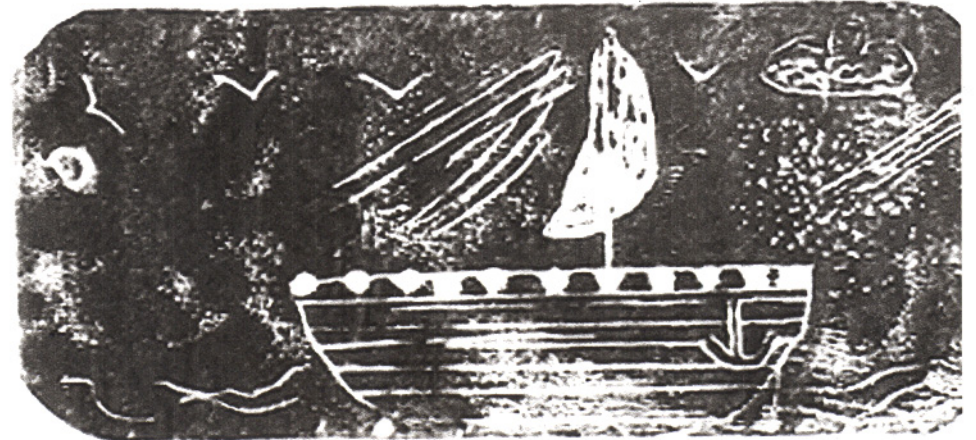
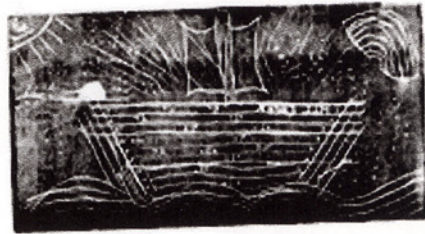




Crockerne Pill, People
and the River Avon.





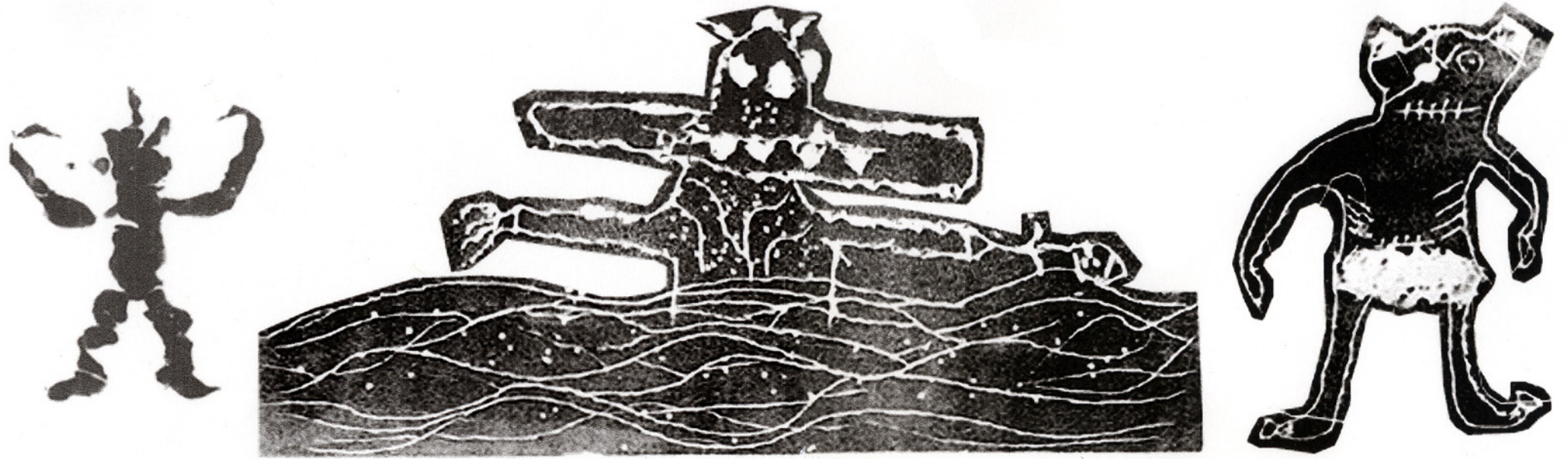
300 years ago the River Avon at Pill was full of ships, coming and going or moored on either side of the river.



Pilots guided the ships to the River Avon near Pill where the ships' cargoes were unloaded into smaller boats.



Hobblers pulled these boats up the river to Bristol.



Parents told a story to smaller children to keep them away from the river — that Hookem Boys who lived under the mud might reach out, grab them, and drag them down.



above: members of J19 Drama Group came to meet Year 6 at Crockerne Primary School to tell some stories about living in Pill and working on the River Avon in times gone by. They also devised some exciting drama games to bring the stories alive.

left: In a second workshop pupils used the experiences of the storytelling and drama workshop to make images - first drawings and then making prints. Some of these prints illustrate this booklet.



for more Pill stories and pictures see the website
www.riveravontrail.org.uk

J19 is a Pill based drama group, thanks to members Kate O'Brien and Alan Kellas. The print workshop was devised and run by Lindy Clark and Christine Howe. The project was coordinated by C&M Associates. The project was a part of the River Avon Trail Interpretation Project - June 2004 managed by Chris Weedon of the Forest of Avon.



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