



Havenstreet and Ashey



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Can you believe it's September already, sorry to say it, but it will be Christmas before we know it.

The fact that I am writing this newsletter means that we are already two thirds of the way through 2024! Scary! My dear mum used to say that time goes faster as you get older, and I can see what she meant. The years are flying by.

I think part of that for me, is that we don't seem to have any real seasons anymore. Our winters are wet and mainly warm, our springs are either pouring down or so hot the plants and birds don't know if they are coming or going. Our summers, if we are lucky, consist of three weeks of scorching sun, so hot we all melt, then onto autumn which to a degree is just like spring. Overall, the year is just like one big, confused season.

On a plus, apart from fighting off an army of slugs and snails the gardens have coped pretty well with the weather, all things considered; and we are extremely lucky to still get to see our glorious sunrises, sunsets and wonderful harvest moon. So, life isn't all bad.

Well, it's time to make yourself a cuppa, put your feet up and enjoy a few of the highlights of 2024 and see what else is instore for the rest of the year.

Roll out the red carpet....

Thanks to volunteers, Havenstreet Community Centre have won a runner up award for best Community Garden at Wight in Bloom 2024.



Our Annual Free Easter Event



The Easter event was well attended and thankfully the weather held for us again.

Which was extremely lucky considering the dreadful start to the year.



Peanut and Twiglet were the stars of the show again at this year's Easter event.



Look who won a prize at the carnival!



Our very own Saturday Market regular.
Farmer Ralph.
Congratulations!



Eleanor and Elijah
The two winners of the hat competition.
Well done.

*More Village Events
Held so far this year.*

JUMBLE SALE

Thanks to everyone who donated items to making
Aprils jumble sale such a success.



St Peter's Church Event

The open gardens held by St Peter's Church in
memory of Canon Hilary Spurgeon, was a great
success. Raising an incredible £770.



Well done everyone.

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St Peter's Summer BBQ



A very pleasant evening was had by all.
Sooooo much food... and
sooooo delicious...



Fancy a game of Boules?



Once a fortnight, Saturday afternoon behind
the White Hart Inn, Havenstreet.

Still to come for 2024.



*Quiz Night
With
Cheese and Wine*

*Havenstreet Community Centre
Friday 27th September 2024*



JUMBLE SALE



*Havenstreet Community Centre
Saturday 5th October 2024
2pm*



*Free silent bonfire party
Havenstreet Community Centre
Saturday 2nd November 2024
Time 6.00 - 8.00pm*

- Games
- Table tennis
- Fireworks (silent and beautiful)
- Raffle prizes
- Best Guy Fawkes competition (the winner gets a mystery prize)



All children 16 and under must be accompanied by parent(s) or adult.
As the Community Centre is situated in a residential area there will be no rockets, bangs, or anything loud.

Still to come for 2024.

*Remembrance Sunday
At the Shrine*



**There will be a two minute silence at
11.00.a.m.**



*Havenstreet Community Centre
Free Christmas Tree
Lighting Event
Tuesday 3rd December 2024
From 6pm*



*St Peter's display of decorated
Christmas trees*

Date to be confirmed.

More garden news...

Our Community Plant Sales, I am pleased to say, are going from strength to strength. This year we had over 500 plants on sale, and managed to raise a whopping £300, with every penny raised going back into the community garden, for everyone to enjoy.



Look at our new greenhouse



Having a brand-new greenhouse will help to make us even more self-sufficient, allowing us to grow more plants from seed, for next year's sale. Which is being held at April's Saturday Market.

A list of plants for sale will be put up on The Havenstreet times nearer to the sale date, so, keep an eye out for that.

You will also be able to pre order... more details to follow...

Village History



This shield was presented by Mr. A. I. Brain landlord of the White Hart pub to the child with the most points for exhibits at the Havenstreet Horticultural Show, first awarded in 1954 and the lastly in 1973. It features in God's Own Acre the book about the history of Havenstreet and Asheby written by Angela Snow and Keith Newbury.

The shield had fallen into disrepair but has now been restored by the kindness of Malcolm Leal.

Looking for volunteers

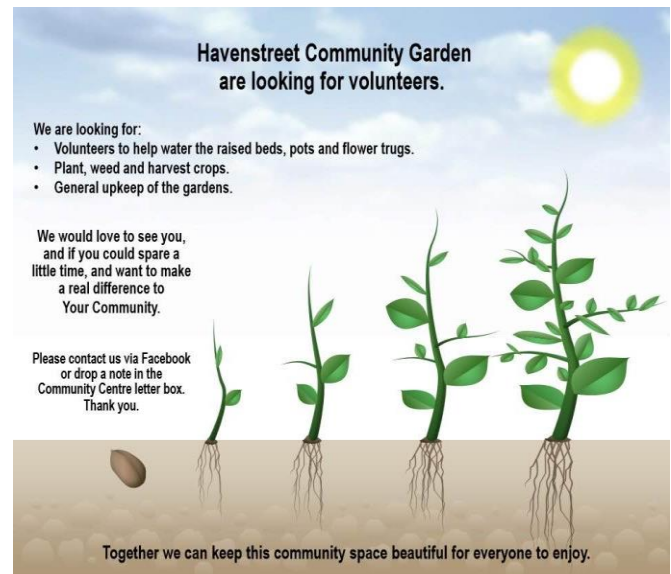
Havenstreet Community Garden are looking for volunteers.

We are looking for:

- Volunteers to help water the raised beds, pots and flower trugs.
- Plant, weed and harvest crops.
- General upkeep of the gardens.

We would love to see you, and if you could spare a little time, and want to make a real difference to Your Community.

Please contact us via Facebook or drop a note in the Community Centre letter box. Thank you.



Together we can keep this community space beautiful for everyone to enjoy.

Special Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who attended the many events held this year supporting your community; and to all the very hard-working volunteers who give up their time to make these events the success they are.

Our lovely customers who made this year's plant sale such a success.

The 100 club members, your contribution has enabled us to get a new greenhouse.

Last but not least, to Lushingtons for all their help and kindness with the greenhouse.