



HORNINGSEA Herald
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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

Horningsea Residents Association News

The bonfire was a "raging" success this year. Many thanks to all who helped build the bonfire and guys on the Saturday and thanks to all who came on the Sunday evening. Next year's event is already booked.

Christmas Tree Lighting

It's not exactly super chilly weather but nonetheless wrap up warm and come join in with your neighbours to kick off the Christmas celebrations. We'll be lighting the Xmas Tree on **Sunday 4th December at 18:30** by the bus shelter. You'll be able to keep warm(er) with some mulled wine and of course some mince pies. You will also be entertained with Christmas Carols. There will be a collection for the Milton Hospice for children.

Parish Council: Time to get involved

Elections will be held in May 2012 for seven posts as parish councillors. We are keen to recruit new blood, and encourage residents to offer themselves for nomination.

As a first step, come along to a Parish Council meeting, and see what happens. The next meeting is on **Wednesday November 30th at 19:30** in the Village Hall.

If you can't make it to that meeting, but would still like to learn more about the duties of a parish councillor, please contact Peter Davison, King's Acre, High Street, 861 865.

Illegal Parking

Some of you may have received letters from our PCSOs relating to obstructive and inconsiderate parking offences. Some areas have suffered road traffic collisions and these may be due to parked vehicles straddling the pavement to be as close as possible to the vehicle owner's property. Although we understand the need to park directly outside your home, please, if you have off road parking available either driveway/garage block/ car park, use these, as we will be monitoring the parking across the villages and you could be faced with a fixed penalty notice of £30.00 for unnecessary parking. If you would like to comment on any of this please e-mail us at the address below or return via e-cops.

Thank you for your continued support.

PCSOs Julie and John. julie.hairedini@cambs.pnn.police.uk / john.coppard@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Want to become a Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service Community Champion? See flyer!

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service (CFRS) is launching a pilot scheme in South Cambridgeshire to encourage residents to carry out safety checks on their homes. The scheme is innovative in that it will rely on local volunteers to liaise with the community on its behalf.

CFRS is now looking for people who live in the South Cambridgeshire area to volunteer to become 'Community Champions'. Community Champions will be trained to speak to local community groups about home fire safety and escape plans, and to refer those people who are unable to carry out a check of their own home to CFRS for additional support. Champions will also attend community events and take part in CFRS's public consultation activity.

Plans for St Peter's Church

Wednesday 7th December at 19:00 there will be an open meeting to discuss suggestions that have been made to improve St Peter's Church. Please come along to see and hear the suggestions made - and make your own. If you can't come but still want to make a suggestion then contact one of the Church Wardens – Vee Saunders or Jennie Pratt.

Advent Words & Music at St Peter's

On **Thursday 8th December at 19:30** – (to about 20:45) the St Peter's Belles will be singing some Advent and Christmas folk carols to accompany the readings on the theme of Advent. How do we prepare for Christmas? Do we get so bogged down with shopping and cooking and wrapping parcels and posting cards that we forget what we are preparing for? Some of the readings are light and witty, others are more challenging – come along for a stimulating evening. Remember that St Peter's can be very cold so come wrapped up – there will be mulled apple juice and wine to warm us up afterwards!

Candle-lit Carol Service at St Peter's

On **Sunday 11th December at 18:30** St Peter's Church will hold a traditional Candle-lit carol service – the Church is filled with hundreds of candles, the oil lamps are lit, children will process to the Crib with lanterns and the congregation will listen to traditional Christmas readings and join in singing favourite carols. Fen Ditton Choir will lead the singing and Eye Hall Singers will sing some less well known carols during the service. If you have never been you need to come early to get a seat – and wear warm clothes! We will start lighting the candles at about 17:45.

It takes two or three weekends to set up all the candles so if you would like to get involved and help please come along to St Peter's on Saturday 3rd December and/or Saturday 10th December at about 10:00 for an hour or so and help decorate the Church.

Nativity at St Peter's

On **Sunday 18th December at 11:00** -- a very short Nativity. Children are invited to come to St Peter's Church dressed as shepherds, angels or kings and listen to the Nativity story. This will last no more than half an hour. Bring your cameras for a "photo opportunity"!

Horningsea Parish Charities

The Trustees of Horningsea Parish Charities will meet in the first week of December to decide on the distribution of grants to those in the village who fall into the category of being “in need”. If you know anyone in the village who you think may be in need of a small grant please let the Trustees know – via Lindsay Davies, 862 588 or Lindsay@horningsea.freeserve.co.uk

Christmas Cards

Packs of cards (Horningsea Church in the snow) are available in Horningsea Church or from Vee Saunders (441 900) or Lindsay Davies (862 588) at either £7.50 for a pack of 10. Proceeds to Friends of Horningsea Church.

Cluzion Club at the Plough & Fleece

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

New number for Police Non-Emergency Calls

You can now contact Cambridgeshire Constabulary on 101 for all non-emergency calls. The 03454 564 564 number will remain in use alongside 101 for several months to allow people time to get used to the new number.

The change comes part of a national programme to make 101 the single non-emergency number in England and Wales, giving residents an easy-to-remember number to contact local police wherever they are.

The call system is designed to recognise where you are calling from and connect you with the local police service. If you did not want to speak to your local force, or the force area you are in, you will be given the option to be connected to a different one.

The number change does not affect the way that calls are handled and we will continue to take non-emergency calls 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Please continue to call 999 when an immediate response is needed because a crime is happening, someone suspected of a crime is nearby, or someone is in danger.

Kind regards, Superintendent Mike Brown

www.police.uk/101 - Details on 101 and the national roll-out

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for December

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

Wednesday 30th November 19:30 Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event/Notes</u>
Friday 2 nd 13:00	Notcutts	Police Surgery
Sunday 4 th 18:30	Bus Shelter	Christmas Tree Lighting
Thursday 8 th 19:30	St Peter's Church	Advent Words & Music
Sunday 11 th 18:30	St Peter's Church	Candle-lit Carol Service
Sunday 18 th 11:00	St Peter's Church	Nativity

Overview of Weekly Events:

Tuesdays 10:00-11:30	Village Hall	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!

Horningsea Village Shop at the Plough & Fleece

Opening Hours

Mon-Sat 11:00-15:00 & 18:30-21:30
& Sun 10:30-21:30

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,
Margaret Starkie at clerk@horningsea.com