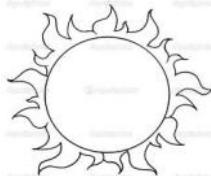




Newsletter

Summer 2013



HARA - Chair's Introduction

There was a collective sigh of relief on the afternoon of Friday 19th April when the temporary bridge was finally in place and four months of isolation came to an end for those living in the Hatton Farm Road area of the village. Work is now progressing on the preliminaries before starting construction of the permanent replacement bridge and current estimate for it being completed is the end of August. Fingers crossed folks!

The four months disruption and journeying on back roads in and out of the village seems to have brought out the best and worst in people. Thanks to all those who helped others with no access to transport and car shared etc to ease the hassle and thanks too to the Hall for the use of their car park! On the down side, some of the driving on the back roads was appalling and maybe suggests there's a need for a single track road element to the Driving Test. Strange how it was always drivers of large 4x4 vehicles who drove speedily past suitable passing places and sat in the middle of the road expecting others with smaller vehicles to drive off road on to the grass verge.

I don't believe for one minute that whoever thought up the idea of leafleting the cars in the Hall car park on April 1st with news of the impending installation of a "pay and display" system really thought people would be quite so gullible! Best April Fool prank I've come across in years. Unfortunately following it up a week later with fake news of a bridge crossing toll was back to the annoying nuisance level that some seemed to thrive on during the bridge disruption, spreading misinformation and adding to peoples confusion.

In the midst of all the bridge hassle we somehow managed to pick the right sunny weekend to hold what has become the annual Village Clean-Up and thanks to all the community spirited people who turned up to litterpick and give the village a much needed spring clean. There were the usual litter hot spots and obvious examples of litter blowing from recycling bins and from the fortnightly recycling collection but a lot of the litter is frankly deliberately dropped by residents of the village. Some things like bicycle frames don't usually get blown far by the wind! Time we all made a conscious effort to keep Hatton looking clean and tidy!

Sandy Allan, Chair



Work of HARA

HARA always welcomes new people who would like to join the committee or get involved with HARA. HARA relies on people giving up a small amount of time to support the work undertaken to make Hatton a great place to live in.

Currently HARA undertakes the following:

- Tool Library
- Notice Board Management
- Newsletter
- Litter Picks and Events
- Providing a voice for tenants and residents of Hatton and surrounding area

HARA's Recent Contributions:

- Fencing around recycling bins in Hatton
- Erection of Notice Board in Hatton
- Donations to other village groups
- Communications in relation to bridge repair
- Funding donation request for new tools for the Tool Library
- Litter pick up in April

If you can spare some time to help support HARA please feel free to contact any HARA member.

If you wish to contact the newsletter directly please email haranewsletter@gmail.com.

All monies collected in relation to adverts within the newsletter are used to fund the work of HARA.



HARA News

Hatton Bridge Update

The temporary bridge Is now open—Hooray!

News on the Permanent Bridge.

The work required to plan, design and procure the permanent bridge has been running in tandem with the work on the temporary crossing. The new replacement crossing will comprise a reinforced concrete box with span twice the size of the original crossing. Utilities will be diverted and on completion of this the existing crossing will be completely demolished and work will commence in preparing the site for the new replacement concrete structure. For further information please contact

bridges@aberdeenshire.gov.uk / 08456 081205

Please can people reduce their speed before driving across the temporary bridge to allow for oncoming vehicles to stop and for the safety of pedestrians on the bridge walkway.

Just a wee note to say that the notices put on cars at the hall and which appeared in various places in the village informing that pay and display machines were to be put up and that a 50p toll would be in operation on the bridge appears to have been an April Fool. The Village Hall, Aberdeenshire Council and HARA were not involved with this prank.

HARA Face Book page and Crudencommunity.net will be posting updates and information on the replacement bridge as and when they are received.

Hatton Gala

1st September

To be held at Hatton Public Hall

Stalls

Burgers

Teas

Music

Further items/stalls/entertainment to be confirmed

Please contact Michelle Beacom or Jo Baybut
(01779 841873) if you would like to volunteer, make
suggestions/donations, enter a stall or to
get involved.

Many thanks to Michelle for volunteering to get the Gala up
and running this year.

HARA Coming Events

Summer Event - 17th August 2013 (10-12)

AGM - 21st November 2013 (Evening)



Hatton History

HARA would like to include items of history relating to Hatton and the surrounding area and would be interested in any articles from local people.

Maybe you know about the old Simmers factory or the railway, or you live in a house or building which has some interest or history.

Please email your article to haranewsletter@gmail.com by the latest dates advised. (further on in the Newsletter)

If you have interesting photos please also include these, although they can only be accepted scanned into an email.

Litter Pick Up

A successful litter pick up took place on the 13th April.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who joined in and well done for making a huge difference to the appearance of the Village.

Come along to the next litter pick up and help your community to be proud of it's village, also fine pieces and soup and sweet available to all helpers.

Look out for further details.

(Photos by Fred Coutts, with thanks)



Profile of a HARA Member

Sandy Allan - Chair

- ◆ This is Sandy's second year in the hot seat as Chair of HARA, having previously served terms on the committee as Treasurer and Secretary. As someone who dabbles in electronics and computing, Sandy took on the role of Webmaster and is now Administrator of HARA's Facebook page and is currently acting keyholder for the Tool Library until someone else suitable volunteers and is appointed.
- ◆ Sandy first started coming along to HARA meetings in 1999 when he met his wife, Anne, and has been a full time resident of the village since they married in 2005. Anne had the larger house so when they got married Sandy gave up his previous home in Newmachar and moved into the house in Hatton Farm Gardens with her.
- ◆ When Sandy first came to the village in 1999 he was working for an oil exploration company and was actively involved as a tenant of Aberdeenshire Council in various tenant involvement initiatives. Following a company take-over Sandy was made redundant but soon found a job with the Council promoting tenant involvement in the Garioch & Formartine area— a very similar role to that he had been doing previously as a volunteer! He is now the Council's Tenant Participation Development Officer with an Aberdeenshire wide remit. Those readers who are Council tenants will know him from the quarterly Tenants Newsletter they receive that Sandy compiles with help from a tenant editorial team.
- ◆ Sandy has a long held interest in community matters and politics and from 2007 to 2012 was Chair of Cruden Community Council. He is a member of the Aberdeenshire Citizens Panel and is currently Chair of Buchan Community Safety Group.
- ◆ In his spare time (whatever that is – something that existed before Facebook!) Sandy enjoys hillwalking, reading, listening to music (he describes himself as an ageing hippie) and has had a lifelong interest in astronomy.
- ◆ Family history research is another passion.
- ◆ The role of Chairperson is not quite as arduous as people often think. There's the visible role as the Chair of committee and other meetings, making sure that the agenda is adhered to and everyone gets the opportunity to express their views and decisions are agreed. In the background prior to meetings the Chairperson discusses what should be on the agenda with the Secretary and afterwards checks any minute taken before it goes forward to the next meeting for approval. The other role of the Chairperson is as the main spokesperson for the group, welcoming guests at meetings, representing HARA to outside bodies, going along to community forums, etc.

Hatton Tool Library News

ALL HIRES ARE FOR A MAX 24 HOUR PERIOD

Rotivator	£5.00
Small flymo mower	£3.00
Large electric mower	£3.00
Petrol mower	£4.00
Electric strimmer	£3.50
Petrol strimmer (£2.50 for a top up)	£5.00
Trolley truck	£3.00
Carpet cleaner (only freshening, not deep cleaning)	£5.00
Wallpaper steamer	£5.00
Shovel / spade / hoe / fork / edge trimmer / shears	£0.50
Rake / Grass rake	£0.50
Post hole maker	£1.00
Manual rotivator	£1.00
Weeding tools	£0.50
Branch loppers	£1.00
Hose on a reel	£1.00
Garden roller	£2.00
Scarifier	£1.00
Hedge trimmer	£2.00
Leaf blower	£2.00
Extension cable	£1.00
Wheelbarrow	£2.00
Cement mixer	£5.00
27ft extending ladder	£3.00
Seed scatterer	£1.00
Litter pickers	FREE
BBQ	contact a member of HARA for details

Hatton Tool Library News

In relation to the request for a donation for funding the purchase of new tools for the Tool Library from PNE Wind UK. PNE Wind UK indicated that they would like to support the Tool Library and had asked for some further information which was supplied to them. We are just waiting to hear back from them.

It is hoped that if a donation is forthcoming it will pay for a new pressure washer, electric mower, electric strimmer and extension cables, and possibly a new petrol mower and strimmer.

HARA is still looking for someone to volunteer to run the Tool Library.

Running of the Tool Library includes:

- Dealing with telephone and doorstep enquiries (on average 20-30 / year).
- Booking in and out tools.
- Arranging for tools to be picked up and returned to Tool Library (Keyholder).
- Collecting and recording donations.
- Recording tools going out and members details.
- Organising annual PAT testing.
- Visual maintenance.
- Annual stock take.

The Tool Library is situated in the far corner of Hatton Farm Gardens and all the equipment is insured.

Thanks to the person who did volunteer but was unable to take on the role due to personal circumstances.

 **Please also contact us if you think you can volunteer to provide HARA with some general maintenance of tools.**



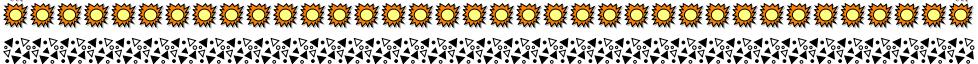
Hatton Senior Citizens Club

Hatton Senior Citizens Club meets in Hatton Public Hall every second Wednesday at 2.30pm. Anyone is welcome to come along and join this friendly group.

See details below of the last outing before the Summer break.

12 June Outing (Eastside Discount Centre, Banff - leaving Hall at 12.30 (High Tea))

The Senior citizens Club breaks over the summer but will re-group in the late summer. The next newsletter will contain details of the Autumn sessions.

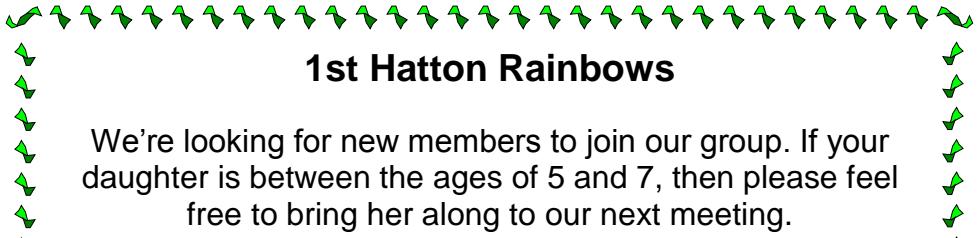


☆ HARA Summer Event ☆

17th Aug, 10-12 noon, Hatton Public Hall

Tea and Scones

If anyone would be interested in a table top stall please could you let us know by emailing haranewsletter@gmail.com or contacting a member of the HARA committee as soon as possible.



1st Hatton Rainbows

We're looking for new members to join our group. If your daughter is between the ages of 5 and 7, then please feel free to bring her along to our next meeting.

Where: Hatton Public Hall (downstairs)

When: Wednesdays (during term time)

Time: 4.00pm - 5.00pm

The first session is free then costs £2.30 per session payable termly (this amount will vary due to different term lengths).

Rainbows are a great way to have some fun and be part of the guiding community. Most weeks we work towards a badge or play games or make crafts (many weeks we do all three).



1st Hatton Brownies



We meet on a Mondays at
Hatton Public Hall

Brownies are open to girls aged between 7 and 10.

Lots of fun doing badges, crafts and
theme nights – even sleepovers!

If you would like to come and join the fun please **contact**
Ashley on 07917868289



If any of the Brownies, Playgroup, Toddlers and Rainbows details are incorrect
please advise via email - haranewsletter@gmail.com



Hatton Playgroup

Hatton Playgroup is the pre-school facility for Hatton Village and the surrounding area.

- Council funded places for 3-5 year olds.
- Happy and fun learning environment.
- Mon-Fri 9.00am till 11.30am at Hatton Public Hall.
- Registered with the Care Commission.
- HMie inspected.
- **For more information call 07929919446.**



Hatton Toddler Group

We meet every Thursday morning from 9.30 - 11.30 (and some Tuesday mornings, subject to enough mums being there on the day!) at Hatton Public Hall. We realise how daunting it can be coming to a new group for the 1st time, but we're a friendly bunch so why not give it a try! It's a place for parents, grandparents and carers to meet and make friends with others, whilst your pre-school children play in safety with a wide variety of toys and games. We also do arts and crafts with the children such as Easter and Christmas cards and finger painting when we are feeling really brave! There is a £2 donation per parent per session. Amongst other things, this goes towards new toys and equipment and a healthy snack for the children; as well as a much needed tea or coffee and a 'wee treat' for the grown-ups! We all take turns preparing the snack and drinks every week so everyone gets a turn!

We look forward to seeing you soon!
For more information **contact Lynne on 841176.**



Photograph
of
Simmers Baker's
van,

Hatton

Any old photos of the Village or surrounding area would be much appreciated for the next edition of the Newsletter.



Warm Home Discount Scheme

You may be entitled to get £130 discount on your fuel bills which will not affect any cold weather or winter fuel payments.

This scheme is aimed at over 80s and those below that age who are on Guaranteed Pension Credit, however most energy companies have extended it to others on low incomes or those who are otherwise vulnerable.

See if you qualify by going to

<https://www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme>

or

phoning the helpline on

0845 603 9439 (8am-6pm)



SWRI News - Bogbrae Branch

2013 Programme

Meetings are at Hatton Public Hall, annual subscription £14.00
and Visitors £2.00.

Come along and get involved and enjoy a nice cup of tea and
fine piece with the ladies of Hatton.

Contact **Anne Sandilands** on **841582** if you are interested in
joining / visiting or you want to find out more.

The WRI will bread over the summer and regroup in
September.



***** crudencommunity.net

(and porterroll.net the harbour website)

***** Take a look at crudencommunity.net for local information:

- CCC briefing note re the bridge on the notices page of the website (accessible from the info panel as well as the blue menu).
- RSS feed to all pages that accesses the council live feed for school closures and transport cancellations in case of bad weather. (If it is accessed via an ipad, iphone or android device the user will have to install an RSS app to access the information).
- And much more.

Shoogle ‘n’ Shimmy Perth Weekender

22nd - 24th March

An absolute blast was had in Perth thanks to Jenny Radford, chief shoogler and shimmier.

Some of us tried new classes and bore the bruises afterwards, some of us dressed up in eighties gear and relived our past fashion faux pas. All of us had a very enjoyable and challenging weekend, so, in summary:

Ten girls went to dance, went to try a jiggle,
ten girls, nine girls, eight girls, seven girls, six girls, five girls,
four girls, three girls,
went to dance a jiggle.

The other 2? They went shopping, after the others had visited every charity shop in town.



Many thanks to Julie Lees for her piece on the
Shoogle
Weekender from one of the ‘shoppers’.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RECYCLE YOUR NEWSLETTER

HARA would like to thank the advertisers who use the newsletter.

Please consider giving them your custom.

Hatton History

Trig Pillar situated just outside Hatton Village.

Trig Pillar is short for triangulation pillar. These are usually concrete or stone pillars placed at intervals around the country.

They were used for map survey purposes and usually constructed by the Ordnance Survey, but are no longer required due to advancements in satellite surveys.

The pillars were placed so as to be in sight of each other, so are on many hills and mountains where they are useful landmarks.



Fitba for Auld Mannies (over 35's)

You don't need to have the skills of Maradona to join us,
although the waistline would fit in well.

Come along if you enjoy a game of football as it is all about fun
and an excuse to get out on a Friday night!

Just turn up at the all weather pitch any Friday at around
7.00pm where we play for about 1.5 hours or until we all
collapse.

Everyone welcome - we look forward to seeing you there.

Friday at 7.00pm, Hatton Astro Pitch

Hatton Public Hall Bookings

Anyone requiring to book either Hatton Village Hall or the All Weather Pitches contact:

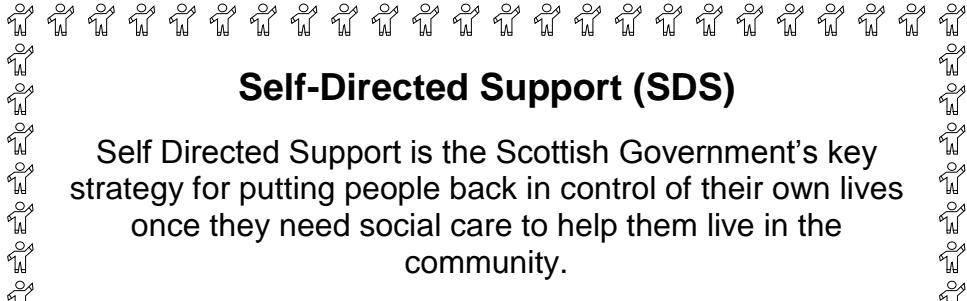
Fiona Wood
on
07523358547

Riddle

**I have a neck but no head. I have two arms but no hands.
What am I?**

(Answer on Page 27)

**“The things you do for
yourself are gone when you
are gone, but the things you
do for others remain as your
legacy.” ~ Kalu Kalu**



Self-Directed Support (SDS)

Self Directed Support is the Scottish Government's key strategy for putting people back in control of their own lives once they need social care to help them live in the community.

It is backed by new legislation and a ten year strategy. The SDS Bill was passed in the Scottish Parliament at the end of November. The final stage is the Bill getting Royal Assent. It then becomes the Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2012. It is likely that the SDS Act will be fully implemented in April 2014 and that a further five years will be given to allow full implementation of its terms.

If you would like to know more information about SDS in Aberdeenshire then visit Aberdeenshire Council's website or contact the:

SDS Team at Harlaw Centre, Inverurie
on
01467 673863
or e-mail
selfdirectedsupport@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Updated News (March 2013)

Aberdeenshire Council are looking to set up a SDS reference group involving people who use social care services. Contact Linda Singer on Linda.singer@aberdeenshire.gov.uk / 07787 265774.

For up to date news contact the SDS team or visit the website.





Longhaven Hall Events

Saturday 15th June

Cruden SNP Craft Fair and Soup and Sweet

Longhaven Public Hall

To book a stall contact Alex Sim on 01779473557



Mobile Library

Please find below a timetable for the mobile library while Hatton Farm Road is being repaired.

The mobile library will stop at the following stops once a fortnight, commencing 7th February. (The first three stops will be subject to the weather as the access road is not good.)

Hatton Farm Gardens 9.15 - 9.30

Quarry Road 9.30 - 9.45

Mill Inn 9.45 - 10.00

Stewart Cottages 10.10 - 10.30

The alternate week the mobile will be at Stewart Cottages from 9.15 - 10.00.

Councillors Surgeries - Cllr Stephen Smith

Tuesday 18th June from 7.00pm-7.30pm at **CRUDEN BAY - Port Erroll School**, Braehead Drive

Wednesday 26th June at 7.00pm at **PETERHEAD - Clerkhill School**, Cairntrodlie

Does anyone have a burning desire to take over the editing of the HARA Newsletter?

Please contact haranewsletter@gmail.com if you are interested.

Councillors Surgeries - Cllr Stuart Pratt

Thursday 6th June from 6.30pm-7pm at **Boddam School**

Saturday 15th June from 10am-11am at **Longhaven Hall**

Thursday 4th July from 6.30pm-7pm at **Boddam School**

Thursday 5th Sep from 6.30pm-7pm at **Hatton School**

Thursday 3rd October from 6.30pm-7pm at **Port Errol School Cruden Bay**

Details of Councillors can be found on Aberdeenshire Council's website.



Summer Skip Times (1st May-31st August)

Monday 5pm-8pm

Wednesday 5pm-8pm

Friday 1pm-4pm

Saturday 11am-4pm

Sunday 12.30pm-3.30pm

***Please Do Not Leave Any Rubbish Outside The Gates
Outwith These Times.***



Household Insurance for Council Tenants



Council Tenants are reminded that they can buy household insurance from the Aberdeenshire Council and pay for it along with their rent.



For more details please phone 01779 477363.



Hatton Useful Contacts

Doctors Surgery		01779 841208
NHS 24		08454 242424
Hall Bookings & all weather pitch	Fiona Wood	07523358547
Cruden Net		crudencommunity.net
Hatton Primary School		01779 841234
Ellon Academy		01358 720715
Peterhead Academy		01779 472231
Hatton Public Hall, Chair	Jo Baybut	01779 841873
HATS		Find them on Facebook hatton.hibs@yahoo.co.uk
Hatton Hibs		
Brownies	Ashley	07917868289
Toddler Group	Lynne	01779 841176
Playgroup		07929919446
Bus Station, Peterhead		01779 470077
Police, Non Emergency		08456 005700
Dial a Bus Hotline		01224 665599
Mobile Library		07899960862
Councillors		01224665033
Aberdeenshire Council Website		www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk
Aberdeenshire Council		08456 081207
Wasteline (bins, recycling etc)		08456 003900
Housing Office, Peterhead, 8.45 - 5 Mon - Fri		01779 477363
Housing Emergencies		08456 081203
Public Transport Unit, 9.30 - 3.30 Mon - Fri		01224 664586
Social Work		08458 400070
Environmental Health		08456 081203
Peterhead Swimming Pool		01779 477277
Ellon Swimming Pool		01358 727910

If you would like your organisation's details included
please contact haranewsletter@gmail.com

Rick @ The Mill

Since 21st September 2012 Rick Adam has been providing good quality food at The Hatton Mill.

Rick and his staff would like to take this opportunity to thank all customers for their continued support in what is, still, a very new venture.

Opening Hours:

Wed, Thu, Fri	1730 - 2030
Saturday	1230 - 2030
Sunday	1230 - 2000

Due to the limited number of tables available, bookings are preferable, especially on a weekend.

Please call 07971 546332

We look forward to welcoming you.

The Hatton Mill

OPENING HOURS:

MONDAY TO FRIDAY	05.00PM – 12.30AM
SATURDAY	11.00AM – 12.30AM
SUNDAY	12.30PM – 12.30AM

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Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9.15 am - 4.30 pm
Wednesday	9.15 am - 12.00 noon
Thursday	9.15 am - 8.00 pm OPEN LATE ⏰
Friday	9.15 am - 5 pm
Saturday	9.30 am - 3 pm Closed for lunch

OAPs prices Tuesday - Friday

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Saturday 9.00-10.00am

Also other times available - contact Jenny.

All Classes

Adults 6 week block £20 or £4.00 per session; Children £1

All Welcome
Energise your Inner Sparkle

Enquiries: Jenny Radford 01779 841367/ 07903938142

Local Blog

Fred Coutts has asked if people would like to suggest ideas for his local blog, 'Cruden Country'.

Please check out his blog on the web.

Why not try an advert in the Newsletter to promote your organisation or advertise your business. 430 copies of the newsletter are printed and distributed to every household and business in Hatton Village. A copy also appears on crudencommunity.net.



Bus Stop



Please can people refrain from cutting across the ground directly behind the bus stop, where the new houses are, when going to or coming from the bus stop on the A90. This is not only dangerous as it is a steep embankment but people are also trespassing on private property - Thank You.

Half Marathon, by Alastair Gibbon

In November 2012 Tony Beacom, Lee Radford, Roddy Lees, My daughter Holly and myself, Alastair Gibbon decided it might be a jolly wheeze to run the Rock & Roll Edinburgh Half marathon on Sunday 14th April 2013. Little did we know..... The night before as we had loaded up with "carbs" for the last time the talk in the restaurant was , what order we might come in? How much sacrifice some people had made in training day after day for months (mainly Tony it was decided) but at 8.02am "The Hatton Runners" huddled together like penguins behind a marquee in Holyrood Park. One of the last places to shelter from the lashing rain and biting cold gales, this morning the talk was mainly of the risk of hypothermia and the importance of Vaseline and nipple tape. We were ready to go, Water drunk, banana eaten just the elements and 300 portaloos for 4500 people to deal with. At 9.15am it was time we shook each other's hands and went our separate ways disappearing into different parts of the crowd like escaped prisoners of war. We would fight our battles alone.

For over 13 miles we fought the streets of Leith, the lashing wind on Portobello promenade, slashed through the winds going up Arthur's seat, and hobbled down Princess Street. Mile after Mile was eaten up and all the time cheered on by total strangers pretending it was ok their streets were closed and they couldn't move their car. Up hill and down cobbled street, past burger shops, kebab shops, bars, restaurants and more bars we ran. There was supposed to be Rock bands every mile but only a few true rockers had braved the weather (they don't make rockers like they used to) and then with a mile to go we past our wives and friends cheering us on from the balcony of their nice warm cafe they were in.... and there it was the finishing line. It was over.

At the end of the race as we huddled once more by our Marquee wrapped in our bacofoil like chickens, trapping in the potent smell of wet lycra and sweat, but even this couldn't overpower the sweet smell of success. We had all done it and we were all still alive.

....There are of course people in Hatton that can run faster and definitely further. There are some who pound the streets all week long, watch their diets, strict no alcohol regimes; there are probably some that look good in Lycra!! and hats off to you allbut we were there!!!

Well done to you all and many thanks to Alastair for his contribution - Linda

Hatton Public Hall News

"The AstroTurf pitches at the hall are a fantastic resource in the village and are used by a number of different groups including Hatton Hibbs football club, 'Auld Mannies' football club, Hatton Playgroup & the school for P.E. However, the pitches are very old now and in need of replacement. After getting quotes for this, there is now a grant application in with SITA to help pay for the project. We should hear back by July if we've been successful. We still need to fund-raise for this, around £6000, so if anyone has any suggestions and/or donations please feel free to get in touch! If the grant is awarded, we are hoping to get the work done in time for the new school term in August this year! "

We are also looking for a new groundskeeper for the Hall to do between 8 and 10 hours a week. Duties include cutting grass & keeping edges tidy, hedge trimming, litter picking etc. Own gardening equipment would be preferable, but we may be able to provide some basic tools.

BBQ

Why not borrow, for a small donation, the HARA BBQ for all your summer parties and events.

Answer to Riddle on Page 16

I am a shirt.



The Fernwood Trust

The Fernwood Trust is a local Scottish registered Animal and Wildlife Rescue Charity, providing a safe place and veterinary treatment for unwanted, neglected, sick or injured domestic, farm or wild animals.

www.fernwoodtrust.org

08445884477 or 07799198899

facebook - "Fernwood Trust Animal & Wildlife Rescue"

Information on Welfare Reforms

If you need advice on the new welfare reforms coming in then contact Aberdeenshire Council by telephone.

A single telephone number has been set up for any queries in relation to the Welfare Reform.

If you require advice on:

Housing Benefit

Housing (social sector size criteria)

Scottish Welfare Fund

then contact

0845 60 80 149

Information about Welfare Reform is also available on Aberdeenshire Council Website.

HARA Newsletter Dates and Contacts

01 June 2013

01 September 2013

Latest date for articles etc - 01 August

01 December 2013

Latest date for articles etc - 01 November

01 January 2014

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haranewsletter@gmail.com or deliver to 7 Hatton Farm Road

Send adverts to Linda Alves - a £30 donation is required for your advert to appear in 4 issues of the newsletter. The donation should be delivered to Linda Alves, 7 Hatton Farm Road, Hatton, AB42 0LL.

Any adverts from June onwards, for the 2 issues to the end of the year, are offered for a donation of £20.

Local community groups are not required to make a donation to advertise themselves and/or their events in the newsletter.

(HARA reserves the right to publish only material it feels is appropriate for this newsletter. It is the contributors responsibility to keep information up to date).

Hatton Notice Board

If you would like to post anything in the Notice Board please contact Anne or Linda (HARA Members) as they are keyholders.



Recipe - Summer Treat



Joyce's Sticky Toffee Pudding



Serves 4-6 ready 1 hour 15 mins



125g stoned dried dates chopped, 1/2 level tsp bicarbonate of soda, 1/4 vanilla extract, 175g butter, 100g sugar, 2 eggs, 125g self-raising flour sifted, 1tbsp boiling water and 1tsp coffee, 75 soft brown sugar, 100ml double cream.



Preheat oven 180c/ 160c/ gas 4



Line a shallow 20cm square cake tin with baking paper. Put dates into small pan with 100ml water and heat until boiling, stir once and bring to the boil again. Immediately remove from the heat stir in the bicarbonate of soda and vanilla extract, it will foam up, set aside. Beat 75g butter and caster sugar until pale and creamy. Add an egg and beat well, add the other egg with a spoon of flour beat again, add rest of flour the coffee water dates mix well. Put mixture into tin and level the top. Bake for about 30mins or until the top springs back when lightly pressed. Put the rest of the butter into a small pan with brown sugar and double cream. Heat very gently stirring all the time until sugar and butter has dissolved simmer for a few minutes to make sticky toffee sauce. Cut the pudding into squares and serve with the toffee sauce. Serve with cream or ice cream.



Many thanks to Joyce Currie for her recipe - it sounds delicious, not for those of us on a diet!





Keep Hatton Tidy



Please could HARA ask that people use bins provided or take their litter home and not discard cigarette ends and gum in the street.

Please could dog owners pick up after their dog(s) and keep the village clean and looking good for all its residents and visitors. Please discard dog poo in ordinary rubbish bins.

Thank You.



Interesting Fact

Hatton was originally known as the Free Kirkton of Cruden and developed after the founding of the Cruden Free Church in 1844.

Kirkton was the name given to a village in which the parish church is erected, 'kirk-town'.

INCONSIDERATE PARKING



Inconsiderate parking affects everyone, not just those with impaired vision, parent's pushing buggies, or wheelchair users.

It can also restrict the view of pedestrians or other road users.

Please show more care and consideration for other road users.

Thank you.

Joining HARA

Please come along and support HARA as we are always looking for new committee members and volunteers. It really is only a small commitment for the good of Hatton.

It's also a great way to make new friends and find out what is going on in the local community.

If you can give a little time to support or join us, please contact any of the HARA committee members or email or Facebook us.

The next committee meetings are the 15th July, 26th August and 30th September, if you would like to come along and join the committee.

Bench at Hatton Church

As was mentioned in the last Newsletter HARA donated a bench to the Village which is currently placed outside Hatton Church which is due for demolition.

After contact from a resident it has been decided that the corner across from the Church is not suitable.

Therefore, HARA will arrange for the bench to be moved during the summer months to a temporary location before work gets underway at the Church.

Tenant Event - 27th April

The Tenant Open Day held at Arbuthnot House in Peterhead on Saturday 27th April was a big success and the tenants and landlords involved in organising it were very pleased with the turnout of tenants and others. Several Hatton residents attended and people generally found the advice and information provided very helpful. The fire safety advice from the Fire Service and the display of new kitchen units were particularly popular. The children's entertainment went down well and Lisa Lollipop's balloon modelling was very popular. Minnie Mouse was there to hand out leaflets in the surrounding streets, publicising the Event, but ended up as the star attraction, photographed with most of the children attending and with a considerable number of adults too!

A repeat is most definitely on the cards for the future!

Wetlands Wildlife

By Fred Coutts

Some of the best photographs are not planned but depend on the quick reaction of the photographer. I had no intention of photographing this heron. I was walking in the field beside Park View, near the marshy area (described on the map as a pond), which I have decided to call the Hatton Wetlands. There was a heron watching out for "puddocks in the seggs." He saw me just as I saw him and he took off. I just had time to catch him in my lens.

My neighbour tells me there is lots of wildlife there - mink in the burn, frogs in the wetlands and of course the heron. I have seen a buzzard there too, and during that early morning walk, a couple of Mallard ducks swimming in the water. Hatton has lots of wildlife.

By the way, the reference to the "puddocks in the seggs" is a quotation from a poem by Charles Murray which I learned in primary school called, "The Whistle" - *He missed the craggit heron nabbin' puddocks in the seggs.*

(For those without the Doric - the poem tells of a herd boy in days gone by who did not notice a heron who was hunting for frogs in the sedge, because he was too busy playing on his home made whistle.)

But I didn't miss *my* heron!

Fred Coutts

Cruden Country Photo Blog: <http://blog.couttsweb.co.uk>



Thanks to Councillor Smith and Aberdeenshire Council for looking into the issue of new road signage for Hatton Farm Road and Park View.

**Peterhead Community Hospital,
Links Terrace,
Peterhead, AB42 2XB
Tel: 01779 478234**

Peterhead Community Hospital forms part of the North Aberdeen-shire Local Community Health Partnership (NALCHP). The Hospital is situated in Peterhead.

The Hospital was originally built back in 1939 and later underwent an extensive redevelopment and was then opened by HRH Princess Anne in August 1994.

The hospital provides a service to a population of approximately 20,548 people..

(Information taken from NHS website April 2013)

Many thanks to all those who have contributed an article, advert, message, etc, to the newsletter.

The newsletter is here for the community so please use it.

If you know of anyone outwith the Village who would like a copy of the newsletter, additional copies can be collected from The Hatton Mill, Hatton Shop or 7 Hatton Farm Road.

Bogus Callers & Workmen

There are individuals & companies out there who specifically target elderly and vulnerable people. Bogus callers use many methods to extract or steal money from their victims. They can pretend to work for a legitimate company, use distraction techniques or use unscrupulous working practices.

Here is some advice for householders.

- It is perhaps best to use a company that has been recommended by a relative, friend or neighbour rather than any companies who "cold call" or attend at your home uninvited.
- Always use companies who have a telephone landline and business address. But be wary of numbers that appear local. These can be bought and re-routed to a mobile.
- Always get at least three quotes from three separate companies.
- Get a detailed description of the work that is required and the work that is going to be undertaken.
- Get a definite price for the work that is to be completed and what exactly that price entails.
- Ensure a contract is presented and that you thoroughly read and understand the contents.
- Ensure there is a "cooling off period" within the contract which legally has to be included in any administration.
- Do not make a decision on the day - not even if they use pressure sales technique saying they can only hold the price for that day.
- Consider asking for references and check out the sources.
- Do not pay any money until you are satisfied with the standard of the work that has been completed.
- Do not under any circumstances pay more money than was agreed.
- Do not under any circumstances allow any workmen to convey you to the bank.
- Consider having a friend or a relative with you when speaking with the representatives of the company.
- If workmen attend at your home and you are unsure as to their identity do not open the door. You can speak to them via a window or use a door chain or bar.

Neighbours - always look out for the elderly or vulnerable in our communities.

If in doubt, residents are advised to contact **Police Scotland** on our easy to remember number **101** and ask for advice or to report an incident or cold-callers operating in your area. Alternatively, call **Citizens Advice Scotland** on **08454 04 05 06** or if you wish to remain anonymous telephone **Crimestoppers on 0800 555111**.

Cruden Medical Group
Main Street
Hatton
AB42 0QQ
Monday - Friday
8.15am - 6pm

Useful Contact Numbers

NHS 24:	08454 242424
Hatton Surgery:	01779 841208
Hatton Fax No:	01779 841239
Cruden Bay Surgery:	01779 841208
Health Visitors:	01779 841444

Cruden Medical Group is a rural General Practice based around the villages of Hatton, Cruden Bay and Longhaven and including patients living within a 10 km radius of the main Hatton Surgery. Current patient list size is approximately 3800.

At the moment the Surgery consist of:

3 GP Principals

3 Practice Nurses, including 1 Diabetic nurse

Phlebotomist

Receptionists / typists

Full attached community staff based on the premises.

Access to chiropodist, physiotherapist + midwife based at Peterhead Community Hospital

The surgery is in a purpose built modern premises with the main surgery in Hatton with a branch in Cruden Bay

There is a full range of services provided by the Practice including minor surgery, contraception, IUD fitting, near patient testing, drug and alcohol services, anticoagulant monitoring, vaccination and immunisation, ante and post natal care and alternative therapies.

(Information taken from NHS website April 2013)

Special Messages

If you have any special messages, congratulations, birthday wishes, thank you messages, announcements etc., and you would like them to be included in the newsletter please email haranewsletter@gmail.com before the latest dates advised (adverts will require a donation).

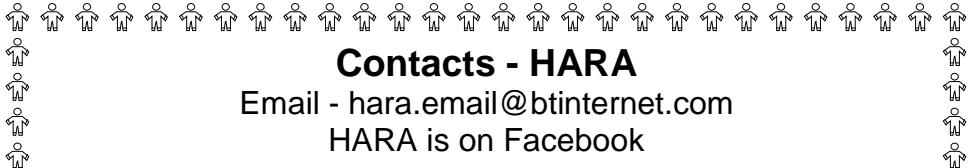
Include a scanned photo for extra effect.

**☆ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ☆
TO
AMELIA BARNARD
WHO IS 6 ON THE 16TH OF JUNE**

Children's Colouring Competition

Colour in your picture on the back page and post it to 7 Hatton Farm Road. The best pictures will appear in the Notice Board. Remember to put your name and age on the back of your picture.

Well done to Amy Craigmire, Aged 10
for her picture, which has cheered up the Notice Board.



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If you would like to advertise your business or if you would like any other items included in the next newsletter, or you have any good ideas for articles or features, please email or contact Linda Alves.

Any member of HARA is happy to be contacted or you can drop us a line by email or message us on Facebook.

HARA receives funding from Aberdeenshire Council and has to provide the Council with evidence of how this money is spent. HARA's accounts can be evidenced at any time by contacting the Treasurer (Audited by Council April 2013).

HARA AGM - November 2013



*HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY
DANDE STEYN
FOR THE 13TH AUGUST*

