A detailed historical map of Froyle village, Hampshire, England. The map shows the River Test flowing through the center, with several mills and inns. 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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# PARISH NEWS & VIEWS

*Parish Clerk* - Philippa Cullen Stephenson

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## Report from the Parish Council meeting on 13 August 2018

Froyle Parish Council (FPC) met on 13 August. Five councillors attended and three members of the public. Apologies were received from three councillors and District Councillor Glynis Watts. Cllr Ian Deans took the chair. Residents raised a number of issues concerning traffic and pedestrian safety.

Work has started on the refurbishment of the war memorial which will be funded by the parish council with help from East Hants District Council (EHDC). The stone has been cleaned and the next stage will be to sharpen and deepen the inscriptions before repainting. It is hoped that the work will be completed in time for Remembrance Day in November.

It was agreed to make an annual grant of £400 to the Froyle Wildlife Group starting in 2019.

EHDC has given permission for the conversion of the garages at Froyle House to a single house despite FPC's objection. FPC had no comment to make on the current planning applications. Details of these can be found on the EHDC Planning web site.

Lack of adequate signage continues to cause problems with Froyle Park guests and caterers continuing to drive into the Linden Homes estate. Representations continue to be made to Linden Homes and the owners of Froyle Park, the Nicolas James Group (NJG) to improve signage. Action has now been promised.

Following complaints about the speed of traffic, Hampshire County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee has been approached with regard to extending the 30 mph speed limit down Hen and Chicken Hill beyond Gate A, the entrance into the Linden Homes estate. Hampshire Highways refused on the grounds of cost and the lack of any accident/injury record.

FPC continues to press for information about the proposed footpath linking the Linden Homes estate with the bottom of Hen and Chicken Hill. No response has been received from NJG.

It was reported that the Civil Aviation Authority had agreed the Farnborough Air-space Change proposal, but it remains unclear how they intend to use the additional

## Report from the Parish Council (cont)

airspace over the village. Lasham Gliding club is considering a challenge to the decision as it severely affects their operation.

During the recent prolonged hot weather, FPC has continued to receive complaints about the wedding venue at Froyle Park, involving noise, odour, traffic, litter and drone activity, all of which have been reported to EHDC. Cllr Watts has arranged to meet with Mike Warren MD of Harbour Hotels (part of NJG) and members of FPC to discuss how some of these practical issues can be resolved.

Following the meeting with Sandy Hopkins the Chief Executive Officer of EHDC in June to discuss concerns about the use of Froyle Park, a further meeting was proposed by EHDC with the owner of Froyle Park, Nicolas Roach, Sandy Hopkins and the Chair of FPC. We understand that Mr Roach has declined the invitation.

FPC remains convinced that the use of Froyle Park as a wedding and events venue breaches the planning permission that was granted in 2013 for a country club hotel and is supported in this view by leading planning barrister James Findlay.

EHDC claim they have conducted a full enforcement investigation which found no breach. EHDC have confirmed that no written report of this exists and nothing was found following a Freedom of Information request by FPC.

EHDC now argue that they have taken their own legal advice which concluded that there is no breach but refuse to reveal the content of that advice on the grounds that it is privileged.

FPC intend to meet yet again on 6 September to discuss the issues arising from the current use of Froyle Park and the problems which flows from this. In the interim all residents are encouraged to write to the Parish Clerk with their comments about the situation (*froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk*).

Similarly if you have complaints about Froyle Park please send these to the environmental health officer at EHDC (*ehealth@easthants.gov.uk*) with a copy to the Parish Clerk.

Regrettably Froyle Park has dominated the work of FPC for the last five years. While some residents who are not directly affected may feel we should be directing our energy elsewhere, it remains a fact that the lives of other residents are being made miserable by the use of the venue for weddings and events. This was not why they moved to Froyle.

The longer the situation has continued unresolved the more questions of openness, transparency and public interest emerge in the way the local authority has handled the planning process.

## Report from the Parish Council (cont)

The position of FPC is quite clear: we seek a reduction in the intensity of use of Froyle Park to a level that approximates to that envisaged in the original planning permission.

If this is not possible then we invite EHDC to explain to residents how we come to have a busy wedding and events venue in the heart of a designated conservation area next door to our grade 1 listed church and the memorial garden to the children who died at Treloar School, in apparent contradiction of both national and local planning policies which seek to preserve the historic environment and the quality of life of residents.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at the village hall on Tuesday 18 September starting at 7.45pm. The meeting is open to all residents. If you have matters you wish to raise or if you want to comment on this report, please contact the Parish Clerk at the address on page 1.

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### Froyle 100 Club Winners for July and August

The 100 Club winners since the last edition of the magazine were:

	July	August
1st	Jane Macnabb	Ian Macnabb
2nd	Margaret Robinson	Gordon Mitchell
3rd	Jennifer Evans	Teresa Ogden
4th	Anthea McRiley	Jane Macnabb

Congratulations to all winners!

You will see that the Macnabbs seem to have been on a bit of a roll over the summer. They have very generously offered to hand back one of their first prizes as a bonus prize for the next draw. This has happened before when an individual has won first prize two months running (which, extraordinarily, has happened twice in the last two years), but it is particularly noble for a husband and wife to treat their winnings as one 'pot' – not likely to happen in the Knowles household... many thanks to them both!

So in September there will be FIVE prizes drawn, including TWO FIRST PRIZES OF £30 EACH!

Those Froylies out there who are not members of this most distinguished Club - which you can all join - do get in touch with me if you would like to take part. Although membership renews on a calendar year basis, anyone can join at any time - £12 per year and proportionately for part of a year.

*William Knowles*  
(23164)  
[wbk@wbknowles.com](mailto:wbk@wbknowles.com)



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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. 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](mailto:secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk)*

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

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## News from the Village Hall

Thanks to Sarah Zorab who has taken on the role of Booking Secretary and thanks to David and Susie Robertson for holding the fort in recent months. The new online booking system is up and running so please make use of it. Please go to our web site at [www.froylevillagehall.co.uk](http://www.froylevillagehall.co.uk) and click on the link. If you get stuck give Sarah a ring.

Thanks also to Anthea McRiley who has decided to step down from the committee. Anthea has been our Child Protection Officer for a number of years and was a great help developing our first Child Protection Policy. We are now on the lookout for a new committee member and in particular someone with young children. We are also keen to recruit new residents. Meetings are held once a month on the first Tuesday. If you are interested please make contact.

## News from the Village Hall (cont)

We are very pleased to learn that in September the Mothers and Toddlers group will be relaunched. We hope all mums (and dads) with toddlers will support this venture and make it a success. More information can be found elsewhere in the Magazine.

The front doors although very smart still require more work to make them fully weather proof. The key code is also not proving quite as useful as we hoped. Nothing is easy is it.

Preparations for the Quiz on Saturday 27 October are going ahead. The chosen charity we understand supports sufferers of cystic fibrosis. A very important cause. Please put the date in your diary.

The next Froyle Film Night is on Friday 16 November when we will be showing 'Journey's End' to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

If you would like to receive reminders of events at the Village Hall, send an email to [fjbmailinglist@gmail.com](mailto:fjbmailinglist@gmail.com) and you will be added to the circulation list.

Nick Whines  
secretary@froylevillagehall.co.uk  
01420 23130



### The Froyle Card Games Club

**Third Meeting Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**  
**2.30 – 4.30pm in the Village Hall**

After a summer break, the FCGC is back in its now regular slot, namely **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 continues to meet every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30am - 12 noon. Everyone is welcome and we especially welcome newcomers to the Village. We serve coffee, tea, soft drinks and delicious **homemade cake**.



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

## Cake bakers for September

7th	Margaret Stanford	Lauraine Bourne	Mary Perryman	Sarah English
14th	June Trim	Sarah Khan	Charlotte Baikie	
21st	Sue Sharman	Jenny Dundas	Sarah Pogson	
28th	Susie Robertson	Sheila Walker	Lucia Lindblom	Sarah Roberts

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 September

7th	Jan Elliott	Mary Knowles
14th	Elizabeth Sealey	Margaret Stanford
21st	Kay Pogson	Linda Bulpitt
28th	David and Mary Perryman	

If you need to swap dates, please contact another helper directly 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*

## Would you like to join our MP volunteers? We would love to have you

If you can bake a cake 3 or 4 times a year or help in the kitchen about 3 times a year or even both, we are looking for new recruits for next year. It's a great way to meet new people, get all the latest gossip, and give something back to the community. If you want more information please contact any of the committee or me. We really do appreciate our great band of volunteers without whom we could not have this lovely weekly coffee morning which means so much to so many.

*Best wishes to all*  
*Lori (Taylor)*

*(01420 22148) lorijaylor@hotmail.com*



# Froyle Gardening Club

President: Anne Blunt  
Chair: Brenda Milam

The Summer Show proved to be rather a disappointing affair with half the normal number of entries. The children however did us proud and they are to be congratulated for their superb entries. The weather was against us but sadly many of our faithful participants are now unable to enter for various reasons and they are much missed

During the Summer we have had 2 very successful outings. As usual both were threatened by rain even in this hot dry summer. We all enjoyed John Self's exquisite garden at Whispers which was full of colourful interesting plants and hardly any sign of drought. Most of us came away with at least one magnificent plant.

The second garden Wheatley House has become my personal favourite with fabulous beds of colour coordinated plants all looking healthy in spite of the weather,

In September we will be having the Autumn Show on 8th September and let's see if in spite of the weather we can have a good number of entries as the last 3 shows have been very disappointing. We would also like people to come and see it! Entries will be taken at the Village Hall on Wednesday 5th September 7.00pm to 8.00pm.. Schedules from the Meeting Place or the box on the wall at Walbury. You may also phone through entries to Mollie Court on 23141.

*Brenda Milam (22216)*

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## **FROYLE GARDENING CLUB AUTUMN SHOW**

SATURDAY 8th SEPTEMBER at 2..30pm

FROYLE VILLAGE HALL

OPEN CLASSES

REFRESHMENTS and RAFFLE

PRIZE GIVING 4.00pm



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



Great news from the toddler group! Molly who has just recently moved to the village is going to have a go at running the group. Please do support her as much as you can!

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.

September meetings in the village hall are on Thursdays 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

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

**Any questions please call Molly on 07595 354619.**

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## 72<sup>nd</sup> Froyle Fête, Dog Show and Flower Show Saturday 14th July 2018

Again we enjoyed good weather, it was warm but not the high temperatures that we have experienced on other days. Last year we thought we may have had record numbers of visitors, this year attendance was certainly down but we were competing with various sporting events and school holidays. This was certainly seen in the takings, see following page, with both the bbq and beer tent significantly down year on year.

Mary Knowles did a sterling job introducing Janet Dobson to open the fete and Janet enthused about life in Froyle and how the village becomes such an integral part of everyone's daily life and social activities.

The Khan family did an excellent job again organising the children's races, this year enhanced by the Chariots which proved very popular with adults and children alike. The tug of war was again won by the children, mainly due to their overwhelming numbers.

In the Dog Show congratulations to Ketchup, 2018's Top Dog and winner of the bottle of Jenkyn Place bubbly.

We were again thankful to a number of organisations and individuals for sponsoring certain items, the Anchor, the Hen and Chicken and Froyle Park/White Truffle Events for effectively stocking the beer tent and Rawles for organising a very nice display of cars. Also thanks to the Farnham model helicopter club for their marvellous display.

The Fête is very much a village event, so as well as the committee there are many others who play an important part, whether in manning stalls, donating raffle prizes, baking cakes or helping to set up and clear away.

If you would like to join the committee to help organise next year's fete then call me. It is hard work on the day but we do have fun organising it, that's why we have so many meetings!!

*Ian Whitmore 22634*

## Froyle Fête Takings 2018

<b>Stall</b>	<b>Net Takings 2018</b>	<b>Net Takings 2017</b>	<b>% change</b>
<b>BBQ</b>	547.50	804.30	-31.93%
<b>Beat the Goalie</b>	64.60	42.00	53.81%
<b>Beer Tent</b>	860.14	1041.10	-17.38%
<b>Books</b>	187.30	143.15	30.84%
<b>Bottle Stall</b>	220.00	286.00	-23.08%
<b>Bouncy Castle</b>	64.70	75.10	-13.85%
<b>Bric a Brac</b>	247.50	155.81	58.85%
<b>Coconuts</b>	74.98	134.51	-44.26%
<b>Crockery Smashing</b>	138.00	90.00	53.33%
<b>Dog Show</b>	128.19	126.00	1.74%
<b>Face Painting</b>	56.90	58.70	-3.07%
<b>Grand Raffle</b>	1049.80	1163.10	-9.74%
<b>Hook-a-duck</b>	32.70	35.50	-7.89%
<b>Ice cream</b>	280.00	249.30	12.31%
<b>Jar of Sweets</b>	78.20	73.60	6.25%
<b>Jumble</b>	206.70	141.85	45.72%
<b>Teas</b>	332.26	314.20	5.75%
<b>Tombola</b>	122.30	104.40	17.15%
<b>Welly Whanging</b>	19.50	35.50	-45.07%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,711.27</b>	<b>5,074.12</b>	<b>-7.15%</b>

**FROYLE FLOWER SHOW – 14 JULY 2018**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE WINNERS**

<b>Section A – Vegetables and fruit</b>			<b>Section B - Flowers</b>		
1A	Peas	D Robertson	20	Specimen rose	B Milam
2	Broad beans	D Robertson	21	Cluster-flower rose	B Milam
3	Potatoes	B Milam	24	Sweet peas	J Thorneycroft
7	Onions	F Thorneycroft	27	Garden flowers	A Blunt
8	Carrots	F Thorneycroft	28	Foliage	T Riley
9	Beetroot	F Thorneycroft	29	Pansies/violas	B Milam
10	Rhubarb	G Hawkins	30	Clematis	T Riley
11	Any other veg	F Thorneycroft	32	Foliage pot plant	T Riley
12	Herbs	F Thorneycroft	33	Cactus	J Bellis
13	Gooseberries	D Robertson	34	Succulent	A Blunt
14	Raspberries	F Thorneycroft	<b>Section D – Flower arrangement</b>		
15	Blackcurrants	D Robertson			
17	Any other fruit	A Blunt			
<b>Section C - Domestic</b>					
40	Marmalade	D Robertson	60	“As I like it”	B Webster
42	Jam (excl strawberry)	A Blunt	61	“Holiday memories”	B Webster
43	Jelly	A MacInnes	62	“Bijou”	B Milam
44	Chutney	R MacInnes	<b>Section E – Children’s classes</b>		
45	Cheese biscuits	J Mills	70	Handmade article (Froyle girls)	L MacInnes
46	Rock cakes	A Blunt	71	Handmade article (Froyle boys)	F Thorneycroft
47	Victoria sponge	B Milam	72	Miniature scarecrow	D MacInnes
48	Recycled item	A MacInnes	73	Decorated cupcakes	L MacInnes
49	Handmade card	D MacInnes	74	Flower arrangement in teacup	M Blanchard
50	Eggs	R MacInnes			
51	Home-made drink	H Spence			
<b>TROPHY WINNERS</b>					
Hollis Cup		highest points in section a		Freddie Thorneycroft	
Goschen Cup		highest points in Section B		Brenda Milam	
Bootle-Wilbraham Cup		most points in Sections A & B		Freddie Thorneycroft	
Diamond Jubilee Cup		judge’s choice in Section C		Brenda Milam	
Dr. Lewarne Cup		best table decoration		Beryl Webster	
Robertson Rose Bowl		Froyle exhibitor with most points in C		Rose MacInnes	
Geoff Hawkins Plate		best exhibit in Classes 45, 46, 47		Brenda Milam	
Cecily Robertson Trowel		best homemade beverage		Hilary Spence	
Mrs Lewarne Cup		best handmade article by a girl		Lyla MacInnes	
Bush Cup		best handmade article by a boy		Freddie Thorneycroft	
Graham Blunt Award & Diploma		best exhibit in Section A		Geoff Hawkins	
Sue Harris Generation Shield		the family with most points gained in any classes by exhibitors of more than one generation		MacInnes family	



## Froyle Wildlife

Pond dipping Sunday 26th August

Do join us for pond dipping (postponed from July) to see what underwater creatures we can find in Froyle Park Pond (wildlife pond) off Gid Lane: all equipment will be provided. Children need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. Numbers are limited so it is essential to book by calling 23520 or emailing [info@froylewildlife.co.uk](mailto:info@froylewildlife.co.uk) stating preference for a 2pm or 3pm session.

**Drop in Day** - Visitors to the wildlife pond and meadow on 1<sup>st</sup> July enjoyed seeing a variety of wild flowers such as knapweed, purple loosestrife and bird's-foot trefoil which in turn attracted butterflies and other insects. Thirteen species of butterfly and 8 species of dragonfly were noted. Emperor, Four-spotted Chaser and other dragonflies were zipping over the pond, whilst dainty damselflies such as the Azure were easier to see close up. Many volunteers (plus sheep!) have worked hard over the last two years and it's wonderful to see what has been achieved.

**Surveys** - During amphibian surveys this year newts were found to be breeding in the wildlife pond; a pair of mating toads plus toad-spawn were also seen, but we think they succumbed to a pair of mallard. We ran a moth lamp in the surrounding meadow in July, it was well worth staying up to the early hours as over 40 species were recorded from the large Privet Hawk Moth to the small Apple Ermine which is only 10mm long (both pictured).



**Field Trips** - The weather was good for our 2 field trips, with dozens of the rare Silver-studded Blue butterflies seen on heathland at Broxhead Common SSSI on 27<sup>th</sup> June. Our destination on 1<sup>st</sup> August was Magdalen Hill Down, a large chalk downland reserve managed by Butterfly Conservation. Ten species of butterfly were seen including Chalkhill Blue and Small Heath as well as 3 day flying moth species, a Wasp Spider and wonderful wildflowers such as Clustered Bellflower, Harebell, Common Rockrose, Horseshoe Vetch and Kidney Vetch. Two species of Robber Fly were photographed, one of them being new to the reserve.

**Cornfield Annals** - Froyle recreation ground provided a colourful display during July with Common Poppies stealing the limelight. In the heatwave and with lack of rain, the flowering season was hastened. Again thanks to the volunteers who made this project possible and to Froyle Parish Council for funding the costs. If you would like to get involved with recording or habitat management get in touch at [www.froylewildlife.co.uk](http://www.froylewildlife.co.uk)

*Sue Clark*



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**The Harvest Supper this year  
will be on  
Friday 19th October.**



Tickets will be on sale at the end of September.

*Gill Bradley 520484*



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## **FROYLE FILM NIGHT**

The next Froyle Film Night will be held on

**Friday 16 November 2018**

when the film to be shown will be

**JOURNEY'S END**

Further details to follow in the next magazine



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## **EVENTS IN FROYLE DURING SEPTEMBER**

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.

**SHARPEN YOUR PENCILS  
...IT'S BACK**

# **THE FROYLE QUIZ**

**FROYLE VILLAGE HALL  
SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2018  
7PM**

**TABLES OF SIX MAXIMUM  
COME AS A TEAM  
OR JOIN FRIENDS AND MAKE UP  
A TEAM ON THE NIGHT  
£10 PER TICKET TO INCLUDE SUPPER**

**CASH BAR AND RAFFLE**

**PROCEEDS TO GO TO**

**Cystic  
Fibrosis Trust**

**TICKETS FROM KIM BLAKE  
KIM.BLAKE53@GMAIL.COM  
07768 273 858**



## September News from The Froyle Archive

### Harvest Time in Froyle in the 1940s *by David Brownjohn*

In 1937 Henry Brownjohn inherited Rock House Farm on the death of his uncle, George Herrett Westbrook. Henry worked the farm together with his wife Daisy and two daughters, Kath and Marj, the younger brother, David (*sitting on the wall in the photo*) attending school in Upper Froyle. The farm produced milk, cream, eggs, butter. Milk was delivered to the village daily. One son-in-law, Bill Rhodes, was serving in the Army in Iceland, the other son-in-law to be, Reg Robinson, served in the Army with the Chindits in Burma. During the war years a



number of town families stayed at Rock House Farm as paying guests, with their husbands commuting daily to London.



As well as working the farm, Henry took on the job of refuse collecting in the village, accumulating a large heap of tin cans in the farm yard. This attracted many rats who then moved into the ricks of corn waiting to be threshed by steam powered threshing machines. When the time came the ricks would be surrounded by wire mesh netting and much excitement ensued with boys and terrier dogs exterminating the rats as they tried to escape from

their cosy home. If you entered this enclosure you were well advised to wear wellington boots or trouser clips, or, as the older men did, have a strap round the trouser leg, below the knee. Many a rat has ventured up an unguarded trouser leg! Henry also grew comfrey, a broad leafed plant used to feed the cattle. His legacy is that comfrey still grows in the borders of fields opposite the old Rock House Farm and our garden!



*Chris & Annette Booth*

**Visit The Froyle Archive at [www.froyle.com](http://www.froyle.com)**

# BINSTED BENTLEY & FROYLE CARE GROUP

## 35th Anniversary Garden Party held on 24th July 2018



On a beautiful sunny afternoon in July the Binsted Bentley & Froyle Care Group (the hospital car service) held a tea party to celebrate 35 years since the start of the Service. It was a perfect opportunity to thank all the volunteers for their time and commitment over the years to this much needed service.

The party gave all the current volunteers an opportunity to meet and chat over tea, when often the only contact the volunteers have with each other is over the telephone.

The Care Group records show the inaugural Meeting of the Care Group was held in March 1983, with Mrs B Walden of Blacknest as the Chair. Many residents across the villages have volunteered for the Care Group at some time during the past 35 years. Thanks must go to all those people too who have helped to keep this essential service running for so many years and to Kirsty, our Chair, for hosting the Garden Party.



For further information about the service or volunteering do contact the Secretary, Cathy Smith, on 01420 520169.

### PUZZLES

#### Maths Puzzles

##### Easier

5	+		-	8	0
x		+		-	
	-		+		-1
+		x		-	
	+		+		16
19		60		3	

Fill the empty squares with numbers that will make the across and down calculations produce the results shown in the grey squares. Each numeral from 1 to 9 must only appear once. The calculations should be performed from left to right and top to bottom, rather than in strict mathematical order.

##### Harder

	x		-		23
x		x		x	
	+	2	-		-1
x		x		x	
	-		-		-13
90		72		56	

#### Brain Teasers

- What letter should appear next in the sequence?

**A F E J I N M ?**

- A 110 yard long train, travelling at 50 mph, enters a tunnel of half a mile in length. How many seconds will elapse between the moment the front of the train enters the tunnel and the moment the end of the train clears the tunnel? Hint: there are 1760 yards in a mile.

## I was there



It's not often you witness a miracle but that is what I witnessed on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012, it was also my 60<sup>th</sup> birthday but that wasn't the miracle. In this month, when again the Ryder Cup will conclude on the 30<sup>th</sup> September in Paris, I witnessed one of the great sporting comebacks as Europe beat the USA in what became known as the Miracle of Medinah.

Without detailing all three days of competition the important fact was that Europe were trailing the USA going into the final day's 12 singles matches by 10 to 6 and in Ryder Cups that is a massive margin to make up, especially as traditionally USA are normally stronger in the singles format. They do say that momentum is important and so the fact that Europe won the final two fourballs on the Saturday, with Ian Poulter playing with Rory McIlroy finishing a 2 and 1 win with five consecutive birdies, may have been a clue to the events of the following day.

So Sunday dawned with even the most diehard European supporter not expecting their team to win. In fact two of our party decided "it was all over" and sold their tickets to a couple of Americans, hired some golf clubs and went off to play golf. The rest of us went to the course to be greeted with those famous words "USA, USA, USA" being sung by 30,000 jubilant Americans.

The score nearly became 11-6 when McIlroy, forgetting which time zone he was in, arrived only 10 minutes before his match against Keegan Bradley, thanks to a highway patrolman with blue lights getting him to the course, he did go on to win the match on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. Unusually 9 of the 12 matches went to the 18<sup>th</sup> and as it became clear that more games were going to go to the wire, I like many other Europeans went to the amphitheatre of the 17<sup>th</sup>, a par three where the player hit over your heads as you sat on a bank. You did know when the player had teed off as you could hear "In The Hole" shouted by the odd American. It was also here we witnessed the putt of Justin Rose who went on to beat Phil Mickelson on the last hole.

When Martin Kaymer holed his famous 6 footer to retain the cup, there were very few chants of "USA, USA", in fact at this stage most of the 30,000 Americans had left the course to jubilant Europeans and when Molinari got an unlikely half against Tiger I think they had all left the scene.

There was much celebration in the hotel that night drinking with many fellow supporters from all over Europe, the only two missing had crept past the bar on their way back from playing golf.

So I can say that I did witness a miracle, and it was a great way to celebrate my 60<sup>th</sup>.

*Ian Whitmore*



## Keith Brambley (27.5.42 - 14.6.18)

Eva, Jackie and Kevin would like to say Thank You for all the lovely messages and kind offers of help after the sad loss of Keith.

It has been a comfort to us that he was held in such high regard.

We would like to thank the ladies of The Meeting Place for the wonderful food, flowers and time they gave for Keith's wake.

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## Ron Figgins

Ann and Ron Figgins and Family would like to thank all friends and neighbours in the village, for help with lifts and jobs during Ron's lengthy stay in Southampton and Basingstoke hospitals.

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## Froyle Charity Golf Day

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If you are interested, and hopefully by then Europe will have won back the Ryder Cup, then contact Ian Whitmore on 22634 or at [ian.whitmore1@gmail.com](mailto:ian.whitmore1@gmail.com)

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## Maths Puzzles solutions

### Easier

5	+	3	-	8	0
x		+		-	
2	-	7	+	4	-1
+		x		-	
9	+	6	+	1	16
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### Harder

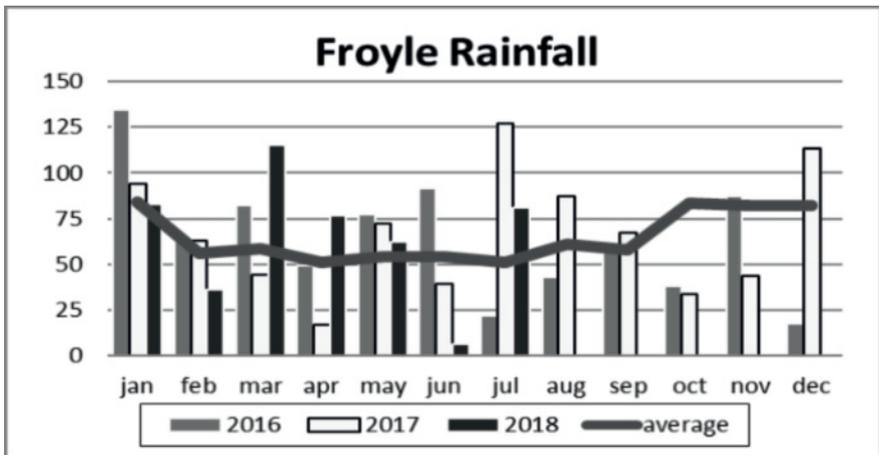
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5	+	2	-	8	-1
x		x		x	
3	-	9	-	7	-13
90		72		56	

**Next letter in  
sequence is R**

**Train in tunnel**  
40.5 seconds.

## Froyle Rainfall for June and July 2018

	June		July	
<b>This year</b>	6.5 mm	0.3 ins	81 mm	3.2 ins
<b>Last year</b>	39 mm	1.5 ins	127 mm	5 ins
<b>Wettest (2012/2007)</b>	155.5 mm	6.1 ins	139.5 mm	5.5 ins
<b>Driest (1995/2013)</b>	5 mm	0.2 ins	10 mm	0.4 ins
<b>Long-term averages – the 3<sup>rd</sup> driest and driest month</b>	54 mm	2.1 ins	50.9 mm	2 ins
<b>Total rainfall for the year so far</b>			460.5mm	18.1 ins
<b>Long-term average for the year to the end of July</b>			408.9 mm	16.1 ins



Between the 1<sup>st</sup> June and 12<sup>th</sup> July, Froyle experienced all of 8 mm of rain; but then 53 mm – over 2 inches - fell in the space of one day followed by another deluge of 23 mm 10 days later. What this all means is that July continues to be the driest month of the year, but June has now usurped May as being the 3<sup>rd</sup> driest (April is drier).

And although we are now >10% down on the average for the year, the last time we had this little rain in June (1995), despite a baking August, we more than made up for it in the last 5 months. So it looks like the end of the dry spell beckons...



“The Umbrella Man”

## THE VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

**Dear all,**

A recent newspaper article about a vicar who listened to the complaints of local residents objecting to the 8am church bell for Holy Communion on Sundays, reminded me of the day I moved into Binsted Vicarage with my wife and family. It was the month of January and cold rain had poured for hours. Our removals company was slow, our mattress was dropped into puddles and a favourite mirror smashed. It was a long, wearing and stressful day. Our three very young children were tired and fretful, but finally, when all our goods and chattels were safely out of the rain and inside the house and the kids were tucked up in bed, we breathed a sigh of relief.

Then suddenly, DING DONG, DING DONG DING!

It was a Thursday, it was 7.30 in the evening and the bell ringers had begun their weekly practice. Any thought of sleep fast disappeared from our children's minds and our then 7 year old Sophie shouted downstairs 'Can you stop that noise' to which we explained about it being the bell ringers. She replied 'Well Daddy's the Vicar now, he can tell them to be quiet'. Not sure that would have gone down very well!

Immediately the proximity of the Church and its chimes was too close for comfort and we groaned as we tried to settle our young family for the night once more. So in that moment, several years ago now, I would have sympathised with the residents of Fishguard, who wanted a long lie-in on Sunday mornings and were disturbed by the bells of St Mary's Church. It's not unreasonable to want a good night's sleep and the occasional extra hour or two at the weekend.

During WWII, in those pre-internet days and before everyone had access to a landline or mobile phone, all church bells were silenced and were to ring out only in the event of an invasion. But since then, when bells have fallen silent, despite the few who might have objected to the clamour, others have reacted with fury. Think of the consternation which greeted the announcement that Big Ben would be silenced while restoration is carried out. The chimes that have announced significant moments in our history and are the familiar introduction to BBC Radio's World at One as well as every New Year, won't ring again until 2021.

Earlier this year it was announced that church bells in England are to win protection under new planning rules. Churches around the country have often had to comply with noise abatement orders after complaints from a handful of homeowners, usually newcomers to towns and villages, despite the fact that the bells have tolled for decades. Ministers said official planning guidance in England would be changed to show that the Government is now "standing up for churches".

So now, after living next to Holy Cross for several years, we are used to the peal of bells. When the bell ringers get going on a Sunday morning and on a Thursday evening, I'm told the distinct chimes can be heard for some distance, even as far as Wyck. The bells of our three churches have announced good times and not so good times. And I like to think that this evocative sound, soon to be officially safeguarded, reminds all who hear it that we are here, that Faith will continue to have its place in the centre of our communities in this wonderful Benefice - or as one Guild of Ringers' prayer puts it:

*O Mighty God, Who has given us the joy and responsibility of sounding your welcome from our towers; grant that faith, love and devotion may be awakened in all who hear the bells this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Blessings,  
Yann**

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## SEPTEMBER SERVICES

<b>Sunday 2nd</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Froyle</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9.30am	Binsted	Holy Communion
	5.00pm	Bentley	Live@5(tea at 4.30pm)
<b>Sunday 9th</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Froyle</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9.30am	Bentley	Morning Worship
	3.30pm	Binsted	Messy Church at Binsted School
<b>Sunday 16th</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Froyle</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9.30am	Binsted	Morning Worship
	5.00pm	Bentley	Live@5 Confirmation service(tea at 4.30pm)
<b>Sunday 23rd</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Froyle</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b>
	10.30am	Binsted	Harvest Service followed by Hog Roast brunch
<b>Sunday 30th</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Froyle</b>	<b>Joint Benefice Service</b>

## BenBinFro Administration Team Update

Shortly after Yann arrived in the benefice, Sandy Roberts was employed as a part time administrator. In 2014, Alison Parr took over from Sandy until Alison retired last summer. Since then, Hannah Dubreuil has been acting as an interim administrator whilst a review of the administration functions within the benefice was undertaken. We've also had Amanda Gowers working a few days a month to print the magazine after we leased an office printer and stopped using external printers. As a result of the review, we have decided we need two administrators, covering the office five days a week. From the beginning of September,

Hannah will take on the Benefice Administrator role on a permanent basis, working slightly shorter days on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, continuing to be based in the Church Office in Bentley Church Hall. Hannah's role is to assist the clergy with the formal church elements of running the Benefice. Lora Bowden has been appointed as the Benefice Communications and Media Administrator working on Wednesday and Friday in the Church Office in Bentley Church Hall. Lora will be responsible for producing the magazine, the weekly pew sheets and keeping our online presence, both our website and Facebook site, up to date. Please join us in welcoming them to their new jobs, which will start after the school summer holidays, and huge thanks to Amanda for her excellent work over the past year or so.

*Steve Fice*



*Lora Bowden(left) – Benefice Communications and Media Administrator:*

I moved to Bentley from St Albans just before Christmas 2017 and am mum to four boys who are 8, almost 6, 4 and 18 months old. We were drawn to Bentley as my husband Ollie lived here as a teenager. We visited his parents during university holidays and for long weekends to escape working life in London during our early twenties and we have fond memories of beautiful summers' evenings and walks by the river. My two oldest boys attend Bentley Primary school and we are delighted by the huge range of experiences they have already had there. It is much busier than their old school! Raffey has just left Dottie Tots where he was made to feel welcome and important and made lots of friends who he will join in

Year R at Bentley in September. My youngest is at Dinky Tots and has settled in brilliantly to their home from home environment which makes starting this job so much easier!

Back in St Albans I own a preschool and nursery for children age 2 until they start school. We have an excellent manager looking after it now that we are here, but I pop back a few times a term to check that everything is going well.

I am delighted to be joining Hannah in the admin team for the Benefice. I actually popped in at the start of the year to discuss having our youngest christened and was blown away by

the beauty of the location and the friendliness of everyone I met that morning. I even remarked to my husband that it would be my dream job, so when I saw it advertised a few months later I was thrilled I am looking forward to getting to know lots of people in Bentley, Binsted and Froyle and based on the people I have already met through the church, I am sure that I will be made welcome. I'd love to hear people's ideas about the magazine, website and general communications from the church so please do pop in and see me or drop me an email with any suggestions you have.

*Hannah Dubreuil(right) – Benefice Administrator:*

I am married to Yann, the vicar of Bentley, Binsted and Froyle Churches. We have lived in Binsted for nearly eight years and seen our three children through Bentley Primary School (our youngest is still there). I stepped in as a temporary Church administrator last September and having enjoyed the job so much, am now very happy to be a permanent part of the church staff team for our three churches.

This past year, I have enjoyed getting to know more members of our Church family across all the churches and also having contact with many people within the three villages. The Church Office situated in Bentley Church Hall is an idyllic environment in which to work and I look forward to working with Lora and continuing in my lovely job!

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## **News from Jon Rooke, Benefice Chaplain for Older People**

The sky over England was probably thick with prayers pleading for a goal in extra time during the World Cup football semi-final match. But no goal was scored and the young England team will have to train for the next tournament in 2022. Sometimes God doesn't answer our prayers the way we would like Him to.

At our services in Bentley Lodge and Pax Hill we have been talking about Paul and his thorn. Paul pleads with God in 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 to remove the thorn from his side. Finally Paul accepts that God has decided he will just have to live with the thorn. We don't know what the thorn was. It could have been something physical, or a temptation or something that people around him were doing to him. The thorn interferes with his enjoyment of life and drains his energy.

Older people can find thorns in their life that do just this. Whatever it is, Paul decides to accept the thorn and live with the discomfort. He even gives thanks that it pins him close to God in trust and confidence. Paul comes to terms with his thorn and the hardships it brings as he opens himself to God's grace which gives him power in his weakness. Older people can find life frustrating and difficult, not being able to do the things they used to. In our services we talked about how God still provides us with strength and grace so that we can live well, with strength and even joy. Prayer helps and Psalms can guide these.

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*Jon Rooke 07519 046593*



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## Village Events September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b> <i>Note date</i> 11.00 Joint Benefice Service						1
2 8.00 HC	3 Recycling & glass  2.30 Card Club	4	5  7.00pm Gardening Club Show entries	6 9.45 Toddler Group	7 9.30 Meeting Place	8  2.30 Gardening Club Autumn Show
9 11.00 HC	10 Refuse & garden	11	12	13 9.45 Toddler Group	14 9.30 Meeting Place	15
16 11.00 HC	17 Recycling	18  7.45pm PC Meeting	19	20 9.45 Toddler Group	21 9.30 Meeting Place  Magazine deadline	22
23  6.30pm Choral Evensong	24 Refuse & garden	25	26	27 9.45 Toddler Group	28 9.30 Meeting Place	29

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The surgery is open from 8.00am – 6.30pm Monday – Friday

The dispensary is open from 8.30am – 12.30pm and

4.00pm – 6.30pm Monday to Friday

(except on Wednesday afternoons when the dispensary is closed)

**When the surgery is closed please call 111**

To register for Online appointment booking and repeat prescriptions,  
please ask at Reception.

**Tel: 01420 22106** [www.bentleysurgery.org.uk](http://www.bentleysurgery.org.uk)

# VILLAGE INFORMATION

## USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Clerk to Parish Council .....	<i>Philippa Cullen Stephenson</i> - 520102 <a href="http://www.froyleparishcouncil.org.uk">www.froyleparishcouncil.org.uk</a>
District Councillor .....	<i>Glynis Watts</i> - 07747 628333 <i>Glynis.Watts@easthants.gov.uk</i>
Froyle Village Hall Committee Chairman .....	<i>David Robertson</i> - 520820 <a href="http://www.froylevillagehall.co.uk/">www.froylevillagehall.co.uk/</a>
Froyle Gardening Club .....	<i>Brenda Milam</i> - 22216
Froyle Vestments Group .....	<i>Sarah Thursfield</i> - 23294 <a href="http://www.froylevestmentsgroup.org.uk/">www.froylevestmentsgroup.org.uk/</a>
St. Mary's Flower Rota .....	<i>Sarah Thursfield</i> - 23294
Froyle Archive .....	<i>Chris &amp; Annette Booth</i> - 22364 <a href="http://www.froyle.com">www.froyle.com</a>
The Meeting Place .....	<i>Susie Robertson</i> - 520820
Froyle Wildlife.....	<i>Barry Clark</i> - 23520 <a href="http://www.froylewildlife.co.uk/">www.froylewildlife.co.uk/</a>
Froyle Good Neighbours .....	<i>Linda Hagan-Wilkie</i> - 520292
Froyle Village Agent for Age Concern .....	<i>Madeleine Black</i> - 23371
Froyle Friends ( <i>visiting friends in hospital</i> ) .....	<i>Annette Booth</i> - 22364
Bentley, Binsted & Froyle Care Group ( <i>transport to medical appointments</i> ) .....	- 23440
Alton Safer Neighbourhoods Team .....	<i>PCSO 14396 Jess Hornsby</i> - 07554 775556 Dial: <b>101</b> Ext: 771 243 or email: <i>jessica.hornsby@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</i>
<b>NHS non-emergency</b> .....	<b>111</b>
The Benefice of Bentley, Binsted & Froyle.....	<a href="http://www.benbinfro.co.uk">www.benbinfro.co.uk</a>

## NEXT MONTH'S MAGAZINE DEADLINE

**Friday 21st September, 2018**

For advertising details, please refer to our rates outlined on the front inside cover. All booking enquiries should be addressed in the first instance to:

*magazine@froyle.com and copied to froyleparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk*

All magazine contributions should be submitted by the above deadline to:

*magazine@froyle.com*

**Please remember to check out the magazine online at:**

**<http://www.froyle.com/magazine/magazine.htm>**