
HAWSTEAD JOURNAL

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***AN IMPORTANT VILLAGE EVENT
FOR YOUR DIARY***

THE HAWSTEAD FÊTE

Don't forget our annual Village Fête and Fruit, Produce and Flower Show on
Sunday 1st September at 2 p.m.

There will be a variety of stalls, games, delicious teas and much more.

Just a reminder that we will be needing plenty of books for the book stall
so please keep all your holiday reading for us.

We welcome any sellable items of bric a brac that you may have; preserves
or produce if you should have a surplus and also cakes for the tea tent.

If you would like to volunteer your help on the day
(which would be greatly appreciated), please contact either

Rosemary on mharrison151@btinternet.com

or Jo on joandstevebutt@yahoo.co.uk.

CHURCH SERVICES

JULY

Sunday 28th
11.00 Parish Eucharist in Hawstead Church

AUGUST

Sunday 11th
08.30 Said Eucharist in Hawstead Church
Sunday 25th
11.00 Parish Eucharist in Hawstead Church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HARVEST SERVICE - Come and celebrate Harvest at All Saints Church, Sunday 22nd September at 11.00 am.

HARVEST SUPPER - Come and join in the traditional Harvest Supper at the Village Hall, Friday 11th October. More details to follow later.

Lesley Carey

CREAM TEA

You are invited to
A CREAM TEA
At Church Farm House
On Saturday August 10th @ 2.30pm

*As well as a lovely cream tea, come and enjoy
'Music in the Garden' by the Piper Quartet.
Weather permitting there will be games
to play around the garden.*

*RSVP to Lesley 01284 386132
Donations in aid of All Saints Church,*



GLYN'S OPEN GARDEN

The weather was kind for the open garden at The Green Cottage on Sunday 16th June. More than 150 people enjoyed the afternoon and the scrumptious selection of home made cakes served with tea. Some £1200 was raised for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Appreciative thanks to the many who helped to make the event a pleasurable success.

Glyn Hammond

SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST BIKE RIDE

The 32nd Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Bike Ride will take place on Saturday, 14th September between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. The Trust is non-denominational and helps to preserve Suffolk's historic churches and chapels.

The Bike Ride is a fun day when you cycle between as many or few churches as you wish. You obtain sponsors for your efforts and the sponsorship money raised will be divided between the Trust and the church chosen by the participant. (Hopefully, if you take part you will choose to make Hawstead your chosen church).

There have been no participants from this village for some years now and therefore it would be really great if some of us took part. Sponsorship forms are available from Michael Harrison (386157).

Although we have not had participants recently, we do man the church between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. with a steward to sign in participants on their arrival. We usually share this task on a one or two-hourly basis so if you could spare one or two hours on the day for a relaxing sit-down at the church your help would be much appreciated. Again, please contact Michael Harrison if you are available for this by phone or e-mail mharrison151@btinternet.com.

Michael Harrison

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



WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT

PUT A
SMILE
ON YOUR
MUG!

ON SATURDAY 5th OCTOBER 2013
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.

COMMUNITY SERVICE - IN YOUR OWN VILLAGE

Dave and Roger have completed the re-roofing of the play area log cabin. I think they would agree that it was not an easy job; after fifteen years as you would imagine the bolts were not easily removable and had to be cut out. It now looks like new! Bruce also has replaced one of the swing seats and repaired the rockers where needed.



Whilst all this hard work was going on Suzanne, Chris and Benjamin, along with myself and Dave's brother Alf, painted the fence while Hannah painted the gates. We were grateful to Liz who prepared coffee and lunch for us. All that's left are a few weeds to take care of. Pat will soon be on to that. Some topping up of the bark will be needed next spring!

A good job well done, thanks to everyone!

Sonja Monk



CAPTION CONTEST

What is Roger saying to Dave to cause such a glare? or guess what Dave is thinking! - Answers please for next journal.

VILLAGE BARBEQUE

This was a great evening and an excellent gathering of villagers, both old and new.

A big thank you to all who helped – you know who you are! Events such as these wouldn't take place without your support.

Although the weather was a bit inclement Clive and Steve did a wonderful job at cooking up a feast and Bruce and Pat managed to handle the continuous stream of thirsty villagers at the bar.

Here's to next year!



your
Suffolk libraries
... expanding horizons

Suffolk Libraries – we're open to everyone!

Not everyone may realise what the library service in Suffolk has to offer them.

There are 44 Libraries in the county which, as well as offering a huge range of books of course, also offer a range of other services and activities.

As well as books you can also hire CDs and DVD titles for a small charge. You can get online for free in all libraries – ideal for filling out job applications or keeping in touch if you've not got a computer at home.

There are a wide range of activities – Bookstart, Baby Bounce and Tot Rock story sessions for young children and Top Time groups for older people.

We also provide free Bookstart packs for babies and three year olds.

From 21 July to early September all of our libraries will be offering children the chance to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge which is a fun and rewarding way of encouraging children to keep reading during the holidays. You can find out more at your nearest library.

The library is a great place for the community to come together to share information and even if you can't get to your nearest library easily, it can come to you!

The mobile library visits 200 villages and hamlets and 475 stops in Suffolk. Each stop is visited every four weeks. There is also an At Home Library Service which involves volunteers delivering books to people who find it difficult to get to a library or mobile library stop – usually because they are older or disabled.

You can also access and browse the full library catalogue from www.suffolklibraries.co.uk and we even offer access to a range of free eBooks and eAudio books. It's free and easy to sign up to be a library user and if you have any queries about any of our services or activities you can find plenty of information on our website or call Suffolk Libraries Direct on 01473 584563.

All of Suffolk's library services are now run by Suffolk Libraries which is an independent and charitable organisation supported by the county council.

You can also follow Suffolk Libraries on twitter @SuffolkLibrary or Facebook at <http://facebook.com/suffolklibraries> to keep up to date with news and activities and you can sign up to our newsletter on our website.

Contact SALC if you would like an electronic Word version of this article to use for your village or town magazine. adminsalc@btconnect.com

SONJA'S RETIREMENT FROM THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

There is probably not a lot that I can say about Sonja that most of you would not already know. She has been a driving force within the Community Council for over ten years and has certainly been Chair for this time.

Prior to becoming Chair and overseeing the building of the new hall she was a stalwart member of the Community Council, becoming involved in village events at the time, which included the 'Triple 20's' lunch, summer trip and bingo.

Her involvement in so many village events has not gone unnoticed, although I wonder if we truly realise just how much time, energy and effort she has put into every occasion. Her attention to detail is second to none.

Not only did she play an integral part in the fund raising needed to secure our new village hall; but she also visited English Heritage in Sussex and a similar building near Brentwood with others to make sure the exacting standards needed for Hawstead's new hall would be forthcoming.

In order for the project to be successfully implemented, the momentum was kept going and the stressful situations were kept in check by Sonja's calming influence. Without her enthusiasm the hall may well not have been built.

Since the opening of the hall over five years ago she has worked tirelessly to keep it in such a pristine condition. This is appreciated, not only by us villagers, but by the many outsiders who hire our hall and who are quite frankly 'wowed' by this wonderful facility.

Although she will be sorely missed, her retirement from the Community Council will allow her more time to spend with Bruce, her children and grandchildren and maybe allow her to pursue her other interests.

A resounding **THANK YOU SONJA** from us all.

Judy Carter

"Back in 2006 we'd applied for some extra funding to complete the new village hall.

We sought a grant of the final few thousand pounds we needed to purchase all the kitchen units. We were invited to meet this organisation's management team and pitch our request to them. At the end of our presentation they seemed reasonably impressed and asked if the amount we'd applied for would be sufficient. Quick as a flash Sonja responded with a higher figure!

Thanks to Sonja and her immediate intervention we came away with several thousand more than we'd applied for! Quite a result, well done Sonja!"

John West



Our traditional outing to the Theatre Royal this Christmas will be to see Aladdin



Young Aladdin spends his days up to his elbows in pants and petticoats in widow Twankey's laundry shop in Old Peking, getting into scrapes and dreaming of the beautiful Princess Jasmine. But his luck might be about to change, when he meets the mysterious Abanazar and learns of a lamp that grants three magical wishes.....

Written by Daniel O'Brien, directed by Tim Welton, designed by Nigel Hook
Starring James Nickerson as Widow Twankey

Date: Friday 3rd January at 6.45pm.

Children: NO CHARGE. They will be paid for by the Community Council.

Adults: £16.50.

Regulars will know that whether you are 8 or 80, with or without children, you will enjoy great, light-hearted early evening entertainment.

To book places - call me on 388732, email me at geraldinewest@waitrose.com or drop a note through the door at Kellycroft, The Green.

We do hope you will come along.

Geraldine West
On behalf of Hawstead Community Council

The Hawstead Journal was kindly sponsored this month by
Michael & Rosemary Harrison of 'Ballacraine' The Pound

Look out for our '**List of Village Forthcoming Events**' for the months the Journal is not produced.
PLEASE SUPPLY DETAILS OF ANY EVENTS FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER BY 3RD AUGUST FOR THIS LIST.

NEITHER OF THESE DOCUMENTS CAN BE PRODUCED WITHOUT YOUR INPUT!

Thank you for your contributions this month. Our next Journal will be September/October 2013.

Please forward anything you have by 3rd September 2013.

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

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Tel: 01284 386512 or judy@mmgd.co.uk

MY DESERT ISLAND DISCS

Mario Lanza singing The Drinking Song from The Student Prince.

This is the first piece of music that I became aware of as a child. I would have been about eight or nine at the time. My parents had a gramophone which they kept in an upstairs room, with a few, perhaps half a dozen, 78's. One of these was music from The Student Prince. My late brother and I would play and sing along to The Drinking Song, very loudly, over and over again. We knew all the words, even the German ones.

Bill Haley's Rock Around the Clock

Amazing, exciting Rock n Roll from America burst in on and formed the backdrop to my teenage years. Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Bill Haley, Ray Charles, Sam Cooke, Jerry Lee Lewis..... and so many others. And of course there was Elvis. I loved him. Choosing just one song has proved quite difficult but I have settled on this one as it seems to recreate the energy in the air at that time.

Maybe it's because I'm a Londoner

London was my home until 1994. Although I have no desire to live there again, I love it, it is in my blood. I've no idea who might have written or sang this song – from the music halls I expect - as mostly it was sung unaccompanied by me and others during rowdy pub evenings and parties.

Under the Boardwalk by The Beachboys

Shortly after my 16th birthday, I started work at an insurance company in the City of London. Working there was the 17 year old boy who became my first husband. We were to spend 35, mostly happy, years together. This music will remind me of that time.

Kathleen Ferrier singing Songs from the Auvergne

Kathleen Ferrier was a favourite of my wise, kind and gentle mother. I will always miss her.

Kate Bush's Wuthering Heights

This will remind me of my eldest daughter who did a fair rendition of this song and

The Flower Duet from **Lakme** by **Delibes** that I and my younger daughter love.

Hallelujah by Leonard Cohen

John and I saw Leonard Cohen in concert at Wembley last year. This song is a favourite.

Angela Gheorghiu singing O mio babbino caro from Gianni Schicchi by Puccini.

In the 1980's a friend asked me if I would like to go to the opera with her. I had never been before. We saw La Traviata at the London Coliseum. The lights dimming, the audience becoming quiet and the orchestra beginning to play in that magnificent theatre, was a memorable, magical experience and I have loved opera ever since. There is so much truly amazing music from opera that it has proved difficult to choose just one, but I have settled on this.

Linden Lea by Vaughan Williams, sung by the Morriston Orpheus Choir

Many years ago I saw Cardiff's Morriston Orpheus male voice choir at an open air concert in London. They make the most beautiful sound. I became a 'friend' of the choir and went to a number of their concerts. I've chosen them singing this lovely English folksong as it will also remind me of the gently rolling Suffolk countryside around Hawstead.

Don't cry for me Argentina from Evita sung by Julie Covington

Although not a massive fan of musicals, Evita, Les Miserables and one or two others have been exceptions.

MY DESERT ISLAND DISCS - CONTINUED

Gregorio Allegri - Miserere

Since joining a choir a few years ago I have learnt to appreciate other choral music – and the soaring heights of this one has made it a favourite.

In good radio 4 tradition I have chosen a luxury and a book to take with me. From time to time, when we were little and the weather was reasonable, my father would take my brothers and sisters and me across on the Woolwich ferry to the park that bordered the north side of the river. He would bring with him lots of stubby coloured pencils and small pieces of paper. When we got tired of playing on the swings we would sit with him and draw the boats on the river. I have thought from time to time that it would be nice to take up drawing but have not so far made time for it. So my luxury will be **coloured pencils and lots of paper**.

The book I will take is **'The Power of Now' by Eckhart Tolle**. It will remind me to live in the present moment and not spend time wondering what the future might hold.

The music I would save from the waves is the last one, as in spite of its name, it is uplifting.



A family outing to Gravesend



My father, who fortunately for him and us, was stationed in the Outer Hebrides during the war.

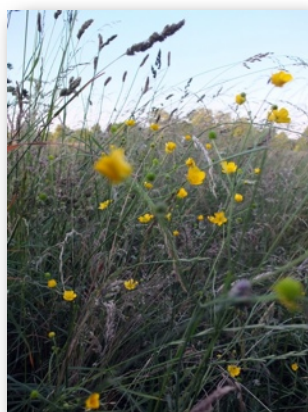
It has been really enjoyable taking this walk down memory lane and has made me appreciate what a wealth of music we have available to us. I recommend it.

Geraldine West



On Friday 5th July, Stephen Massey and his colleagues from Suffolk Wildlife Trust took a small group of people in search of wildflowers on Hawstead Village Green.

The following wildflowers were among the many that Stephen found for us in just a small corner of the green -



Meadow Buttercups

Buttercups - the green is full of them at the moment. There are a number of different types, but the ones on the village green are the taller, more spindly Meadow Buttercups.

The **Lesser Trefoil** is a pretty little yellow flower that creeps along the ground. It is a member of the pea family.

Yellow Rattle is a semi-parasitic plant which gains some of its nutrients from the roots of neighbouring plants. It plays a vital role on the village green by keeping the spread of grasses in check.

Red and White Clover, growing together. These are excellent for bees and enrich the soil with nitrogen.

Oxeye daisies also known as Marguerites, moon daisy and dog daisy.

Ribwort Plantain - long, flat, narrow leaves coming from its base and heads of tiny flowers on spikes.



Meadowsweet

Meadowsweet - pretty, fluffy white flower heads. Meadowsweet has many uses. It was traditionally strewn on floors to give rooms a pleasant aroma and can be used to flavour wine, beer and preserves. Every part of the plant has medicinal properties.

Common Knapweed - a purple thistle-like flower. It provides an important food source for butterflies and bees.

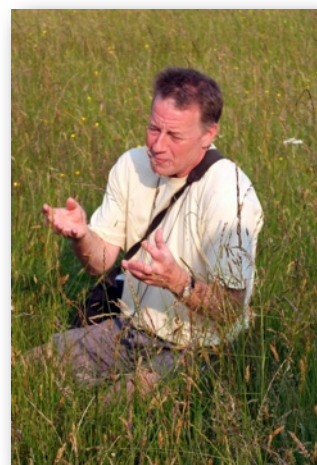
Pignut, also known as earthnut - a member of the carrot family. It has an edible root that tastes a little like hazelnut. Pigs like it!

Creeping cinquefoil - a yellow buttercup-like flower related to strawberries. It has astringent, antiseptic and tonic properties.

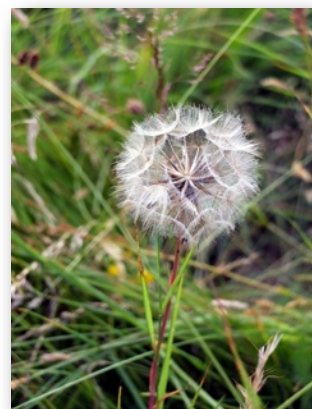
Speedwell - a bright blue flower. It is edible and nutritious and is reported to have a flavour similar to watercress.

Orchids - there are orchids on the village green, but we didn't find them on this occasion. However we had an interesting couple of hours, with refreshments too.

Rosie Greengrass



Stephen Massey



Goatsbeard



Wild Flower Evening

HAWSTEAD WINE CLUB

As our club has been going for two years and we had managed to be prudent with expenditure; we opted for a dinner to celebrate its success, rather than hold our usual monthly meeting.



We chose Bury Golf Club as a venue and the chef and his team did a brilliant job of putting together a delicious meal for us.



Two of our members selected and purchased the wines for us to sample during the evening. These were amongst the wines that had scored the highest marks in prior tastings.

The evening was a resounding success – only spoilt by a chill in the air which is hard to believe now!



We will continue to meet throughout the summer months and our next date is Thursday 25th July.

If you would like to join us or just request further details of Hawstead Appreciation and Tasting Society please contact Judy Carter on 01284 386512 or e-mail:



HAWSTEAD READING GROUP

Our last meeting was at Angela Parrett's on Wed. 5th June where we sat in her lovely conservatory and discussed "Change of Heart" by Jodi Picoult. I, for one, found it very depressing and I am afraid to say did not finish it but apparently it had an unusual twist at the end which put a whole new slant on the book so I should have persevered!

It tells of Shay Bourne who has spent 11 years on Death Row for killing a policeman and his step-daughter. The policeman's widow June has another daughter who urgently needs a heart transplant and to help atone for his crime Bourne is offering his own heart. Obviously there are a number of issues to be resolved here but at what cost?

We had very nice refreshments again, including a tiramisu made by Susie and a gift of celeriac plants from Angela (to take home, not eat!) and we are looking forward to our next meeting at Ruth's on Wed. 7th August at 7.30 pm to discuss our current book "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" by Rachel Joyce.

For more information contact *Ann Gibbs* on 01284 765332.

REGULAR EVENTS

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| 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 |
| Hawstead Oil Buying Group | Orders placed end of each month (contact <i>Jacquie Milns 388813</i> email: sales@rjmcars.co.uk) |

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:

18th July

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

In the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

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| Parish Council Meeting | 18th July 7.30pm |
| Cream Tea | 10th August at <i>Church Farm House</i> |
| Village Fête, Flower & Produce Show | 1st September |
| Fizz on Friday | 6th September |
| Historic Churches Bike Ride | 14th September |
| Harvest Service | 22nd September at <i>All Saints Church</i> |
| Macmillan Coffee Morning | 5th October |
| Harvest Supper | 11th October |

*Hay collecting in
Pinford End*

