

HAWSTEAD CARPET BOWLS CLUB

We have had another very enjoyable year. We have 15 members and meet every Tuesday evening. Occasionally we play games against neighbouring villages and these are always very friendly evenings.

We have found the bowls mat storage unit, which we were able to purchase thanks to help from the ^{LOCALITY} ~~Utility~~ Grant given to us by the Local Authority, to be a great asset.

We would welcome any new members. Experience is not necessary and we provide all the necessary equipment.

Mike ~~Hawstead~~
Bowls Club Treasurer.

The Hawstead Oil Group.

The Hawstead Oil Group is now in its eighth year of association with Framtrade of Framlingham.

I have been running it for about four years, having taken over from Richard, who has now moved away. There are about 40 villagers on the register and about once per month they receive an e-mail from me advising them of the current expected price per litre. If they wish to order, they let me know the quantity required or just request a tank top-up, the order is then placed with Framtrade who then advise me of the exact price payable, which oil company will be making the delivery and a time scale of when delivery will take place. After delivery, Framtrade send each customer an invoice for settlement of the amount delivered.

The benefits of the scheme are: 1. that everybody pays the same price, so you can order a 500 litre top up and not pay a penny extra, 2. no payment is required upfront so you get effectively about four weeks free credit . 3. It saves you all the ring around to try and get the best price – the price we get through Framtrade is always quite competitive, 4. It is good for the enviroment – less tanker miles. And 5. You don't need to specify exactly how much you require – just request a fill-up if not sure.

I cannot understand why more people are not in the scheme. It has so much to offer and joining is easy, just e-mail me at mharrison151@btinternet.com

Mike ~~Harrison~~.

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This year has been strange with no Simon, but the rest of the PCC has stepped up helping with opening and closing the church, and the maintenance, that Simon would have done.

We are hoping to get some Swift Nesting Boxes in the Tower in his memory as this was his last interest.

The Church is in good repair apart from a monument which is in need of repair for which we are going to seek funding.

The service pattern has stayed the same with two services a month. Communion on the second Sunday and Morning Prayers on the forth.

The congregation is still small but very friendly and welcoming.

We held a Lent Lunch in the Village Hall raising £230 for The Town Pastors.

In May I walked the West Highland Way raising over £1000 shared between the Benefice and Bloodwise.

In June we had a Cream Tea in my garden which was well attended raising £458 for Benefice.

The 100 Club has run for a year and has proved popular. All tickets were sold again. This raises £1000 for Benefice and £1400 for prizes during the year.

A benefice coffee morning is held in the Village Hall, open to everyone from villagers and Benefice.

The Community Council very kindly allow us to have it 'free of charge'. The draw for the monthly tickets are drawn here.

In October we had a 'clean up' in the Churchyard. Mainly hedge cutting. A man with a machine came in very useful when by courtesy of ^{RB} ~~Rupert Brown~~ the hedges were topped. Thank you very much.

Henry who is participating in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award has been volunteering in the churchyard. Invaluable help, thank you very much.

On November 11th we held a very moving service of Remembrance shared with Nowton Church. The Church was decorated with hundreds of poppies crafted by local ladies. Thank you all so much. The collection of £273 was given to the British Legion.

Sonja, Ethel and Judy participated in a Table Top Sale in Stanningfield with a White Elephant Stall making £70 for church funds.

Sonja and Judy ran the Raffle on behalf of the Church at the Village Christmas Fayre taking £125 towards church funds.

We had a very well attended Carol Service shared again with Nowton. £245 was given to the Childrens Society.

During the year we held 2 Weddings and ²1 burial of Ashes. + 2 FUNERALS.

We will have paid our share of the Quota again.

Can I take this opportunity to thank all the members of the PCC without whom the Church would not function. Jeremy our priest. The Ministry Team and Lay Elders who help with services. The villagers who help with churchyard clean ups. Last but not least the congregation. We would very much like to see more of you.

Lesley [REDACTED]

Church Warden