



## ***HORNINGSEA Herald***

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### **The village beacon**

## **Events**

### ***"..all creatures great and small"....***

#### **On Sunday 7 June at 16.00 at St Peter's Church**

On Sunday 7 June at 16.00 at St Peter's Church there will be a special service for pets and their owners, when we can give thanks for the pleasure they give us all. Come along with your dog, cat, gerbil, parakeet, goldfish, pony (although that might have to wait outside!) and if you don't have a real live pet why not bring your toy monkey, bear or My Little Pony! On the other hand you could bring a worm or snail from the garden.

The only "rules" will be that dogs need to be on a lead, small animals might feel safer in a cage or box and goldfish will need water!

We do hope lots of people will come and join in this service of celebration of "all creatures of our God and King", "all creatures great and small"! Chris Percival will have a display of the work she does with injured wild animals and birds.

### ***HRA Village Day***

#### **Saturday 20th of June, Village Green, 14:00**

This year's Village Day will be on the Saturday 20th of June. The day will start at 14:00 with the official opening by the manager of the Plough and Fleece.

The events and attractions will include:

Bouncy castle, Children's races, Grownups races, Zip wire slide, Steam Traction engine, Model steam traction engine giving rides, Vintage tractors and cars, Coconut shy, Bottle stall, Face painting, Dutch street organ, Lawn Mower racing, Pet Show, Slackline, Teas in the village hall.

The BBQ will be ready for cooking at 6.30. Bring your own wine and food to cook on the BBQ.

There will be music to dance to throughout the evening and the beacon will be lit to provide illumination!

<http://www.horningsea.net/archives/1886>

## ***Horningsea Open Garden***

### **Saturday 21st June, Don and Sally's garden**

On the afternoon of Sunday 21 June, Don and Sally Edwards will again be opening their lovely garden to visitors under the National Gardens Scheme (entrance from the High Street). Teas will be provided by the Friends of Horningsea Church. Any help baking cakes, or serving teas on the day, will be much appreciated - contact Cathy Clarke.

## ***Petertide (and Friends)***

### **Sunday 28th June, St Peter's Church**

Sunday 28 June is the day before St Peter's Day and Horningsea will host the three parishes joint service at 10 am. This will be followed by a "bring and share" picnic in the Church grounds. Come to the service – or just to the picnic– at about 12 noon.

Petertide is also when the annual subscription for the Friends of Horningsea Church are due. If you are not yet a "Friend" but care about keeping our historic church in good condition and a centre for our village and community, why not join this year? Contact Michael Harrison on C. 863550 or email mharrison5@btconnect.com. Membership is £15 a year or £150 to become a life member. The chairman of the Friends is John Rooke.

The Friends have contributed thousands of pounds to the project to reorganise the refreshment area at the back of the church and to improve the loo, breaking through the medieval doorway. This work will begin in August and will be completed by November. Thanks to the Friends' backing, grants have been obtained from WREN, AmeyCespa and Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust.

## ***Happy Birthday to Margaret Dorrington:***

All of Margaret's friends in the village wish her A Very Happy Birthday this month!

## **Advance Events**

### ***HRA Calendar of events for 2015***

Here's the rest of 2015's events from the Horningsea Residents Association.

- 20th June - Village day
- 19th September - Apple Press day
- 10th October - International day
- 1st November - Firework night
- 6th December - Christmas tree lighting

## ***Horningsea Horticultural Show***

The Show will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July in the Village Hall. Schedules and entry forms will be delivered to every house in the village in early June, so there will be plenty of time to plan exhibits. The flower arrangement theme this year is "Alice in Wonderland" and the theme for the photos is "A garden".

This year we have introduced a new trophy for the “Peoples choice of Best in Show”. Visitors to the show in the afternoon will be asked to vote for their favourite exhibit in the adult classes and the winner will be awarded the trophy at the prize giving.

Entry forms need to be delivered to Vee Saunders by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at the latest. Exhibits should be taken to the village hall between 8am and 10.30am on Saturday morning and viewing in the afternoon starts at 2.30pm. As usual donated produce will be auctioned and there will be a raffle after the prize giving.

If you won a trophy last year please don't forget to return it prior to the show to a member of the committee (names and addresses are on the schedule), or to the village hall on Saturday morning.

## Reports

### *Horningsea celebrates VE Day!*



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the weekend in so many ways – particularly to those who attended and contributed to all the events at St Peter's Church. The Church Council will make a donation from the Church collection to the Royal British Legion in support of their work with veterans of conflicts and their families.

There are a lot more photos on the village website:

<http://www.horningsea.net/archives/1868>

## Notes

### *Horningsea Bell Ringers*

Group lessons have now started. They will be on Wednesdays, 19-20:30, or at other times by arrangement. Until mid-June we will be learning the basic skills at the Stretham Ringing Education Centre, St James' Church, High St, Stretham, CB6 3LD. Lessons at the REC cost £2 per session. See <http://www.elyda.org.uk/recruitment-and-training/stretham-ringing-education-centre>



Then we will move back to St Peter's (same day & time). For lessons here we pay a 50p "steepleage" charge.

You can join in at any stage, so don't worry if you have missed the first few lessons. Just contact Cathy Clarke, (01223) 861314, cathy100@lineone.net or Barbara Le Gallez, (01223) 860283, blegallez@yahoo.co.uk

We will also be ringing in Horningsea on the last Friday of each month from 19.00 = 20.30. You are very welcome to join us then as well. We will be ringing for Special Services in Horningsea and look forward to the day when Horningsea has its own team of five ringers!

## **HELP**

"Your help is needed to provide items for a "Bottle" Stall at the Horningsea Village Family Day which will be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

We have been asked to organise the stall and urgently need any Bottles, Cans or anything else which can be used for the Stall.

If you have any bottles or cans or anything else which you would like to donate for this excellent cause please contact us and then we can arrange to collect them."

Michael Harrison on 863550 - Maggie Wilson 440150

## ***Cleaner needed for Village Hall***

We need someone to keep the village hall clean and tidy for regular users and other hirers. Flexible working of up to two hours a week to make sure the hall is ready for bookings, and is cleaned afterwards. Further details from Pauline Hellowell 860118.

## ***Never forget when to put the bins out!***

Have you come across the South Cambs Bin collection App? It's available for iPhone, Apple Watch, and Android:

<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/scambs-bin-collections/id596758915?mt=8>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.binaryrefinery.bincollections&hl=en>

The app was developed by Richard Jones from Waterbeach. It's free and it has Horningsea black, blue and green bin collection dates in there and you can opt for it to give you an alert at a suitable juncture so that you don't miss the bins. And it knows all about Bank Holidays too.

There is a small and discrete advertising strip at the bottom of the page but that is unintrusive and if you've opened it once and accepted the notifications, then you never have to open the app again. I installed it and then forgot I had done so, and then on Monday night at 18:58 it faithfully told me that I should put the black bin out.

## ***7:30 Girls***

The 7.30 Girls is an informal meeting of ladies mainly from Horningsea and Fen Ditton. We meet together for fun, fellowship and interest. We have a variety of speakers and sometimes hands on sessions, perhaps some type of craft. We try to have at least one outside visit each year and usually have a social gathering in the summer in someone's garden as well as a Christmas dinner. We pay £20 for the year to cover hall hire and speakers. At each meeting we often have a small raffle and end the evening with tea, coffee and cake or biscuits.

We would love to have a few more members so please try us out for a meeting or two and then decide if you would like to join.

## ***Horningsea Church is open for business as usual!***

As you will know, Revd Michael Bowers retired after Easter, following a wonderful Mothering Sunday service and retirement party in Horningsea, and a joint service in Fen Ditton on Palm Sunday at which the three parishes thanked him and Rita for their ministry and work here and wished them well for their retirement. So we are now starting what is known as a “vacancy” – a period of time without a priest in charge (what used to be called an “interregnum”).

The church is still very much open for business as usual throughout this period with our services on Sunday mornings, weddings, baptisms and funerals throughout the year, and of course for the special festivals such as Harvest, Christmas, and Easter again! Not to mention various special events and services. We shall continue to have joint services between Fen Ditton, Horningsea and Teversham on the last Sunday of each month which move round the parishes. Look out for details of these and other special service times on the church noticeboard by the Crown and Punchbowl, and on the church porch. We do not yet know how long the vacancy will last – the position will become clearer once we start our meetings with the Diocese and we will let the parishes know once we have news to report. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing you all in church, whether for services or open church events, concerts, and so on – look out for details! Contact Vee Saunders 441900 or Jennie Pratt 864513 if you would like to arrange a baptism, wedding or funeral at St Peter's Church.

## ***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 your “service”. To submit news items either email “[horningseanews@gmail.com](mailto:horningseanews@gmail.com)” or submit them via Twitter <https://twitter.com/horningseanews>. You must submit by the 25th of the month, the Herald being published around the start of the month. Submission of any news items implies consent to any editing and the editorial team’s decision is always final. Plain text sent via email is greatly preferred. Please also use the third person when writing articles and use the 24 hr notation for time. Be aware that any items longer than quarter of a page in length will be savagely edited!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS for this month

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

<u>Date &amp; Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event/Notes</u>
Sunday 7th June at 16.00	Church	"..all creatures great and small"....
Saturday 20th of June, 14:00	Village hall and green	HRA Village Day
Saturday 21st June	Don and Sally's garden	Horningsea Open Garden
Sunday 28th June	St Peters Church.	Petertide (and Friends)

## Overview of Weekly Events

<u>Date &amp; Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event/Notes</u>
Mondays 19:30-21:30	Village Hall	Bridge.
Tuesdays 10:00-11:30	Village Hall	Adult & Toddler Group (£2 per session per family, £6.00 for four sessions. £1 for unaccompanied adults; first session FOC)
Tuesdays 20:00	Plough & Fleece	Quiz Night
Wednesdays 11:00	Plough & Fleece	Silver Circle (coffee club for over sixties)
Thursdays 19:30-21:30	Village Hall	Painting group - £2 per session
Thursdays 21:00	Plough & Fleece	Band/Open Mike Night. Bring an instrument and join in!
First Sunday of the month 15:00-17:00	Village hall	UK Knitting and Crochet Guild, Cambridgeshire branch
Fourth Wednesday of the month between 10:00 and 10:45	End of Priory Rd.	Library Van