

**HUTTON PARISH COUNCIL
HUTTON NEWS
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A QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL

HUTTON MAY DAY FETE 2010 — CAN YOU HELP?

We do need your help if the Fête is to continue, which in turn means the Village Hall can continue to be a well maintained and well equipped facility for all users. The members of Hutton Village Hall Management Committee have begun the preparations for this years fête which is to be held on Monday 3rd May but however hard we work, we are too few in numbers to do everything (some of our members have been doing it from the year we started and aren't that young any more) . We do have some May Day volunteers that we know we can rely on but we do need some new helpers and support.

Raffle – Can you or your place of work donate a prize? Can you sell any raffle tickets to your family, friends or work colleagues? Could you spare an hour or two to go on a rota to sell raffle tickets at Booths in Longton prior to May Day?

Programme – Do you own or run a business locally? Would you like to support us by advertising in our programme?

Donations – Lots of stalls would welcome your contribution – bric-a-brac, second-hand paperback books, plants and also cakes etc for refreshments. Prizes are needed for the tombola, bottle stall, raffle and children's games.

Running Stalls or Games – Can you help 'man' one of the various stalls, help in the kitchen or serve teas to the helpers on the day ? – the more helpers we have the easier and more enjoyable it is for everyone.

Setting Up – As much as possible is done prior to May Day especially on the preceding Sunday but it really is 'all hands on deck' on the Monday morning erecting tents, stalls etc. getting everything ready.

Clearing Up – This really is one of the hardest jobs (particularly if you have been on the field since early morning). Everything has to be dismantled and put away. The hall has to be cleaned and reinstated – it is used the following day.

What can you do to ensure this years fête is a success, don't rely on others, join them, however small or large your assistance it will be greatly appreciated and will be of benefit to the community of Hutton and beyond. Any member of the management committee will be pleased to hear from you including the following: Sue/Paul Hamilton 616959 Barbara Baller 611471 Dennis Edwards 612115 Morag Nuttall 617483

Whatever your response please invite your family and friends to come along to

HUTTON VILLAGE FETE ON MONDAY 3RD MAY FROM 1.30PM

ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

More road safety improvements, as identified in Hutton Village Plan following extensive consultation in the parish, are under detailed consideration. Lancashire County Council (LCC) have allocated funding for a pedestrian crossing near the Anchor Inn and hopefully also for dropped kerbs along Liverpool Road. Formal consultations are currently ongoing and a final decision is expected by the LCC Lancashire Local Committee shortly.

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

The daughter of the clerk who has compiled Hutton News for the last few years has gone to university and is no longer able to continue with the task. Your Council is committed to continuing with this quarterly Newsletter and maintaining open communications between themselves and the electorate. With this in mind we are now looking for a 'local' person to take responsibility for its 'production' which includes writing and editing articles, designing the layout, generally liaising with local groups to obtain copy and producing a final version in an appropriate publishing software to submit to the printer.

IF YOU HAVE ICT SKILLS, A FEW SPARE HOURS PER QUARTER AND AN INTEREST IN LOCAL AFFAIRS PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR MORE INFORMATION (A SMALL HONORARIUM WILL BE PAID TO THE SELECTED CANDIDATE)

BOOKING THE VILLAGE HALL

As well as the regular group activities the Village Hall is available for private functions such as meetings, birthdays and anniversaries. The hall has a well equipped kitchen, stage facilities and a licensed bar is available by request. For further information please ring 07964750783.



HUTTON VILLAGE HALL SUPPORTERS CLUB

Winning Numbers since the last Newsletter:

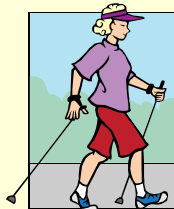
November 2009 (67 & 1)
December 2009 (148 & 225)
January 2010 (39 & 26)



Are you supporting this valuable resource for the hall. About 100 of you did last year and helped to raise much needed funds for the hall. The 2010 year has just begun (the year runs February 2010 to January 2011) so our subscriptions of £12 per year are due. We hope that all present members (some of you have been with us from the beginning 28 years ago) will continue to support the hall in this way and that others particularly those who regularly use the hall themselves or whose children benefit from it might consider joining. Each member is allocated a draw number which is entered into a monthly draw, there are two winners chosen at random each month. Current prizes are £30 1st prize and £20 2nd prize.

If you would like to renew your subscription or would like to become a member please let the treasurer or your usual collector have your subscription. Many thanks to all who continue to support the hall in this way.

Treasurer - Mrs Barbara Baller 7 Stryands Hutton PR4 5HD Tel 01772 611471



FAMILY WALKING CLUB

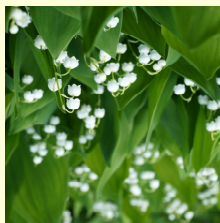
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FORTHCOMING WALKS

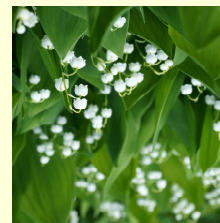
(all 4 mile Sunday Strolls begin at relevant car parking at 2pm)

- 4th April Thieveley Pike nr Burnley GR852279. Meet 10am for 8-9 miles easy/moderate walk. Start from J9 M65 follow signs to Halifax A679/A646 then turn right onto A682 Manchester Rd. After 200yds turn left onto Crown Point Road signed to the Panopticon. Drive past Crown Point Car Park (Singing Ringing Tree) & in approx ½ mile park on the left of road in a very long lay-by.
- 11th April Sunday Stroll – Downham/Chatburn meeting at Downham Car Park led by Sheila & Jackie
- 2nd May Earby. Park at The White Lion Pub GR909466. Leave Earby for a walk into Thornton in Craven - then onwards and upwards to Pinhaw Beacon and Elsack Moor, passing Robert Wilson's grave. A delightful open countryside walk of approx 10 miles. Leaders Barbara & Dave

HUTTON GARDEN CLUB FORTHCOMING MEETINGS



- April 15th - Clematis Viticella - Richard Hodson
- May 20th - Arranging the Garden - Jacqueline Iddon
- June 17th - Garden Visit
- July 15th - Garden Visit



HUTTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings are held @ Hutton Village Hall at 7.30p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, annual fee £7, but visitors are welcome at each meeting. Contact: Hon. Sec.744978



Apr 6th: Stephen Halliwell: My Work as a Local Historian Detective

May 4th: Robert Rushton: Milestones in Mapping

June 1st: Dr. David Hunt: Arkwright in Preston

June 29th: Visit to Alston Hall: Dinner & Presentation:

COUNTRY MARKET DELIGHTS

March 19th saw the return of the Country Market at the WI Hall on School Lane, Longton. Now in its 30th year the market runs from March to December, when the market year ends with a spectacular Christmas Market. Each Friday a long queue wait patiently for the doors to open at 10.30am to reveal an array of goodies from local free range eggs, a good choice of savouries, cakes & biscuits which are all freshly made, local honey, jams and chutneys. It is best to come early as all the freshly made cakes are soon bought. In season fresh fruit and vegetables are for sale and a weekly plant and flower stall is provided. There are craft stalls selling hand made jewellery, wood crafts and knitted items such as jumpers and baby wear which can be ordered and made to your liking. On the outside car park is a fish van so you can treat yourself to a piece of fresh fish, freshly caught that day from Fleetwood. After your shopping you can sit down have a chat with friends and have a cup of coffee and a cake. The market closes at 12 noon. Although operated in Longton there are a number of people from Hutton who come along to purchase goods, assist with the organisation and supply home made produce such as bread, tomatoes and plants. More new members from Hutton, especially if they'd like to produce some baking and sell it at the market, are very welcome. If you are interested in joining or want more information please contact the market manager Edna Kerfoot on 01772 335164 who will be delighted to tell you all about it.



LONGTON WITH HUTTON FLOWER CLUB

Meetings take place every third Wednesday in the month apart from December (second Wednesday) @ 7.30pm in Hutton Village Hall.

For further information contact Josie 01772 745742

21st April - The World of Entertainment - Joan Medder

19th May - Ancient & Modern - Ken Watson

16th June - Magic Box - Pat Murphy

21st July - Summer Evening Glow - Vivien Bolton



PLANNING APPLICATION UP DATE

The Orchard Farm application for a 'change of use' was still being considered at the time of composing this report. Delays in determination have recently occurred whilst road traffic counts were taken on Ratten Lane which will hopefully help to inform the eventual decision. The request for more traffic information was primarily as a result of a recent public meeting at which many residents voiced their concerns over road safety issues on some roads in the village and particularly Ratten Lane which seems to have suffered from an substantial increase in commercial traffic in recent years.

The Dungeon Farm application to undertake composting activities was finally agreed by LCC although an agreement requiring access to be made only through Skip Lane and not Ratten Lane should alleviate some concerns with regard to road traffic access issues.

The application for extended office facilities at the Police HQ has been given the go ahead by SRBC.

The application for a 'change of use' at 101 Liverpool Rd (corner Liverpool Rd & Tolsey Drive) which met with a number of objections relating to road safety issues, off road parking and local amenity nuisance was recently approved by SRBC subject to a number of conditions including opening hours, the undertaking of an odour assessment report and ventilation design approval. Full details of the permission are available from SRBC planning dept.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Parish Council will meet at 7.30 pm in Hutton Village Hall on the following date:

10 May 2010

This meeting will be the Annual Parish Council meeting at which the Chairman for the next 12 months will be elected. Prior to its commencement the Annual Parish Meeting which is a meeting of the electorate will take place.

WESTERN PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

The Western Parishes Area Committee meets every 3rd Monday in odd months of the year at 7.15pm at Hutton Village Hall on Moor Lane in Hutton. The next meeting is scheduled for:

Monday 17th May 2010

ARTICLES AND ADVERTISEMENTS FOR HUTTON NEWS

To ensure that your requested articles are in time for any edition please ensure that the timescales below are met.

March - 14th February

June - 17th May

September - 17th August

December - 16th November

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PARISH PRECEPT HELD AT LAST YEAR'S LEVEL

In the light of the difficult economic situation that we are all facing at the present time the Parish Council made a unanimous decision that it would hold the 2010/11 Precept at the same figure as last year. This will still allow the Council to continue with its efforts to improve the services and facilities in the village and undertake representation on those important issues that might affect the village particularly relating to planning and road safety issues. The Council remains mindful of its adoption of the 2007 Village Plan and will continue to monitor and develop actions as appropriate.

£5633.45 was raised by Longton and Hutton for the 2009 Poppy Day Appeal

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2010

At the time of writing the Parish Council are considering whether it would be appropriate to enter the competition again this year. It is fair to say that we were disappointed by some of the comments received last year and if we are to obtain a better overall score then we do need to take some actions. These cannot be done solely by the Parish Council, it has to be a village effort and that is where you come in either as a resident or business in the village. Your help is needed to supplement the work undertaken by the Parish Council Lengthsman in keeping the village tidy. Most gardens and public areas were reported as being well kept however there were some exceptions - let's do all we can to present the village at its best this year. The Parish Council will continue to clean bus shelters, undertake additional general litter picks and assist around the village hall and playground. We do however need your support, help us to help you make Hutton a clean and tidy place to live - you never know we may win a prize!!