

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(in the hall unless otherwise stated)

Parish Council and Local Government Elections and AV Referendum -

Thursday 5th May

Polling station at the village hall between 7 am and 10 pm

Community Council -

Meeting - Monday 18th April 7.30 pm

Annual General Meeting - Thursday 2nd June 7.30 pm

Parish Council -

Annual Parish Council Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting -

Thursday 19th May - 7.00 pm Please note earlier start time.

The Village Party - Friday 29th April

Ruby and her Horses - Saturday 11th June

Village Gardens of Hawstead Sunday 17th July 10 am - 4 pm

Tea Dance August date to be announced

Village Pantomime 'Cinderella' 7th and 8th January 2012

REGULAR EVENTS

Breathe Easy - Weekly on Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.30 am

Craft Group - Last Wednesday of the month 10.30 am - 1 pm

Carpet Bowls - Weekly on Tuesdays 7.30 pm

Reading Group - Monthly 1st Thursday 7.30 pm

Please let me have your articles for May's Journal

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Hawstead Journal

For the Village by the Village

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HAWSTEAD NEEDS
YOU

TO VOTE

MAY 5TH - HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL

7 am - 10 pm

The following people have been nominated to stand for election as
Parish Councillors in Hawstead

Ros Alexander
Helen Barneveld
Henry Brewis
Christabel Carr
Malcolm Cornwell
Bill Crockford
Michael Harrison
Rod Jackson
Richard Milns
Charlie Riggall
Jayne Robertson
Clive Robinson
John West

The number of Parish Councillors to be elected is seven

Dave Dawson has withdrawn

Angela Rushen of Whepstead Road, Hawstead,
has been elected, uncontested, as
Borough Councillor for Chedburgh Ward,
which includes Hawstead



Royal Wedding Celebrations

Don't forget to let us know if you will be
joining in with the celebrations on the 29th of April.

We invite you to Afternoon Tea on the Green
followed by an Evening Barbeque
2pm to 4pm then 6pm onwards.



OFFERS OF CAKES WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED

HAWSTEAD EGGS

Our chickens know that spring is here and our egg supply is
again healthy. If you would like to purchase fresh, local, free-
range eggs please call in or get in touch. £1 per box (half a
dozen).

Fran and Andy, 1, Fyletts Manor
Cottages, The Green -
Tel 01284 386501

evershed1@tiscali.co.uk



In Memory of Sheila Mortlock

Sheila was a familiar sight to all of us who live around the village green for without fail she walked her dog on the green each morning and afternoon. Sadly on the morning of Monday March 14th, she collapsed whilst walking her dog and died in West Suffolk Hospital a few days later. Her funeral took place at All Saints Church on Friday March 31st. We will miss her.



And in memory of David Tolhurst
previously of Fylett's Manor,
who died suddenly on March 1st.
He is much missed by his Hawstead friends

Rural Vision 2031 update

St Edmundsbury launched its consultation around Rural Vision 2031 on 3 March. Vision 2031 is a new project which will look at people's vision for housing, employment, leisure facilities, education, travel and healthcare - in fact all aspects of life - over the next 20 years.

We want everyone to get engaged, spread the word, tell us what the issues are, and tell us what your vision is. Please do this by attending one of our drop-in sessions (no need to book). All sessions take place from 4-7pm. There are presentations in local villages throughout May. Details on St Edmundsbury website.

Rural Action Plan

Following the second round of public consultation, responses were analysed and a final Rural Action Plan document for 2011 to 2014 was produced. This document has now been approved by councillors, and can be viewed online at: www.stedmundsbury.gov.uk/ruralactionplan

The plan will be officially launched at the Parish Conference on 12 May 2011. For more information, please phone us on: 01284 757109 or email us at: rural@stedsbc.gov.uk

What is a councillor?

Councillors are elected to represent an individual geographical unit on the council, known as a ward or - mainly in smaller parishes - the entire parish or town council area. They are generally elected by the public every four years.

What do councillors do?

Councillors have three main components to their work.

1. Decision making - Through meetings and attending committees with other elected members, councillors decide which activities to support, where money should be spent, what services should be delivered and what policies should be implemented.

2. Monitoring - Councillors make sure that their decisions lead to efficient and effective services by keeping an eye on how well things are working.

3. Getting involved locally - As local representatives, councillors have responsibilities towards their constituents and local organisations. These responsibilities and duties often depend on what the councillor wants to achieve and how much time is available, and may include:

- Going to meetings of local organisations such as tenants' associations.
- Going to meetings of bodies affecting the wider community.
- Taking up issues on behalf of members of the public.
- Running a surgery for residents to bring up issues.
- Meeting with individual residents in their own homes.

Visiting your council is the best way to find out what happens there. Give the council a call and find out when its next public meeting happens. By law, ordinary people are allowed to be present at most council business.

HAWSTEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Still Looking back to the 1970's

October 2nd 1972

The meetings were held in Cullum House, the then home of Miss Elsa Kilpatrick.

All members were present. Mr Tildsley reported that the fete had raised a profit of £150 17. Marques were borrowed from the local Scouts.

Miss Kilpatrick reported that the Rev Wake had agreed to hold a Carol Service on the 17th of December.

We were in interregnum at that time following the retirement of Rev Jones who had been rector here for over forty years. The Diocese was regrouping and we were joined with Nowton, Stanningfield, and Bradfield Combust. A new rectory was built and the Rev Cedric Catton eventually came to live there in 1974.

A general meeting was to take place to finalise the position of the Hall.

Arrangements to hold a Dance in Whepstead for the 20th of October were going ahead.

A discussion took place on the possibility of holding another Christmas draw.

Nov 6th

The Dance raised £69. The organisers were thanked. Miss Woodman Smith said that Mr Alfie Bass had been asked to produce two estimates for the hall. One for a wooden structure and one for brick as it was thought that the costs would be similar.



The fete in the 1970's



Elsa Kilpatrick at 60

The proposed Draw was cancelled as a printer could not be found. It was proposed that an outing to the Cinderella Pantomime should be organised. It was decided to book fifty seats for January.

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Our thanks to Bill and Margaret Crockford of The Pound for
generously sponsoring
this month's Hawstead Journal

MAY DAY MORNING

Green Dragon Morris will once again be celebrating May Day in Hawstead. Come and join us at the Hawstead end of Bells Lane by the corner of the village green at dawn (just after 5.15 am) on Sunday 1st May you will be able to see Green Dragon Morris 'dancing in the dawn'.

Do come and help us celebrate the coming of summer as the sun rises higher in the sky and we herald the season of growth and life.

Everyone, dancers, villagers, standers-by and anyone else is invited to Andy and Fran's (1, Fyletts Manor Cottages) afterwards for the traditional Hawstead Breakfast and good company.

Please come and join us.

N.B. WE will still celebrate May Day on 1st May 2012 and subsequent years, whatever the Government think!! If anyone is having doubts, Mayday is on May 1st and not in October.



All Saints Church Hawstead
Relocation of Refurbished Hatchments
and
Presentation of 'The Book' by NADFAS*

The Parochial Church Council
of All Saints Church
Hawstead

invites you to a unique event on
Friday 6th May at 7pm.

On this special occasion Clive Paine our local historian
will give a short talk on these beautifully restored
and re-hung hatchments.

NADFAS will present a book detailing
a complete inventory of our Church.

**We really do hope that you can join us
for this historic celebration.**

For and on behalf of the PCC
Church Warden



*The National Association of Decorative & Fine Arts Societies

December 6th



Elsa with friends

Mr Inches reported that £1,200 was available in Barclays Bank.

Mr Bass attended the meeting. He produced an outline plan and explained that at current costs the cost of wood and brick was approx the same. The cost would be in the region £4 per sq ft, totalling £8,000. In this price was an allowance for showers and fitted cupboards. Miss Kilpatrick

proposed that they proceed in principle with outline planning permission and the compulsory purchase order of the land in that order. This was agreed.

Miss Kilpatrick reported that she had purchased a duplicating machine for £2.

January 8th

The carol service raised £13 69 for general maintenance of the church.

The mower for the cricket green was to be sent for repair.

Arrangements were finalised for the outing to the Pantomime on January 19th. Sixty six people wanted to go. The cost was to be 50p for adults, 30p for children over 12 and children under 12 were to be free. Mrs Lebbon was to arrange a bus.

February 5th

Nothing done as yet about the mower which had been sent to Barclay Motors. Mrs Wright agreed to look in to the delay.

The Pantomime was a success and it was agreed to do this every year!! Alwyne's coaches were to used again when ever needed.



Leaving Cullum House after an over 60's meeting

VILLAGE HALL

It was proposed by Mrs Lebbon that Cotswold colour bricks be used to build the hall. This was carried.

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THE METCALFE ARMS

Mrs Glendinning was leaving the pub on February the 14th. A letter was to be sent to thank her for all the facilities made available to the Community since it was founded. Mrs Wright said that crockery etc was for sale cheaply from the pub. Mrs Baker and Mrs Wright agreement to purchase any items that would be of use in the future for up to £15.

A Pancake Race was to be organised followed by a comic football match. Mrs Pettitt undertook the arrangements for this. It was hoped to cover costs with refreshments and a draw. A children's sponsored walk was also planned.

Mr. Shirreff reminded the committee that the mower was due.

March 5th

The estimate for the mower repairs of £32 was accepted.

Miss Kilpatrick reported that the duplicator needing overhauling at a cost of £11.87. It was agreed that the work be put in hand.

Mrs Wright reported that she had purchased 50 cups on behalf of the committee from the sale at the Metcalfe Arms at a cost of £8 50. (These were in use until 2006!)

The Pancake Day festivities were very enjoyable and raised £7.37. More funds were to come from the sponsored walk.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

It was thought possible to hold a concert in the church again. The Beyton Singers were to be invited. The Summer fete was to be held in June or September. Plans were also afoot to hold a Ladies Darts Tournament in the Metcalfe. A children's sports day was also proposed.



The pub and the cups
we bought - 50 for £8.50!

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FOOTNOTE

It is quite staggering the work that was put in at the beginning of the Community council, to raise money to build a hall. They started many traditions that have continued to this day. Elsa Kilpatrick was a committee member into her nineties. All the other names mentioned who are still in Hawstead are always ready to help with anything. It must be a bug you get!

Just how did they end up with a sectional building that served for over thirty years and gave the Community quite a large sum to start a fund to replace it? Find out in the next issue.

Sonja Monk

Chair

HAWSTEAD BOOK

As it is census year I hope to update the Hawstead 2001 Book. It will involve carrying out a survey of every home in the village to find out who lives in each one and taking a photo just as in 2001.

I am recruiting "enumerators" to do the footwork, as many as possible. If you would like to join the project please let me know and also who else you think might be willing to join in.

I want to involve all volunteers in the planning process so it would be best if they where all on-line as I have a plan to do the preparatory work and the returns of data on-line, No meetings!

Simon Miller