

The Frenchay Tuckett Society
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Museum December Shutdown

The museum will be open for the last time this year on Wed. Nov. 27th, and reopen on Sat. Jan. 11th 2020. This is to allow for our annual "deep clean", updating displays, and some minor re-decoration. If you can help in any way, please contact Margaret Bulmer on 0117 9569324.

The Visiting Display in the Museum from September is

A look at the effects of World War II on the area, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the breakout of the War.



Come and add your own war story, we want to hear it

Are you a member of a group that would like to mount a display in the Museum? If so, please contact Roger Angerson 0117 9569490 or Carol Thorne 0117 9569963 to find out more..

Winter Talks Series

10th October

Bristol Pirates and Privateers

Mark Steeds takes a look at part of Bristol's sea faring history.



14th November

Know Your Place

Paul Driscoll takes a look at South Gloucestershire using maps, layer upon layer. What went before your house?

9th January

Richard Champion and his Bristol Porcelain



Roger Anderson talks about Richard Champion and his Bristol porcelain, with a look at our own porcelain collection at Frenchay Village Museum (The Sawyer Memorial Lecture).

These talks are in Frenchay Quaker Meeting House
Beckspool Road BS16 1NT
starting at 7.30pm. Admission is £2.

Vintage Vehicle Day 2019

This year our Vintage Vehicle Day on Saturday 13th July was again held in conjunction with the Flower Show. A very successful day – a BIG THANKS to all who helped.

If you are able to help with either preparing for next year's event on July 11th 2020 or being involved helping organise things on the day, please contact Paul Green on 0117 9567020, or Hugh Whatley on 0117 9566378.

Museum Custodians

We always welcome more custodians, so if you are interested in coming along and finding out more, call **Margaret Bulmer on 0117 9569324** for an informal, no obligation, chat. Whether you help once a month, or once a year, you will be welcome.

There are many other tasks that need doing, besides manning the museum when it's open. From straightforward cleaning to mounting new displays, there are many jobs waiting. If you feel that you would like to get involved in any way, call Carol Thorne on **0117 9569963** to find out more.

BANKSIE IN FRENCHAY?

Have you seen the new mural that has appeared on the end wall of a house in Frenchay Hill? If you walk down Frenchay Hill it is on the end of Cellarman's Cottage on the right-hand side.

It was painted by Ollie Gillard whose professional name is 'Gage'. It shows Joe Strummer, the singer with The Clash and words are from 'London Calling'. The mural was painted by projecting the picture on the wall and spray painting around the image. The leaves and birds were painted free hand. There has been a lot of comment about the picture – fans and objectors are equal in numbers. What do you think?

Alan Freke has produced a new reference book for the museum after discovering an on-line copy at the University of California. The book was published in 1824 with the snappy title "*An Account of the Life and Religious Opinions of John Bawn of Frenchay.*"

The author is Michael Maurice, father of Frederick Denison Maurice.
Available to read in the museum.

Report from Hugh Whatley

Although there was a general 'thank you' at the June half-year meeting of Frenchay Preservation Society, this is my first opportunity to express thanks to Carol Thorne for many years of service as a Winterbourne Parish Councillor, representing Frenchay and the Museum. I will do my best to follow her example. Fortunately, we are not losing her interest in the Museum - both as Trustee of Frenchay Tuckett Society and her enthusiasm for creating local activities for all ages of visitors!

I had hoped to be in a position to report on many things, from our proposed extension to plans for the western end of the Lime Tree Avenue to become a public highway up to just beyond the car park. Unfortunately, this is all still 'work in progress' on various drawing boards with very little information in the public domain. However, your four local councillors (Paul Kembery, Adrian Collins, Charlie Watkins and I) know where to look / prod and are all on the case!
So, hopefully more news next time...

Hugh Whatley.

Victorian Wardrobe

We now have a superb collection of Victorian Clothes for children to try on, thanks to the expertise of Carol Thorne and the Severn Valley Arts Society who have been busy with their needles. Bring your children and grandchildren along to investigate, and don't forget your camera!



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