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Some work has been going on behind the scenes since I last wrote but Spring is more of a time to enjoy the green and its surroundings rather than do some work! Posts have been secured in Harry's Wood on the handrails on the paths and an assessment has been going on to look at the degree of Ash Die Back that we have in the wood and which trees need to be removed.

Sadly we have to report some damage to the picnic table on the green. Despite notices as you come on to the green and on the table, that **BBQs are NOT allowed** on the green, the top has been severely damaged (burnt) by a portable BBQ. This will take volunteers time and money if we can repair it, or if this cannot be done it will mean a costly replacement when funds are particularly low.



Finally everything has been finished for Mike Wrights Memorial and the Trustees and Frampton Footlights would like to invite all those who knew

Mike to come along on **Thursday 29 July from 7 pm** (bring your own food and drink) to dedicate his memorial and to celebrate Mike's huge contribution to Frampton.



Another date for your calendar is **Saturday 7 August at 6 pm** when we hope to have a lovely fine evening and be back with the popular **Tug of War** across the river. There will be the usual BBQ and Bar. This is the main fund raiser for the Millennium Green and Harry's Wood, so if you are one of those who have enjoyed these open spaces, particularly during this last difficult year, then please come and support us to keep it available for you.

If you have any comments you would like to make or discuss about Harry's Wood or the Millennium Green then do come along to the **AGM on 28 October 7.30 in the Village Hall.**

Cynthia Whyte, Secretary, Frampton Millennium Green Trust

TUG OF WAR

ACROSS THE RIVER FROME ON FRAMPTON MILLENNIUM GREEN

SATURDAY 7 AUGUST, 6 PM

BBQ and Bar

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! ADULTS AND CHILDREN WELCOME.
COME AND JOIN A TEAM OR BRING YOUR OWN TEAM.

CONTACT JOHN LOVING, 01300 320 798

JUST COME ALONG AND CHEER THE TEAMS ON!

FRAMPTON VILLAGE FETE 2021

SUNDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

2 PM, MILLENNIUM GREEN

OUR THEME:

Have a go at:

Scarecrow Competition

Bouncy Castle

Buried Treasure

Duck Race

Ansell & Gretel, acoustic duo (guitars and music)

Dancers from The Studio, Dorchester
Classic Cars

BBQ - BAR - Ice Creams - Cream Teas

Plus all the usual stalls: crafts, New to You, bric a brac, cakes and garden produce, ice creams, books, coconut shy, china bashing, tombola, Raffle, 'hook a duck', children's toys, plant stall, etc ...

Proceeds to Frampton Church, Millennium Green and the Village Hall.
Costumes by Alter Ego



AND REMEMBER ...!

SKITTLES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS

SATURDAY 4 SEPTEMBER, 6.30, FRAMPTON VILLAGE HALL

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Café & Community Hub

Open Daily Tues – Saturday 9am
– 5pm, Sundays 10 am -5pm
Closed Mondays

Come and visit Pavilion in the Park (PiP), a lovely family and dog friendly café and new community hub run by the Alcohol Education Trust in Poundbury, Dorchester. The café is open for takeaway or outside seating. Plus a brand new community room is now open.

Meet the team and enjoy homemade food, cakes, ice-creams and drinks, all locally sourced, in our eco-friendly building. You'll see that 500 trees have been planted, and wild flower meadows created.

We look forward to welcoming you to PiP!

PUBLIC MEETING

CALLING ALL RESIDENTS OF FRAMPTON



**THE ARCHDEACON OF SHERBORNE, THE
VENERABLE PENNY SAYER,
WILL BE HOLDING A PUBLIC MEETING ON
WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2021 AT 7PM
TO DISCUSS HOW AS A COMMUNITY, YOU SEE
ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOVING FORWARD.**

VENUE: FRAMPTON VILLAGE HALL

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU.

Frampton Millennium Green

LOTTERY Club

The May draw was held on the 15th May with the winning numbers being picked by Kate Davidson.

The results are:

1 st PRIZE	£135	No. 42	Steph Thommen
2 nd PRIZE	£67	No. 26	Peter Enoch
3 rd PRIZE	£22	No. 112	Amy Hall-Brown

The photograph is of Steph very happily receiving her winnings.
The next and last draw of the current lottery season will be held in August.



WISHING YOU ALL GOOD LUCK

[Frampton Millennium Green Trust is a registered charity run by volunteers and supported entirely by donations and fund-raising]

At last! Village events (details inside):

Thursday 29 July - Mike Wright's memorial evening

**Wednesday August 4 - PUBLIC MEETING
REGARDING ST MARY'S CHURCH**

Saturday 7 August - Frampton Flower Show

Saturday 7 August - Tug of War

Sunday 5 September - Frampton Village Fete

Friday 15 October - FVN's Quiz Night

Saturday 23 October - Big Breakfast

Saturday 20 November - Christmas Fair

**Saturday 8 January - International
Dining**

*Recycling/Rubbish
collections:*

Recycling/Food:

July 8, 22

August 5, 19

Rubbish/Food:

July 1, 15, 29

August 12, 26



A GOOD READ

THE OTHER BENNETT SISTER

by Janice Hadlow

Janice Hadlow's debut novel, *The Other Bennett Sister*, channels Austin's character, Mary Bennett, imagining a worthy character who lives into a richer life. The novel shows inspiration from Austin's story and themes, yet the story is developed in an original way, true to the historical time and setting.

Blessed with neither good looks, wit nor vivacity, Mary Bennett was the invisible one of the five daughters of Mr and Mrs Bennett of Meryton. After her sisters are married and her father dies, Mary is

dependent on the kindness of family as she has no permanent home and feels she is a burden. In desperation, she turns to the Gardiners.



They offer her the example of a happy marriage, value her for herself and provide good counsel. Finally her situation changes and she meets not just one man, but two! They both find her witty, gentle and don't compare her to her sisters.

This is a really good read and it is so nice to be immersed in Austin's world once again.



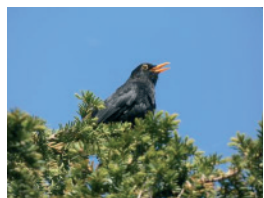
I am walking in the heart of a magical wood with a symphony of bird song filling my ears, from the blackbirds singing their melody high in the sycamores, to the short loud burst of a wren nearby in the understorey.



There are chiffchaffs everywhere, constantly repeating their name and birds flit between the wood and meadow, across the river. The air is scented by ramsons and fresh rain but sunlight illuminates the unfurling fronds of hart's tongue ferns, vivid green against the darker ivy. Brighter still are the first flowers of red campion.

It is Harry's Wood, 9.30am on a May morning. My dog Bramley and I have taken many gentle walks in this wood during May, and they have been delightful. As the new author of these notes it has given me the opportunity to gratefully remember Harry Grenville a former author who, with his wife Helen, gifted this wood and its abundant wildlife to the village.

It can be difficult to pinpoint individual birds from such a mix of sounds, but one in particular I traced to the top of a short tree: a blackcap with a beautiful song on a par with the blackbird. Like the



chiffchaff this is one of the warblers, of which there are several species, mostly little brown birds looking rather similar! However the male Blackcap has a smart black cap for his head as well as a glorious song and the female has a reddish brown cap, so they really stand out from the crowd! There are lots about this year, and I have seen fledglings in my garden.

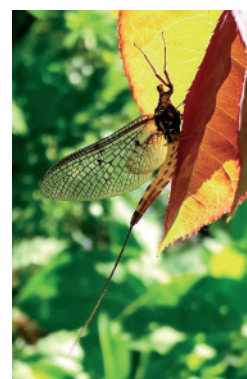


The high pitched twitter of long tailed tits attracted my attention near the Village Hall, 2 adults and at least 4 (short tailed) babies. What could be more charming – pink, white and black fluffy birds with extra long tails which live in extended family groups.

They can have 12 babies, and family members which have failed to breed will help rear the young. The nest is a covered dome with a hole on one side, woven from moss and lichen in such a way that it stretches to accommodate the growing family. I've been told that it visibly bulges and moves when they are near to fledging.

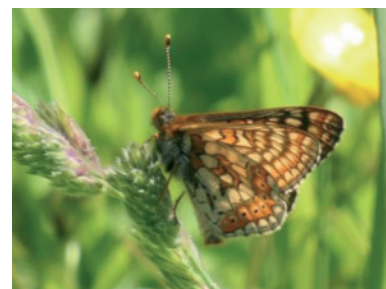
Harry's Wood is even a hunting ground for otters, I saw my first ever wild ones in the river there recently.

Sunny June arrived, and with it lots of Mayflies. In fact these can be seen all through the summer, not just May, although each adult will live for just a day or so. They were one of the first winged insects, pre-dating dinosaurs, and are unique in having 2 adult winged phases. The first adult emerges from the water-dwelling nymph to escape the water, and then sheds its skin again to become the final adult. I have watched them swarming in the garden, flying up and drifting down, with their 3 tail streamers clearly visible.



June in Dorset is a great time for butterflies, especially on chalk downland which supports a range of rare and threatened species.

On a short walk at the Cerne Giant Hill I saw several Marsh Fritillaries and also the smaller Duke of Burgundy. These orange chequered butterflies contrasted beautifully with the vivid Adonis and Common Blues.



Finally a reminder to look out for hedgehogs in July/August, the hoglets may be seen with their mother, so get your night cameras ready! I would love to hear about wildlife sightings in the village, and photos – you can email me at mrs.kate.davidson@gmail.com.

The Trustees of the hall actually met on Thursday 10 June! Each member was at a separate table set out in the main hall and it was nice to see everyone again raising a glass of wine to the future.

Our Treasurer, Neil, updated us on our finances which have been helped during lockdown by the automatic business grants from the Authorities. We had also received a donation of £200.00 from Hugo and Pippa James at Hampton, for which many thanks were recorded.

Since our last meeting on 23 July 2020 the external walls of the building were repainted by Vic Pullman and Bryan Wilcox and a band of volunteers cleared the riverbank and will be trimming and weeding around the car park and building before you read this report.



We had received a request on behalf of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance to site a clothes and shoe recycling

container at the hall. This has now been delivered and a list of acceptable and unacceptable items is displayed on the unit, and listed here below.

Yes: All clothing, sheets, paired shoes, towels, blankets, curtains, belts and bags.

No: soiled rags, carpets, glass, metal, rubbish, pillows, duvets.

All items to be bagged and put into container. There was a small percentage payment offered to the hall for use of the site but the Trustees unanimously decided to provide the site free of charge.

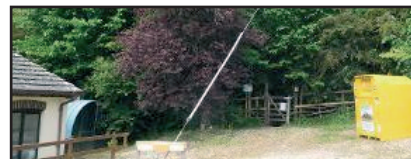
Future events were considered and we plan to hold a "Big Breakfast" on Saturday 23 October and the "Christmas Fair" on Saturday 20 November. "International Dining" will return on Saturday 8 January 2022.

The "Jazz" event that should have been held in April 2020 is hoped to be re-scheduled for 16 April 2022.

In the meantime bookings are being taken for other events, notable amongst them – the "Annual FVN Quiz" on Friday 15 October which is the only fund raising event for the FVN enabling it to continue to be published free of charge.

At present the hall continues to function under the current government restrictions.

COLIN POOK, CHAIRMAN OF THE TRUSTEES, FVH



Oscar Winsey and family would like to thank you all for the kind messages of condolence sent upon the death of Gillian. A memorial Service will be held in Frampton Church when the lockdown is lifted; date to be announced later.

Regards
Oscar Winsey