go to Alison Parr, Benefice Administrator, for kindly providing this month's View from the Vicarage in Yann's absence due to holidays).

RNLI Froyle



Thank you to all who gave to the Froyle RNLI collection in July, the total came to £434.45. Special thanks to our collectors the Starbucks, the Pickering's and Lorna B from Upper Froyle.

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Bus route saved BUT for how long?

Beleaguered 65 service given stay of execution

(Extract from Alton Herald, Friday 14th August 2015)

The number 65 bus service from Alton to Farnham has been granted a temporary 11-month reprieve - a decision heralded as “great news” by passengers who feared that they were about to have a valued public transport link pulled from under their feet.

But the clear message after the euphoria is “use it or lose it” as communities are given time to demonstrate the importance of the route by using it more, allowing the bus company to look at how to develop a more sustainable service in the future.

Belatedly recognised, following concerned lobbying by those who use the 65, as “an essential bus service” linking Alton, Bentley and Farnham, Stagecoach South has now confirmed that it will continue to operate the 65 route, using a slightly amended timetable, for a least 11 months.

Revised timetable - Mondays to Fridays

Journey Code	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25
Alton High St [B]	0640	0740	0915	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1515	1645	1745	1845	1945
Alton Station [R]	0643	0743	0918	1018	1118	1218	1318	1418	1518	1648	1748	1848	1948
Bentley The Star	0654	0754	0929	1029	1129	1229	1329	1429	1529	1659	1802	1859	1958
Farnham Borough [A]	0703	0803	0938	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1538	1708	1811	1908	2006
Runfold Jolly Farmer	0710	0810	0945	1045	1145	1245	1345	1445	1545	1715	1821	1915	2012
Puttenham Crossroads	0718	0823	0953	1053	1153	1253	1353	1453	1553	1723	1828	1922	2018
Guildford Bus Station [Arr]	0733	0840	1003	1103	1203	1303	1403	1503	1603	1733	1838	1930	2026

Journey Code	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26
Guildford Bus Station [5]	0545	0645	0740	0915	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1515	1640	1740	1845
Puttenham Inwood Farm	0555	0655	0750	0925	1025	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1653	1800	1855
Runfold Jolly Farmer	0602	0702	0758	0932	1032	1132	1232	1332	1432	1532	1700	1807	1902
Farnham East St [J]	0610	0710	0807	0940	1040	1140	1240	1340	1440	1540	1710	1818	1910
Bentley Crossroads	0612	0722	0820	0952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1552	1722	1827	1922
Alton Station [R]	0632	0732	0833	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502	1602	1732	1837	1932
Alton High St [B]	0635	0735	0840	1005	1105	1205	1305	1405	1505	1605	1735	1840	1935

There is a further reduced timetable on Saturdays.

For details of service, please refer to the Stagecoach timetable.



Gliding Heritage Centre

Before the Gliding Heritage Centre opened at Lasham on the 4th August 2013, the United Kingdom never had a museum devoted solely to gliding. Built with a £100,000 legacy, the Chris Wills Memorial Hangar is now home to 22 unique and special gliders that form the Gliding Heritage Centre collection, ten of these are flyable, and another two are awaiting restoration to airworthy condition. Our aim is to fly as many of these gliders as possible, and for the public to see them flying. The first Sunday of each month, weather permitting, we have what we call GHC flying days. Gliders are taken out on to the airfield and flown; some just fly local circuits, whilst others will go soaring or even cross-country.

We enjoy valuable support from the Vintage Glider movement as a whole, a number of Vintage Glider owners have donated gliders to the collection as they see us as a great way for their cherished aircraft to be preserved and flown. In the last month we received a very rare Scott Viking glider from the Netherlands, this was bought for us with an appeal fund raised by a member of the Dutch Vintage Glider Club.

Also, every Sunday at 2pm we run tours of the hangar, visitors meet at the sundial by Lasham clubhouse, where one of our group of volunteer guides will meet them and then take the visitors around the hangar. We can also arrange hangar tours on request for any other time and even for large groups, though with these we require prior notice so we can organise enough guides to cover the group.

If you would like more information on the Gliding Heritage Centre or would like to arrange a group visit, please email Julian Ben-David on julian@thecleverbox.co.uk

Julian Ben-David

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www.glidingheritage.org.uk

www.energyalton.co.uk

Bentley Industrial Solar Park Campaign

Latest news...

As you probably now know we have a campaign group which has been formed to resist the proposed solar park by the developer Solstice Renewable's in the heart of Bentley. Your support is invaluable and although the planning application is on hold at the moment this could change any time soon. The campaign group will continue to keep you informed of developments and what action is needed.

Here are some ways you can keep updated with the campaign latest news:

Google "38 degrees Bentley Solar" to get our campaign on the 38 degrees petition site
Subscribe to our face book page "say no to solar farm at Bentley"
Updates in the parish magazine

We will have a website running soon where you will be able to get all the latest updates, sign the petition and also link to the face book page. In the meantime, email us at bentley.residents@yaboo.com. And finally THANK YOU everyone for signing the petition but if you haven't already done so the form will be in Bentley stores for you to add your name to support this campaign. *A lot of people can really make a difference.*

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<i>6</i> <i>8.00am</i> <i>HC</i> <i>12.30pm</i> <i>Froyle</i> <i>BBQ</i>	<i>7</i> <i>Recycling & Bottles</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i> <i>7.30pm VH</i> <i>Committee</i> <i>Mtg</i>	<i>10</i> <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>11</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i> <i>9.30am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>14</i> <i>Refuse & Garden</i> <i>8pm PC</i> <i>Meeting</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>17</i> <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>18</i> <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>7pm Film</i> <i>Night</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> <i>6.30pm</i> <i>Evensong</i>	<i>21</i> <i>Recycling</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>	<i>24</i> <i>9.45am Babies & Toddlers</i>	<i>25</i> <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>7pm Harvest</i> <i>Supper</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>Harvest</i> <i>Fesstival</i>	<i>28</i> <i>Refuse & Garden</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better Bal</i>			

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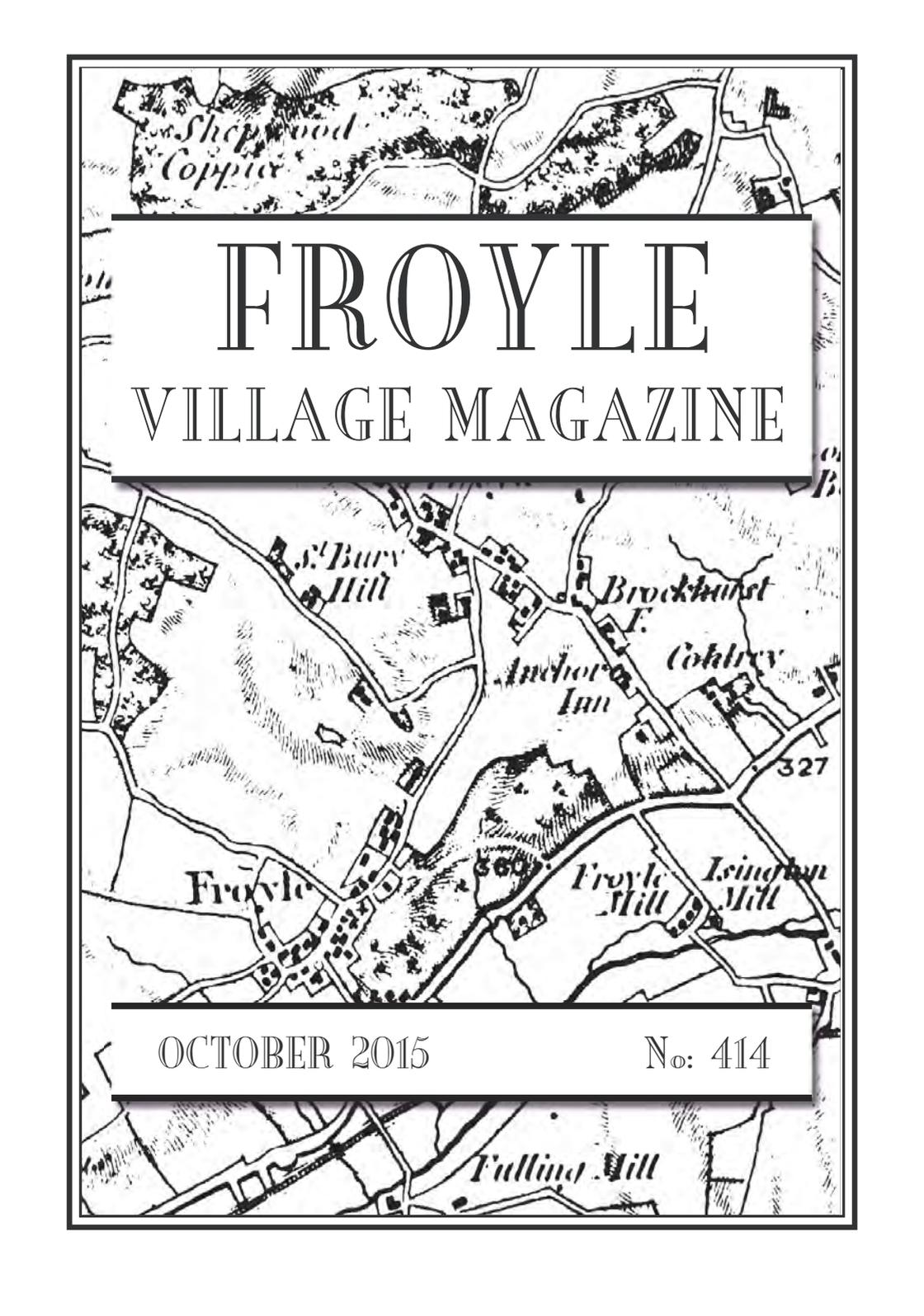
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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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The first Parish Council meeting with the three new councillors took place on Monday 14th September. Issues discussed included:

- A review of the planning applications that are currently underway.
- The associated noise, and broken glass left in the car park, from the bottle-banks by the Village Hall have prompted consideration of the possible removal of these bottle-banks. This will be further discussed at the next FPC meeting. If residents have any particular views on the use of the bottle-banks, please communicate these to one of the councillors.
- There continues to be concern expressed to the FPC over combine harvesters and tractors being driven through the village seemingly without care and consideration for residents' hedges and walkers. Further discussion with the local farmers is being planned.
- The Parish Council noted residents concerns about the operation of the wedding venue at Froyle Park and will seek to resolve these as a matter of urgency with our District Councillor, EHDC and Froyle Park Management. In the interim any resident who observes anti-social behaviour or is inconvenienced by noise or other nuisance should report this in detail by emailing froyeparishclerk@yahoo.com or contacting a parish councillor.

Ian Macnabb

From Glynis Watts the East Hampshire District Councillor for Froyle and Holybourne

On Friday afternoon 18 September, Mick Wells, Chairman of the Parish Council, Nick Whines, Parish Councillor and member of the planning group, and I had a meeting with Mike Warren, the Managing Director of Harbour Hotels who own Froyle Park. The meeting was focussed, with plain speaking, and we reinforced our concern about the problems caused to local residents by the venue. An action plan is being written, and a schedule of monthly meetings agreed by this group, to assess results, and keep on top of all ongoing problems. May I please ask when you have an issue with regard to the running of the venue, whilst of course taking whatever direct action you think fit, you copy it, or send it direct, to the Parish Council at froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk so we can coordinate an effective response across the board.

Cllr. Glynis Watts



Froyle Bonfire Party

**5 November
6.00 pm for
6.30 pm.**

**Mulled
Wine
Burgers
Hot dogs**

Admission free Bucket collection

*Come and help build the bonfire
Sunday 1 November at 9.30
and clear up
Friday 6 November at 9.30*

The World-Famous Froyle



is back!!

This year with a *canine* theme!

Where: The Froyle Village Hall

When: Saturday, 17th October, 2015

What time: 7:00 pm

Tables of 6 maximum

Cost per ticket, including a delicious supper: £10 per head (plus cash bar)

In aid of: "Pets as Therapy" & "Medical Detection Dogs"

Tickets from: Caroline Findlay (22019), Jo Mills (22384), Susie Robertson (520820)

Let them know details, including the name of your team - and NB the dog theme; there'll be a prize for the best one - or if you wish to join a mixed one

Do book early, because this very popular event *always* sells out!





Bookings: Jo Mills

01420 22384

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Hiring the Hall

Some gentle reminders: **The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it - or better.** It is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulated rubbish.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse plates first.

Before you leave please check the loos, make sure the floor is swept, the tables and chairs are correctly stacked, all windows and French doors are secured and all lights and the water heater turned off. Double lock the front door. **Please return the key into the birdbox on the righthand side of the front door of 'Brecklands' - NOT THROUGH THE LETTERBOX** - as soon as your session has ended NO MATTER WHAT THE TIME. The next booking may start very early the next day.

If you have used the barbecue please make sure it is returned to the container once it has cooled down.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Froyle Village Hall Annual Summer Picnic.

This year the Village Hall's annual picnic was held on Sunday 6th September and was attended by nearly 70 people from the village both young and old. We were blessed by glorious sunny weather all day long. As we had taken delivery earlier that week of our very new 8 burner gas barbecue we unleashed it on a very hungry crowd. I am very pleased to report that it performed very well and will be having its next outing at the village bonfire and fireworks night in November. After eating far too many burgers and sausages a great game of rounders was played with the younger ones giving the adults a run for their money.

Thank you to all the committee and others who helped set up and clear away and helping make it go so smoothly, but most importantly thank you all who came along and make it yet another very special day in the busy Froyle calendar.

See you all next year.

Jerry Saunders

NEWS from the Village Hall

As you may have read elsewhere the Village Hall Committee has been very busy of late. Following on from a successful picnic came another successful **film night**. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed 'The Hundred Foot Journey' particularly the old hands who remembered to bring their own cushions. The experience of watching a film collectively is very different to watching it on the box or dare one say a mobile phone. I am convinced that sharing the laughter, fear, thrill or whatever is good for you judged by all the smiling faces on the way out of the hall. So if you didn't make it this time there will be another film show on 27 November. You get a hot dog and an ice cream but you'll have to bring your own popcorn.

And then there is **bonfire night as always on 5 November**. We hope you will join us. The new barbecue will be in action so the food should be especially good. There will be mulled wine, hot chocolate, soft drinks, sweets and glow sticks on sale. Admission is free but give generously to the bucket collection as this funds next year's bonfire party. The fireworks are expensive.

Material for the bonfire can be brought to the recreation ground from mid-October and stacked neatly against the hedge. It's a good way of getting rid of garden rubbish when you do your autumn tidy. Only stuff which will burn please and which is safe to burn. No plastic, iron bedsteads or bodies please!

Please come and help build the bonfire on the previous Sunday 1 November at 9.30. Bring gloves and wear boots if it is wet.

Once the bonfire is built please do not add to the bonfire by putting material round the edge. This does not burn and then has to be disposed of.

Please make sure children do not play near the bonfire in the days before the party.

On the night of the party do your bit to help keep everybody safe for example by ensuring children do not stray beyond the safety cordon. If you bring sparklers make sure they are used carefully and afterwards are put in the bins provided. Last year despite the best attendance ever there was virtually no litter left lying on the ground which was brilliant.

The morning after the party there is always plenty to do burning up the leftovers. Help would be appreciated. Bring a rake and a fork after 9.30. It's fun and the gossip is usually good.

Once the fire is out we again need volunteers to remove all the nails with our special magnet on wheels, barrow the ash away and take unburnt items to the tip.

Provisionally we'll do this on Sunday 8 November starting again at 9.30.

So busy hardly describes it. On top of the events there are all the routine jobs of running the hall: taking the bookings, banking the cheques, updating the web site, clearing the drains and the gutters, cleaning the hall, buying supplies, designing posters, controlling the heating (when I remember), mending the bits that get broken, keeping the storeroom tidy. I could go on. And sometimes we run out of hands. So if you would like to help out regularly or just occasionally please make contact. We need to spread the load.

And finally just a reminder that Froyle Village Hall is a registered charity. Its mission is to provide, manage and maintain a community hall for the residents of the parish of Froyle. Its run by a very jolly and hard-working committee of villagers who meet once a month on the second Wednesday. Further information can be found on the web site at www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

Nick Whines 23130 secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

Christmas Fair

Advance Warning!

Make a note in your diaries! St Mary's Church Christmas Fair will be held this year on **Saturday 21st November, from 2-4pm**, in the Village Hall.

Caroline Findlay



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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop! There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall. Last month, we had fun making decorations for the church for harvest festival. Do come and play with our new construction and building toys. October meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd. Please note there is no session on October 29th due to half term holidays.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning!

Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Sylvie Nonhebel - 520779



The Meeting Place



This month we **celebrate 25 years** of this wonderful Friday morning institution started by Annette and Chris Booth in 1990 and still continuing on a weekly basis. We shall drink a toast and cut a cake to celebrate on **Friday 9th October** – do come and join us!

All are welcome and especially those who are new to the Village. We serve coffee, tea and homemade cake in a very friendly atmosphere from 9.30 until 12.00 noon.

CAKE BAKERS FOR OCTOBER

2 Oct	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	
9 Oct	Sue Carr	Sue Sharman	Janet Dobson	Alison Pincott
16 Oct	Mary Knowles	Elizabeth Sealey	Jane Stewart Smith	Helen MacDonald
23 Oct	Gill Bradley	Brenda Milam	Jenny Gove	
30 Oct	Jeanette Cray	Maureen Fry	Caroline Findlay	Lucia Lindblom

HELPERS FOR OCTOBER

2 Oct	Kim Blake	Mary Knowles
9 Oct	Mary Perryman	David Perryman
16 Oct	Linda Bulpitt	Philippa Cullen Stephenson
23 Oct	Jill Mackenzie	Jenny Dundas
30 Oct	Judith Leslie Smith	Gillian Pickering

A date for your diary: on November 6th the RNLI will have their usual stall selling Christmas cards and small gifts.

Better Balance



Better Balance started again with a flourish in September. If you would like to come along for a trial session the dates for October are:

Wednesdays October 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.

2.30pm in the Village Hall. Any questions about this to Sue Sharman 22603

Other questions or requests for information to Village Agent Madeleine Black who has now had training on forms for Attendance Allowance.

Madeleine Black 23371



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Froyle hosted its own version of **The Great British Bake Off, The Great British Allotment Challenge and Gardener's World**, all rolled into one at this year's Autumn Show on September 12th. There was a great turn out, including 9 individual entries for one of the flower arrangement classes (Anne Blunt, you are a marvell!) The judges were impressed with the sheer scale and quality of the entries for such a small community, which again, speaks volumes about how lucky we are to live here and how important it is to value and protect it. We're hoping to broaden out the categories next year to include more classes specifically for juniors, but I'd like to make a special mention of the spectacular success of **FREDDIE THORNEYCROFT**, whose entries won no fewer than 3 classes and 2nd place in 2 more!

Before I list the prize winners, I'd like to advertise another Gardening Club event that is open to all. Our very own, Monty Don, **GEOFF HAWKINS**, will be holding another of his practical masterclasses on Saturday 17th October from 10am - 12, demonstrating how to prune plants for the coming months - roses, fruit trees etc. It's open to all levels of experience and everyone is welcome. Geoff will be visiting a number of gardens in Lower Froyle to show, in situ, how to tackle common, and not so common, pruning issues. The class costs £5 - if you'd like to take part, please call Brenda on Froyle 22216. We will meet at the Village Hall before continuing on.

Talking of Geoff Hawkins, he'll also be presenting Froyle Gardening Club's next talk, 'Undercover Planting' on Friday 9 October at the Village Hall, starting at 7:30pm. New members are ALWAYS welcome.

A list of trophy winners at the club's Autumn Show follows. A full list of winners and classes will be put on the noticeboard in the Village Hall. Thank you so much to all who took part and made this such a great success.

Diana Moore

**FROYLE GARDENING CLUB
AUTUMN SHOW TROPHY WINNERS**

Rose Bowl - Gardening Club member gaining most points in Horticultural sections A + B	Jean Norkett
Tuke-Hastings Trophy - Winner of Class 1	Sue Harris
Newton-Davis Trophy - Most points in Flower Arranging section	Tony Riley
Figgins Trophy - Winner of Class 35	Brenda Milam
Blachford Trophy - Most points in Domestic Section	Anne Blunt
Pollock Rose Bowl - Overall winner in Photography Section	Diana Moore
Graham Blunt Trophy & Diploma - Best exhibit in Section A	Tony Riley
Diploma - Best in Section B	Anne Blunt
Rosemary Bennett Award - Judge's choice in Flower Arrangement	Diana Moore

Froyle Rainfall for August 2015

This year	133.5 mm	5.2 inches
Last year	54 mm	2.1 inches
Wettest August (2001)	134 mm	5.3 inches
Driest August (1995)	3.5 mm	0.1 inches
Long-term average for August – 5th wettest month	62.5 mm	2.5 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	440.5 mm	17.3 inches
Long-term average for the year to the end of August	465.8 mm	18.3 inches

This time last year I suggested that Augusts seem to be getting drier these days: then along comes 2015, almost equalling the monthly record, to dump that theory fairly and squarely back in its box. And as if you need reminding, $\frac{2}{3}$ rds of it fell in the last week of the month, resulting in the puddle at the bottom of hill down from Lower Froyle being as big as anybody can remember. That said, invariably an above average August is followed by a below average end to the year so an Indian summer just *may* be on the way...



“The Umbrella Man”

Wildlife Walks and Talks



Do you want to find out what runs about in our hedgerows especially at night? Come and join us on Sunday morning October 18th when John Buckley, Hampshire amphibian and reptile conservation officer, will lead us in identifying what small mammals have been temporarily caught in humane traps that he had set earlier by kind permission of Mill Farm, Isington.

Children especially find it exciting, firstly to find out if anything has gone into the trap to find food and shelter, then to find out and identify the species, will it be a type of mouse or a vole? So children, get your parents to come along!

There are a limited number of spaces available so if you are interested in joining us, we will meet at 8.45am on Sunday 18th October at the Village Hall to travel to the location.

It is vital that you contact Sue Sharman by Tuesday October 13th so we know what resources will be needed.

Sue Sharman - 22603

Froyle Wildlife Photo Competition

What better way to connect with nature than to capture images of what you see. Examples of subjects might include wild flowers, insects, garden birds, trees and woodland, countryside views, ponds and river Wey -the choice is yours. Photos must have been taken within the parish of Froyle. Images should preferably be landscape format with a max .jpg file size 2MB or prints max 7"x5" size. The winning photos will be displayed on the website froylewildlife.co.uk along with at least one photo from each person entering. Entries from under 14's will be judged in a separate category. Please submit up to 4 entries by 31st October 2015 either by email to: photo15@froylewildlife.co.uk or at the Village Hall Meeting Place on the last Friday of each month.

June Trim

Blackmoor Estate (near Selborne) Apple Tasting Day

Sunday 11th October 10am – 4.30pm

As well as sampling a wide variety of apples grown at Blackmoor you can also bring your own mystery apples for identification. Other attractions include local produce stalls, horse and cart rides, Morris dancing and rural crafts and demonstrations. Wildlife charities such as the RSPB, Butterfly Conservation and Amphibian and Reptile Conservation will also have information display tents.

Bird recording in Froyle

It is now almost a year since the project started, many thanks to all those who have contributed records, please continue sending in your sightings of the eleven target species till the end of November. So far there have been no reports of occupied House Martin nests or any sightings of Grey Partridge or Woodcock so records of these species would be particularly welcome. See <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/recording/bird-recording-2015/> for full list of species and further information.

Sue Clarke

What to do with all those left-over tomatoes...?

1. Turn them into tomato juice

And here's an excellent and dead easy recipe...

You will need:

- 2lbs (1 kg.) of tomatoes, any variety;
- Celery salt & pepper;
- Dash of Worcester sauce (optional);
- Cup of water.

1. Cut the tomatoes into wedges and put into a saucepan
2. Add the water and simmer for about 15-20 minutes.
3. Take off the heat, season, add the Worcester sauce to taste and allow to cool.
4. Pour the mixture through a sieve into a bowl, forcing through the last bits with a wooden spoon.
5. This will make about 400mls ($\frac{3}{4}$ a pint) of delicious, ready-to-drink tomato juice.

(Now what did I do with that vodka bottle...?)

Or:

2. Bring them to the Meeting Place, any Friday, preferably before 11 o'clock, who will find a home for them, or indeed anything else from your vegetable garden you can spare.

"Usain Tomato"

Froyle Nature Conservation Group

All are invited to our short AGM followed by a talk about Barn Owls on Friday 30th October 2015 at 7.30pm in the village hall. There will also be a display showing some of the local wildlife seen and view maps of this year's bird sightings in Froyle. Non-members are welcome and drinks and nibbles will be available during the evening.

Please see <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/agm-and-talk-30th-oct/> for more information or contact Barry Clark 01420 23520.

Barry Clark - 23520

The Mongol Rally - Report



Firstly thank you very much to all those who kindly donated before I left on this insane adventure. I can confirm, now that I'm safely home, it is in fact a completely mental idea. The fact we made it at all is down entirely to our trusty car, Hilary. She not only carried us the whole way there without any major problems, she also helped a number of other teams along the way, towing

one car a total of 100km on Mongolia's worst roads.

Our trip began with huge excitement combined with nervousness. After our first night in Frankfurt we managed to persuade our host, Peter, to come the whole way to Istanbul with us! This was our first major success of the trip. The rest of Europe passed uneventfully but that's not to say that it wasn't fun and some of the days driving were longer than we would ever do again. Reaching Istanbul gave us our first rest days. We were there 3 nights, giving ourselves 2 full days of sightseeing.

Well rested but back to two we raced through Turkey to Georgia and Tbilisi where we had some more days off having heard it was a fun place to be. We then headed to Baku and managed to get on a ferry to Turkmenistan the same day. It later transpired that this was a massive piece of luck as many teams had been waiting as long as five days for a ferry. On the other side we had our first truly traumatic border crossing, from the point we got off the ferry till when we were finally free of the port was 12 hours. Not only that but with the ferry ticket and the numerous 'taxes' we had to pay on entry, arrival in Turkmenistan cost Dan and I approximately \$800 dollars for the right to stay there five days.

After that we began making steady progress through Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan. Most days followed the same cycle; get in the cars, find fuel, find water, see how far we could get, decide whether to stay in a hostel or camp. It is easier to camp in certain countries than others based on population density but at this time we were camping about 50% of the time. We cracked our exhaust for the first time near the Russian border and managed to get it patched up by a welder on the side of the road. This is always the best option, the man on the side of the road will have been doing this all his life and the

quality of the work they provide for minimal cost puts us to shame. The first stint in Russia saw us driving on wonderful roads through the Altai mountain range and provided the best road/scenery combination of the trip.

And then finally we were in Mongolia and it was everything we had been told and yet completely unexpected. The roads were non-existent and the landscape was massive. It was, however no problem for the all-conquering Hilary who skipped over the bumps and holes like a 4x4. Highlights included sharing dinner and drinks with a local family in their yurt and a river crossing that involved floating the car over whilst being towed by a tractor and opening the doors on the opposite bank to let all the water drain out! It took us just over a week to get from the Mongolian border to the finishing line in Ulan Ude, a day's drive into Russia.

Photos, videos and blog type updates can be found on our Facebook page, the link is below and it's all open so you don't need a Facebook account to view it. Once again thank you so much to those who have donated and helped Dan and I completely smash our expectations.

<https://www.justgiving.com/AstonMicra>

<https://www.justgiving.com/AstonMicra2>

<https://www.facebook.com/AstonMicra2015>

Chris Findlay

Froyle Golf Day

Robertson conquers Blackmoor to win the final major of the year

Congratulations to David Robertson who managed to take both individual and team honours at the Froyle Golf Day held on a lovely day at Blackmoor Golf Club, his fellow team member Jo Mills was a well deserved second and Oli Saugman third.

The team of David, Jo ably assisted by Nigel Mills and Sue Sharman were the team winners. 16 players participated in this year's annual event which raised £150 for charity. Hopefully in future the event will attract even more golfers to what is a very pleasant and informal day.

Ian Whitmore

U3A Open Lecture

Alton U3A will be holding an open lecture (open to non-members) on **Napoleonic Prisoner of War Work**, by Tony Cross, who lectures on Hampshire local history. Many prisoners were taken on both sides of this war - come and learn about the special measures taken in Britain to deal with them. To be held in Alton Community Centre on 16th October at 2pm. Entry £2 per person.

Rosé Wine



Rosé wines have a long history, as their origins date back to the earliest reds that were generally lighter in colour and fruitier than those made by modern production methods. Back then, red wines that had been hard pressed and the juice left to 'sit' with the skins longer, were considered too harsh. The first Bordeaux clarets to gain popularity were closer to modern rosé wines and very popular with the English market.

After the second world war, the much maligned Mateus Rosé made an appearance and proved incredibly popular throughout the 20th century, although its popularity has declined in recent years as the trend for more dry versions, as well as the American 'blush' wines such as Zinfandel, has increased.

Modern rosé wine is made from a range of grapes – Grenache, Cinsault, Tempranillo and Pinot Noir - and produced in a variety of methods. The maceration method is the most common, where the grapes are pressed and sit in their skins. For red wines they are left like this for the whole fermentation process, but for rosé wines they are separated earlier to produce paler, lighter wines, perhaps with less than 24 hours skin contact. The 'Vin Gris' method (literary 'grey wine') is where red grapes are used to make a nearly white wine such as Pinot Noir in the US, and Gamay or Cinsault in France. The 'Saignée' method is a by-product of the red wine process where some of the red grape juices is 'bled' off early in the process, allowing the remaining wine to strengthen and colour through more prolonged contact with the grape skins. This early juice is then processed as rosé wine, which can be released to the market sooner than the red, giving a more immediate return for the wineries.

Many of the local vineyards listed in our June magazine produce a sparkling rosé. Dry rosé wines are produced by only a handful of vineyards; **Wickham Vineyard** established in 1984 with the planting of 16 acres of wine in south Hampshire produces a lovely full wine of rich character whilst **Somborne Valley Estate** in the Test Valley produces a fresh, gentle pink colour rosé. Both of these dry rosés are available either directly from the producers or through Waitrose. A little further afield Denbies in Dorking, Surrey, produces a couple of award-winning rosé wines well worth a try.

However, my favourite and by far the largest producing area of rosé wines are those from Provence in south of France, particularly those labeled Côtes de Provence AOC – pale in colour and irresistible in taste!

“Anne Oldsoke”



**WE NEED YOUR
APPLES!**

**PLEASE HELP US RAISE MONEY FOR
BENTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Please deliver any surplus apples you may have to the crates located in Bentley Primary School playground or at Froyle Village Hall (please ensure to replace the waterproof covering and keep areas tidy). Any type of apples will be gratefully received – eating, cooking, bruised – but not rotten!

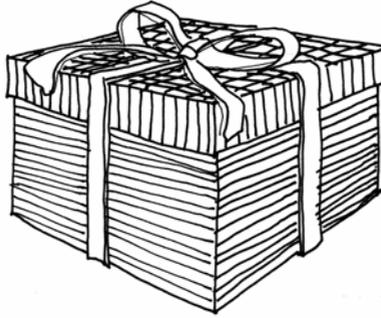
Mr Whitehead's Cider Company will give us 25% of the volume delivered in delicious apple juice, ready to sell and raise much needed funds for the school.

No time to collect apples? Please contact Amanda Sinclair and we will organise a team of “little pickers” from school to come and pick them!

mandasinclair@yahoo.co.uk - 01420 22375

Love in a Box Appeal 2015

Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches and Bentley School



Now that the new school term is well underway, please will you turn your thoughts to the children less fortunate than ours, in orphanages in Moldova and the Ukraine.

It may be a little early to be thinking about Christmas, but please would you start preparing your shoe boxes and collecting the relevant items to put in them. These could be started in October, and completed by the end of half-term, and the collection date will be from Bentley Green Farm, GU10 5JX on Tuesday 3rd November, 2015.

(Please try to find hat, scarf and glove sets; yoyos, colouring pencils; bubbles; bouncy balls; skipping ropes; playing cards; wrapped sweets; toothpaste; toothbrushes; flannels; toy cars; small dolls; small reading books; small colouring books; lined paper; soaps; hairbrushes; combs; pencil cases; felt tip pens; juggling balls; marbles; geometry sets; hair accessories; jewellery; NEW makeup; talcum powder; deodorant. Please DO NOT put items in the shoe boxes that you would not wish your own children at their appropriate ages, to receive. Thank you).

It would be absolutely wonderful if we could beat last year's target of 107 shoe boxes. For further information please contact:-

Louise Marston (Froyle): 01420 520175 and 07785 350381

Linda Bulpitt (Froyle): 01420 22725

Glenda Powell: **01420 23246**

Ann Wilson (Bentley): 01420 23644

Vicky Potter (Bentley School): 01420 521140 and 07952 997024

Kathy Ogilvie-Thompson (Binsted): 01420 23125

Thank you - we really value your support.

Glenda Powell, 23246

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 4th October

Froyle 8.00am Holy Communion
Bentley 11.00am HC & Children's Church
5.00pm Live@Five
Binsted 9.30pm Harvest Festival & HC

Sunday 11th October

Froyle 9.30am Holy Communion
Bentley 11.00am Harvest Festival & HC
Binsted 8.00am Holy Communion
3.30pm Messy Church

Sunday 18th October

Froyle 6.30pm Sung Evensong
Bentley 11.00am All together service
Binsted 9.30am Morning Worship

Sunday 25th October

Froyle 11.00am Holy Communion
Bentley 8.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Worship
5.00pm Live@Five
Binsted 9.30am Morning Worship

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

I was very privileged to attend the Bentley Malayalee Association's Onam festival held at Bentley Memorial Hall. Malayalees are the predominant people group in India's southern state of Kerala and Onam represents their most popular regional festival. Although normally celebrated over ten days in Kerala, the celebrations in Bentley were squeezed into just the one evening. At the heart of the festivities is an ancient Hindu story of the return of the king Mahabali (aka Maveli) from the Underworld. The following song is often sung at the festival:

When Maveli ruled the land,
All the people were equal.
And people were joyful and merry;
They were all free from harm.
There was neither anxiety nor sickness,
Deaths of children were unheard of,
There were no lies,
There was neither theft nor deceit,
And no one was false in speech either.
Measures and weights were right;
No one cheated or wronged his neighbour.
When Maveli ruled the land,
All the people formed one casteless race.

Keralites celebrate the Onam festival to commemorate the memory of the Great King Mahabali who would keep his promise to visit them every year from the underworld. The name "Mahabali" itself means Great Sacrifice. Mahabali fulfilled his name as the great martyr for the sake of Truth ("Satya").

Truth, sacrifice, a great king... sounds familiar?

Although there are many unique aspects to this Hindu story (of which I have only briefly mentioned!) there are themes within it which are common to all of us. A yearning for equality, joy, freedom from harm, health, honesty and justice lies at the heart of this story and perhaps provides the reason why this festival is celebrated by all Malayalees, regardless of their religion.

I believe we are all in one way or other looking for a King to bring us our heart's yearnings - a king who can fill what is sometimes described as a God-shaped hole. We disagree on the identity or shape of that King (for some the King is not so much a person as a philosophy or way of life) - but you won't be surprised to hear me say that I think that King is Jesus Christ.

However, Onam reminded me that for the sake of society as a whole, our search for a King must always be held with a deep respect for, and recognition of, our common humanity.

Blessings, Yann



You are invited to join us on

Sunday 11th October

3.30 - 5.30pm

In Binsted School Hall, Binsted Village

for a time of

Fun, crafts, celebration & food

All are invited - young & old alike, adults, children, teenagers, carers, grandparents, come as friends, families or partners, or come on your own, everyone is welcome.

If you are a child you will need to bring an adult with you.

Just come !

Entrance free

Messy Team Co-ordinator: Nick Carter 01420 472861
messychurch@benbinfro.org

Making a Will is Important at Any Age

Did you know that during the month of November a number of Solicitors across Britain will write or up date your will and ask only for a donation to a Charity? Wills are so important as they ensure that your next of kin will know precisely your wishes.

If you would like to take advantage of this generous offer visit the web site www.willaid.org.uk, call 0300 0309 558 or e-mail enquiries@willaid.org.uk.

Nigel Bulpitt



Hands Up for Action on Climate Change. Saturday November 28th

The United Nations Climate Talks open in Paris at the end of November.

A group of concerned people has formed the 'Alton Climate Alliance' to help ensure the success of these vital talks.

The Rally

The plan is to hold a one-hour rally in the Alton Public Gardens at **11.00 am on Saturday November 28th**. Two days before the talks open.

On the following day, one day before the talks open, there will be demonstrations in cities all over the world. Many Altonians have already said they will be joining the march in London. They will carry evidence collected at the Alton rally to show the strength of home support they represent.

Dr James Willis, convenor of the Alliance, says "We want everyone to support us and to spread the word. This is perfect timing before the global talks in Paris in December. We want to show our local MP that the people of Alton are behind him in tackling Climate Change. Please join us on the 28th "

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Thank you everyone who gave or promised donations these funds will be returned as quickly as possible. This campaign has brought the whole community together to save our arable fields and beautiful landscape and protect our environment. A lot of people really can make a difference - thank you all for your support.

Carole Goode

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The Froyle Village Magazine is produced every month (except August). It is funded by Froyle Parish Council, and a copy is delivered free to every address in the civil parish of Froyle. Our primary purpose is to keep you updated on what is going on, so we rely entirely on you letting us have the information to publish in the first place. But we try to make it of general interest, so we also carry some items of seasonal interest.

The magazine is put together and distributed by two sets of volunteers - the editorial group and the delivery group. Of course, if you would like to help in any way, then we are always looking for people to help out!

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<i>4</i> <i>8.00am HC</i>	<i>5</i> <i>Recycling & bottles</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> <i>2.30pm Better bal.</i>	<i>8</i> <i>9.45am Babies & toddlers</i>	<i>9</i> <i>Meeting Place 25th anniv.</i> <i>7.30pm Gard club</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>11</i> <i>9.30am HC</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Refuse & garden</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> <i>2.30pm Better bal.</i>	<i>15</i> <i>9.45am Babies & toddlers</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>17</i> <i>7.00pm Quiz night</i>
<i>18</i> <i>8.45am Wildlife trapping</i> <i>6.30pm Evensong</i>	<i>19</i> <i>Recycling</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> <i>2.30pm Better bal.</i>	<i>22</i> <i>9.45am Babies & toddlers</i>	<i>23</i> <i>Meeting Place</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>25</i> <i>11.00am HC</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Refuse & garden</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> <i>2.30pm Better bal.</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> <i>Meeting Place</i> <i>7.30pm Barn owl talk</i>	<i>31</i> <i>Wildlife photo closing date</i>

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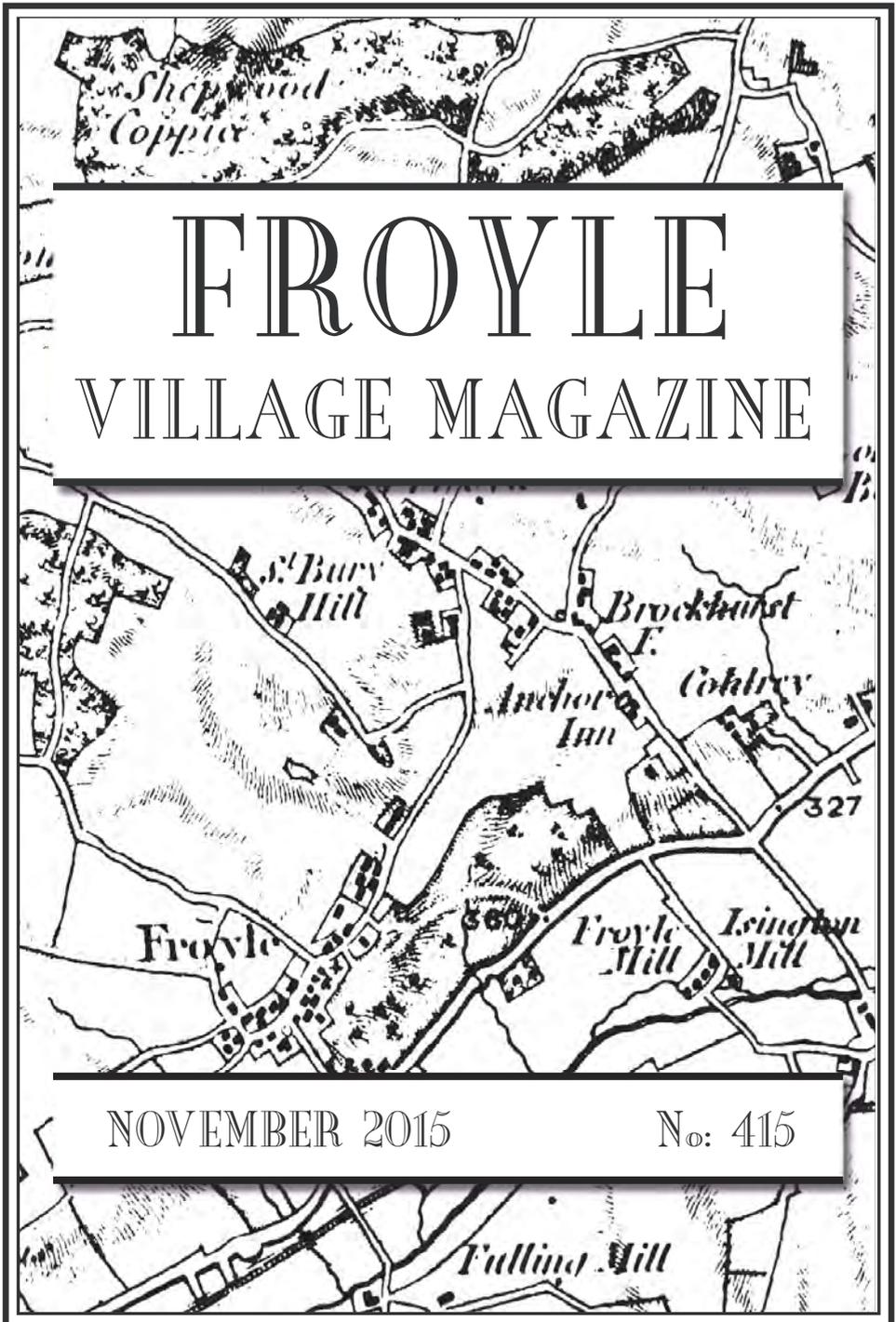
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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

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Report for the Village Magazine on the Extraordinary Meeting of the Froyle Parish Council (FPC)

Tuesday 6th October, 2015

Since June 2014 Froyle Park has been operating as a wedding venue with up to 300 guests several times a week. This has caused residents living close by a great deal of nuisance and distress. The main complaints are noise, odour, the impact of collections and deliveries, the behaviour of guests and the lack of supervision at the venue. Things came to a head over the summer as new residents moved in to Froyle Green immediately adjacent to Froyle Park.

Various departments at East Hants District Council (EHDC) including Enforcement and Environmental Health are now involved.

FPC has written to Angela Glass the portfolio holder for planning on EHDC stating that Froyle has been misled over the nature of the venue. What was intended to be a country club hotel/boutique hotel has not materialised. Residents were specifically promised at a public meeting that it would not be a wedding venue.

Mrs Glass has responded by pointing out that as a hotel the owners are entitled to run it as a wedding venue if they so wish.

A regular monthly liaison meeting has been set up including the Managing Director of Harbour Hotels which owns Froyle Park, Glynis Watts our District Councillor and representatives from FPC. Two meetings have been held resulting in an increase in staffing, better signage, improved control of noise etc. Late night collections are now made from the Avenue side of the venue rather than Froyle Green. Guests leave by the Avenue. The front gates are locked after 6pm.

On Tuesday 6 October FPC met to discuss the situation and additional courses of action which include the following:

- 1 - To write again to EHDC with a formal complaint about the way the development of Froyle Park has been managed by the planning department with particular regard to the failure to implement its own planning conditions and to press for a review of the premises licence for the venue.

2 - To meet with David Fitzgerald the Environmental Health Officer at EHDC.

3 - To write to Nicolas Roach the Chair of the Nicolas James Group who obtained the original planning consent for the development of the Treloar site and the owner of Froyle Park and make the following points:

- That the village was misled over the use of Froyle Park as a wedding venue.

- That had NJG proposed the kind of venue now in operation at Froyle Park in their original application, they would have received no support from the community and FPC would have vigorously opposed it.

- That the venue has inadequate access, parking and servicing area to support such large events.

- That such large events are inappropriate for a conservation area.

- That since June 2014 these events have caused significant distress to residents living close by and nuisance to residents living further afield.

- That the venue should in future be run as a country club hotel as was originally described to residents and that the scale of events should be limited to those that can be managed within the constraints of the site and in such a way that preserves the peace of residents and the character of the village.

- That the hotel is integrated into the community, is open to residents, provides local employment and becomes a source of pride not aggravation.

4 - To meet with Nicolas Roach to discuss his long-term proposal for improving the situation at Froyle Park by accessing the venue via Gid Lane and the Avenue

5 - To write to Linden Homes, the company building the new houses in Upper Froyle, to seek their support in improving the management of Froyle Park.

FPC would welcome comments from residents about the situation in Upper Froyle and the course of action outlined above.

In order to act effectively both FPC and EHDC need dated evidence of the nuisance caused by the Froyle Park venue including photographs and video. Collecting such material is distasteful but without it the authorities are unable to take action. We are grateful to those residents who responded to our request in the last Magazine. Their observations have been passed on. We hope all Froyle residents will now support and assist our efforts to secure changes to the operation of Froyle Park which we hope will eventually restore peace and harmony to our village.

Please email the Parish Clerk froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk

*Ian Macnabb
(For Froyle Parish Council)*

Letter to Residents of Froyle

(We are placing this letter directly after the report from the Parish Council on account of its subject matter - Editor)

The following letter was drafted in September but we did not submit it for publication pending further discussion with Froyle Parish Council. We are grateful for the support of the Parish Council but feel that the letter below sets the context for the focus that is now being placed on the site.

Since writing it, we understand that NJG are now engaged to try to alleviate the issues encountered. However some of the solutions, such as concreting part of the agricultural sheep field behind the Church for car parking, are not ideal. We believe that any proposals should be brought in front of the whole village for open discussion.

Dear Residents of Froyle,

Many residents will be unaware of the growing frustration experienced by residents of Upper Froyle courtesy of the primary use of Froyle Park as a wedding venue. For those that aren't aware we wanted to shine a light on our experiences, to highlight actions being undertaken and to invite those who sympathise to express their feelings to the appropriate authorities.

Prior to planning being granted, you may remember the Village Hall discussions where NJG proposed a Country Club Hotel, which would include a bar for villagers to drink in, a place for some village events to be held, employment for villagers, and such like. Many of you specifically asked whether the primary purpose of Gasston House was to become a wedding venue and the answer from the developer was a categorical 'no'. After planning was granted and the made-over Gasston House had been admired by all, the Country Club hotel concept disappeared.

Originally billed as a "country club hotel" the reality is that Froyle Park is primarily a wedding venue. Residents may be interested to know that no permanent catering staff are employed on site, with food and catering staff brought in to serve each wedding. This to us undermines the entire essence of a hotel, leading to the clear conclusion that the primary purpose of the site is as a wedding venue.

A. The primary issues that arise are as follows:-

1. Noise and disturbance caused by guests attending weddings which have taken place during the week and on most Friday, Saturday and Sundays during the summer. Incidents to date include:-

- Drunk guests rowing using foul language outside the venue
- Being called racist by a guest we have asked politely to stop shouting
- Guests taking photographs in a resident's garden
- Guests trespassing on resident's land
- Guests' cars blocking resident's driveway
- Groups of guests smoking outside the wedding venue and leaving cigarette ends in the Church vicinity
- Excessive traffic noise late at night
- Coaches stopping in the middle of the road to let all their guests off, oblivious to the jammed traffic.
- Fireworks being let off late at night
- Lost (and late) guests asking to change in a resident's house!

2. Noise and disturbance immediately surrounding the venue courtesy of staff and vans, featuring running engines and shouting, taking catering equipment (crockery/pans/bottles) away after events often beyond midnight, sometimes as late as 2.30am.

Residents may be interested to know that the planning conditions linked to the consent prevent deliveries between 6pm and 7am (condition 25). EHDC and the owners contend that the pick up of goods falls outside of the restrictions on deliveries and thus are free to pick up at will at any time of night. Frankly this makes a nonsense of the efforts to protect residents through conditions linked to consent and undermines all the conditions set in place for noise limitation.

3. Noise and disturbance caused by music from the venue. Sound limiters and door closers are intended to prevent noise disturbance, but it is clear that a significant number of residents that have moved into the area surrounding the venue are impacted by music

noise. This is made more acute by doors being jammed open and windows opened on warm summer evenings.

B. So what actions have residents taken?

1. A meeting has taken place between one resident and the owner to attempt to find a solution to the problems encountered. As matters stand little progress has been made and there has been precious little communication from the venue.
2. Complaints to the wedding venue management staff.
3. Complaints to EHDC, which fall into two areas:-
 - a) The validity of the consent for a wedding venue
 - b) Enforcement of conditions surrounding delivery/collection noise and noise from music, guests and traffic.

As matters stand, despite on going discussions with EHDC, it appears that there is little appetite to re-examine the validity of the consent or to challenge the owners over the conditions surrounding deliveries/collections.

The question is - when EHDC set the conditions for Froyle Park, were they setting them for a hotel or a wedding venue? Everything the developers proposed was for a country club hotel.

The villagers were led to believe that the use of Gasston House was intended to be a country club hotel, and the whole consultation process was based around that belief (please see the original planning application for evidence of this). Had the village known that the intention was to set up an exclusive wedding venue, with weddings nearly every day during the summer months, then many villagers would have made a very different response during the consultation process and would have encouraged more stringent planning conditions to protect the residents from all the disturbance they now suffer.

At the moment, we have asked EHDC for clarification of what exactly was discussed between planning officers and NJG over the *intended* use and conditions for the 'hotel' prior to planning being granted. A few of us have lodged official complaints with EHDC over how the planning process has allowed this position to arise with residents. Complaints have also been made to EHDC's Environmental Health Department.

The primary purpose of writing this letter is to raise awareness of the issues, to update on the actions we are undertaking and to ask for the village to support us by providing your own comments.

Yours
George and Alex Roberts



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Announcing the Froyle Christmas Short Story Competition

Open to all young people living in
Froyle aged 16 or less

Write us a short story and e-mail it to
us, to arrive on or before 20th
November and you could

Win a HUDL

All submissions will be judged, and the winner will receive a new HUDL tablet. Age will be taken into account.

Choose any subject you like, so long as it has a seasonal theme.

Make it as short or as long as you like, but to guide you, 200 words takes up about half a page of this magazine.

Get your skates on!

There's not long to go before we need your submission, so **do it now!** - Or at least as soon as you can. When you have finished it, e-mail it to us at magazine@froyle.com - don't forget to tell us your name and your age. The winner will be awarded a HUDL, and we propose to print the stories in the December magazine. **Good luck!**



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. We have great wooden toys to play with: a doll house, a pretend kitchen and even a pretend shop! There is a charge of £2 per family, per week which covers refreshments, craft activities and the rent of the village hall.

November meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th.

Bring a friend, come and join us for a fun filled morning! Any questions please call Sylvie on 520779.

Sylvie Nonhebel - 520779

The Meeting Place

Thank you to all those who came to our 25th Birthday celebration on 9th October. Thank you especially to Mary Wilde, who was celebrating her own birthday, for her brief but very interesting speech about the History of the Meeting Place and how it all started. Mary then cut the cake and we all enjoyed a glass of bubbly. We look forward to many more birthdays!



Friday 6th November will be our annual visit by volunteers from **R.N.L.I.** who will be selling Christmas cards and gifts. Donations for tea and coffee will go to the Charity. All are very welcome.

CAKE BAKERS FOR NOVEMBER

6 Nov	Bea Sword	Alex Roberts	Jill McKenzie	Barbara Starbuck
13 Nov	Ann Roberts	Ann Andrew	Jo Mills	
20 Nov	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	Sue Lelliott
27 Nov	June Trim	Anne Wetherall	Louise Marston	Anne Blunt

HELPERS FOR NOVEMBER

6 Nov	Lauraine Bourne	Caroline Findlay
13 Nov	Jane Macnabb	Sarah Roberts
20 Nov	Jo Mills	Jenny Topping
27 Nov	Sue Marriott	Mary Wilde

Gill Bradley

Meeting Place Helpers and Cake Makers For 2016

Advance notice to all you lovely volunteers..... The lists of Meeting Place Helpers and Cake Makers will be available to collect from the Meeting Place every Friday in December. Should you be unable to collect a list, or get a friend or neighbour to do this for you, please contact Gill Bradley 01420 520484 or p.andg.bradley@btinternet.com who will be able to email or deliver your list to you. Once again, a BIG Thank You to all who volunteer and make our Friday morning gatherings such a success.

Lori Taylor



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Our October meeting was very well attended - Geoff Hawkins gave an excellent talk on ground cover. The competition for Autumn Baskets was won by Marian Cresswell.

On **November 13th**, Kevin Hobbs will talk on Autumn Beauties. The competition is an Autumn Arrangement.

Slides - If you have any pictures of Beth Chatto's garden from our visit, could you please forward them to Geoff Hawkins, to be shown at the AGM.

Trophies - Please return any trophies for engraving to Anne Blunt or Brenda Milam.

Brenda Milam



Better Balance

The amazing Better Balance sessions continue in November on Wednesdays 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. We celebrate three years on November 18th! Some of the group have been coming for three years too. For more information, call Sue Sharman on 22603.

Accordion Bill!

On November 11th, at 3.45pm, Bill Matheson will entertain on his accordion, with tunes from the 40s, 50s and 60s for us to sing along or tap your toes! It promises to be lively and fun so do come along at 3.30, after Better Balance. There will be tea and biscuits as you arrive and then the music starts!

It will help me for seating, to know if you are coming

Madeleine Black 23371

Harvest Supper

Thanks to all those who contributed to make this a very successful evening. Thanks especially to Jo who did most of the cooking, to all those who helped: setting up, making a delicious variety of crumbles, serving and, worst of all, clearing up at the end, both in the kitchen and in the Hall! Thanks also to Maureen who master minded the raffle. We hope all those who came enjoyed the evening.

Gill Bradley



Froyle Church Christmas Fair
Saturday 21st November 2.00pm
At Froyle Village Hall



Come and visit Santa in his Grotto

**Raffle - Christmas Fare - Books - Christmas Stall - Bottle Stall -
Bric-a-brac - Afternoon Teas & Treats**

Donations for all stalls will be gratefully received

This is a classic village event to herald the festive season, all new comers to the village are most especially welcome.

Christmas Stall - WANTED - good quality Christmas bits & bobs: crackers, candles, decorations and gifts etc. There'll be a box at the Meeting Place for 2 weeks before, items can also be left at Beech Cottage or ring and I'll collect. Caroline Findlay 22019

Bric-a-brac - All bric-a-brac will be gratefully received either at Copse Hill Farm, or at the Village Hall on the day. Jane Macnabb 23195

Christmas Fare - cakes, mince pies, biscuits, home-made chutneys, marmalade and other yummy Christmas goodies wanted please. Jo Mills 22384 or Susie Robertson 520820

Bottle Stall - All bottles gratefully received, please kindly pop in the boxes provided in Church (throughout November) or at the Meeting Place (Fri 14 & 21 Nov) or at the Village Hall on the day. Sarah Roberts 520041.

Bookstall - We would be grateful for any books you no longer want. Either leave them in the box at the Meeting Place one or two weeks before the Fair, or ring us and we will collect. Madeleine Black 23371 or Lauraine Bourne 22159

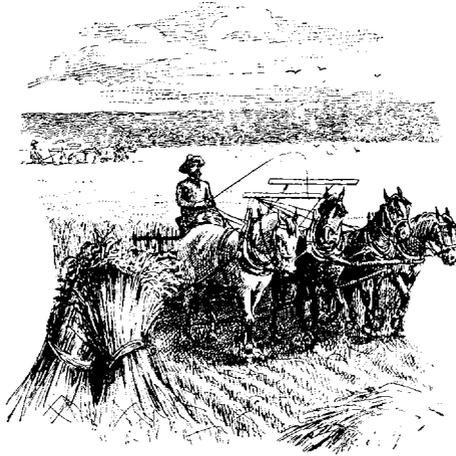
Harvest Festival

Thank you to all those who helped to decorate the church so beautifully and for producing lots of flowers, foliage, fruit and vegetables, some of which went on to Binsted Church for our contribution to their Harvest Flower Festival.

As last year, we shall be having a **Harvest Soup Lunch** on **Thursday 12th November** at 12.30 in the Village Hall. Donations to St.Mary's Church. Everyone will be most welcome to come and try a wide choice of soups!

Sarah (23294), Gill (520484)

The View from the Fields



Weather conditions for our soils around Froyle proved almost perfect this year.

The heavy soils held much of the rainfall through the winter and so with the warm dry weather through the spring, plants had plenty of moisture below ground to tap into, along with the endless days of sunshine throughout June and July crops were allowed to reach their full potential.

High yields of Winter Barley and Winter Wheat blew away all previous records to date.

We scrutinise all inputs and timings in attempt to understand and replicate these bumper crops, sadly it has little to do with our efforts and more to do with the luck of the weather.

Varietal selection plays a major part, with many new varieties arriving annually and through improved breeding techniques yields just keep going up and up. The current crop of Barn Busters, as they are known, are capable of yields of 6.6t/ac, as seen in Lincolnshire this year, yields that were unimaginable only 10 years ago.

As a farmer all we can do is plant in good time into fine and firm seedbeds, protect from pests and disease, fertilise little and often (preferably before a rain) and then cross our fingers and hope for the best.

Sadly these bumper crops have little to do with the grower, but more with that of a greater power.

Current dry conditions have allowed good progress with next harvests planting, which is nearly completed. Currently, battling with slugs on a regular basis on crops after Oilseed Rape and servicing a bank of gas bangers that will be eagerly awaiting the arrival of pigeons, when they start to flock up, probably around Christmas.

Thomas Porter

Red Wine Review

Claret



When going to a pub these days you do notice that often the red wines by the glass are often Merlot, Malbec or a blend of various grape varieties however what better than sitting in front of an open fire on a winters evening with a “decent claret” ?

Claret is in fact a nickname for Bordeaux wines, it meant “clear,” “pale” or “light-coloured” wine (“claret” being derived from the Latin word for “clear”). This is back in the 14th and 15th centuries, when wines from Bordeaux were actually paler, almost like rosés. In the late Middle Ages, “claret” also referred to a heated wine poured over a bag of spices. The first known references to “claret” as dark red Bordeaux wines were in the 1700s by the British trade. These days “claret” is used as a generic way to refer to Bordeaux wines and the associated dark red colour.

So what Claret would you choose to drink and at what price, these are currently on special offer at various local supermarkets.

Waitrose Saint-Émilion £9.99 Fresh blueberry & cranberry flavours on a supple palate combining blueberry and fresh cranberry flavours with a slight smokiness. A wonderfully complex and mouth-filling red, made predominantly from Merlot grapes with a little Cabernet Franc.

Château Calon 2005 St Georges Saint-Émilion £14.99 Majestic The best ever vintage from this excellent property. The nose possesses sensational aromas of roasted nuts, ripe black cherries and vanilla. The palate is mouthfilling with incredibly rich cassis fruit and the finish marvellously long.

Chateau La Roche M&S £7.33 Lively, ripe red Bordeaux with smooth blackberry and plum fruit, a sassy kick of acidity and a hint of chocolate.

Sainsbury's Taste the Difference range of Bordeaux wines are often given good reviews in both the Times and the Telegraph and are very reasonably priced.

But don't forget the new discounters - one wine expert who tasted **Saint-Emilion Grand Cru AoP Chateau du Cauze 2011 £11.99** from **Lidl** actually thought it was in a price range above £500 !

I think there may be a lesson here, drink what you personally like and ignore the experts. Having tried all the above I am still unable to determine which I like best but will keep trying!

“L. Arruped”

Froyle Rainfall for September 2015

This year	60 mm	2.4 inches
Last year	7.5 mm	0.3 inches
Wettest September (1995)	150 mm	5.9 inches
Driest September (2003)	7 mm	0.3 inches
Long-term average for September – 6th wettest month	59.1 mm	2.3 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	500.5 mm	19.7 inches
Long-term average for the year to the end of September	524.9 mm	20.7 inches

An average month, so what to add? Weather lore suggests that “Heavy September rains bring drought” which was barely the case this year; so the jury is still out that a below average for the year is still on the cards – and note that the first 10 days of October were rather damp. But even if my prediction turns out to be wildly inaccurate, mercifully a 1677 law, that “Rainmakers and Weather Seers will be burned at the stake”, was repealed in 1959.



“The Umbrella Man”

THE BIG SCHOOL BUILD

Bentley Primary School Building Project

Together we're aiming high!

Please come to our LAUNCH PARTY

Thursday 26th November
BENTLEY SCHOOL HALL
7.30pm



- Meet the fundraising committee.
- See the plans.
- Have your questions answered.
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Drinks and nibbles and a warm welcome for all

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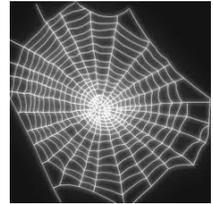
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heard about...**

Medicine for the Soul

Two more reading suggestions for you



No prizes for guessing the book under review here. If you loved the Stieg Larsson trilogy, then you should read this. It's not as fresh and surprising as the earlier ones, but has a good plot—once you get past all the technical groundwork. You can skip those parts, of course, and stick with the action. There's plenty of that. For me, the best reason to persevere is the backstory you get on Lisbeth Salander. I



don't think David Lagercrantz writes with the same punch that Larsson did—but all the reviewers seem to think he's just as good, if not better. Enjoy! (**The Girl in the Spider's Web: A Lisbeth Salander Novel, 2015**)

Mary Knowles

If you ever get to the point where you want to read something utterly unlike anything you have read before, then can I suggest you get hold of a copy of **The Flame Alphabet, by Ben Marcus**. This work of fiction envisages a sort of parallel version of modern-day America, but one in which the speech of children is becoming physically toxic to adults. A sort of speculative fiction, but in truth it defies any simple efforts to assign it to any one genre. If you appreciate a work that will leave you pondering on numerous subjects, then try it. It's quite a page-turner but be warned - it does tend to polarise opinion!

Ian Black

Walking the Lanes

Also a decent jogging route

As it becomes wet underfoot and as the fields have been ploughed some walks have yet to re-establish themselves, I am suggesting a pleasant walk keeping to the lanes. Walk to the Hen and Chicken, walk past the Garage and along towards West End Farm. Cross the A31 and follow the lane towards Mill Court, after approximately 1/4 mile turn left and following quite a steep rise continue along the lane. It can become quite exposed but with really good views back across to Upper Froyle, the Church and Froyle Park. Keep straight on, don't turn toward Binsted. Then when you get to the T junction turn left towards Isington. You will go over the railway bridge and on the bend reach Isington Farm Shop which now has a coffee shop. Continue right and in approx. 100 yards turn left signposted Lower Froyle and go past Isington Mill, over the Wey and up to the A31. Crossing the A31 here can be quite scary especially with children or dogs, therefore an alternative is to follow the road under the A31 and follow Coldrey Drive past the cottages, turn right onto the road and past the Anchor back into the Village. The walk will take approximately 1.5 hours.

"R. Ambling" with "J. Oggling" (sigh)

Froyle 100 Club Results

October 2015

1st - Annette Booth 2nd - Jimmy Evans
3rd - Andrew Potter 4th - Sue Creaser

Congratulations to the winners! - William Knowles

U3A Open Lecture

20th November 2015 is the date of the next Monthly Meeting for the U3A. Glyn Bradney will talk on the fascinating history of GLIDING, and how Lasham has become the heart of British Gliding. This will be at Alton Community Centre as usual, at 2.00 pm. Entry £2 each. Non-members welcome.

More information available on the U3A web-site.



You are invited to join us on

Sunday 8th November

3.30 - 5.30pm

In Binsted School Hall, Binsted Village

for a time of

Fun, crafts, celebration & food

All are invited - young & old alike, adults, children,
teenagers, carers, grandparents, come as friends, families or partners, or come on your own,
everyone is welcome.

If you are a child you will need to bring an adult with you.

Just come !

Entrance free

Messy Team Co-ordinator: Nick Carter 01420 472861
messychurch@benbinfro.org

Advent by Candlelight



**A special evening of Advent Anthems, Carols and Readings
Saturday 28th November 2015, 6.30 pm at St Mary's Church
*followed afterwards by a thank you supper***

Those of you who have been to the Advent service in Froyle church in recent years will know what a special occasion it is – an atmospheric, candlelit choral event to mark the beginning of Advent which shows our church and our choir at their best. If you haven't been before, we urge you not to miss it this time.

It will be particularly poignant this year because it marks the last service at Froyle for Martin Colbran in his role as Choir Master – he is sadly stepping down after this service. Martin has lead and guided the choir for the last 10 years, achieving extraordinarily high levels of performance and giving many of us a great deal of pleasure. We are going to mark the occasion, and express our huge appreciation for Martin's dedication and inspiration, by holding a supper in the Village Hall immediately after the service, to which all who would like to thank Martin and the Choir for all they have done over the last 10 years are most welcome to come – even if you can't come to the Advent service itself. The supper will start from about 7.45 - 8:00pm.

Supper RSVP: Jenny Gove (23697), William Knowles (23164) or Sarah Roberts (520041). There will be no charge but all contributions towards a gift for Martin will be appreciated. Cooks, servers & helpers on the night NEEDED!

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Administrator: Tel 07500 949 465; e-mail admin@benbinfro.org



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Park Edge, Upper Froyle

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The Old Dairy, Upper Froyle

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Benefice Pastoral Care: Kathy Ogilvie Thompson (23125)

Prayer Chain: Nick Carter (472861)

Sunday 1st November	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th November	Froyle	10.50am	Remembrance Service
Remembrance Sunday	Bentley	10.00am	Remembrance Service
	Binsted	10.50am	Remembrance Service
		3.30pm	Messy Church
Sunday 15th November	Froyle	6.30pm	Sung Evensong
	Bentley	11.00am	All together Service
	Binsted	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd November	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	8.00am	Holy Communion
		11.00am	Morning Worship
	Binsted	9.30am	Morning Worship
Saturday 28th November	Froyle	6.30pm	Advent Carol Service
Sunday 29th November	Binsted	11.00am	Joint Benefice Service

Please Note Froyle's Remembrance Service starts at the War Memorial at 10.50 and then continues in the church.

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

A Month for Facial Hair

Thanks to the fundraising activities of the Movember foundation, November has become a month where a variety of beards and moustaches will be sprouting on the usually smooth faces of quite a few men in our parish. What's a vicar to say about this?



Well, facial hair, and beards in particular, have quite a place in the Bible and in the Church. Can anyone imagine Abraham without one? In fact the beards of some other Old Testament luminaries such as Aaron, King David, Ezra and Ezekiel are specifically mentioned. The book of Leviticus gives strict instructions as to how all Jewish men are to trim their beards - it is just assumed that all men have one. Which means, of course, that Jesus must have sported a beard, as well as all his disciples.

The Church Fathers are all depicted as sporting beards and there have even been those in the church who have written treatise on the subject, *Apologia de Barbis* (Defense of Beards) by Abbot Burchard of Bellevaux, a 12th Century example. Our very own Sir Thomas More is supposed to have moved his beard to a safe position as he awaited his beheading defiantly stating, "My beard has not been guilty of treason, and it would be an injustice to punish it". The Victorian preacher, C.H. Spurgeon was clear: "Growing a beard is a habit most natural, Scriptural, manly and beneficial."

So, shouldn't all men be sporting a beard this November (there is sadly no mention of bearded ladies in the Bible)? This would seem to be the way ahead according to Holy Scripture and Church Tradition (with a few notable exceptions such as the beardless Pope Clement VII).

Well no, not really. Whatever our view of male facial hair, what really matters is what God makes of our appearance. And - this shouldn't be too much of a surprise - he isn't too bothered about our external appearance: "Man looks on the outside, but God looks on the heart." *1 Samuel 16:7*

Blessings, Yann



The Benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches

Invite the senior residents
of our villages to our

Advent Tea Party

in the
St Mary's Church Hall, Bentley
On Thursday 3rd December 2015
from 3-5pm

Please do bring your friends too
To assist with catering - please let us know if
you'll be coming along.

For further information and
if you need a lift - transport can be organised,

Ring Kathy on 01420 23125



Wenceslas Encore!



For the fourth year Farnham Lions are inviting better-off senior-citizens to forgo some or all of their Winter Fuel Payments in favour of local people who are in serious Fuel Debt or chronic Fuel Poverty. Last winter, thanks to the warm-heartedness of some 220 donors, we distributed £20,000 in Farnham and Haslemere. This sum enabled us to clear all the Fuel debt cases on the books of both Farnham and Haslemere Citizens Advice Bureaux and also to make a large number of discretionary grants of £100 to needy families who were identified to us by Sure Start and School/Home Link social workers. Every payment was made direct to a fuel utility company on behalf of our clients thus ensuring that ALL the money was spent on fuel.

Donations for 2015/16 are invited to www.justgiving.com/lions-wenceslas ; or cheques may be sent to "Lions Club of Farnham" (and endorsed "WFP" on the back) to "Lion Treasurer, 2 Birdhaven, Sandrock Hill Road, Farnham, GU10 4PB"

Linda Bulpitt

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Basingstoke Choral Society

Conductor
David Gibson

7.00pm Sunday, 15th November 2015
The Anvil, Basingstoke

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or www.anvilarts.org.uk

For our first concert of the new season, Basingstoke Choral Society has chosen Handel's great masterpiece **Messiah**. The concert will take place on **Sunday 15th November at 7pm in the Anvil**.

The baroque players **Ars Eloquentiae** join **BCS** and the soloists include the prize-winning soprano **Robyn Allegra Parton**, mezzo soprano **Diana Moore**, and bass **Ashley Riches**, fresh from his recent successes at the Royal Opera House.

This performance of **Messiah** will feature several choruses often omitted. The intention is to present this 270 year old, much-loved work in a refreshing way and it is hoped very much that you will be able to join us.

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Concert of Advent Music by The Rose Belles

www.rosebellesmusic.com

To reflect the quieter, penitential season of Advent, they will be performing the music either a cappella or with just piano.

in Alton Abbey church, GU34 4AP

Friday 11th December 7.30pm

Two ½ hour concerts, with an extended interval when mulled wine, and light refreshments will be served

Tickets £15, available from "Tickets", Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Abbey Road, Alton, GU34 4AP

Cheques should be made payable to "Friends of Alton Abbey".

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**Phyllis
Tuckwell**
Hospice Care

Grab Your Mask And Have A Ball!

Tickets are selling fast for Phyllis Tuckwell's annual Christmas party, which this year promises a night of indulgence, illusion and intrigue at the Royal Masquerade Ball. So book your table now for the perfect way to end the working week and get into the festive mood!

Held at FIVE in Farnborough on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th December, you will marvel at how the venue has been transformed as you arrive in Venice's St Mark's Square, complete with ancient stone foundations, impressive colonnades and the famed Bell Tower. Glimpse the gondolas as you cross the Rialto Bridge on the way to a sumptuous three-course dinner, served amidst the palatial splendour of the silk drapes, gilded mirrors and Venetian chandeliers of the Doge's Palace.

Best Parties Ever will once again be hosting this ever-popular event, so gather your friends, family or workmates and book your table quick, as there are limited spaces left. As well as a three-course dinner and spectacular scenery, the evening will include live entertainment, a charity casino, indoor dodgems, an art disco, fire performers, aerial acrobats, and a raffle and auction with fantastic prizes.

Fundraising events such as these Christmas parties are incredibly important to local Hospice Care charity Phyllis Tuckwell, which provides supportive and end of life care for patients and families affected by cancer or other serious progressive illnesses, in West Surrey and North East Hampshire. Every day the charity supports over 250 patients and relatives in their own homes, in the community, at the Hospice in Farnham and at The Beacon Centre in Guildford, through a mix of medical care, nursing, therapies, counselling, social work and practical support. However, as the NHS/Government only covers 20% of its costs, it has to raise over £15,000 a day to be able to offer all of its services, free of charge, to patients and families. The evening will start at 7.30pm, and finishes at 1am with a survivors' breakfast. Tickets cost £37.50 each – book now by visiting www.pth.org.uk, calling 01252 729446 or emailing fundraising@pth.org.uk

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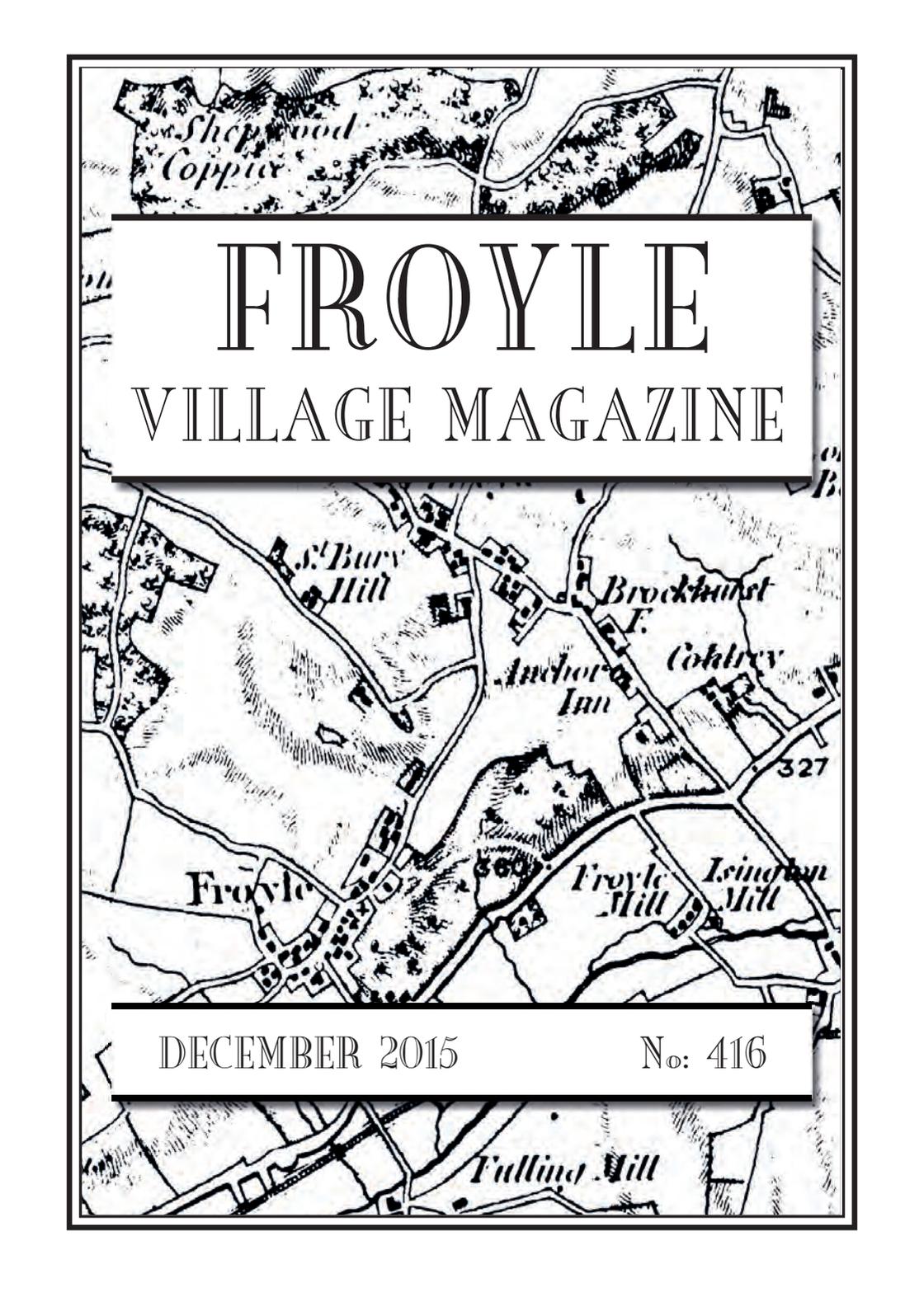
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A detailed historical map of Froyle village, showing streets, buildings, and landmarks. The map is rendered in a woodcut or engraved style. At the top, 'Sheepwood Coppice' is labeled. Below it, a large white box contains the title 'FROYLE VILLAGE MAGAZINE'. The map continues below the box, showing 'St. Mary's Mill', 'Anchor Inn', 'Brockhurst', 'Coktrev', 'Froyle', 'Froyle Mill', 'Isington Mill', and 'Falling Mill'. A road number '327' is visible on the right side. The map is framed by a double-line border.

FROYLE

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What can...

PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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Froyle Village Carols at Christmas

Froyle Village Hall would like to invite all in Froyle to sing Christmas Carols around Lower Froyle followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the village hall.

Wednesday 23rd December
Meet in the Village Hall Car Park
at 5.30 p.m.

We would love as many children as possible to join.
Bring a lantern if possible or a torch
and wear suitable bright clothing!

For those who do not feel able to walk around the village please feel free to join us in the village hall afterwards.

Should the weather be unsuitable we will simply enjoy ourselves singing a few carols before wine and mince pies in the hall.

Purely to help catering numbers, please inform Karen Potter (520294) if you would like to join in.

I bring Him..

Report for the Village Magazine on the Meeting of the Froyle Parish Council (FPC)

Monday 16th November 2015.

1. An initial discussion on the 2016-17 FPC budget concluded that an increase in the precept (the council's income) would be appropriate. Further work would be done to assess the costs of two important projects (improvements / rebuild of the sports hut, and refurbishment of the playground).
2. The charges for the village magazine adverts were discussed and changes from April 2016 were agreed.
3. So that the village may celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday Froyle Village Hall Committee and FPC are to hold a tea party on the village recreation ground on Sunday 12th June to which all villagers will be invited. Volunteers are needed to help organise this event.
4. A grant of £500 for the Froyle Archives was approved. Residents are reminded that FPC can make grants for a variety of village events and projects.
5. As reported in last month's magazine Froyle Park has been operating since June 2014 as a wedding venue with up to 300 guests several times a week. This has caused residents living close by a great deal of nuisance and distress. The FPC held an extraordinary meeting on 6th October 2015 at which it discussed courses of action in order to try to improve the position for the residents. A discussion took place on the status of these actions relating to Froyle Park since the last meeting of FPC.
 - a. A formal complaint has been sent to the EHDC concerning the way the development of Froyle Park has been managed by the planning department, the failure to implement conditions in a timely manner and to press for a review of the premises licence for the venue. A response has been promised in 20 days.
 - b. A copy of the correspondence with EHDC has been sent to Damian Hinds MP. FPC are actively seeking Mr Hinds' help in ensuring that Froyle Park operates in a way that shows neighbourly respect for the Froyle residents.
 - c. FPC has again been in contact with David Fitzgerald, the Environmental Health Officer at EHDC. He continues to review the position. In order for him to consider calling in the premises licence for the venue he needs further evidence of noise and disturbance. This is ongoing. Any resident is entitled to ask for the licence to be reviewed should they so wish.
 - d. FPC has now exchanged letters with Nicholas Roach the Chair of the Nicholas James Group (NJG), the owner of Froyle Park.. Mr Roach apologises for the disruption caused by activity at Froyle Park in the past. He states new management has been put in place which will ensure that in

poor...

future the venue will be run professionally, that all servicing will take place via the Avenue and after events guests will now leave the same way, and a public bar has been opened which he hopes residents will support.. FPC is seeking a meeting with Mr Roach to discuss the long term operation of Froyle Park.

e. FPC continues to hold monthly liaison meetings with Mike Warren, the Managing Director of Harbour Hotels (part of the NJG of companies), and Steve Lewis the newly appointed Manager of Froyle Park and Northbrook Park. Comments received from residents about the impact of Froyle Park are discussed at this meeting. Although there is a wish to diversify the events at Froyle Park it would seem that weddings will continue to be the core of the business. At the moment Froyle Park offers no in-house catering, however a cook has been appointed and will start in the New Year. Further, Froyle Park propose to invite all Froyle residents to a champagne and canape party to be held on 17th December.

f. FPC have been in contact with the managing director of Linden Homes to discuss the impact of Froyle Park.

g. As a condition of the planning permission for Froyle Park, a wild life pond is to be constructed close to the Avenue. Negotiations over this project which arose from the parish plan have been ongoing for more than 18 months and have now broken down as a result of NJG's reluctance to grant public access. FPC is in discussion with the Froyle Conservation Group and is seeking support from EHDC to resolve this matter. A developer's contribution of £20,000 is available for this project. FPC believe that to continue with the project in its present form but without public access would represent poor value for money for the community.

h. Residents have reported vehicles leaving Froyle Park Avenue at speed and a double decker bus reversing along Gid Lane towards the A31. FPC believes that the junction between Gid Lane and the A31 is dangerous and is concerned about its increased use by caterers and guests at Froyle Park. Our county councillor Mark Kemp Gee has been alerted to this issue and has been asked to discuss with the highways department. Major alterations will be needed to ensure the safety of this junction.

If you have issues to raise or questions to ask please contact the Parish Clerk at froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk

The next FPC meeting is scheduled for 11th January 2016 but extraordinary meetings can be called at any time.

...and a letter from Mr Steve Lewis, the new manager at Froyle Park:

Dear Villagers

We would like to thank the residents of Upper Froyle for their patience and support over the last 12 months as the business has been established.

We accept that, on a number of occasions this year, when we have hosted large events at Froyle Park, this has resulted in significant traffic and associated issues in the village. We regret that we did not foresee this sooner and take proactive action to minimise any manageable disruption. We wish to take this opportunity to apologise to all individuals who may have been adversely affected.

We are pleased to confirm that we have, and we are, taking further steps to manage the operation in as efficient a manner as possible.

1. We are giving further consideration to traffic management and how we can ensure that all traffic travelling from Froyle Park will be via the estate's private avenue.

2. All catering and other deliveries will be via a new route and will not access the building from the Froyle Green approach.

3. We have invested in additional signage inside and outside the property to ensure that noise levels are kept to a minimum and that our guests fully appreciate and respect the peaceful environment and conservation area.

4. Additional staff have been employed at Froyle Park to manage and cater for the events that take place.

5. With regard to our immediate neighbours at Froyle Green, we have boosted the insulation on the boundary wall and we are exploring further options for sound management.

The team at Froyle are committed to establishing and maintaining a harmonious relationship with our neighbours and we will take every step necessary to achieve this.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite all villagers to a Christmas Champagne and Canapé evening at Froyle Park with our compliments. This will take place on Thursday 17th December from 630 – 800pm.

A further update will be provided in the next Parish magazine.

Yours sincerely

Steve Lewis, General Manager

If I was...

SPEEDWATCH - the story so far...

Many will recall from the Village Plan that a major cause for concern was traffic - both volume and speed - through Froyle, to which end, for the last few weeks, a number of us have been operating a speed camera, courtesy of Alton Police.

Our instructions are to record details of those motorists substantially exceeding the 30 mph speed limit, pass those details on to the Police who will then take such action as they deem necessary. Thus far we have concentrated on Lower Froyle and residents will be interested to know that in general some 15% of motorists were recorded as speeding, although, if we were to include those only modestly exceeding the limit, this would have been somewhat higher. There were though a couple of further observations we made which are of interest:

1. The majority of the speeding occurred first thing in the morning;
2. Half-term made little difference;
3. There was little difference in the percentage of motorists speeding on Froyle Road or outside the Village Hall;
4. Virtually everybody slowed down to within the limit on seeing the sign.

So two very early conclusions would be that speeding *is* a problem in (Lower) Froyle, if not a major one, but a flashing sign certainly works to slow the traffic. Others may disagree but we felt that something more permanent - and maybe moveable? - should at least be considered.

More in future issues...

PS We had no abuse thrown at us, despite the police suggesting this was a possibility, save for one incident when a passenger in a white van shouted at us very accurately, "You're Old!" - at least we think that's what we heard; it's definitely tough out there...

PPS We have a hardcore of volunteers but would greatly appreciate any more who would like to join our happy throng of budding Shaw Taylors, particularly from Upper Froyle; please contact Chris Marston for further details on chris.marston@theconsortium.com

"Nipper of the (Wood)Yard"

St Mary's Church Christmas Decorations

This year' theme is BELLS and STARS plus of course lots of seasonal flowers and greenery.

We shall be decorating on **Wednesday 23rd December starting at 9.00 a.m.** All help and contributions will be most welcome.

a shepherd...



SAVE THE DATE...

SATURDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2016

BINGO NIGHT

In the Froyle Village Hall

Further details will be given in the next issue of the magazine

Froyle Wildlife

Our first AGM followed by a Barn Owl talk was well attended by about 60 people on 30th October. Thanks to those that helped to organise the evening and provide the drinks and nibbles. Your generous contributions boosted our funds by £231 after £100 was donated to the Hawk and Owl Trust.

A new wildflower area on Froyle recreation ground was sown this autumn with the help of 14 individuals after over 100 hours of volunteer time. The meadow mixture of spring/summer flowering perennials have germinated, with cornfield annuals included to provide a display in 2016 and act as a nurse crop for the perennials that take longer to establish.

After a slow start, the plan for a wildlife pond near Gid Lane had to be changed to a single pond (300m² area) when the topographical survey revealed buried pipes on the site. Recently the required planning application has been submitted to EHDC ref 56422, comments by 16th December 2015. The owners of Froyle Park have been asked to permit access for local residents to the proposed pond area.

Our 2015 competition of photos taken in Froyle had a variety of interesting wildlife images, see <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/photo-gallery/2015-photo-competition/>. Congratulation to the winning entries; a Pale Tussock moth caterpillar by Madeleine Black and a Peacock butterfly by William Blanchard in the junior category.

Barry Clark

I would bring...



Better Balance

Better Balance celebrated three years with a cake on 18th November. Thank you Sue for keeping us motivated all this time! We have had a visit from Nicola Wright the Falls Prevention Physical Activity Officer at HCC who joined in the exercises.

December dates:

Wednesday 2nd and 9th, at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

Then holiday till early January.

The Hitting the Cold Spots campaign is under way, funded by HCC, provided by tEC (the Environment Centre, a Hampshire charity):

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Madeleine Black 23371

“Woof ,Woof, Bark,Bark” (or to translate...)

"We are two very lovely cocker spaniels in Froyle who need a friend to take us out from time to time as our people are often away at work (what is that?) during the week. We need to get out between 60 and 90 minutes every day when we are alone. We understand that our folks offer a “good rate” in return (whatever that means). Please phone 07846 904 194 if you think you might be able to help."



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Hiring the Hall

The general rule is please leave the hall in the condition you found it or better as it is not always possible to clean the hall between bookings. Please take all your rubbish with you as there is insufficient bin space for two weeks accumulation.

If you wish to use the dish washer follow the instructions and remember to rinse the plates first.

Before you leave check the loos are clean, stack the tables and chairs correctly, make sure the floor is swept, close and lock all the windows and French doors, draw the curtains back, turn off the water heater and switch off all the lights. Double lock the front door.

Please return the key to the key safe which is located to the right of the front door by the down pipe. Do this as soon as the session has ended because the key may be needed early the next morning.

If you have any comments, suggestions or complaints about the hall other than bookings please let me know.

Nick Whines (23130) - secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

2015 BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS

Wet, windy and, at the beginning, smoky - but what a night!

Once the bonfire got hot and the wet material dried out, the bonfire was a grand sight, maybe not as big as some years but just as mesmerising - and just as hot, the ash burning holes in the Treasurer's wheelbarrow 10 very, very wet days later!

After a couple of years of surplus, we had put up Nigel's firework budget by 25% - and got a wonderfully colourful display that went on and on.

The weather forecast reduced the attendance somewhat and so overall we lost just over £150 on nearly £1,400 of turnover. Given the circumstances, a great result and there's still enough in the virtual "5th Nov" kitty to get next year going, so please put Thursday 5th November 6pm into your new 2016 diary!

And thank you to all those how helped build the bonfire, worked on the evening and tidied up afterwards.

The Hall Committee

If I was..

Bentley School News

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT TRIP

On Monday 19th of October 2015, Year 6 went to the Houses of Parliament on a train.

First we went through security. They checked our bag and gave us security tags, then we went through a big hall into the House of Lords and saw where the Queen sits. The House of Lords have red chairs. Afterwards we went to the House of Commons and the chairs were green, we saw where the Speaker sits and decides who speaks when a debate is in session.

Some of the interesting facts were that a Suffragette called Emily chained herself to the statue and when the guards ripped her off a piece of the statue came off and they haven't repaired it since, so we saw where it was chipped off. Also in Westminster Hall Henry the 8th loved to play tennis so when they were doing work on the roof they found a tennis ball. We then saw the Head of Security and he had a big stick and lots of medals, his name is Black Rod.

After then we went to a workshop and played a quiz. We saw Damian Hinds. We asked him lots of questions like why did you want to become an MP? I really liked the Houses of Parliament and I hope I go again.

By Harley Gaymer Year 6

REMEMBRANCE

On Wednesday 11th November the Juniors of Bentley Primary School went to the Remembrance Service at Binsted church. First Yann talked to us about remembrance and how the men gave up their lives for us. Then we did some prayers and sang a hymn. Next we went outside and put poppies on the war memorial. After that we did the two minute silence. The service made you think and be grateful to the people who gave up their lives for us.

By Hazel McRiley Year 6

BENTLEY FIREWORKS

On Friday 6th of November the Parish Council organised an excellent fireworks display. For a start there was a delicious barbecue, drinks and refreshments stalls as well as glowing things for the children to wear. To be prepared Mrs Pinchess got an enormous vibrant 'Lost Children' sign which meant parents and children alike could feel relaxed at the display. Then the fireworks started. They were really beautiful, bright and vibrant. They fizzed and whizzed and got everyone clapping. We think the Parish Council made an excellent effort to please us. The blazing bonfire wowed everyone.

By Jessica Potter Year 6

a rich man



The Froyle Christmas Short Story Competition RESULT!

The editors were delighted with your excellent response, which required much musing over several pints of the Hen & Chicken's finest to come to a decision. But a winner there has to be and we finally decided that the best story was written by:

MEGAN HERN (aged 13) who wins the Tablet.

So very well done Megan and indeed to everybody who entered. And we are delighted to reproduce her entry below; and meanwhile you can read all the entries on the froyle.com website.

The Golden Wrapping Paper - by Megan Hern

Once upon a time, there was a man who didn't like Christmas. Money was short and he could never afford to buy his children good Christmas presents. A few days before Christmas, he punished his five year old after learning she had used the family's only roll of expensive gold wrapping paper.

As money was tight, the man became even more upset when on Christmas Eve he saw that his daughter had wrapped a whole shoe box with the wrapping paper and put it under the tree. He was concerned about how his daughter had got the money to afford whatever was inside the shoe box.

Nevertheless, the next morning, the girl eagerly brought the shoebox to her dad with a lit up face.

As he opened the box, the man couldn't help feeling bad by his overreaction, now regretting he had punished her.

I would do...

When he opened the shoebox, he found it was empty and his anger flared. "Don't you know, when you give someone a present, there is supposed to be something inside the box" he said angrily.

The little girl looked up at the man with tears rolling down her face. "Daddy, it's not empty, I filled it with kisses until the box was full"

The man was crushed. He fell to his knees and pulled his precious little girl into a big hug. He begged her to forgive him for his unnecessary anger.

Before the man knew it, his daughter had moved away from home to start a new life with her new family. The man kept the gold shoebox under his bed for all the years of his life. Whenever he felt discouraged or faced difficult times, the man would open the box, take out a kiss and remember the love of his beautiful daughter who put it there.

2015 Froyle Quiz Night

Just to thank all you dogs who came to the quiz night and contributed so handsomely to the two charities we were supporting, namely Pets as Therapy and Medical Detection Dogs. We are delighted to tell you that we raised £500 which, together with the £150 that Ian Whitmore very generously added to our pot from the Froyle Golf Day, means we have a very tidy sum to forward on to them. From barking when you wished to play your table's joker, for not howling too loud into the night when you lost and for yelping with delight at the various winners, we are grateful to you all.

And finally a big thank you to all who helped us make it a really fun evening, in particular, Caroline, Jo, Susie, Christopher, Will, Alec and Matthew; without them the questions would not have been so varied and what is more you would all have had to "enjoy" a real dog's dinner, and only washed down with bowls of Froyle mains best.

Charlie Findlay, Nigel Mills, David Robertson

...and a special request from a concerned resident...

"I am a dog walker and have to walk out into the road with my dog and this is very dangerous, as some car drivers do not take care when passing dog walkers or pedestrians.

All it takes is a bit of common sense to not park and block off the walkway by the village hall. This can be dangerous for anyone that has go into the road."

(Name and address supplied)

my part...



Medicine for the Soul

Two Christmas Stocking Recommendations...



Of all the books I read last summer, the one which has stayed with me is **My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante**. The fictional story, set in 1950's, of two young girls in poor neighbourhood of Naples. It brings home the struggle for bright minds to access books to attain an education in the aftermath of war, but what makes it compelling is the complexities of friendship in the changes happening around them. The author draws the characters so vividly that I feel I have seen a film. I was totally enthralled and delighted to find it's the first of four in author's Neapolitan series. Make sure it's in your Christmas stocking.

Janet Dobson

A Review of the Oxford English Dictionary.

This popular work has been written with such intensity that every word has a meaning; the Author has also been able to ensure the plot follows a very distinct pattern. Unfortunately many academics feel that this pattern may have been plagiarised from the work of Agatha Christie in her novel the Alphabet Murders.

What readers should be aware is that the basic plot is often updated, taking account of changes in society and technology, so plots such as “twerking” is really a story about young people's better balance classes and something that probably shouldn't be attempted by the older generation. In technology plots have become rather sinister with “cyberwarrior” being a story of everyday computer folk. Overall a very interesting read but one that should probably be used in conjunction with The Telegraph crossword..

“Big Dicker”

Froyle 100 Club Results

November 2015

1st - Sue Sharman 2nd - Phil Roberts

3rd - Janet Dobson 4th - Peter Whelan

Congratulations to all the winners! William Knowles

But...



Christmas Toddlers

Thursday 10th December

**Come and join us for a slightly different toddler session!!
9:30am – 11:30 in Froyle Village Hall**

What will be happening?

- We will have the arts and craft table out to make some Christmas decorations. 9:30am – 10:30am
- Some fun party games to play.
- Listen to a story and sing some songs.
- Ending the session with some party sacks.

Sylvie Nonhebel - 520779

BALLET/DANCE/DRAMA CLASSES IN BINSTED



When: Tuesdays starting in January 2016
Where: The Wickham Institute (Binsted Village Hall)



We are hoping to start the following class:

- Babies ballet for 2½ – 4 year olds from 3.30 to 4pm
- Pre-primary ballet for 5 to 6 year olds from 4 to 4.30pm
- Primary ballet for 7 to 8 year olds from 5 to 5.30pm
- LAMDA* drama (mix of dance & drama) for 5 to 8 year olds, 4.30 to 5pm

The experienced teacher will be Eleanor Bowyer, who comes highly recommended and teaches at several schools locally and also runs classes in Bordon. Her website is www.eleanorbowyeracademy.co.uk.

IF YOU ARE AT ALL INTERESTED IN THIS PLEASE CONTACT
ELEANOR (email: eleanor.m.bowyer@gmail.com) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
AS PLACES WILL BE STRICTLY LIMITED.

*The London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art

What can...



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Our October meeting was again very well attended. Our speaker Kevin Hobbs who is in charge of all plant production for Hilliers was absolutely superb. It was interesting to learn that Hilliers supply Forest Lodge and other local garden centres. His slides of autumn beauties were excellent and his talk informative and well executed. An hour just flew by watching pictures of fabulous Acers and Cercis etc. We were also very happy to purchase the beautiful plants on offer which were sold in aid of funds to plant areas of the arboretum which is now run as a charity.

Once again we had a number of very attractive entries for the monthly competition 'An Evergreen Arrangement'. This was won by Maureen Hunter whose arrangement contained some really unusual specimens. Marian Cresswell was second and Jean Norkett third. Next month we will see who is the overall winner for the year.

Next month, on December 11th at 7.30 in the village hall, we will be holding our A.G.M.. This is a critical meeting as 4 committee members are resigning and so far we are unable to find anyone to replace them. We are already without any secretarial help and we do need able bodied support. Thank you to those who have signed up to help as they are able. The Garden Club is almost 50 years old and is really active it would be very sad to see it fail now. Mince pies should be available and Geoff Hawkins has kindly offered to select and present members photos of our visit to Beth Chatto's garden near Colchester. We are very grateful to Geoff for this and for his excellent tuition on pruning which several of us enjoyed. Also thanks to Nick and Corinna and Gillian and Jonathon for their hospitality and the lovely ginger cake and coffee supplied by Gillian. The subscriptions of £5 will be due at the A.G.M. and tickets for the party on sale. Further details of the party at the A.G.M. or in the January edition.

PLEASE NOTE THE PARTY WILL BE ON FRIDAY 15th JANUARY
(THE THIRD FRIDAY) DUE TO THE HALL BEING BOOKED.

Brenda Milam

I bring Him...?

The Christmas Meeting Place

Friday 18th December 9.30am – 12.00 noon

As well as the usual tea and coffee we shall be serving Mulled Wine with mince pies, cakes and nibbles. Hopefully we shall have some Carol Singing as well as a Raffle and a Visit from Father Christmas.

We would be very grateful for any offers of sandwiches, cakes and raffle prizes.



CAKE BAKERS FOR DECEMBER:

4th	Marj Robinson	Marian Cresswell	Jenny Dundas	Mary Knowles
11th	Susie Robertson	Caroline Bush	Mary Chaplin	Sarah Roberts

HELPERS FOR DECEMBER:

4th	Elizabeth Sealey	Molly Court
11th	Barbara Starbuck	Maureen Fry
18th	The Meeting Place Team	

Thank you to all those who have agreed to continue to bake cakes in 2016 and/or help in the Kitchen.

Please note there will be **no Meeting Place on Christmas Day or New Year's Day but we shall be back on the 8th January 2016.**



A few familiar faces enjoying the 25th anniversary cake on 9th October, very kindly given to the Meeting Place by Susan Whiting of Linden Homes.

PS. TO ALL OUR LOVELY VOLUNTEERS MEETING PLACE HELPERS AND CAKE-BAKERS...

Please don't forget to pick up your Helper/Cake Baker Lists for 2016 from the Meeting Place this month.

If you cannot manage this yourself, or get a friend do this for you, please contact Gill Bradley on 520484, who will post, deliver or email your list to you.

Many thanks to you all.

Lori Taylor

Bring...

The View from the Woods



It has been a while since I last wrote something for the magazine – I blame my ‘ghost writer’.....

We are now well into another shooting season – my fourteenth in Froyle! The season started in earnest at the beginning of October, and runs until 1st February. Weather conditions this summer were not only good for growing things – as Tom Porter wrote in these pages last month – they were also good for breeding birds. So, although the late summer rain, which delayed part of the harvest, delayed also the start of our season, the pheasants and the partridges had got off to a good start, and were strong enough to cope well with the wet weather when it came.

Everyone was very good over the summer at keeping their dogs under control when out walking – thank you; it is much appreciated, and helps the young birds to settle.

The early autumn, of course, brought us some exceptional weather with lots of sunshine showing off the autumn colours, a profusion of berries and an abundance of wildlife - Froyle and the surrounding countryside at their best. Although the rain and wind have now returned with a vengeance, it is still unseasonably mild for mid-November, when I am writing this; the undergrowth in the woods has not yet had the frosts it needs to start dying back – indeed, it still seems to be growing - making the woods difficult to fight our way through, and encouraging the birds to wander everywhere – my impression, though, is that there have been fewer of them on the roads in search of acorns and beech mast than in previous years, which is good; I know these birds test your patience as drivers; I have been trying for many years to get pheasants to develop some traffic sense, but no luck so far...

One of the great things about my job over the last thirteen years has been seeing people from the village get involved in different aspects of a day’s shooting - often people with no previous experience of game shooting, who may have no great wish to shoot pheasants, but who enjoy the exercise, the day in the countryside, working their dogs, the banter (that’s what the gamekeeper calls it anyway) – all the different aspects of a day’s shooting. It may not be for you – and it all sounded more attractive in that lovely autumnal weather we had at the start of the season than it does in the driving rain we have had lately - but it is part of what makes the countryside what it is. If you would like to get involved, let me know!

Happy Christmas to all.

Paul Edwards - Gamekeeper 07719 914850

Wine Review – Fortified Wines

Last month this column enticed us all to sit round a fire on a winter's evening with a glass of claret. Well, winter – particularly Christmas – is also when fortified wines come into their own.

So what is a fortified wine? It is a wine to which distilled spirit, usually brandy, has been added. Initially this was done as a preservative. There are many kinds of fortified wine - port, sherry and Madeira are the best known.

We think of fortified wines as being sweet, but that depends largely on the stage in the fermentation process at which the spirit is added. In fact these wines are far more versatile and varied than their unfashionable old fogeys image suggests - we don't have any unfashionable old fogeys in Froyle, do we....? They (the fortified wines, not the fogeys, although possibly both....) are generally at their best before (sherry, white port – a delicious dry wine for the cocktail hour) or towards the end (red port, Madeira) of an unhurried meal - so ideal for Christmas.

Port epitomises what we think of as a fortified wine. There is a saying in the port trade that every wine would be a port if it could. Port comes from the Douro region of Portugal. The Brits have been instrumental in the development of the market for port, starting in the late 17th century.

Port is made in two different styles: bottle-aged and cask-aged. Bottle-aged ports are aged for a short while in a cask and then do most of their maturing in bottles – these include the slow-maturing 'vintage' ports, made only in exceptional years (about 3 times a decade). This is the stuff which the afore-mentioned fogeys lay down for their unappreciative grandchildren, who sell it at the first opportunity and later regret having done so....

Cask-aged ports are really what we are after for Christmas. These are aged in barrels until they are ready to drink. They include undated 'ruby' port (this comprises most of the port on the market; it is similar in style to vintage port but ready for immediate drinking; it is full-bodied with sweet, rich, youthful fruit) and 'tawny' (a different style, due to the casks in which it is aged – lighter in body and colour and slightly less sweet, it comes in basic (undated) form or aged by a specified number of years, but is always ready for immediate drinking when sold). 'Late bottled vintage' ports are ruby-style ports from a particular year (not a vintage



year), where the port is left in the barrel longer than a vintage port would be. So they are better quality ruby ports, but much more accessible in terms of price and availability than vintage ports. And then, as already mentioned, there is white port...

So there is something for every occasion and budget when it comes to port. You don't need to eat it just with cheese. It goes remarkably well, for example, with chocolate! (unlike most red wines).

Life as a wine correspondent is tough. I have run out of space and I haven't mentioned **Madeira**, for which this month's editor, who is a great enthusiast for it, will probably fire me. If you want to know about it, and have a few hours to spare, give him a call....

And then there is **sherry** – how can I look the church warden who is also on the editorial committee in the eye when I have not extolled its virtues...? A variety of sherries is served in church after each 11:00 am Sunday service, so if you want to find out about it, you know where to go.....

“Fortified Fogey”

3 Really good but *simple* ideas for Christmas decorations



GREEN STARDUST (left): 6 similarly-sized sprigs of pine are bound together with string; hang 2 or 3 in a window; they replicate falling snowflakes.



TABLE DECORATION/SETTING (centre): A sprig of pine is pushed into a small hole drilled into a disc of wood; for a place marker, a star cut from cardboard is tucked between the needles at the tip.



SNOWY WONDERLAND (right): A cork is sawn in half using a serrated knife; one half is then stuck to the inside of a jam-jar lid and left to dry. A pine sprig, the needles stripped from its base, is pushed into the cork and the jar part-filled with salt. The lid is then screwed back on and the jar turned upside down.

(All three use sprigs of pine, but holly or other twigs can be used and even sprayed with gold or silver spray paint for that additional seasonal feel).

Froyle Rainfall for October 2015

This year	63.5 mm	2.5 inches
Last year	105.5 mm	4.2 inches
Wettest October (1987) – the wettest ever month	226 mm	8.9 inches
Driest October (1978)	7 mm	0.3 inches
Long-term average for October – the wettest month	87.9 mm	3.5 inches
Total rainfall for the year so far	564 mm	22.2 inches
Long-term average for the year to the end of October	612.8 mm	24.1 inches

In each of the last three Octobers we have had 100 mm or more of rain, but this year we had a far drier month. Over the last 35-odd years, October on its own has generally been a pretty poor guide to the next two months; but more recently it is much clearer cut, with 7 of the last 9 years reflecting how November and December (combined) fared: a below average year looks increasingly likely to be confirmed...



“The Umbrella Man”

A HUGE THANK YOU - LOVE IN A BOX – 2015

I am delighted to confirm that this year Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches and Bentley Primary School have put together the grand total of 125 Love in a Boxes which have been sent off to “Mustard Seed Relief Missions” for delivery to hospitals and orphanages in Moldova and the Ukraine.

I am so thrilled that we have beaten last year’s target of 103 Love in a Boxes; and to have received 125 this year really is a wonderful achievement.

A HUGE “thank you” to all those who participated in the scheme and for being responsible for bringing smiles to 125 worthy children. I should like to add my personal thanks to all those who helped me with the collecting of the boxes; checking them and counting them; namely Ann Wilson, Kathy Ogilvie-Thompson; Vicki and David Potter; Louise Marston and Linda Bulpitt. I certainly could not have done all that without your wonderful help and support.

This target of 125 certainly does show “LOVE IN A BOX” – Thank you all so much.

Glenda Powell.

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Sunday 6th December	Froyle	8.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
		5.00pm	Live @Five
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 13th December	Froyle	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	11.00am	HC & Children's Church
	Binsted	8.00am	Holy Communion
		3.30pm	School Carol service
Friday 18th December	Binsted	6.30pm	The Real Nativity
Sunday 20th December	Froyle	6.30pm	Carol Service
	Bentley	11.00am	All Together Service
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	6.30pm	The Road to the Stable
Tuesday 22nd December	Bentley	6.30pm	Crib Service
Thursday 24th December	Froyle	5.30pm	Crib Service
		11.00pm	Midnight Communion
	Bentley	4.00pm	Christingle Service
		10.00pm	Christmas Eve Communion
	Binsted	9.30pm	1 st Communion of Christmas
Friday 25th December	Froyle	11.00am	Holy Communion
	Bentley	9.30am	Family Communion
	Binsted	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Christmas Day	Froyle	11.00am
Sunday 27th December	Froyle	11.00am	Joint Benefice Service

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

The Marmite effect of Christmas



I always think that the many different traditions that make up Christmas are a bit like Marmite – you either love or hate them. Take Brussels Sprouts, for example – there are few households where they will be universally appreciated, and yet I know from experience, mostly thanks to my Dad, that some (meaning my Dad) couldn't imagine a Christmas without them (provided they're not overcooked of course!).

Most children love the commercial aspect of Christmas (presents!) whilst many adults are wearied by it (present shopping in overcrowded shopping centres with too few parking spaces). Then there are the decorations – some going to extraordinary lengths to light up their homes as if they were recreating the Blackpool Illuminations, others seemingly disgusted by such a profligate attitude to the National Grid's welfare.

Yuletide also presents us with the very welcome family gatherings, and, sadly for some, the not so very welcome family gatherings (must Aunt Agatha come *every* year – and why does she insist on buying me an oversized nylon cardigan *every* year?) Nor should we forget – how can we – the annual playlist of Christmas tunes which may indeed have you 'rockin' around the Christmas tree', exclaiming 'Merry Christmas Everybody' whilst the children swear blind they saw 'Mommy kissing Santa Claus' with generous portions of 'Mistletoe and Wine'. Whilst on the subject of music, there are Christmas Carols, which as a Vicar, I regard with a mixture of emotions. I don't want anyone to get the wrong idea so let's just say I start off loving them but emotions are not the most reliable of human traits and especially a Vicar's coming to his 16th rendition of Once in Royal David's City at the end of a particularly busy week...

Whatever you love or hate about Christmas, I hope you will take time to remember that Jesus came into the world to give us hope in an all too often hopeless and hurting world; he came that we might enjoy light in the darkness, peace in times of chaos, and know that, whatever our own loves and hates, He loves us and longs for our attention.

A very merry Christmas and peaceful New Year to you all,

Blessings, Yann

p.s. I would like to reassure the readers that Aunt Agatha is entirely fictitious!



The Benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> 2.30 FVH <i>B Balance</i>	<i>3</i> 3.00 <i>Bentley CH</i> <i>Advent TP</i>	<i>4</i> <i>Meeting P</i> 9.30 FVH	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> 8.00 HC	<i>7</i> <i>Refuse +</i> <i>Garden</i> <i>waste</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> 2.30 FVH <i>B.Balance</i>	<i>10</i> 9.30 FVH <i>Toddlers</i>	<i>11</i> 9.30 FVH <i>Meeting P</i> 7.30 FVH <i>Garden C</i> <i>AGM</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i> 9.30 HC	<i>14</i> <i>Recycling</i> <i>collection</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> 6.30F.Park <i>drinks</i>	<i>18</i> 9.30 FVH <i>Meeting P</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> 6.30 <i>Carol S</i>	<i>21</i> <i>Refuse +</i> <i>Garden</i> <i>waste</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> 9.00 <i>Church</i> <i>decorating</i> 5.30 FVH <i>Carols</i>	<i>24</i> 5,30 Crib S 11.00 MM	<i>25</i> 11.00 HC	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i> 11.00 HC	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> <i>Recycling</i> <i>collection</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>		