



*Horningsea Bonfire night is on the 3rd Nov.*

## **Horningsea Herald**

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**[www.horningsea.net](http://www.horningsea.net)**

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**[horningseanews@googlemail.com](mailto:horningseanews@googlemail.com)**

## **Events**

### ***Horningsea Parish Council***

#### **Wednesday 9th October at 19:30**

The next meeting of Horningsea Parish Council is Wednesday October 9th, 2024 at 19:30 in Horningsea Village Hall. The agenda is here:

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5306>

### ***Horningsea Harvest Festival***

#### **Sunday 13th October at 16:00**

At the Harvest Festival we are able to celebrate that Horningsea remains a "farming village", surrounded by arable fields with the tractors, trailers and combines going up and down the High Street all day and much of the evening when the weather is right and the crops are ready. You can't miss it! After last year when there were virtually no apples, the fruit trees have been laden this autumn - windfalls are on the village green, in the village orchard and in the hedgerows. There are boxes of apples outside front doors with an invitation to people to help themselves. Apple pressing day on 28 September showed how abundant the apple harvest has been ... and there are still more apples in the hedgerows. All this deserves a celebration and recognition of the importance of caring for God's creation.

Come along on Sunday 13 October at 18:00, bring a contribution of something you have grown or bought that can be sold in favour of the charity Farm Africa. Liz Harrison will be asking for help to decorate the church, so get in touch if you would like to get involved or if you have colourful leaves, flowers, fruit and vegetables to use as decoration. We hope the local farmers will tell us a bit about harvest 2024 during the

service. There will be a Harvest Tea after the service - probably with homemade apple cake!

## ***Halloween Spooky party at the Plough and Fleece***

### **Friday 1st November, The Plough and Fleece**

Boo! You are invited to our spooky party on Friday 1st November. With live music from the Cushy Punts, a Best Costume Contest and of course Trick or Treat

## ***Horningsea Firework and Bonfire***

### **Sunday, 3rd November, Village green**

The days are getting shorter which means it's almost time for this year's Horningsea's Firework and Bonfire event organised by the Horningsea Residents Association.

This year's celebrations are on Sunday November 3rd and will take place on the Village Green. Gates will open from 17.30 for Hot Dogs, soup, snacks, hot drinks and music.

Fireworks will begin at 18.30- lighting of the bonfire in true Horningsea style to follow.



Adults £5 & over 5's £2.50 - correct cash on the gate if possible please.

We look forward to seeing you there!

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5314>

## ***St Peters Church services for October***

- **Sunday 6th October 10.30** - Holy Communion
- **Sunday 13 October 16.00** - Harvest Festival Service followed by Harvest Tea and sale of produce in aid of Farm Africa
- **Wednesday 16 October at 20.30** -- Late evening Service of Compline
- **Sunday 27 October 10.30** - Joint Three Parishes Holy Communion

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5310>

## **Upcoming Events**

### ***HRA Dates for Diary 2024***

- Sunday 3rd November **Bonfire Night**
- Sunday 1st December **Christmas Tree Lighting**
- Monday 27th January 2025 **HRA AGM**
- Saturday 8th February 2025 from 18.30 **International Evening**

<https://www.horningsea.net/archives/5180>

### ***Horningsea Parish Council meetings for 2024***

- 9th October, 19:30 Village hall
- 27th November, 19:30 Village hall

<https://www.horningsea.net/community-parish-council>

### ***St Peter's Church***

- **Saturday 2nd November at 15.00 – Time to Remember** your loved ones who have died recently or in the past. Come along and light a candle in their memory.
- **Sunday 8th December at 18.00 – Candlelit Carol Service**

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### ***Horningsea CIC Newsletter.***

The latest newsletter is attached to this email.

## Reports

Please send in photos or reports of any village events to [horningseanews@gmail.com](mailto:horningseanews@gmail.com)

### *Horningsea Apple Press Day 2024*



## **Fen Ditton Community Primary School - news**

### ***Term dates***

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2024</b>	<b>SPRING TERM 2025</b>	<b>SUMMER TERM 2025</b>
Term Starts – Weds 4 Sept School Ends – Fri 25 Oct Half Term - 28 Oct – 1 Nov School Starts – Tues 5 Nov Term Ends – Fri 20 Dec	Term Starts – Tues 7 Jan School Ends – Fri 14 Feb Half Term - 17 Feb - 21 Feb School Starts – Mon 24 Feb Term Ends – Fri 4 April	Term Starts – Wed 23 April May BH – Mon 5 May School Ends – Friday 23 May Half Term - 26 May – 30 May School Starts – Tues 3 June Term Ends – Wed 23 July

### ***Fen Ditton Primary School Reception 2025 Entry***

There's two open days in November for 2025 reception parents, as well as the possibility to book individual tours of the school.

Group tours:

- Tuesday 19th November, 10:00
- Thursday 21st November 14:00

The deadline for admission applications is 15th January, 2025

Contact us on [office@fendittonprimary.org](mailto:office@fendittonprimary.org) or 01223 292342

### ***Parking outside Fen Ditton Primary school***

School has respectfully requested that only parents who have and can display a blue badge park in the lay-by mornings and afternoons, unless you have prior permission from the school.

They also want to make all parents aware that **MUST NOT** block the school gates, this includes the gate to the school car park and the gate to the playground, as these must be accessible at all times.

## **St Peter's Church**

### ***Bell Ringing in Horningsea Church***

Wednesday 9 October at 19.00 - if you are interested in learning to ring, or if you are an established ringer come along and join the ringing!

On Saturday afternoon 19 October the Cambridge University Bell Ringers will visit and ring at about 15.00 for an hour.

## ***Volunteer gardeners required in Horningsea Churchyard***

There are a few roses that need pruning and two small areas of "garden" near the church porch that need to be weeded and pruned. Would you be able to spare an hour or so to have a go at tidying up these corners of the churchyard? If you felt you could give more time, the hedge between the churchyard and Crown & Punchbowl carpark needs the bind weed removed and a bit of trimming back. If you can help at all can you let one of the church wardens know? Thank you in advance.

Meanwhile we must thank Michael Gingell for the hours he devotes to cutting the grass and trimming round the graves. Although the conservationists would prefer us to leave the grass uncut, visitors frequently comment on how beautifully it is kept. It is difficult to please everyone! Thank you also to John Harrison and Richard Kent for the help they give Michael.

## ***Building work at the Church***

Plans are afoot to repair the floor in the north side of the church and to make the access to the church tower safe. It is a slow process getting the architects specifications, a Faculty (permission from the Diocese) and then find the money to pay for the work. The church council will be applying for grants but may also be asking for help in fundraising. Offers of help will be happily received!

## **Horningsea Planning**

### ***Solar Farm proposal***

A proposal has just been put onto the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Portal for a large solar farm behind the site for the proposed Sewage works relocation.

[Planning Application](#)

### ***Cambridgeshire and Peterborough CPRE***

The latest newsletter from the Campaign for the protection of Rural England (CPRE) is below (and also attached to the covering email). This campaign have supported our Save Honey Hill campaign and are a very worthwhile charity to support. Especially for a rural village under threat from many different developments such as Horningsea.

<https://www.cprecams.org.uk/downloads/newsletter-spring-2024.pdf>

## **Horningsea: Past and Present**

### ***Volunteers wanted: Beaches Community Car Service***

Do you drive? Could you spare a few hours per week?

The Beaches Community Car Service is a local voluntary car service based in Waterbeach providing transport for people from the Waterbeach, Milton, Landbeach, Chittering and Horningsea area who have limited transport options.

We need more volunteer drivers and co-ordinators

Could you help?

For more information please ring 07807 875878 and leave a message

## ***New Life, the Parish Magazine***

New Life is the Parish Magazine produced by the churches in Horningsea, Fen Ditton and Teversham. It costs £5 a year to subscribe and ensures you are kept up to date with whatever is going on in the Three Parishes. If you don't already get a copy let one of the Church Wardens know and you can be added to the list!

## **General**

### ***Public Calendar of Horningsea events***

There's a public calendar to share Horningsea events. This is a busy little village and it can be hard to keep track of all the different events. Anybody can view the calendar with this link:

<https://goo.gl/4592dL>

You can also add it to your own calendar directly using the following link:

<https://goo.gl/MrNWfg>

### ***How to submit news to the Herald***

The only guideline for news is for events and articles that are of direct relevance to the inhabitants of Horningsea. The Herald does not accept advertising, but one off "news items" may be used to publicise local businesses. To submit news items either email "horningseanews@gmail.com" or submit them via Twitter.

<https://twitter.com/horningseanews>.

All villagers are invited to send in recipes, stories past and present about Horningsea, photos of the village past and present, your hobbies! If it interests the editorial team then it gets published!

You must submit by the 2nd or 4th weekend of the month, the Herald being published before the first and third weekends of the month. Submission of any news items implies consent to any editing and the editorial team's decision is always final. **Always send as plain text via email.** Do NOT send formatted documents. Do NOT send articles as PDF or Word files. Stay under 700 words, preferably less. Attach any photos to the email. If you send in a PDF or image of a poster/flyer then attach a paragraph of text to go into the Herald as well.