HAWSTEAD JOURNAL

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TO COMMEMORATE A SPECIAL YEAR



To mark the occasion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee this year, the Parish Council has purchased a new Bench for Pound Green. This is for the use of villagers, and other people who may be walking or cycling by.

The Bench is situated on the right hand side of Pound Green, well away from the road, and is a lovely spot to sit and admire the Almshouses and the newly restored village sign. So if you are passing please take a moment to sit and relax there.

Thanks to Clive Robinson and Rory Hancock for securing the Bench in its position. We hope it will be enjoyed for many years to come.

Hawstead Parish Council

CHURCH SERVICES

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

Sunday 23rd September

11.00 Harvest Service

Sunday 14th October

08.30 Said Eucharist

Sunday 28th

11.00 Parish Eucharist

HAWSTEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Anyone who came along on the 5th August will know that the Village Fete was a bit of a damp squib! A combination of being a month early, very heavy rain, a certain tennis match etc. etc. we were never going to win.

The flower show entries were very few; so few that I won the best in show trophy!

To all the members of the Community Council and the Parish Council who helped that day a big thank you for giving up your time and missing the tennis!

Next year normal service will be resumed and hopefully we will have some more interest in the Community Council and the running of the hall.

We have now employed a new cleaner, Claire, she is enjoying the job! We have to be very grateful to Sarah who looked after the building in such a personal way, for the last five years.

We need to employ a caretaker. This would suit a retired gentleman living in Hawstead. Some of the furniture handling requires a second pair of hands. Odd jobs like window cleaning, care of the surrounding area, weeding etc. Any interested party should apply to Sonja Monk 386876 or sonjamonk@btinternet.com

The hall has just been decorated to freshen it up after its first 5 years. It really was still in very good condition.

The cost of hire will increase by 10% for outside bookings. The village rate will stay the same.

At next year's AGM James Bulbrook and I will be standing down. Emma Hatton will look after the bookings. This will leave a position for a housekeeper on the committee, a most important task to keep the building and equipment in a good and clean condition.

Lastly we will need new members next year, in particular a treasurer to take over from James.

Sonja Monk

Norman & Ann Gibbs & The Bury Friends Group Invite you to support St Nicholas Hospice Care



Cheese and Wine Quiz

7.30pm Friday 26 October 2012 Hawstead Village Hall, Hawstead IP29 5NP

Can you identify your favourite cheese? Can you taste which wine is which? Join us for a night of delectable delights!

Tickets £15



Contact Bridget Alexander c/o St Nicholas Hospice Care Hardwick Lane, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP33 2OY Tel: 01284 749009





Hawstead Harvest Supper

will be held on

Friday 12th October In Hawstead Village Hall at 7 for 7.30pm

Good food, good company and some fun entertainment

Tickets £10 each to include a glass of wine from Lesley Carey Tel. 386132



EXTRA VIGILANCE NEEDED

Unfortunately a burglary took place on Thursday 13th September in Hawstead. It happened in daylight hours, which means we must all be on our guard. Please make sure all your windows and doors are locked and report anything suspicious to Suffolk Police Safer Neighbourhood Team on 101.

BUMPER GRAPE CROP

If anyone would like red or white grapes grown on Hawstead vines, please contact Bill Crockford on 01284 388467 or e-mail: margbillc@btinternet.com. Suitable for wine making or eating.

CHANGES AT THE POUND!

We knew things had changed quite a lot in Hawstead before we came here 12 years ago but we had not really watched anything like this before. On Monday, 10th September, a great deal of heavy machinery arrived at No 11 The Pound.

The cottage at No.11 originally belonged to Stella Woodman-Smith, who lived next door at No.10. She rented the cottage to Mrs. King who had worked for her for many years.

As you can see from the photos, by Wednesday No 10 was no more

We look forward to seeing the replacement and welcoming the new owners, Theresa, Keith and their two sons.

Bill & Margaret Crockford



GOING!





GONE!

FIZZ ON FRIDAY

An event organised to raise money for St. Nicholas Hospice Care and Aid to Hospitals Worldwide in Hawstead Village Hall on September 7th was a great success.

Joe Dodd opened the proceedings with Toreador from Carmen and A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square. An amazingly talented young lady, Imogen Ridge, made the harp come to life. The Piper Quartet commanded our attention. Suffolk Opera sung their hearts out, with a particularly enticing rendition of The Habanera from Carmen and James Hogg rounded the evening off with his guitar, giving us all a chance to sing along to a Beatles Medley.

The Fizz flowed and the canapés kept coming all evening. Well done to all the organisers.

Joe Dodd



Imogen Ridge



Piper Quartet



FIZZ ON FRIDAY

Members of Suffolk Opera













KATIE FAIRBAIRN

It is with much sadness that I am writing to tell you that **Katie** died on Friday August 31, aged 63. She had been suffering from a malignant brain tumour which had been diagnosed shortly after she and her husband John had returned last November from their house in the sun on the island of Crete.

You may well have known Katie if you were living in Hawstead before 2007: the Fairbairn family occupied Pear Tree House in Pinford End from 1983 till that year, when they moved to a smaller house in Clare (the four children, Margaret, Helen, Stuart and Andrew having flown the nest). As well as having been a mother at home and a teacher at work, Katie was very much involved in Hawstead life and was a Parish Councillor, including vice-Chair, and then Chairman of the Parish Council 2003-7.

The funeral was held in Clare Church and included very moving recollections from John, a former colleague from her teaching days, daughter Helen and Katie's four surviving brothers and sisters.

Andy Parrett

The Sunday School sponsored run (around the Green) 1989. Katie is helping Betty Huck get the eager participants organised.



Village Fete 1998:

Katie (green skirt) is taking part in a dance to entertain the crowd - along with son, Andrew (orange), Lesley Carey (red) and Natalie Parrett (blue)

Parish Council 2001? L-R: Ros Alexander, Brian Kew, Robin Whitfield (Secretary), John Holdway (Chairman), Katie, Dave Dawson



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

AN INVITATION

MANY OF US KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS OR HAS HAD CANCER.
PLEASE COME AND ENJOY A CUP OF COFFEE OR TEA, CAKE AND A CHAT TO HELP US RAISE MONEY FOR MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT





ON SATURDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2012

10.30 A.M - 12.30 P.M. IN HAWSTEAD VILLAGE HALL.

WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE DONATIONS

OF CAKES AND ANY PRESERVES 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.

LITTLE & LARGE

I saw several enormous mushrooms on the grass verge near the church in early August and took a picture of one of them: it must have been 10 inches across. Then when I got



back home and quite coincidentally, I spied these two tiny ones sprouting out of a decaying tree stump in the garden.

Andy Parrett



THE HATCHMENTS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HAWSTEAD, PART 2

Francis Hammond

Francis Hammond, a 'citizen and salter of London' lived at 'Hammonds' in Bull Lane, Pinford End and died in 1727 aged 38 years. He married Honor, the daughter of Ambrose Asty of Hertfordshire. Honor died later than Francis, in 1758, and is buried in Hertfordshire. I'm assuming that Francis may have moved to London for business but retained the family home in the country.

The hatchment for Francis appears to have been made after Honor's death, as the background is all in black – otherwise it would have been split, with black colouring on the left for Francis and white on the right for her, to indicate that she is still alive. The shield is, however, split with the Hammond arms on the left and those of Asty on the right.



The Hammond arms has a silver background with green edging, on which sit three black circles each containing a bird – a 'martlet', which in heraldic terms is a 'stylised bird of the swallow family'. There's also a black chevron containing three gold-coloured scallops.

Asty has a red background with an ermine diagonal stripe (the arrow-shaped markings and other small black markings denote it as ermine) and two golden hawks.

There is a decorated golden surround to the shield and further decoration beyond that in red and silver. The shield is topped by a helmet from the top of which emerges an eagle with wings outstretched (though this is rather difficult to make out as the eagle is in black except for a golden beak). There is a skull at the base and the Latin motto "Mors Janua Vitae" which means "Death is the Door to Life".

This is the oldest of the Hawstead hatchments and the smallest in size: the others all date from the middle of the following century and celebrate members of the Metcalfe family.

Andy Parrett

The Hawstead Journal was kindly sponsored this month by Helen & Rob Barneveld

Thank you for your contributions this month. Our next Journal will be November. Please forward anything you have by 31st October.

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

HAWSTEAD WINE CLUB

Ten members got together on 30th August for a blind tasting. In theory a choice of easily recognisable grapes were selected including Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay, Rioja, Merlot and Pinot Noir. No-one guessed them all, but some got pretty close!

Cheese, biscuits and nibbles went down well alongside the wines. All in all another thoroughly good evening.

New members welcome, please contact Judy on 01284 386512 or <u>judy@mmgd.co.uk</u>.

HAWSTEAD READING GROUP

A well attended and lively meeting was held at Woodlands on Wed. 5th September. The book up for discussion was "The Island" by Victoria Hislop - a moving story about young Alexis Fielding who longs to find out about her mother's past of which she has been loath to talk. Arriving in the small Cretan village of Plaka, Alexis is astonished to find it is a stone's throw from the tiny island of Spinalonga - Greece's former leper colony and that her great-grandmother Eleni and her daughters' lives were intimately connected with the island.

It was interesting that some members of our group had actually visited Spinalonga, now quite a big tourist attraction although deserted since the late 1950's, but said you can still imagine how it would have been as depicted in the book.

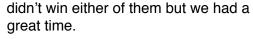
Next month's meeting will be held at Jacquie Milns' on Wed. 3rd October at 7.30pm where we shall be discussing "Two Caravans" by Marina Lewycka.

For further information about the Reading Group contact *Ann Gibbs* on 01284 388642.

HAWSTEAD CARPET BOWLS CLUB

We are now the proud possessors of red polo shirts with our club badge on and, as you will see from the attached photo, we are very smart!

We played two matches recently against Woolpit, one away and one at home. Unfortunately we





We have a match at home in October against Lavenham and then we are playing against them at their venue in November. These are all friendly matches and are very enjoyable.

Please remember – we would love to see some new members on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall. No experience is required and you are assured of a warm welcome and a fun evening.

Rosemary Harrison

HAWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Meetings held at the Village Hall unless otherwise stated Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Meetings held bi-monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. Dates arranged are:

20th September 15th November

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

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

In the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Bridge Drive 19th September 2pm
Deanery Youth Day 22nd September
IT classes commencing 25th September
MacMillan Coffee Morning 29th September
Harvest Supper Friday 12th October
Community Council 15th October 7.30pm

Cheese & Wine Quiz 15th October 7.30pm 26th October 7.30pm



A September Sunset in Pinford End