



Father Christmas comes to Horningsea!

St Peter's Christmas Concert: Saturday 1st December

A reminder to you all that "Christmas in coming ..." a celebration in songs, words and music by Corona Brass, Fen Edge Voices and Horningsea Mechanicals on Saturday 1st December at **19:30** in St Peter's Church. Tickets £5 at the door. Mulled wine in the interval to warm you up! ☺

Horningsea Residents' Association Christmas Tree lighting 2nd December

We might have rain rather than snow, but nonetheless come banish those winter blues with your neighbours. We'll be lighting the Christmas tree on Sunday 2nd December at **18:30**. The event has outgrown the bus shelter and so this year we'll be doing decorating and lighting in the Jubilee Garden. As well as being a much safer venue for children, there are also toilets. You'll be able to keep warm with some mulled wine and of course mince pies. You will also be entertained with Christmas Carols... and do remember to bring some spare change as we'll be having a collection for the Children's Hospice in Milton
http://www.each.org.uk/what-we-do/the_hospices/milton

St Peter's Candlelit Carol Service: Sunday 9th December

This year we'll be starting early at **18:00** (by special request from some parents!) Help is needed to decorate the church with the 500 or so candles. Preparation will begin on the weekend of 24/25th November, so if you could help during the last weeks of November/early December (or if you would like to take part in the Service) please let Vee Saunders, Jenny Pratt or Cathy Clarke know.

News from the Plough & Fleece

Someone has handed into the pub a Samsung phone in a purple leatherette case. Please get in touch with the staff if you've lost it.

Please see the attached flyer publicizing a production of Jesus Christ Superstar on 8th December -- all for good causes.

Horningsea Parish Charities

The Trustees of the Parish Charities will be meeting in early December to consider giving grants to people in the village who may be regarded as "being in need". If you know of someone in the village who may be having a difficult time at the moment and who would benefit from a small grant can you please contact one of the Trustees: John Wilson, Richard McMahon, Reverend Michael Bowers or Lindsay Davies (862 588).

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For further information on Horningsea visit our village website at www.horningsea.net

Please contact me by the 25th of the month at horningseanews@gmail.com to include information for the following month's Herald!

Thanks,
Sabina
Editor

Public Transport Consultation – tell us what you need

Cambridgeshire County Council is to withdraw the large subsidy that currently covers most of the cost of running the 196 bus service. This is expected to mean that the 196 will stop running, or the service will be reduced, from April 2013.

However, a smaller subsidy, more rationally targeted, continues to be available. And the Parish and County Councils need your help with the targeting. Where do members of your household need to get to, and get back from, on a daily or even a weekly basis? If you can let the Parish Council know by filling in the attached form, we can try to help devise a transport service that is suitable for the needs of the village.

Parking on the High Street

The Police has made regular appeals to motorists not to park their vehicles on the footpaths along Horningsea High Street. The appeals seem not to have worked, and the Police will now be issuing parking tickets to vehicles that obstruct the footpaths.

Would anyone be able to answer some questions regarding Horningsea Ancestry?

Every now and again, the Herald receives an interesting request. Here's one from someone researching their ancestry, which led them to Horningsea. Can anyone help? . . . My grandad on my Dad's side was Abraham Ashman born Horningsea 1874. Then lost track of him till married London in 1901. Died in Hitchin in 1913. Abraham's Dad was John Ashman (born in Horningsea in 1840) Mum Hephzebah Ashman nee Ostler. They married in 1860. Would be nice to hear from Ashmans or Ostlers that may be able to tell me more or would like to know what I have found. I made visit to Horningsea in 2007. Would also be interested in village history in particular I saw what was the school now private house. Would be nice to know how old it is to see if my ancestors went there. Saw the old village pump wonder if Hephzebah would have got water there. Thank you very much, David Ashman masher8@btinternet.com 01234 851 504.

Fire & Rescue Consultation

I am writing to inform you that a consultation on further collaboration, up to a full merger, between Cambridgeshire and Suffolk fire and rescue services is currently taking place.

This is your opportunity to give your views on the two services collaborating further in the coming years, potentially up to merging together into one service for both areas. Your views will be included within the full business case, which is currently being put together and is likely to be presented to the Fire Authority and Suffolk County Council Cabinet in the New Year.

The consultation pack and online feedback form is available on our website <http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk/6667.php>. We are keen to receive as much feedback as possible so I would encourage you to let others know that this public consultation is taking place and to fill in the form yourselves and provide your honest opinions. The form does not ask for any personal information.

I would like to emphasise that there is still a lot of work to do, and that we will only proceed with further collaboration if it is the right decision for the residents of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Hard copies of the consultation pack and feedback form are available at libraries and fire stations around Cambridgeshire. If you would like a hard copy posted to you, contact the fire service on 01480 444 500.

Many thanks.

Graham Stagg, Chief Fire Officer, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service

Cambridge Re-Use Wins Community Award

Cambridge Re-Use has won the Community Support category in the Cambridge News Community Awards for 2012. The award recognises nearly 25 years of service to the local community by the charity. The award was presented to Cambridge Re-Use volunteers by Cllr Sheila Stuart, Mayor of Cambridge in a ceremony at Downing College.

Cambridge Re-Use collects donations of unwanted furniture and electrical appliances from generous members of the public and sells them at affordable prices to local people on low incomes or benefits. Each week 35 volunteers give their time to help deliver the service.

Local people on low incomes of under £18,000 for an individual or under £23,000 for a couple are eligible to shop at Cambridge Re-Use. To become a customer, come to the store off Cherry Hinton Road and bring your wage slip or working tax credit if you are employed, or your benefit letters if you are on benefits.

Donations of good quality furniture and electrical goods in working order are always welcome. Donations can be collected by arrangement, or can be delivered to the store between 9:00 and 16:30 Monday to Friday, or between 10:00 and 15:00 on Saturdays.

The Cambridge Re-Use store is at Unit H, The Paddocks
347 Cherry Hinton Road, Cambridge, CB1 8DH
The team can be contacted on 01223 576 535

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for December

Note: These events are open to all Horningsea Residents and, unless otherwise stated, are FOC.

<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event/Notes</u>
Saturday 1st 19:30	St Peter's	Christmas Concert
Sunday 2 nd 18:30	Jubilee Garden	Christmas Tree lighting
Saturday 8 th 20:00	Plough & Fleece	Jesus Christ Superstar
Sunday 9 th 18:00	St Peter's	Candlelit Carol Service

Overview of Weekly Events

Mondays 19:30-21:30	Village Hall	Bridge (beginners welcome)
Tuesdays 10:00-11:30	Village Hall	Adult & Toddler Group (£1/adult; first session FOC)
Tuesdays 20:00	Plough & Fleece	Quiz Night
Thursdays 19:30-21:30	Village Hall	Painting group. £2 per session. No experience necessary. All welcome!
Thursdays 21:00	Plough & Fleece	Band/Open Mike Night. Bring an instrument and join in!

Cluzion Club at the Plough & Fleece

For details of Cluzion Club music events at the pub, see the Cluzion website www.cluzionmusic.org.uk

To book the village hall, please contact
Pauline Hellowell at 860 118 or
hellowell@horningsea.com

To post a notice on the village signboards,
please contact the Parish Clerk,
Emily Redfarn at clerk@horningsea.com