

# HAWSTEAD JOURNAL

Editors: Judy & Dave Carter

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

### AN INVITATION

MANY OF US KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS  
OR HAS HAD CANCER.

PLEASE COME AND ENJOY A CUP OF  
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10.30 A.M - 12.30 P.M. IN HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL.  
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CAKES, PRESERVES, VEG AND ANY UNWANTED ITEMS THAT  
YOU MAY HAVE FOR THE TOMBOLA.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR COLLECTION OF ITEMS,  
PLEASE CONTACT JOYCE DAINTY 01284 386314  
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE.

## VISIT TO THE PANTOMIME



Please let me know before the end of this month if you would like to come along

The date is Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December at 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

Geraldine West 01284 388732 [geraldinewest@waitrose.com](mailto:geraldinewest@waitrose.com)

On behalf of Hawstead Community Council

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## CHURCH SERVICES - HAWSTEAD UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

### SEPTEMBER

Sunday 11th	08.30	Said Eucharist
Saturday 24th	13.30	Wedding
Sunday 25th	11.00	Morning Prayer

### OCTOBER

Sunday 9th	08.30	Said Eucharist
Sunday 23rd	11.00	Harvest Service followed by Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall 12.30pm for 1.00pm

## VILLAGE EVENTS

There will be a Traditional Harvest Service for our farming/rural community on Sunday 23 October at 11 a.m. with coffee and biscuits after the service.

A Harvest Lunch will follow this at 12.30 for 1 p.m.in Hawstead Village Hall.

Two Course meal (Vegetarian Option) with a glass of wine.

Tickets	Adults	£12.50
	Children	£6.50 5-16 years
		FREE under 5's

Contact: Lesley 01284 386132  
Jackie 01284 755150  
Simon 01284 388841

Do come and join us and make this a special 'family' occasion.  
IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO ATTEND BOTH EVENTS. Lifts can be provided if needed.

*Lesley Carey 386132*

## VILLAGE HALL EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE

We are very fortunate in Hawstead to have a well-equipped village hall. To enable this to continue and ensure hirers have everything they need, please do not remove equipment from the hall without prior arrangement with the booking clerk. If you would like to hire equipment such as outside chairs, tables, crockery etc.

Please contact Sarah on 01284 388124 or [sarahlwebb84@gmail.com](mailto:sarahlwebb84@gmail.com)

*Sarah Webb*  
Village Hall Booking Clerk

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## IMPORTANT REMINDER TO DOG OWNERS

It appears that some of you are not clearing up after your dogs, especially on the Pinford End footpath. Please make sure all evidence of your dog's walk is cleared away so others can fully enjoy the local paths.

THANK YOU.



## HAWSTEAD GAMES NIGHTS

# HAWSTEAD Games Nights



**Friday 7 October**  
**Friday 4 November**  
7pm-late at Hawstead Village Hall

Join us for fun and bar games or an informal chat over a pint of beer or a glass of wine...  
Entry free



**BYO Drink & Nibbles**



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## HAWSTEAD VILLAGE BBQ

On Saturday 30 July more than 50 villagers, family and friends gathered together for our annual village BBQ. The quality meat from Ruse's of Long Melford was cooked by our usual team of BBQ wizards. Steve Butt and Chris Pamplin. A range of delicious salads was supplied by Jo Butt, Fran Evershed and Chris Pamplin, with most of the ingredients grown in Hawstead itself! We were also amply supplied with a variety of tasty desserts by our guests. There was more than enough food to go around and everyone agreed that, once again, a wonderful time was had by all.

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped tidy up after the event... it was a great team effort. Special thanks must go to Jo Butt, who acted as the ticket seller and generally made sure that the evening went with a swing.

*Susanne White*

*(On behalf of Hawstead Community Council)*



# HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL



**BEAUTIFUL OAK-BEAMED HALL WITH KITCHEN, MEETING ROOM AND WOODEN OUTSIDE PLAY AREA IN A RURAL SETTING**

... available to hire for all celebrations, business meetings and club events (up to 100 guests standing or 80 seated). Facilities include a kitchen with optional crockery, cutlery and linen hire, internet access, drop-down projection screen, sound system and separate meeting room. Cleaning service included. IP29 5NP. See website for hire rates.

**[WWW.HAWSTEADVILLAGEHALL.CO.UK](http://WWW.HAWSTEADVILLAGEHALL.CO.UK)**

For bookings enquiries, please contact Sarah Webb on 01284 388124 or [sarahlwebb84@gmail.com](mailto:sarahlwebb84@gmail.com)



*Come along for the stride!*



## Suffolk's Year of Walking Update

Summer 2016

Suffolk's Year of Walking is a campaign celebrating walking in Suffolk. It provides a platform to promote walking events and activities, as well as provide inspiration and opportunities to encourage people to walk more often.

Since its launch in May, Suffolk's Year of Walking has seen everything from Nordic Walking, Health Walks and Pub Walks to Turtle Trails, Ghost Walks and Treasure Trails.

Later this summer sees 'Beat the Street' come to in Sudbury and Great Cornard. 'Beat the Street' is a fun six-week competition that encourages participants to walk, run and cycle as far as possible in a journey around the world. The initiative will transform Sudbury and Great Cornard into a real-life game in which residents are challenged to join a team and see how far they can travel. From 21 September to 2 November, special 'Beat Boxes' will be going up on lampposts across both areas. Find out more about 'Beat the Street' by visiting the Suffolk Year of Walking website.

One Life Suffolk has recently launched the latest Suffolk Health Walks Brochure (July to October 2016) offering a wide range of free walking opportunities for everyone. There's over 200 walks available every month right across Suffolk. The programme is available from the Year of Walking website.

Don't forget that Suffolk's Year of Walking has a range of resources available to individuals and organisations who would like to benefit from linking their events to the campaign. They include logos, web banners, posters, stickers, pull up-banners and tear drop flags. All the resources are free of charge, and can be requested via the Suffolk Year of Walking website ([www.suffolkyearofwalking.co.uk](http://www.suffolkyearofwalking.co.uk)).

Also, remember to follow us on social media:

Twitter - @SuffolkYOW

Facebook - [www.facebook.com/SuffolkYOW](https://www.facebook.com/SuffolkYOW)

If you require any more information, please contact the team on 01473 260079 or at [SuffolkYoW@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:SuffolkYoW@suffolk.gov.uk)

[www.suffolkyearofwalking.co.uk](http://www.suffolkyearofwalking.co.uk)



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## HAWSTEAD VILLAGE FETE & PRODUCE SHOW- 4TH SEPTEMBER

Our 2016 Hawstead Fete was again a great success, despite blustery winds which collapsed the teat tent twice! Our Produce Show produced some hot competition in the Men's Cake section, with the 2016 winner announced as Dave Dawson... well done Dave. There was controversy, though, with the best cake allegedly being Steve Butt's but, since his cake had been baked in a slightly too large tin, it was disqualified!!! So the 2017 battle lines are already drawn, with Steve determined to be in the running, Dave trying to defend his 2016 title and John West hoping to regain the crown from 2015. If only Bob Brough had got his cake in on time - it arrived 5 hours late! - who knows what could have happened?

Long-term fete supporters Nancy Dawson and Ethel Lebon opened the fete with Clive Robinson's assistance - or hindrance. As you might expect from Clive, there was much merriment and mayhem over the PA system. Resident musician Nik Lowe kindly supplied a medley of live songs throughout the afternoon, with Steve Butt on the BBQ providing delicious hotdogs. Rosemary and Michael Harrison took up their usual posts on the well-stocked bookstall, with Sarah Webb and her family running Splat the Rat and Leah Orr and family manning the popular kiddies tombola. Free crafts for children were run by Ruth Mackay and Florence Lacey, including decorate a cupcake. Doc set up stall with his annoying penny game, which I still can't do after about 8 years of trying! Emma and Dan Hatton kindly ran the bowling game, with Nikki Browne in charge of the adult tombola. Due to the high winds, the tea tent was relocated to the village hall kitchen and run by a team of villagers headed by Jo Butt. Finally, Pat Baker, despite ill health, managed to organise the vintage tractors for us once again this year.

Our Silent Auction had 6 lots for 2016, with a combined total of £340 raised by it alone. Special thanks to Henry Brewis, Bury Golf Club and Dave Dawson for their donations. Indeed, much hilarity was had with Dave auctioning off 'A Day with Dave'... you can imagine the innuendo and alternative suggestions wending their way around the village fete! It was, in fact, a day of Dave's building/construction time.

So big thanks are due to everyone who helped set up, run the stalls and tidy away afterwards, as well as the many villagers who donated something for the day. We raised in excess of £1000 for community council funds, and we plough this straight back into the village in a multitude of ways, including financing pantomime tickets for the children, the Christmas drinks evening for all villagers and the Seniors Christmas Lunch.

Let's hope that 2017 is just as successful...

*Susanne White*

On behalf of Hawstead Community Council

PS Given the unfortunate tent collapse, this year we will have to look at funding a new tent of sorts... if anyone has any marquee/tent contacts, please get in touch immediately.





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## HAWSTEAD VILLAGE FETE & PRODUCE SHOW- 4TH SEPTEMBER



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## NEWS FROM ANGLIAN WATER

There may be good news coming for some of your parishioners if they have a private pumping station on their property.

Currently, homeowners have to spend hundreds of pounds every year for electricity running costs, maintenance and repairs to look after these private pumping stations. They may even have been flooded if it's broken down in the past.

From October 2016, many of these private pumping stations will transfer over to Anglian Water and become our responsibility. We will take over all of the maintenance and the running costs too, saving customers hassle, worry and money.

We'd like to ask for your support in letting local residents know about this, and asking them to get in touch with us if they think they have a private pumping station.

To help customers identify and report the pumping stations easily, we have launched a specialist website: [www.spotapumpingstation.co.uk](http://www.spotapumpingstation.co.uk).

We have also produced some posters, which you can download [here](#), that can be published in your parish magazines and newsletters, or placed on your parish noticeboards.

If you have any questions about this campaign, please reply to:-

[privatepumpingstations@anglianwater.co.uk](mailto:privatepumpingstations@anglianwater.co.uk). For any other queries, please contact our Public Affairs Team on [public.affairs@anglianwater.co.uk](mailto:public.affairs@anglianwater.co.uk).

*Thank you in advance for your support.*

**Anglian Water Private Pumping Stations Campaign Team**

*We chose to print this as it may be of interest. At first we thought it may have been a hoax but the web site is well worth looking at.*

*J & D*

## HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER IN CARE?

Across Suffolk, many people need extra help to live independently in their own homes. A career in care allows you to support people to meet their needs and achieve their goals. You can help someone adjust to the challenges that are preventing them from being independent in their own home and all you need is the desire to make a difference in your community. You will have the opportunity to forge relationships with people who have lived and are living fascinating lives, helping them to fulfil everyday tasks and deliver personal care.

There are many opportunities for you to progress if you choose a career in care. There really is no limit when it comes to the number of people you can help. Whether you want to get involved in supporting the people in your local community, go on to train as a social worker, or one day manage your own care company, starting your career as a carer is a great way to learn more about the industry. A career in care will develop your professional and personal skills and will serve as a great foundation for whatever you want to do in the future.

If you think a career in care may be for you, a family member or a friend, please email [carejobsinsuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:carejobsinsuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk) to receive an information pack and find out how to apply for jobs across the county and in your area.



*The Bury Friends Group*  
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St Nicholas Hospice Care

# Bridge for Fun

*with a Terrific Tea*

**2pm Friday 14 October 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) & Friendly Duplicate Bridge  
Prizes for the winners of each section

**For booking & further information please contact Bridget Alexander on  
01284 749009 or [bridgetalexander6@hotmail.com](mailto:bridgetalexander6@hotmail.com)**



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we can help

**St Nicholas  
Hospice Care**  
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The Hawstead Journal was sponsored by  
your editors Judy & David Carter of Oakhill House

Thank you for your contributions to this edition. Our next Journal will be November / December 2016.

Please forward anything you have by 5th November 2016.

We are **URGENTLY** looking for sponsors of the Journal, *currently £25 per edition to cover the cost of paper and printing*. Please contact Judy if you can help.

Judy Carter - Oakhill House, Pinford End, Tel: 01284 386512 or [judy@mmgd.co.uk](mailto:judy@mmgd.co.uk)

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## WHAT TO DO IN A POWER CUT?

### WHAT IS 105?

105 is a new three-digit number that people can call to report or get information about power cuts.

You can also call 105 with any welfare concerns related to a power cut, or if you are worried about the safety of over or underground electricity cables or substations.

105 is free of charge and will put you through to your electricity network operator. You can call 105 from most landlines and mobile phones.

It will be launched in September 2016 and will be available to people in England, Scotland and Wales.

The powercut105.com website will be live for launch, providing people with more information and signposting them to their network operator.

You can still contact your Network supplier directly by phone on their 0800 number or via their website. An advertising campaign will commence this month.

## HAWSTEAD'S OPEN GARDEN - A BIG SUCCESS!

A Big **THANK YOU** to all of you who helped to make Hawstead's Open Garden a great success

£478.53 was raised - £75 for the Community Council to cover expenses incurred and £423.53 for the Women's Refuge in Bury.

The refuge provides temporary accommodation in a safe and supportive environment, where women and their children can recover from the traumatic effects of domestic violence. It provides a range of community services, courses and counselling to enable women to rebuild their lives.

Contact details for the refuge are:

PO Box 715 Bury St Edmunds

01284 753085

email [bsewacentre@btconnect.com](mailto:bsewacentre@btconnect.com)

<http://www.burystedmundswomensaid.org.uk>



A message from the Women's Refuge -

### *Hawstead Open Garden in aid of Bury St Edmunds Women's Aid Centre*

*On behalf of the Women's Aid Centre, please thank the Community Council for putting on this event, Glyn for opening his beautiful garden, the Piper Quartet for making music for us and of course the Pimm's makers. Please also thank all those who contributed to the success of the day by providing the delicious cakes, helping in the hall, managing the parking and no doubt numerous other jobs. Lastly, thank you Geraldine for organizing this event.*

*The refreshments were very tasty and set us up nicely for the tour of Glyn's garden. It was nice to be able to chat with Glyn about how he manages the upkeep of the garden and woodlands with so little help.*

*As you know, £423.53 was raised for the Women's Aid Centre. This is a magnificent result and I can assure you that the money will be well-spent.*

*Thank you again.*

*Annie Munson*

*Chief Executive Officer*

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## HAWSTEAD OPEN GARDENS

### **My opinion of Hawstead Open Garden(s) – 2016**

My wife Yvonne and I moved into Hawstead almost 3 years ago, and this was to be our second experience of the Open Gardens. We were so impressed by the previous one that we invited my Mum to be with us so she could share it too. As far as I'm concerned, gardening means doing what Yvonne asks me. She will ask my opinion of a plant, whether I like it or not, and that's my contribution really...

Initially I was quite disappointed to hear that there was only going to be one garden open this year, but on the other hand, everyone I spoke to said it was definitely worth a visit.

Given the weather we'd had recently, the day could have been challenging, but as it was, we had a beautiful summer day. Yvonne's sister Jenny wanted to visit too, so on the day we wandered over to the village hall, paid for our tickets and made our way over to Glynn's place.

We were greeted by John, who was handling the parking outside the garden, and directed to the entrance. The experience started before we'd got through the gate, as there is a section of woodland over on your right, made fascinating by the stream and flowers that are located there.

Through the gate though, and for once, the hype was exceeded by the reality. These gardens need to be seen and walked through to be properly appreciated. As I say, I'm not much of a gardener myself, so can't give names to most of the plants we saw. I could recognise Roses, Clematis, Red Hot poker, Honeysuckle, but that's about all - Yvonne and Mum were rattling off the different species.

This garden is really a collection of various habitats. There is a formal garden to start with, made up of plots with plants and trees, bordered by grassy paths and lawns. Moving on there are vegetable plots, fenced in places to try and keep out the wildlife. After this, the atmosphere changes, to a woodland environment. The woods are raised up at the garden side, and drop down to a shallow valley, which has a stream flowing at its base. Rising up away from the stream, the woodland continues to presumably the neighbouring property. There was a choice of exploring the woods or following the path. I went down into the woods, trying to take care with the path which was a bit steep and slippery in places. Further on I found an easier route... It was great to wander around down there, and anyone who liked the scenery in the Lord of The Rings (like me) would probably enjoy it. It seemed there was little evidence to say where you were, all you could hear were the birds, insects and the stream. It was very peaceful and relaxing. Coming up out of the woods, the path is re-joined, and it takes you to one edge of the property, which borders the path from the Green to the Pound. At this point I retraced my steps to the garden area, to catch up with Yvonne again.

Pimms was flowing freely and the musical quartet were in full swing; even the sun was breaking through.

I couldn't hang around though, as I was on Tea, Coffee and cake duty at the Village Hall. I was part of a small team and between us we managed to look after the visitors who'd come to enjoy themselves.

As far as I know, the day went well, and we were blessed by glorious weather, which helped. We may have had just the one garden to visit, but it was definitely worth it. Thanks must go to Glynn for letting us wander all over the place. If I understand correctly, he does most of it himself, with only one other person assisting when required. Thanks also are due to the folks who helped with the refreshments, tickets and generally being available to help.

Roll on 2018!

*Bob Brough*



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## QUEEN ELIZABETH I'S VISIT TO SUFFOLK, AUGUST 1578

During her reign (1533-1603) Queen Elizabeth 1 was in the habit of touring parts of England. These tours are referred to as 'progresses': in the summer she visited parts of southern England and the Midlands, visiting and staying at the houses of local dignitary: and in the winter she moved between her residences in and around London, including Richmond, Hampton Court, and Whitehall. In the summer of 1578 she came to East Anglia and on August 5<sup>th</sup> she stayed at Hawstead Place, the guest of Sir William Drury.

I imagine that these progresses were of mutual benefit: the Queen will have been able to gauge opinion among those in the country as opposed to those at Court: those visited will have been able to show how loyal to their monarch they were – partly through bestowing gifts – and afterwards will have been able to bask in the glory of having been chosen for a royal visit. The downside of course was the expense of entertaining the monarch! By all accounts there was a lot of partying going on!

A book published in 3 volumes, new ed. 1823 by John Nichols called "*The Progresses and Public Processions of Queen Elizabeth 1*" contains as much detail as we're likely to find about these tours and vol. 2 includes the year 1578. On July 26<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth was at Audley End near (Saffron) Walden. One way or another it was decided that a visit from the top brass of Cambridge University was appropriate, so the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, Masters of Colleges and a number of Scholars came over from Cambridge. There was an 'oration' and the Queen was presented with a copy of the New Testament in Greek, bound in "redde velvitt": also a pair of gloves, "perfumed and garnished with embroidery"(price 60 shillings). Gloves seem to have been a Cambridge speciality, since quite a number of other people in the Queen's entourage appear to have received a pair. After this the Queen retired to her allotted chambers but according to the account in Nichols' book, the university folk seem to have other things planned, mostly a public debate which must have gone on a long time as we read that the scholars set off for home at about midnight as there was nowhere for them to stay in Walden!

From Audley End the Queen rode to Melford Hall, the seat of the Master of the Rolls, Sir William Cordell. Now we hear that on entering Suffolk, the Sheriff, Sir William Spring was able to provide a retinue of 200 young gentlemen clad in white velvet, 300 clad in black velvet and a further 1500 (!) serving men on horseback. What a crowd – and I haven't been able to find out yet how many people would have been in the Queen's party itself. I guess the local people brought tents to sleep in! We have this information from a chronicler of the times, one Thomas Churchyard, who tells us that "before her Highness passed into Norfolk there was in Suffolk such sumptuous feasting and banquets as seldom in any part of the world has been seen before".

On the morning of August 5<sup>th</sup> the Queen rode from Melford Hall and dined with the Drurys at Lawshall Hall, thence to Hawstead Place in the evening – not calling in at Coldham Hall *en route* doubtless because it was occupied by the recusant (ie Catholic) Rookwood family. Nichols is unable to tell us anything about her visit to Hawstead Place other than a) it is possible that she conveyed a knighthood to William Drury at this time and b) she apparently dropped her silver-handled fan in the moat! (He does, however tell us a lot about the house, information which looks to have come from Sir John Cullum's book about Hawstead.)

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## QUEEN ELIZABETH I'S VISIT TO SUFFOLK, AUGUST 1578 ...CONTINUED

We next hear that she was in Bury St Edmunds on 7<sup>th</sup> August, so perhaps she stayed two nights at Hawstead Place. She didn't say long in Bury – maybe because we read that on August 8<sup>th</sup> one William West died of the Plague in the Parish of St James.

Queen Elizabeth stayed at Hengrave Hall, north of Bury on both her way to and from Norwich: she arrived in the city after a couple more stops, on 16<sup>th</sup> August. The city had been seriously spruced up for her visit and it looks like there was a lot of entertainment laid on during her stay of about a week.

This is as far as the Queen got into Norfolk – the people of Yarmouth were rather put out as they had hoped she'd go to see them as well. After Thetford and Hengrave she journeyed into Cambridgeshire and then southward, returning to London towards the end of September (well at least she was in Wanstead on 22<sup>nd</sup> September for the marriage of the Earl of Leicester and the Dowager of Essex).

What got me interested in this summer progress was the likelihood that the royal party – and presumably all the hangers-on – passed right in front of my home in Lawshall Road on their way to Hawstead Place! The oldest map I've been able to see so far is Hodskinson's Map of Suffolk 1783. That's about halfway between today and the time of Elizabeth's visit. The present road network is shown as pretty much the same as today, so I anticipate that extrapolating backwards, a similar pattern would have been in existence. Hawstead Place would have been approached from Pinford End – the entrance was said to have been on the southern side.

*Andy Parrett*

PS We can thank a Google digitisation project for making old, out of copyright books available to view (and download) from the Internet. If you're interested, you can find all three of John Nichols volumes: Vol 2, the one I was using, is at <https://archive.org/details/progressesandpu00nichgoog> And by the way, in 2014 a team of academics published a new edition of this book (which I'm yet to get a glimpse of!)

PPS I understand from a fellow Hawstead resident who's been here longer than I, that in August 1978 there was something of a celebration in the village to recognise the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Queen's visit.

## FREE TRAMPOLINE TO A GOOD HOME

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Well used, but still with years of bouncing left.  
Free to a good home.

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## GREAT WAR VISITOR'S CENTRE

Thanks to all of you who are coming to see us over Heritage Open Days on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, hope you find it interesting. As I write this we are gearing up for an influx of visitors over the two days, completing our first permanent display area in the Guardroom has given us a real boost!

The next project is back in the big 'recreation hut' on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October. It's a really exciting collaboration with the Imperial War Museum, and will be a rather unique event. We are screening the 1916 silent film *The Battle of the Somme*, complete with live piano accompaniment by leading silent film pianist, Stephen Horne. When it was first screened it is estimated that over 20 million tickets were sold, which was almost half the adult population at that time. We believe that our event will be the only opportunity to see the film in a period environment as it would have been seen at the time (but without the fug of cigarette and pipe smoke!) Tickets are £8.00 and are already selling well, so please get in touch soon if you want to come along.

Business for Khaki Devil has been a little calmer since the excitement of the Somme 100 commemorations in July, but interesting orders are coming in for the autumn. We are currently working on the next series of the children's programme 'Horrible Histories' with a cast ranging from 5'4" to 6'5" in height and uniforms required from the Crimean War (1853) to World War Two incorporating five different nationalities, which calls for some ingenuity at times! We have also recently supplied the national tour of 'Journey's End', coming to the Theatre Royal in Bury on the 18th September, 'The Plough and the Stars' at the National Theatre and WW2 RAF uniforms for the English Touring Opera production of Handel's 'Xerxes'.

We don't just cater for TV and theatre companies, a part of the job we really enjoy is for the museum sector. In July we supplied beds, wheelchairs, small props and uniforms for the Royal Greenwich Heritage Trust to depict a ward as it would have been when Chalton House was a hospital during the First World War, and currently we are working on uniforms and props to set up a corner of the Woolwich Munitions Factory to replicate working life there 100 years ago.

Some orders are booked months in advance, particularly when important military anniversaries are coming up, and others leave requests to the last minute. Confirmation has just come in for 100 uniforms needed in for a film being shot in Ireland next week. This job can never be described as boring!

*Tracey Mackenzie (01284 388986)*



## COLDHAM HALL FOOTBALL CLUB

Coldham Hall football club are seeking new players. We are a Sunday league team who play in the Bury and District League Division 2. We are also considering setting up an over 35s veteran team depending on interest.

At the moment we train on Tuesday evenings 7pm at Nowton park.

Please contact me if you require any more information.

[benmapston@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:benmapston@hotmail.co.uk)



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## HAWSTEAD READING GROUP

The July meeting was held outside at Ruth's on a lovely summer evening. Murray was playing at Wimbledon so attention was rather drawn to the TV through the open front door! As we had enjoyed "The Cuckoo's Calling" a few months ago Penny decided to choose the follow up book "The Silkworm" by Robert Galbraith. When novelist Owen Quine goes missing his wife calls in Cormoran Strike (the detective from the previous book). However, as Strike investigates it becomes clear that there is more to Quine's disappearance than his wife realises. The novelist has just completed a manuscript featuring poisonous pen portraits of almost everyone he knows. If the novel were published it would ruin lives - so there are a lot of people who might want to silence him.....! Most of the group enjoyed the book as much as the first and I'm pleased to say Murray won his match and went on to win Wimbledon!!

Our August meeting was held in Sonja Monk's lovely pool room where we also have to thank Bruce for his excellent wine waiting services! It was a very well attended meeting and our book for discussion was Bill Bryson's "The Road to Little Dribbling: More Notes From a Small Island." This is a follow up to the book Bill wrote 20 years ago when he went on a trip around Britain to celebrate the green and kindly island that had become his adopted country. The book that resulted, "Notes From a Small Island", became the best-selling travel book ever and was voted in a BBC poll the book that best represents Britain. Now, to mark its 20th anniversary Bryson makes a brand-new journey round Britain to see what has changed and again gives an acute and perceptive insight into all that is best and worst about Britain today! It made a change to read a non-fiction book which was well received and we enjoyed recounting at the meeting some of Bill's encounters on his latest trip.

Our next meeting will be at Suzie Surti's on 7th September where we shall be discussing "White Teeth" by Zadie Smith.

*Ann Gibbs*

## HAWSTEAD APPRECIATION AND TASTING SOCIETY (WINE CLUB)

**JULY-** Our 'Bring a Bottle' evening on July 28<sup>th</sup> was well attended with nineteen of us squeezing into the Meeting Room.

We had no idea what each other was bringing as their wine of choice and we had an incredibly varied selection ranging from a Fizz from South Africa, two local wines a white and a pink from Wyken Vineyard, a pink Rioja (which no one had tasted before), a Moldovan Chardonnay (provided by Norman and Ann – who else?) and several delicious reds from France, Portugal and Italy.

Many Thanks to all our members who jointly made this a fantastic evening. We reduced the fees for the evening, just to cover the hall hire.

Sadly David and I were not here to enjoy the delights of the August presentation.....*Judy Carter*

**AUGUST-** With the Olympics in full swing I set myself the task of creating a selection of wines from around the globe. Sounds easy you say, however, I limited it to wines from the top ten medal winners. Wines from Russia, China, Denmark, China etc are not readily available in Bury st Edmunds. Not to be dismayed I did get wines from 8 of the ten.

I decided to do a blind tasting with gold medals awarded to anyone who guessed the right country. Dave Dawson set the bar very low to start saying he would just say France until he won one! Many others followed suit! Janet Watson however was streaking ahead in the medal table with many correct guesses. She and Andy guessed even the Welsh Glyndwr Sparkling Rose which came third in the taste test. The Chinese Merlot did not go down too well unfortunately. The winning wine was a lovely German Wolf Pinot noir Rose.

However the winning participant had to be Margaret who doggedly said 'Denmark' to every single wine only to find out that was a red herring!

***Slangivar!***

*Ruth Jarvis*

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## 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 monthly (contact Michael Harrison 01284 386157 email: <a href="mailto:mharrison151@btinternet.com">mharrison151@btinternet.com</a> )

## 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:

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 3rd October at 7.30 in the village hall meeting room.

## FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

In the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Fizz on Friday	Friday 9th September - 7 - 10.30pm
Heritage Open Days	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> / Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> September at the Great War Visitor Centre - Brook Farm
Hawstead Parish Council Meeting	Thursday 15th September
Macmillan Coffee Morning	Saturday 1st October 10.30am - 12.30pm
Community Council Meeting	Monday 3rd October 7.30pm
Hawstead Games Night	Friday 7th October - 7pm till late
Harvest Lunch	Sunday 23rd October 12.30 for 1pm
Hawstead Games Night	Friday 4th November - 7pm till late
Hawstead Christmas Craft Fayre	Sunday 4th December
Seniors Christmas Lunch	Friday 16 December
Christmas Pantomime	Tuesday 27th December at 3pm at the Theatre Royal