

January 2017

# What a year!

Edition no 7



## **Stutton Social Committee**

Who, Why, What and Where...



The SSC are simply a group of local volunteers, with the purpose of organising and supporting events for our community. We are a growing band and gladly encourage others to join us, be it occasional or regular support for events we are involved in.

We are organised and regulars have specific roles. As a non-profit making organisation, initially formed to bring the community together with fun events for all ages and make money for charity as an added bonus, a conscious decision was made last year to look at re-directing more funds back into benefitting Stutton-cum-Hazlewood and that is our intention.

2016 was a busy year for SSC and many of you will have attended at least one of the events we held in the village – more details of those to follow – and 2017 already promises to be an even busier year for us with traditional events already in the diary, a number of 'others' to be announce and an upcoming opportunity for YOU, the parishioner, to make suggestions for us to consider 'making them happen'...

On 11<sup>th</sup> February, we invite everyone to come along to a coffee morning, have a chat with those of us so far involved with SSC and discuss YOUR ideas for village events or days out. Details will be shared on our Facebook and Twitter accounts, and around the village.

To close for now, we would like to wish everybody a successful and happy new year and hope to see and speak to many of you in the coming weeks. Should you wish to share any feedback, we can be formally contacted via <u>stuttonsocialcommittee@gmail.com</u>

**Committee Members**: Emily Tudball (Chair) Julie Chadwick (Vice Chair) Lynsay Wrigglesworth (Secretary) Sophie Hillton (Treasurer) Chris Morris (PR) Kathy Bird, Nigel Hilton, Paul Chadwick, Graham Hunter, Mike Grayson, Nadine Meillam, Chris Cully, Julie Cully, Michelle Hilton, Paul Spurrier, Maggie Chandler



**BULB PLANTING** - In October, with the help of head gardener Mark Jackson, we held our first bulb planting event. The sun came out and made it a fabulous day with a great turn out of helpers of all ages! Let's see what it looks like in spring!





**SHOOTING DAY** - Photographs show Stan enjoying his day out with Mike on a North Yorkshire Shooting estate in October. Stan very kindly bought the shooting experience day at the Stutton Social Committee auction held in Feb 2016 in aid of the Tadcaster flood appeal. Stan said "I had a cracking day, I even got to bring something home for tea"

## **EVENTS OF 2016**

HALLOWEEN - This year saw the highest turnout yet of carved pumpkins in wonderfully creative and unique styles, from Dracula to a Carousel. It was such a pleasure to walk through our village, to see everyone's efforts, and it even attracted people from neighbouring villages. The Social Committee had such a hard time choosing the 'best in show' they had to open it up to a public vote at the village bonfire night. Well done everyone, we're already looking forward to next Halloween!!











**BONFIRE NIGHT** –For the first time in many years, and with big thanks to Keith Tillett, Stutton had a bonfire.

Many people pitched in to help make it all happen, in particular Stewart Wrigglesworth who provided the marque, lights, equipment and labour!

We had over 200 people attend and feedback has been excellent, so, we plan to do it again next year on 4<sup>th</sup> November. Hope to see you all for another wonderful evening.





## **EVENTS OF 2016**

CHRISTMAS -Sunday 11th December saw the second Stutton Christmas Fair and Christmas tree light switch on by our pumpkin competition winners Jamie, Lydia and family! Many thanks to Ron and family for donating our magnificent 30ft Christmas tree which proved challenging for the light assembly workers. However, once in place and despite a minor setback from Hurricane Barbara it provided a spectacular sight for everyone to enjoy over the festive season. The Christmas fair was well attended once again and everyone enjoyed th carols by the Stutton choir and the Brass band. Mulled wine and mince pies were enjoyed by the grown-ups whilst browsing the lovely local jewellery and the children were happy to create Christmas memorie at our craft table whilst waiting for Santa!





New this year were the outside bar for the adults and free face painting for the children. Santa and his helpers came to visit and handed out gifts to everyone. Many thanks to everyone who helped to set up and clear away and to everyone who donated cake, money and time. Yet again a big thank you to Mike and Kathryn Grayson for letting us use St Aidans - without this we wouldn't be able to hold such a great community event.

MACMILLAN COFFEE AND CAKES - On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October we held our first Macmillan village coffee afternoon. There was a big turnout, some very generous raffle prizes donated and the Stutton Choir teamed up with Michelle Hilton's other choir the 'Boston Spa Mummies' to give a fantastic performance, all helping to raise a whopping £567! Thank you to all who organised, ran and attended the event.

# **COFFEE MORNING**

## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February

### 10 – 12 noon in the Village Hall



We would like to thank you all for your support so.....

Come and join us for coffee and cake!

#### **Everyone Welcome**

Meet the Social Committee, give us your views

Or just sit and have a cuppa and a catch up - on us!

## **Spotlight on Stutton**

Name: The Nussey Family

How long have you lived in Stutton? 3 years

Whereabouts do you live in Stutton? Browns Paddock

What do you do for a living? Printing, Ironing Service, university and school.

What do you like doing in your spare time? Gym, Yoga and rugby

What is the best thing about living in Stutton? The Hare and Hounds!

**If you could change one thing about Stutton, what would it be?** A play area for children and a better bus service.

**Please tell us something about you that might surprise us!** Descended from illegitimate line of the House of Nassau (Dutch Royal Family still on the throne today)

My best memory of Stutton is .... Pub trip to the races last summer!

Stutton is..... HOME!



## **Events 2017**

Date	Event	Venue
2 April 2017	Clay pigeon Shoot	Park Lodge, Cowick
16 April 2017	Easter treasure hunt and bonnet competition	St Aidans Church
<b>3-11<sup>th</sup> June</b> 4-8pm weekdays, 11am-4pm weekends	Art Exhibition	St Aidans Church
TBC	Summer fair	TBC
4 November 2017	Bonfire night	Weedling gate field
10 December 2017	Christmas fair	St Aidans / Village

For further details please come along to the social committee meetings, speak to a member of the committee or email the social committee either at the email address below or through Facebook.

*Electronic copies of the Stutton Standard and notes from the social committee meetings can be found on the Parish Council website.* 

#### **Diary of regular events**

- Sing for fun (Ladies only) Every third Monday of the month 8-9:30pm St Aidans
- Bridge club Every other Thursday at the Hare and Hounds
- *Mindfulness- Tuesdays from 6:45-7:45pm (*Sue 07729 617471, 01937 831449 www.littleyin.co.uk)
- Quiz night at the Hare and Hounds every Sunday from 8:30pm
- Stutton Social Committee meetings every third Thursday of the month
- Parish Council meetings every second Thursday of the month

#### Local links

Stutton Parish Council website – <u>http://www.stuttonpc.org.uk</u> **Facebook** pages for Stutton Community – search 'Stutton Village community **Twitter** - @StuttonVillage'

#### **Contact details**

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