A detailed historical map of Froyle village, Hampshire, England. The map shows the River Test flowing through the village. Key locations labeled include Shepwood Coppice at the top, St. Bury Mill, Brockhurst, Anchor Inn, Froyle, Froyle Mill, Isington Mill, and Fulling Mill at the bottom. The map is rendered in a woodcut style with fine lines and hatching for shading. A white rectangular box is superimposed over the center of the map, containing the title and issue information.

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PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

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Report for the Village Magazine from the Froyle Parish Council (FPC) meeting

Monday 17th January, 2017

1. **New Year**

Our first meeting in the New Year, and we were welcomed into the VH by the distinct smell of something new on the floor! The Village Hall committee are to be congratulated and thanked for their attention to maintaining the Hall. The floor looks impressive.

2. **Planning Matters**

Froyle Park ('FP') The EHDC investigation is continuing. The FPC have been informed that news of the investigation (whether the FP Hotel is, with its wedding venue business, exceeding what may be permitted under its C1 planning licence) will be received by FPC after EHDC has had a meeting with Counsel (due 17th January). Having no specific comments to date the committee is to write for an update. Further EHDC, in early December, pressed FP to update its traffic management (referred to as "condition 8") in the light of the car park permission. EHDC have yet to reply, and will be chased up on both these matters.

Gid Lane FPC have notified Hampshire County Council of FPC's concern over the proposed increase in use of Gid Lane by guests of Froyle Park. HCC have responded that the FP proposals "would contribute to a reduction of trips on the local road network when compared to previous use (*in Treloar days*), thus the proposed use of Gid Lane is deemed acceptable". FPC have asked HCC to reconsider.

Both the 'Froyle Park' and 'Gid Lane' matters were discussed by FPC members at a recent meeting with Damian Hinds MP.

Froyle House The earlier application to convert three flats in the main body of the "White House" into six flats has been revised to now convert from three to five flats. The FPC's objections (including adequacy of parking, access to the site, that the plans attaching to the application were incorrect, and the unsustainable amount of development which has now taken place in Upper Froyle) are being resubmitted.

FPC News and Views (continued)

3. **Village Magazine Advertising charges**

It was agreed to leave the current charges for advertising in the village magazine as they are.

4. **Finance**

The FPC reviewed the 2017/18 draft budget and agreed to apply for a 3% increase to its annual precept (for 2016/17 this has been £21,962).

5. **Village Recreation Ground / Play Area**

The FPC is shortly to receive quotes with which to look at the refurbishment of the play area. It is hoped we will be able to consider replacing some of the older play equipment and also as to what surface may be better for the area. More to follow. Any special requests or ideas – please email froyleparishcouncil.org.uk

6. **The Police and Crime Commissioner – Rural Communities Matter Conferences**

The Police and Crime Commissioner, Michael Lane, will be holding five conferences in February to enable people to give their views on rural crime. The discussion will also be to help set future priorities for a new rural crime strategy. Conference dates and venues, and details to book, are at www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/events

7. **Wey Valley Radio**

The FPC have contributed funding to this project to be a local radio for Alton and the surrounding area. It is expected that broadcasting will commence within two years. See more at www.weyvalleyradio.uk

8. **“Cold Callers”**

HCC Trading Standard Services are reminding residents to be alert to cold callers. Residents are advised NOT to rely on identity cards as a way of telling if the caller is genuine.

The FPC were shocked at reports of a cold caller (apparently genuine) calling after dark – so please beware. See also at www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 13th March 2017, at 7.30pm.



Bookings: Jo Mills

01420 22384

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

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 dishwasher, 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

Don't forget you can keep up to date with Hall news on Facebook (Froyle V Hall) and Twitter. (@froylevhall)

Froyle !00 Club Results

The winners for January were

1st - Caroline Findlay 2nd - Gordon Mitchell

3rd - Maureen Fry 4th - Andrew Pritchard

HOWEVER, Caroline, having now won first prize two months in succession (yes!

She won first prize in December - what are the chances of that...?), has

nobly declined the January prize, and THERE WILL NOW BE AN
ADDITIONAL FIRST

PRIZE AWARDED IN THE FEBRUARY DRAW...

William Knowles

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

A major refurbishment of the hall floor has been completed: the floor has been sanded down, cleaned and many layers of lacquer applied. Redecoration of the walls will follow next month. **Can I ask all hall users to help look after the floor by avoiding walking in mud and grit or by dragging furniture. Please mop up any spillages immediately and only use 'Sportsclean' at the correct dilution, which you will find in the kitchen store cupboard.** This is the detergent recommended by Granwood the company which supplied the original floor and who have now carried out the resurfacing. While the floor is tough it copes badly if sticky tape is used on it. **We have therefore provided masking tape which will not damage the floor. Please only use this.**

Can I thank those members of the committee who manhandled the piano and the bar billiards table, back into position and who refitted the double doors without a single scratch on the floor. In fact it is important to note that the success of the hall depends completely on a dedicated and hardworking band of supporters.

The Granwood block out of which the floor is made was invented in 1912 by a Derbyshire builder who wanted a flooring material which had the warmth of wood but without the tendency to split or shrink. The original blocks were made of much compressed cement and sawdust which were then saturated in linseed oil. After being allowed to 'mature' the blocks are completely stable and very robust. Today the blocks are exported to at least 50 countries. 70% of indoor sport is played on Granwood floors. And Granwood floors have been known to survive fire and flood requiring only sanding and resealing to bring them back to life. So when the hall was built in the early 1980s, the decision by the then committee to install a Granwood floor was a good one from which we still benefit.

I very much hope you enjoyed the Froyle Film Night presentation of 'About time' on 27 January. Let me know if you have suggestions for our next film.

Looking forward, Saturday 11 February sees another Froyle Race Night which I very much hope you will support. It's always fun. The supper will be excellent. The natives are friendly. And if you don't back a winner you will still be doing your bit to support the hall. Tickets from Jo Mills on 22384 or joannamills@yahoo.com .

Village Hall News (continued)

Christmas already seems a long time ago but we should note an enjoyable carol sing round the Christmas tree. Thanks are due to Nigel Southern who led the singing and Jane Palmer who provided the accompaniment. June Trim who baked the mince pies and Susie Robertson who brewed the mulled cider.

Nick Whines (Hon Sec Froyle Village Hall)



A really big thank you to all those who arranged the splendid party at the Christmas Meeting Place which was enjoyed by young and old alike.. It was such an enjoyable event.

Ann Roberts



Talk: Butterflies of Hampshire

**Thursday 23rd Feb 2017 at 7.30pm, Froyle Village Hall
(door open at 7pm)**

This month we are delighted to welcome Dr Andy Barker of the charity 'Butterfly Conservation' www.butterfly-conservation.org as our first speaker of 2017.

There are 45 species of butterfly which can be seen in Hampshire and Andy will especially highlight those found in our local area (Froyle, East and North East Hampshire) and give us tips on identification. We'll also hear of important habitats such as woodland, chalk downland and heathland which sustain many of the less common species. So forget the winter for a while, come along and be inspired to seek out some of these fascinating and sometimes elusive insects.

All welcome, members £2, non members £3, children free, Refreshments



Brimstone Butterfly

The complete programme of events will be published in the March magazine - lots more to look forward to!

It's been a curious last few months in the natural world with autumn reluctant to give way to winter. Some butterflies lingered on till mid December, conversely Hazel catkins were seen full out before Christmas as were Primroses and 'Sweet Violets'.

Late winter early spring can be a particularly harsh month for birds with much of their natural food supply diminished. Energy is needed to keep them from freezing at night, to stake their territories and for nest building. Flying from place to place looking for food expends a lot of energy and this is where we can help by providing high energy foods in our gardens such as sunflower hearts, niger seed, peanuts and fat balls. A clean supply of fresh water is also vital, especially if it's freezing.

Fieldfares and Redwings, having stripped most of the hedgerow berries, can now be seen in large flocks over farmland probing for worms and other invertebrates, but it's particularly hard for them to find food when the ground is frozen. Apples saved from autumn and thrown on the lawn often attracts them and blackbirds to our gardens.



Fieldfare

Wildlife to look and listen for in February -

- Great Spotted Woodpeckers drumming, Rooks starting to nest, Lapwings on farmland
- Brown Hares, animal tracks in the mud or snow
- Tawny Owls (Brown Owls) calling, females go Too-wit (Ke-wick) males Too-woo
- The first Honey and Bumble bees seeking nectar and pollen on sunny days
- Leaves of Lords and Ladies and Dog's Mercury pushing through
- Mistletoe - easier to spot on the bare branches
- Gladwyn Iris with their bright orange berries, gorse in flower.

Have you had a memorable encounter with wildlife? Do let us know
info@froylewildlife.co.uk

Sue Clark

February News from The Froyle Archive

Last month's article from Speedwatch has prompted us to revisit the Parish Council Minutes in the Archive - incidentally, we have a full set of minutes from the first meeting in 1894 to date. Traffic speeds have always been a problem in the village, but to put it all in perspective, let's quote from the minutes of 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."



It took a while, but one hundred and one years later, in September 2004, the new speed limit signs finally appeared!!

Chris & Annette Booth

**Visit The Froyle Archive at
www.froyle.com**

In St Mary's Cabinet

The current exhibit in the Clive Barter Cabinet at the back of St Mary's is "Sylvesters loses its Pinus Sylvestrus", featuring colour photographs as well as black & white images from The Froyle Archive.

Chris & Annette Booth

FROYLE RACE NIGHT

An evening of fun!



SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY
GATES OPEN 7.00pm
FIRST RACE 7.30pm

At the Froyle Village Hall

TICKETS £8 PER HEAD, WHICH INCLUDES SUPPER.

WINE AND SOFT DRINKS WILL BE ON SALE DURING THE EVENING.
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 (MINIMUM £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 THIS TO CLAIM YOUR WINNINGS!
- * WHEN ALL BETS HAVE BEEN PLACED THE RACE WILL BE SHOWN.
- * IF THE HORSE THAT YOU BET ON IS THE WINNER, COLLECT YOUR WINNINGS FROM THE TOTE TABLE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A RACE (OFFERS INVITED) AND/OR BUY AND NAME A HORSE (£2 EACH) PLEASE ASK HEAD STABLE GIRL JO MILLS FOR DETAILS. IF YOU BUY A HORSE AND IT WINS ITS RACE YOU WILL WIN A PRIZE!

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM JO MILLS 22384 or joannamills@yahoo.com
DEADLINE: MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY.



HAPPY RACING!



The Meeting Place



For those who are new comers to the Village the Meeting Place takes place every Friday morning from 9.30 to 12 noon in the Village Hall and all are very there is a selection of books welcome to drop in for a cup of tea or coffee, delicious homemade cake and a chat.

We sell the local newspaper and postage stamps and home produce, when available. We collect used postage stamps and milk bottle tops for charity and to borrow.

Cake Bakers for February

Feb 3	Shirley Bellis	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	Barbara Starbuck.
Feb 10	June Trim	Kim Blake	Louise Marston	Anne Blunt
Feb 17	Marj Robinson	Anne Wetherall	Jenny Dundas	Jenny Matthews
Feb 24	Susie Robertson	Lucia Lindblom	Mary Chaplin	Pat Gasson

It is a great help to be told what you are baking each week, to avoid duplication, with a quick phone call or email.

Kitchen helpers for February

Feb 3	Sue Carr	Jack Watts.
Feb 10	David and Mary Perryman	
Feb 17	Linda Bulpitt	Caroline Findlay
Feb 24	David Robertson	William Knowles

Many Thanks

*Susie Robertson 520820 sjrinfroyle@gmail.com
Gill Bradley 520484 p.andg.bradley@btinternet.com*



I was there...



Munich 1972

It was the first time I had been on a foreign assignment for the BBC. Along with fourteen other videotape engineers and editors plus four and a half videotape machines we went to Munich at the end of August 1972 to cover the Summer Games of the 20th Olympiad.

The Germans provided superb facilities, the Press Village where we lived would become public housing after the games and the Broadcast Centre, where we would work, was to become a school. Everything was very compact with the Athletes village next door to us. The weather was very hot and everything went well until the morning of September 5th.

It just so happened that four of us had a scheduled rest day and so we decided to head South to Austria and the mountains. As we left the Press Centre there was a large group of journalists interviewing Mark Spitz who had just won his seventh gold medal in the pool the previous evening. Little did we know of the drama unfolding close by in the Athlete's Village. It was not until lunchtime, in a cafe high above Innsbruck, that we realised something very bad was happening back in Munich. The local TV (*ORF, in German*) was showing a developing news story about hostages being held in the Athletes Village. This being an age before mobile phones there was no way we could contact the Broadcast Centre to find out what *was* going on. Tensions were high when we reached the German border at Kufstein and we only just managed to escape a confrontation with heavily armed guards at the passport control.

Back in Munich we learnt about the Black September attack on the Israeli team in the Village at 4.35 that morning. Being adjacent we acquired a large military presence in both the Broadcast Centre and the Press accommodation, which was both un-nerving and reassuring. Our bulk eraser (*to wipe videotapes*) was too big to fit in our area and so had been set up just down the corridor, each journey to wipe a tape attracting an armed soldier as an escort. Our "half" a videotape machine - a small portable device - was sent with a camera man and one of our editors to the perimeter fence by the village and captured the images you may have seen of the terrorists on the balcony of the Israeli's apartment.

The next morning we heard of the disaster at Furstenfelbruck airfield where, in a shootout with armed troops, 11 athletes and coaches, one German police officer and 5 terrorist were killed. That day, September 6th, the Games were suspended while a memorial service, attended by over 80,000 people was broadcast to the world..

Munich 1972 (Contt)

After 24 hours, the Games resumed and on Monday September 11th I was scheduled to record the Closing Ceremony. Due to the very tight security - Black September had threatened retaliation for their members who were killed - access to the whole Olympic Park was restricted and we were obliged to take a very circuitous route to reach the Broadcast Centre. It would be an experience that I can still remember to this day.

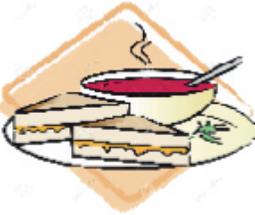
The Closing Ceremony had just begun as we walked behind the stadium - Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" was blasting from the speakers there and a very large inflatable rainbow flew above. On our right the competitors in the last event of the Games, the show jumping, were packing up and putting the horses in their boxes, while between our footpath and the stadium was what seemed like most of the German Army, with tanks, armoured cars and anti-aircraft guns, and a further ring of fully armed soldiers on the perimeter.

The next morning we flew home with B.E.A., the only difference from our arrival three weeks earlier were arrays of metal detectors to screen the passengers as we boarded - we had Bob Hope with lots of security men on our flight - and, as we taxied out for takeoff, we passed missile launchers and anti-aircraft guns. One and a half hours later we were back in the UK.

To this day I never hear "Ode to Joy" without memories of that evening in Munich flooding back, and, of course, for everyone, air travel was never the same again.

Chris Booth

Lent Lunches 2017



These consist of home made soup, bread and cheese, and all donations go to the charity chosen by the hostess. If anyone needs a lift, or has any queries, please give me a call.

All Lunches are from 12.30 to 2.00pm

Ash Wednesday March 1st at Wykeham House in aid of the Piam Brown ward at Southampton hospital; Susie Robertson 520820

Wednesday **March 8th at Stowells** in aid of the Mare & Foal Sanctuary; Cherida Cannon 520470

Wednesday **March 15th in St Mary's Church** in aid of Vestment conservation; Jenny Gove 23697

Information about the last 3 lunches will be in the March magazine.

Jenny Gove 23697



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

A Happy New Year to all gardeners. May our gardens be a success. As we go to press we are about to have our New Year's party delayed by the Hall Floor renovations. It was worth waiting for.

Our first speaker this year is Mr David Mills who will give us a talk on Keukenhof the spectacular Spring garden near Amsterdam. This will be on February 10th at 7.30 in the Village Hall. The competition will be a specimen of Winter flowering shrub. This should all brighten us up. Let's hope the weather is on our side. Anne Blunt's Flower Arranging workshops take place on the third Wednesday of the month. All levels welcome please ring Anne on 22262 for details. Please alter the date of the Spring show on your membership cards to April 7th. We have decided to come before instead of after Easter.

Brenda Milam



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.

Please note that due to the village hall being redecorated, there will be no toddler group on February 16th and then again on the 23rd due to half term.

February meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 2nd and 9th only.

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



Medicine of the Soul



A New Year beckons- typically the time to make resolutions. This year, for a change, why not resolve to catch up on some of the masterpieces of cinema history? They are easily available on DVD or for download, and have never been cheaper. The 1920's saw an astonishing flowering of early cinema in Germany, so just to set the ball rolling, here are three important films from that time.

The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari (1920)

Highly impressionistic set design (worth watching for that alone), this reflective film probes the experience of Germans emerging from the first world war. A strange circus sideshow rolls into town. A Dr. Caligari displays a fortune-telling somnambulist who foresees death. Murders ensue.... Recommended.



Nosferatu (1922)

Well, this is a barely-concealed reworking of the Dracula story. Strictly speaking, we shouldn't be able to watch it at all, as Bram Stoker's widow sued the production company for breach of copyright, and won. Fortunately, a print escaped the ordered subsequent destruction. Interesting to compare how the story was handled in the 20's as compared with more recent outings. Terrific makeup for the actor in the title role (Max Schreck) who really does look like a human bat.

Metropolis (1927)

If you only watch one of these films, watch this one. The grandfather of all modernist dystopian sci-fi films, yet transcends that genre entirely. Stuffed full of symbolism which you can have a lot of fun decoding, the extraordinarily evocative cityscapes are all the more remarkable, considering these were days long pre-dating computer graphics. Nearly lost entirely due to deterioration of the film stock, you can now get this accompanied by the original music. (All these films are, of course, silent movies, pre-dating the talkies).

It is said that the vision of the future in this film impressed Adolf Hitler so much that he resolved to retain the director (Fritz Lang) to make Nazi propaganda films – on hearing this, Lang packed his bags and left the country. Highly Recommended

Ian Black

71st Froyle Fete, Dog Show and Flower Show Saturday 8th July 2017

Whilst along way off a date for your diary and hopefully thoughts of a long hot summer.

If anyone would be interested in joining the ever enthusiastic organising committee whose work starts soon then all are welcome, just contact Ian Whitmore who has been press ganged into serving as Chairman for another year.

This year we plan to hold a silent auction, very successful three years ago, but as it requires a great deal of individual generosity making it an annual event wouldn't be appropriate. Last time we auctioned all manner of donations, a flight over Froyle in a small aircraft, the use of a barn for a special event, rounds of golf and a trailer load of wood. So just think about whether you could help this year, maybe you have a holiday home you don't use all year, you may be willing to give four hours of gardening or bake a cake for a special occasion. As they say anything goes!

Ian Whitmore 22634

Children beating the adults in 2016 so a return match is planned for 2017



Not showing the adults team, rather embarrassing but they are already back in training



Village Agents Help You to Find Out About Blue Badges

The Blue Badge Disabled parking scheme is available to residents of Hampshire if you meet certain criteria:

- If you are in receipt of the Higher Rate of the Mobility Component of the Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA)
- If you are registered blind (severely sight impaired)
- If you receive a War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement (WPMS)
- If you receive a Personal Independence Payment (PIP) award that indicates in the 'moving around' activity of the mobility component that you cannot walk further than 50 metres

If any of the above apply you should be eligible without further assessment, however you may still be eligible after assessment if you fall within one or more of the following descriptions:

- Drives a vehicle regularly, has a severe disability in both arms and is unable to operate, or has considerable difficulty in operating, all or some types of parking meter; or
- Has a permanent and substantial disability, which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in walking, and which is likely to last at least a year.

The fee for new badges is £10 and the scheme allows the holder to use designated disabled parking spaces, in some circumstances to park on single or double yellow lines, and free parking at parking meters in some areas. The scheme applies to Blue Badge holders as drivers or when being carried as a passenger. Your Blue Badge is valid in all areas of the United Kingdom, apart from some areas of central London. You can apply for a Blue Badge online: www.hants.gov.uk/bluebadge or call 0300 555 1376. If you need help with your application, contact your local Village Agent, **Madeleine** who can help to talk you through the process on **23371**.





**The Alton & District Committee
of
CANCER RESEARCH UK
invite you to a**

BRIDGE TEA

Thursday 9th March 2017 (2 – 5pm)

Froyle Village Hall GU34 4LG

Please bring cloth/scorers/cards

**To reserve your table @ £10 (plus a voluntary donation of £40), please
contact:**

Carol McMeekan

01420 476098 / carolmcmeekan@gmail.com



You are invited to join us on

Sunday 12th February

from

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



Better Balance

Better Balance is on Wednesday February 8 at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. We are gently warming up for regular weekly sessions in March!

For information on Attendance Allowance, Carers Allowance, Keeping warm at home, and other topics call Madeleine on 23371 or try ACH Information and Advice 0800 328 7154 10-3 Mon-Fri or www.ageconcernhampshire.org.uk where there are also volunteering opportunities
Madeleine Black Village Agent for Age Concern Hampshire

The Alton Branch of the U3A invite you to February's Monthly Meeting. The title of the talk is "**From the 6.58 to Force 8**" by **Jonathon Pickering**. Jonathon sailed round the world in the Clipper Round the World Race and will tell of the dangers, thrills, wildlife, sunburn and howling gales and anything else you should know about ocean racing. This will be on **February 17th** at 2pm at the Community Centre as usual. All are welcome.

Notices about access rights in Hampshire Countryside

Notices have recently been appearing in Hampshire's countryside, including around Froyle. These notices are being put in the countryside to tell people that landowners (including the County Council) have made a 'declaration' to safeguard their land from claims for new public rights of way, or for village green status. The notices put up on-site are required as part of the associated legal process.

The notices inform people that landowners recognise the existing public rights of way or other access over their land, but they do not intend to dedicate any new permanent access. They consist of a legal notice called a 'Form CA17', along with a map of the land covered which shows the boundary of the land and any existing public rights of way over it. The declaration is valid for 20 years.

This effectively means that we haven't lost any of the footpaths in the area but that dog walkers and ramblers should respect that landowners do not wish to have any further rights of way across their land.

R Amblin

The River Wey and New Zealand Trout

It is not widely known that it is thanks to trout from the River Wey that the famous trout of New Zealand now exist.

The story goes that in the 19th century there were many attempts to get trout to Australia and New Zealand, but due to slow sailing ships and poor refrigeration all efforts failed. But by 1864 T A Youl was able to make all the necessary preparations. Boxes were sprinkled with charcoal and filled with moss and ice chips, and a 56 tonne icehouse installed in the clipper Norfolk. It was originally intended for salmon eggs only, but the salmon ova ordered were not available, so a letter was written to the Times pleading for replacements. When this was published the effect was immediate and salmon ova poured into the London docks and the waiting ship.

But Francis Frances (then the Angling Editor of the Field) and Frank Buckland thought it a good idea to send trout ova as well, and took it upon themselves to collect eggs from Itchen- and Thames-type trout as well, despite believing that the trout would hatch first and eat the salmon eggs. Mr Frances was right about the trout ova hatching first after the 91 day voyage, but wrong about them eating the salmon, and wrong about their being thought the less important cargo, and sufficient salmon and trout survived the journey. Of the 3000 trout ova that were loaded onto the clipper in January 1864 one third came from the Itchen at Bishopstoke, one third from Kings Pond on the Wey in Alton, and one third from the Wick at High Wycombe. The salmon ponds of the River Plenty in Hobart are still preserved as a memorial - to the successful importation of trout!

A year later 171 trout had survived from which 38 were stocked in the Plenty and the rest kept for breeding, with their progeny used to stock the South Island of New Zealand in 1867.

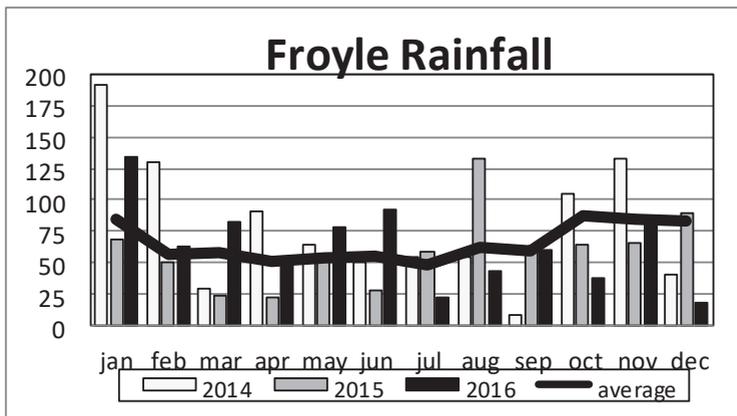
What a remarkable legacy Francis Frances, and the River Wey, have left



Robert Bourne

Froyle Rainfall for December 2016 and for the past year

This year	17.5 mm	0.7 ins
Last year	89 mm	3.5 ins
Wettest December (1989)	167 mm	6.6 ins
Driest December (1988)	17 mm	0.7 ins
December long-term average – the 4 th wettest month	85.2 mm	3.4 ins
Total rainfall for the whole of 2016	766 mm	30.2 ins



- Up until 2015, December was the second wettest month of the year; but now it is the 4th, due to 80% less rain in the month this year - almost a record low in fact - and 60% more in a very wet January.
- As has been long indicated, 2016 did end up being very average.
- The first half of 2016, at 263mm, was the driest since 1990, the second half was the 3rd wettest in 40 years, after 2014 and 1998.



“The Umbrella Man”

And what does the New Year behold? Well, two-thirds of the time a dry final quarter is

Which Wine with Which Food?

an update



Just to remind you this evening of good wine, food and informative conversation is still very much on the cards for a Friday or Saturday late February, early March, in the Village Hall, but final date TBC.

Guy Nightingale of Louis Latour has indicated that he would be delighted to host the event, which is excellent news.

But it's sad that we will be without his advice for our Christmas and New Year dining. In the meantime, you could do a lot worse than pick up a bottle of **Estevez Chilean Pinot Noir** from, you guessed it, **Aldi**, for an unbelievable **£4.79** - it should go really well with your turkey...



David and Susie Robertson (520820)



LOOK FORWARD TO HARMONY IN MARCH

Following the success of the Gospel Choir last year; we have invited a Barbershop Choir to bring rhythm and harmony to Froyle church on **March 25th**. They will be accompanied by delicious eats and drink, so please save the date and there will be more details in the next magazine.



St. Mary's Church Froyle – SONGS OF PRAISE

The Salvation Army Band will be leading us at a Service of:-

SONGS OF PRAISE

on **Sunday 26th February at 4.30pm**

Please do come and join us to sing some of your favourite hymns!!

Light refreshments will be served after the service

There will be a retiring collection in aid of the Salvation Army

'Working party' to help tidy up the churchyard
Sunday 19th February 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Gareth Wells does such a good job on keeping the churchyard tidy that this is much less onerous than it used to be, but it would be good if we could gather one of our occasional working parties to do things like cut back the borders of the paths and some of the growth on the walls before the start of the growing and nesting season. So if any of our church congregation are able and willing, please meet with suitable gardening kit at the church on **Sunday 19th February at 2:30 pm**. We should be done by 4:00pm latest. Many thanks!

Sarah and William

BENEFICE LENT LECTURE

Loitering with intent – the role of Police Chaplaincy

Thursday 2nd March, at Froyle Village Hall, 7.00pm for 7.30pm



Guest speaker: Canon David Wilbraham
Force Chaplain for Thames Valley Police and
National Police Chaplain

Last year David came to Froyle Church to baptise his granddaughter; he has kindly agreed to return to present this year's Benefice Lent Lecture!

David will speak about the role and work of Police Chaplains across the UK and the growth in chaplaincy provision over the last 10 years; he will share with us some of the fun and the challenges of working in an environment that combines the routine with the unexpected.

So do join us for what promises to be an interesting and entertaining evening.

There is no charge for this event, but there will be a retiring collection for the UK Police Chaplaincy.

Please RSVP if you would like to attend by contacting either Sarah (520041), William (23164) or Alison in the Church Office (23339). Drinks & nibbles will be served from 7.00 pm, so we would like to have a sense of numbers beforehand.

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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Sunday 5th February	8.00am 5.00pm 9.30am	Froyle Bentley Binsted	Holy Communion Live@Five Holy Communion
Sunday 12th February	11.00am 9.30am 3.30pm	Froyle Bentley Binsted	Holy Communion Morning Service Messy Church
Sunday 19th February	11.00am 5.00pm 9.30am	Froyle Bentley Binsted	Holy Communion Live@Five Morning Worship
Sunday 26th February	4.30pm 9.30am 8.00am	Froyle Bentley Binsted	Songs of Praise HC and Children's Church Holy Communion

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

February is the month of that most dreaded of days (well for some at least) - Valentine's day.

In preparation for this letter, I googled "tips for Valentine's Day" and began to trudge through the 17.2 million results. Needless to say, I soon gave up but not before I found this this top tip:

Make his/her favourite home-cooked meal and leave a trail of it leading to the bedroom...

Offbeat and silly - but the image this cast in my mind's eye rather tickled me.

Valentine's day is very much focused on romantic love - the love of poets and pop singers and cinema weepies - and what a gift this love is. However, for most people I know, despite its power, the everyday experience of romantic love is one that waxes and wanes - there are times when it is easy to be romantic and other times less so.

The Bible speaks of romantic love most especially in the Old Testament in the Song of Songs - an extended and fantastic Hebrew love poem. Though it's power and strength is clearly lauded the Bible reserves its highest praise for another kind of love. Divine love. A love that is of the will, not just the emotions.

This love transcends romanticism and is characterised, as the Bible puts it, by being "patient and kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

It is the love that takes Christ to the cross, a love that, as the hymn writer puts it, is all loves excelling.

May this love be yours this February and a Happy Valentine's Day to you all.

***Blessings,
Yann***

'Outstanding' Result for Treloar College

Ofsted has rated Treloar College as "Outstanding" in all aspects of its provision, confirming that it is one of the very best specialist colleges in the country.

Inspectors were particularly impressed with the exceptional progress that students make at Treloar's in "*developing their communication skills and in improving the skills they need to live and/or work more independently*". Staff and governors were praised for creating a culture of high aspirations where students are given outstanding support. Amongst many highlights, the Treloar's transition team were commended for the range and quality of work experience that are arranged for students and inspectors also singled out the innovative use of technology throughout the organisation.

Treloar's Principal Martin Ingram is thrilled with the Report, "The staff here are outstanding both in their professional expertise and the way they support our young people. They provide the widest range of opportunities to help them to achieve their potential.

We are tremendously proud of our students and their commitment to learning. The inspectors confirmed this commitment and commented that '*students display excellent attitudes to learning. They are diligent and keen to develop their skills and understanding*'. It is an exciting time to be at Treloar's."

The full report can be viewed on the Treloar's website (www.treloar.org.uk) or that of Ofsted (www.ofsted.gov.uk).

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<i>5</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>6</i> <i>Recycling</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>2.30pm</i> <i>Better</i> <i>Balance</i>	<i>9</i> <i>9.45am</i> <i>Toddlers</i> <i>& babies</i>	<i>10</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>Place</i> <i>7.30pm</i> <i>Gardening</i> <i>Club</i>	<i>11</i> <i>7.00pm</i> <i>Race</i> <i>Night</i> <i>FVH</i>
<i>12</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>13</i> <i>Refuse &</i> <i>garden</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>Place</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i> <i>11.00am</i> <i>HC</i>	<i>20</i> <i>Recycling</i> <i>&</i> <i>bottles</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> <i>7.00pm</i> <i>Froyle</i> <i>Wildlife</i>	<i>24</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>Place</i>	<i>25</i>
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