



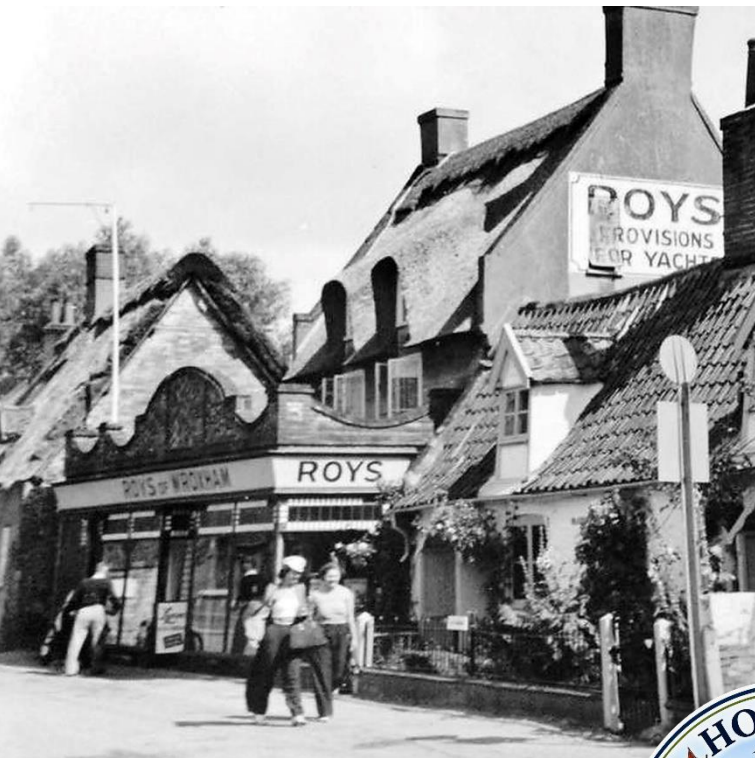
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For Horning and Ashmanhaugh



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17th October @ 10:30am



Horning Village Hall

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We continue to look for new blood to join the Horning Reach team, as we move this publication forward and secure its future.

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Services

Date	Time	Service	Church
4 th October 18 th Sun. after Trinity	9:30am	Holy Communion	Neatishead
11 th October 19 th Sun. after Trinity	9:30am	Holy Communion <i>Harvest Festival</i>	Ashmanhaugh
18 th October Luke the Evangelist	8:00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)	Irstead
	11:00am	Holy Communion <i>Harvest Festival</i> Followed by <i>Bring & Share Lunch</i>	Horning
25 th October Last Sun. of Trinity	11:00am	Holy Communion	Barton Turf

Weekday Morning Prayer Service at Barton Turf - Thursdays at 9:15am

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Mistaken Identity!

A case of village gossip — and a much older story of misunderstood identity

I recently received a text message from a friend simply saying, “What’s happened?” At the time we were at our daughter’s house on grandparent duty, and our immediate reaction was that something had happened to our house, or wall, or trees. But no. We phoned and discovered that a rumour was circulating the village saying that I was in hospital, and Caroline, my wife, was soon receiving kind messages offering support and hugs.

But it was a case of mistaken identity. One of my ministerial colleagues was indeed in hospital, but not dangerously ill, and people in our village mistakenly thought it was me. When I turned up two days later at the village Coffee Morning, fit and well, we discovered how the rumour of my hospitalisation had spread quickly. To family and other friends, I sent a Mark Twain inspired message to reassure them: “The news of my hospitalisation has been greatly exaggerated!”

A Case of Mistaken Identity Before

In the Bible we read of Jesus often dealing with those who mistook his true identity. Some thought he was simply a miracle worker and flocked to see him perform another one; some thought that he was simply an incredibly wise teacher and came in large crowds to sit and listen. His enemies even thought he was the devil incarnate – a rumour that he was very quick to scotch. And some thought he was the sort of political leader who had come to drive out the invading Roman forces and Make Israel Great Again.

So Jesus asked his closest friends, the disciples, about his identity – who people thought he was, and who they thought he was – and even they struggled at that time to understand his true identity.

Who Do We Say He Is?

What about the identity of Jesus for us? Who is he, or was he? Whilst it is true that he did perform miracles, and was a wise teacher, is that all that can be said about his identity? Have we taken the time to consider the evidence about his true nature, and what that might mean for our lives now and for the future?

The evidence is to be found in the Bible, and in the life stories of those Christians who testify to the profound difference he continues to make in their lives. Let us take the time to discover his true identity, and not be mistaken.

Rev. Ian Johnson



PRESERVING
OUR PAST,
SHARING
OUR FUTURE

The Lost Pump on St Benet's Green

Remembering a small Horning landmark through old photographs, surviving brickwork, and a nearby replica pump

Old photographs often preserve the details that daily life has long since passed by. In images of St Benet's Green in Horning there appears to be one such detail: a village pump, once standing where it would have been both useful and familiar to residents and visitors.

What the photographs show



This photograph suggests a pump once formed part of the green's scene. Its exact date and history may still need confirming, but it is easy to imagine it as a practical object in a public place, passed by villagers, boatmen, children, and visitors moving through the centre of Horning.

Before mains water became universal, village pumps were important features of rural life.

Some provided a public water source; others simply became familiar stopping points. Even after their practical use faded, many remained as reminders of an earlier way of living.

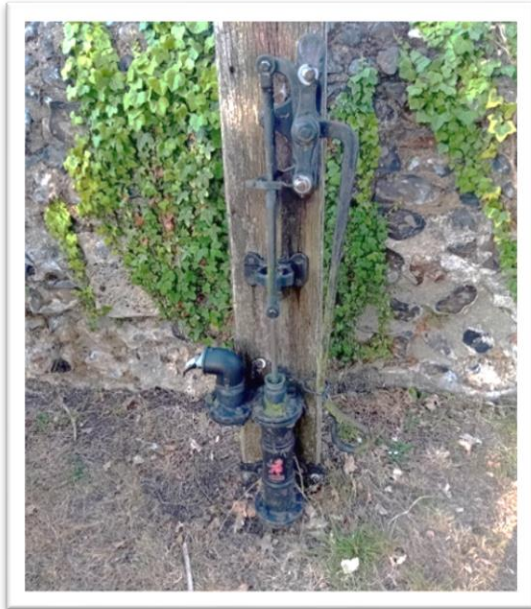


All that remains

Today the pump itself has gone. What appears to survive nearby is the remnant of a brick donation box: a small piece of brickwork that might easily be missed yet now offers one of the few physical clues to the green's former arrangement.

The donation box raises questions of its own. Was it linked to the pump, to the upkeep of the green, or to another local cause? The answer may still lie in parish records, family memories, or photographs tucked away in albums.

A replica nearby



A donated replica pump now stands close by. It is not an exact copy of the pump seen in the photographs, but it belongs to the same general era and gives today's residents and visitors a useful visual reminder of what may once have stood on or near the green.

Such objects help keep local history visible. They prompt simple but valuable questions: what was here before, who used it, why did it disappear, and what stories did older residents hear about it?

An invitation to remember

Perhaps some readers will remember the pump itself or have heard it mentioned by parents or grandparents. Others may have photographs of St Benet's Green from another angle or know more about the surviving brickwork and the donation box. Any such details would be well worth sharing.

St Benet's Green has changed, as all village spaces do, but the photographs, the brick remnant, and the nearby replica pump invite us to look again. They remind us that even the smallest features of the village scene once had a purpose, and that preserving their memory helps keep Horning's history rooted in everyday life.

So, when you are sitting on a bench eating an ice-cream or walking down to the Swan or perhaps taking a trip on Southern Comfort, take time to look for the signs of the village pump on St Benet's Green

Note: The pump is likely to be a Boulton & Paul Water Elevator, a distinctive chain-lifting well system probably installed on the green in the late 1920s. Rather than operating like a conventional pump, it lifted water by means of a continuous winding-handle mechanism. At a time when village water supplies were often drawn from wells or communal sources, such devices provided a practical and reliable way for local residents to access water before modern mains systems became widespread.

We apologise for not attributing the source of the old photograph but it is likely to come from Broadlands Memories.

Horning Memory Keepers

Join us for the group's inaugural meeting on 17th October

Preserving
our Past



Sharing
our future

Introducing the Horning Memory Keepers

Please join us on 17th October at Horning Village Hall for the inaugural meeting of the Horning Archive group also known as Horning Memory Keepers.

Doors open at 10.00am for a 10.30am start.

The morning will include a rolling programme of pictures of Old Horning.

This will be followed by an update on achievements of the group so far and future plans.

There will also be an opportunity to meet the steering group.

Memorabilia and displays: Memorabilia belonging to Sue Tubby will be available to browse, along with a display of information about the Ferry Inn, the Horning boatyards and St Benet's Abbey, kindly provided by Neatishead Irstead and Barton Turf Community Heritage Group (NIBCHG)

Light refreshments will be available, with time to mingle and chat informally about the past.

We warmly invite you to come along, share memories, and find out more.

For more information, please contact:

01692 630695 or email horninghub@yahoo.com

Please note that on this occasion we are unable to receive and store photographs and archive material. We will circulate information when we are able to receive such items.



Art Exhibition

Broad Arts brings art, craft and cake to Neatishead

Saturday 3rd October

10:00am to 2:00pm

New Victory Hall

Come and enjoy a wide range of art and locally made crafts, while enjoying tea and cakes provided by Neatishead Community Gym.

Meet the Broad Arts group – some of the most creative and skilful makers and artists in the area – plus some special guests.

There will be a wonderful mixture of original art, ceramics and jewellery, unusual photography, basketry, floristry, textiles and macrame, woodcraft, metal work, sculptures and more.

You can also find out more and help support The Nancy Oldfield Trust who will be there with a raffle. Browse or buy, but enjoy!



Floral study
Alison Seeley.



Ink and wash botanical study
Amanda Sinclair.



Tree-root study
Dianne Pickering

Handmade silver jewellery
Fiona Johnson.



First Saturday Coffee Morning

Tea, scones and a warm welcome for everyone

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 3rd October in Horning Village Hall from 10:00 to 11:45. They provide an excellent opportunity to meet new people in the village and to catch up on village news. Refreshments include tea or coffee and jam or cheese scones, and there are always a raffle and a produce stall. If you have not been before, or not been for a long time, why not come along on 3rd October. Horning has a justifiable reputation for being a very friendly and welcoming village, and nowhere is this more evident than in the Coffee Mornings. We hope to see you there.

Thank you to everyone who supported the September Coffee Morning, and especially to Helen who provided some very delicious home baking, which was much appreciated. £214.95 was raised; thank you.

St Swithin's Church, Ashmanhaugh

Harvest gifts of food will help neighbours near and far

A Service to Give Thanks

St Swithin's Church in Ashmanhaugh will be celebrating its Harvest Festival service on **Sunday 11th October at 9:30am**, and everyone is warmly invited to join the congregation in giving thanks for the harvest.

Sharing the Harvest

To mark the occasion, the church would be very grateful for donations of fresh fruit and vegetables, or tinned and packaged goods. Fresh produce will be given to the food fridge in Stalham, while tinned and packaged items will go to the Food Bank in Wroxham, helping to make sure the harvest reaches those in our wider community who need it most.

How to Donate

Donations may be left in the church at any time in the run-up to the service. Alternatively, if you would find it easier, Anne is happy to arrange collection.

For more information, or to arrange a collection, please contact
Anne Mulhall anne.mulhall1@btinternet.com



Wroxham and Hoveton Lions Club

Floods, fairs and a shop full of bargains this month

A Summer to Remember

Despite the drought and heatwaves, I do hope you've had a lovely summer!

Many people have said to me that they did not like the heat, which is understandable. However, we may have to become accustomed to higher temperatures in future, and we are fortunate to live where we do.

While we've been basking in the sunshine, spare a thought for those far less fortunate: the flash floods in Nepal and Tibet have caused disaster on several levels, and Lions Clubs International is already raising funds to help the survivors.

It's exactly what we do, as Lions, wherever and whenever we're needed.

Closer to home, we held another popular Jumble Sale on 3rd September at Place UK. Thank you to everyone who came along.

Craft Fair Success!

Our Craft Fair was on Sunday 13th September at Hoveton Village Hall

➤ What a fantastic turnout!

Stallholders, crafters and visitors all enjoyed a brilliant, friendly afternoon, with plenty of bargains, chat and cake.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along, helped out, or had a stall

➤ You helped make it a great day.

Look out for our next Craft Fair on Sunday 22nd November

➤ Put the date in your diary!

Bag a Bargain at the Lions Shop

Don't forget our Charity Shop in the Riverside Precinct, Hoveton! It's been a brilliant summer for donations and sales alike, and every visit helps fund local good causes.

Pop in for pre-loved clothes, bric-a-brac and the odd treasure and say hello to our wonderful volunteers while you're there.

Join Our Team

We couldn't do any of this without our fantastic staff and volunteers — thank you! We're always looking for more hands on deck, so if you have a little spare time and fancy being part of a friendly, fun-loving team making a real difference locally, we'd love to hear from you.

Together we can do even more.

Derick & Tony

liontonyrisebrow@gmail.com

Horning Churchyard Working Party

Bring your gloves and give an hour to our peaceful corner of the village

Our twice-yearly tidy up of Horning Churchyard will be on

Saturday 14th November from 10:00 to 12:00. We are so grateful to those who come and continue to work hard to ensure that our churchyard remains a welcoming and quiet place for everyone. We try to clear the churchyard of dead foliage, broken branches, leaves and weeds, trimming hedges and verges, clearing the churchyard for the winter. If you can come and bring your own tools, that would be most helpful – shears, secateurs, bags or wheelbarrows, rakes and gloves – all are most welcome. We usually break for refreshments at about 11:00 and then leave by 12:00, but do not feel obligated to come for the whole time – come when you can, and a number leave after refreshments.

Clearing the Staithe

We also try to clear the Church staithe, which has proved to be an extremely popular place to moor in the village this summer. So, please come, if you can – you will be most welcome.

Horning Church Harvest Festival

All is safely gathered in.

It may seem that harvest was early this year, but many of us are still enjoying produce from our gardens and hedgerows.

Horning Church will celebrate Harvest on **Sunday 18th October** with a **Traditional service at 11:00am** followed by a **Bring and share lunch in the church at 12:30pm.**

Everyone is welcome to come to the meal, and please, if you can, do bring a plate of food to share and enjoy with others. Soft drinks, tea and coffee will be provided.

If you have any queries about what to bring or would like a lift, do speak to Caroline Johnson – carolinejohnson26@yahoo.com

300 Club Winners

Congratulations to August's lucky number holders

Winners of the 300 Club August draw.

- £50 – No. 34 Mr Scott Halliwell
- £30 – No. 150 Mrs Diane Barber
- £20 – No. 116 Mrs Jenny Harris

Christmas Pop-up Choir

No auditions, just enthusiasm — join in the festive singing

Do you enjoy singing Christmas carols? Many of us do, and we have two events near Christmas when carol singing brings much joy in the festive season. The first will be Carols on the Green on Tuesday 15th December (more details in the next copy of the Reach), and the second will be the traditional Carol Service in Horning Church at 6:30pm on Sunday 20th December.

Join the Carol Service Choir

A specially formed choir for the Carol Service will lead the singing, made up of those who simply enjoy singing with others. To be part of the choir you do not need to be able to read music — simply to enjoy singing with enthusiasm and to help lead the singing on the day. Everybody is welcome, but we do need to practise before the day itself.

Rehearsal Dates

Rehearsals will run from 4:00 to 5:00pm in Horning Church, on the following

Wednesdays: 25th November, and 2nd, 9th and 16th December

If you cannot come to all the rehearsals, do not worry.

Get Involved

We usually have a choir of about 20–25, but there is no limit to our numbers. Those who have sung before, I hope, will want to come and sing again, but we are always open to new people joining.

Further details from Ian Johnson: ijoh270951@aol.com

01692 631287 / 07715 772601.

Horning Bowls Club

AGM date confirmed, and league success to celebrate

Horning Bowls Club will hold their AGM on **Friday 23rd October at 11:00am** in the Horning Bowls Clubhouse.

We are pleased to announce that the Horning Bowls Club team of John Saunders, Marion Gibbs and Sid Southgate won the Tidings of Horning Bowls League. Congratulations to them.

Please phone Trish Wishart for further information:

01692 630194 or email trishwish1@gmail.com.

From the Book Stall on the Wall

Open round the clock — and now past £15,500 raised for charity



A little note from us to say that the Book Stall remains open around the clock, ready for anyone passing by in need of a good read. Whether it is first thing in the morning, after supper, or during one of those “I’ll just have a quick look” moments, the stall is there and waiting.

We’ve had several recent deliveries too, so there should be plenty to tempt browsers, borrowers, and anyone who meant to walk past but somehow came home with three books.

We are also very pleased to share some heartening fundraising news. Thanks to the generosity of everyone who has supported the stall, we have now raised over £2,000 for the Nancy Oldfield Trust.

It continues to astonish us, in the nicest possible way, that in every year since Covid the Book Stall has raised somewhere in the region of £2,000. Our Ukraine collection raised over £4,000 and by our sums — the stall has now raised more than £15,500 for charitable causes. What a wonderful reflection of the kindness and good spirit of this community.

With our warmest thanks to everyone who continues to browse, donate, recommend, and return books.

Thea and Peter

Museum of the Broads

Spooky trails, curious crafts and witches on the Broads this October

Get into the spirit of things this October at The Museum of the Broads.

Autumn Trail – Hidden Habitats & Curious Crafts: 1st–22nd October, 10am–4pm. Discover wildlife habitats and make a bug home.

Quiz Night: Fri 2nd October, 7:30pm, £5.00pp – book with Phil, 01692 581258.

'Tall Tales!' Trail & Luminous Lantern: 25th Oct–2nd Nov, 10am–4pm.

Halloween Trail: Broadland Ghosts: 22nd - 29th October (Sun–Fri). Free for 12s and under, £5.50 (13–17), £9.50 adults.

The Poor's Staithe, Stalham, NR12 9DA.

Full details at www.museumofthebroads.org.uk

Horning Village Christmas Tree

Plans already underway for another spectacular village tree

It's not even nearly Christmas and yet here we are, sitting in the sunshine as the weather takes an autumnal turn, planning the 2026 Horning village Christmas tree. As usual we are looking for contributions to help cover the cost of the tree to ensure that, once again, it will be one of the best non-commercial trees in the area. Last year we managed to make our tree the most spectacular for many miles around thanks to the generous financial support of villagers and local businesses together with the enthusiastic team who gather to decorate and raise the splendid tree, which this year is provisionally planned for

Saturday 28th November 2026.

How You Can Help

If you would like to be involved, please contact Chris or Peter as below.

Contributions can be made to Chris Nicholson 01692 531864 or

Peter Boshier 01692 630695

Donations can also be left at Tidings Newsagents in an envelope marked "Horning Christmas Tree".



Thank you
Chris and Peter

Wrap Up UK

Give your unwanted winter coats a second life this year

Coats you no longer need can make a real difference to the homeless and vulnerable who struggle to keep warm during winter.

Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club are once again collecting good condition Gents, Ladies & Children's winter coats, jackets and gilets for distribution to local charities including St Martins Housing Trust, Leeway, The Anon Street Team, The Arc – Salvation Army and many more.

Wrap Up coat boxes can be found in the garage at 105 Lower Street Horning, Abbots Estate Agents Wroxham, Ludham Church and Wroxham United Reform Church 3rd 18th October.

For further details please see www.wrapupuk.com or get in touch with Diane Harber on 01692 630654.

Thank you.



Image by Jane Bowden

St Benet's Hall

Volunteers set to give the hall a full autumn makeover

This lovely hall in an iconic setting alongside the village green is getting a full makeover this autumn. Led by Kevin Waite, a team of volunteers from the village will refurbish the hall.

The main work is to replace the floor and raise it so there is level access to the outside path. The kitchenette will be moved and updated, walls painted, old chairs replaced and new blinds will go at the windows.

This work will be funded by a generous legacy and some grants.

We anticipate that the works will be finished in time for our Christmas events.

For future bookings, please contact Michael Newlove

07469 735 051 or newlove1@btinternet.com

Neatishead, Barton Turf and District WI

As I write this I am looking forward to meeting our members again at our next meeting. The days are turning into autumn which means dark evenings, cooler weather and leaves and acorns.

We are looking forward to our Harvest Supper on the **26th October**. This is always a lovely way for our members and friends to come together. We also have a walk planned from Sea Palling to Waxham in October and of course, Christmas. We are already excited about our plans. It's not too late to join us.

I would like to thank anyone who came to our charity afternoon tea which raised £368 for PaNDR, Thank you also, for those who donated unwanted school uniform for Leeway, particularly Neatishead Primary school and Suffield Park in Cromer. If you have anything you would like to donate to our charity sales table please let us know via our email. We are happy to collect and all monies raised go to local Norfolk charities.

For information about anything WI email neatisheadwi@gmail.com

With best wishes to you all. Sally Church, President

Something New

New village leaflets help visitors discover Horning's shops, sights and local life



Welcome to **HORNING**

A Beautiful Broads Village



We're delighted to share that new trifold leaflets are now available to celebrate Horning and help visitors discover the village's wonderful shops, attractions, activities and local gems.

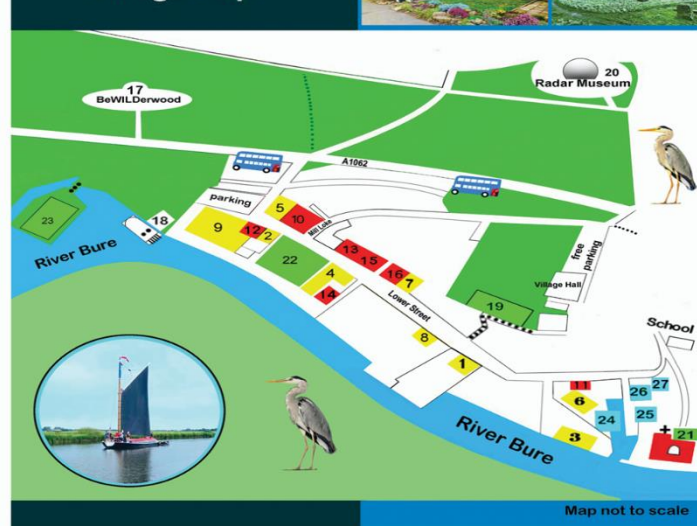
The leaflet has been put together by members of the Horning Hub, drawing on the skills, enthusiasm and generous support of local village talent. Special thanks go to Roy for designing the map, Holly, Jane, Bekki, Fran and Diccon for their photography.

The leaflet has been funded by Horning Parish Council. Any omissions or mistakes are entirely my own — Thea.

If you would like a copy, you can pick one up from village shops and local outlets.

If you know of any other places popular with visitors where the leaflets could be displayed, please do get in touch at horninghub@yahoo.com.

Village Map



Points of Interest

What's on in Horning

Places to eat

1. The New Inn
2. Country Treats
3. Ferry Inn
4. Staithe and Willow
5. The Bure River Cottage Restaurant
6. The Club House
7. The Galley
8. Golden City take away
9. The Swan Inn

Places to Shop

10. Tidings Village shop and Post office
11. Bass-on-Line
12. Country Treats
13. N°37 Dress Agency
14. Lavender and Lace
15. Pink Paws dog grooming
16. The Galley

Things to Do

17. BeWILDerwood
18. Southern Comfort Boat trips
19. Childrens Play area
20. Radar Museum
21. St Benedict's Church
22. St Benet's Green
23. Horning Sailing Club
24. Go Paddle

Places to hire boats

25. Ferry Marina
26. Horning Pleasure Craft
27. Norfolk Boat Hire & Marine Services

Wroxham & District u3a

Blue plaques, Bardo and busy interest groups as autumn gets under way

Interest Groups on the Move

Our u3a, and its interest groups, have been ramping up their activities for the autumn.

The **History group** have a 'Blue Plaque Walk' in Norwich and are planning a meeting with a speaker, talking about Edith Cavell.

The **Photography group** visited the Sainsbury Centre and took a varied series of photos, and the walking group are going to Ludham and Fairhaven.

The **Book group** read 'Lincoln in the Bardo', which was a very different read and had a mixed reception from the group.

The **Poetry group** read poems on 'School Days'.

The **Art Group** continue to meet every two weeks and have produced some lovely work, here are a couple of examples:



General Meetings

Apart from our many other interest groups we have our general meeting monthly at Hoveton Village Hall, where we have a speaker and tea and biscuits; if you want to know what we are about and meet some of the members, do come along, it's on the **3rd Tuesday of each month**, doors open at 2:00pm, £2 for members and £3 for visitors.

The next 3 general meetings are as follows:

- **October 20th** Dark Skies: what is out there? - Andrew Sutkowski
- **November 17th** Radar & WW2 – Ian Dormer
- **December 15th** Christmas Party

Email: wroxhamu3a@mail.com

Website: www.wroxhamanddistrict.u3asite.uk

Horning Parish Council News

Air quality alerts, new hall storage, and a call for councillors

Air Pollution Warnings – New Alert System

The Government has launched a free text message and email alert system to warn residents about high levels of air pollution in their local area.

You can sign up to monitor specific locations, particularly useful for anyone with a health condition wanting to reduce their exposure.

<https://check-air-quality.service.gov.uk/>

Additional Storage – Village Hall / Recreation Ground

In order to encourage use of the Village Hall, the Village Hall Committee are positioning a new container behind the Village Hall for storage purposes.

Make a difference – become a Parish Councillor

The Parish Council also has a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. Councillors represent local residents' views, attend monthly council meetings, and help manage local assets such as play areas, allotments, bus shelters and open spaces.

The role is voluntary, but training and reasonable expenses are provided.

If you are interested please contact the Clerk.

clerk@horningparishcouncil.gov.uk

Wroxham & Hoveton United Reformed Church

Join us for worship this October, including our Harvest Festival

Services – Minister: Rev Tina Wilson, 07763 354 740, revtinawilson@outlook.com

Date	Time	Leading	Description
Sun 4th Oct	10:30am	Rev Tina Wilson	Harvest Festival followed by the Church Meeting
Sun 11th Oct	10:30am	Rev Alex Jacob	Holy Communion
Sun 18th Oct	10:30am	Rev Carole Pearl	Morning Worship
Sun 25th Oct	10:30am	Rev Ian Fosten	Morning Worship

JAM (Sunday School, ages 4–16)

Meets in the church hall 10:15–11:45am on 4th and 18th October.

Contact Chris on 01603 783992 or jam@wroxhamurc.org.uk.

The Community Café meets for coffee and cakes, 10:30am–12 noon on Thursdays, free of charge — all welcome.

www.wroxhamurc.org.uk



Horning Hub

Connecting Our Community

Cosy Café

The Cosy Café will resume its weekly Tuesday morning gatherings in the Mill Suite behind Horning Village Hall.

Tea, hot buttered toast and other treats will be available. Crochet and knitting will take place Tuesdays, with ITea and Biscuits on the first Tuesday of each month.

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 27th October, at the Cosy Café

We will hold our AGM at the Cosy Café. Friends of the Hub can review our 2025/26 events, make suggestions and enjoy cake. As Gail is stepping down from the committee after two years, we are also looking for a new committee member who has been a Friend of Horning Hub for at least two years.

CPR and Defibrillator Training

Saturday 31st October, 10:30–11:30, The Mill Suite

This session was very popular last year and oversubscribed, so please get in touch soon if you are interested.

East Anglian Air Ambulance will once again provide CPR/Defibrillator training, delivered by its Community Training Team.

The one-hour session covers:

- DRSABC: Danger, Response, Shout for help, Airway, Breathing and CPR/compressions
- Recognising the signs of a heart attack and cardiac arrest
- Performing CPR
- Using a defibrillator (AED)

Christmas Event

**HORNING HUB
CHRISTMAS EVENT**
Saturday
21st November
11 am to 4 pm
Horning Village Hall
NT12 8LF



We are now planning our Christmas event in the village hall Saturday 21st November. Father Christmas is bringing the sleigh. There will be a Christmas grotto specially designed by Morag, crafts will include new ones as well as favourites, light refreshments provided by the village hall team and moment or two of entertainment by the Hub Singers

Community Picnic



We had a wonderful time at the community picnic. Despite the early threat of rain, the weather stayed fine, allowing everyone to enjoy a relaxed picnic before Jonny Walker began the music.

The Neatishead ukulele band followed, always a joy to hear, and the Hub Singers finished the afternoon in full voice. We enjoyed the compliments for days afterwards.

Up and coming rehearsal dates are on 7/14th October and 11/18th November in Leeds Way Community Centre in preparation for our Christmas event on Saturday 21st November.



Gardening Diary - October

Time to plant for tomorrow while the soil still holds summer's warmth

October arrives wrapped in mist and amber, mornings hazy with cobwebs strung in silver, hedgerows heavy with hips and haws. Leaves turn to copper and drift on the cooling air, while the last dahlias blaze defiantly against the coming frost, and the whole garden settles gently towards its long winter rest.

Right Time, Right Plant

October is prime planting season: while the soil is still warm from summer's heat, trees, shrubs and hedging settle in and root strongly before winter, doing far better than anything planted in spring. It's also the month to safeguard what's tender, lifting dahlias and cannas before frost blackens their foliage, gathering fallen leaves for leaf mould, and mulching borders generously to lock in moisture and nourish the soil ahead.

Photo

Dahlias at RHS Wisley
Mixed Border



Things to do:

1. Plant trees and shrubs while the soil is warm.
2. Lift dahlia tubers once frost blackens foliage.
Dry tubers upside down, then store frost-free in barely damp compost or sand.
3. Mulch borders thickly to feed and warm the soil.
4. Rake fallen leaves and start a leaf-mould pile.
5. Plant garlic and broad beans for next year.
6. Raise pots on feet to stop winter waterlogging.
7. Bring tender plants into a greenhouse or porch.
8. Net ponds before autumn leaves start to fall.
9. Give the lawn a scarify and aerate if possible.
10. Clean and oil tools ready for winter storage.

October's small chores are quiet acts of faith: buried bulbs and warmed soil, both a promise of spring to come.

Horning Village Hall

FunD Day raises £2,000 — but the appeal for air-conditioning stays open

FunD Day Raises £2,000

FunD Day 29th August 2026. Wow, what a day! Thank you to everyone who turned out to support the village hall, your presence was very much appreciated and your generosity enabled us to raise some £2000 on the day. As you know, we are seeking to install air-conditioning in the main hall and our target for this is £10,000. At the time of writing, our overall fund was just passing the £4,000 mark, so we are well on our way.



Appeal Still Open

Our appeal is still open and we would ask those of you who have not, as yet, contributed, to do so and if possible. "Gift Aid" your donation as this enables us to claim an additional 25% from the HMRC. Just to remind you, our Treasurer loves cheques and cash which can be left at 7 Hillside Road NR12 8PG or better still, make your contribution direct to our Reserve Bank Account – Name HORNING VILLAGE HALL Sort Code: 20-99-21 Acct No: 83090574 – please enter your surname as the reference and if possible let our treasurer know on treasurer.hvh@btinternet.com

Horning Village Hall

Amateur sleuths wanted — can you catch the culprit?

Murder Mystery Evening – Saturday 3rd October

Our next event is the Murder Mystery Evening on 3rd October 2026. This is an opportunity for the amateur sleuths among you to demonstrate your prowess and find the perpetrator of the dastardly crime. For further details, please see the accompanying poster; tickets are priced £35 to include a three-course meal and a glass of wine, and can be obtained from Tidings Newsagents in Lower Street or from Christine Charles at christinecharles170@gmail.com

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Choral on screen, fish and chips on the table

Cinema Night – 16th October

Our next Cinema is on 16th October 2026 for a showing of Choral; this will be a Fish-and-Chips supper evening – you will need to make your selection when buying your ticket. Tickets available in the usual way from Tidings or Christine Charles as above.

HORNING CINEMA

Horning Village Hall NR12 8LF

Friday 16th October 2026

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Film starts at 7.30pm



Certificate 15

Running time 113 minutes

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Horning Village Hall
Tea, cakes and dancing with Jeff Short

Tea Dance – 23rd October

Friday, 23rd October 2026 is a date to go in your diary because we are having a Tea Dance in the village hall. This will take place between 15:00 and 17:00 and will be in the form of a pleasant afternoon's entertainment by Jeff Short and his partner – a well-known local entertainer – accompanied by tea and cakes from the Mill Café. Tickets priced £10 include the tea and cake and can be obtained from Tidings Newsagents in Lower Street or from Christine Charles at christinecharles170@gmail.com

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Bead Repair Workshop

£10 - Friday 30th **October**, 1.30pm - 4pm

- Bring along your broken jewellery and learn how to restore your favourite pieces.

Colour Analysis Workshop

£25 - Wednesday 4th **November**, 1.30pm - 4pm

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£25 - Wednesday 11th **November**, 1.30pm - 4pm

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Bead Repair Workshop

£10 - Tuesday 8th **December**, 6pm - 9pm

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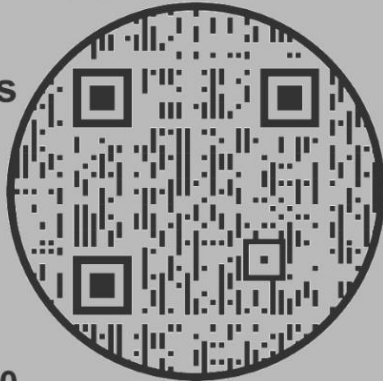


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