

HAWSTEAD JOURNAL

Editors: Judy & Dave Carter

Greek Night

INTRODUCING CAFÉ KOTTANI, BURY ST EDMUNDS

Friday 22 April
HAWSTEAD Village Hall

7.00 for 7.30pm • BYO drink • £16 per person

STARTER

Vine leaves, Tzatziki & Hummus with Pitta Bread,
Giant Beans & Aubergines baked in Olive Oil

MAIN COURSE

Beef (or Vegetarian) Mousakka with Greek Salad

DESSERT

Selection of Baklava & Coffee

Book through susanne@pamplin.me.uk or call

01284 388166 before Thursday 14 April

NB Late bookings cannot be accommodated

Strictly No PLATE SMASHING
Togas Optional

ORGANISED by HAWSTEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CHURCH SERVICES - HAWSTEAD UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

MARCH

Sunday 6th	11.00	Joint Mothering Sunday Family Service at NOWTON with Hawstead
Sunday 13th	08.30	Said Eucharist
Sunday 20th	10.30	Palm Sunday Benefice Service at LAWSHALL Church
Sunday 27th	11.00	Easter Day Joint Family Service at HAWSTEAD Church with Nowton

APRIL

Sunday 10th	08.30	Said Eucharist
Sunday 24th	11.00	Morning Prayer

MY SECRET KITCHEN

This is an Australian company, which is rapidly gaining recognition in this country.

There are a variety of dip mixes such as beetroot, Guacamole, Tomato and Herb, which can be blended to sour cream or yoghurt to make delicious dips. Spice blends from all over the world, in a variety of strengths, including a Sri Lankan Coconut, Taco (Mexico), Aussie Roast (from guess where?) and Grill Master (U.S.A.) can be used to create authentic and tasty main meals and chocolate powders such as Raspberry Truffle, Chocolate Orange or Dark Mint Chocolate can be used in baking, icings or adding to cream or yoghurt for an easy dessert.

Cherry Clements, ably assisted by Revd. Jayne had gone to a great deal of trouble to create delicious dishes for us to sample. From dips to a tasty butternut squash and cashew nut curry and mouth watering chocolate desserts were all available.

A HUGE thank you to those who came along to support this Benefice Fundraising Event. Donations to church funds will be made from orders taken on the night.

Judy Carter

BEWARE - BE VIGILANT

There has been a spate of break-ins, particularly garages, cart-lodges and sheds in our village and the surrounding area.

It appears the thieves are looking for power tools and other items which are easily transportable.

Please make sure you have secure locks on all your outbuildings and keep an eye out for any suspicious behaviour. If we keep vigilant on behalf of ourselves and our neighbours perhaps we can avoid any further incidents.



NOTIFICATION FROM WEST SUFFOLK COUNCIL

Your current brown bin service will end on
Saturday 2 April 2016.



**A NEW optional garden waste collection service starts
Monday 4 April 2016**

The new garden waste only service will cost £40 a year for a bin. This charge covers your collections between 4 April 2016 and 31 March 2017. The new service will continue to use your existing brown bin.

To guarantee you do not have any breaks in your service please sign up by 22 March 2016 (but you can join the scheme at any time).

To find out everything you need to know about the service and to sign up visit:
www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/gardenwaste

If you do not want to sign up to the new service you do not need to do anything.
You will not be charged if you do not want the new service. We will not be removing your brown bin – if you change your mind, you can join the new scheme at any time by following the steps above.

Email: customer.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk

Telephone: 01638 719119 or 01284 776119



CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Hawstead's visit to the pantomime this Christmas to see

Beauty and the Beast.

Date Tuesday 27th December 2016
Time 3pm

Ticket price for adults will be no more than £23.50
Hawstead's children, as always, will be paid for by Hawstead
Community Council

Please let me know if you wish to reserve your seats.

Geraldine West
On behalf of Hawstead Community Council
388732 geraldinewest@waitrose.com



WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT

At Macmillan we offer financial, practical, medical and emotional support to anyone affected by cancer throughout their cancer journey and beyond but right now we can't reach everyone who needs us so may I appeal for your help? As the new fundraising manager for the area I desperately need more people to get involved with the charity locally.

Could you spare a few hours and volunteer in 2016? We have roles to fit around the amount of time you can commit, the skills and networks you have (or want to expand) as well as your particular interests. These include collections volunteers and co-ordinators, event assistants, fundraising group members, public speakers and research roles to help us raise awareness for the charity to name a few. For more information on volunteering visit www.macmillan.org.uk/volunteer

99% of our income is received via voluntary donations so we just can't provide the services we do without your help. Perhaps you have an idea for an event in aid of the charity? I would welcome the opportunity to discuss your ideas and offer you support in making your event a success.

£27 could pay for a Macmillan Nurse for an hour, helping patients and their families receive essential, practical and emotional support that prevents people feeling they are facing cancer alone.

£180 could pay for a Macmillan Grant that helps a person living with cancer heat their home when they really need to. Solving this one issue can reduce stress and make people feel more in control.

£1604 could operate our Macmillan Support line for an hour. In this time our cancer support specialists could answer 47 calls and emails from people who want questions answered, need practical or financial support or just want to chat.

THANK YOU for helping us reach and support more people today and in the future.

Nicola Clark

West Norfolk & West Suffolk Fundraising Manager

To find out ways you can get involved with the charity locally please email me at nhclark@macmillan.org.uk or visit www.macmillan.org.uk
Alternatively call our fundraising support centre on **0300 1000 200**.



If you are affected by cancer and need support call our Macmillan Support Line free on 0808 808 00 00 or get help locally from the Macmillan Information and Support Centre on 01284 713023

Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (604).

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED IN YOUR AREA

The non-emergency patient transport service in Norfolk is a partnership between ERS Medical and Voluntary Norfolk, providing transport for patients living in Norfolk to hospitals throughout East Anglia and beyond. Our volunteer drivers provide an essential service, transporting up to one hundred patients to their destination each day.

We are looking to recruit new volunteer drivers local to the West Suffolk Hospital and/or close to the border with south Norfolk to join our busy team, so we can better support the patients who have appointments at this hospital.

We would love to hear from caring, calm and reliable individuals with their own car. As well as drivers to do journeys from the West Suffolk Hospital and others in East Anglia, we are also looking to find volunteers happy to go above and beyond the usual, by taking on early morning appointments, and appointments in London.

All expenses are reimbursed, and training and support is provided.

Please call Jules on 01603 883860 or email jules.alderson@voluntarynorfolk.org.uk

We are particularly short of drivers in your area, so any support you may be able to give, would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about the service, please do not hesitate to contact me, either by email, or by calling 01603 883860.

Jules Alderson

Jules Alderson | Volunteer Coordinator
Voluntary Norfolk | 2-16 St Clements House, Colegate,
Norwich NR3 1BQ | Tel: 01603 883860/07918 561732

CharityBackroom.org.uk

A single point of contact for back office services

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MAGLIA ROSSO

Our Second Anniversary Weekend will take place on Fri/Sat/Sun April 15/16/17. It will comprise a social event on the Friday evening and then various attractions and activities on the Saturday and Sunday. These will include displays of bikes, clothing and accessories from various suppliers, demonstrations, test rides and supporting stalls such as coaching and sports therapy as well as barbecue, confectionery and bouncy castle.



As always, local residents will be very welcome and our café will also have some special offerings over the weekend.

Clive's QUIZ NIGHT

**AT HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL
7-10pm, Friday 1 April**

Tickets

**£8 includes Fish & Chip Supper
£3 BYO food**

Condiments supplied; BYO drink

**Tickets available from Susanne
White on susanne@pamplin.me.uk
or 01284 388166**

**Last orders for fish & chips by
Sunday 27 March. Payment in
advance.**



Teams of 8 max • BYO drink

Kindly organised by Hawstead Community Council

GREAT WAR HUTS/ KHAKI DEVIL

Our uniform hire business has been busy over the past couple of months providing, amongst the regular jobs, uniforms for a film about The Battle of Jutland for the centenary of the battle in May. It made a change to be researching the exact medal ribbons and ranks worn by the major Royal Navy Officers on 31st May 1916, and tracking down all the correct insignia for Germany's Vice - Admiral Scheer.

**KHAKI
DEVIL**

We also had a couple of days filming in February at our trenches near Ipswich for a documentary about Hitler in the First World War. I spent most of the day reminding an actor dressed as a French soldier to remove his gloves each time he was filmed, as the action being depicted originally took place in July. This seems to be a perennial issue; we rarely film anything at the time of year it is supposed to be. When the Sainsbury's Christmas Truce advert was filmed in August 2014 one runner spent most of the day time offering sunscreen for the noses of soldiers dressed in greatcoats, wearing scarves, gloves and hats!

Another interesting project has been providing the uniforms for the 'Red Baron' for Whitgift School who are having mannequins made of him and one of their Old Boys, a pilot who he shot down.

Taff is involved with the Department of Culture, Media and Sport, working on the national commemorations for the centenary of the Battle of the Somme taking place at Westminster Abbey and at Heaton Park in Manchester on the 1st July, which is racking up the rail miles and keeping him out of the office.

The extra work for Khaki Devil has impacted on the Great War Huts progress, as it has been all hands on deck in the uniform store on occasions. However, Kev and Harry have laid the foundations for the third hut scheduled to be completed by the end of March. This is significant progress as it will be the Guardroom and the first hut to be visited when the site is open. It will have displays of the origins and previous life of each of the huts. It will provide a permanent display for our events and open days prior to the site being fully operational.

The onset of spring is welcome for us all; not least our volunteers who want to come and help with the ground maintenance. The clearing and planting can start in earnest now the better weather is imminent.

Tracey Mackenzie



**The Hawstead Journal was kindly
sponsored by Suzie and Anil Surti of Fyletts Manor**

Thank you for your contributions this edition. Our next Journal will be May / June 2016.
Please forward anything you have by 2nd May 2016.

If you would like to sponsor the Journal for one edition, please contact Judy.

Judy Carter - Oakhill House, Pinford End, Tel: 01284 386512 or judy@mmgd.co.uk

A Living Garden for hedgehogs and other wildlife



For such a small animal, hedgehogs range over a surprisingly large area and in a single night a male hedgehog can travel 2-3 kilometres. So the hedgehog that visits your garden will be roaming far and wide – and to do this they need interconnected patches of feeding, nesting and hibernating habitat.

Our modern landscape, fragmented by houses, roads, walls, fences and farming, is an increasingly difficult place for hedgehogs to navigate safely. Reversing the decline of hedgehogs will be a challenge, but creating a network of Living Gardens linked into a rich Living Landscape is a good place to start.



Don't use slug pellets and avoid using pesticides altogether.

Provide log piles, rotting leaves and nectar-rich flowers to encourage worms, beetles, caterpillars, millipedes and earwigs, which are the mainstay of a hedgehog's diet – and in return, they will also eat your slugs.

Make sure there are hedgehog-sized gaps in your garden fence, so they can roam through. A 13cm/5" gap should allow even the largest hedgehog through.

Make your garden safe for hedgehogs. They are good swimmers, but if you have a pond, they need a way to climb out. Check too for netting, which hedgehogs can get tangled in if it is not well pegged down.



Extra food and water can be a great help – tinned dog food, mixed with some crushed dog biscuits and a little water, or a specialist hedgehog food.

Never put out bread and milk as it makes hedgehogs ill.

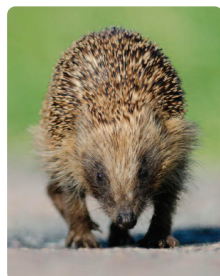


Think 'hedgehog' whenever you have a bonfire. Build it as you burn, if possible. If not, thoroughly check any fires before you light them.



Be a bit less tidy!

Let autumn leaves rot where they fall or rake them into piles. Leave areas uncut over winter and always check for hedgehogs whenever you cut long grass or bramble.



suffolkwildlifetrust.org/hedgehogs

Paul Hibson, Kevin Gray, Tom Marshall, Wim Wiersma RPA, Worm Photographic

The Aquarius Singers

Perform

An hour of Lenten Music

Including

Fauré *Requiem*

Conducted by
Gill Garside

Accompanied by
Christopher Moore

Soloist
Polly Anderson

3 p.m.
Good Friday 25th March

Trinity Methodist Church
Looms Lane,
Bury St. Edmunds

Retiring collection in aid of
The Nigeria Healthcare Project

DOG KENNEL WITH RUN

For Sale – Dog Kennel with Run

Excellent quality, made by Greens of Mepal.
Well used, but will last for many more years.
Raised sleeping area that can be closed off,
plus covered run. Size 10ft x 4 ft.

£100.00 (Cost £560.00)

Buyer to dismantle and collect.

Please contact: Jayne 07929 120719
(Hawstead)



HAWSTEAD PEOPLE, A BIT OVER 100 YEARS AGO

You may be aware that in the 'Past and Present' page of the village website are posted the census data for Hawstead 1841-1911. I thought it would be interesting to study the 1911 one as it's just over a hundred years ago.

In 1911 the population of Hawstead is given as 293: it's just a little more than that now i.e. in 2011 the count came to just 46 more at 338. Looking through the photographs in our book, 'Hawstead 2001' it seems to me that only about one third of the properties which make up the village today are likely to have been in existence in 1911. It looks like there's been quite a bit of demolition and rebuilding though I'm only aware of the old almshouses on the North side of the Green and the cottages which used to stand on the Maglia Rosso car park as being properties no longer in existence. Of course the census does give an address for each person but in over 50% of cases we only know the area or road. In the 1911 census there are 81 'schedules' which I take to mean households. There are 6 of these at 'Bull Green', 7 at 'Great Green', 6 in Lawshall Road, 6 in Malting Road (= Whepstead Road I assume), 4 at 'Millpost', 7 at Pinford End and 5 at The Pound (i.e. no further details are given, and this accounts for half of the census total). Almost all other properties are recognisable, but where is/was "Old Hall" and "Church Cottages"?

With 145 females and 148 males the population in 1911 was almost exactly proportionate between the sexes. It was significantly a young population with over half under the age of 30: indeed the largest group, based on groups of 10 years, was that of 10 years and under – there were 67. When we look at the 'occupation' column on the census we're told that there were 46 Hawstead children at school. No wonder that there was a village school at that time! At the other end, whilst the oldest person in Hawstead was 92 years old there were a mere 17 out of 293 over 70.

93 people said they'd been born in Hawstead: including the neighbouring parishes of Lawshall, Whepstead, Stanningfield, Nowton and Whelnetham, plus 12 from Bury S.E. this rises to 157 i.e. over 50% born locally. Indeed only a few over 40 souls had come from beyond the boundaries of Suffolk – including 2 from Devon, 2 from Scotland; also London, Birmingham, Manchester and, somewhat bizarrely the 'Cape of Good Hope'!

It probably won't come as a surprise to learn that in 1911 the occupation of the majority of the working population of the village was connected to the land. A massive 91 said that they were farmer, farm labourer (x53 of total), stockman, or similar. There were 13 in 'domestic' positions (domestic servant, housekeeper, housemaid etc.); 5 in trades such as thatcher, blacksmith and carpenter; 5 were shopkeeper (grocer), innkeeper – and we had a sub-postmistress; and there were 6 'professionals' including teacher, nurse, 'clerk in holy orders', and someone who said he was an engineer. 4 persons said they were retired and there were 4 unskilled others. When including the schoolchildren, all of this leaves somewhat over 100 people with no occupation. Of course minors (4 years and under) can be discounted; otherwise, except for two widowers (one 79 and one 80 years old) all of those with no occupation were female. This is what can be expected: 53 were married women and would have been housewives.

Pre-First World War Hawstead was quite different to how it is now. It was a rural community, closely tied to the land and the land was exploited by men and horses, working from a dozen or more farms. Only a couple of dozen women were in paid employment (mostly domestic), the rest being

HAWSTEAD PEOPLE, A BIT OVER 100 YEARS AGO . . . CONT.

housewives – but the schoolmistress and her assistant must have been kept busy – can there really have been upwards of 40 pupils in the village school?

There will have been no commuters in those days – and probably no cars (or at least very few, as Henry Ford's Model T had only appeared in 1908) So tracks and footpaths rather than roads must have been the order of the day: and what of piped water, sanitation, electricity and the like – pretty unlikely I reckon! What, no TV, telephone, internet etc. How did they survive?! There was a village green, but no village hall: at least they had the Metcalfe Arms then, and also in Pinford End, The Bull.

Andy Parrett

Hawstead's Open Gardens Sunday 3rd July

The Community Council are once again planning an open gardens event in the village. Those of you who participated in previous years, either as garden hosts, helpers or as visitors, will remember what an enjoyable event this is.

It really doesn't matter what your garden is like, whether it is old or new, large, very large, small or tiny, full of interesting plants and shrubs or just a calming lawn and trees. Please don't be deterred.

Opening your garden will perhaps give you the incentive to get outside and spend some rewarding time weeding, hoeing and planting. There is plenty of time now to get your garden into shape.

Garden hosts, villagers and visitors on the day will be able to enjoy some of Hawstead's many beautiful gardens - some with stunning views across the Suffolk countryside - as well as enjoying pleasant company, music, refreshments, plants to buy and ideas to take home.

This year the proceeds will go to the Women's Aid Centre in Bury, which provides a safe and supportive refuge for women and children experiencing domestic abuse.

Please let me know if you would like to open your garden or to take part in other ways.

Geraldine West

On behalf of Hawstead Community Council

Tel - 388732, email - geraldinewest@waitrose.com



HAWSTEAD WEATHER REPORT 2015: PART 2*

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At 51.5°F/10.6°C the mean temperature for 2015 was 1.5°F/0.9°C above the 1960 – 99 average. In this century only 2010 and 2013 have recorded the year's mean temperature below that long term average. 201 ranked as the 11th warmest year. Rainfall, at 593mm. was 97% of normal.

Up to the end of August, 2015 had been an unexceptional year. September, however, was the coolest since 1986 and though reasonably sunny, rainfall was 130% of what we should expect in that month.

By way of contrast, October was drier than normal with only half the normal amount for the month. Temperatures were close to the average.

November and December were both exceptional months with tropical maritime air dominating, bringing low grey skies and very mild temperatures. Only two frosts were recorded (November 22nd and 23rd) during a brief break in the dull weather.

November was the second mildest recorded – 5.2°F/2.8°C above normal. December was even milder with an average a whisker short of 50°F/10°C. This figure is a whopping 10°F/5.6°C above normal. In my records, this anomaly is only matched by January and February 1963 – but in the opposite direction i.e. 10°F/5.6°C below normal!

When considering extremes of temperature on a monthly basis, the range is notably greater for the winter months of the year with December proving to be the most extreme: from 30.5°F/-0.8°C in 1981 to 49.9°F/9.9°C in 2015, a range of 19.4°F/10.8°C. Compare this with the extreme range for the summer months which is 10°F/5.6°C

* part 1 was published in the Sept/Oct 2015 edition of the Journal

Glyn Hammond

Jan. 2016

HAWSTEAD CRAFT GROUP

The next meetings will be on Monday 28th March and Monday 25th April in the Village Hall from 10am to around 4pm. All are welcome to come along and get crafty and have a cuppa and a chat.

Jo Butt

The Bury Friends Group
invite you to support
St Nicholas Hospice Care

Bridge for Fun

with a Terrific Tea

2pm Friday 18 March 2016

Risbygate Sports Club, Bury St Edmunds

in aid of St Nicholas Hospice Care

£10 per player including tea
Singles welcome

Two sections: Friendly Social Bridge (Chicago) and Friendly Duplicate Bridge

Prizes for the winners of each section

**For booking and further information please contact Bridget Alexander on
01284 749009 or bridgetalexander6@hotmail.com**



**“Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people
rebuild lives after injury”**

Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday 20th May 2016

Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 20th May 2016 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA’s vital services.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting 8 friends and asking them to donate an additional £5.00 means you will raise at least £40.00 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

Just £50 could contribute towards the support from our Peer Support Service for one hour, in a district general hospital or Major Trauma Centre.

In 2016 we want to make the batter matter and raise £40,000 from everyone holding suppers. Last year we raised £12,000 from the suppers.

The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed and their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to rebuild lives after spinal cord injury.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Community Fundraising Manager, Elizabeth Wright, says, “The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community group wanting to run a fun evening with your group.



HAWSTEAD APPRECIATION AND TASTING SOCIETY (WINE CLUB)

Our first meeting of 2016 was on the 28th January. Judy and David chose a selection of red and white wines from Marks and Spencer, possibly an overlooked supermarket in wine terms. They included wines from South Africa, Italy, New Zealand, France and Chile. The conclusion was that the wines were relatively expensive. The one that scored the highest marks was a Carmenere from Northern Chile at £8, closely followed by a New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc at £7.50. Strangely enough the most expensive wines did not come at the top of our tasting list.

In February we had a fun evening, hosted by Nikki and Lucy, where we gained an insight of wines obtained from a small area of France near Saint Tropez. On a holiday last summer they had visited several vineyards in the Cogolin district and after sampling the wines bought some back to share with us. They were exceptionally palatable and varied in price from €2.24 to €9.29. The highest scoring wine was a Rosé which came in at €6.50 when bought from the vineyard. This left us dreaming of holidays in the French Riviera.

Our next meeting will be on the 31st March and will be hosted by Norman and Ann.

Judy Carter

HAWSTEAD READING GROUP

January's meeting was held at my house where we had a good turnout and it was a fun evening as everyone still seemed to be in Christmas mode! Our book for discussion was "The Lifeboat" by Charlotte Grogan.

Grace Winter is to stand trial for her life. She is 22 years old, been married for ten weeks and widowed for six. It is 1914 and Europe is on the brink of war when a magnificent ocean liner suffers a mysterious explosion en route to New York. Henry Winter manages to secure a place in a lifeboat for his new wife Grace. The survivors quickly realise the boat is over capacity and could sink at any moment. For any to live, some must die. Over 3 weeks the passengers must plot, scheme, gossip and console one another and their deepest beliefs are tested to the limit as they discover what they will do in order to survive.

During our discussion a few anomalies in the book were pointed out and it was difficult to empathise with the passengers in the lifeboat who are not particularly likeable. Also we never really know what caused the explosion that sank the ship in the first place but all in all it is a good, well written, atmospheric read and everyone enjoyed it.

In February the group met at Jacquie Milns' in Pakenham and we sampled some very tempting smoked salmon nibbles and 'naughty but nice' chocolate brownies. We discussed "The Secret Keeper" by Kate Morton. This is a story of mystery, secrets, murder and enduring love moving between the 1930s, 1960s and the present. In 1961, whilst dreaming of a boy called Billy and a bright future she can't wait to seize, Laurel witnesses a shocking crime that changes everything. In 2011, now a much loved actress, Laurel returns to the family home and begins to piece together a secret history of three strangers from vastly different worlds who are brought together by chance in wartime London and whose lives become fiercely and fatefully entwined.

Our opinions of this book were varied, although a few hadn't finished it. The general consensus was it could have been edited by half! However those of us who completed it felt that our perseverance paid off.

Our next meeting is at Judy Carter's on Wednesday 2nd March when we shall be discussing "The Cuckoo's Calling" by Robert Galbraith.

Ann Gibbs

REGULAR EVENTS

Breathe Easy	Weekly on Tuesdays 9.15 - 10.15 am
Carpet Bowls	Weekly on Tuesdays 7.30 pm
Reading Group	1st Wednesday of the month 7.30 pm (held in members' homes)
HATS (Wine Club)	Last Thursday of the month 8.00 pm (not December)
Hawstead Craft Group	Last Monday of the month 10am - 4pm (not December)
Hawstead Oil Buying Group	Orders placed end of each month (contact Michael Harrison 01284 386157 email: mharrison151@btinternet.com)

HAWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

*Meetings held at the Village Hall unless otherwise stated
Everyone is warmly welcome to attend, in fact you are positively encouraged to come!*

Meetings held bi-monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 7.30pm.

Dates arranged are:

17th March	19th May
21st July	15th September
17th November	

HAWSTEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

We meet once a month in the Village Hall (usually the first Monday at 7.30pm) to discuss the village hall and plan future events.

While all residents are members of the Community Council, we would be delighted to welcome to our meetings all those interested in getting a bit more involved in village life.

Next meeting Monday 7 March at 7.30 in the village hall meeting room.

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

In the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Community Council Meeting	7th March 7.30pm
Parish Council Meeting	17th March - 7.30pm
Bridge For Fun	18th March 2pm at Risbygate Sports Club
Clive's Quiz Night	1st April 7pm - 10pm
Maglia Rosso - 2nd Anniversary	15/16/17th April at Maglia Rosso Café
Queen's Jubilee Vintage Tea Party	12th June (residents only)
Greek Night	22nd April 7 for 7.30pm
Hawstead's Open Gardens	3rd July
Village Fête & Produce Show	4th September
Blackheart Music Night	23rd September
Christmas Pantomime	27th December at 3pm at the Theatre Royal