

The Croak

The newsletter of the Frogmore Village Community Association
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Dear all

We are coming up to a busy period with HM The Queen's Jubilee weekend to celebrate. Friday's Barn Dance should put us in the mood – it's great for our community to be supporting Bridge for Hope. Sadly, our application to hold our tea party on the bridge didn't make it past the authorities, so the venue for Sunday's celebration will be the village hall. Thanks to the generous offers by village cake bakers, food and drink will be provided FOC. Just bring yourselves – in suitable royal costume of course! We will be entertained by up close magician, Dan Brazier, who is set to astound you right under your very noses! There will be face painting and a few other surprises. RSVPs please by Monday 30 May. It would be good to see some willing volunteers at the Perraton Field this Saturday. Come armed with gardening kit. On the horizon is the Creekside Fair – Saturday 16 July which will take place on the foreshore of the slipway (Globe side of the estuary). We will be seeking the co-operation of boat owners to first claim and then move their vessels to allow for preparations for the event. A likely deadline for this is 18 June.

Tim

BRIDGE FOR HOPE
A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR A REFUGEE FAMILY

FVCA

To raise money for refugees arriving in UK
Bridge for Hope in association with FVCA presents:

BARN DANCE

ANIMATED BY RUMPUS!!

Friday, June 3rd, 2022 7pm onwards
At Frogmore Village Hall
Pasty and Pint included to fuel the dancing!!

Tickets available in advance £10 (entrance, pasty and one drink)
07845 155460 or juliettebird@btinternet.com
or £12 on the door

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Frogmore's Royal Platinum



Jubilee Tea Party



SUNDAY 5th JUNE - 3.00 pm

FROGMORE VILLAGE HALL

Enjoy tea, homemade cakes, savories and prosecco in traditional street party style.

PLUS



DAN BRAZIER
Close up Magician

**Best Royal Jubilee
costume PRIZES**



Please complete this slip and deliver to Juliette Bird, Pool House, Frogmore (the house next to the creek slipway), or email your reservation request to Tim Trumper frogmorevca@gmail.com

Please reserve me [.....] place(s) for the Sunday 5th June – 3.00 pm

Jubilee Tea Party

Name(s) ;

Contact phone number or email :

KEN AND MARGARET JOHNSON'S LEAVING PRESENTATION

Ken and Margaret were due to move from Frogmore village after living there for many years. Both Ken and Margaret have done so much for our village and were so much a part of village life too. We will miss them very much.

Ken and Margaret came to our coffee morning in the village hall on 3 February and lots of village friends were there. We presented them with a picture of Frogmore painted by Fiona Dye as a reminder of their time in Frogmore and a delicious cake was made for them which even had Ken's railway track complete with trains on it!

It was a very special time to wish them both a very happy life in North Devon but Ken and Margaret, you will be very fondly remembered!



BELATED XMAS/EASTER LUNCH

Once again, because of Covid restrictions, the delayed Christmas lunch of 2021 took place on 26 March this year. As this was in March and near to Easter, we also made it an Easter theme too with a Christmas Tree decorated with egg baubles and on the swags around the walls. Also, we had lovely spring flowers arrayed in vases on each table. A very good Christmas meal was cooked by Pat and Anthony Greenwood who provided a wonderful meal of turkey and trimmings, Christmas pudding, mince pies and of course some wine.

Father Christmas came to visit too and interrupted his holiday in the Caribbean especially so we would not be disappointed! He was very entertaining, arriving in his summer holiday clothes with fishing net in hand. We all sang a rendering of Mr Christmas' version of the Twelve Days of Christmas carol! He helped too to give out raffle prizes amid lots of laughter and mirth!

Thank you to Pat and Anthony for a wonderful meal. Also, thanks to the FVCA Committee plus helpers for all their efforts to make this a special occasion. It was lovely to have a village gathering again and lunch with good friends.



TABLETOP SALE – 14 MAY

A good time was had by all at the tabletop sale. Lots of items for sale and coffee and tea was served with delicious cakes. All proceeds went to The Bridge of Hope.



HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED

With clearing and making good the Perraton Field. We are having a working party to help clear the field of debris and overgrowth. If you would like to help, please come along. There are two days allotted which are Saturday 21 May starting at 10.00am and Sunday 22 May at 11.00am.

UPCOMING COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 23 June at 10.30 in the hall

Advance notice....

Frogmore's Creekside Fair

Saturday 16th July

Fun for all the family, friends and your visitors

BBQ, Teas, Bar & Ice Cream

Home & Garden Produce Show

Family Games and Displays

Fun on the Foreshore Competitions

Paddleboard Races

Chill-out Zone

It's all happening down Stabbs Lane from midday until the evening tide rolls in.

Discretionary cover charge to meet costs.

Toilets and car parking at the Village Hall

FROGMORE VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NATURE NOTES by Amanda Starkey

The wildflowers in the village are always beautiful, especially at this time of year. A tip off from sharp eyed friend Sue, led to a walk along the top of the creek on the footpath past the ruined barn. I was looking for early purple orchids and was not disappointed. They are quite plentiful, and whilst some of them along the path edges are small, the ones in more densely wooded areas are taller, presumably reaching for the light. I noticed that some of them were the usual bright pinkish magenta, whilst others were a darker, more blueish purple colour.

