

The Croak

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FROGMORE CREEK FORESHORE 'CLEAN UP'- CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

10am – 12 noon on Saturday 18th November

If you are able to spare an hour or two, please come and help with the annual Frogmore Creek clean-up. Join the parish volunteers at Frogmore village hall at 10am for coffee and bacon rolls, a briefing and to pick up your refuse sack. Wellies or stout boots and gardening gloves are strongly recommended.

Many hands make for fast work and there will be a glass of something available at the hall by midday.

Further details from Peter Hadley: 531240 or Paul Harding: 531780

**BONFIRE PARTY
PERRATON FIELD, MILL LANE
SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER**

FIREWORKS

BBQ & BAR

**'Procession of the Guy'
6.30pm Frogmore Village Hall**

**Parish Residents and Friends Only
ENTRY RESTRICTED FOR EVENT SAFETY**

Frogmore Village Community Association

OUR FROGMORE & SHERFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Thank you to all who 'had your say' during September's Neighbourhood Plan consultation drop-in sessions at Frogmore and Sherford village halls. The community's views on subjects including parish life, housing, the local economy and infrastructure are very important and are now helping the Steering Group to finalise the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire which will be delivered throughout the parish shortly.

For more information please visit www.frogmoreandsherford.co.uk or speak to a Steering Group member.



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2017 FROGMORE REGATTA



It rained and it rained and it rained! However, nothing dampened the enthusiasm of the crowds at this great event.

Thanks to the generosity of the Elliot family, the beautiful Pool Meadow set the scene for a great afternoon's entertainment. The gates opened at 12 noon to a stream of early visitors, the car park quickly began to fill and the rain continued to fall. The afternoon started with the mud race and as always, this proved a great success with conditions making it even muddier! Plymouth Morris Men would not have been able to dance if it had not been for the generosity of the Globe Inn allowing the performance to take place within their marquee and this proved a tremendous success. New to the event were South Hams Hawks and Owls who proved to be a very popular attraction. Music was provided by the ever popular "Banned from The Moor" keeping everyone's spirits high. Due to the conditions, some outside events had to be cancelled including the Tug O War, Bouncy Castle, Donkey Rides, Tai Chi and Zumba.

Members of "Waterborn" the paddle board club raced along the creek providing great entertainment, along with the rowing races and the Raft Race whose entrants included a beautifully decorated raft by the Hadley family.





Our appreciation goes out to all the sponsors including Coast and Country Cottages, Ashby's Easy Stores, Toad Hall Cottages, South Moor Vets and all the other generous donations.

None of this would happen without the hard work and dedication of all those involved in this great event.

Special thanks to MC Colin Pryce who kept the event on course in such atrocious conditions.

Let's hope next year's event brings better weather: please put August 19th 2018 in your diaries.

Regatta Helpers' Party

The Regatta Helpers Party was once again held at the Globe Inn on Friday 6th October. The evening began with a drink for everyone kindly donated by John and Lynda. They then served up a delicious Steak and Ale pie followed by Apple Crumble. 56 helpers attended the event all having a very enjoyable evening.

We hope to see you all again at next year's Regatta on Sunday 19th August.





EDWARD NOYCE

Our dear departed friend Edward was an inspiration to us all. A gentleman in every respect and a dependable guiding hand as past chairman of the Frogmore Village Community Association.

He took up many causes, interests and responsibilities in supporting the community, including Kingsbridge Rotary Club, The Talking Newspaper, Cancer Research UK and Church Council lay chairmanship at St Michael & All Angels, Stokenham. He is greatly missed in all spheres.

We remember Edward now and always with an abiding sense of love and gratitude.

NATURE NOTES



NIGHT CREATURES

2017 has been a wonderful summer for wildlife and especially for insects – with the possible exception of ladybirds, of which I have seen very few. Alongside an abundance of butterflies – red admirals, painted ladies, tortoiseshells and peacocks, clouded yellows and orange tips (and sadly far too many cabbage whites!) there have been sightings of Jersey tiger moths, humming bird hawk moths and privet hawk moths, to name some of the garden exotica.

I have occasionally seen glow worms on hot summer nights, tiny bright green lights along the lanes or at the top of the garden, but was surprised to see this little female glow worm which appeared on my back doorstep at the end of August. I think perhaps that she was attracted by a nearby solar light.

At the end of September, I noticed that lesser horseshoe bats were flying in and out of the barn. A favourite food is hibernating small tortoiseshell butterflies and I have found their discarded wings on the barn floor.

Forgetting to close the door one night, several bats flew in – one startled me by brushing past my hair – and I photographed a couple which roosted when I disturbed them. They live very nearby, and by the morning had flown back home.

WHAT'S ON AT THE GLOBE

Folk session – Tuesday 7 Nov & 5 Dec at 8.30pm

Folk session – Thursday 16 Nov & 21 Dec at 8.30pm

KEYNDON MILL POP-UP CHRISTMAS SHOP FRIDAY 10TH AND SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER



£5 TO INCLUDE COFFEE/TEA AND CAKE.

Vintage treasures, Christmas gifts and scrumptious fare
Proceeds in aid of Royal Brompton & Harefield Hospitals
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SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER FROM 12 NOON FROGMORE VILLAGE HALL



CHRISTMAS MENU

Sherry on arrival

..... Grace

MENU

MAIN COURSE

Roast turkey & gravy
Bacon & sausage rolls
Sage & onion stuffing
Roast potatoes
Brussels sprouts

Garden peas & carrots
Cranberry sauce

DESSERT COURSE

Christmas Pudding
Brandy sauce or cream
..... THE LOYAL TOAST
CAROL SINGING
Mince pies, coffee &
mints



ALL SENIORS WELCOME!



FROGMORE EVENTS CALENDAR 2017

Frogmore Bonfire Night – Sunday 5 November at 6.30pm

Seniors' Christmas Lunch on Saturday 9 December, 12 noon

Coffee mornings in the village hall at 10.30 – Nov 8, Dec 13

The Bangers & Mash evening will take place early next year –
date to be decided yet.



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a ready trimmed allotment awaiting autumn digging for
you! Call Graham Allen: 01548 531045