
HAWSTEAD JOURNAL

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An invitation to...

CHRISTMAS DRINKS

... to all Hawstead residents



*Come along from 6 til 8pm on
Saturday 17 December and join us
for festive drinks and nibbles at
Hawstead Village Hall.
Wear something sparkly!
Children very welcome.*

Kindly funded by Hawstead Community Council

All we ask is that you reserve your place by emailing
susanne@pamplin.me.uk (or call 01284 388166) and confirming the
number in your party, then hopefully we'll be able to ensure that we have
sufficient food and drink for everyone.

And please wear something Christmassy too!

Our meeting room will be reserved for young children, who can watch a
DVD, do some colouring, play games, etc.

CHURCH SERVICES - HAWSTEAD UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

NOVEMBER

Sunday 13th	08.30	Joint Eucharist with Act of Remembrance with Nowton at Hawstead Church
Sunday 27th	11.00	Morning Prayer

DECEMBER

Sunday 11th	08.30	Said Eucharist
Sunday 18th	18.00	Joint Carol Service with Nowton at Hawstead Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL SUNDAY OCTOBER 23RD

Thank you to all the participants in our **Harvest Festival Service**. Oscar, Xander, Hettie plus adults who processed with grain, fruit, vegetables, flowers, dairy, not forgetting the Harvest Loaf, to celebrate the Harvest in our community. Gifts of tinned food and some fruit were received for the Food Bank.

The floral decorations in the church were arranged in pumpkins, which beautifully emphasised the autumnal theme of Harvest.

We had an unexpected anonymous donation on the day, which we will use wisely. Thank you.

Our **Harvest lunch** followed in the Village Hall. Thank you to all those who attended and also those who helped in any way. We raised **£470** for church funds.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Please join us to honour the people from our village and Nowton who gave their lives in the two world wars. Sunday 13th November 8.30 am. in Hawstead Church.

CAROL SERVICE

A good way to begin your Christmas Celebrations.....

Our **Carol Service** shared with Nowton on Sunday 18th December, 6.00 pm. Traditional Lessons and Carols followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Please come and join us.

Members from the church are providing the tea, coffee and cakes at the Village Fayre on Sunday 4th December, 11.00 – 3.00 p.m.

Any donations of cakes, biscuits etc. will be gratefully received.

Lesley Carey

CHURCH YARD TIDY UP

Astonishingly seventeen people, plus some children arrived to help with the 'Tidy Up'. I cannot thank you all enough.

The hedges have been cut, lots of strimming and clearing done. An area was enclosed to hopefully encourage wild flowers.

The children were very interested when James found a slow worm. He was placed somewhere safe to hibernate.

Some intrepid members of the group ventured to climb the tower. All in all I think we had a good time, and met some of our neighbours in the process.

The church yard now looks ship shape and ready for winter.

Thank you all again.

Lesley Carey



HAWSTEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Hawstead Games Nights

Our last Games Night for 2016 was in November, December being far too busy to schedule a date. We hope to re-establish the event in the New Year subject to support. To date, villagers have enjoyed bingo, darts and a selection of board and card games, and we've also welcomed residents from neighbouring villages as well as friends and family.



Hawstead Christmas Drinks Party - Saturday 17 December, 6-8

Our Christmas Drinks Party is open to all **residents**, young and old. Turn up at Hawstead Village Hall any time from 6pm for a glass of mulled wine and some nibbles. This event is funded in full by Hawstead Community Council. See front for details.

'Open Doors' Meetings - Monday 5 December and Monday 9 January

Our December and January Community Council Meetings will be including tea/coffee and biscuits/mince pies and will be held in the main hall of Hawstead Village Hall from 7.30pm. Our meetings are always friendly and informal, but our numbers are dwindling and without some 'new blood' we will have to cut back on social events, which will be a shame for the whole village.

As you will know if you've been active previously with community groups, the more people who are involved and can be called upon to help, the less each person has to do. At the moment, rather too much is falling on the shoulders of too few.

Please do seriously consider coming along and offering some time or input into our discussions. We need you... Hawstead needs you!

We have been without a secretary on the Community Council since Rosemary left. If you would like to put yourself forward for this post or indeed play an active part on the Community Council please contact either myself susanne@pamplin.me.uk (01284 388166), or Simon Miller at simon.j.miller@talktalk.net (01284 388841).

Susanne White

CHRISTMAS FAIRE

A Christmas invitation from the crafty folk of Hawstead

Sunday 4 December

11am–3pm at Hawstead Village Hall

... serving coffee, tea and cakes with a Christmas flavour plus sausage and bacon rolls

Christmas stalls selling...

Christmas wreaths & Decorations

Christmas goodies

Children's clothes & Preserves

Village craftwork & Jewellery

Handmade gifts & Toys

And much more

Come along and get some ideas
for Christmas presents!!!



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

For bookings enquiries, please contact Sarah Webb on 01284 388124 or sarahlwebb84@gmail.com

SUFFOLK HISTORICAL CHURCHES TRUST CYCLE RIDE

On Saturday 11th September the Suffolk Historical Churches Trust held its annual cycle ride and walk. For the first time in many years, our village had a participant!

Bob Brough pumped up his tyres and oiled his pedals and spent the day cycling around local churches. His efforts raised a magnificent £130 in sponsorship money, half of which is retained by the Trust for their excellent work, but the other half will go to our own Parish Church.

Well done, Bob! Perhaps this may inspire you to have a go next year???

Michael Harrison

CAROL SINGERS WANTED!



Hawstead Carollers

Over the past couple of years people have occasionally said to me that it would be a good idea to get together and do some carol singing around the houses in the village.

I am happy to organise this if anyone is interested. I have no definite plan but I expect it would happen once or maybe twice in the few weeks leading up to Christmas. I don't see it as a 'choir' event, there will be no rehearsals, we will just go out and sing carols we know and have fun. We will take a charity collecting box and may even get offered a mince pie and/or a glass of something!

If you would like to join in and sing, play or even bang a tambourine please let me know.

Fran Evershed

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MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL 1ST OCTOBER 2016

I would like to say a very big thank you to all who came and supported us on behalf of the above charity and to all ladies who made the wonderful array of delicious cakes and preserves, and for all your very generous donations. Together we raised the fantastic sum of **£1,584.00**.

I would also like to thank everyone who helped on the day to make this a great success for the charity; it couldn't do without you.

The magnificent cake, made by Lesley and raffled on the day was won by *Vera Hammond* of Lawshall, ticket number 130. We hope you enjoyed it Vera.

Thanks again to you all.

Joyce



FIZZ ON FRIDAY

Another very entertaining musical evening took place in Hawstead Village Hall on September 9th.

The magnificent sum of **£2150** was raised for Headway Suffolk and Prostate Cancer UK.

Please put September 8th in your diary for next year for another Fizz on Friday.

Alan Brown



COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES

New Sign by the Lychgate at All Saints Church, Hawstead.

Recently a small green and white sign appeared next to the entrance to our village church, courtesy of The Commonwealth War Graves Commission. The sign reads:

“At this location there are Commonwealth War Graves”

Strictly speaking it should say that there is a grave, for there is only one. At the rear of the church, among other gravestones you can find one in the standard white Portland stone typical of Commonwealth war graves. It is inscribed thus:



**1471021 LDG AIRCRAFTMAN
L J DEATH
ROYAL AIR FORCE
24TH JANUARY 1945 AGE 23
ALWAYS REMEMBERED**

In the church register of deaths, Leslie J Death is shown as having lived in Brockley. He was the son of William Arthur and Ada Death and died in “RAF Westminster Hospital” after serving with the RAF Volunteer Reserve. His father had died in October 1942 at the age of 60 and is also buried in Hawstead churchyard. So possibly it was at his mother’s request that Leslie was brought to Suffolk for burial. The one thing that we don’t know is what was the cause of his death.

Church records show that there were people with the surname Death in Hawstead in the Seventeenth Century. They appear to have been most prolific in the Nineteenth Century: there are 12 of them recorded in the burials register between 1819 and 1919. One of those is James Death who was Landlord of The Metcalfe Arms 1840-70. He was Leslie’s grandfather.

The reason for our nice little new sign appearing is given by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission as follows: *“As part of the centenary of the First World War we are working on a project to erect Commission signs at as many sites as possible that contain war graves. The aim of the initiative is to increase awareness of war graves in the United Kingdom and to remind the public that they need not travel abroad to find Commonwealth commemorations.”*

Andy Parrett



VILLAGE EVENTS

Hawstead Community Council invites all
Hawstead Villagers aged 60+ to our...

Christmas Seniors Lunch

Welcome drink, followed by three-course meal and coffee

Friday 16 December
Hawstead Village Hall
12pm for a prompt 12.30pm start

All Hawstead villagers aged 60+ years are
welcome to join us to celebrate Christmas
together in Hawstead at our annual Christmas
lunch. Simply bring your own drink and wear
something festive! **Booking essential**
Meals on wheels and **veggie option** available

**Places must be booked before Friday 9 December, no
exceptions.** Please book places through Susanne White
at susanne@pamplin.me.uk, phone 01284 388166
or text 07887 591853.



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Steve & Suzette's it's nearly...

Christmas Quiz Night

Friday 18 November
Hawstead Village Hall
7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start

BYO drink and food. Wear something
festive. Tables of up to 8 adults. Adult
themes but children welcomed under
supervision or to stay in the meeting room
watching a film, etc. £4 per person.

Please book your places or table through
Susanne White at susanne@pamplin.me.uk,
phone 01284 388166 or text 07887 591853.
Numbers limited so please book promptly.
Just one or two adults? Don't worry, we'll
have space on tables.



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Doc & Florence Lacey of Atherstone House

Thank you for your contributions to this edition. Our next Journal will be January / February 2017.
Please forward anything you have by 5th January 2017.

Thank you for your offers to sponsor the Journal. I keep a list and will be in contact when the need arises.

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

POLOCODE

WELL DONE HENRY – A BRILLIANT INNOVATIVE IDEA

Hawstead resident creates an app to solve the problem that satnavs can't.

Have you ever spent time explaining where you live or wasted time looking for someone's house in the country?

Henry Brewis from Pinford End who describes himself as a late developer - has developed Polocode. You download the app (free) no need to give any personal info. After a few button presses standing outside your house you will have created your Polocode. You will never have to explain to a friend, a taxi, an ambulance or indeed anyone where you live. Check out

www.polocode.co.uk

Please watch the excellent video made by fellow Hawstead residents Andy and Janet Taplin. This will explain all. You may recognise some of the places and characters! Once you have downloaded the app search Henry - it will show you it working.



DID ANYONE SPOT THESE SPOOKY PUMPKINS AT THE POUND?



HAWSTEAD GLORIOUS AUTUMN

Today is the last day of October and the colours of the trees and shrubs are looking fantastic. I stand and admire it all and relish the autumn nip in the air. And then, there is a commotion on the roof two birds sparring so fiercely that at first I cannot decide what they are nor what their problem is. One I find is a robin and the other a yellow wagtail and they are having words. I am thrilled to see the wagtail as he is a stranger to our garden and I love his comical movements, but the robin is of course an old resident who protests at this incomer. Their quarrel is all about who can get the most ladybirds off the thatch! I am surely not alone in finding these insects are looking for winter quarters indoors. Just 35 of them on one window, and I am glad some of them have proved such a tasty feast for the birds. And especially wonderful to see the wagtail.

Rosemary Carr



GETTING YOUR RECYCLING RIGHT

Getting your recycling right. Some important changes are being made to what you can put in your blue dry recycling bin. A countywide campaign has been launched to reduce the rising level of contamination. If you live in Suffolk you will receive a leaflet that you can keep to check you are putting the right materials in the correct recycling collection points.

- Textile and clothes can no longer go in the blue bin. Please take them to charity shops or your nearest recycling centre.
- Little things smaller than 4cm fall through the sorting process and won't get recycled. Lids can be put on plastic bottles to make sure they are recycled, but lids from cartons or aerosols should be put in your residual waste bin.
- Aluminium foil needs to be rolled into a tennis ball size for recycling
- Some things such as food waste, glass, electrical items and batteries have never gone into the blue bin, but can be recycled elsewhere – information on the leaflet
- Soiled nappies, an increasingly common contaminant, should always go in the black rubbish bin.



Full details are also on line here www.suffolkrecycle.today

HAWSTEAD IN LATE 1971 – AS REPORTED IN THE BURY FREE PRESS

As village History Recorder I was recently invited to attend an 'Open Day' at the Ipswich Records Office. Never having been there before, I accepted the invitation and was pleased to find that it is situated on the Bury side of Ipswich and very easy to get to from the A14. It was an interesting morning with a number of local history organisations having produced displays and also information about the planned-for development of a new Records Office in association with the local university and the Lottery Fund. Of particular interest was a guided tour of one of the two environmentally-controlled 'strong rooms' where we were shown examples of materials held there, including a finely-illustrated document from the 14th Century with the King's seal attached. (The oldest item in the Records Office is dated 1119AD.)

I had a look around the main room of the Records Office and chanced on a filing cabinet full of files labelled with village names. Although material to do with Hawstead should all be in the Bury Records Office I did find a very thin manilla folder labelled 'Hawstead' and in it found a newspaper article from the Bury Free Press dated 17th Dec 1971. It was a pretty-much full page article entitled "Hawstead – village with a new lease of life" ! The article described a variety of village activities but appears to have been initiated by an interview with Mr John Smith of Karenbie, Whepstead Road. He had kick-started an effort to improve things in the village the previous year by building a bus shelter on the Green at a cost to himself of £78 almost all of which he recouped by appealing to villagers for contributions. This year he had organised a village fete (in September) and had thus started a fund for a Village Hall with the sum of £180. John Smith and his wife Betty ran a village shop from their garage: he is quoted in the paper as saying "*there was absolutely nothing here and people had to go into Bury for whatever they wanted. Even the delivery vans stopped coming*"

In March 1971 a Community Council had been formed and Elsa Kilpatrick was the Chairperson with David Tildsley of Cooks Cottage as Secretary. David informed the paper that "*in January we have arranged a trip to a pantomime in Bury*". Elsa is pictured with her poodle dog called Edward. She taught for 29 years at King Edward VI Grammar School for Boys, leaving in 1970 but now doing some teaching at the County Grammar School for Girls. She was currently preparing the village children for singing at the Christmas Carol Service.

Also pictured (with her children) is Mrs Lynne Glendinning. She was Landlady of the Metcalfe Arms, having come from Tostock a few years earlier (where she had been Chair of an amateur dramatics group). She told the paper that the over-60s Club (started by Miss Kilpatrick) meets in the pub and that the darts team is currently equal top of the Ingham league with Whepstead. Mrs Glendinning kept a stock of sausages and ice cream in the pub in case people run out.

Hawstead had a cricket team in 1971 but the pitch on the village green had only just been prepared, and would be ready for use for the first time come next season.

Miss Stella Woodman-Smith was Chair of the Parish Council in 1971 – as well as officiating as joint Master of the Suffolk Hunt.

The Rev. J. L. Jones had recently retired as Rector of All Saints Church, Hawstead after 42 years in post. Thus the Benefice was in a state of Interregnum at the time of this newspaper article.

The article finishes with an account of Jacob's Well, Whepstead Road, given by Church Warden Maurice Wright. Apparently Jacob had a fierce argument with a friend in Whepstead Road. He struck the ground with his stick and out sprang a stream of water. In olden days, said Maurice, all the village had water from here, but recently the Council had "*put a concrete block over it but water still seeps up*". (There's a photo of Jacob's Well in the Hawstead book, p.204, taken in 1929 by Maurice's brother, Philip).

Andy Parrett

BURY ST EDMUNDS CHRISTMAS FAYRE 2016

This year's fayre takes place from **Thursday 24 November through to 27 November** and lots of information to help you plan your visit can be found at the website www.burystedmundschristmasfayre.co.uk while you can chat with the fayre traders and keep up to date with the latest fayre news via the facebook page at www.facebook.com/burystedmundschristmasfayre or join the conversation on twitter by using the hashtag #BuryXmas

Over the past 12 years, the Christmas fayre has established its reputation as amongst the best in the UK, attracting visitors from far and wide.

Once again, the fayre will offer an array of more than 300 stalls selling Christmas gift ideas, food, drink as well as games and fairground rides.

Local residents can enjoy the event even earlier this year with the fayre opening from 2pm on the Thursday.

The opening night will include discounts on fairground rides, an opening parade of children's puppets from the arc to the Abbey Gardens at 5.30pm, plus fireworks in the Abbey Gardens from 7.45pm – and there is free parking after 4pm. The fayre then resumes on Friday from 9am.

This year's fayre will be more spread out around the town centre so make sure you take the time to see all of the attractions.

Traders in St Johns Street will have a host of street entertainment and special offers, with the street closed to traffic 9am to 6pm Friday to Sunday.

Over the Christmas Fayre weekend Moyse's Hall Museum will be celebrating the 'The Magic of Christmas' to mark the launch of their 'Art of Illusion' exhibition; a history of magic as entertainment featuring such items as Houdini's handcuffs, Paul Daniels' table of magic & much more. The weekend will offer an enchanting family experience including craft workshops, story-telling, music and the opportunity to pay a visit Father Christmas in his Grotto. A Christmas café will also be open in the museum serving a range of light refreshments.

Businesses in Langton Place meanwhile will offer families the chance to meet a variety of small animals while there will also be other children's entertainment.

There will also be a chance to visit Santa in his Abbey Gardens grotto throughout the fair while he will be joined by his reindeer on Friday afternoon and throughout Saturday.

The Cathedral Courtyard is to be transformed into a food court with seating.

There will be music and entertainment throughout the fayre on two stages. The fayre will run from 2-8pm on the Thursday, 9am to 8pm on the Friday and Saturday, and then 10am to 5pm on the Sunday.

A park and ride service will run Friday to Sunday, while additional parking will also be available on the Saturday only at Bury Rugby Club, and on the Saturday and Sunday at Greene King, the Priory School and West Suffolk College.

Residents from outside Bury are also asked to consider, where appropriate, catching the train into Bury and joining the festivities in St Johns Street.

Details of a free cycle storage scheme will be announced nearer the time.

Cllr Robert Everitt, St Edmundsbury's Cabinet Member for Families and Communities said: "The Bury St Edmunds Christmas Fayre is hugely popular and has grown in stature each year. We know that there is some disruption for a few days but equally we know that people love the festive atmosphere that the fayre brings, indeed a survey after last year's event found that 84 per cent of people believe that the town benefits from having this annual event, with people wanting to return again and again to spend their time and money in our town. So put the dates in your diary, visit the website and Facebook pages, join in the conversation on twitter – and most importantly, come to the fayre and start your Christmas in style."

A UNIQUE CINEMATIC EVENT AT GREAT WAR HUTS

On Saturday 29th October the clock was wound back all the way to the Autumn of 1916 at the Great War Huts heritage project.

Almost 200 people, many of them dressed in Edwardian outfits or uniform, came to Brook Farm Camp at Hawstead to see the ground-breaking 1916 silent film, 'The Battle of The Somme' in a restored First World War wooden Recreation Hut, accompanied on a genuine Edwardian piano by professional silent film pianist, Stephen Horne.

There had been so much interest that an additional Matinée performance was held in the afternoon.

The shows were introduced by Taff Gillingham, dressed as a Suffolk Regiment Sergeant, who welcomed everyone to Brook Farm Camp and introduced guest speaker, author and historian, Richard van Emden.

Richard gave a short, self-deprecating talk in which he spoke warmly about some of the many Somme veterans that he met and interviewed. There was a great deal of humour in his stories, along with plenty of pathos too. Richard had many of his books for sale and very kindly donated all the profit from sales to the Great War Huts project.

Pianist Stephen Horne introduced himself and explained how he came to accompany silent films for a living. He then went on to set the music for 'The Battle of the Somme' in context and told the audience that they would be hearing the authentic sounds of a century ago.

Taff then introduced the film and explained that it was seen by over 20 million people when released in the Autumn of 1916; over half the population of Great Britain at that time. It was a truly ground-breaking piece of cinema which was part documentary, part propaganda film.

The film then flickered into life and the piano brought the familiar silent images to life. For 72 minutes Stephen Horne played along, not only on the piano, but occasionally with the flute or the accordion and, at one memorable point, with piano and flute simultaneously.

At the end of both shows Stephen Horne was given a rapturous round of applause. It was an extraordinary performance, especially twice in one day. Many of the audience had seen the film before but all agreed that they had never seen it like this before.

The day was a great success and people are already asking about the next one!



Kev Smith - **Great War Huts**

THE GREAT WAR HUTS AND THE BATTLE OF THE SOMME

On Saturday 29th.October, the Great War Huts Centre presented the 1916 silent film of The Battle of the Somme, complete with piano accompaniment by leading silent film pianist, Stephen Horne. In a packed recreation hut, the audience of 100 (a further 60 had attended the extra matinée performance) enjoyed a unique and enthralling evening watching the film and hearing it brought to life by the first-class musicianship of Mr. Horne.

The film was preceded by a most interesting short talk by Richard van Emden, Author, Historian and Television Producer. It was a wonderful evening and thanks must go to Taff Gillingham and his team for all their efforts.

The one thing lacking from the evening was the attendance of Hawstead villagers. I only counted five of us, i.e.5% of the audience. We are privileged to have the Great War Huts venture in our village and should be giving Taff and his team our support. Those of you who were not there missed a wonderful occasion.

Michael Harrison

HAWSTEAD READING GROUP

The September meeting was held at Suzie Surti's where the book for discussion was "White Teeth" by Zadie Smith. This, her debut novel, won many awards including the Whitbread First Novel Award and was included in TIME 100 Best English language Novels from 1923 to 2005. White Teeth deals with, among other things, friendship, love, war, three cultures and families over three generations, and the tricky way the past has of coming back and biting you on the ankle! Written 15 years ago this may now seem a bit "dated" compared with contemporary novels written in a similar vein and as a bit of a slow burner a lot of the group gave up on it!

In October we met at Janet Watson's to discuss "The Secret to not Drowning" by Colette Snowden. This is the story of Marion - a woman trapped in an unhappy marriage with a bullying controlling husband. She is the victim of her unnamed husband's mind games and physical abuse which underpin their troubled marriage and are difficult to witness. A chance meeting with an old school friend develops into a secret relationship. She could leave her abusive and unfaithful husband but is it too late? Although a disturbing read this was enjoyed by the group and further discussion ensued comparing it with the domestic abuse plot line in "The Archers!"

Our next meeting is at Jayne Robertson's on Wednesday 2nd November at 7.30 pm where we shall be discussing "The Rosie Project" by Graeme Simsion.

Ann Gibbs

HAWSTEAD APPRECIATION AND TASTING SOCIETY (WINE CLUB)

In September Janet and Andy asked us to bring an unusual wine. The evening went with a swing, probably down to the fact that most of the wines were at least 13% proof! Margaret and Bill's came top with the best label (that actually changed form to reveal a skull when the bottle warmed). This was also the most popular wine. Conversely one member bought a bottle he had won at the tombola at the village fete. Sadly this wine gained the least points, as well as having the most boring label!

Janet and Andy were also responsible for arranging our October meeting. They had managed to procure some 'free' wines from the Co-op by getting members of the club to fill in a questionnaire for them. Bizarrely the favourite wine chosen by wine journalists at a recent press tasting, Chateau Senejac, was judged last in our tasting! There was a delicious Port amongst the wines, so next time you are in the Co-op do look at their selection.

We meet again on November 24th (our last one this year).

Thank you to all our members for their input in 2016. We wish everyone a Happy Christmas and look forward to more jolly evenings in 2017.

Judy Carter

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: 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 November

19th January 2017

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 5th December at 7.30 in the village hall meeting room.

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

In the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Hawstead Parish Council Meeting	Thursday 17th November 7.30pm
It's Nearly Christmas Quiz Night	Friday 18 November (7pm for 7.30pm hosted by Steve Butt)
Hawstead Christmas Craft Fayre	Sunday 4th December 11.00 - 15.00
Community Council Meeting	Monday 5th December 7.30pm
Seniors Christmas Lunch	Friday 16 December 12 noon for 12.30
Christmas Drinks Party	Saturday 17 December - (6-8pm for all residents - free)
Christmas Carol Service	Sunday 18th December, 18.00 at Hawstead Church
Christmas Pantomime	Tuesday 27th December at 3pm at the Theatre Royal
Community Council Meeting	Monday 9th January 2017 7.30pm