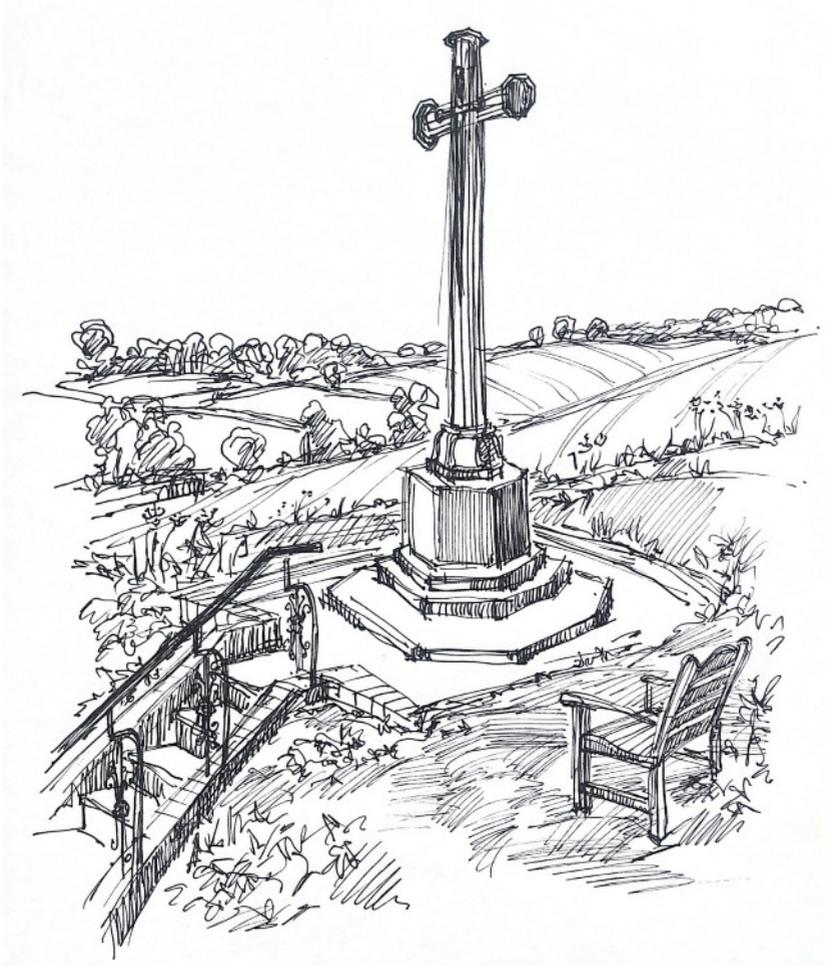


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FROYLE FIREWORK PARTY

**Saturday
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Beer, Hot Chocolate, Sweets
and Glow Sticks.*

PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

Parish Clerk - Andrew Potter - 07979 030571

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The Parish Council (PC) met on 4th October.

Following confirmation that the football hut slab was suitable for erecting the proposed oak framed structure, it was agreed to arrange a meeting with Rookery Barns as soon as possible to progress the building. Funding would be available from the reserve fund held in the PC account plus a grant of £14,000 from EHDC that had been approved in principle in 2017 for the original proposal. The structure to be built by Rookery Barns will have three bays, two open and one closed for storage and space for an accessible toilet. It was agreed that additional grants funding would be sought to fit out the accessible toilet and landscaping the surrounding area. As part of the landscaping scheme, an all-weather path would be constructed to provide better access to the playground.

The native trees species to be planted in support of the Queen's Canopy celebrating the Platinum Jubilee were selected and will be planted in November. A Copper Beech will be planted on the Lower Froyle Recreation Ground and a flowering Autumn Cherry on Jubilee Green in Upper Froyle. Commemorative plaques have been acquired to be placed by the trees. It was also agreed to plant hornbeam whips to fill in the gaps at the Westburn Fields end of the Recreation Ground hedge.

Maintenance work around the village was discussed and actions agreed. The contract to undertake tree pruning on the Rec and at Hadwick's Corner was approved and this work has been scheduled for October 29th. Investigations are ongoing to determine who owns the tree beside the War Memorial as this also requires pruning to avoid the risk of a branch falling and damaging the memorial. It has been agreed with the Froyle Estate owners to dig out the ditch upstream of the culvert under Ryebriidge Lane in Upper Froyle, which is a regular area of winter flooding. The culvert is also blocked and this has been reported to Hampshire Highways to clear it as soon as possible. Work on re-paving the Village Hall patio has been completed to a high standard and the PC was grateful for a donation towards the costs from the Village Hall Committee

It was noted with thanks that the landowner had installed dog gates beside the first two stiles in the footpath from Husseys Lane to Bentley. The owner of the land where the third stile is located will be requested to install a dog gate so that there the footpath to Bentley is suitable for dog walkers. This was considered to be particularly important now access to fields around the village have been restricted by landowners to discourage the growing and illegal activity of hare coursing.

It was agreed to develop a ‘Vision for the Rec’ and put this out for consultation to residents. The purpose of this would be twofold, firstly to ensure that most value for residents is provided by the Rec and secondly to provide facilities that would be of interest to the whole village and not just residents in Lower Froyle. Suggestions of possible new equipment that could be installed would be included for comment.

It was agreed to support the acquisition of a second defibrillator by the West End Farm businesses. This will be located on an external wall at West End Farm and available to all residents and members of the public, as well as employees and guests of the surrounding businesses.

Concerns were again expressed about Froyle Park events. It was noted that the new extractor system had not resolved the issue of food smells and Froyle Park have stated that they are reviewing the situation with the installation engineers. The Froyle Park website has been updated to provide better directions but the promised improvements to signage to Froyle Place have still not materialised. Finally noise from events continues to be a concern for neighbours but recently with a new phenomenon of guests arriving in supercars revving engines and sounding their horns while cruising along Ryebidge Lane past the venue. This is particularly unwelcome. Froyle Park management seems unwilling to intervene with matters concerning their guests when outside the gates and assistance from external bodies such as Environmental Health and the police will be sought as necessary to control these activities.

EHDC Councillor Costigan reported on activities in EHDC including the resumption of glass collections and strengthening of the Planning Compliance department.

A public meeting was held in the Village Hall on 12th October at which iGas presented their plans to redevelop the Holybourne Rail Terminal between the A31 and Alton line. About 20 people attended to hear the company’s plans for redeveloping the oil facilities and seeking to use the rail sidings and more of the site area for aggregate distribution (see October Mag for more details).

In order to properly review and comment on planning applications, it was decided to revert to a monthly meeting of the PC with additional meetings being scheduled on 14th December and 16th February 2023.

The next Parish Council (PC) meeting is on 14th November at 19.00 in the Village Hall – the draft agenda will be available on the PC website a few days before and all residents are welcome to attend.

Visit the PC website www.froyleparishcouncil.org.uk and our Facebook page for useful information about the village including details of events, contact details etc., Parish Council meetings and Councillors.



Bookings:
Sarah Zorab
01420 520361

www.froylevillagehall.co.uk

See page 28 for a list of hire charges for residents and non-residents

I breathed a sigh of relief when it was announced that the Coronation would be on Saturday 6th May 2023. Until then the papers had been speculating on Saturday 3rd June, which would have clashed with Froyle Open Gardens. We are told that the Coronation will be a somewhat more modest affair than that for the late Queen in 1953. However the Village Hall Committee has already begun to wonder how the community might celebrate the event. It has been suggested for example that we might show the TV coverage in the hall much as we did at the Platinum Jubilee earlier in the year. If you have ideas or suggestions please talk to a member of the Committee. You will find their names and email addresses on the website at www.froylevillagehall.co.uk along with lots more information and the booking form. It would be good to see an increase in the use of the hall. The Committee is always very happy to support new groups and start-ups.

I am pleased to announce the return of Better Balance - henceforth to be known as Body Balance - on Wednesday mornings from 10.30am. This will be run by Tegan Hansen who already leads a successful Pilates Group on Mondays. Body Balance will be a gentle class for anyone, targeting core stability which is so important as we get older.... More information on page 27.

Immediately after Body Balance, from November 23rd, we will be starting a new series of lunches in the Village Hall, every Wednesday - imaginatively entitled 'Soup Lunch Wednesday' - which is the initiative of, and will be run in conjunction with, the Parish Council. The plan is very much to follow the format of the Annual Harvest Soup Lunch - which this year will be on November 16th. The aim will be to provide another opportunity for all Village residents to get out, socialise and have something warm to eat. And at the same time help us get through what may be a difficult winter. As always volunteers are needed. See page 7 for further details.

Just to remind you that we have a box in the Hall for donations to the Alton Food Bank. Given the current economic difficulties it will be needed more than ever. An easy and cost effective way of supporting the Food Bank or indeed the Village Hall is to join Amazon Smile and nominate your preferred charity. Thereafter every time you

buy something a small percentage of the purchase price goes to the charity and it doesn't cost you anything. It takes only a couple of minutes to register. Go to <https://alton.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/> and click on the "Support Alton Foodbank" box towards the bottom of the page. See page 22 for a list of the items they most urgently need now.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the organisers of two recent events in the Village Hall. The Harvest Supper and the Quiz Night were both a great success and very enjoyable. The food was excellent on both occasions. It was particularly good to see a young team organise the Quiz (with some help from their parents). The questions were on the whole varied and the use of video projection innovatory with a picture round. I managed to recognise Jimmy Hill's chin but of the others I had no idea. See below for more about the evening.

Our next big event is the Firework Party on Saturday 5th November. No bonfire this year but our recently acquired firepits will be in action. As will the BBQ along with mulled cider, mulled wine, beer and hot chocolate. Illumination will be provided by our friends at PowerUp Events Services from Upper Froyle, so you can see what you are eating and who you are talking to. Entry is free as usual but there will be a bucket collection to fund next year's fireworks. We'll start serving at 6pm with fireworks around 7pm.

The next Village Hall Committee meeting is on 15th November. If there are matters you wish to raise or suggestions for future activity please let me know.

Nick Whines 23130 secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk

2022 Quiz Night



A wonderful evening of intense quizzing, spontaneous singing, wine-sipping and ploughman's eating marked the Froyle Village Quiz.

We were so lucky to have 11 tables full of eager quizzers who created such a fun atmosphere. An enormous vote of thanks must go to my mum, Caroline. She ensured that everyone was fed so that their focus wasn't ruined by hunger. A big thank you to the whole team who wrote the questions, served the food and wine, and cleared up afterwards.

We were raising money for the wonderful Ruth Strauss Foundation with the proceeds from the entry fee, bar and raffle. A magnificent final total of £873 was raised.

Thank you to all who came, and we are looking forward to next year's quiz already!

(Will and all the Findlay Family)



The Meeting Place

This takes place every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 10am - 12 noon, so do come and join us for delicious home made cakes, hot and cold drinks, and good conversation. We also now have a NEW selection of books to borrow.

Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning - October 7th

We raised over £400 for Macmillan so many, many thanks to everyone who attended .

Could you bake a cake a few times a year, or manage a couple of hours helping on a Friday morning? Please get in touch! New volunteers always welcome.

PLEASE NOTE THAT:

- **ON NOVEMBER 18th, THE MEETING PLACE WILL BE IN St MARY'S CHURCH FROM 10 AM AS USUAL****
- **And on December 2nd there'll be a Treloar stall selling Christmas cards, decorations and gifts.**

November Kitchen Helpers

4 th	Lauraine Bourne	Yvonne Irvine
11 th	Maureen Fry	Corinna Whines
18 th **	John Sexton	Kerris Edmondson
25 th	Roger and Linda Cooper	

Please organise swaps yourselves, but do contact us if necessary.

November Cake Bakers

4 th	Madeleine Black	Charlotte Inskip	
11 th	Marje Hayhurst	Harret Wharfe	Brian Jones
18 th	Katherine Gilmour	Sue Lelliott	Jennie Thomas
25 th	Jane Dunn	Sarah Basey	Deborah Addison

We do try to remind bakers, but please let us know if you can't bake for any reason. It's also helpful to know what cakes are coming, just so we don't get three of the same variety! Cakes can be left in the porch at Wykeham House, Lower Froyle on Thursdays, or brought to the hall after 9.30am on Fridays.

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Susie Robertson 520820 sjrinfroyle@gmail.com



SOUP LUNCH EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 23rd NOVEMBER IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Following the very successful Harvest soup lunches in the past, the Parish Council is delighted to announce that, Soup Lunch will be served in the Village Hall every Wednesday starting 23rd November from 12.00 pm onwards (after Body Balance) and continue throughout the winter months.

Come and meet your friends for a chat, a get-together, maybe even a board game, over a warming bowl of home-made soup.

Everyone in the Village is very welcome

FROYLE 100 CLUB

The winners in the draw for October were:

1st – Barbara Starbuck 2nd – Andrew Potter
3rd – Karen Potter 4th – Nigel Fisher

Congratulations to all, and especially Nigel Fisher who drew his own number...!

William Knowles Tel: 07775 928933
wbk@wbknowles.com

ANNUAL HARVEST SOUP LUNCH

This will take place on Wednesday, 16th November in the Froyle Village Hall from 12.30 - 2.00 pm

Come and join us for a choice of hearty, warming soup made from vegetables donated to St. Mary's Harvest Festival. Soup will be followed by fruit crumble and custard.

Froyle Community Group

Gill 520484



Wanted for St. Mary's Christmas Fair.....

Gifts: good quality items for this stall please; let us find a new home for unwanted gifts and 'as-new' bits and pieces. There'll be a box at the Meeting Place for two weeks beforehand or ring me and I'll collect.
Caroline Findlay 22019.

Deli Stall: fresh savoury or sweet dishes, cakes, biscuits, home-made chutneys, jams and marmalade and other goodies wanted for this stall please.
Susie Robertson 520820

SATURDAY 12th NOVEMBER, 5pm

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BORODIN: String Quartet No.2 in D major

BARBER: Adagio for strings

ELGAR: Nimrod

SCHUBERT: String Quartet in D minor 'Death and the Maiden'

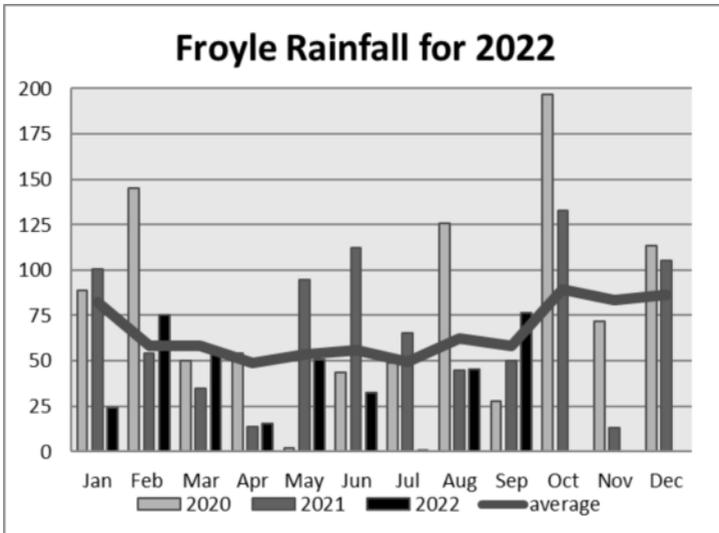
Suggested voluntary donation: £15 per person

Wine and nibbles

To reserve seats email: kwilson2525@btinternet.com or phone 01420 520294

Froye Rainfall for September 2022

This year	76.5 mm	3.0 ins
Last year	50 mm	2.0 ins
Wettest September (1995)	150 mm	5.9 ins
Driest September (2003)	7 mm	0.3 ins
Long-term average for September – the 6th wettest month (7th on a per diem basis)	58.4 mm	2.3 ins
Total rainfall for the year so far	375 mm	14.8 ins
Long-term average for the year so far	527.3 mm	20.8 ins



Even if this was the first above-average month this year since February, we could still be on for close to the record low for the year – this was in 2005, when we recorded 605 mm. A final quarter only in line with the long term average (c260mm) will bring us pretty close ...



“The Umbrella Man”

News from Bentley CE Primary School

Our autumn term has been very busy here at Bentley CE Primary School. The children have been enjoying their learning and being back in school together after the summer holidays. We have introduced Forest Explorer sessions this year. We believe it's important for children to make the most of our beautiful environment and take their learning outside as much as possible. Forest Explorer sessions tie in with our work in RSHE as well as our geography curriculum on learning about the environment, climate change and sustainability. Each class are having a half term of afternoon sessions and we can see a positive impact on well-being as well as developing a real love of nature.

Lots of classes have also enjoyed taking their learning out of the classroom on an educational visit on the school minibuses. For example: Year 2 have been to Royal Victoria Country Park to learn about Florence Nightingale; Year 3 have visited the Gordon Brown Centre in preparation for their residential visit in the summer term; Year 4 have been to the Arundel Wetlands Centre to support their learning in geography and science; and Year 6 have been for the first of their secondary school transition visits to Eggar's. We are so grateful to our wonderful PTFA who raise money to help pay for the upkeep of the buses and to our volunteer drivers, both of which enables us to make the most of learning opportunities outside of the classroom.

As well as going out of school, we have had visitors into school too! Miller's Ark came with goats, sheep and a donkey to support Year 1 and 2's learning in science. The NSPCC ran a workshop with Year 5 to support their learning in RSHE and the Young Shakespeare Company performed a production of Macbeth for Years 5 and 6 to support their learning in English. This was the 21st year the Young Shakespeare Company have visited Bentley and was as fantastic as usual! Their performance involved telling the story of Macbeth using Shakespearean English and participation from the children who got to play some of the parts.

Have a look at the photo of the children enjoying their Forest Explorer sessions and some of the children's reviews of the plays to tell you more.

Becky Miffing, Deputy Headteacher

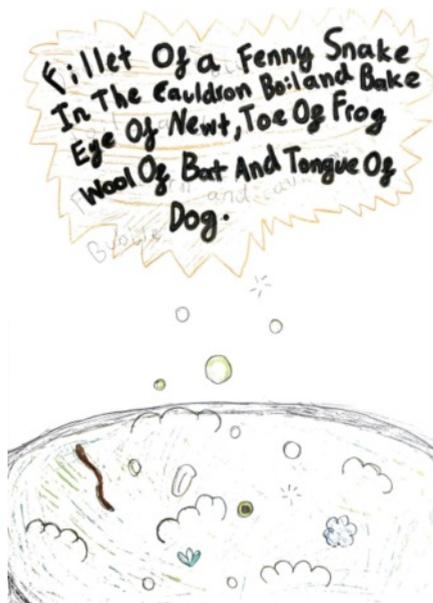
Do you have a child starting school in September 2023?

Why not **book one of our "Open Mornings" to have a short tour of the school, and meet our Headteacher, Mrs Katy Pinchess**, who is happy to answer any questions you may have. We would love the opportunity to show you around our great school! Bentley welcomes children from within our catchment area and beyond.

Visit the school website at www.bentleyprimaryschool.co.uk and click on School > Open Morning Bookings to select a date and time that suits you.

Or call us on 01420 525010.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bentley!



Macbeth

Shakespeare

Which was my favourite part?
It was when Macbeth's army & Macduff's army went to war.

Who was my favourite character?
Macduff

What would I rate Macbeth?



When was Macbeth written?
1606

Why not the last star? It was when Macbeth was imagining Banquo throwing up blood when he was dead ruined it.

Mac-Beth

Shakespeare

My favourite part of the story was when Lady Macbeth was sleep walking and when King Duncan died.

My favourite character is Lady Mac-Beth.

I would rate it 9/10.

My last favourite part was when Mac-Beth was imagining Duncan throwing up blood, when he was dead.





November in the Potting Shed

It looks as if the season is going to last longer this year as flowers are better than they have been all summer. So do not be in a rush to cut back. Some plants like dahlias will keep better if they have been cut back by frost.

If you can, use a rotary mower to collect the leaves when they have fallen on paths and lawns. These can then be stored in black bags or piled into a heap to rot down and made into leaf mould which is wonderful to add to your potting compost or use as a mulch. Always make sure that the leaves are wet as they will not rot down if they are dry. **Do not burn leaves** as this is a waste of organic matter and also very toxic.

Now is the time to plant and sow overwintering broad beans, onion sets and garlic. If the ground is wet then they can be planted/sown in cell trays and planted out into the garden later in the winter or early spring.

Autumn is a good time to plant trees and shrubs. It gives the plants chance to get some roots into the surrounding soil and be more resilient to drier summers. Remember that it is a square hole so that roots go outwards and not round and round. No need to add fertiliser or rich compost to the soil, it is better to use RootGrow mycorrhizal fungi that help the roots expand into the surrounding soil. Water in and then apply a mulch over the top. If the roots in the pot are compacted then score down the root ball two or three times to encourage new roots to venture outwards.

Hopefully the grass seed you applied earlier in the month is growing well. Keep the blades high on the mower so that the plants have chance to get a good root system going before the spring.

Geoff Hawkins

Your Gardening Club Needs YOU

This years AGM in December will see Anne Blunt retire as Chair of the Club. Anne has been involved in the club from the beginning and has held most positions on the committee. So, we now need someone to become the new Chair of the Gardening Club. If you feel that you can help or know someone that would be ideal in that position then please let us know. You can do this via www.froylegardeningclub.co.uk web pages or speak to a member of the committee. The club will not finish at the AGM as we already have a programme of events already set up for next year. We just need someone to guide the club into the future.

October Meeting

Froyle Gardening Club talk this month was all about bugs and beasts in the garden and whether we could consider them "Friend or Foe". If you weren't there, you really missed out on a great illustrated talk by our president and experienced gardener, Geoff Hawkins.

This month we learned all about various bugs and caterpillars and what beautiful, useful adults they grow up to become. We also learned that there are good slugs and bad slugs! Of the 44 species in the UK only 9 may be a nuisance for gardeners! And did you know there are over 500 species of aphids?

We also learned how times have changed and thank goodness that we no longer spray pests indiscriminately. A measured, targeted approach is needed now that we know much more about the importance of biodiversity and insects' role as critical pollinators.

Geoff kept us up to date with the latest control techniques and biocontrols such as nematodes and pheromones. We learnt to avoid issues in the first place by pinching out growing tips and covering brassicas and collecting slugs and attracting birds to our gardens, and simply to remove the odd pest when you first see them. "A finger and thumb is your best defence" is something that I will definitely remember!

Our Chair, Anne Blunt also gave us an opportunity to buy reduced price earlybird tickets to see BBC's Gardeners World presenter, Adam Frost, give a local talk in February 2023.

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice> - for tips on planet friendly gardening.

Visit www.froylegardeningclub.co.uk for a list of our events, you don't need to be a member to come to our talks but we'd love you to join, just £10 for annual membership.

Next meeting is on November 11th - 7.30pm - Creating Movement Whilst Frozen Still: Benjamin Pope

How to be a smarty and avoid the crowds this December...



Why not avoid the rush and a last minute December panic by buying all your Christmas cards, decorations and gifts at the **Treloars stall the Meeting Place on December 2nd**? So be a smarty...you know it makes sense...!



(Caroline Findlay)



Froyle Wildlife

'Life of the Hazel Dormouse' talk Tuesday 15th November

Do come along to a talk in Froyle Village Hall about the life and habits of the Hazel dormouse. Dave Williams will tell us about their nests and nest boxes, habitat, food requirements and breeding cycle. Also find out how to identify Hazel nuts that have been opened by a dormouse, a sure way to know if dormice are present. In Froyle there was a report of a dormouse spotted hibernating in the bottom of a garden hedge. For more information about the talk see <http://froylewildlife.co.uk/news/>. All welcome, doors open 7pm, talk starts at 7.30pm, teas and coffee, entrance free for members, £3 non-members.



Enjoy the Autumn colours of leaves

Autumn is often a time of outstanding beauty. We're treated to a final burst of colour before the onset of winter. And in some years, that colour is more spectacular than ever. Leaf colour comes from natural pigments -the three that colour leaves are chlorophyll (green), carotenes (yellow) and anthocyanins (reds and pinks).



Certain weather conditions lead to more intensely coloured autumn leaves producing better colour in some years. The depth of colour is influenced by the blend of chemical processes and weather conditions.

- Cold nights: low temperatures destroy chlorophyll so the green leaf fades to yellow, but if temperatures stay above freezing, anthocyanin production is enhanced and the leaves take on a red colour.
- Dry weather: sugars become concentrated in the leaves, more anthocyanin is produced and consequently leaves are redder.
- Bright sunny days: although the production of new chlorophyll stops in autumn, photosynthesis can still occur on sunny autumn days, using the

remaining chlorophyll. Sugar concentration increases, more anthocyanin is produced and the leaves are redder.

Gardens can be sanctuaries for Hedgehogs

Avoid using pesticides and slug pellets in your garden as not only can these harm hedgehogs but also damage their food chain. Make sure hedgehogs have easy access to your garden with fences or walls having a 13cm x 13cm gap in the bottom to allow passage through. Keep a corner of your garden wild to offer shelter, protection and natural food for hedgehogs and other wildlife. Do encourage hedgehogs into your garden, but never just move one in from another area. Provide a shallow dish of fresh water for all wildlife, and food such as meaty hedgehog food, meaty cat or dog food or cat biscuits for hedgehogs, especially during long dry spells. Make or buy a hedgehog home, this offers a hibernation site that is safer from predators in the winter.

Some gardeners will be looking to have a bonfire in autumn but unfortunately a bonfire stack to a hedgehog is a perfect des res. The advice is to make the bonfire on the day



you want to burn it and stack it elsewhere till then. Sadly our UK hedgehog population has declined and our once common and endearing hedgehog is Red listed and a species conservation priority. For more information see <https://www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/> and a recent report entitled 'The State of Britain's Hedgehogs 2022' which contains the following summary below:-

- Hedgehogs in Britain have undergone a long historic decline, but differences between urban and rural populations are becoming

increasingly apparent.

- In urban areas, the picture is of a stable population that might be recovering, highlighting the importance of gardens and green spaces, and local action, in ensuring a future for hedgehogs.
- In stark contrast, rural populations remain low and, in the last two decades, have continued to decline by between a third and three-quarters nationally. The largest declines are seen in the eastern half of England.

Help for Sick or Injured Wildlife

If you can help an animal in distress or that is sick or injured, then following website is useful with emergency advice from Hart Wildlife our nearest Wildlife Hospital at Medstead. tel: 01420 562335 <http://www.hartwildlife.org.uk/advice/>.

Barry Clark



Something I had not considered before: what happens to all the data you generate on your phone or laptop? All those group snaps you took in order to get one good one where everyone was facing the camera or the time the teen asked to “borrow your phone briefly” and a week later you discover 20 pouty selfies, the multiple document variations, the screen shots, the outdated passport details, old emails that might come in useful.....

Then consider that more than half of the digital data firms generate is collected, processed and stored for single-use purposes. Often, it is never re-used. This ‘dark data’ forms a digital carbon footprint and takes up enormous amounts of space on servers, typically huge banks of cooled computers in warehouses, all consuming large amounts of electricity.

In the drive towards net zero, many organisations are trying to reduce their carbon footprints. Although much of the focus is on limiting emissions from the automotive, aviation and energy industries, the processing of digital data is already comparable to these sectors and is still growing. Data centres have an even greater carbon footprint than the aviation industry! In 2020, it was thought that digitisation could be responsible for 4% of global greenhouse emissions. Production of digital data is increasing fast – this year the world is expected to generate 97 zettabytes (97 trillion gigabytes) of data. By 2025, it could almost double.

Last July, developers were told that new housing projects in West London could be banned until 2035 because data centres have taken all the electricity capacity. Luckily, there are moves afoot to help organisations reuse digital data, and highlight pathways for organisations to follow when collecting, processing and storing new digital data. This is important if net zero is to be realised.

More locally, **you can help by periodically reviewing your photo and video albums, deleting stuff you don’t need like all those lock down Whatsapp videos that were funny at the time but can now go, and clearing out excess files and duplicates. Every file stored on the iCloud adds to your digital carbon footprint.**

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(PS See page 36 for Black bin Recycling advice)

Advent by Candlelight

Froyle Church

Saturday 26th November at 6:30 pm



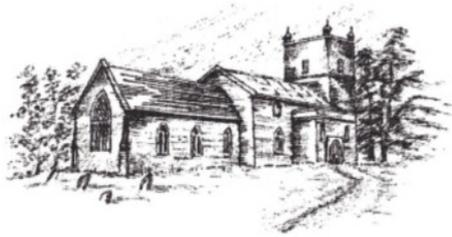
This candlelit service of Advent choral anthems, hymns and readings in Froyle church is a beautifully atmospheric occasion. The atmosphere will be much enhanced this year by all the restoration work done in the church earlier in the year.

Do come along to this very special event - and to get a foretaste of the Christmas season to come.

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

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NOVEMBER SERVICES

Sunday 6 th	8.00 am	Froyle	Holy Communion
November	9.30 am	Bentley	Morning Worship <i>with Children's Church</i>
	11.00 am	Oakhanger	Holy Communion
Sunday 13 th	10.00 am	Bentley	Remembrance
November	10.50 am	Froyle	Remembrance
<i>Remembrance</i>	10.50 am	Binsted	Remembrance
<i>Sunday</i>	10.50 am	Kingsley	Remembrance
	5.00 pm	Bentley	Live@5 Big Praise
Sunday 20 th	9.30 am	Bentley	Holy Communion
November	11.00 am	Froyle	Morning Prayer
	4.00 pm	Binsted VH	Messy Church
Saturday 26 th	6.30 pm	Froyle	Advent by Candlelight
November			
Sunday 27 th	9.30 am	Binsted	Holy Communion
November.	11.00am	Kingsley	Holy Communion
	5.00pm	Bentley	Live@5 Yum Yum

We are continuing to provide online Sunday sermons and worship songs, uploaded to YouTube by Monday morning, and weekday Thought for the Day videos at 6.30 am

For further details, see the benefice website at www.benbinfro.co.uk;

THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

“At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them”

As someone with a keen interest in military history, it was with a large measure of awe and respect that, by becoming Vicar of the benefice of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle, I learned that I would become the custodian of the grave of Field Marshall 1st Viscount Montgomery of Alamein. In this month, where we gather to remember those who have died in the World Wars and other conflicts, the significance of what we do seems even more pertinent, given the current situation in the world.

Writing to his troops before the D-Day landings of 6th June 1944, Montgomery said. “On the eve of this great adventure I send my best wishes to every soldier in the Allied Team. To us is given the honour of striking a blow for freedom which will live in history; and in the better days that lie ahead, men will speak with pride of our doings.”

As we read the roll of honour at the services of Remembrance in our parishes, we will remember the names and number of young men who died on land, in the air and at sea fighting for the freedoms we treasure, but sometimes fail to protect. War is evil, but sometimes becomes tragically necessary. When diplomacy and the actions of politicians fail, war becomes the only option when faced with naked aggression and inhuman barbarity, as we see in the Russian invasion of the Ukraine.

As Christians, we are instructed, “Do not repay anyone evil for evil. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.” Romans 12:17-19.

We remember this month the cost of war and the cost of freedom. Our villages suffered the loss of so many young men: sons, husbands, fathers who would never see their homes again. We pray for peace in our world and for an end to bloodshed and war. For a swift end to the conflict in the Ukraine and other parts of God’s earth. We pray for leaders with integrity, compassion and commitment who will wisely work for the good of all. And we remember the warning, that all it takes for evil to prosper, is for good men to do nothing.

May we remember. May we also resolve to seek and strive for peace and to pray for that promise of God, that one day men will not train for war anymore.

*Matt Boyes
Vicar of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle*

Youth Update

In September and October I had the joy of leading both Bentley and Binsted school harvest services. Both schools always impress me with their generous donations to the foodbank, their creativity in what they present, their thoughtful reflections on the harvest season and God's provision, and of course the absolute joy in their voices singing the Harvest Samba!

At each harvest service I shared my reflections on God's creation, how he didn't have to make all the beautiful plants, flowers, animals, but he did because he loves us and wants us to enjoy the gift of creation.

But actually we, me and you, are also God's creation and as much as we are encouraged to look after our planet, we also need to look after each other. Many people are struggling through this season so let's keep an eye out and be good neighbours to those around us.

At four:twelve we had a lot of fun carving pumpkins in October! There was a lot of mess, but it was totally worth it. In November, Bentley fireworks clashes with four:twelve on the 4th so we decided to skip that one – I'll be at the fireworks instead so come and say hello! And on the 18th November, we will be testing our taste buds with different branded products....

We met with our friends in Alton, Four Marks and Odiham at the start of October for our first United gathering for a long time! Around 25 of us met to play games, eat pizza and get to know our leaders! We played a game where we had to match the fact to the leader – who has a pink toothbrush? Who is colourblind? Who lived in the Caribbean?! We are really looking forward to meeting again on the 6th November for a bonfire, hotdogs and smores. We might even bring a guitar...

As always, do get in touch if you have a young person who would like to get involved.

Gemma Ball

Pastoral Assistant (Youth) & Administrator

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Plant Stall in Husseys Lane



The plant stall in Husseys Lane has now closed and the sum of £730 sent to Phyllis Tuckwell charity. Many thanks to everyone who contributed donations.

The stall should be back again next year so please take cuttings now!

Sue & Mark Carr

(We make no apologies for printing an updated version of this item from last month: a vital, even life-saving, service in these increasingly difficult times ... Ed)



ALTON FOOD BANK

PLEASE SUPPORT !

With the rising cost of living and unprecedented fuel bills expected this Autumn and Winter, more and more local families are relying on Alton Foodbank for their food and basic needs.

Please help us by supporting this local charity. They are particularly in need of the following items at the moment - there is a box in the village hall, or you can drop off at Greenfields Cottage, Lower Froyle. There are also collection points in Bentley and Binsted churches, or you can take your donations to Alton Maltings where there is a drop box outside the main door.

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Many thanks for your kind and continued generosity.
If you have any questions please call me on 07785 350381.

Louise Marston

All our Froyle yesterdays ... plus ça change...

(with grateful thanks to The Froyle Archive)

From the Froyle Parish Newsletter November 1987, 35 years ago:

“Rehearsals are underway for our 1988 production [*of Robinson Crusoe*] which will be presented at the end of January....Marian Cresswell has the costumes well under control but needs as many Union Jacks as she can lay her hands on as well as mountains of jewellery...”

From the Froyle Parish Newsletter November 1992 , 30 years ago:

“On November 11th, the General Synod of the Church of England will meet to decide whether women may be ordained as priests...Holybourne and Froyle PCCs have voted decisively in favour of the proposals...”

From the Parish Council minutes of November 1947, 75 years ago:

“Col.Greville suggested a man should be employed permanently on roads of Froyle to clear up litter and keep ditches in order. A 30 mile an hour speed limit or white line asked for in Lower Froyle - driving being considered dangerous to the public at present.”

...and again from the same minutes:

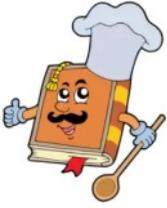
“It was decided to celebrate the Royal Wedding on November 20th by giving all children in the parish a tea, to be followed by a conjuring performance. Chairman arranged for a tea for about 90 children to be provided by the Swan Hotel, Alton at 2/-each.”

From the Parish Council minutes of November 1962, 60 years ago:

“It was proposed that a Metal Slide [*for the playground*] be purchased from Messrs.Wicksteed & Co. for the sum of £143.1.3.”

From the Village Magazine November 2002, 20 years ago;

“Froyle Gardening Club Autumn Show 2002 Trophy winners were:
Brenda Milam, Jean Norkett, June Trim, Anne Blunt, Ann Figgins, Olga Crowhurst, Geoff Hawkins.”



A Recipe for Success...

Golden (and inexpensive!) Goodness

Here is a lovely and simple pasta sauce recipe from Tuscany, using that most characteristic of autumn veg – squash. My favourite is Onion squash, lovely and nutty, but this dish works well with Queen or Butternut, too. Use a short, chunky pasta like penne with this sauce.

Serves six.

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- about 80g pancetta, finely chopped
- about 300g squash, peeled, deseeded and finely sliced, then cut into 2cm slivers
- 400g passata, or tinned tomatoes, blitzed in a blender.
- 1 small dried red chilli, crumbled
- salt and black pepper
- handful of torn basil, or chopped parsley
- 500g of penne or similar
- grated parmesan to serve

Warm the olive oil in a heavy pan, and sauté together the onion and pancetta, until the onion is soft and golden, and the pancetta fat runs.

Add the squash slivers and turn them in the oil, then add the tomatoes or passata and the chilli. Season and add 500 ml of water.

Simmer for 30 to 40 minutes until the squash is very soft and melting, adding a little more water if necessary.

Meanwhile, cook your pasta according to packet instructions, and drain. Mix the pasta into the sauce with the basil or parsley, and stir to coat evenly. Turn into a hot dish, and serve with the parmesan.

Sue Lelliott

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Growing in November!

This year the u3a has been celebrating its 40th Anniversary. Local branches have marked this milestone in a variety of ways and nationally, we are all working to create the u3a 40th Anniversary Woodland as a growing and lasting memento. This new woodland is situated on the England/Wales border in the Brecon Beacons National Park. The original target for planting 5000 trees was quickly passed and we now aim to plant 10 000 trees!

Our local branch, led by the Climate Change group, has successfully collected donations to buy, plant and maintain over 50 trees, sufficient to establish our own small copse. As we approach Christmas, when trees are often felled to decorate our homes, why not donate a tree to be planted for yourself or as a gift for someone else? Importantly, to support bio-diversity, all the trees will be native trees suited to the locality. If you are interested in adding a tree to our copse, please contact the Climate Change group on climatechange@odihamu3a.org.uk.



We are also establishing and growing more groups. For example, we now have another new activity taking shape, 'The Jamming Session'! This will be an opportunity for U3A members who play a musical instrument to meet on a regular basis and play an eclectic selection of popular tunes. ... Eclectic, not necessarily electric!



The organisers are keen to hear from any enthusiastic musicians or singers who would like to join this group. The group which will meet in the newly refurbished Vine Church, Odiham. The new main hall is equipped with a state-of-the-art music system including a sound deck, all set up to plug and play. 'The Jamming Session' group starts early January 2023 with a free taster session. Non-u3a members may attend but must join the u3a if they wish to continue.

For more information, contact gillhardenu3a@gmail.com or Bo Nightingale by WhatsApp or Text message on 07745 262658.



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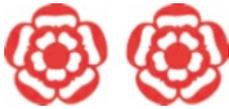
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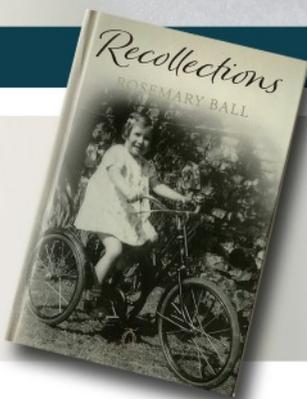
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