



# Newsletter Spring 2023

## HELLO AGAIN, HATTON!

Like you, we've been on a roller coaster since our Winter 2020 edition.

We would like to give notice that the Annual General Meeting of HARA will be held on Wednesday 15th March, 7.30 pm in the Hall.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

**HARA  
Annual General  
Meeting  
Wednesday  
15th March  
7.30 pm  
Hatton Public Hall**

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## COUNCILLOR SURGERY

**Councillor Stephen Smith**

Saturday 11th March, 10.00 am-11.00 am  
Public Hall, Longhaven

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## USEFUL LOCAL FACEBOOK GROUPS



### **HATTON COMMUNITY HUB ABERDEENSHIRE**

A page for the Hatton community to share events or goings on in the village and look for help with anything.

### **HATTON BUY & SELL**

This is a group for buying, selling & swapping for the local area in Hatton and outlying areas.

***Please mention the HARA Newsletter when  
replying to any of the advertisements  
in this publication.***

## A NEW BEGINNING

HARA began in 1996 as a Council Tenants Association. As a result of the 2003 AGM it was widened to include all the residents of Hatton and surrounding areas. It was never intended to be the 'voice' of Hatton but merely one avenue through which the views and aspirations of the residents might be taken forward.



During the 27 years that HARA has existed residents have come and gone, as indeed have members of the HARA committee.

Aspirations change as do the abilities and personal circumstances of all of us. The last three years have had wide ranging effects on everyone, causing many of us to give serious consideration to our priorities. HARA itself, like many organisations, both within and outside the village, had to curtail or suspend its activities.

Now seems an opportune time for a 'New Beginning'. The forthcoming AGM will therefore have the following Agenda:

- Election of New Committee Members (following the resignation and/or retirement of existing committee members)
- Tool Library
- Quarterly Newsletter
- AOCB.

The AGM should be seen as an opportunity for anyone who has previously been vocal or passionate about changes they would like to see, step forward and make them happen.

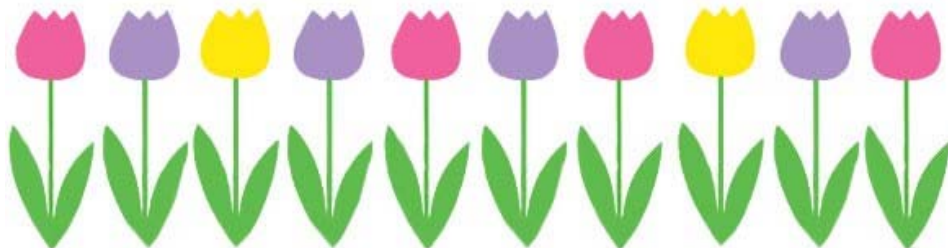
Do you know of anyone outwith the village who would like a copy of the HARA newsletter? Additional copies can be collected from the Hatton Shop or send us an email:

## HATTON IN BLOOM

The Hatton in Bloom group are wondering if anyone is willing to take over the running / work of Hatton in Bloom. As the members of the current group are no longer fit and able to carry on, this will be the last year that they will distribute the flowers in the village.

Hatton in Bloom would like to thank the people who adopted planters the last few years and hope a new group can be found and Hatton in Bloom can continue.

Anyone interested please contact Doreen (01779 841668) or Helen (01779 841665)



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## LONGHAVEN HALL EVENTS

Tuesday evenings – **Carpet Bowls.**  
New Players welcome. Bowls can be provided.

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**Cruden Bay Badminton Club** has restarted  
in Longhaven Hall every Monday evening

Time: 7-9pm

Cost: £5.

All welcome 16+

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Saturday 11th March 2023  
10.00 am-2.00 pm  
Cruden Bay, Hatton & Longhaven Branch SNP  
**Soup and Sweet and Spring Fair**

## Do you know you can access your local libraries electronically?

It's quite some time since the mobile library van has visited Hatton (in 2020 - pre Covid!). Last year, Aberdeenshire Council confirmed they had no plans to reinstate mobile libraries and instead launched a click and collect home delivery service.



However, have you also heard about **Libby** the online electronic library? You can borrow books, audiobooks, magazines and more from your local library electronically. **Libby** is a library reading app by OverDrive. You simply need to be a member of Aberdeenshire libraries to use it.

You can download **Libby** on almost any device: mobile phone, tablet, Kindle or e-reader. Or even access **Libby** in a web browser ([libbyapp.com](http://libbyapp.com)). You can also listen with Android Auto or Apple CarPlay and more.

Borrowing and returning books is so easy. You can install **Libby by OverDrive** through Google Play and Apple's App Store. You will need your Aberdeenshire Library membership card number to set it up.

Happy Reading!

## Bogbrae SWI

Fancy a fun night out of the house?



Come along to Bogbrae SWI then!

We meet on the second 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 activities – it's way more than just baking! You'll be warmly welcomed, get a fly cup and a fancy piece too....so what's stopping you??

You'll also find us on Facebook – Bogbrae SWI

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or find Hatton Repair Café on Facebook.

## HATTON



*Bin it? No way!*

& Pass-it-on Table

**Where?** Hatton Public Hall

**When?** On the first Wednesday of the month, 7pm to 9pm, restarting on 1st of March.

**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 will do our best. Volunteers welcome.

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



## Cruden Parish Church of Scotland



Dear Friends

It is wonderful to see life continuing to return to normal after the pandemic, including the coming back of HARA! However, life is still tough with the cost-of-living crisis and the continual flow of bad news from around the world. How fortunate we are to live in Scotland! There is also a lot of good news. Hatton has a strong community spirit. The days are pulling out and Easter will soon be upon us. Details about our Easter activities and services will soon be available, including a new intergenerational event.

Looking to the future, we will soon be restarting our community walking group, regularly exploring exotic locations such as Cruden Beach and Slains Castle. Also, I would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be interested in helping to restart Messy Church, probably in a modified form. We were fortunate to have a team of committed volunteers, but additional helpers and leaders are required if we are to restart. All volunteers will be required to fully abide by the Church of Scotland Safeguarding Policy. For



those interested in exploring the 'big questions of life and faith' there is the Alpha Course. Again, please contact me if you would be interested.

Finally, if myself or any member of the pastoral care team can offer any help or support, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

With warmest greetings

**Rev Sean Swindells**

Parish Minister

Tel.07791 755976

Email. [sswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:sswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk)

## **Cruden Parish Church of Scotland**

*We are a mainstream Christian Church in the reformed tradition, situated between Hatton & Cruden.Bay (AB42 0SD)*

*Worship every Sunday at 10.00 am. Our services are live streamed via our YouTube page and available for later viewing.*

*For more information about our events and activities, please visit our Facebook page (search for Cruden Parish Church) or our website at [www.crudenchurch.org.uk](http://www.crudenchurch.org.uk)*

*Enquires about life celebration events (Baptism, blessing, weddings, funerals etc), please contact the minister.*

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## **HATTON SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB**

We now meet once a month downstairs in Hatton Hall at 2pm.

We sometimes have Bingo or a speaker but always a fly cup and a blether.

We are always looking for new members and you will be very welcome to join us.

Meeting dates:-

Wednesday 8th March

Wednesday 5th April

Wednesday 3rd May

Any enquiries Tel: 01779 841474

# Hatton Public Hall – Hire Charges

with effect from 01 January 2023

(No increase since 2020)

<b><u>CLUBS &amp; SOCIETIES</u></b>		
<b>Weekdays</b>		
<b>AM</b> (3hrs)	<b>PM</b> (3hrs)	<b>Evening</b> (3hrs to 10pm)*
<b>£25.00</b>	<b>£25.00</b>	<b>£25.00</b>
<b>Weekends</b>		
<b>AM</b> (3hrs)	<b>PM</b> (3hrs)	<b>Evening</b> (5hrs to midnight)**
<b>£70.00</b>	<b>£70.00</b>	<b>£120.00</b>
<b><u>PRIVATE HIRE</u></b>		
<b>Weekdays/Weekends</b>		
<b>Children's Functions (Primary School age or under)</b>		
<b>AM</b> (3hrs)	<b>PM</b> (3hrs)	<b>Evening</b> (3hrs to 10pm)*
<b>£40.00</b>	<b>£40.00</b>	<b>£40.00</b>
<b>Private Functions</b>		
<b>AM</b> (3hrs)	<b>PM</b> (3hrs)	<b>Evening</b> (3hrs to 10pm)*
<b>£70.00</b>	<b>£70.00</b>	<b>£120.00</b> (5hrs to midnight)**
* Additional charges will apply to events/functions extending beyond 10pm		
** Additional charges will apply to events/functions extending beyond midnight		
<b>Business Functions / Events</b>		
Details on application to Hall Treasurer		
<b><u>All Weather Pitch</u></b>		
<b>£35 per pitch per session (2 hrs)</b>		
<b><u>Hall Bookings</u></b>		
Contact: 01779 – 841 283 / <a href="mailto:hattonhall@btinternet.com">hattonhall@btinternet.com</a>		
The Hatton Public Playing Field & Public Hall (Hatton Public Hall) is a registered Scottish charity, No: SC010594		

## HATTON PUBLIC HALL

The Hall has fully re-opened for business once again following the various COVID shutdowns and restrictions of the past two years.

The 2023 Hall hire charges remain the same as the last 3 years and are shown on the opposite page

Looking ahead, The Bonfire and Fireworks will return once again with another spectacular display – the date in October/November is still to be confirmed with Fireworx Scotland. Once again we'll be on the lookout across the village for volunteers to act as marshals, general helpers and supporters, without whom the Bonfire and Fireworks would not happen.

In the meantime, please contact Saddiq Ahmed for hall bookings: 01779 841283 / [hattonhall@btinternet.com](mailto:hattonhall@btinternet.com)

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## JOG SCOTLAND HATTON



Jog Scotland Hatton continues to meet on Tuesdays (5.30 pm) and Thursdays (5.30 and 6.15 pm). A more relaxed session for beginners and those wishing to take things at a slower pace is at 6.15 pm on Thursdays. All sessions meet at the field by the village shop. All levels of joggers are welcome. More information is available on our Facebook page, or feel free to send us a message.

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## FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

Meeting each Sunday morning at 10:00 am

Evening at 5:30

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**Come along to Hatton's  
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'Hatton Stay & Play'!**

We meet every Friday, 9.30-11.30 am (term time) at Hatton Hall, you'll find us upstairs.

We have lots of fun toys and equipment for the children to play with and often have themed sessions where we do arts and crafts.

We love a wee singsong and end every session with a story and song-time!

Cost is £3 per session, per family, and this includes a snack for the wee ones and a cuppa and fine piece for the grown-ups!

For more information, email us at, [hattonstayandplay@outlook.com](mailto:hattonstayandplay@outlook.com) or search 'Hatton Stay & Play' on Facebook.

Hope to see you at a session soon!

# Sylvia Dalziel School of Highland Dancing

The Sylvia Dalziel School of Highland Dancing has been in Hatton for over 35 years and we have pupils from age 3 right through to teenagers. Dancing is a great way to have fun, be active and make friends. Our dancers have the opportunity to feel a sense of accomplishment as they train for medal testing and progress through the syllabus.

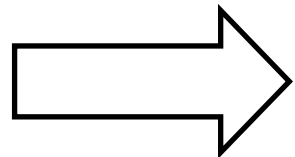
Classes take place on Tuesdays, starting at 4.45 pm in Hatton Public Hall. We currently have spaces available for children age 3 and above. If your child would like to come along and give it a try please contact us at [hattondancing@gmail.com](mailto:hattondancing@gmail.com)



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## DOWN MEMORY LANE

Do you remember when the flood damaged the bridge on Hatton Farm Road on 23rd December 2012? For a while Hatton was cut in two, until a temporary footbridge was built, but there was still no way for cars from the Hatton Farm area to come into the other part of the village without making a long detour. Repairs took place during much of 2013. First a temporary bridge was put in place to allow the rebuilding of the main bridge. Finally at the end of September the new bridge was open to traffic again.





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## 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**

**When: Thursdays (during term time)**

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).



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## 1st Hatton Brownies

We meet on Thursdays 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!

*Brownies*



Hatton Area Residents Association



## STORM OTTO



Lots of stories of the power cuts during Storm Otto were swapped as Hatton residents queued at the Burger Van provided by SSEN in the Hall car park on 17 February. Many had learned from their experiences during Storm Arwen in November 2021. Now people were more prepared with camping stoves and the like at the ready. But there were still problems: clothes stuck in washing machines, no matches to light a gas hob which needed electricity to ignite, morning showers being suddenly halted, mobile phones running out of charge and mobile networks not working.

SSEN had learned too from previous storms. Despite thousands of homes in the northeast being cut off as powerlines were brought down in the gales, staff worked tirelessly to restore power, updating residents as best they could, about progress, and providing that welcome hot food for those shivering in the cold and the dark. In the end most homes in Hatton had power restored in 12 hours or so.

And then there were the offers of help which appeared – offers of hot water and food by those who had the means to provide it; even offering the use of cookers or microwaves.

Storm Otto brought out a true community spirit and showed Hatton folk at their best.

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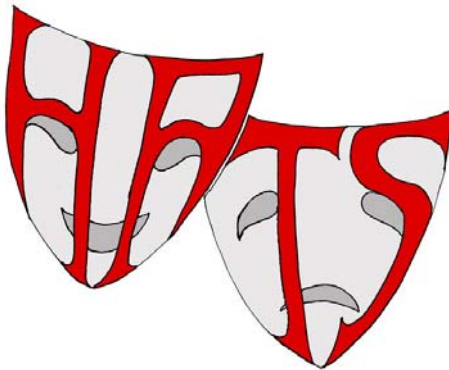
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**OAPs Prices Tuesday - Friday**

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through Covid-19 and lockdowns



*Hatton Amateur Theatrical Society*

HATS is hopeful of returning with their annual panto this year, although a definite decision has yet to be made by the Committee. Keep an eye out for updates on our Facebook page (Hatton Amateur Theatrical Society).

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