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CATFIELD NEWS

Your village magazine
December 2025



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*The Catfield News Team
wish all their readers,
advertisers and contributors
a very Happy Christmas and a
prosperous New Year*

Catfield Village Hall Christmas Events

**See magazine
cover for full
info**

**Christmas Quiz & Music Night
Catfield Village Hall
Friday 12th December 7pm - 11pm**

Prize Quiz, Light buffet, bar, raffle and
music and dancing to The Mondays
Tickets £8. Contact catfieldactionteam@gmail.com
or call 07747 033056 to book

**Catfield Community Christmas
Free Christmas Lunch with
afternoon entertainment
Thursday 25th December 12.00 - 4.00pm**
Contact Monica & Barry on 01692 581587 for more info

**See ad on
page 17
for full info**

**Carols and Soup at the Catfield Crown
Thursday 4th December at 7pm**

Regular Events - December dates

Indoor Cycling

Join us for an invigorating workout in Catfield village hall,

Thursday evenings 6.45pm to 7.30pm.

Bring a bottle of water and a small towel. You remain in control of your bike so you can set the resistance to the level that's right for you. Then just cycle along to the music as the instructor guides you through the session.

Class costs £7 and pre booking is required.

Contact Sean Turner to book a bike.

M: 07928 585838 Email: ptseanio@yahoo.com

First Friday Coffee, Games & Chat

Friday 5th December 10.30pm onwards

Come and join us for our Christmas coffee and chat and a christmas game or two. There will also be a secret santa, so please bring along a little gift, value £5 max.

This is a free event and all are welcome.

Catfield Stitching Group

Tuesday 9th and Tuesday 23rd December

2pm to 4pm in Catfield Village Hall

We are a friendly group of like minded people, all sharing different levels of experience. If you, like us, enjoy stitching and sharing creative ideas, we would love you to join us. Please bring your own project (embroidery, knitting, crochet, patchwork or creative sewing). We have occasional, optional group projects and workshops.

**Please contact Pat Reid 07906 097007
for more information. £2.00 per session.**

Tea, Coffee & Biscuits included

Free first/taster session

Catfield Crafters

Wednesday 10th December

1pm—3pm Catfield Village Hall

At each meeting members share new ideas and techniques as well as making two card projects. All tools and materials are supplied. The subs for each session are £3.00 which includes refreshments. New members always welcome.

Contact Jennifer Banham on 01493 740560



New Karate Club Coming to Catfield Village Hall

Catfield residents will soon have the opportunity to try their hand (and feet!) at **traditional Wado Ryu karate**, as a new club is set to open at **Catfield Village Hall** early in the new year.

The club, **Catfield Higashi Karate Kai**, is being launched by **Dave Collins**, a **3rd Dan black belt** with over **40 years of experience** in training and teaching karate. Dave recently moved to Catfield from Essex and is excited to bring his passion for karate to the local community.

The **first session** will take place on **Saturday 10th January** from **9:00 to 11:00am**, with classes running at the same time each week. Training will follow the traditional **Wado Ryu** style, which focuses on balance, control, and respect as well as fitness and self-defence.

Karate is an excellent activity for people of **all ages and abilities**, offering a wide range of physical and mental benefits, from improved **focus, coordination, and confidence** to increased **fitness and wellbeing**. The club aims to provide a **friendly and supportive environment** where everyone can progress at their own pace and enjoy being part of a positive community activity. Catfield Higashi Karate Kai will be part of the long-established **Higashi Karate Organisation**, which has been running for over **50 years** and has clubs across **England, Ireland, and Wales**. Dave's original home club is in **Maldon, Essex**, and he is delighted to be extending the organisation's reach into **Norfolk**.

Dave is **fully DBS checked, insured, and qualified in first aid and safeguarding**.

For more information or to book a place, please contact:

Dave Collins – 07515 256092

Catfield Village Hall

Saturdays, 9:00–11:00am (from 10th January)

Catfield Primary Academy

As we enter December, we see the full scale Christmas events start and the excitement in the children grow by the day! We have Christmas card competitions, Christmas movie night, Christmas crafts, Christingle, a Nativity, a carol concert and a Christmas quiz!

We always begin December with our Christmas craft event where families are invited in to come and create some wonderful decorations for our school. Included in this is the creation of a Christingle for each child. They learn about what each part represents and our Christingle service in the Church is always so lovely. If you would like to join us, our service begins at 9am on Monday 1st December.

Our youngest children are busy rehearsing their Nativity play. This year we are performing 'A King is Born'. They love wearing their costumes and performing on stage. Meanwhile our KS2 children are busy learning their carols for the carol concert. If you would like to join us for a wonderful evening of carols, our concert is in the Church on Thursday 11th December at 6pm.

We have our final Christmas celebration in the Church where we finish the year with our Christmas Church service. We would like to invite anyone along to join us. This will be on Friday 19th December starting at 9am.

As the year comes to an end, my journey with Catfield Primary Academy also comes to an end. I will be starting a new career in January but I would like to end by saying a big thank you to the community for your support over the 9 years I have been at Catfield. It has been wonderful to be a part of the Fetes and supporting the Catfield Action Team and building that relationship with our community. Mrs Smithson our current Year 5 and 6 teacher will be stepping into the role as Senior Teacher so you will be hearing from her from now on!

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of the staff and children.

Lucy Amis
(Senior Teacher)

CATFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

WEDNESDAY 29th OCTOBER 2025

Public Update

- A parishioner congratulated Councillor Roberson on the village hall roof replacement. The Parish Council (PC) agreed that this was an excellent job.

Councillors Bayes and Taylor Update

- District Councillor Taylor did not attend the meeting. Councillor Bayes reported that he and Councillor Taylor had visited North Norfolk District Council's (NNDC) Planning Enforcement Team to request updates on Store Galore and Malthouse Lane. Although the Store Galore appeal reference number was not available on the Planning Inspectorate's website, Councillor Bayes understood that the enforcement team had received an application from the owner. There were two concerns: (1) the site was still being accessed on Sundays, contrary to the planning conditions; (2) the height of the installed fencing is 2.4m, but the containers are 2.6 m in height. This small difference will not be enforced against but the resident can install trellis along the top of the fence and this would also not be enforced against. As to Malthouse Lane, the enforcement notice must be complied with within 12 months. However, NNDC's Planning Officer had advised that the applicants are intending to submit a new planning application to deal with the nutrient neutrality issue. Councillor Bayes also advised that he and Councillor Taylor had painted the goal posts on the recreation ground and were now asking for suggestions as to what they can do for Catfield next. The goal nets will be put back shortly.

Councillor Price Update

- Councillor Price advised that Norfolk County Council (NCC) had sent their recommendation of one unitary authority to the government. He also advised that Anglian Water had inspected the drain at Lea Road and noted some scarring around the drainage but could not identify any further problems. If a problem should arise in the future, Councillor Price advised that photographs should be taken of the location and that he be advised. He also advised that Potter Heigham Parish Council had applied to the Parish Partnership Scheme to upgrade the SAM2, which is shared with Catfield, at no cost to Catfield PC.

Planning

- **Store Galore – appeal against the conditions on the retrospective planning permission**

Councillor Bunting declared an interest in this matter.

See under District Councillor Bayes' update. Concern was expressed that the appeal was out of time. This was being investigated by NNDC Planning.

- **Malthouse Lane Site – Appeals against refusal of planning permission and the enforcement notice issued by NNDC**

See under Councillor Bayes' Update.

Councillors Edwards and Harris had drafted a response to a letter from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) regarding the proximity of the site to FloGas. Councillor Briscoe suggested that information from the HSE's guidance should be included in the letter. Councillor Briscoe to amend the draft letter accordingly. (cont'd)

- **PF/25/2186 - Wood Street Farm, Wood Street – Alterations to existing garage attached to house to provide 2 additional bedrooms to main house along with library and study**

Councillors Bacon and Dr Harris declared an interest. Councillor Harris, as a relative of the applicant, stated that he would not comment or vote on the application. The PC voted to support the application.

- **BA/2025/0289/FUL – Broads Authority App – Removal of existing piling and installation of floating pontoons at Whiteslea, Deep Dyke and Deep Go Dyke mooring locations**

Councillor Bacon provided background information and explained that if pontoons were not approved the moorings might become derelict due to lack of funding. The PC noted parishioner's correspondence received regarding this matter. Councillor Harris stated that the PC was not in a position to make a decision without knowing the cost differential between repairing the existing piling and replacing with pontoons. He proposed the PC request this information. Councillor Harris will draft a letter and the Clerk will respond to the parishioner.

- **PF/25/2268 – The Bungalow, Lodge Road – Demolition of conservatory and attached store and erection of single storey extension**

Councillors Edwards and Jordan declared an interest, as did Councillor Dr Harris (as a member of Catfield United Charities). The PC voted to support the application.

Village Hall

Councillor Edwards confirmed that the PC had received £20,000 in lottery funding for the playground, for which he was congratulated. He is hoping to hear the outcome of a further application shortly. After reviewing the quotations he had received and providing some of the work can be carried out by volunteers, the cost could be reduced from £65,000 to £56,000. The section 106 monies from Milestones would not be available immediately. The section 106 letter which was sent to NNDC should be copied to the MP.

Councillor Roberson confirmed that the new village hall roof had been completed and a small leak will be repaired shortly. The Village Hall Management Committee had asked him to obtain a quotation for new windows and an accessible door. This he had done – the quotation was £9,000. Poor heating and lack of outdoor lighting was also discussed. The further works will be discussed at the next Village Hall Management Committee meeting which will take place on 11th November.

A review of the lease between the PC and the Village Hall Management Committee will be put on the agenda for the next PC meeting.

The Salvation Army Clothing Bin is to be removed from the Village Hall car park in the week commencing 24th November. Parishioners are requested not to park in the car park or obstruct the bin removal when this is taking place.

Highways & Road Safety

- **Concrete Blocks on the road at Elderbush Lane**

Councillor Price suggested that the PC use a template provided by NCC highways to contact the resident at No.18

(cont'd)

- **Proposed drainage works at Elderbush Lane**

Councillor Harris stated that NCC Highways will provide plans for the proposed works when they are available.

- **Parish Partnership Scheme for potential second Bus Shelter**

Councillor Edwards explained that the PC wished to make an application. However, as there had been no response from NCC Highways to obtain a quote from Westcotec, the PC would not be able to make the October deadline. Councillor Price advised that he would take this up with Highways. Councillor Harris proposed that an application should be submitted stating that a quotation would follow and this was agreed.

- **Overgrown Hedge on Potter Heigham Road**

The PC had notified NCC Highways of the overgrown hedge after this had been reported to the PC as potentially dangerous by a parishioner. The owner of the hedge had since complained to the PC about how the issue had been handled. There was a long discussion, including input from Councillor Price, as to the correct protocol for dealing with such issues. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to the owner of the hedge explaining the procedures to be followed in such situations.

Environmental

- **Catfield Action Team**

Four members of CAT had attended the Biodiversity Fair in Norwich. The next Bingo session will be held on 28th November. On 19th November, there will be a talk in the village hall by the Norwich Swift Network. All Saints Church will host wreath-making workshops on 27th November and 4th December. Catfield Does Christmas takes place on 12th December.

- **FloGas lighting response**

Councillors Harris and Johnson will attend a meeting on 7th November.

- **Deer Shooting in/around Catfield**

Following a meeting with Sergeant Green, Councillor Harris advised that there were 3 night-time deer licences in Norfolk, two of which were in Catfield. Sergeant Green suggested that the PC make a Freedom of Information Request to the Bristol Licensing Authority. Councillor Harris to draft the letter.

- **NCC Questionnaire re Flooding**

Councillor Harris to draft a response stating that the main flooding issues in Catfield are the school, Thorn Road and Lea Road and the 2 pumping stations at New Road and Wood Street.

Correspondence

- **Permission requested to restore a section of the Rond**

The PC had previously requested a copy of Natural England's authorisation to do the work but no response had been received.

- **CAT's request to restore the Rond**

This request had been postponed. Letters had been received from parishioners and these would be discussed when the request was considered. Councillor Harris requested that all correspondence sent and received on this matter should be made available to the PC.

- **Vandalism on Public Footway**

Councillor Harris declared an interest. The PC had received an email advising that on the public footpath from Hall Road via Sharp Street to How Hill, the post and rail fence
(cont'd)

next to the footpath had been broken and the cattle groups in the adjoining fields, disturbed by the opening of the relevant gates, had intermingled. In addition, several 25-year old trees had been chopped down in the wood to create an encampment. No action was needed by the PC at this time. The parishioner was taking professional advice as to how to protect their stock and the woods.

Catfield United Charities Trustees

An advert will be placed in Catfield News advising parishioners about applying for grants. Two Trustees, Mr Read and Mrs Jeffreys, had stepped down and two new trustees would need to be recruited in the new year. Mr Read and Mrs Jeffreys were thanked for their work for the charity.

PLEASE REFER TO THE WEBSITE FOR FULL DETAILS OF MEETING MINUTES

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 26th NOVEMBER 2025



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All current Catfield Parish Councillors reside in Catfield and have been democratically elected. All Cllrs are happy for you to contact them at the above details.

**Teddy Bear
by Ciéra Cree**

As Christmas Eve comes to a close
You squish and shake the presents one more time
Then place them carefully back under the tree
To multiply once Santa arrives

As the winter birds sing their frozen songs
You wake at the crack of dawn
Running down the stairs so fast
The elves haven't yet departed the living room

Like a whirlwind you tear into wrapping paper
Sticky tape and bows begin flooding the floor
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For evermore

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Catfield Ceilidh, October 11th

Many thanks to all who helped, donated or attended the ceilidh on October 11th. We made the grand sum of £476 for church funds.

The Catfield News Team need you

We are looking for a couple of people to help with the production of the magazine.

Roles within the team are secretary, editor, accounts and advertising.

If you feel you could help in any of these roles, or would just like to find out a little more please contact secretarycatnews1@btinternet.com

**The Mobile Library will visit Catfield
on Tuesday 23rd December**

Thorn Road - 14:35 - 14:55

Village Hall - 15:00 - 15:20

**Parish Council Meeting
Catfield Village Hall, Wednesday 17th December 7.00pm.**

Please check Parish Council website for Agenda.

<https://catfieldparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>



All Saints Church, Catfield and the other churches in the Benefice December Services

4th December	7.15pm	Sung Compline	Ludham Church	
7th December	10am 3.30pm	Benefice Holy Communion Carols by Candlelight	Potter Heigham Church Potter Heigham Church	Rev'd Gary Noyes
13th December	5pm	Carols round the Christmas tree and church	Ludham Church	
14th December	11am	Joint Carol Service	Potter Heigham Methodist Chapel	
18th December	7.15pm	Sung Compline	Ludham Church	
21st December	10am 10am 3pm 6pm	Joint Holy Communion Morning Worship Carol Concert Service of lessons and carols	Catfield Church Ludham Church Catfield Church Ludham Church	
24th December	3pm 11.30pm	Nativity and Crib service with real donkey * Christmas Midnight Communion	Catfield Church Catfield Church	
25th December	10am	Christmas Morning Service	Ludham Church	
28th December	10am	Joint Morning Worship	Potter Heigham Church	



Thursday 4th December - 7pm - Carols and soup at the Catfield Crown

** Children who would like to take part in the Catfield Nativity on 24th December, please come to church for 2.30. Costumes provided*

Catfield and Potter Heigham churches have weekly joint services and all churches in the benefice welcome you to stay for refreshments and fellowship after each service.

Vicar's Christmas Message.

What are the 5 worst things about travelling at Christmas? Some people think they are the following: Traffic/Children getting impatient/Arguments in the car/Bad weather/Sheer boredom! What about the 5 best things? Only you can answer that, but one of them might be thankfulness for family/friends, and for the life that God has given us. How would you define your life? It could be many things- looking back, looking forward, contemplating change in ourselves, our world, our environment- as well as physical, spiritual, emotional and practical change of any kind. St Francis felt this during his ministry- he loved animals, as we know, and he found a cave near Greccio where he built a crib scene, and filled it with animals traditionally associated with the birth of Christ. 'Behold your God', he proclaimed- 'A poor and helpless child, the ox and donkey beside him. Your God is of your flesh'. What a statement! He put the 'Christ' into Christmas, which is about the most important thing we can do as individuals and as a society, especially holding before God those in any kind of need right now.

So, how do we define our lives? In the end, it has to be measured by God's love for us, and then it is about how we respond to that incredible, awe-inspiring act of God in sending his Son to us- Immanuel- 'God with us'. This is the very point at which Christmas and Easter become one, and we begin to realise that one cannot possibly exist without the other!

There is a place in Deuteronomy that says 'Now choose life'. Christmas and the New Year is a great time to do just that as we review the past year and enter 2026, and you may wish to join me as I pray this prayer: 'We praise you, Lord, for the good news of Christmas: for the coming of your Son to redeem mankind. let it be good news for each one of us in this precious world as we open our own hearts to your love. Amen' We send you our love and best wishes for a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year, and look forward to seeing you over the Christmas period.

Gary and April

Welcome to Ros Bingham who has finished her training as a Licenced Lay Minister



Catfield Action Team – News and happenings December 2025



It is with great sadness that CAT has to announce the resignation of Edwina Simpson from her position as Secretary of CAT due to ill-health. Edwina's hard work for, and dedication to, CAT has been outstanding. Her organisational skills have ensured the smooth running of the group and its events since its inception. Thank you, Edwina, for your wonderful contribution to CAT. Janet Briscoe will take over from Edwina as Secretary.

Bulb-Planting

Bulb planting has taken place every Sunday over the last few weeks, the last session being on Sunday, 16th November. We look forward to seeing the results in Spring next year. Thank you to everyone who has helped with this. A range of spring bulbs will also be added to the school garden. We are hoping to purchase a further bench at Jubilee Corner. There will be an area at the side of the bench for wheelchairs and children's buggies.

Making Room for Swifts

There will be an evening talk by Caroline Spinks, Norwich Swift Network, on Wednesday 19th November in the village hall, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. The talk is free for CAT members, £3.00 for non-members. Please come along to hear how you can get involved, from building and installing nest boxes or supporting a church tower project. There will be some boxes to purchase on the night.

Christmas Wreath- Making Workshops

There are two workshops – 27th November and 4th December between 10 am and 12 pm in All Saints Church. The cost is £25 and includes all materials and light refreshments. Booking is essential for both dates. Please book by ringing 07747 033056 or emailing catfieldactionteam@gmail.com

Fundraising

The last Bingo session of the year will take place on Friday 28th November at 7.00 pm in the village hall – £6.00 per book.

Christmas Quiz and Music Night

Come along and enjoy some Festive Fun – 12th December 2025 at Catfield Village Hall – 7.00 pm to 11.00 pm. £50 for the Winning Team plus 3 great raffle prizes. Includes buffet and music by The Mondays. Tickets are £8.00 per person. To book please ring 07747 033056 or email catfieldactionteam@gmail.com

2026

11th January 2026 – Countryside Ramble at Potter Heigham and a snack afterwards at Lathams or Bridgestone Café. Details to follow – Heather will lead.

15th February 2026 – Countryside Ramble at Alderfen Broad and a visit to the pub at Neatishead afterwards – Richard will lead.

Bingo dates for the start of the year are 20th February, 20th March and 24th April.

To get in touch with us, email catfieldactionteam@gmail.com, call 07747 033056, or find us on Facebook/Instagram.

 * Season's Greetings! *
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 * December may be dark with such short days but lots of joy can still be had from spending *
 * time outside in the garden and with nature. As Christmas approaches Penny and I are often *
 * accompanied by a variety of robins who are enjoying the spoils of our weeding and tidying. *
 * It's tempting to clear all the leaves and garden waste but, watch out, there are lots of *
 * ladybirds and other minibeasts hibernating so don't be too tidy! I have heard that it's an idea *
 * to put bird feeders near roses so the birds can pick bugs off them. *
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 * It might feel like there's not much going on in the garden in winter but there are some *
 * fantastic plants to brighten up the dark days. I love planting hellebore for flowers early in the *
 * new year, cornus for their colourful stems and sarcococa for their beautiful fragrance. *
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 * Winter is a good time to prune fruit trees that have fruit with pips (apples and pears). Fruit *
 * with stones should not be pruned in winter, only late spring to summer. When pruning *
 * apples and pears you are aiming for a goblet shape. They say you should be able to throw a *
 * hat through the middle! Cut off any dead, damaged or diseased branches as well as any that *
 * cross. You shouldn't really prune more than 20% of the tree. Look online for illustrations of *
 * where to make your cuts. Avoid pruning if it's going to be frosty. *
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 * Collecting evergreens and branches with berries to make decorations is something easy to do *
 * with friends. A good excuse for cakes and hot chocolate too! You can buy moss wreath rings *
 * that you can decorate yourself from a local farm shop. *
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 * We wish you all a Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. *
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 * From Cat and dog. 🐱 *
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BROADLAND MODEL RAILWAY CLUB



The Christmas season is almost on us and the work on the Christmas project "Snowy Pines" is virtually complete, there are latest photos on our website and the Team Leader, Laurie, has created a video of the whole thing set to seasonal music. It's well worth a look, here's a link to his YouTube site: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fxoRYxbycsc>. The planned exhibition of this layout is on Friday November 28th as part of the Stalham Christmas Lights Switch On event, 4:00pm to 7:00pm and you can find us inside the Coop Funeral Office on the High Street. We hope you can come and visit us.

In the workshop, we are busy with updates and construction on a number of our layouts, next year's exhibition season will be on us before we know it and there is a lot to do to get ready. The latest updates to all the layouts are on the website and the exhibition calendar is starting to fill up already, please check it out as it is constantly under review.

We all enjoy the camaraderie during our sessions every week, sharing information and help where needed. We are very fortunate in having 24/7 access to our club rooms and a number of us also take advantage of this during the daytime, often splitting the day's modelling activities with lunch in the Swan Inn in Stalham. It's why we have the club so if you are interested in joining us and getting involved, full contact information is on the website:

<https://broadlandmodelrailwayclub.co.uk/>



NWT Hickling Broad and Marshes.

The recently reduced opening hours at the reserve Visitor Centre (10.00 -16.00) are a sign of the year coming to an end. As winter approaches and daylight hours diminish, the focus of attention on the reserve returns to the winter raptor roost.

Large numbers of harriers have traditionally roosted communally on the marshes between Horsey Mere and Hickling Broad. Up to 100 marsh harriers have been recorded roosting there in the past, though around 30-40 is a more regular total to expect over the winter. Most of the marsh harriers roosting are either females or immatures, though the more spectacularly-plumaged and slighter-built males are increasing in numbers of late. The roosting area is a low-lying area of grazing marsh, criss-crossed by dykes and surrounded by scattered scrub. Roosting takes place on the ground, but the adjacent scrub provides useful perching places for those harriers lucky enough to have a full crop well before last light. You can enjoy this spectacle as a visitor by yourself but if you'd prefer to enjoy it with an experienced guide then why not book onto our Ramble to the Roost walk - Sundays throughout December to February. Check our website for dates availability and to book.

Our visitor centre offers a warm space with a view for anyone wishing for a change of scenery and a chat with our friendly volunteer team. You could do a little shopping while enjoying a cuppa. Drop in and say hello.

John Williamson – NWT Senior Boat Operator

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Farming News

Although this is early November may I wish everyone in the village a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I re-read December 2024 farming article this morning and very little has changed in farming in a year at Government level but on the Ground things are not good, with the exception of meat which is getting to the point that its too expensive for customers to buy it. We have an Autumn Budget to look forward to next week which will squeeze us some more financially. On the positive side I have received my Capital Grant for more hedge planting and hedge restoration which will keep me busy during this winter and the next one. Commodity prices for combinable crops are showing a slight improvement (as far as I can tell because of Rachel Reeves' speech on 4th November when the Pound's value fell) but nowhere near a break-even price and sugar beet prices look like they will drift along at dismal prices for some time. So come on Rachel, Christmas is coming, do your worst in the Budget and have a run on the Pound leading to higher wheat prices. The price of lambs has risen, so last Saturday we loaded up the float with as many old girls as we could find plus lambs but keeping back a few breeding lambs, and unloaded them in Norwich Livestock Market. I'm not sure how much longer the Market will be there or where its new home will be but it does need upgrading and a new purpose-built site would be perfect. The rest of the flock are in pretty good order after all the dry weather and ample food. I should be thinking about bringing them to their winter quarters soon.

Last week I had a phone call to remind me that I came third three years ago in a Maris Otter winter barley competition. Maris Otter is the best quality barley and used in conditioned cask beers. This will mean nothing to lager drinkers. I was then told I had won the 2025 competition from a sample grown at Holly Farm. This was a complete surprise to me after all the problems moving malting barley into an over-supplied market place. So, my "prize" is a certificate, a photo shoot and a case of beer. Maris Otter is in its 60th year and is looked after by its faithful band of growers, who seem to like what it produces. 30 years ago, it had a face lift where only the best grains were selected in an attempt to improve its purity. Today it might not produce the highest yields and be a real pain if the quality is not up to the mark but I am one of the ever-decreasing band of faithful growers.

Elsewhere I've finally finished moving barley and wheat from farm stores. Some of it has been the worst barley I've ever seen. In fact, the last bits are being fed to ducks and it just floats on the water surface and doesn't sink. The sugar beet crops have had their third fungicide and are finally over their diseases now we've had some cold weather. Attention now turns to delivering them to Cantley factory, through all the road works. Fenside road issues drag on with none of the Authorities involved knowing what to do. This is all about nutrients getting into the silt trap and green algae growing. Over the next few weeks leaves will fill the road turning it into slurry as the water can't get away, so we have lost another year with still no action being taken. I note in Tony Junipeter's plan for Natural England that they will be working on a new approach trying to establish what the root causes are. So, nothing looks like it's going to change except a 20% reduction in staff numbers and less targets being achieved.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

AWA 10.11.2025

How Hill Trust

Education team

Our October half-term family events were led by Becky, from our Education Team. They consisted of a family autumn walk with lots of fun activities and nature spotting along the way and owl pellet dissection sessions where children learnt all about what an owl pellet is and then dissected the pellets to discover what barn owls eat!

All our Family events are advertised on our Facebook Page and the How Hill website so it's always a good idea to regularly throughout the year.

Upcoming Family Events

Join us for our Festive Family Crafts at How Hill on 29th November 10am to 12pm or 1pm to 3pm. £11 per head includes 3 craft activities, biscuit decorating and refreshments. Booking essential via our Ticket Source page: www.ticketsource.co.uk/how-hill-trust



Adult Visitors

October saw Calm in the City Yoga group visit us twice. They have been holding Autumn retreats with us for a number of years now. Embroidery, quilters and lacemaker groups are also among our autumn residential visitors. We are taking lots of bookings for next year, so if your group would like to organise a residential stay, party or day event then please do contact us to arrange.

Staff and volunteers have been busy, cleaning and painting between groups staying. As a small team, it is so important that we all roll our sleeves up and get stuck in with whatever jobs need doing.

We are putting together our calendar for next year so if you have any ideas of things you would like to see happen at How Hill then please do send us your suggestions.

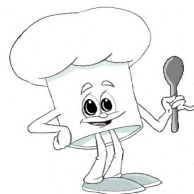


30th November A morning of wreath making with Hannah £35 per head including mince pie and a hot drink. Booking essential, via our office tel. 01692 678555 or email secretary@howhilltrust.org.uk

17th December An evening of Christmas Carols 6.30pm for 7.00pm £13.50 per ticket including mince pie and mulled wine. Booking essential, via our office tel. 01692 678555 or email secretary@howhilltrust.org.uk

Chef's Specials

Christmas Ice Cream Bombe



Ingredients

3 eggs	1 x 425g can stoned, black cherries, drained
90g caster sugar	300ml chocolate ice cream
75g self-raising flour	60g desiccated coconut
15g cocoa powder	120g icing sugar, sifted
300ml strawberry ice cream	120g butter, softened
600ml vanilla ice cream	¼ tsp vanilla essence
3tbsp coffee liqueur (optional)	

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180C. Lightly grease 33 x 23 cm Swiss roll tin and line with non-stick baking parchment.
2. In a large bowl, beat eggs and caster sugar until very thick and lemon-coloured. Sift the flour and cocoa powder into the bowl. Using a metal spoon, fold the flour into the egg/sugar. Spoon mixture into tin, spreading evenly. Bake for 10 minutes or until top of cake springs back when lightly touched with finger. Immediately turn cake out on to a wire rack: peel off baking parchment and leave cake to cool.
3. Place both strawberry and vanilla ice creams in the fridge to soften slightly.
4. Line a medium bowl with cling film. Cut the chocolate cake into pieces to line the bowl saving a large piece for the top; trim pieces of cake to fit, if necessary and press trimmings into gaps. Brush cake with coffee liqueur.
5. Spoon half of the strawberry ice cream into cake-lined bowl. Spoon one-quarter of vanilla ice cream in dollops onto strawberry ice cream. Scatter one quarter of the cherries between vanilla ice cream dollops.
6. Repeat with remaining strawberry ice cream, one quarter of vanilla ice cream and one quarter of cherries; press down mixture to eliminate air pockets. Place bowl in freezer to harden ice cream slightly, about 20 minutes.
7. Meanwhile, place chocolate ice cream in fridge to soften slightly and return vanilla ice cream to freezer.
8. Remove bowl from freezer. Repeat layering as for strawberry ice cream but use chocolate ice cream with remaining vanilla ice cream and cherries.
9. Place reserved chocolate cake on top of the chocolate ice cream, pressing cake down firmly against ice cream. Cover bowl with cling film, place bowl in freezer until ice cream is firm, at least 4 hours.
10. Heat grill. Evenly sprinkle coconut on a baking tray; grill for 3 minutes or until lightly toasted, stirring frequently. Set aside.
11. Prepare butter cream: in medium bowl with an electric mixer, beat icing sugar, butter and 2 teaspoons of hot water until light and fluffy, scraping bowl often with rubber spatula. Beat in vanilla essence until smooth.
12. Remove ice cream cake from freezer. Turn cake out on to chilled freezer proof cake stand or platter, remove cling film. With palette knife, thinly spread butter cream over cake, covering a small area at a time and immediately pressing toasted coconut on to butter cream.
13. Continue until cake is completely covered with butter cream and toasted coconut. Keep cake in freezer until ready to serve.

D.S.

Sea Palling Independent Lifeboat



As you read this, our volunteer crew will be meeting for the final time in 2025 for a scheduled training session.

It's been a busy year for our volunteers — with numerous taskings from His Majesty's Coastguard, calls for assistance from our first responder partners, and, of course, the unforgettable memory of saving a swimmer's life. It's what we do, and we're proud to do it.

The Elves have been in touch to let us know that Santa will be visiting Sea Palling on Sunday 7th December — and he's asked if the crew might collect him from the North Pole. We're more than happy to oblige! He should arrive in Sea Palling between 10am and 11am. Do come along to say hello and grab a festive photo with Santa. He always looks forward to seeing everyone and sharing a bit of Christmas cheer.

Events like this help raise the vital funds that keep our lifeboat service running. Your support means the world to us — every donation, no matter the size, helps ensure we're ready to respond when needed most.

As we sign off for the year, we'd like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Rita Galbraith
Sea Palling Independent Lifeboat
Fundraising Team

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Tip:- When your child's favourite stuffed toy needs a bath slip it, and any other small stuffed animals, into a sock and tie the end to prevent buttons and eyes from coming loose.

December at The Museum of the Broads - It's very much about those three Christmas spirits

First off, there's Christmas past. In Broadland there are many stories of Decembers and Christmas past. There's the grisly New Year's Eve tale of 1770 and Colonel Sydney of Ranworth for a start. He'd shot the horse of a rival and on that New Year's Eve a hooded figure appeared whilst he was dining. The figure carried the colonel away and he was only ever seen again as a ghost, on the devil's saddle as he - the devil that is - galloped across the marshes.

On a happier note, when the war ended in 1945 there were celebrations at Gressenhall and the 'make do and mend' spirit of them has gone into legend.

You'll find countless December and Christmas tales around the Broads and we love them. Because, after all, our passion is Bringing the Stories of The Broads Alive!

Now it's Christmas present. Yes, we know, it always arrives sooner than you think! For us, just like November, the month of December is actually a busy time. We're heavily engaged in our campaign to find more volunteers. By the time you read this we'll have had our November Volunteers' Coffee Morning but we're still recruiting and we'll be delivering training through into the New Year. Check out our website <https://www.museumofthebroads.org.uk> Being part of our team could be just what you're looking for as a New Year's Resolution.

If you're interested please contact Susie Lay, Volunteers Manager (01692 581681) or volunteersmanager@museumofthebroads.org.uk

We're particularly interested in finding volunteers for Front of House, Events and as boatmen for our steam launch Falcon and Helms for our splendid Marsh Harrier.

Inside the Museum there's much going on. Excitingly we're planning a new 'Cinema Space' for 2026. Actually, that's another way in which you might be able to help our Christmas futures by looking at your Christmases past! Do you have any old cine films or videotapes of Christmas on The Broads? Or indeed any other time of year. Let us know.

And soon it will be Christmas future. When it comes to Christmas to come we'll have had another year of sharing the stories of the Broads with you. We never stop learning and we never stop developing ways to inform and entertain you. From Easter to October you're welcome to come and visit us, see our exhibitions, take boat trips and get to know the magical landscape we know as the Norfolk Broads.

In the meantime, all of us here wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

One Liner:- Memory works at it's best when it is unasked.

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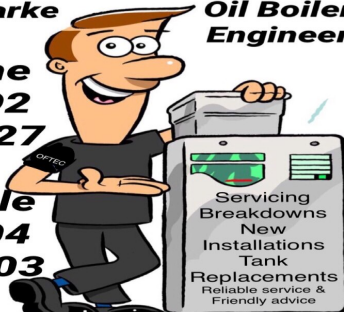
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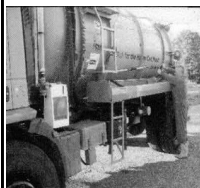
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