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. 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. The map is framed by a double-line border.

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Report from the Parish Council

Meeting with Sandy Hopkins, Chief Executive Officer of EHDC

On 5 June 2018 members of Froyle Parish Council (FPC) met with Sandy Hopkins the Chief Executive Officer of East Hants District Council (EHDC) and her number two, James Hassett, Executive Director (Operations and Place Shaping) to discuss the issue of Froyle Park. FPC reported that they remained unable to explain to residents how the village came to have a busy wedding venue in the centre of the Upper Froyle Conservation Area right next door to the grade 1 listed parish church in apparent conflict with the planning permission that EHDC had granted in 2013. FPC had written detailed letters to Ms Hopkins on five occasions since 2014 concerning the operation at Froyle Park.

Mr Hassett confirmed that following the enforcement investigation into Froyle Park conducted in autumn 2016, no written report had been produced. He had however given the information gathered plus FPC's own evidence and legal advice to a barrister who had determined that there was no breach of planning control. The existing C1 permission for hotels allowed for weddings and events to be the primary use despite the absence of D2 permission. Mr Hassett has previously declined to share this advice with FPC. Ms Hopkins confirmed that she had not seen the legal advice regarding the use of Froyle Park. Mr Hassett confirmed that he had not shared the advice with the Leader of EHDC. FPC reported that they had twice in 2017 raised the matter of Froyle Park at the local Community Forum but had been told by EHDC Councillors that they were unable to comment on the matter. Both Ms Hopkins and Mr Hassett denied that officers had placed any 'gag' on EHDC members.

FPC pointed out that the existing planning conditions which related to a hotel rather than a wedding venue were wholly inadequate to protect residents. Were the venue to be sold on to a less sympathetic owner residents would be exposed to even greater disruption and nuisance. The way forward had to involve a reduction in the intensity of use of the venue to something which more closely resembled the original planning permission.

Ms Hopkins agreed that she would consider the points made by FPC and would investigate what options remained open to help deal with the situation and would discuss these with the Chairman of FPC.

Report from the Parish Council (cont)

Extraordinary Meeting 11 June 2018

FPC met on 11 June. Six councillors were present and two members of the public.

The financial regulations which govern the management of the council's finances and ensure they are adequate were discussed and adopted.

FPC is investigating a savings account for their reserve funds which will provide a better return than the current one.

There has been no response to date from the Nicolas James Group (NJG) about when the permissive footpath linking the Linden Homes estate to the bottom of Hen and Chicken Hill will be constructed.

Despite repeated requests to Linden Homes the redundant posts and signage on Hen and Chicken Hill have not yet been removed. FPC will continue to pursue both issues.

Tall grass continues to obstruct the view of oncoming traffic in both directions when turning onto the A31 at the Hen and Chicken junction. The matter has been raised as a matter of urgency with Highways and both District and County Councillors. Residents should take great care when using this junction.

East Hants District Council have agreed an application from NJG to convert the proposed shop in Froyle Green to a one bed apartment. FPC had previously objected.

FPC have objected to an application to convert the garages at Froyle House (the White House) to a three-to-four bed dwelling because of issues with the Design Statement and the failure to provide information about landscaping, bins and parking. Concern has also been expressed about the safety of the single access given the number of flats and houses it now serves. These matters have been raised with Cllr Watts.

FPC continues to seek advice about the cost of renovating the football hut.

FPC has put in a bid to War Memorial Trust to part-fund the renovation of the war memorial. It has been decided for technical reasons to mend rather than replace the concrete area round the memorial.

The safety rail at the steps linking footpath 11a to Froyle Road has been repaired. The pirate ship on the playground will be repainted in jollier colours.

Report from the Parish Council (cont)

Traffic signs warning of pedestrians in the road have been installed at either end of Froyle Road in Lower Froyle. Local farmers have been contacted with regard to the speed of tractors and farm machinery through the village. Residents are encouraged to report to the police or the Parish Clerk, with registration numbers, instances of tractors travelling too quickly.

FPC have been told that when the Southampton to Heathrow fuel pipeline is replaced the preferred option as far as Froyle is concerned is to retain the current route. Work on this is scheduled for 2021. Further information and an interactive map can be found at www.slpproject.co.uk

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 9 July 2018. If you have matters you wish to raise or you want to comment on this report, please contact the Parish Clerk at the address above.



" News from the toddler group"

Thursday 26th July AM - 10am - 1pm

Calling all parents, carers, grandparents, children, toddlers and babies. Please do come and join us on July 26th. There will be an opportunity to play with our great toys and have a drink and chat. The event is opened to past, present and future carers followed by a picnic.

Please do put the date in your diaries if you are interested. The village hall committee will unfortunately have to make a decision and redistribute the toys if there is no interest for future meetings. Any questions, please call Sylvie on 520779.



The next Froyle Film Night

will be held

on

FRIDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2018

Film to be announced nearer the time



Bookings:
Susie Robertson
01420 520820

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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 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.

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)**

News from the Village Hall

Quite a few 'achievements' to report this month. The new doors have been installed and the colour is a good match to the windows. There is a bit of snagging to do then we will invite our district and county councillors to officially 'open the doors' in recognition of their help funding the project. The doors include a key code which we will need to change regularly when we have learnt how to do this! In due course we intend to restore the 'Froyle Village Hall' sign across the window above the doors.

Next to the doors you will find a new lockable notice board. The intention is that this should be used to display adverts for forthcoming events in the village. Please use the notice board and do not stick posters to the new doors. A key for the board will be available from myself, Karen Potter and the current Bookings Secretary.

News from the Village Hall (cont)

The cooker hood has finally been repaired.

Recently one of the picnic tables collapsed under the weight of a large number of children posing for a photograph. Fortunately no one was hurt. The surviving tables have done fine service and we have decided to pension them off. They have been found good homes in the village where they can live out the rest of their lives quietly without fear of being squashed. Four new tables have been purchased and positioned on the patio. If you must move them, please lift with a friend. Do not drag them by yourself because this weakens their legs and then guess what happens.

Many thanks to all the residents who have signed up to receive emails promoting events at the Village Hall. We are asking you to do this in order to comply with the new Data Protection Regulations. If you haven't yet done so and would like to be included, please email fvhmailinglist@gmail.com confirming your wish to join. Emails will be sent out blind and your email will not be visible to others. Nor will the list be passed on or used for any other purpose.

The Hall continues to be well used. Early in June it served tea to well over a thousand visitors who had come to admire the Froyle Gardens. A week later the Hall hosted 'Call my wine bluff'. Both events were a great success and are reported elsewhere in the Magazine.

The Hall relies on a huge amount of voluntary effort for which the Committee is very grateful.

*Nick Whines
Hon Sec Froyle Village Hall*

Stop Press

For reasons too complex to explain here William Knowles will henceforth be known as 'Brian'.

Mary will be known as 'Wife of Brian'!

Froyle 100 Club Winners for April

1st - Barry Clark 2nd - Diana Snow

3rd - Phil Roberts 4th - Anthea McRiley

Congratulations to all! - William Knowles

‘CALL MY WINE BLUFF’ held in the Village Hall on 9 June...

An array of teams, made up of Froyle’s most able wine lovers and identifiers of bullshit, gathered in Froyle Village Hall on Saturday evening, 9 June. Their task was to decide, for each of eight different label-less bottles of wine that they were asked to sample in turn, which member of the panel of three “well known local wine experts” (as they were rather generously described in last month’s magazine) was telling the truth in his or her description and identification of the wine in question.

Actually, there were six wines (including a fizz and a port), one cider and a bottle of, err.... Water. It is sad but true – if not entirely fair – to say that the teams turned out to be rather better at spotting the correct make of water than the correct wine/cider..... They weren’t helped by the fact that one of the “local wine experts” (Nigel Bulpitt) really was an expert, and always sounded most convincing. Ever since the Brexit referendum, we have all had difficulty working out when we should trust the experts and when we shouldn’t - this evening was no exception. And as with experts, so also the voices of authority - even magistrates can no longer be trusted it seems.....

Our host and organiser of the evening, David Robertson, is also no slouch when it comes to understanding wine. Between him and Nigel, they cleverly put together for each wine (including the cider) three sets of tasting notes which made it almost impossible to tell from the description alone which was the correct wine; instead (and increasingly as the evening progressed and the wine flowed in perhaps larger than normal tasting measures), people started to judge less by what was said and more by how it was said and by whom – which of their good friends on the panel was lying to them? Oh dear....

The only outlandish description came with the water. Sadly, no one was fooled by the “expert’s” explanation of how he had brought the water back from the River Itchen on one of his many and usually unproductive fishing expeditions – no wonder the fish aren’t fooled either....

We were wonderfully fed by Susie, so it was a great husband-and-wife effort involving much more work than they let on. No one knew quite what to expect, but whatever our expectations were, they were certainly exceeded – it was a really entertaining evening, which raised £590 for the Village Hall.

And since there was only one collective vote for each team of five or six people, there was plenty of scope for individuals to convince themselves that they would have got all the answers right, if only the rest of the team had listened to them. So we ended the evening with far more wine experts than we had at the outset....

William Knowles

CONTRIBUTIONS WANTED

(IN)CONSEQUENTIAL TALES

I'm sure you have all enjoyed reading the previous three episodes of this fast moving story. Unfortunately due to a lack of space in this month's magazine the next exciting instalment will be in the autumn. Will this be written by you?

Similarly the editors have introduced a number of columns which allow our readers to contribute their own stories, so as we approach autumn wouldn't it be nice to have reviews of your favourite book or film in **MEDICINE OF THE SOUL** or tell everyone of your exciting and often unique experiences in **I WAS THERE** and certainly as we move towards the 100 anniversary of the end of the First World War stories **FROM THE FRONT** will surely be popular.

All contributions should be sent to magazine@froyle.com



The Froyle Card Games Club STOP PRESS



Second Meeting Monday 2nd July 2.30 – 4.30pm in the Village Hall

After a successful first meeting In June, we have decided to **reconvene on a regular basis on the first Monday of the month at 2.30pm.**

The charge will be £2 per head to include tea/coffee and biscuits.

So even if you don't have a regular partner but love playing cards – *or if you haven't played for some time and would like to start again* - do drop by and we will fit you in with a game.



Caroline Findlay (22019)
David Robertson (520820)



The Meeting Place

The Meeting Place takes place every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30am - 12 noon, so do come and join us for delicious home made cake, hot drinks and good conversation.



We collect used stamps and plastic milk bottle tops for charity, sell postage stamps and the local paper and there are a selection of books to borrow. We would love more surplus local produce, eggs, vegetables and flowers.

Cake bakers for July

6th	Janet Dobson	Jenny Dundas	Ann Netherway	
13th	Sarah Roberts	Alison Pincott	Chris Mudderman	Corinna Whines
20th	June Trimm	Sue Sharman	Helen MacDonald	Sarah English
27th	Madeleine Black	Jenny Mathews	Kim Blake	Sarah Basey

Cake bakers for August

3rd	Sue Carr	Elizabeth Sealey	Lucinda Lindblom	Charlotte Baikie
10th	Gill Bradley	Jane Stewart-S	Brenda Milam	Jenny Mathews
17th	AnnRoberts	Jenny Gove	Caroline Findlay	Shirley Bellis
24th	Sue Lelliott	Pat Gasson	Mary Chaplin	Louise Marston
31st	Madeleine Black	Barbara Starbuck	Chris Mudderman	Anne Blunt

It is an enormous help to be told what you are baking each week, so if you could let us know by **Thursday** it would be much appreciated.

Kitchen Helpers for July

6th	Sarah Lovell	Jenny Dundas
13th	Jane McNabb	Marje Heyhurst
20th	Brenda Milam	Sarah Roberts
27th	Kim Blake	Lori Taylor

The Meeting Place (Cont)

Kitchen Helpers for August

3rd	Sue Marriott	Jenny Topping
10th	Chris Mudderman	Marje Heyhurst
17th	Barbara Starbuck	Judith Leslie Smith
24th	David Robertson	William Knowles aka Brian
31st	Sue Carr	Linda Cooper

If you need to swap dates, please contact another helper direct to arrange this.
Please be at the Village Hall around 10.00am.

Gill Bradley (520484) p.andg.bradley@btinternet.com

Susie Robertson (520820) sjrinfroyle@gmail.com



Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt
Chair: Brenda Milam

Sadly the trip to Kiftsgate was cancelled. The next outing is on 27th July at 7.0pm at Whispers, Chatter Alley, Dogmersfield RG27 8SS. 3 miles west of Fleet turn North to Dockmersfield off A287 Odiham to Farnham Rd. Turn left by Queens Head Pub. On August 10th we meet at Wheatley house at 6.0pm GU35 9PA. Take A 31 to Bentley, follow sign for Bordon. After 2 miles turn right at Jolly Farmer PH towards Binsted. After 1 mile turn left and follow signs to Wheatley

JULY 14th Fete and Flower Show

Dont forget to enter on Wednesday 11th July between 7.0pm and 8.0pm at Frole Village Hall. Schedules available at the Meeting Place or in the box on the side wall at Walbury.

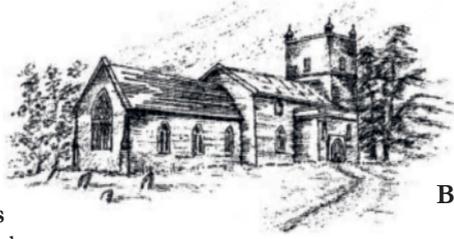
Autumn Show 8th September

Now going ahead. Please enter on Wed 5th September

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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JULY SERVICES

Sunday 1st	8.00am	Froyle	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Binsted	Holy Communion
	5.00pm	Bentley	Live@Five (tea at 4.30pm)
Sunday 8th	11.00am	Froyle	Holy Communion
	3.30pm	Binsted	Marquee and Pet Service on recreation ground
Sunday 15th	11.00am	Froyle	Pet Service at Village Hall
	9.30am	Binsted	Morning Worship
	5.00pm	Bentley	Live@Five (tea at 4.30pm)
Sunday 22nd	6.30pm	Froyle	Evensong
	9.30am	Bentley	Marquee service on recreation ground
Sunday 29th	11.00am	Binsted	Joint Benefice Service

AUGUST SERVICES (Summer Pattern)

Sunday 5th	8.00am	Froyle	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Bentley	Holy Communion
Sunday 12th	11.00am	Froyle	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Binsted	Holy Communion
Sunday 19th	11.00am	Froyle	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Bentley	Holy Communion
Sunday 26th	6.30pm	Froyle	Evensong
	9.30am	Binsted	Holy Communion



Remembrance Concert Sunday, 21st October, Froyle Church

What we hope will be a very moving concert of choral singing, music and readings (both religious and secular), to mark the 100th anniversary three weeks later of the end of the First World War, will be held in **Froyle Church on Sunday 21st October**, early evening (exact time tbc). It will be led by Winchester Consort, a Winchester based choir of invited singers who have performed a number of Remembrance-themed concerts over the last four years, mostly in the Quire of Winchester Cathedral. Further details will appear in September's magazine.

William Knowles

Church Altar Rail Kneelers

As anticipated in last month's magazine, the new altar rail kneelers are now in place in the church and were dedicated at a lovely brief ceremony on 10th June. Well done to all the twenty people who contributed to putting the kneelers together. They look very striking with their simple design which is very much in keeping with the church as a whole.

Pet Service at Froyle Village Hall on Sunday 15th July at 11:00 am:

If you haven't been to this before, the focal point of this short, entertaining service in the Village Hall (or on the patio outside) is the vicar making a spectacle of himself blessing all sorts of usually rather bewildered or distracted looking and occasionally rambunctious pets (Yann explains it slightly differently – see “View from the Vicarage” on the next page). You don't need a pet to come along! There are some short prayers and readings done by children. Tea and cake are served afterwards. Donations go to Canine Partners, a member of which will give a short talk on the work they do with their amazing dogs. And if anyone would like to play the village hall piano to accompany the two or three well-known hymns we sing at the service, do let Jenny Gove or me know!!

Community Group and William Knowles

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear all,

All creatures great and small will be in the congregation on Sunday, July 8 at Binsted and Sunday, July 15 in Froyle when we hold the first Binsted Pet Service in the fete marquee on the recreation ground and our annual Pet Service at the Froyle Village Hall, respectively. I'm already thinking about appropriate hymns that our unusual congregation might enjoy hearing... Bark the Herald Angels, maybe?

From my experience of Froyle's pet services, the pets are always remarkably well behaved on these occasions, (the owners are usually quite good too) with various breeds of dog sitting happily side by side, for much of the time. Hamsters, rabbits, ducks, chickens and ponies have also been known to attend, and we've even had cats - though they are usually confined - the temptation to chase other smaller animals is often too much for them!

So why am I subjecting myself (and the pets and their owners) to this, you may well ask. In Genesis we find God "created human beings; he created them godlike, reflecting God's nature. He created them male and female. God blessed them: "Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge! Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air, for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth." (The Message) - what a tremendous responsibility and obligation to respect other forms of life! I don't believe that is the primary justification for this service, but I do see it as a way of honouring the creatures we have asked to share our lives, to be our friends, to be part of our families.

I know many people for whom the loss of a much loved pet can cause almost as much distress as the loss of a relative. Animals with a long life span will share much of a family's achievements as well as its low points. They will comfort us when we are sad, amuse us when we are tired and take us for bracing walks in all weathers, showing us how to face each day with eagerness and optimism. They can teach little children responsibility and tenderness and can give the elderly love and affection with a wet nose and the caress of a soft coat. Sentimental? I think not. I've seen how animal visitors in care homes can bring a smile to an aged face and how taking care of animals in school and in the home can educate and encourage respect for the animal kingdom. So on Sunday, July 8, at 11am, I'll take my own pet, Scooby (my family quite wisely prevented me from calling him Welby...) along to the marquee in Binsted and then on to the Village Hall in Froyle the following week, same time. I'll sit him down, tell him to 'stay' and hope that many others will join us. Then we shall sing joyful songs for our furry and feathered friends, bless them for their loyalty and companionship and thank God for giving us responsibility over such a variety of creatures. Bring Hammy, Fido and whoever else is your reliable companion along and if your favourite cat, rabbit or guinea pig is too shy to join us, a picture or soft toy can act as a substitute. We shall ask God to bless them all and give thanks.

Blessings,

Yann

Froyle Vestments Group

Vestments group had a successful weekend on the 2nd and 3rd June with around three hundred visitors over two days. We could not have done this without help with foliage arrangements (mainly Tony Riley's and Gill Bradley's deft touch), and all of you who helped with setting up, welcoming visitors, and taking down the exhibition. The christening robes loaned by local families were beautiful. Thank you all so much.

Madeleine Black 23371

Thank you to all the lovely ladies and gentlemen (I will not name them for fear of leaving anyone out) who have again brightened our Tuesday afternoons in June by bringing us "Cream Teas at the Church". The church and churchyard (on the fine days), were full of happy chat and laughter. The scones were wonderful, the fresh strawberries sweet, and the 'service' exemplary. Many thanks to everyone who organised, baked, and served.



Lori (Taylor)

Annual Parish Picnic at Green Farm, Bentley GU10 5JX Sunday 8th July, 2018 from 12 noon onwards

Chris, Glenda and Annabelle Powell warmly invite EVERYONE from the Congregations of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches to their annual Parish Picnic on Sunday 8th July from 12 noon onwards.

There will be tennis; swimming in the outdoor heated swimming-pool; tree house; trampolining; rounders and lots more games including rides on Chris's quad bike (Parents - please bring helmets for their children if so desired)

Please bring picnic rugs; chairs; tables; picnic lunch and drinks; all swimwear; towels and goggles; plus tennis raquets and trainers for an afternoon of fun and friendship.

THIS YEAR WE SHOULD LIKE TO REQUEST DONATIONS OF APPROXIMATELY £10 PER FAMILY OR £3 PER EXTRA PERSON OR CHILD, TOWARDS THE UPKEEP OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN BENTLEY.

Please come and support us and have fun with Family and Friends on what we hope will be a warm, sunny afternoon.

This year, we should appreciate it if you can give us an indication of your attendance and numbers in your party, so that we can ensure the afternoon will be viable as it is such a busy time of year.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Sunday 8th July.

For further information, please contact:

Chris and Glenda Powell on 01420 23246 or

Glenda on 07711981614

or Chris on 07711981618 or send an email to:

glenda.powell@btopenworld.com

THANK YOU



*The Benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle
Invite Senior Residents to
a Summer Tea Party at Mill Court
Wednesday 11th July 3pm-5pm*

RSVP: Gill Thallon Tel: 23538 Email: gill.thallon@bopenworld.com
Lifts can be arranged



GRAVE TALK

**FROYLE VILLAGE HALL
Saturday 1 September 3.30pm**

We held a GraveTalk session a couple of years ago and, amazingly, it was a lot of fun and very helpful to those who came.

Talking about death, dying and funerals raises big questions that we will all need to face at some time but it can be hard to talk to family and friends about it. Yet we should think about the practical and emotional aspects of death and dying at some point in our lives.

GraveTalk is appropriate for people of all ages who wants to talk and share their thoughts with others.

The format is simple. Along with tea and cake, we will be providing some GraveTalk cards that pose simple questions so that you can air your thoughts and swap ideas. These questions might be simple but the answers are very individual (and often produce a lot of laughter).

If you would like to know more, need transport or just want to contribute a cake please call Nigel or Linda Bulpitt on 22725.



Froyle Wildlife

'Drop-in' day at wildlife pond, Sunday 1st July

Call in between 10-12am or 2-4pm to visit the wildlife pond and meadow, near Gid Lane. They'll be plenty to see especially if it's a sunny day, so do come along and see what's flying and flowering. For more information please see www.froylewildlife/news.



Members of Froyle Wildlife will be on hand to assist with identification of wildflowers, dragonflies' and butterflies. Species to look out for include; knapweed, lady's bedstraw, rough hawkbit, self heal, purple loosestrife, water figwort, bird's-foot trefoil, emperor dragonfly, four-spotted chaser, azure damselfly, meadow brown.

Pond dipping Sunday 29th July. Family fun –join us for a 1h dipping session to see what underwater creatures we can find in Froyle Park Pond, near Gid Lane. Children will need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. All equipment will be provided and numbers are limited so it is essential to book by emailing info@froylewildlife.co.uk, stating preference for 1.30pm or 2.30pm session.

Saturday 28th July 2-4pm is the annual cut and rake-up of the wildflower area on the recreation ground. We welcome volunteers to help remove the cuttings.

Barry Clark

72nd Froyle Fête, Dog Show and Flower Show

Saturday 14th July 2017

All are welcome to the annual no frills but plenty of spills Froyle Fête.

The schedule below is subject as always to the weather but let's hope for a fine summer's day.

13:00 Open for lunch and drinks, fun and games, shopping and strolling

13.45 Official opening

14.00 Children's Races

15.00 Dog Show

16.00 Garden Prizes

16:15 Grand Raffle

There will be plenty of food and drink, choose from the beer tent, the bbq, ice creams or tea on the patio. This will be accompanied by live music with the return of our favourite band.

In the arena there will be the annual attempt by a group of well meaning adults to finally win the tug of war against an army of children. This is followed by the ever popular and often hilarious dog show which could be re-titled "Dogs v Humans" There is normally only one winner.

For the more active there will be traditional games: welly wanging, coconut shy, beat the goalie and crockery smashing.

Throughout the afternoon there will be plenty of other attractions and stalls for adults and children alike including a farm and giant slide.

Tea and Cakes is a must at any traditional fete and Froyle takes the biscuit when it comes to tea and cake. That said we are always grateful for all those cake bakers who supply us on the day, again this year any donations would be extremely well received. All surplus will be sold on the day so all donations will help to raise money for the village. Deliver to the Meeting Place on the 13th July or to the Tea stall on the day.

Splat the Rat needs a rat

There will be a prize for the best rat delivered to the chief rat splaterer who will test each entry for speed and agility. The rat should be able to go down a drainpipe at speed so weight is important. It should look like a rat the scarier the better. One tip a football sock could be a good starting point. Splat the Rat will be near hooky ducky and all entries should be with the chief splaterer by 1.00pm.

Children only, terms and conditions apply

Fete Tombola

And we are still collecting for the fantastic Lori and Sue's Tombola so:

"We would love to have your unwanted gifts, new toiletries, new (as new) children's toys, jewellery, fashion accessories, knick-knacks.....in fact anything you think would make a nice prize for any age group on our Tombola Stall. So please have a rummage and root around your cupboards, drawers and wardrobes. There will be a box at the Meeting Place for donations, or contact us to arrange delivery or collection of your gifts. Many thanks in anticipation". *Lori 22148 Sue S. 22603*

DON'T FORGET THE DOG SHOW, SAYS BERTIE.....and who is Bertie?



Well, Bertie is a very important dog whose photo appeared in *'The Times' on 3rd June*. The Times told us in the caption to the photo that Bertie had been trained to be a master rabbit catcher at *Jenkyn Place vineyards*. Indeed, here you see him standing guard over a young Pinot Noir grape vine in his 'high-vis' rabbit catcher jacket and looking very smart, alert and in control of the situation.

But don't be fooled - Bertie is none of these things. Bertie is totally charming, entertaining, occasionally known to create quite a lot of noise and havoc, but (not to put too fine a point on it) he is completely useless.... Which makes him the most excellent role model for.... Wait for it.....

TOP DOG AT FROYLE FETE.....



Bertie and his owner, Simon Bladon of Jenkyn Place vineyards, sadly can't be with us at the fete this year. However, Simon has very generously agreed to donate a bottle of the first rate ***Jenkyn Place fizz*** to the winner of the Top Dog award this year (as he has kindly done for the last couple of years). Soooo.... if you have a woofier who you think is charming and wonderful but who is not much good at anything – not the fastest or the most obedient, or even the scruffiest or most badly behaved - do not despair! This could be your dog's year to be recognised for his or her true greatness and to *win* you a bottle of *top class English sparkling wine from just down the road at Jenkyn Place in Bentley.*

In other respects, the Dog Show will be much the same combination of controlled chaos and unforced errors as in the last few years: the usual classes of competition with winners and runners up in each class – dogs are encouraged to enter all classes, which makes it much more fun. Entries can be made on the day at the fete, at any time before the start of the Dog Show at 3:00 pm (the earlier the better), either at the arena or from Sarah English or Polly Marshall, who will be wandering around the arena accosting dog owners during the early part of the fete, so there will be no escape....

The exact format depends somewhat on the weather - there will be lots of water bowls around the arena to ensure, along with the beer tent, that neither dogs nor their owners overheat.

“Froyle Park Residents Facebook Group

“For all residents, this group has been created as a forum for chit-chat, ideas, discussions and social events, with the aim of further developing the community within the Froyle Park development.”

Users should search Facebook for “Froyle Park Residents”. From here they will be able to join the group.

Simon Watmore

July News from The Froyle Archive

Fêtes and Flower Shows

Fêtes have for ever been very much part of village life and Froyle's annual event is always looked forward to with anticipation. Before the turn of the previous century it was more of a 'club' than a Fête and, apparently, took place on Whit Monday, when the village would hold a cricket match, at which there would be a few stalls, a band and swing boats similar to those below in the 1880s in Binsted. Sir Hubert Miller, Lord of the Manor of Froyle, was responsible for starting an Annual Flower Show and, since that time, the Fête has been run in conjunction with this. At those first shows, the exhibits were displayed in the schools and... No, let Nellie Smith tell you about them. She was 13 years old in 1904 and wrote this imaginary letter as an exercise at Froyle School in Upper Froyle.



"I am writing to tell you about our Flower Show which took place on August 3rd, 1904. All the people were glad because it was a nice fine day. All the things that were brought to the school were very nice. The wild flowers also looked very nice. The prizes were given out by Lady Lindsay. After she had given them out we went into the meadow which was kindly lent by Mrs. and Mr. Simpson. Dancing and other amusements were held in the meadow. We also had a band. Swinging boats were placed in the meadow and a lot of people had some swings. Some of them went up so high that you would think they were going to fall out. After the dancing and sports,

a grand display of fireworks took place. They were let off by Mr. Curtis."

*Froyle School Plans
Oct 31st 1905*

Diary

Dear Diary

I think you owe me a letter, but perhaps you have left school if so I should like to receive an answer if you enjoyed my Summer holidays and I hope you

*did too. With kind respects from
Nellie Smith.*

Nellie Smith lived in Lower Froyle near the village pond, possibly in one of Highway Cottages. Her father, William, was a carter and she had two sisters and two brothers (1901 Census). On the left is a page from the exercise book she used in 1905. Letter writing was a feature of English teaching in those days. The original was lent to the School Closure Exhibition in 1986 by Mrs. D. King of Farnham, Surrey.

Chris & Annette Booth

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News From the School

Another great year for residential trips!

At Bentley CE Primary School we believe that each child is entitled to a broad and balanced curriculum accessed through active learning opportunities with appropriate chances for enrichment; school visits and residential trips are an essential and integral part of doing this. They provide an essential resource for the teaching of the National Curriculum but even more crucially, an opportunity to extend our children's understanding and knowledge of the world and a fabulous opportunity to improve social skills through working as part of a team on collaborative work.

Each year our Year 3 and 4 children go to The Gordon Brown Centre – a 25 acre environmental education centre in Rotherwick, just outside of Hook – where they stay for two or three nights respectively. Each child that goes to the centre is made to feel safe and comfortable whilst having a huge amount of fun! Staff who live and work at the centre share the space with a large number of well-loved animals, including goats, donkeys, rabbits, chickens and pigs. This year their visit took place during a sunny week in May and the activities included shelter building, pond dipping, mini beast hunting, river study, canoeing, archery and environmental art.

Our Year 5 children spent five days on the shores of the Solent at the **Calshot** Activities Centre - one of the largest outdoor adventure centres in Britain - in mid-May this year where they enjoyed a packed itinerary of climbing, dry slope skiing, river and coastal study, abseiling and other team building activities. Year 6 are looking forward to their visit to Calshot in late June. Their programme will be more water based and include kayaking, windsurfing and sailing and they too will enjoy the climbing and skiing facilities. The top class facilities at Calshot, excellent equipment and experienced staff combine to make the children's stay a truly memorable experience. With a superb programme of activities throughout the day and into the evening, these trips really do help to build confidence and skills.



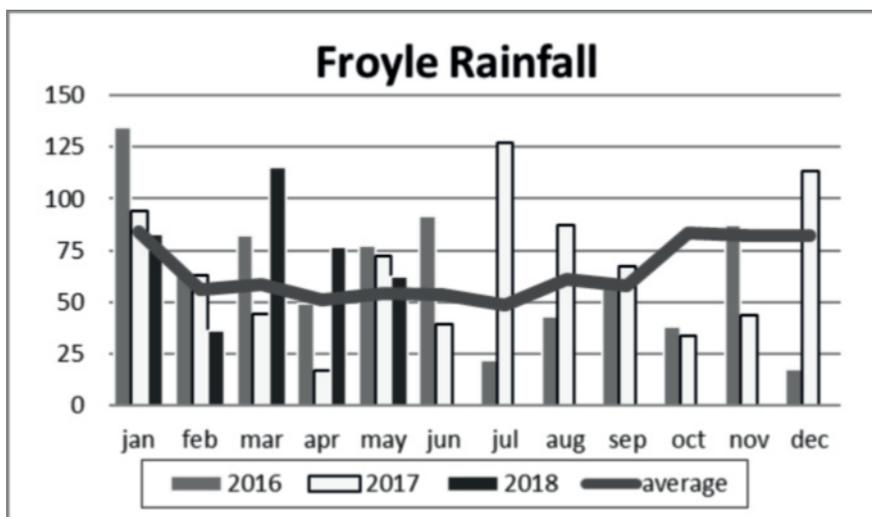
*Rebecca Miffing, Deputy Headteacher and Year 3 Teacher
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Jo Rushin, Year 5 Teacher*

EVENTS IN FROYLE DURING JULY AND AUGUST

Remember to check the calendar at the back of the magazine to ensure you do not miss everything going on in Froyle this month. You will usually find further details in the articles and advertisements.

Froyle Rainfall for May 2018

This year	62 mm	2.4 ins
Last year	72 mm	2.8 ins
Wettest May (1979)	111 mm	4.4 ins
Driest May (1991)	3.5 mm	0.1 ins
Long-term average for May – the 4 th driest month	54.3 mm	2.1 ins
Total rainfall for the year so far	373 mm	14.7 ins
Long-term average for the year so far	304 mm	12 ins



Looking at the chart it can be seen that there hasn't been much change in this month's rainfall for the last 3 years; in fact May has comfortably the lowest standard deviation of the entire year, that is to say the variance from the mean is the least, 2007 being the last year when there was a significant (upward) divergence from the norm.

In other words, apart from half the month's rainfall coming in the last week, a rather unremarkable month.



“The Umbrella Man”



Anne Wetherall

Cindy, Charlie, Richard and all of Anne Wetherall's family want to thank her many friends in Froyle for everything they did to make Anne's Thanksgiving Service so memorable. A huge thank you to you all for making her beloved church ready, arranging the beautiful flowers and then afterwards at the hall, helping with the delicious food and looking after everyone so well. How lucky she was to have such good friends. You are all amazing! We are so grateful. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

From Margaret Robinson

To all my lovely friends and neighbours in this wonderful village of Froyle, I would like to say a huge thank you to you all for the cards, flowers, help, support and well wishes you've given me during my recent illness and treatment, not to mention all the lifts to hospital for my radiotherapy sessions. I have been privy to some very interesting chit chat en route (my lips are sealed!) and never knew there were so many ways to get to Basingstoke Hospital! It really made the world of difference during a difficult time and I am incredibly grateful to all of you.

Love Margaret

Better Balance

Better Balance finishes on Wednesday 4 July, 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

This really will be the final session as Sue is stepping back from leading the class after nearly six years. We have been so lucky to have her encouragement and skill, as well as laughter for all this time. The Full Monty won't be the same again. Neither will Wednesday afternoons!

Madeleine Black 23371

This has been a difficult decision for me as we have been meeting regularly since November 2012. We have had fun, laughter, good companionship whilst keeping ourselves active. I would like to thank Madeleine for all her organisation and encouragement and Cindy for preparing the hall so beautifully and helping us to enjoy our tea and biscuits, I couldn't have done it without both of you.

Sue Sharman

FROYLE OPEN GARDENS 2018

Froyle Open Gardens, now affectionately known as FOG, took place on the weekend of 2 and 3 June in aid of the National Garden Scheme. It is difficult to imagine weather more perfect for such an occasion. The sun shone. A cooling breeze stirred the vegetation. Just the right amount of fluffy white clouds drifted across an otherwise azure sky. After a cold wet Spring and a hot dry May a miracle happened. The gardens and the countryside beyond all looked splendid. The roses, peonies, poppies and (some) sweet peas were all in flower. The first visitors arrived at 10 am. Queues were forming well before 2pm when the gates opened. Then in they poured. Some local but many from much further afield. Sniffing, pointing, gazing, questioning, informing, trying out the seating as legs grew weary, snoozing. The last visitors were gently eased out just after 7pm.

Opening your garden is a curious business. Your garden always reflects something of your character and putting it on public view inevitably exposes you to scrutiny. It is also a journey. As you prepare you ask yourself 'Why am I doing this?'. Later when the bind weed is binding and you're getting exhausted you tell yourself 'Never again'. But then on the day all that is forgotten when you see the smiles and hear the murmurs of approval and observe the pure pleasure your garden is giving. I suppose the overwhelming feeling I get when I take down the signs and close the gate for another year is just how lucky I am to live as I do and where I do.

2018 will go on record as the most successful FOG to date. Despite bumping up the price of admission by 50%, we counted over a thousand visitors to our garden and teas were served to at least eleven hundred. After expenses, ticket, teas and plant sales raised £10,166 for the various NGS charities. We received congratulatory messages from the Chair and Chief Executive of NGS who recognised this was a whole-village achievement. So can I thank my fellow gardeners and the friends and family who helped them. Thanks to Maureen Fry who yet again sold the bulk of the tickets. Thanks to Susie Robertson who masterminded the refreshments with wonderful calm and all those who put in long hours at the counter and sink. Thanks to all the cake bakers whose efforts ensure that Froyle teas are famous. The Hall did not run out of cake although I am told that like the Battle of Waterloo it was a 'close-run thing'. Thanks to Charlie Findlay and a large team who toiled under a blazing sun administering the parking with National Trust precision. Although it is widely believed that traffic cones appear by magic, Charlie will attest that this is not the case. And thanks to everybody for putting up with the invasion and being so supportive. Finally can I thank the resident who has already offered to bake for next year. That is the spirit!

If you think you might like to open your garden do get in touch. One of the things which brings visitors back to Froyle is that we usually have one or more new gardens. And that's what visitors are always keenest to see.

Nick Whines

FROYLE SMALL ADS

(Don't forget - Small ads are *free* to all Froyle residents (one per month) - so why not advertise items you no longer need, right here? Or indeed services you can offer? Just e-mail your text - and a photo if you have one - to magazine@froyle.com)



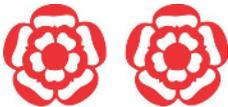
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<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>11.00</p> <p><i>Pets Service</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p><i>Refuse & garden</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>9.30 Meeting</p> <p><i>Place</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p>
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