



Refurbished Kitchen

The kitchen in the village hall has undergone a transformation. Within the same four walls there is more storage space so more of the catering equipment is to hand in the kitchen instead of traipsing back and forth to the cupboard at the back of the hall.

There is a new cooker and fridge and the window has been replaced. All-in-all a splendid job thanks to Tim & Mary Scarff and their team of helpers.

Hire the Village Hall

You might like to consider using the Village Hall for your next function. You can also hire extra tables and chairs and/or cutlery for your event at home for a donation. The floor area is roughly 7 by 11 metres – plenty of room for children to run around in, for example. For private functions we charge **£7.50/hour from April–Sept** and **£9/hour from Oct–March**. Any reasonable setting-up time is free.

Show a film

There is an overhead projector in the Village Hall so that films can be screened from DVDs. Alternatively, the same equipment can be used for a slide show run from a computer.

Editors

Please let us know what would be useful in Hempstead Herald – and we'd love to see some pictures.

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HEMPSTEAD VILLAGE HALL

Available for hire

Facilities include tables & chairs, plates & cutlery for up to 80; stage; overhead projector suitable for films and computer presentations

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New news sheet

Those of you who have taken part in events at our village hall will know that it is a friendly place to meet up.

The Village Hall Management Committee is keen that more residents use our unique village hall, either by attending an event advertised in the local newsletter; on the A-board outside the hall; or by hiring it for a private function. It 'belongs' to us all and can be used for many different activities; there's even a table-tennis table left over from the youth club days.

To make sure that you are aware of what is going on in Hempstead and the facilities that are available, we have decided to circulate a bi-monthly news sheet – here's the first **Hempstead Herald**. Please let us know what you think of it.



Hempstead Events

All events in the Village Hall unless otherwise stated

28 Mar	Easter Monday	Open Day in the Church
	10 am–1 pm	Refreshments/Books
	10:30 am.....	Children's Crafts & Easter Egg Hunt *
1 Apr	Fri 10:30 am–noon	Coffee & Gossip *
6 Apr	Wed 7 pm	Play Reading Group *
13 Apr	Wed 7:30 pm	Village Hall AGM
17 Apr	Sun 7 pm	Jazz Night *
20 Apr	Wed 7:30 pm	Film Club *
5 May	Thurs 7 am–10 pm	Vote Police Commissioner *
13 May	Fri 10:30 am–noon	Coffee & Gossip *
18 May	Wed 7:30 pm	Film Club *
21 May	Sat 7 pm	May Feast *

Further Ahead

3 Jun	Fri 10:30 am–noon	Coffee & Gossip *
23 Jun	Thurs 7 am–10 pm	Vote EU Referendum *
26 Jun	Sun 12 noon	Charity Lunch
7 Aug	Sun 2 pm	Fête on the Playing Field
3–4 Sep	10 am–5 pm	Hempstead Arts
14 Oct	Fri 7 pm	Quiz & Meal
10 Dec	Sat 7 pm	Christmas Party

* See within for more details

Hempstead Village Hall
Jazz Night
Sunday 17 April 2016 at 7 pm

Cyan Traces Quintet

Holly Graham : Vocals Tom Harris : Piano
Dave Amis : Trombone/Arranger
Alex Best : Drums Ivars Galeniekis : Double Bass



Profits to be donated to
East Anglian Air Ambulance
Interval refreshments included



Cyan Traces

In 1973, after playing professionally for many years, trombonist Dave Amis returned home to take up a post as a Brass Teacher for the Norfolk County Music Services. In 2009 he became aware of Ivars Galeniekis and was attracted to his 'European Approach'. So began discussions about the possibility of forming a group. Soon they both agreed that Tom Harris would be their preferred pianist and so he was invited to join. Then a long period elapsed because they were very uncertain over the drum chair – was there someone who could play quietly without losing the feel? Miraculously Ivars found Alex Best on a gig in Ipswich. Our prayer was answered.

Dave sensed that it needed one other ingredient for the magic to happen. Upon hearing Holly sing it was immediately apparent to him that she had all the qualities to make the mix an intriguing one – so Cyan Traces was born.

Reports in the **North Norfolk News** have said: 'This innovative event attracted an audience of at least 130 people who experienced exquisite arrangements by Dave Amis: *A Lovely Way to Spend an Evening*, *My Favourite Things*, *Cry Me a River*, *Comes Love*, and *It's All in the Game*, to name but a few. The vocal interpretations by Holly Graham were so sincere, so articulate and emotionally expressive. This quintet, all skilled in exciting improvisational skills, brought about a night to remember.'

'Veteran second-generation band leader and music mentor Dave Amis uses his seven decades of musical experiences and influences to breathe new life into old (and not so old) songs. He draws mostly from the great American jazz scene of the mid twentieth century but sprinkled with pop and classical influences.'

Tickets: £10 from Ian Summers

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Hope to see you there!

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Monday at 10:30 am



All the children in the village are invited to hunt for Easter Eggs in and around the church. There will also be craft activities. There is no charge for this event.

May Feast

21 May, Sat at 7 pm for 7:30 pm

£9 adults and £5 for under 13s for this superb event featuring Graves' gammon and lamb roast, home-made salads and desserts. To make sure of your place for this ever-popular event, reserve places for you and your friends with Tim Scarff 711657 or Ian Summers 710702 (ask about vegetarian and other special requirements when booking). Bring your own drinks and there will be a raffle.

Coffee and Gossip

This is a chance to meet up with friends on a Friday morning once a month and enjoy a good cup of filter coffee and a piece of home-made cake. The cost is modest, and any profit is given to charity. More information from Su 710702.

The Play Reading Group

This meets bi-monthly on a Wednesday evening. It was started so that we could enjoy taking part in plays without the anxiety of learning the lines! Now in our sixth year, we have read both serious plays and lots of comedies. We welcome new members and could especially do with a few more men! More information from Su 710702 su@linaria.co.uk

Film Club (Sept–May)

3rd Wed in Village Hall at 7:30 pm

Set up in 2001 to show classic films (especially comedies and westerns) in the convivial and informal setting of the Village Hall. For licensing reasons we cannot publicise each film but current programme details are always shown in the Hall porch. By way of example past films have included *Bringing Up Baby*, *The Apartment*, *Whiskey Galore*, *Il Postino* and *The Searchers*. Membership is open to all wherever you live – turn up on the night or contact Yvette Gibson 712460 or Mike Thody 711282.

The Art Class

Tuesday mornings 10 am–noon

Meets during term time with Mike Thody and it provides the pictures which can usually be seen adorning the walls inside the hall. Mike would be pleased to welcome new students from the village and beyond. High quality refreshments served by Tim. More information from Mike 711282.

Use your vote!

Have you registered to vote at the two elections that are coming up in the village hall (both 7 am–10 pm):

5th May Police & Crime Commissioner

23rd June EU Referendum

Village Web Site

We are building a village web site which, it is hoped, will be used by both people in the village and visitors. Any input such as details of B&Bs and holiday lets would be welcome – take a sneak preview: www.hempstead-by-holt.uk