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Dear Residents,

As you can see by the front cover, panto season is here! Do join the Winterbourne Musical Theatre as they perform Treasure Island, at the Winterbourne & District Community Association (WADCA) this December.

Our centre pages are dedicated to all the local Christmas carol and church services taking place to celebrate this special time of year, along with a seasonal message, thank to Revd Malcolm Strange.

You will find details of more local festive events taking place on the Community Notice board and Village Diary pages. The Crib & Christmas Tree Festival at St Peter's Church, Frampton Cotterell promises a range of live music.

We are delighted to bring you a report on the 2019 Village Scarecrow Trail, this year the theme was local author Dick-King Smith.

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The wonderful variety of creative entries were not only enjoyed by local families. Dick-King Smith's daughter - Juliet came to visit the trail and was most impressed. Juliet spent the whole day touring her childhood neighbourhood, as well as taking the time to read some of her father's stories to delighted children at Manor Hall.

The renovations at Winterbourne Medieval Barn continue to go well, with re-opening planned for late spring 2020. They are still running many fantastic community events for all to enjoy.

We are pleased to bring you reports from the Floral Friends of Frampton, local WI's, Winterbourne Library, Elm Park and St Michael's schools, Frampton RFC and more enjoy the read!.

We hope you enjoy a wonderful festive season, Kerry 01454 300900

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News from St Michael's **Primary School**

The children of St Michael's Primary School returned after the half term with enthusiasm, passion and a desire to learn. On their return, our Year 5 pupils traded their red uniforms to dress as Anglo-Saxons and Vikings to launch and celebrate their topic learning this term.

The horned helmets, tunics and faux fur capes were even accessorised with prop shields, axes, spears and swords. An excellent effort made by our children and their families!

To celebrate the ancient history of Britain, the children explored the invasion of our island by the Anglo-Saxons using maps and named themselves as Saxon children for the day. The year group took part in many workshops: creating and being entertained by riddles; decoding and writing secret messages in ancient runes; developing their weaving skills and taking part in an Anglo-Saxon dance - where their teamwork skills were really challenged. To complete their day, the children were introduced to the story of Beowulf and his defeat of the monster Grendel. The day was enjoyed by all and has created a buzz for what learning is still to come!

Our reception children were lucky to be visited by the local fire service as part of their 'People who help us' topic. Jason the fireman showed the class his fire engine and explained that it could hold up to twenty bath tubs full of water! He showed the children the flashing blue lights and they covered their ears and grinned widely as he put the siren on!

The children were also visited by our local PCSO and police officer – who explained that police officers are there to help us if we are in need. The officers told the children all about police animals and how to stay safe when travelling in the car. They encouraged the children to wave and say hello if they see them out and about and kindly brought along lots of goodies for the children.









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1st - The Adventurous Snail

2nd - Aristotle the Witch

3rd - The Water Horse.

Honouring local author Dick King Smith with the 2019 Village Scarecrow Trail

October 2019 was the fifth year of the Frampton Cotterell Scarecrow Trail. This year, the chosen theme was characters from the stories by Dick King-Smith. This echoed the decision of the parish council to commemorate the famous author who lived



The standard of the entries this year was very high, but the following were voted the winners by the public – 1st – *The Adventurous Snail*, 2nd – *Aristotle the Witch*, 3rd – *The Water Horse*.



On Wednesday 30th October, residents of Frampton Cotterell and Coalpit Heath were able to truly express and honour the memory of our distinguished historic celebrity, author Dick King-Smith. His daughter, Juliet King-Smith, kindly travelled to visit us and spent the whole day here, she had a very busy itinerary. Throughout the morning, Juliet walked around the scarecrow trail and enjoyed seeing all the characters from her father's book in scarecrow form. Juliet's face lit up when she saw the scarecrows. Later, Juliet enjoyed a tasty lunch in a local cafe, walked around old countryside haunts and met residents. After lunch, Juliet travelled over to the Manor Hall in Coalpit Heath for a meet and greet. Juliet spent time with each visitor for a chat and a coffee before signing books written by her father. The afternoon was finished off with Juliet reading a series of short stories by Dick King-Smith aloud to the children. Juliet was so engaging and had all the little ones enthralled by the stories!

In 2020, there will be another scarecrow trail organised by the parish council in October half term. If you have any suggestions for a theme, please contact the Brockeridge centre. We would love to hear your ideas!

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Words thanks to Stella Beecher and images thanks to Stella & Village Action.

"Thanks for a terrific day. It was so nice to be in Coalpit Heath again. I loved the brilliantly-imaginative scarecrows and am composing an email about the competition and the proposed commemorative sculpture to interested members of the family, to let them know how you and your community are keeping Dad's name in the public eye – well done!"







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Rhymetime: Rhymes and songs for parents and babies/toddlers to enjoy together. Every Tuesday morning 10.30-11.00am.

Pre School Storytime: Join us for stories and a simple craft. Every Wednesday 10.30-11am.

Duplo Club: Saturday 28 December, 10.30-11.30am. Suitable for pre-school, children must be accompanied by an adult. Free event - no booking required.

Lego Club: Listen to stories and poems, then create a model to display at the library. Suitable for the primary age range, children must be accompanied by an adult. We'll be meeting on 21 December, 10.30-11.30am. Free event - no booking required.

'Have you Read? ... 'A new open reading group for all (no set text). Share your love of books, extend your reading horizons. First Friday of every month 11am-12 noon.

The Craft Group is meeting on Saturday 14 and 28 December, 10.00am-12 noon. New members will always be made welcome by this friendly group. Share tips and ideas for your knitting, sewing or crochet projects.

Free Holiday Drop in - Chilly Crafts, Friday 3 January, 10.30-12 noon. Suitable for ages 4-10.

Christmas Singalong - Friday 6 December, **2–3pm.** Join us for a festive family singalong. Suitable for all ages, refreshments provided. To

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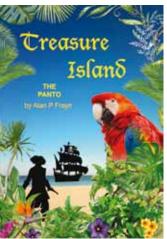
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Treasure Island comes to WADCA



Winterbourne Musical Theatre group look forward to performing the pantomime Treasure Island, by Alan P Frayn, with Stage Right Creative Ltd this December

It's 1763 on the dockside in Bristol, and Long John Silver plots with his pirates to find lost treasure:

"Fifteen men on a dead man's chest. Yo ho ho and a bottle of rum! Drink

and the devil had done for the rest. Yo ho ho and a bottle of rum!"

Fifteen men went ashore with that gold in 1758, but only Captain Flint returned... and with a map.

"Dead men tell no tales and there's an end to it" says he. But the very next year old Flinty went down with 'is ship to Davy Jones's Locker... and no-one knows to this day what became of 'is map!

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Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island is one of the greatest and most famous adventure stories ever written. This production by Alan P Frayn brings Stevenson's tale well and truly into the world of pantomime, with comedy-packed dialogue and a little harmless innuendo for the adults, well-known songs, and traditional characters including the pantomime Dame. Audience members, especially children, are invited to come dressed as pirates if they wish. There will be lots of fun for all ages.

The panto runs at 7.30pm for three nights from Wednesday 4 December to Friday 6 December at Winterbourne Community Centre (WADCA), Watleys End Road, BS36 1QG, and there are two performances on Saturday 7 December, at 1pm and 6pm.

"So ahov there me shipmates and welcome aboard! Come with us to places as yet unexplored. On this expedition there's one thing assured -That excitement and laughter will be your reward. So put on your lifebelts, let's set things in motion. And sail on our voyage to lands 'cross the ocean. Together we'll share in adventure and pleasure. This story of piracy, romance ... and treasure!"

Tickets cost £10, call the box office on: 01454 317408.





News from Winterbourne Evening WI

At the beginning of October Susan Marshfield organised a visit by coach to the Silk Mill near Newbury, one of the few still working today, although mainly as a museum and demonstrations of silk weaving. We spent several hours walking round the mill and watching the looms still powered by the large water wheel. After seeing how labour intensive it is to weave the silk it is easy to understand why the silk products are so expensive. Our coach then took us to Winchester for lunch and a few hours to explore this beautiful city.

At our October meeting, which was also our 63rd birthday party we enjoyed a lovely cake and glass of wine. Our Speaker was Sarah Harris who talked about the History of the wool trade in Bristol.

Back in the Middle Ages British wool was highly sought after and was exported to France and Belgium as fleeces and then reimported after it had been processed into wool. Eventually we started processing our own wool to avoid paying a 10% tax which had been introduced on the export of fleeces to Europe. The wool

from sheep grazed in the Cotswolds was especially fine and a large wool industry set up in the centre of Bristol. This was later moved out of the centre as residents. complained about the very smelly process which involved fermenting urine! Sarah was thanked for her interesting talk by Emilie Smith.

At time of writing we are looking forward to our next outing in November to Abbey Cwm Hir in Wales to take a tour of the 52 rooms lavishly decorated for Christmas. What a treat in store. We have been told to take our slippers as outdoor shoes are not permitted in the house!

At our next meeting we will be having a craft evening to make Christmas decorationa and it is also our AGM.

If you would like to come along as a visitor for this or any other meeting you can be sure of a very warm welcome. We meet on the second Thursday of every month, except August, at the St Michael's Rooms, High Street, Winterbourne at 7.30pm. If you would like any further information please telephone 01454 772816.



News from Frampton Cotterell WL

Our September event was a Zumba talk and workshop lead by the inspirational Karen Davis, who runs popular dance and Zumba classes for all ages in Winterbourne and Wick – her clients range from age 4 to 94! Several of our members attend Karen's classes on a regular basis and really enjoy them. Everyone pitched in and had a go - it was great fun! As well as running a number of local classes. Karen also gives free sessions for cancer patients and often runs fundraising events for local charities, including Flamingo Chicks which gives disabled and unwell children access to free dance classes.

At our October meeting we all enjoyed getting Crafty! Members had a wonderful time sharing their skills and having a go at jewellery-making, crochet, knitting, quilting and felting. There was also member's stalls showcasing hand-made jewellery, Christmas cards, decorations and gifts, so there was plenty of inspiration for

There is a Bingo night coming up in December and the Annual Meeting will be held on 26 November at St. Peter's Hall. Regional

events to look forward to include a Home Skills and Gardening event in Chipping Sodbury towards the end of November and the annual Christmas Carol Service at St. Mary Redcliffe in December.

Visitors and new members are welcome to our monthly meetings at St Peter's Hall on School Road at 7.45pm, on the fourth Tuesday of the month. There is a charge of £2.50 for the evening and any new members can also join by paying a membership fee. Special interest groups that meet separately include a book club, craft group, choir and our skittles and darts teams.

Please search FramptonCottWI to find out more, and to like our page.



Coalpit Heath WI enjoyed enterina Emilv from Emilv's leas in the 2019 Scarecrow trail.

News from Coalpit Heath WI

Another successful year at Coalpit Heath WI was summarised at our AGM, then the current committee members were thanked for all their work and were re-elected along with two additional members.

Members were reminded of all the events and activities coming up during the rest of November and December. There is a craft evening to provide

us with tree decorations for the Tree festival at St Peter's and items for our stall at the St Saviour's Church Fair. There is also a Christmas meals to look forward to and a trip to Worcester Christmas market. Finally we have our service of Carols and Poems in St Saviour's church on December 11th at 7.30pm,

where mince pies and mulled wine will be served. The collection will be shared between the church and a nominated charity.

After the formal part of our meeting members were then invited to a blind tasting of Christmas food items from three supermarkets, Lidl, Tesco and Marks and Spencer. Samples of Christmas cake, Stollen, Mince pies, cheese and biscuits and crisps were offered, sampled and scored before the prices and supermarket origin of each item were revealed. There were some surprises!

Our December meeting will be a demonstration of a Christmas floral decoration with the opportunity to make our own.

If you are interested in coming along we meet in St Saviour's church hall on the first Wednesday of every month at 7.45pm. To see what else we are doing please search for our FaceBook page: @WICoalpitHeath.

We will have a new programme of events in January, please note our first meeting will be on 8th January 2020.

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Redevelopment Project

The Trust is now two-thirds of the way through its major refurbishment project in conjunction with the Heritage Lottery Fund. Despite delays caused by the weather and nesting birds, the project is still running on time and Winterbourne Medieval Barn Trust (WMBT) is beginning to think about re-opening the Barn for events in the late spring of 2020.

In the Medieval Barn the walls have been limewashed to lighten and brighten the space, and under-floor heating has been installed to take the chill off your feet if you are sat still. This will allow the barn to be used in comfort for more months in the year. Full-blown modern heating systems cannot be installed as they would damage the historic wooden roof timbers.

The West Barn has been transformed from a dilapidated old ruin, into a useful and flexible space. An upstairs floor has now gone in, and partition walls are dividing the barn into seminar rooms, a kitchen, and new toilets. Work has also begun on an interpretation gallery which will link the Medieval Barn to the West Barn, proving direct access between the two without going outdoors.

Across the yard, the cow byres have been extended and re-roofed, and internal work will soon be complete, making them into modern artisan workshop spaces. Potential workshop tenants will be able to view the new units shortly.

WMBT is now recruiting for a part-time Business and Development Manager to start in 2020. This exciting new post is for 22.5 hours to be worked flexibly over 4 days a week, with some additional hours and weekends at times. The person will manage a small team of staff and volunteers, and will work with the Trustees to develop and deliver the business plan and longer-term objectives of the Trust, and actively seek out new revenue opportunities. Anyone interested in this post should visit the Barn website for full details. The closing date for applications is 9 December.

Events and activities

Until the main barn re-opens in 2020, talks and hands-on workshops will continue in the Cartshed (heated!) through the winter months. Tickets are still available for the following below.



Fabric Christmas Wreathmaking Workshop - Sat 7 Dec. 10am-12.30pm - Get crafty with Amy from Bath Artist Studios. Create a fabulous fabric Christmas wreath using festive textiles and embellishments. Cost £30. Prebooking essential.

Talk: The Twelve Plants of Christmas - Sat 14 December, 2-4pm. A fun, informative talk with Julie Henderson looking at some of the folklore, history, botany, horticulture and interesting facts behind the plants which make up our Christmas festivities. £5.



Apple Grafting Workshop - Sat 22 February 2020, 10am-4pm - Learn why and how to graft apple trees under the expert tuition of Ben Raskin of the Soil Association. Make

three newly-grafted apple trees to take home. Cost £45 includes full tuition, three rootstocks and wood to graft, plus tea, coffee and biscuits during the day. This could make a great Christmas present for a keen gardener.

Bookings can be made online at Ticketsource.co.uk - just search for 'Winterbourne'. There may be some tickets available on the door for talks, although this cannot be guaranteed.

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Rebuilding Elm Park Primary School

Designs for a new 210 place (1 form of entry) primary school on the existing school site at Elm Park are now well under way, to replace the now dated old school buildings, which require significant and on-going annual capital investment to maintain.

The footprint of the new school will be adjacent to the existing school, where the staff car-park currently is, which will then allow for the demolition of the old buildings upon completion of the new ones.

The new plans, unveiled to the school, parents and the community just this month, show a new building tailored to the Elm Park theme, with a view to also making the new school facilities available for community use.

The Council is continuing to work with Staff and School Governors at Elm Park to make sure that the existing school stays in good repair during the construction of the new one.

Works have been carried out to the roof, storm drainage, external doors and boundary fences to make sure that the school remains in good order for the staff and pupils until the new school is completed.

The school staff and governors are working closely with the project team from the Council's Property Services Team to create a new school that the school and the wider community can be proud of.

The current building programme would enable the new intake in September 2021 to be the first children to benefit from the new school. Admissions for the next school year are open until early January 2020 and can be accessed from the website: https://www.southglos.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-education/ school-admissions/apply-online-for-a-school-place/.

For more information regarding school admissions to Elm Park, to have a look around, and to see more of the plans for the new school, please contact the school directly.



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Renewed Partnership at local Woodlands

Two local woodlands, Sims Hill Woodland and Splatts Abbey Wood have renewed their partnership and are looking forward to working together again.

The Splatts Abbey Wood Conservation Group has been going for many years and is responsible for the historic woodland sited between the MoD and the UWE. It can trace the wood's roots back centuries. It's committee currently has members of the public and representatives from other bodies on it. The Splatts Abbey Wood group can be contacted at its email: splattsabw@gmail.com

The Sims' Hill Community Woodland Committee manages Sims' Hill Community Woodland and seeks to provide environmental and social benefits to local residents, businesses and visitors. The Sims Hill Woodland runs around the edge of the Bristol Business Park, (which sits opposite the UWE) and extends into the Winterbourne Parish Council Area. The Sims Hill Woodland Community Woodland can be contacted at: simshillcw@gmail.com

Splatts Abbey wood and Sims Hill wood also work with others, including South Gloucestershire Council and with UWE Student volunteers, who help to maintain the woodlands.

David Bell, Chairman of the Splatts Abbey Wood Conservation Group said: - "The two woodlands and other partners have worked very well together to help maintain them, and to increase access for the public. We are delighted with our partnership working which benefits everybody."

Dr Frank Ashwood, Chair of Sims Hill Community Woodland Management Committee. "The Sims Hill Community Woodland Management Committee are delighted to be back in touch with Splatts Abbey Wood Conservation Group. We look forward to working closely together and with other partners, to manage the woodlands for all visitors to enjoy".

Several Splatts Committee members have won the prestigious South Gloucestershire Council Chair's Awards for their volunteering: - Fred Hillberg, Andy Ward, UWE Greenspace (student volunteers),



Representatives of Splatts Abbey Wood and Sims Hill Wood after a recent meeting at UWE. From left to right Jenny James: Fred Hillberg. Andy Ward; David Bell; Frank Ashwood

News from the Floral Friends of Frampton



Sophie's Snail Scarecrow - Sophie and her snail represented Floral Friends in the village scarecrow trail over half-term. She is from Dick King-Smith's popular children's story Sophie's Snail.

Sophie, unlike most gardeners, loves snails. We're hoping they stay with her rather than eat the plants in our winter displays!



Winter Displays - Floral Friends have been busy changing the seasonal planter displays. Summer bedding has been removed and winter/spring flowering plants like heather. polyanthus and violas have been planted, along with mini daffodil bulbs to add colour and brighten up the dull days of winter and give us all something to look forward to in the Spring!



Triangle Tidy Up - Floral Friends braved the dismal weather earlier this month to tidy up the Triangle area opposite the Rising Sun. The

now died down and their seed has been scattered for a repeat display next year. Verbena bonariensis plants, kindly donated by a local resident, have been planted for a lovely display next year. The area already looks much better and another tidy up session is planned for later in the Autumn.

Sustainable Gateway Planting – This Autumn Floral Friends are replacing the summer wild flower displays in the gateway planters with small shrubs



and perennials for more sustainability and to improve the environment for wildlife. Wallflowers and spring bulbs will add seasonal colour and interest. Selected plants include Heuchera, Euonymus and Tiarella.

Could you help? It takes time, effort and funds to maintain the planting around the village benefiting the local community, the environment, and the wildlife. If you would like to help there are various ways in which you can do so:

- If you can spare a few minutes regularly, help to maintain a planter (at this time of year this means watering and deadheading).
- If you could spare a couple of hours twice a year, help us to replenish the plants in the planters in spring and autumn.
- No time? Donations are always very welcome. If you have a business in the area you may like to consider sponsoring a planter or gateway for an annual fee - with a plaque fixed to the planter/gateway it's cheaper than most forms of advertising!

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News from WADCA (Winterbourne & District Community Association)

Glorious sun shone on WADCA for Apple Day! In October, hundreds of folk visited the community centre to enjoy a relaxed day of old-fashioned family fun and food, and to see what WADCA has to offer.

Children enjoyed fairground rides, apple-bobbing, splat-the-rat, archery, and traditional stalls like name the teddy and guess the number of sweets in the jar. Adults tried to guess the number of grains of rice in the bottle to win the pink gin! There were fabulous roast pork rolls and cider, as well as tea and cake, a raffle with dozens of prizes donated by local businesses, opportunities to 'have a go' at skittles, punch-bag and short matt bowls, and a full day of entertainment from Winterbourne Musical Theatre. the Frampton Shantymen, Redds dance school, Bradley Stoke Radio, and the excellent Balkany Band.

It was wonderful to have so many families in the Centre enjoying a day out, and WADCA hopes they will come back and try some of the many varied groups, sports, and activities that take place regularly at the centre. The halls, skittle alley and other rooms are also available for private hire to WADCA members, and membership is just £8 a

There are still a few tickets left for fabulous local ska band NUTTYness, a Madness tribute band, at WADCA on Saturday 14th December from 8.30pm. Tickets are £10 in advance from Ticketsource.co.uk.

This year WADCA will be serving Christmas dinners for people who live alone or who would like company on Christmas Day. The traditional full Christmas meal costs £30, complete with plasticfree crackers! Advanced booking is essential. For bookings or more information please contact Kelly on 07972 821508 or email WADCA.

Looking for a new challenge for next year?

Chairman of WADCA. Mavis Campbell, will be stepping down in the spring, so WADCA is looking for a successor to take on the leadership of this vibrant community centre. They would love to find someone to start shadowing Mavis for the next few months with a view to taking over the role in March 2020.

This is a voluntary post, which takes about 18 5–8 hours a week, and would particularly

suit someone recently retired who is looking for a new community project. The person will be 'the face of WADCA', managing a small team of staff and volunteers, building community spirit, and having overall responsibility for the day to day running of the

Being able to understand figures and budgets and get on with people is essential, and previous experience of managing staff or projects would be helpful. The person will need to live locally and be reasonably flexible on the times they can be in the centre. Training can be offered where required, and the current chairman is willing to work alongside her successor for a while to aid the handover. More details about the duties of chairman can be found on the WADCA website.

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Our contact details are:- Mrs Shelagh Crowther (Secretary) Tel: 01453 298974



News from Winterbourne Down WI

Our Autumn meeting was chaired by Margaret Aspbury. After the business had taken place, Margaret welcomed

Liz Ferguson, who lives in Hambrook and gave us a most interesting talk called 'Remember Me'.

One day while Liz was walking her dog, she stopped by the War Memorial and was intrigued by the 53 names of the men and soldiers who died in the First World War. She decided that she wanted to research and track down who these people were, what their livelihood was and where they had come from. It took her two visits, of two days each, to go to the cemeteries of The Battle Fields of Northern France, accompanied by her husband, to find the relevant graves and put a poppy on each one. Liz sourced information from local churches, schools and the Commonwealth Graves Commission.

Liz had a table showing us memorabilia from the First World War – photograph albums, knitted socks and scarves, painted eggs that were sent to London and then onward to the wounded soldiers in hospital, a brass Princess Mary Box which had inside a card and photo of her, plus a bullet pen, cigarettes and chocolate! Parish magazines from 1870 and blankets

which were rented out during the winter months. We were told that women's groups would make fruit cakes and Christmas puddings to be sent to the soldiers. A very interesting and poignant talk. Liz says it is a passion of hers to find out about the soldiers and would like to make a start on the 25 names on the Memorial from the Second World War!

At time of writing we are looking forward to welcoming Ian McGuire to our November meeting, who will be talking about the Conservation of the British Owl. In December Karen Beasley will be showing us how to make Wreath and Table Decorations.

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MIDNIGHT MASS Christmas Day

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FAMILY COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear Friends

As we move towards Advent and our preparations to celebrate that great Christian festival of Christmas, I have been reflecting on two recent events which I believe will have a true and lasting impact on us all on the Fromeside.

The first was our pilgrimage walk to Gloucester at the end of October. A hard core of 18 pilgrims iourneving literally through the wind and the rain to walk 36miles from St Peter's Frampton Cotterell to St Peter's Cathedral Gloucester, Almost 40 people joined the journey at some point as we explored what it means for us as Christians to be open to God's call. We reflected on those moments of divine encounter when we bring to the cross times



when we have fallen short, when we proclaim the Incarnate Christ as our Lord and Saviour and then respond to his love in our love for each other as community, in particular our love for those on the margins. All this was achieved as we journeved the pathways to Gloucester, stopping at numerous watering holes and pubs, encountering wonderful hospitality from the people we met, discovering the mystical interlocking of life's physical challenge. social engagement and spiritual encounter. All of which brought us closer together as a Christian community.

The second is our Benefice decision to set its priorities for the next 3 years, where we will strive together and as individual churches to focus on three key areas. Firstly, to engage with the missing generations, whom we have failed in our mission as church to truly share Christ's love in a relevant and engaging way. We are committed to encourage all, especially in our work with schools and families, to have a real and meaningful relationship with God's Son Jesus Christ, whose birth we celebrate in a couple of weeks' time. Secondly, we will strive to improve our ministry to and support of the lonely. A feature of modern society is that there are increasing numbers of old and younger people who feel a real sense of loneliness. As parishes we will be looking closely at all we can do to bring people together through a number of new initiatives. Finally, we will be developing our ministry of hospitality and welcome. Whilst we are a friendly bunch on the whole, we do need to constantly look at the example of Jesus in being totally inclusive and enabling people to feel a real sense of belonging when they engage and encounter church.

At Christmas we celebrate God with us in the birth of his son Jesus, a time when love abounds in divine extravagance! It is our call today as Christians to continue, through our faith and our actions, to make this love incarnate for all, a light of hope in a world of desperate need.

Revd Malcolm Strange Rector of the Fromeside Benefice

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Christmas Day 10am, Christmas Family Eucharist

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Unmasking mental health in men

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But then, suddenly, on Wednesday 6th June this year everything unexpectedly changed forever.

My world came crashing down like a thunderbolt. My heart shattered into a thousand tiny pieces. Happiness, ordinary-ness, gone. Wiped out; in a heartbeat. Literally. My sense of self altered forever. And never to be found.

That was the revolting, ugly, life changing day that my amazing fiancé Michael tragically ended his own life.

Michael showed no signs of depression, be it privately or publicly; the Michael that the world saw was the very same Michael that I lived with each day and went to bed with each night. The mask was firmly on - we have no idea for how long - but not a hint of darkness ever shadowed the beauty of his face, the wonder of his smile or the lightness of his laugh.

The devastating loss has been heartbreaking and the disbelief life changing. And here lies the very reason why we've established a foundation in his memory; to try to unmask mental health issues in other men and try to stop something so devastating happening to yet another family. I've been shocked to learn since Michael died that suicide is in fact the biggest killer of men under 45 and that three quarters of all suicides are male. It's these shocking statistic that we want to see



We need men to feel that it's okay to be vulnerable; that it's really okay not to be okay; and that it's really, really good to talk.

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It's early days for our Even Keel Foundation but we'd love you to be part of our journey and follow us on social media where we will keep vou updated with all the latest news, personal stories and events and how you can get involved. The more people who join us on this unmasking mission the bigger the reach we will have in starting the conversation and hopefully making a difference. Our whole ethos being, if it helps just

Take care and keep talking - Sam

The support for me personally and the Even Keel Foundation has been truly incredible since I survived the worst day of my life.

Samantha Hillier **Even Keel Foundation** unmasking mental health in men www.facebook.com/evenkeelfoundation www.theevenkeelfoundation.com



Join the Crossbow Singers for their Christmas Concerts

It seems only five minutes ago I was telling readers about our Summer Concert, and now here I am promoting our Christmas concert! We had a magnificent response for the two evenings in early July for our performances of 'holiday' music, for which I thank you once again.

The Singers started back on Monday 6th September, after their summer break, to start practising a wide variety of 'Christmassy' music. Some pieces will be old favourites, whilst there are some lovely less well-known arrangements. We are also welcoming guest artists, this time of the younger generation - Lucy and Ellie Lunt (both at Secondary School), and Grace Flynn (who used to be a member of the singers, but is now at 6th Form College and tied up with studies).

At the end of September we welcomed back Marv Darby as our piano accompanist after being absent for the summer months owing to hip surgery. We thank Anthony Davies once again for doing such an amazing job as accompanist during Mary's absence.

Of course, as well as all the choral and solo items, there will be plenty of opportunity for audience participation with Christmas carols and the like, and as always light refreshments will be served during the interval.

Well what will the choir be singing? I am not going to give away too many secrets, because we desperately want you to come along and find out for yourselves on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th December, 7.30pm at Crossbow House, but our Festive Concert would not be complete without a John Rutter item, or a Cliff Richard Christmas hit! Looking forward to seeing you there!

Diane Rix, Crossbow Choir

It may seem a long way off, but their is no rest for organizers of 'Castell Roc', Chepstow's much anticipated friendly music festival.

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As soon as 2019 event was over, the public were asking "who are we going to have next year"? With just 10 months now to wait, organisers are almost ready to announce headliners for the 12 nights of Fantastic shows.

In the meantime, the Castell Roc team will be putting on monthly events at the "Drill Hall' in Chepstow to fund the 'Castell Roc Community Bash' which is a 'free day' held on the very last day of Castell Roc to showcase local talent.

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* Frampton Cotterell and district community association

Report Exercise Blue Ham

Over the weekend of 12th-13th of October, Cdt. Salt and Cdt. Porter from 37 Sqn. Frampton Cotterell took part in Exercise Blue Ham. This was a national military style radio exercise organised by The Royal Air Force Air Cadet organisation. Squadrons from around the country competed to log as many radio contacts as possible over the two days. Using HF radios on the 5MHz band, cadets contacted other squadrons and radio amateurs around the country and even overseas. For a contact to count, they had to exchange 6 pieces of information including callsigns, signal report, grid location, transmitter power, antenna type & direction.

Both cadets received radio communications training at 37 Sqn. Frampton Cotterell and are qualified to blue badge standard. They operated from their recently refurbished radio station at the squadron HQ in Frampton Cotterell. They displayed excellent communications discipline and adhered to the proper military protocols. Radio conditions were challenging at times but both coped well and became smooth operators by the end of the day.

Over the weekend they logged 88 contacts, 12 of which were with other Air Cadet Squadrons and the remaining contacts with radio amateurs. The furthest contact to the south was St. Helier on the island of Jersey. The furthest north was an operator in the Scottish highlands some 769kms away - he used military grade wire for his antenna to withstand the force 12 they sometime get. Cadets also logged a contact with someone operating from a mountainside in the Lake District using a 40 year old ex-military radio with a wire antenna hung from a tree!

On the following parade night, the cadets were presented with a certificate of operation issued by Squadron Leader Boland RAFAC Radio Officer and presented by Flying Officer Sambrook Officer Commanding 37 Sqn (photo top right). Both cadets agreed that it was great fun and had gained a lot of valuable communication experience in a short time. They are looking forward to the next exercise!

If you want to know more about our Squadron and the activities get involved with, please contact Officer Commanding (Sambrook, Paul Fg Off): oc.37@aircadets.org

We are pleased to say that we are having an Open Evening on the 9th December 7pm- 9.30 pm at the Royal British Legion ,Ryecroft Road, Frampton Cotterell. Please come along to see what our cadets do.





News from Frampton Cotterell RFC

1st Team – The first team have enjoyed a successful start to the season and remain unbeaten midway through November. with five wins and one draw from their six matches played so far. Hard fought wins have been achieved recently over Berry Hill and Cheltenham Saracens, which have consolidated third place in the league.

At time of writing, Frampton are preparing to face their toughest challenge of the season to date, when they play away to undefeated leaders Chosen Hill Former Pupils, on 16th November. Chosen Hill were relegated at the end of last season and are pulling out all of the stops to go back up again

One of the most pleasing aspects of the Frampton team is the young age of the players and that the great majority of them have come through the youth system at the club.

Frampton have progressed to the guarter finals of the Gloucestershire Vase, and to the semi-finals of the Bristol Combination Vase. All of this without playing a game. We all love a cup run! To date we don't know when these matches will be played.

2nd Team – Following their promotion at the end of last season, the second team have found things tougher this year, as most of their fixtures are against clubs whose first

teams play in higher leagues than the Frampton first team. It should prove a good grounding for the younger players who aren't yet playing first team rugby.

At the time of going to press. Frampton lie in eighth place in the league. One notable result was a 29 all draw away at Old Centralians at the end of October.

3rd Team - After a sticky start to the season the third team have started to come good and sit proudly in first place in their respective league. The highlight of the season so far was a convincing 85 points to 7 defeat of Kingswood second team in early November. What is so pleasing about Frampton third team is that there are always so many people available to play each week, when so many clubs struggle to field two teams.

Frampton Vets – No, this is not where you take your sick animals, but the elder statesmen of the club who still like to have a little run/walk out from time to time. The weekend of 8-10th November saw Frampton Vets welcome their old friends Les Vieux Loups (The Old Wolves) from the Parisis RFC in Paris. The rugby relationship is now in its 42nd year and Frampton juniors still visit and host every May. Two players – Mike Weaver and Phillipe Colin played in that first encounter in 1977 and donned their boots again, in very muddy conditions at the Stade de Fram this November. Frampton Vets retained the trophy with a 24-12 win. The players meet on an annual basis, no doubt our French friends will be looking to win back the trophy when the Fram Vets travel over to Paris in the autumn of 2020, #upthefram





Mike Weaver and Phillipe Colin (two on right) played in the first Les Vieux Loups V Fram game in 1977 as Juniors



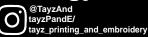
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December 2019

Sun 1 - Crossbow Preschool Christmas Bazaar. St Peters Hall, Crossbow, 2-4pm. Stalls, games, refreshments, Anna from Frozen, Santa's Grotto (prebook through preschool).

Sun 1 - Manor Hall Christmas Cracker, 2.30-5.30pm. Entry £2 incl a mince pie. Children free. A quest appearance from Elsa. Other music incl Ukulele performance. Santa's Grotto tickets from Little Explorers Preschool. Bar with mulled wine and mulled cider.

Sun 1 - Christingle Service, St Peter's Church, 4-5pm. All welcome.

Mon 2 - Gardening and Social Club, Manor Hall, 2-3.30pm. All welcome. £2.50, includes refreshments. T: 07873 747513 or Tel: 01454 774279.

Tues 3 - Village Walks, start St Peters Church. 10.30am. Woods and fields stroll 1.5 miles, or walk 3.5 miles. Christmas Bites £1.50.

Tues - The Big Sing! St Saviour's Church, 7pm, Free. Retiring collection for Christian Aid. Local adult and school choirs, Community 'Scratch' choir, and carols for all to join in.

Wed 4 - Coffee Morning, Salem, Watleys End, 10-11.30am. All welcome

Wed 4 - Wellbeing Friends, WADCA 1.45-3.45pm. £3. A group for people with dementia and their carers. Varied activities, a cuppa, cake and chat. For more info, T: 07789 662694.

Wed 4. Thur 5 & Fri 6 - Treasure Island Panto, Winterbourne Musical Theatre, WADCA. 7.30pm. Tickets £10 T: 01454 317408 / www. winterbournemusical.co.uk.

Wed 4 - Talk on 'Rescuing Heminafield Colliery'. The Miners, 7.30 for 8pm. Steve Grudgings of South Glos Mines Research Group, Non-members £2, T: 01454 883607

Wed 4 - Coalpit Heath WI, 7.45pm, St Saviours Church Hall, T: 07935 071291, E: carolinemiohnston@ hotmail.com. Visitors always welcome!

Wed 4 - Christmas Fair, 6-9pm at The Rising Sun, Ryecroft Road, Frampton Cotterell. Music from The Frampton shanty men, St Peters Church choir and Watermore primary school choir. There will also be stalls with local crafter selling Christmas wares and Hot food and drink available. This is a free event and will be raising money for Watermore school.

Fri 6 - Christmas Fayre, FCCE school 5-7pm. Apres ski lodge, Santa's cinema, Elves' workshop, Christmas markets, food, mulled wine, fun and games.

Fri 6 - Quiz, Crossbow, 8pm. £1.50 ppn. T: 01454 772947 / crossbowhouse@gmail.com.

Sat 7 - Fabric Christmas Wreath Workshop. Winterbourne Medieval Barn. 10am - 12.30pm. Get crafty with Amy from Bath Artist Studios. £30. Book at Ticketsource coluk

Sat 7 - Table Top Sale, Coalpit Heath Village Hall. 1-3pm. Tables £5. T: 07920 145352.

Sat 7 - Treasure Island Panto. Winterbourne Musical Theatre, WADCA, 1pm and 6pm, Tickets £10, T: 01454 317408 / www.winterbournemusical.co.uk.

Sat 7 - Frampton Community Projects outdoor cinema Good Will Hunting, Fromeside, 7pm. £8.50 prebook online www.framptoncp.org/fcpcc / Info: cinema@framptoncp.org.

Mon 9 / Tues 10 - Crossbow Singers Christmas concert, 7.30pm. Tickets £6. T: 01454 772675.

Tue 10 - Community Coffee Morning, WADCA, 11am-12.30pm. All welcome.

Tue 10 - Mothers Union, St Saviours Hall, 2.15pm. A variety of speakers. T: 01454 777664.

Tue 10 - Friendship & Circle Dance. The Miners. 2-4pm. £4 incl refreshments. Gentle exercise for over 50s. Beginners welcome. T: 07515 351813 / E: hilary. coach@icloud.com.

Wed 11 - Frampton Singalong, Crossbow, 2-3.30pm. £3 includes tea, cakes, fruit. All welcome, no voice needed! T: 07515 351813 / E: hilary.coach@icloud.com.

Wed 11 - Carer's Club, Zion, 2-4pm. Carers welcome to stay with the person they care for or use the free time as they wish. More details from Jean 01454 775786 or Rona 01454 886925.

Wed 11 - Service of carols and poems. St Saviours church, 7.30pm. All welcome, refreshments after, On behalf of Coalpit Heath WI.

Fri 13 - Frampton Folk club, Crossbow, School Rd, 8-11pm. £2. Acoustic music club. Play, sing, listen. T: Andrew 07974 151437 / E: andrew.edgington77@ amail.com.

Sat 14 - Talk: The Twelve Plants of Christmas. Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 2-4pm, Explore the folklore, history, botany, and interesting facts behind the plants which make up our Christmas festivities. Tickets £5 online at Ticketsource.co.uk.

Sat 14 - Frampton Community Projects outdoor cinema Breakfast Club (15), Fromeside, 7pm. £8.50 prebook online www.framptoncp.org/fcpcc Info: cinema@framptoncp.org

Sat 14 - NUTTYness (Madness tribute band), WADCA, 8.30pm. Tickets £10 online from www. ticketsource.co.uk. More information www.wadca.co.uk T: 01454 776268.

Wed 18 - FC & District Local History Society, Zion hall, 7.30pm. £4 incl light refreshments. Members free (£15pa). secretary fcdlhs@yahoo.com.

Thu 19 - Wellbeing Friends, WADCA 1.30-3.30pm. £3. A group for people with dementia and their carers. Varied activities, a cuppa, cake and chat. For more details T: 07789 662694.

Fri 20 - Bingo, Crossbow, 8pm. £1 for 5 games and 50p for snowball. T: 01454 772947.

Sat 21 - Live country music and line dancing. Iron Acton parish hall, 7.30pm, £6, BYO booze, Soft drinks/ snacks on sale. T: 07813 752707 / www.laughterinline.

Wed 25 - Christmas Dinners at Winterbourne Community Centre (WADCA) for anyone who will be on their own. Bookings T: 01454 776268 or 07972 821508.

Tue 31 - Family NYE party, The Miners, Coalpit Heath, 7.30pm-12.30am.

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Fri 3 - Quiz, Crossbow, 8pm. £1.50 ppn. T: 01454 772947 / E: crossbowhouse@gmail.com.

Sat 4 - Table Top Sale, Coalpit Heath Village Hall. 1-3pm. Book table £5, T: 07920 145352.

Sat 4 - New Year Barn Dance with Mad Hatters Band & Caller, WADCA, 8pm, All ages and experience, Mad Hat competition. Tickets £6 in advance. £7.50 on the door. T: 01454 776268 / www.Ticketsource.co.uk / e: ca.winterbourne@gmail.com.

Mon 6 - Gardening and Social Club, Manor Hall 2-3.30pm. All welcome. £2.50 including refreshments.T: 07873 747513 / 01454 774279.

Tue 7 - Frampton End Stroll, 2 miles, 1 hr, 10.30am opp. cafe on Church Rd. Or walk to Iron Acton, 3.5 miles with stile. Stay on for New Year lunch if you wish.

Wed 8 - Coffee Morning, Salem, Watleys End. 10-11.30am. All welcome.

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At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Winterbourne Down Carnival Committee, a cheque for £2000 was presented to the Jessie May Trust, as a result of monies raised from activities during the 2019 Carnival period.

Chair John Turner made the presentation to Helen Mackie of the Jessie May Trust, who was accompanied by Sarah Hartrup, a committed supported of Jessie May. Presentations were also made to representatives of the local Churches -All Saints Winterbourne Down and the Methodist (Bethesda) Winterbourne Down.

During the AGM, John Turner (Chair) reported that the 2019 Carnival was a great success which would not have happened without the tireless efforts of committee members and other supporters. A full 'team' of Officers was elected to organise the 2020 carnival which will have as its theme 'VE & VJ' Celebrations. In line with the change to the May Bank Holiday date for 2020, the Carnival Day will be Friday 8th May, with other activities being held on Sunday 3rd May.

Please follow planning for Carnival 2020 on our Facebook Page - www.facebook.com/wdcarnival.

hall, 7.30pm. £4 incl light refreshments. Members free (£15pa). secretary fcdlhs@yahoo.com

Thu 19 - Manor Hall community coffee morning, 10am-12.00pm. Sponsored by NISA. T: Alison Allan 07873 747513 for more details.

Thurs 19 - Wellbeing Friends, WADCA 1.30-3.30pm. £3. A group for people with dementia and their carers. Varied activities, a cuppa, cake and chat. For more details T: 07789 662694.

Fri 20 - Bingo, Crossbow, 8pm. £1 for 5 games and 50p for snowball. T: 01454 772947.

Tue 24 - Frampton Cotterell WI, St Peters Hall, School Rd, 7.45-10pm. £2.50. T: 01454 773426 / 01454 778900.

Wed 25 - Forget-me-not Singalong Group, Zion, 2-3.30pm. For local people who like a singalong. Carers welcome to stay. Details from Jean 01454 775786 or Rona 01454 886925.





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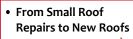
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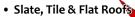
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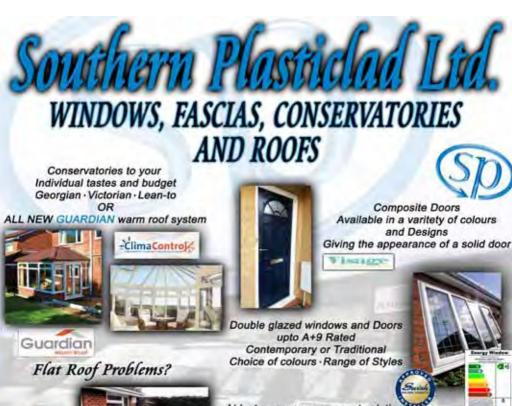




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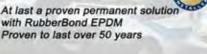
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