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Hello Hundon!



Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Hapus! Happy St David's Day! And not forgetting Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona daoibh! Happy St Patrick's Day! Iechyd da, and Sláinte to all.

Yes, Spring is definitely singing as we March onwards, and with the brighter, longer days comes a fresh burst of energy. New things are coming our way, not least : **our very first Hundon Herald Junior Journalist!**



It gives me great pleasure to introduce **Holly Proud**, who sprang into action with her first assignment, interviewing some of The Ballet School Workshop students for this month's Faces of Hundon.

Scattered across the pages of this issue are decorated Easter Eggs for the Hundon Herald Easter Egg Hunt! Can you find them all? let me know how many you think there are (via email or the HH suggestion box at the shop) by March 23rd to be in with a chance of winning a prize. Here's an egg to get you started :

To celebrate World Poetry Day, 21st March, we have poems (page 12) by the poets of Hundon to share. Perhaps you'll be inspired to pen and post your own - submissions of poetry and flash fiction are welcome, whatever the day. Speaking of authors, **congratulations go to Tony Eaton** for the publication of his debut novel Sky-in-the-Eye. Turn to page 5 to read his news.



And remember - if *you've* got news to share, *we* want to hear about it! Contact details are below.

Be well, be wonderful.
Happy reading!

Gillie Robson

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An **Information Drop-Off & Suggestion Box for the Hundon Herald** is situated in the Village Shop. This will be checked weekly.

Deadline for the April issue is :
March 23rd 2024 (12 Noon)

Early submissions are very welcome, and are advised to avoid disappointment.

Eyes Required

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A huge big THANK YOU to all the local businesses who support the Hundon Herald by advertising with us. You are very much appreciated.

As this is a non-profit community venture, for those who are interested, I shall be including the Hundon Herald running costs in each issue.

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MOON PHASES FOR MARCH 2024

Last Quarter March 3 rd 15:24	New Moon March 10 th 09:00	First Quarter March 17 th 04:11	Full Moon March 25 th 07:00

WEEKLY SUNRISE AND SUNSET TIMES FOR HUNDON

Mon 4 th Rise : 06:34 Set : 17:41	Mon 11 th Rise : 06:18 Set : 17:54	Mon 18 th Rise : 06:02 Set : 18:06	Mon 25 th Rise : 05:46 Set : 18:18
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(All times are in UTC)



REMEMBER : CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD



BY ONE HOUR AT 1AM ON SUNDAY 31ST MARCH

MOBILE LIBRARY VAN

Bury St Edmunds Mobile Library Route 18.
Calling in at Hundon (Village Hall car park)
every four weeks on a Wednesday afternoon.

Wednesday 20th March 14:50–15:50



“You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me.”

C.S. Lewis - (Irish writer, literary scholar, and Anglican lay theologian. 29 November 1898 – 22 November 1963)

HUNDON VILLAGE SHOP AND POST OFFICE

We are all aware of the amazing work that our volunteers do to make our shop the success and vital resource for the village that is. Opening the shop and sorting the newspapers and early deliveries, manning the till, stocking the shelves etc. All very visible roles. There is also a lot of work that goes on in the background unseen. Not least of this is the role of the shop's treasurer. The treasurer pays the suppliers, has dealt with wages, pays the electricity, equipment, and all other costs. They also keep a running set of accounts, calculate weekly sales, ensures that VAT is paid to the inland revenue and prepare the end of year accounts for the independent auditor. For the last seventeen and a half years the shop has been blessed to have Bernard Beer acting as its Treasurer. During 2023 Bernard informed the committee that he would like to retire from this position and asked that we begin the process of finding his replacement. That process is now complete and Bernard will step down as treasurer at the end of March. The committee, and I am sure those from previous committees, are eternally grateful for the time and work that Bernard has given to ensuring the success and longevity of Hundon Village Shop, for his diligence in taking care of the finances for so many years and for his wisdom as a committee member.

We are delighted to announce that Barry O'Leary has agreed to join the shop committee and to succeed Bernard as treasurer. Barry is a qualified accountant by profession ensuring that the shops finances will continue to be in safe hands.

We are in that betwixt and between time of year. Still in the midst of winter with the chance of storms, gales, rain, and cold but with thoughts turning to the warmer and calmer weather which should not be too far around the corner now. Here at the shop, we are trying to cover all of these seasons for you. For the here and now we have smokeless coal, firelighters, and candles and for the just around the corner compost and early season bedding plants should be with us soon.

We are now very much in the build-up for Easter which this year is at the end of March. Hot Cross buns and Easter themed cards will be on sale throughout this period.

- Stewart Alderman

Chairman – Hundon Village Shop Committee

SHOP & POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES FOR EASTER WEEKEND

Good Friday 29th March

Shop : Open 8am to 12pm
Post Office : Closed



Easter Saturday

Shop and Post Office
both open normal hours (see below)

Easter Sunday

Shop : Open 10am to 12pm

Easter Monday

Shop : Open 8am to 12pm
Post Office : Closed



NORMAL SHOP & POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES

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Sunday 10am – 12pm

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Monday to Saturday 9am – 1pm

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There are 27 miles of verges
in the Parish of Hundon.

- Geoff Spooner





Rector's Ramblings – March 2024 (Spring Blossoms and Rising Hope)

As the crisp winter air begins to soften and delicate hues of green peek through the hedgerows, our hearts turn towards the promise of spring and the joy of Easter. Here in Suffolk, with its patchwork fields and picturesque villages, this season holds a special resonance. From the lambs frolicking in the meadows to the vibrant daffodils carpeting the churchyards, nature itself seems to sing a hymn of renewal.

And yet, as we witness the beauty around us, we also carry the weight of the world – the anxieties, losses, and uncertainties that linger despite the changing seasons. It is within this bittersweet reality that we embark on our Lenten journey, a time for reflection, introspection, and drawing closer to God.

This year, why not approach Lent not just as a period of sacrifice, but also as an opportunity for spiritual growth? Perhaps you could commit to read about the themes of Lent and Easter. Maybe you could volunteer some time to a charity (or your local church), or offer practical support to those in need. Or perhaps you could simply dedicate some quiet time each day for prayer and meditation, allowing yourself to be enveloped by God's love and grace.

Remember, our Lenten journey is not one we walk alone. As part of the wider Church of England family, we find strength and encouragement in our shared faith. Join us for our special Lenten services, (www.achurchnearyou.com is a good place to start as it lists services for our parishes but also many parishes across England – handy if you are travelling to be with family or friends), where we will delve deeper into the scriptures, offer prayers for one another, and find solace in the company of fellow believers.

On Mothering Sunday (10th March), we celebrate the unique bond between mothers and children, reflecting on the maternal love that God bestows upon each of us. Take this opportunity to cherish the mothers in your life, be it your own mother, grandmother, or another nurturing figure. Remember, God's love encompasses all forms of mothering, the quiet acts of care and compassion that sustain and guide us throughout our lives.

As Palm Sunday (24th March) arrives, waving branches in remembrance of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we anticipate the momentous events that unfold in the following week. Join us for the Maundy Thursday (28th March) service in Clare, commemorating the Last Supper and Jesus' washing of the disciples' feet – a powerful reminder of humility and service. Good Friday (29th March), a day of sombre reflection, will be marked with 2 special services (a 9am reflection in Stoke by Clare, and a 7pm service of Compline in Poslingford) both focusing on the sacrifice Jesus made on the cross.

Then, the glorious dawn of Easter Sunday arrives! Join us at any one of our joyful Easter service across the benefice and throughout the day, filled with music, prayer, and the triumphant message of Christ's resurrection.

Remember, dear friends, the promise of Easter extends far beyond the Easter Sunday celebrations. It is a promise that carries us through the challenges of life, reminding us that even in the darkest moments, the light of Christ can shine through, offering hope, redemption, and everlasting life. As we journey through this spring season, let us walk together, embracing the beauty of the natural world, the solace of our faith, and the enduring hope that Easter offers.

With Lent and Easter Blessings



Mark

The Revd Mark Woodrow
(Rector)

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

March Services

**Sunday 10 March 2024
Communion at 9.00a.m.**

**Sunday 24 March 2024
Evensong at 6.00p.m.
Followed by refreshments
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

**Saturday 30 March 2024
EASTER VIGIL (Communion)
at 7.00p.m.**

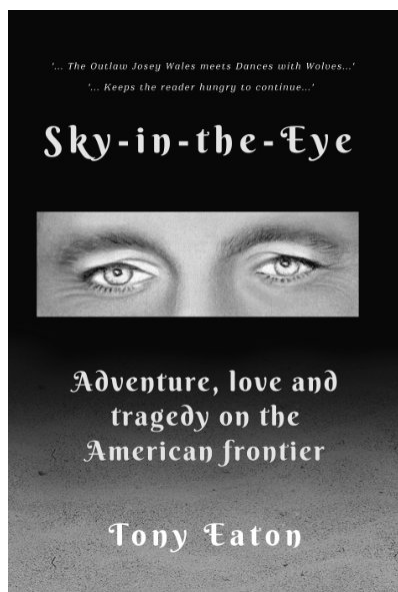
**Sunday 31 March 2024
EASTER SUNDAY at 9.00a.m.**

Local Author has Debut Novel Published and Submitted to Hollywood!

Tony Eaton has lived in Hundon for over twenty years. He is probably best known as being part of the rock 'n' roll band *Jurassic Rock* and for being the husband of Sue, a well known local artist.

In January 2023, *Sky-in-the-Eye* came to Tony in a dream while he was being treated for cancer. The following year was spent writing and having it critiqued and edited.

The story, described as “*bold and unflinching*”, “*very well structured*”, “*highly readable*”, and “*visceral and powerful*”, is a fictional biography of someone who suffers the consequences of unconditional loyalty and unprincipled treachery during a lifetime that includes true love, betrayal, private fights, and full scale battles. A warm hearted man with a love for animals, having to confront evil does not compromise his capacity for love.



Published by The Conrad Press, *Sky-in-the-Eye* is available as an e-book on Amazon Kindle (£3.99) and as a paperback in book shops (£10.99) or by contacting Tony directly on 01440 786810 for £6.00.

In addition, The Conrad Press has sent *Sky-in-the-Eye* to leading producers for consideration as a film or a series.

The final words should be left to the hero, Jimmy Kidd:

“So, let us be brave together, me in the telling, you in the reading. Only then will you fully understand the experiences that have made me who I am and what I will become.”

HUNDON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The next meeting of the Trustees will be held in March 2024

Please apply now - applications received after 3 March will not be considered until next time.

GRANTS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

If you need financial assistance to pay fees for educational courses (including music and sports), for educational outings, for books or study materials for students at college or university, or for any other educational purpose, then you can apply for a grant.

Applications

Please apply by email and include your bank sort code, account number and the exact account name. Then any grant will be transferred directly into your bank and you will be informed by email. This will save us all handling cheques and is secure PROVIDED you are careful to give accurate sort codes, account numbers and the exact account name as it is difficult or impossible to recover monies sent to the wrong place.

To be considered for a grant, you must:

Be under the age of 25 or making an application in respect of a person under 25.

Reside within the Parish of Hundon.

Please apply by email giving the following information:

- **Name and address of student.**
- **Age of student.**
- **Your sort code and account number and the exact account name.**
- **Details of your application.**

Due to restricted funds the trustees cannot normally make grants for routine traveling expenses.

General Data Protection Regulations

Your details will be recorded on the Foundation's records for audit purposes but your bank details will be deleted from our records once any payment has been made. So, if you have made an application in the past you will need to supply your bank details again.

Emails should be sent to :

beaufordlodge@hotmail.com by 3 March 2024 and will be acknowledged and dealt with in the strictest confidence. Letters, if essential, can be sent to Beauford Lodge, Mill Road, Hundon.

Please phone the Administrator, Bernard Beer on 07899-922418 or 01440-786942 if you need any further information.

- Bernard Beer

Faces of Hundon

Not just faces, but feet too - as this month we meet Alison Law and some of the dancers from The Ballet Shoe Workshop.



Alison Law moved to Hundon with her parents when she was 13, and has been dancing since she was about 8, studying at the José Titlow school of dancing, and then the Jandor in Cambridge. She set up The Ballet Shoe Workshop in Hundon, in 1992, after earning her teaching qualification, starting with just 10 students:

“It was very, very quiet to start with, and I only taught ballet, but a few years later I qualified in freestyle and classes really picked up. There was a lot more interest on the freestyle side, now it's about equal - but the majority of children that do ballet also do freestyle, it's their choice, but I don't have many that do just ballet or just freestyle.

We do an annual Christmas performance, which is a story that we write each year, and that's done at the Arts Centre in Haverhill, just purely because this stage [Hundon Village Hall] is not big enough for the number of children, and plus there really isn't anywhere to get changed anymore. Twice a year we have exam sessions, in March and in June, when IDTA examiners come to examine the children to a set syllabus, and then we have a Summer presentation in July which is usually when they get their awards and certificates, but in terms of a big performance we only set one a year. Sometimes we get invited to Fêtes, which the children love to perform at.

The most important thing to me is the enthusiasm of the children, and the parents, their input, especially at Christmas show time just keeps me and my daughter going. My daughter helps me write the stories for the Christmas shows - so that's one of my favourite things about the year. The exams are nice because the children have something to work towards and it's a goal they set themselves, so it's good personal achievement, but the Christmas show, they just bring it alive, they

really do, it's fabulous to watch - especially the little 3 year olds when they're doing the finale - they sing their hearts out, and they must be absolutely shattered, because they've done one show on Saturday, and the two on the Sunday, and some of them are only 3. Without the children's enthusiasm, and the parent's, it wouldn't be anything. So that's really a favourite time of the year.

I would like to mention my parents, only because without them it wouldn't have happen, firstly from them sending me to dance when I was younger, but secondly, up until Covid they helped me every single Wednesday, and every single Saturday. Especially my mum, Jean. Covid has made me come in to this century, so I've had to do more things online, but before, she'd be writing out the receipts, doing the admin, and helping all the parents with shoes, and sewing, and that sort of thing. I wouldn't know one end of the needle from the other, so her and my sister have made costumes, and my Dad, Roy, used to make all the props. Covid forced them to take a bit of a backseat, but I would like to mention them, and also my daughter, Stephanie. She started dancing with me when she was 3, went off to university, came back for a couple of years, and now is up North, but again, without her help, especially at Christmas show time, when I 'm having a melt-down, usually over something technical, she'll be on the end of the phone helping me dissect what I think is a massive issue. Again, I don't know how I'd cope, so my family are really, really important to me, and have supported me throughout this. Even my husband and son, though they haven't been a part of it, they know Wednesday and Saturdays don't exist in our household - without them supporting that, it wouldn't happen.”



I caught up with some of the Wednesday students for a brief chat before their class started. Nirvana suggested someone had been dancing for 300 years! but most of the girls I spoke to today were 7 years old and had been dancing for about 4 years. The favourite dance move in this class was definitely the Pony Gallops, which was elegantly demonstrated by a couple of students, while Daphne told us she likes the energetic warm-ups, and Luna likes the skipping best. Daisy has been dancing since she was 3 years old, and says that it's really fun and hopes to be a dancer when she's older.



Our Junior Journalist, Holly Proud, interviewed some of the Ballet Shoe Workshop students in between their Saturday morning classes :

“ If you go past the village hall on a Saturday morning, or Wednesday evening, you’ll notice lots of cars in the car park, and lots of people going in and out. You might be wondering why this is. If you didn’t already know, I can tell you that it’s because of the Ballet Shoe Workshop, a school for children and young people who love to dance.

I went to this dance school myself when I was six and I loved it! But we thought that you would be interested in learning more about it from some of the dancers who go there now. I met with them on a Saturday morning and talked to them about what it’s like to go there.

First of all, I spoke to Willow, Katie, and Katie’s younger sister Hannah; aged 12, 13, and 10. I asked them what types of dances they do at the BSW and they all replied Ballet and Freestyle. Surprisingly none of them live in the village, so I asked why they chose to come to a dance school in Hundon instead of one more local in their area? Willow told me that her friend had recommended it to her, and Katie and Hannah told me that they had heard good things about it too. I also asked if they liked the village hall to dance in and they said yes.

I interviewed Quinn and Ivy next, both aged 10, and I was quite surprised to find out that Ivy had been coming to the BSW since she was 3! She told me that her mum put her in because she thought that she would enjoy it, and she has been going ever since. Quinn has been going for 3 years.

At the Ballet Shoe Workshop they do big performances in front of the parents, grandparents and anyone who wants to come and support, so I was interested to know if the students enjoyed showing off what they had been choreographing and practicing all year. I’m pleased to tell you that all of the dancers said (with great enthusiasm) that they did!

Lastly, I talked to 8-year-old Poppy. Poppy says that she really enjoys coming to dance because she loves to see her friends and she loves to dance. She lives in Hundon so it is a lot easier and quicker to come to dance on a Saturday morning, she also likes Hundon because she has a nice friend group here and I’m sure that because it is a small village they can get together quite often. Poppy likes doing the big shows for parents as well and she seemed very happy and cheerful when I interviewed her, which is always good to see!

I found it very interesting to hear about what The Ballet Shoe Workshop was like and how the dancers enjoyed it, and I hope you did as well! So, next time you pass the village hall on a Wednesday or Saturday you know that it is the day that the dancers are in there practicing their routines. And, if you know any children who love dance, you know where to go! ”



- By *Holly Proud*
Junior Journalist

The Ballet Shoe Workshop is currently accepting students for Beginners Ballet on Saturday mornings (ages 3 - 5 years), and taster sessions are FOC. For further details please contact Alison Law : 07821 197107 balletshoeworkshop@yahoo.co.uk



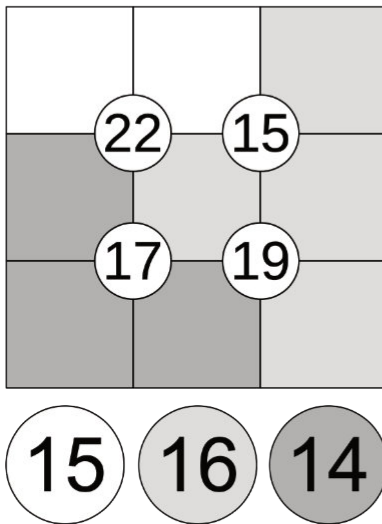
Kobayaashi's Puzzle Page!



Turn to page 13 for the solutions...

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More exclusive puzzles from the twisted mind of Mr Kobayaashi can be found on Amazon, or at kobayaashi.co.uk

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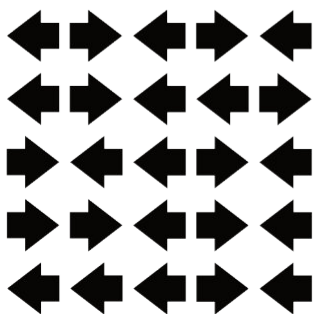
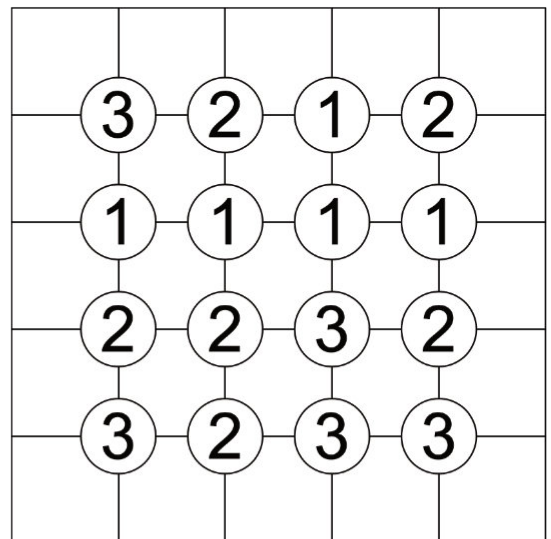
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The professor faced the class of eager biology students, and proclaimed “Beneath your arm joint, you will find your small instestine...”

(3 words)

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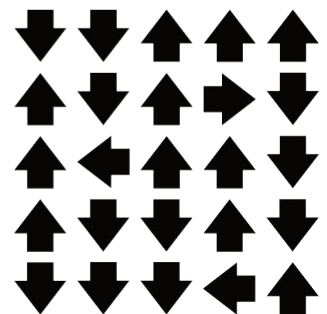
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90 Degrees Clockwise



Hundon Gardening Club 30th Annual Show

Sunday 24th MARCH
at the Village Hall

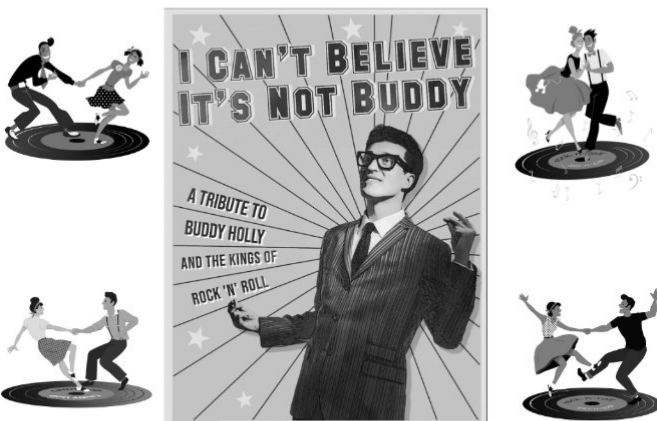
Doors open at 2 pm
Everyone Welcome

Refreshments
Raffle

Raffle of Hundon Artists Artwork
How many Easter Eggs in a jar?
Vote for your Best in Show



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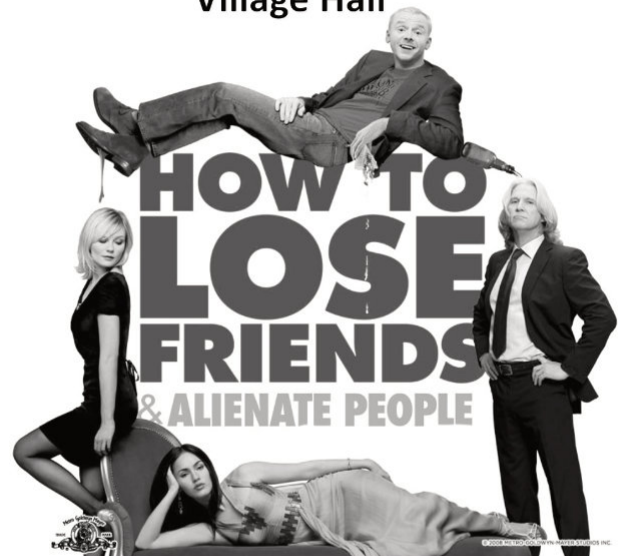


Saturday March 9th 2024

7:30pm till midnight
Ticket Price £10 per head

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FILM NIGHT at the Village Hall



Starring: Simon Pegg, Jeff Bridges, Megan Fox & Gillian Anderson

Friday 15th March

LICENSED BAR

Doors open 7.00pm – Entry £3.50 on the door – ALL WELCOME

**PLEASE NOTE—
THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE
PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED FILM**



Hundon Wine Club

At the Club's AGM in January, Chris Burford was unanimously appointed as Founder and Honorary Life President of the club following his retirement as Chairman at the end of 2023. I was appointed to replace him as Chairman and Charlie Olley has taken over as Treasurer.

Our March meeting will be held in the Village Hall on **Thursday 28th March starting at 8pm**. The members who paid a visit to Porto and the Douro Valley in Portugal last October will be presenting some of their favourite wines from the trip.

Looking ahead:

- in **April** our speaker will be Simon Lawson, a senior executive in the wine company which markets the well-known "[yellow tail]" wine brand (amongst others) in Europe
- in **May** we'll be sampling Brazilian wines
- and in **June** we'll be holding our annual wine tasting at the Broxted Estate hosted by Charles Ryder

If you'd like to know more about the Club or would like to attend the meeting on 28th March, please let me know.

- Andy Turner
Chairman & Secretary
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Allotment Field Update

What's happening on the allotment

The allotment field is as wet as I've ever seen it, so there's not a huge amount being done, apart from tidying up, shed building and generally getting ready for more spring-like weather! Most people have got their seed orders by now and may already have started seeds indoors. This month and next will, weather permitting, see allotment holders beavering away sowing and planting.

Are you looking for an opportunity

To support your community and local wildlife? If so, please consider becoming a member of the HATA team. You don't need to have an allotment to join us. We need a couple more committee members, but if that's not for you, we are also always looking for people to help maintain the allotment field; monitor wildlife and help with nature recovery plans for other green spaces in the village. If you are at all interested, give Fiona a call on 07740 823106.

Wassailing Celebration

We had hoped to hold this event on the 3rd March, but at the time of going to print, the field is the wettest we've ever seen it. There is standing water in the fruit and vegetable beds at the top of the allotment field, which demonstrates just how saturated the field is. And the forecast suggests rain virtually every day between now and then. We have therefore, reluctantly, decided we can't go ahead.

However, we will plan another event - maybe a mid-summer celebration, so that we can share the cider the community made last autumn!



BROXTED SOLAR COMMUNITY FUND

Advance notice of applications for funding

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all of you who give of your time helping with the organising and running of the many clubs and organisations in our village that in the next edition will be details to help in applying.

As many will know the Fund provides awards to help with the provision of activities considered to provide benefits for the community subject to qualifying criteria.

- David Rowlinson
Chairman



**HUNDON
COMMUNITY CAFE**



**OPEN THURSDAYS
2PM - 4PM**

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Kedington Community Centre Market

First Sunday of the month

9:30am - 12:00pm

Foods * Crafts * Café

3rd March; 7th April; 5th May; 2nd June; 7th July;

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Wickhambrook Farmers Market

Second Sunday of the month

9:30am - 12:00pm

At the Memorial Social Center

10th March; 14th April; 12th May; 9th June; 14th July

website : <https://wickhambrook.org>

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Clare Monthly Market

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World Poetry Day · 21st March

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BY WILLOW CORNELL



The soft moss of summer is now blanketed
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the fallen civilisation of ferns and pine
needles
the path a rusty stain
snapping like ice beneath my boots.
The Birch tree's eyes, black and many, stare
around me
or maybe through me; a stranger in this land.
Mushrooms wrinkled around the edges
like ledges for tiny toed creatures, jut from
the trunks.
A damp and blackened stump smacks me in
the boot
and shows me the slimy fellows that protrude
from its base.
The forest knows I love to photograph it,
to treasure it; sometimes collect it.
A twig cracks the inspection
but no cause reveals itself.
I am blinded by the rows of bark,
ever expanding, seemingly multiplying
with every step.
Over the hill and not so far away- a river
curving silently out of sight into the grey sky
it mirrors.
The sandy slope to its stagnant edge
collapses under me
as I clumsily seek the stillness of the water.
The distant murmur of the road intrudes and
the call of the wind drags me wilfully
back to the silent womb full of life.

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The Happy Axolotl by Mr Kobayaashi

One day, while walking on the beach,
I came across a bottle
and there inside, to my surprise,
I saw an axolotl!
It looked at me with bright blue eyes,
and then it smiled right at me,
O what a wondrous thing to see
an axolotl happy!

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"I wrote this one about thirty years ago and it's about a memory I have of being about 8 years old when we first moved to Suffolk and lived in a wonderful old farmhouse, very, very old (foundations were mentioned in the Domesday book)... and to a young child it was very, very creepy.

I hated going up to the toilet after dark and would sit at the bottom of the stairs for ages. Finally at some point my mother would come across me and then she'd take me up, where upon I would sit with little legs dangling and feeling relieved."

Memories of 'Tuffields'

By Di Ance

(an 8 year old in a very old house)

It's dark at the top, so hushed I must keep,
alone at the bottom of this flight so steep.

Sitting with knees tucked under my chin,
not daring to breathe, my heart pounding within.
It's a dangerous journey to the top, for who knows,
of the things in the dark that await she who goes.

My little fingers tracing wallpaper flowers,
while alone in this gloom for seemingly hours.

Then a blinding light hits with a click and rush,
and suddenly I'm sucked from my lonely hush.

Her long arm easily reached for the switch,
and those ghosts and monsters are gone with a flick.

My eyes are shut tight and my head turned away,
from the piercing bright? Or what she might say?
"Oh for goodness sake, haven't you been?
You're the silliest child I've ever seen"

I follow her upward with courage and glee,
with my mum by my side those ghosts can't get me!
Then I smile in my head as I gaze at her feet,
and my legs at last dangling over the toilet seat.

"If we were asked what is our favourite poem, mine would be Omar Khayyam's Rubaiyat, Edward Fitzgerald's translation. Fun fact, Edward Fitzgerald was born near Woodbridge Suffolk and had strong associations with Bury St Edmunds and Cambridge.

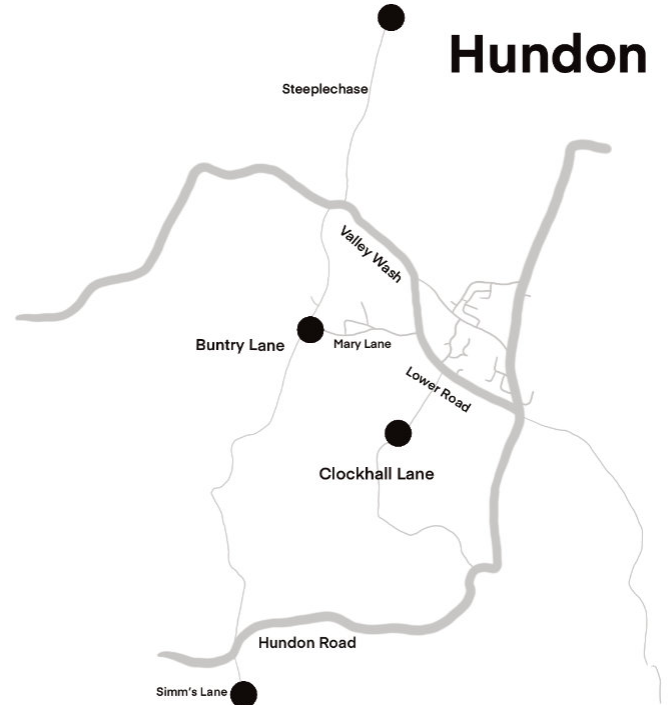
When I was poorly as a child, my father would recite the Rubaiyat, he had a very gentle and comforting voice. And when he was dying in hospital I would recite it to him. Cherished memories eh...."

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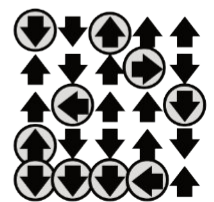
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Haverhill & District Twin Town Association



On Monday 19th February the Haverhill & District Twin Towns Association (HTTA) held their AGM at Hundon Village Hall. Once the paperwork was 'out of the way' over 40 people participated in a free 'Wine & Cheese' tasting evening. Chris Burford (Hundon resident and HTTA committee member sourced the Wine and a cheese to match those wines. The feedback from the evening was overall good and we look forward to chasing up the guests that were enquiring about membership to the HTTA.

On 27th February, four committee members will welcome thirty-eight students from Notre Dame College in Pont Saint Esprit (our twin town in France). The students will be in London on a cultural educational visit. They will be hosted for the day in Haverhill by Samuel Ward Academy and Castle Manor Academy where they will join in with English students for the morning in lessons and sports activities. After lunch, the English and French students will be treated to a private viewing of the film 'Wonka' at the Haverhill Arts Centre; they will get to meet the Haverhill Town Mayor (Cllr Dave Smith) and a guided tour of the historic building. We are all extremely excited about this fantastic opportunity to collaborate with schools from our Twin Towns and partnerships with the Academies in Haverhill. We hope that friendships will flourish after this visit.

The HTTA will be holding a Quiz night on Friday 15th March. This will be held at Kedington community Centre. A big thankyou to Dave Rinaldi who will be our quizmaster with his assistant Peter Wilkens - it would be hard to do it without these lovely gents. For more information on this please email the secretary on twintownhaverhill@gmail.com

HTTA calendar of events

- **March** - Quiz night Friday 15th March. £10 & £12 entrance fee includes supper from Smart Fish Bar at Kedington Community Centre
- **April** - French Themed Dinner and Dance, Dancing to Emma & The Dinosaurs. £23 & £25 entrance fee includes a French Themed 3 course meal at Kedington Community Centre

- **May/June** - German trip 29th May - 2nd June (Flights Booked from Stansted for less than £160:00 per person)
- **July** - Tuesday 16th July, Summer lunch, at Hundon Rose & Crown **TBC**
- **August** – 16th – 20th August; Visitors from France, could you ? would you be willing to host? Dates **TBC**

Our calendar of events are always wholesome fun, extremely popular and attended by many people from Haverhill and surrounding villages.

If you would like more information about any of the above functions please feel free to contact the secretary on twintownhaverhill@gmail.com

and finally

If you know anyone who is interested in any of the above, please feel free to share.

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Hundon Gardening Club

Newsletter March 2024

Thursday February 15th We welcomed several visitors to our Freebie Taster Evening with Simon White, from Peter Beales introducing us to 'Gardens of East Anglia'. An entertaining speaker with a lovely Norfolk accent. He brought with him lots of barefoot roses, pots of flowering tête-à-tête narcissus, together with other bulbs and plants. He demonstrated gardening tools etc so we had a lovely shop later! I have the list of gardens so if anyone would like a copy please contact me on: janet_hgc@icloud.com. 01440 786554.

Thursday March 21st - A return visit from Geoff Hodge who will talk on 'Grow your Own'. 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, refreshments free, raffle extra. Members £2.50, visitors £4.

Sunday 24th March - 30th Annual Gardening Club Show (see column to the right for details).

Thursday 18th April - Following the hard work of the show we will be welcoming back Chris Burford for an evening of Food and Wine Matching. Tickets will be on sale at our next meeting above, Geoff Hodge on 21st March. £5.50 for members, guests £7.00.

Thursday 16th May - "I am a tulip what are you?" With Jacqueline Aviolet. 7.30 pm at the village Hall, refreshments free, raffle extra. Members £2.50 visitors £4.

This year we have a Big Speaker Meeting on **Saturday 5th October**, we will be welcoming Christine Walkden talking about The Life and Times of a Gardener.



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- Janet Burrows



30th Annual Gardening Club Show Sunday 24th - 30th March 2024

The theme for 2024 will be celebrating **Spring and Easter**. We hope you will find something of interest to enter into the show, our first Spring Show.

Show Schedules are now available in the Village Shop, and at the Community Cafe on Thursday afternoons.

Please note : if you have already picked up a schedule I unfortunately omitted **Class 26 - 'The most fragrant find in your garden'**. Regulars to the show will know one of our classes is 'most scented rose' so this is the replacement. There are so many very fragrant shrubs in the winter garden.

- Janet Burrows

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John came along armed with facts, figures, photos of the river, and even sang a couple of verses of a folk song about the pronunciation of "Stour", which depends on whether you're from Essex or Suffolk. John's talk was both interesting and entertaining.



It seems a lot of people, young and old alike, enjoy messing about on the river, especially during the warmer months! The scouts, the rowing & canoe club, paddleboarders, as well as school groups, all make good use of the river. There is also plenty of opportunity to meander along the river on one of the many boat trips run by the trust. Some ladies, from Sudbury WI, even took a photo of their "afternoon tea" in the river, which was in support of the Clean River campaign.



Knowing that the river is safe enough to swim in will surely be a bonus for all. Even I might be tempted to take the plunge this summer!

Our next meeting, on 14th March, will see the return of Chris Burford when he will be pairing (and hopefully sharing) cheese & wine with us.

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Hundon Football Club News

As you can all probably see we have started work on the football clubs new dressing rooms and are continuing to push forward with the footings our new facility working closely with the Village Hall and parish council committee. The club is moving in the right direction, and we can't wait to bring football home next season.

Football at Hundon FC 2023/24

With both sides struggling on the pitch currently we as a club are really working hard off the pitch to be able to offer lovely facilities for the new season ahead and all sporty individuals within the village.

Sponsorship

We are looking for local people and businesses to sponsor the football club if you would be interested or know someone that would please do drop us a line on the details below.

We would also like to thank our current kit sponsor "Daily Market Movements" for their sponsorship for this season. We hope to tie down a continuation of sponsorship from DMM for another season, but we are still also looking to add some more local businesses to our club.

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers that will bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the club, we are looking at having some social events and would like people from the village to get involved. Being part of the football club committee gives the village the opportunity to help enhance the possibility of continuing the football clubs' values that have been present for over 100 years. We have various other opportunities for roles within the football club like a social events organiser, committee member, club secretary, social media co-ordinator, match-day helper/s and match-day physio/first aider. All these roles are volunteered positions, but I assure you it's very satisfying knowing your involved in the village football club and helping lots of people along the way.

Youth Football

We as a club have been looking into starting a children's football team playing within the village. We are unsure of what age groups we will have at present; this will obviously depend on interest from the local community. We would also like to ask if there would be anyone interested in stepping forward to manage the children's team,

We as a club will obviously do the relevant checks and make sure that the person that runs the team get the full backing from the club with regards to coaching badges, kit & Equipment required etc. We would need to organise which league and area we will play in ASAP when we know which age group we are looking to add to the club. Please get in touch :

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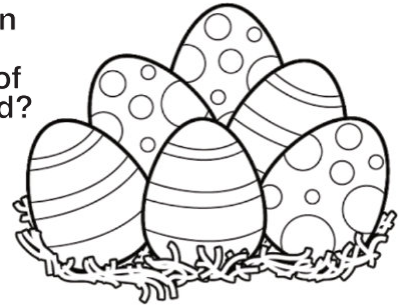
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The Park is a delight at any time of the year, but it has a special magic in spring, when signs of new life are all around us. Snowdrops abound on the motte, and other woodland flowers bloom before the trees come into leaf and shade them out.



On the theme of new beginnings, we are hosting a number of new activities in the Park this year, as well as seeing the return of some old favourites. On 9th March we welcome Wonky Wheel Makers' Market to the Old Goods Shed for the first time, for a day of fine art and contemporary crafts. The following Saturday, 16th March, is an opportunity to don walking boots and head out into the countryside for a gentle 4.5m walk from the Park with Clare Walks Group. We round off the month with our ever popular Easter trail, which runs from 29th March to 7th April.

Other new activities for the year include folk music, art workshops, a ceramics exhibition, orienteering for all ages, a very special Harry Potter challenge, painting in the park, brass on the grass with the Melford Silver band and a day of dragonflies, pond-life and mini beasts. In addition we have numerous "pre-loved" activities planned, from guided historical tours, outdoor theatre and art exhibitions to children's trails and crafts, walks, vintage car meets, Party in the Park, community information events and more.

On Saturday 20th April we'll be opening the Old Goods Shed from 11am to 12.30pm for a volunteer information event. If you're interested in the Park and how it is run, do come along to



meet some of the trustees and other volunteers. Whether your interest is in ecology, history, railways, gardening or hosting activities, there'll be information and people available to chat to over a coffee.

If you'd like the full list of activities, take a look at our website clarecastlecountrypark.co.uk/2024activities, follow us on Facebook @clarecastlecountryparktrust, sign up to our newsletter at <https://clarecastlecountrypark.co.uk/contact-us/> call us on 01787 277902 (answerphone – leave a number and we'll call you back) or visit us at the visitor centre or Park office. The visitor centre is open Friday to Sunday and the office is open on Wednesday mornings from 10am to 12pm and at other times by arrangement, so there are lots of ways to get in touch.

Whether you're after fresh air, exercise or relaxation, or simply somewhere to walk that isn't too muddy, our 40 acres, rivers, ponds, play areas, information boards and trails are available to enjoy every day of the year. We look forward to seeing you here soon.

*Julia Burge
Administrator, Clare Castle Country Park Trust*

Join us for a day of fine art and contemporary crafts where you will be supporting local professional artists in their medium of creativity

The Old Goods Shed

Malting Lane, Clare, Sudbury CO10 8NW



free entry

Saturday 9th March 2024

11am to 4pm

www.wonky-wheel.co.uk

“What Mrs Vera Cutts Remembers”

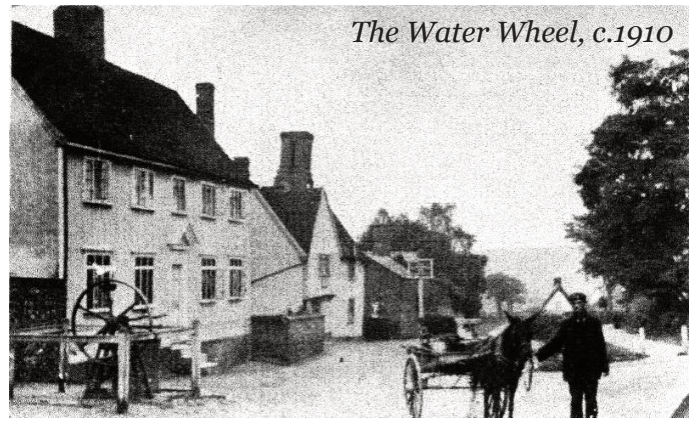
During a 1989 Village Study of Hundon, I asked Vera Cutts (who, at the time of the interview, had lived in Hundon for 62 years) what she remembered about growing up in Hundon :



Vera Cutts (left) and colleagues.

“ I remember there being at least ten shops. There was the Cobblers, which was on the left of the workhouse yard, the Newsagents, the Watchmakers, and the Butchers. The Coal Merchant lived on Lower Road, in the house which is now called Oak Cottage. There was also a Cycle Shop, a General Stores, a Bakers, which baked his bread in a faggots oven. The Bakers was opposite the Garage, which wasn't there at the time. At the bottom of Steeplechase was a shop called Smiths Corner Shop. There was also a Post Office which was run by my Mother. She was First World War Post Mistress for sixty five years. The Mace and Post Office which are in the village now (1989), were not there then. The Butcher used to slaughter his own cattle, and one day I heard him crying for help. Someone went to find out why and it was because one of his cows had pinned him up against his wall. He was rescued but did not live for very long afterwards, and soon died. He had been crushed as he was pinned against the wall.

A horse and cart used to come and take your tins that you didn't need any more. The rubbish tip for them was where two houses have recently been built. It was called Depples Rubbish Tip and was somewhere on the Lower Road. You also had a Milk Cart, but it was not driven by a horse. The cart was petrol driven and the dairy men were called Mr Parks and Mr Obells. The post was sorted in Hundon and then delivered by people on bikes, and on Christmas Eve you used to get given drinks at almost every house you delivered to. One young man went slightly queer and fell in the river. All his mail was drenched and somebody had to rescue all of the mail and deliver the remaining parcels and letters. He was cleaned up and taken home. The Post Office had to be told he was ill, otherwise he would have lost his job.



Hundon had its water supply next to the Church, on the pavement. It was a water wheel and standpipe and that is where the villagers got their water from. We were quite lucky and had our own well, which we got our washing water from. It was in our garden. If you didn't have a phone there was always one in the Post Office that my Mother ran. One day a man complained to us because his conversation was overheard. My Mother said it was pretty hard for the customers not to hear if he was going to use the village phone and he should get his own if he was so worried about his phone calls being overheard. Hundon didn't have electricity until about forty years ago.

I have heard people today say that there was not a Blacksmith in our village and I would reply "Rubbish, my Grandfather used to be the village Blacksmith up at Hundon Hall corner. We used to go and watch him at work."

A lot of roads and streets were named after farms and people who had done a lot for Hundon, so in a way they were Hundon's famous people. Today's famous person is Michael Chinery, the Broadcaster and Naturalist who lives down Windmill Rise at the house called Mousehole. I expect he chose the name for it. Windmill Rise is called Windmill Rise because there used to be a windmill there. It isn't there any more. Rogerons Close was named after Thomas Rogeron, and Armstrong Close was named after Winifred Armstrong, daughter of the Reverend at that time. Winifred was also a very good Councillor.



The Organ in the Church used to be pumped at the back, and my Mother used to pump the organ. Now the organ is run by electricity. I remember that not long ago a young man came to Hundon and was fascinated by it. He said "What is a fine organ like this doing in this little village church?" He wanted to play the organ very much.

Another thing that surprised a visitor is our porch. Our Church was the only Church for miles around that had a Galilee porch.

I remember there being a great large fire in Hundon church. It was in the middle between the two doors, the North door and the South door. The only trouble with this was when it was windy the heat went out through the other door, and so it didn't really keep the Church very warm. Now the Church has electric heating and it keeps the Church warmer.



The Cock Inn, 1926

There were a lot of pubs in Hundon then. There was the Red House, The Cock, (which was pulled down along with Chocks Farm and about three houses when Stradishall airfield was made in the Second World War. It could not be called Hundon airfield because it sounded too much like Hendon airfield, and the pilots would have been confused). The White Horse, Red Lion, Thatchers Cottage (which was really a brew house), The Three Horses, The Rose and Crown, The Plough, The Shovel (which didn't start off as the Shovel), and a lot more.



The White Horse Inn, c.1950

There were more amenities then than there are now. The building next to Mace used to be a Billiard room and Reading room. Quite a lot of people used to go there and while the men played billiards the ladies read books.



The Village Stores & Post Office, 1989

The Village Hall was built by voluntary workers and took three years to build. It was opened in the early 1950s. It was blessed by the Vicar and it was opened with a whist drive and dance. The buses were more frequent then and the population was less. The War Memorial was moved about 30 years ago from the bottom of North Street to the Church Yard.

The fields used to be cut by binders and then Horse and Carts took the bundles away. It used to be fun playing in the fields and on the bundles.

I remember an old lady who lived in the village and was slightly deaf. My Mother once sent me with a telegram to give her. When I arrived she was playing the piano and had her hearing aid turned off. I tapped on the window but she didn't hear me. In the end she turned around, she must have noticed my shadow. When she answered the door she asked if I liked the piece. I said yes and she told me that she would play it every time I came over to see her. One day she bought out some warm bread and thickly spread it with peanut butter. I didn't like it and hoped that she wouldn't give it to me any more.

People were more friendly then, and always used to talk to you as you walked down the streets. I think it was nicer then, even though you had to work harder. People never grumbled then and you nearly all lived very happily. It was quite a thriving village even though the population is more now. 99

- **Vera Cutts** (Died 19th March 1995, aged 74)

Taken from a 1989 Village Study by Gillie Robson



Historical Hundon

Do you have any memories or photos of Hundon to share?

Do you have an interest in local history?
Are you looking to meet up with others to share and discover the history of Hundon and surrounding areas?



Please get in touch with the Editor :
HundonHerald@post.com (contact info on p2).

HUNDON PARISH COUNCIL

Full Minutes will be available on the Hundon Parish Council Website

Hundon Parish Council met on Wednesday 21st February 2024 at 7:30 pm, Social Club, Village Hall, Hundon

Village Matters

Please remember members of the public can report any highways issues via the reporting tool at Suffolk County Council, if you can provide photos of the concerns and the exact location of the issue to support the submission.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-and-pavements-and-verges/report-a-highways-issue/>

Football Club Changing Rooms – Work has started on the changing rooms and will continue into the summer.

Flooding in the village – The Parish Council are continuing to liaise with Suffolk County Council about the Section 19 investigation. This investigation will take some time, as there are other areas to be investigated first.

Grant Applications – The Parish Council is able offer grants to organisations in the village. Please see the grant application information on the Parish Council website. <http://hundon.onesuffolk.net/grants/>

Planning Applications

These can be viewed via West Suffolk Council. A full list of applications received will be published on the Hundon Parish Council website.

DC/23/1879/FUL - All Saints Church North Street Hundon Suffolk CO10 8ED

Planning application - siting of mobile toilet with pedestrian access and screening
Situating at the back of the church.

Comments – The Parish Council agree that the Church requires suitable toilets, but do not feel this is a long-term solution to the issue.

DC/24/0182/HH Cornfields - Cottage 2 Lower Road Hundon Suffolk CO10 8DZ

DC/24/0183/HH Cornfields - Cottage 2 Lower Road Hundon Suffolk CO10 8DZ

Householder planning application - partial demolition of garage/workshop

Comments – There are no objections to this planning application.

DC/24/0116/HH - Harrow Croft Brockley Green Hundon Sudbury Suffolk

front extensions (following demolition of potting shed) b. cladding c. change of roof finish d. changes to existing fenestration e. two detached outbuildings (following demolition of existing store)

Comments – There are no objections to this planning application.

Pending Applications

None

Application Decisions

None

Update from Suffolk County Council

- Cllr B Bennett is now the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People's Services.
- Cllr B Bennett was out in Hundon on 20th February trialling the new Suffolk Highways Dragon Patcher for repairing potholes. Cllr B Bennett said that she was impressed with the work. It can repair a pothole within 7 minutes, and these are guaranteed for 2 years.

Update from West Suffolk Council

Locality Funding

The local Councillors would like to remind the village that Locality Funding is available for projects or groups around the village. The minimum amount to be applied for is £100, with the maximum being £500.

West Suffolk Local Plan Consultation

The land at the end of Mill Lane has been allocated as a potential site for 10 houses within the West Suffolk Local Plan. You can comment on the consultation via <https://orlo.uk/yTAfh>. To find out more and how you can give your feedback. Alternatively you can email planning.policy@westsuffolk.gov.uk or phone 01284 757368.

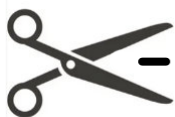
Elections for a Police and Crime Commissioner will be held on Thursday 2 May 2024

Minutes can be viewed on the Parish Council Website.

Next Meeting 20th March 2024 at 7:30pm, Hundon Social Club

- Amanda Parrett, Hundon Parish Clerk
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Useful Contacts In The Village Spring 2024



A handy 'cut out and keep' page (this page will not feature in every issue).

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The Rose & Crown : 01440 786261

The Hundon Plough : 01440 786789

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Hundon PCC -
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