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Hatton Life



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**Well, another amazing year for**

**community life in Hatton has flown by!**

The level of activities, new events and those wanting to volunteer in 2016 has been amazing! Old favourites continue to be popular, the Lunches, the Fun Day, our Film Club, Halloween and rail trips across the British Isles have all brought enjoyment throughout the year. Newcomers, such as the Easter Hunt and Hats On Festival whet our appetite for a busy 2017.

We have brought new speed and weight restrictions to our roads and re-ignited our Rural Watch, with many of us now receiving valuable updates from Cheshire Police. Our environment has seen many initiatives, as illustrated by their feature this month.

This year was first for Hatton at the Cheshire Community Action Awards; winning the Best Kept Village Award (under 400 population) and a winning performance for our Website, which, with Hatton Life and the new noticeboard keeps us entertained and informed.

What absolutely shone through in 2016 was our sense of community, with so many of you helping and/or participating in so many different activities. That led to our Community Spirit being recognised by Cheshire Community Action with their ‘Highly Commended Award’.

Our success brought us to the attention of Cheshire Life, who visited the village with a view to producing an article on Hatton in the January Edition – tell your friends we are famous!

*On behalf of the members of the Hatton Parish Council and Hatton Village Plan Implementation Group we wish you all a very enjoyable Festive Time. We would also thank them and all those who have volunteered this year to bring such an amazing sense of community to our Village.*

***Happy Christmas!***

Roger Dickin                                              Margaret Winstanley

Chair Chair

Hatton Village Plan Implementation Group Parish Council

**Residents’ Christmas lunch**

The **Hatton Residents Christmas Party** will be held on **Tuesday 13th December** at the Hatton starting at 12.15pm.

There will be a 3 course Christmas menu for the bargain price of £12.00 per head from which will be deducted the usual subsidy.

It will be a good old fashioned party so please come along and join the fun and bring your friends and neighbours all are welcome.

The more the merrier!

*Please advise* ***Robin Brocklehurst*** *on 730030 by 5.00pm* ***Sunday the 10th December*** *if you are attending.*

**CAROL SINGING around Hatton**

**On Wednesday 14th December**

Meet at 6.00pm at the Gosling Close bench.

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Everyone welcome to join in the traditional ‘singing’ trip around the village. **Song sheets provided**. Every voice welcome, good or not so good! The more voices- the better the entertainment and the more fun to be had. The charity collection will be for Care UK- The Rucksack Project

**CREAMFIELDS FEEDBACK MEETING**

**Lewis Carroll Centre 7.30pm**

**TUES 29TH NOVEMBER**

Creamfields organisers and Police will be at a meeting, listening to feedback about this year’s event and discussing ways of improving communication for future years. Some members of the Parish Council will be attending. In order to get an idea on numbers please let me know if you will be attending personally or if you would like any feedback passed on, on your behalf, please email to mwinstanley21@gmail.com

**Our village is being featured in the**

**January issue of**

**Cheshire Life magazine!**

***Order your January copy NOW!***

On sale in all good newsagents and supermarkets from 24th December

Thanks to all the people who attended a **FILM NIGHT** in 2016 and a special big thank you to

**Mark, Gina & staff** for allowing

**The Hatton Pub & Grill as our venue**

We’ve had some superb films during the year and it is a great pleasure to see so many people enjoying themselves.

In 2017 our aim again is to bring you ‘Classics’ as well as the very latest releases.

**\*\*Monday 5th December\*\***

**Our Kind of Traitor**

Based on the novel by John Le Carre

Stars Ewan McGregor and Damian Lewis

**Everyone welcome**

**Admission is FREE!**

**ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS**

Villagers will be aware that Hatton won the **Best Kept Village** **Award in** the under 400 residents category this year. That success is the result of individual villagers ensuring that their gardens and adjoining areas are kept tidy and colourful. Additionally, we have a number of residents who carry out on-going work around the village throughout the year.

Firstly, a big thank you to our team of **litter pickers**. They regularly walk their designated areas to ensure that we are free from litter. We receive many positive comments about the lack of litter in the village, but we still have to tidy up after the random car drivers who persist in throwing items out of their windows.

Secondly, thanks to our **maintenance team** who keep the verges in the centre of the village looking neat throughout the year. We have also had the shrubs on the central verge pruned twice this summer adding to the well kept look.

Finally, our **gardening team** recently emptied the tubs of their summer planting and put in some winter plants. Eagle eyed residents will know that the number of tubs have now increased from 9 to 12 thanks to Richard Roseby who has made the two flower troughs situated on the recently turfed verge opposite the Hatton. If that was not enough, Richard has also made and positioned the flower trough on the notice board. Thanks to the gardening team who have undertaken many tasks through the year, and hopefully you will agree that the tubs have added colour to our dreary winter days.

**SINCERE THANKS TO YOU ALL**.

**H A T T O N F I L M C L U B**

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**HATTON HAPPENINGS**

**Saturday 3rd December**

**Day Trip to Liverpool**

**Monday 5th December**

**Hatton Film Club** 7.30 at Hatton Pub & Grill featuring

**Our Kind of Traitor**

**Tuesday 13th December**

**Residents’ Christmas Lunch**. See front page details

**Wednesday 14th December**

**Carol singing in the village** see front page for details

**Thursday 29th December**

**Village theatre Trip - Dick Whittington**

**The 2017 calendar of events is in the making! If you have a great idea for a Hatton event please share it at** **hattonvillage@gmail.com** **or better still, join the Community and Social Action Group and help to shape some great events for the whole village in 2017.**

**Think of your neighbours**

**this Christmas, and in 2017**

Whilst we are enjoying ourselves with family and friends others maybe experiencing loneliness. Chat to your neighbours....be sure everyone in Hatton sees a friendly face during the festivities. If you feel you can’t help but know of someone who you think might be experiencing loneliness contact us at hattonvillage@gmail.com and we will ensure a

 visit is made.

The Daresbury Church’s pastoral visiting team also offers friendship, listening, prayer and support to the bereaved, sick and lonely.

If a visit from the pastoral team would help you then please telephone the Vicar David Felix on 01925 740348/ 07778 859935 or Linda Mills on 07973 159928.

Or you can ring the Silverline Helpline FREE on

**0800 4 70 80 90**

**NEW ROLES FOR A NEW YEAR**

For more details on PC vacancies go to hattonvilllage.co.uk/news or email Margaret Winstanley on mwinstanley21@gmail.com.

If you have any comments, news, or suggestions you’d like to share with us then email hattonvillage@gmail.com. We’d love to hear from you....!

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