

Newsletter Spring 2025



H.A.R.A.

Annual General Meeting

Monday 19th May 2025 7.30pm

Downstairs Hall Hatton Public Hall

Everyone warmly welcomed



LOOKING BACK

It's hard to believe that HARA is already approaching the end of its first year with the new committee! Over the past year, we've managed to arrange a couple of events during November and at Christmas - and even made a wee profit along the way.

One of things we managed to do was secure planning permission for a community noticeboard. With the kind support of the Hatton Public Hall Committee, it will be going up on the wall of the hall by the front door

That said, like many groups, we've had our fair share of knock-backs. Illness has taken its toll on our volunteers, and let's just say Aberdeenshire Council has been taking its time with our grant funding... fingers crossed it's actually in the post!

We've also had to say goodbye to a few of our committee members and general members this year, which is always tough. But we're hopeful that some fresh faces will step forward to join us this coming year.

There are some proposed coming events in the pipeline for 2025, but we're not giving anything away until we have everything confirmed.

Thank you for all your support so far.

The HARA Committee

HARA COMMITTEE

Andy Wallis

Andy is the Chair of the HARA Committee.

He works locally as a self-employed electrician. He has lived in the Cruden/Hatton area since 1985. He decided to join HARA as he didn't want to see it shut down and to hopefully continue to make improvements in the village as previous HARA members have done.

Donna McKen

Donna is the Vice Chair of the HARA Committee.

She was born and raised by her parents in the village. She has worked and lived away a few times but has always come back.

Donna says, "Our lives have all changed since Covid and lockdown, and I feel the village has lost a bit of its sparkle and the community it created before and even stronger during it." She would like to help re-energise the village in any way she can. She wants to try to re-create our community spirit, making Hatton a great place to raise families and keep attracting lots of people so we can have an inclusive and diverse place to live.

Lisa Watson

Lisa is the HARA Treasurer.

She and her husband have lived in Hatton since 2008. She is a Finance Professional with over 25 years of experience across various sectors and industries. Lisa says, "I have a passion for working with charities and the local community and am currently the Finance Manager for a Local Charity. She is a level 1 ECB cricket coach, Rainbow Leader and Trustee of North East Scotland Cricket.

Yvonne Beagrie

Yvonne is the Secretary of the HARA Committee.

She moved to the village in October 2021 with her husband and 2 kids. She works for the NHS. She says, "I joined HARA to see more community events to get all age groups together,"

Naomi Delday

Naomi was born in Edinburgh and has lived in Hatton since 2012. She has three children and works at Camphill Murtle Estate in Aberdeen.

Naomi says, "I joined the committee as I think if you have an opinion you are better to use it to try and create positive change."

Nomi Dunthorne

Nomi has lived in Hatton with her partner and four boys for 30+ years. She works in Murdoch Allan. She says she joined HARA because the committee needs someone to ask silly questions, while not really knowing what's going on, but fully willing to try help in any way.

CONTACT HARA:

E-mail hara.email@proton.me



The Tool Library can be found at the far end of Hatton Farm Gardens

The map shows the location of the TOOL LIBRARY.

Please note you need to phone and book the equipment BEFORE turning up to collect!

WE'RE GOING ONLINE

The HARA Committee has decided to publish the Newsletter online in future – so this is the last printed edition to be delivered to all the 400 or so homes in Hatton.

Why it is going online?

Far more people now have online access on a computer or their mobile phones.

Not online?

We do understand, however, that not everyone will have access to the Internet. For those people we will make a few printed copies available.

How to request a printed copy?

Fill in the request form which is on the back page of this edition of the Newsletter and leave it in the collection box at the Hatton Market. (There will also be request forms in the Shop.)

You can also request a printed copy by sending an email message with your name. address and postcode to hara.email@proton.me

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HATTON TOOL LIBRARY

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Seed Scatterer	£1.00

Telephone: 07518 013678.

*Petrol equipment inclusive of a tank of fuel

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HARA Newsletter on the Home Page.



SEAN'S FITNESS GROUP

The fitness group meets every Wednesday evening at Longhaven Public Hall, from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm.

The benefits of a regular moderate exercise cannot be overstated. However, it requires commitment. One of the best ways of reaping the benefits is to find an activity you enjoy with people you like. Clear instruction and correct posture and technique are also important in maximising your workout and avoiding injury.

All abilities are welcome, especially beginners. First session is free, then £20.00 per month. (Allowance made for people working offshore or if a session is cancelled.) The group is led by a qualified and experienced instructor.

All equipment is provided and a sense of humour is essential.

Why not give it a go and bring a friend along with you! More details, contact Sean 07791 755976

BOGBRAE SWI

Ladies of Hatton - Fancy a fun night out of the house? Come along see what we are about. Our next meeting is May 13th when we are having a "Taste and Try" Come along and have a taste and pick up a few new recipes too.



We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month (September to May) in Hatton Public

Hall at 7.15 for a 7.30 start. We have a varied schedule of speakers/demonstrations – it's way more than just baking.

Also on offer is a fly cup, fancy piece and a very warm welcome.... so what's stopping you??

P.S. No experience necessary. And who knows, you could learn something new.

You'll also find us on Facebook-Bogbrae SWI.

JOG SCOTLAND HATTON

NOW THE LIGHTER NIGHTS HAVE FINALLY ARRIVED IT'S THE IDEAL TIME TO GET ACTIVE & IMPROVE YOUR RUNNING WITH THE HELP OF OUR TRAINED JOG LEADERS AND IN THE COMPANY OF OTHERS!! GET IN TOUCH WITH US FOR MORE INFORMATION, WE'LL BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU ALONG! ALL YOU NEED IS A PAIR OF JIMMIES, A SENSE OF HUMOUR AND A WEE BIT OF ENTHUSIASM!!



Jog Scotland Haton meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5.30pm, and they have occasional weekend group runs. Runners of all abilities are welcome to join our friendly wee group.

More details are available on our Facebook page, or by messaging Tony on 07852771795.

Useful Hatton Contacts

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NHS 24	111
Hatton Public Hall	01779 841283
General Enquiries, Bookings &	07855 961767
All Weather Pitch Bookings	hattonhall@btinternet.com
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Ellon Academy	01358 720715
Peterhead Academy	01358 281150
HATS	Find them on Facebook
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Hatton Stay & Play	hattonstayandplay@outlook.com
Rainbows Brownies, Guides	hattonguiding1@hotmail.com
Playgroup	07929 919446
Bus Station, Peterhead	01779 470077
Police, Non Emergency	101
A to B bus, (Dial-a-Bus.)	01467 535333
Councillors	0345 608 1208
Cruden Community Council	secretary@crudencc.org.uk
Aberdeenshire Council Website	www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk
Aberdeenshire Council	0345 608 1208
Wasteline (bins, recycling etc)	0345 608 1207
Housing Office, Peterhead, 8.45 - 5 Mor	n - Fri 0345 608 1203
Tenant Participation Officer	01467536696
Housing Emergencies	0345 608 1203
Public Transport Unit,9.30 - 3.30 Mon -	Fri 01224 664586
Homelessness and Social Work	0345 608 1206
ARCH Responders	01467 533 533
Environmental Health	0345 608 1207
Peterhead Swimming Pool	01779 477277
Ellon Swimming Pool	01358 727910
Joyce Currie Hair Studios	01779 841919
Hatton Garage Ltd	01779 841984

If you would like your organisation's details included please contact newsletter@haraonline.org.uk

HATTON & CRUDEN COMMUNITY PANTRY



The Community Pantry is open each Friday from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon at the Pavilion in Mill Park, Station Road, Cruden Bay. A variety of foodstuffs which were surplus to requirement are donated by supermarkets and businesses.

Why not come along and enjoy a coffee and natter!



Why are dogs terrible dancers? Because they have two left feet.

What do you get when you cross a dog and a calculator? A friend you can count on.

For Sale: Golden Retriever. Have had her for nine months, has yet to retrieve gold. Should have just bought a metal detector.









Hatton Rainbows, Brownies and Guides meet on a Thursday night in Hatton.

Rainbows are girls aged 4 – 7 years old. Brownies are girls aged 7 – 10 years old Guides are girls aged 10 – 14 years old

We meet weekly during term time, we have a wide varied programme to follow as well as playing games, getting outdoors, sleepovers and much more. If your daughter is interested, then please go to **Girlguiding.org.uk** and register.

We are also in desperate need of adults to come along and help, especially with the Rainbows – if you can spare some time to help, please also go to **Girlguiding.org.uk** and register your interest.

hattonguiding1@hotmail.com



HATTON VILLAGE GROUP

A Facebook Page for the Hatton community to share events or goings on in the village and look for help with anything. This is a private group, so you need to be one of the over 1300 members who have already signed up to see what has been posted there.



CRUDEN CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group has been running for many years now but we started back after Covid with just six of the previous group; we have now grown to eighteen.

We are all knitters or crocheters doing a lot of work for local charity as well as items for the Blythswood Boxes, but you can just do your own thing, like knitting for your family.

If you would like to join us please get in touch. Eighteen is our maximum number but we are seldom all there together, so we feel we could take one or two more. We meet every second Tuesday 1.30 - 3.30 in Cruden Old Church Hall, so transport is a must.

Margaret Kidd



Where? Hatton Public Hall
When? On the first Wednesday of the month,
March to November, 7pm to 9pm
What? Get clothes, jewelry and small electrical items
mended by volunteers.
Pass on stuff you no longer need,
Pick up something you do need
or just stop by for a hot drink, a biscuit and a chat.
How much? Free! A small donation is welcome but not
essential.

Why? To save money, reduce landfill and fight climate change. We can't promise to fix everything that is brought along but we will do our best. Volunteers welcome.

More information? Contact Ruth on 07751 588320 or connect via our Facebook page.



HATTON REPAIR CAFÉ 2025

So far this year our activities have have included replacing the drive belts on a bread maker, replacing the reversing switch on a model train controller, taking up a pair of trousers and giving advice on the use of a sewing machine. We are looking forward to seeing what our customers will bring in next.

May's Pass-it-on table will have a gardening focus. We have had a generous donation of gardening tools and there will be seeds and seedlings too. If you have spare plants or equipment please bring them along.

As always we are looking for volunteers to help with setting up, repairs, making hot drinks, clearing away etc. Hope to see you at the next Café on the 7th May.



Milly: a satisfied Hatton Repair Cafe Customer

Cruden Parish Church of Scotland

Dear Friends,

At the time of writing, I am preparing to take part in the 2025 London Marathon. By the time you read this, all my soreness and suffering will be over!

Personally, speaking I always appreciate a challenge. This will be my eighth marathon and fourth attempt at London. Whilst I enjoy good health and a high level of personal fitness, there was one year where everything that could go wrong did go wrong! I was down in London, all ready to head out to the start line when my back seized up. I was gutted. And then came the embarrassment. Due to the generosity of friends, family and the congregation I had raised about £4000 in sponsorship for Christian Aid. To add insult to injury, whilst waiting for flight back to Aberdeen, I was surrounded by lots of people wearing happy smiles and finishers' medals.

Life is full of trials and disappointments. As the Parish Minister, it has been my privilege to accompany families and individuals through difficult times. (Aways with complete confidentiality) Like many folks, I had expected things to get easier with the end of the Covid lockdown. But who could have anticipated the cost-of-living crisis, war in Ukraine, conflict between Hammas and Israel and the terrible suffering in Gaza, plus the international political and financial instability associated with the election of President Trump. To this could be added the cutbacks to essential public services. The immediate future is looking very uncertain.

So how should we respond to all that is happening around us? In my view there are two qualities that are essential at this time. The first is resilience – the inner strength and ability to carry on and move forward with hope. To put it another way – keep calm and carry on! The second is a shift in our personal values – that we focus on things that really matter. That people and relationships and sustainable lifestyles are at the centre of our lives. These two values are at the heart of the Christian faith.

One final thought. Life might feel tough and uncertain, but I am sure

that the current period of instability will pass. There will be new opportunities and new seasons of grace. A few years ago in London I was completely gutted. But hanging on the wall in my home are two London Marathon finishers' medals and by the time you read this, hopefully a third!

With warmest greetings,

Rev Sean SwindellsCruden Parish Church.
07791 755976

About Cruden Parish Church

There are several faith communities within easy reach of Hatton, each one offering a distinctive expression of the Christian Faith. Cruden Parish Church is part of the Church of Scotland – the biggest Christian denomination in Scotland. We are an inclusive mainstream Church which has been part of this community for several centuries. Our focus is our Sunday worship at 10.00 am which can also be accessed via the internet. We continue to offer a ministry of pastoral care and the celebration of life events (baptism, weddings and funerals) and special services at Easter, Remembrance and Christmas. There are also regular family friendly craft and coffee mornings - look out for more details via Facebook and posters.

If you would like to explore issues of faith and spirituality, we will shortly be starting a new mid-week fellowship group, where everyone is welcome (including members of other churches). Please make contact if you would like more information, or be interested in our new Alpha Course starting after the summer.

In conjunction with the Cruden Bay Community Association, the church runs a Community Pantry We are here to serve the community and everyone is welcome.

The Church building is located halfway between Cruden and Hatton AB42 0QB.



Cruden Medical Group

STAFF UPDATE

Last week we waved Nurse Natasha Brown off as she starts her maternity leave and we are all excited to meet Natasha's baby when s/ he arrives We have welcomed Nurse Janna Dow to the team who will cover Natasha's maternity leave.

We are looking forward to welcoming Ellie back to the practice following the birth of her beautiful baby boy and are delighted that Lauren has accepted a permanent position following her year covering Ellie's leave.

We have welcomed Georgia Douglas our midwife who took over when Sandra Ross retired. Georgia is based both at Hatton and Cruden Bay.

Spring 2025 COVID-19 Vaccination Programme

Starting 31 March 2025, the following groups are eligible for a spring COVID-19 vaccine:

- Individuals aged 75 or over.
- Residents of care homes for older adults.
- Individuals aged 6 months and over with a weakened immune system.



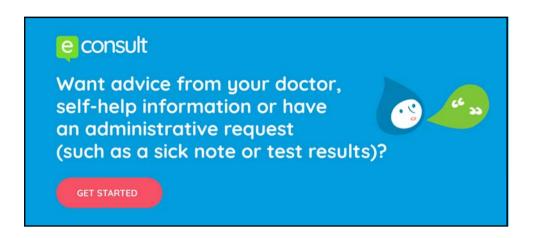
All patient eligible for the vaccination will receive an invitation to book an appointment. Digital invitations (text or email) will be sent to those who have opted for digital communication. Postal invitations will be sent to those who have not opted for digital communication.

For more information on the vaccination programme please visit: Spring Vaccination | Vax Grampian

For more information as to where to get your vaccination please visit: Centres | Vax Grampian

eConsult

eConsult is an electronic tool available to access from our Website. You can submit a request for help from a clinician, request administrative help such as blood results, sickline requests, repeat medications, Subject Access Requests etc. Your request will be dealt with by the most appropriate person and you will receive a response within 72 hours. This is an effective way to seek assistance without waiting on the phone line and this helps to reduce your appointment wait.





We thank you for your continued patience and consideration with our staff. GP services and the NHS remain under constant pressure, are over stretch and underfunded. We are all doing the best that we can to help you. We wish you all a Happy Easter.

Important Dates

The practice will be closed on the following dates due to the public holidays:

Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

Monday 14th July

Monday 22nd September

During this time, if you require urgent medical attention please contact 111 or 999 for life threating conditions.

Useful Telephone Numbers

Vaccination Centre – 01224 555333 Community Hubs - 01224 555177 Health Visitor – 01779 841444 District Nurses – 01779 841444 Websters Pharmacy – 01779 812225

Hatton Public Hall - Hire Charges

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Business Functions / Events

Details on application to Hall Treasurer

All Weather Pitch

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Hall Bookings

Contact: 01779 - 841 283 / hattonhall@btinternet.com

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Fireworks Display

Hall Car Park
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2025



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Two psychiatrists were discussing their day. The first one said to the second, "Would you believe it, I had a patient today who claimed he heard music every time he put on his hat?" The colleague asked, "Really? What did you do?" The first one replied, "I took it from him and removed the band."



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#RelaxRecoverRebuild



At Hatton Stay and Play, we've been keeping busy with a variety of exciting activities! Recently, we celebrated World Book Day, enjoyed visits from fantastic groups like Abricabeats and Kids Rock, and got creative with arts and crafts.

We meet every Friday during term time from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at Hatton Hall. Our sessions are £3 per family, which includes snacks and drinks for both children and adults. Newcomers are welcome to attend their first session free of charge. We look forward to seeing you!

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Pastor Danny Olmstead

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Why you should get involved:

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- have a say on issues affecting your home
- support other tenants or residents
- pursue issues of interest, such as addressing anti-social behaviour or environmental improvements

If you are Interested in becoming further involved in Tenant Participation, e-mail us at tenant.participation@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Find out what is going on Aberdeenshire including current scam warnings, tips and advice by joining our Tenant Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/aberdeenshiretp Don't forget to answer joining questions!

The tenant participation team produces live, up to date bulletins between printed newsletters. You can find these at aberdeenshire.gov.uk/housing or by scanning the QR Code









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