

# THE NAB



NEATISHEAD • IRSTEAD • BARTON TURF PARISH MAGAZINE

## THE BENEFICE OF ST BENEDICT

### Remembering

November is traditionally a month when we focus on remembering.

As a child, for me it was all about Guy Fawkes – “Remember, remember the 5<sup>th</sup> of November, gunpowder, treason and plot. I see no reason why gunpowder and treason should ever be forgot!” These days we rightly condemn any act of violent aggression towards others, especially if the act was one intended to end someone’s life, but perhaps we view with a little more empathy and understanding those who lived in Guy Fawkes’ Day who were subjected to considerable religious persecution. However, the remembering aspect of this historical event is quickly overlooked by those of us who simply enjoy a good firework display!

Another area of remembrance comes nearer the beginning of the month where there are often times of remembering loved ones over the Christian festivals of All Saints’ Day (November 1<sup>st</sup>) and All Souls’ Day (November 2<sup>nd</sup>). It is good to remember the lives of loved ones no longer with us, and the positive contribution they made to our lives, never to be forgotten.

And of course, there is Remembrance Day when we wear our poppies with pride, marking in a few moments’ silence our love, respect and gratitude for all those who laid down their lives for us in the World Wars of the last century, so that we might enjoy lasting peace. And our poppies should also remind us to remember the survivors of war who need our continued help and support.

When we think about those who have died, it will always be a time of sadness as we call to mind the love and friendship we have lost, particularly when we are remembering someone very close to us.

But times of remembrance can also be opportunities for us consciously to choose not to reflect just on what we have lost, but to focus on the positive and good. We can choose to remember the love, given and received; we can choose to remember times of fun and laughter shared; we can choose to remember with thanksgiving all that our loved ones meant to us and were for us. We can return to old photos where every picture tells a story, and remember times of celebration, adventure and fun. So times of remembrance focussing on the good, rather than the sad can be so positive and uplifting, and bring a sense of peace and contentment that we all need at this time of year. In the Bible we read these helpful words – “Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things....And the God of peace will be with you.”

May God give us all his peace as we reflect on times of remembering this month.

*Ian Johnson*

## **St Michael and All Angels', Barton Turf**

It was good to see so many people at the Harvest service on 24<sup>th</sup> September with the children able to take a full part in the activities. The church looked lovely, and all the fruit and vegetables were boxed up and taken to the Phoenix Centre at Mile Cross for distribution. Following the service 30 diners settled down for a Hunger lunch and I am delighted to say that £251 was raised for the Foodbank.

Two reminders, the November coffee morning will be on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November** from 10am until noon, as usual and on **11<sup>th</sup> November** we will be having our annual remembrance service at the lychgate at 10.45am. We will hope for a dry day!

*Barbara Pilcher, Churchwarden*

## **St Peter's, Neatishead**

Thank you to all those who helped to decorate St Peter's for our Harvest Festival and to all those who donated goods which are being passed to the Norwich Food Bank.

We were pleased to welcome Neatishead School to St Peter's for their Harvest Festival. The pupils delighted a full church with their poems and beautiful singing and meaningful prayers.

Tickets are now available for our concert on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** as we welcome Hexachordia, an early music trio, with 'Heigh-ho, the Holly' an evening of mirth and merriment for the Christmas season. Details on the enclosed flyer.

*Pauline Simpson, Churchwarden 07818 599303*

## **St Michael's, Irstead**

**Remembrance Sunday:** There will be a service of Holy Communion (BCP) at 9am on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November** to be followed by a short Act of Remembrance during which the Fallen of Irstead in both World Wars will be remembered.

**Autumn Clean** We will be cleaning St Michael's on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November** from 9.30am. If you can spare an hour or so to help clean our beautiful little church, it would be much appreciated. There will be tea and coffee along with chocolate biscuits! If you are able to help, could you kindly let Gail know on 631427.

With our most grateful thanks, St Michael's PCC.

*David Murrells, Churchwarden*

## **Winter Warmer**

We are starting our 'Winter Warmer' again in the Dolly Newcombe (Community) Room at the New

Victory Hall on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** from 12noon – 1.30pm, for soup, bread, a hot drink, biscuits and company. If anyone would like to come and needs transport, please get in touch.

We look forward to seeing you.

*Nick & Jane Fowle 01692 630249*

## **Barton Turf and Irstead Poores' Trust Winter Fuel**

The Poores' Trust was founded in 1810 to help those in need in the parishes of Barton Turf and Irstead by providing a contribution towards the cost of their winter fuel bills. It is at this time of year that the Trust allocates its funds to residents in the parishes who are in need of such help.

Do you know of anyone who has a genuine need of help this winter, the elderly, the sick, the unemployed or others? If you do know of anyone or feel personally that you might qualify, then please contact the Clerk to the Trustees, Chris Dockerty on 07771 866437 or any of the Trustees. All information provided will be treated in strictest confidence.

*Gail Murrells*

## **St Swithin, Ashmanhaugh**

Many thanks to everyone who donated fresh and packaged goods for our harvest festival. Fresh items went to Stalham Baptist community fridge and dried goods to our own food bank.

Also thanks to all who supported our fish and chip quiz. I think the evening went well.

*Anne Mulhall*

## **Benedict's Church, Horning**

This year's service for All Souls will be held at St. Benedict's Church, Horning on **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> November** 4pm and will be taken by Revd. Ben Bradshaw.

If you would like loved ones to be remembered at this service, please add their names to the lists to be found at the back of our churches or contact your churchwarden who will make a note of the names. Tea and biscuits will be served after the service. Everyone is welcome.

*Christine Hewitt*

## **From the Registrar**

St Michael's, Irstead. October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Marriage. Thomas Alexander James and Annabelle Olivia Lesley Colby.

St Michael and All Angels, Barton Turf October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Marriage of Leanne Rachel Tigg and Ian Michael Webster.

## New Victory Hall- Classic Car & Interesting Vehicle Display - The Tom Dean Trophy

This was a splendid afternoon with 54 exhibitors bringing along vehicles dating from 1902 to 1990 including cars, tractors, motor bikes and 2 working static engines. There was much interest between enthusiastic owners who were all very keen to talk about their exhibits and answer questions from interested visitors.

The NVH Events Team and helpers served delicious cakes and tea to everyone, making it a truly enjoyable afternoon.

Thank you to all who dusted and cleaned their exhibits and made the journey to our event. Thanks must go to all the helpers as without you there couldn't have been an event. And last but certainly not least, all the visitors who came to support us.

The cup and a bottle of champagne were won by Mr Barry Davis for his Beautiful Oldsmobile. Congratulations to him.

*Colin & Mossy Aldridge*

On behalf of NVH Trustees, many thanks to Colin and Mossy for contacting all the exhibitors, organising and looking after them so ably during the afternoon; the event simply would not have happened without them. The NVH Trustees are very grateful for the £803 that the event raised for NVH funds. Very well done to all.

*Doreen Dean, Chair of NVH Trustees.*

## Christmas Fair

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** 9.30am - 12.00

Please come along and support the NVH at their annual fundraiser! Santa will be in his grotto and there will be lots of stalls, plus the Grand Draw. Refreshments will be available all morning with entertainment from local talent. Hoping to see you there.

Date for December: Wherry Band Concert at the NVH on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**.

*The Events Committee*



## Knit & Stitch

If you are interested in knitting, crochet or sewing we'd love to welcome you to our meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month - this month, 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, in the Community Room of NVH, 7-9pm. Bring your own project or we can supply wool, patterns and needles. If you would like any more information, please get in touch. Happy stitching everyone.

*Claire Penstone-Smith, [claireps@btinternet.com](mailto:claireps@btinternet.com)  
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## WISE – Xmas Card Delivery

Once again, the Xmas Elves will be delivering Christmas Cards from the 3 villages over the festive period. The post boxes will be positioned in New Village Hall and White House Stores from **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. Both boxes will be emptied on the morning of **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, and delivery will take place on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**.

The Nordic Walkers and helpers willingly give up their time to provide this valuable service which I know is thoroughly appreciated, but we please ask that all envelopes are clearly addressed.

As usual donations are greatly received, and all money goes to future village events and Santa gifts for 2024.

*Ruth Dockerty*



## Village Screen - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry  
(2023 Cert 12 102 mins)

Jim Broadbent plays Harold Fry and Penelope Winton portrays his wife in this touching drama. This is the story about Harold Fry, an ordinary man who has passed through life, living on the side lines, until he goes to post a letter one day ..... and just keeps walking.

The film starts at 7.30pm and we look forward to welcoming you to the New Victory Hall from 7.00pm for coffee/tea. Tickets are £5 and advance booking is preferred by calling Christine on 01692 631347, or tickets can be purchased (cash only) at The White House Stores. Unreserved tickets will be available on the door, numbers permitting, and contactless payment is an option.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** – Barbie - Look out! Wear something pink to claim your free pink fizz drink!!

*Village Screen Team*



## Tools With A Mission

Thank you

For spanners and screwdrivers, sewing machines and scissors, hammers and pickaxe, needles and poppers and pins, spades and shovels, fabrics and threads, rakes and ratchets, hooks and eyes, clippers and drills and bits, and for so much more (including things we couldn't identify but the experts will!), Thank You.

To all of you who brought livelihood enabling tools. Thank You.

*Mandy Parks*



## Gardening Club

Food shortages in some parts of the world seem ever with us. How blessed we are in this country to have supermarket shelves bulging with everything we need. (And how quick we can be to moan if something is out of stock!).

We are not the only country to have huge amounts of food waste. We can do our bit in this respect, and we can help even in a small way by growing as much of our fruit and vegetables as we can. In towns that's not so easy, and it's not surprising that in many places there are waiting lists for allotments.

It's nearly 40 years since 'Feed the World' was the message in Band Aid's 'Do they know it's Christmas?', written by Bob Geldof and Midge Ure. It helped raise millions of pounds and is even more relevant today. The subject of our **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November** meeting is 'Feeding the World'. Robin Baines is an excellent speaker, so do come along and hear him. Non-members welcome, £3 a meeting.

*Wendy Price*



## Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf Community Heritage Group

Thank you to everyone who visited the displays celebrating the group's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary last month. Many were amazed by the scope and amount of content on display. We hope to be able to show these again in 'bitesize' pieces at the Community Markets in 2024 so there will be an opportunity to see them again. Scenes from the filming of the WW1 dramas, performed by NABS in 2015 and 2018, and a photographic presentation about our three villages' history and community, filled the anniversary evening and was enjoyed by all those who came. This highlighted the group's first project in 2015 'Living through WW1 in three Norfolk Broadland Villages' which researched all those from the villages who served during WW1. This research can be found in the folders in the New Victory Hall foyer underneath the memorial plaque dedicated in 2015 which lists each man from the villages who served. It is therefore fitting that, to coincide with Remembrance Day, our next presentation on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30pm at Neatishead School by Gareth Pritchard is entitled 'Remembrance - what we remember, how we remember and why we remember' and which focusses on some of our research from that first project. All are welcome.

*Claire Penstone-Smith, [claireps@btinternet.com](mailto:claireps@btinternet.com)  
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## FONS Friends of Neatishead School

Roll up Roll up! Come along to our Jumble Sale on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November** at Neatishead Primary School. Doors open at 11am until 1pm. You will be able to fill a bag for £5 and there will be tea, coffee and cake for sale also. All funds raised go towards educational resources for our children at our amazing school.

Also If you have any jumble you would like to donate, please email [friendsofneatisheadschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofneatisheadschool@gmail.com) or call Lisa on 07805050627 to arrange a collection. Thanks.

*Lisa Seager & Kerry Smith*

## Neatishead Preschool

Well, what a great start to the new school year. Our new children have settled in really well. This term we have continued with our theme of how things grow. We have been really lucky to be surrounded with a great harvest and learnt a lot about our local farmers.

Please keep an eye out for our upcoming fundraising events on our Facebook Page. All support is highly appreciated.

*Lisa Seager*



## NABS

A Musical Extravaganza is being performed on **23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November** at the New Victory Hall at 7:30pm. You can be sure of great entertainment: with extracts and songs from well-known musicals. Tickets are £10 and will be available at the shop from the beginning of November. The doors and bar will be open from 7pm. Please be aware that the second act does include content that may not be suitable for younger children (No children under 12 years old). Hope to see you all there!

Save **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** in your diary: the NABS Christmas Quiz Night, 6 members max per team, £5 person. Cash prize and consolation prize for the losing team. Cash bar available. Please email [thenabs74@gmail.com](mailto:thenabs74@gmail.com) for further details and to book your table.

*Jude McGill & Lisa Seager*



## Dogs and Cats - Lost and Found

If you'd like to be included in this Whatsapp group which aims to reunite lost dogs, or cats, with their owners, please let me know.

*Sue Clayton, Editor 07850 436211  
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## Thank you from the family

On 1<sup>st</sup> September Doreen Neave sadly passed away. Not only was she a Mum, a Grandmother and Great Grandmother, but a truly village person who cared deeply about the community that she had lived all her married life.

We will all miss her, as she has left us all with a huge hole in all our lives. We were so glad that we managed to get her home to Barton Turf before her passing. The home she truly loved.

We would like to thank everyone for their kind messages, they really have helped.

With many thanks from the Family.

*Glenn Neave*



## Neatishead, Barton Turf and District WI

It was a very busy afternoon this month. We welcomed Louise from Nelson's Journey to receive our donation of £864.17. The money was raised from our trading stall, run by Trish Percival, and from various donations and fund raisers throughout the year. An amazing result for a very worthwhile charity. Next year we will support the Benjamin Foundation. We always welcome unwanted, small items for our trading stall. Contact Sally or Trish if you would like to donate. Our speaker, Leonard Priestly, told us all about his life as a lorry driver and furniture removal driver. We all laughed so much at his very funny stories. He was a very entertaining speaker.

With Christmas preparations underway, there were many activities to sign up for: Christmas lunch, NVH Christmas Fair, Christmas table decoration workshop, Theatre Royal visit and our walk around Blickling. Our membership is growing but there is always room for more. Anyone joining us will be warmly welcomed. Our next meeting is **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 2pm.

*Sally Church*



## Neatishead White Horse Bowls Club

We attended the presentation luncheon for the North Norfolk Afternoon League when Cup and Prize money were presented to the winners Overstrand. Neatishead Bowls Club held their AGM on 4<sup>th</sup> October. The presentation dinner was held at the Old Rectory on 5<sup>th</sup> October – it was a lovely evening and venue. The dark evenings are now upon us but we look forward to the 2024 season.

Chair *Cathy Smith* 07810 586551



## White House Stores

Check out our range of Christmas cards and gifts this month: many items are Christmas specials and won't be re-stocked when they sell out.

It is great that we sell enough artisan bread from Bread of Haven to continue our Wednesday delivery as well as Saturdays. Pop along around 10am for a real bread fix - sourdough, seeded bread or flapjacks.

We are having maintenance work done to the flat above the shop on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** and will cordon off an area on our patio. We may close the shop for a short period (only if absolutely necessary) but check our Facebook page for the latest information as always.

*Margaret, shop & committee teams* 01692 631549  
[margaret@whitehousestores.co.uk](mailto:margaret@whitehousestores.co.uk)



## Community Gym

Darker nights and colder days: time to light the fire and binge watch your favourite TV shows and films. It's also time to enjoy other indoor activities like a little exercise in the fabulous New Victory Hall in Neatishead with your local community gym. Neatishead Community Gym is a low key, not for profit, relaxed facility for people like you, for everyone who wants to get and keep a little bit fitter. Come and try us out with a free taster session. We are open Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays 8.30 to 12.30. See our website at [www.neatisheadcommunitygym.com](http://www.neatisheadcommunitygym.com) for more information. The Gym can be reached via [gym@victoryhall.info](mailto:gym@victoryhall.info) or by calling Gary, our instructor, on 07387 876216.

Your community gym, helping you get Fit for Life!

*Phil Johnson*

## Neatishead Parish Council

The wind and rain did not stop some of the lovely residents turning out to support the opening of the climbing wall at the staithe on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. The children enjoyed giving it a go, as did some of the adults! The councillors hope that it brings a lot of enjoyment for many years to come.



Watch this space next month as the council are keen to have your views on a couple of issues including a suitable new location for the SAM2 camera.

*Laura Bateman, Parish Clerk*



## Horning Flower Club

In our October meeting we were treated to something quite different. Sachiko Smale is an award-winning Japanese florist and her arrangements showed us that simplicity of design can be most effective, usually using interesting containers or mechanics. The demonstration was preceded by our AGM which was well attended. The members noted that the success of the club is due to the hard work of our committee, which was thanked for all its hard work for the last season and the one to come. Trophies were presented for the competitions. The Novices' Cup was won by Jo McDougall and President's Cup, for those more experienced, by Bridget Hedges.

On **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November** we'll welcome Barbara Collins with her demonstration Floral Moments and the competition is Autumn Burst.

Anyone interested in joining the club should contact Carole Swan, on 01692 536270.

*Rachel Clayton*

## Horning HUB

The Horning Hub team, together with local businesses and the parish council, are working to organise the Horning Christmas Event, on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November** 5pm-8pm.

Local businesses will be open late so, if you are wondering about what to buy friends and family for Christmas, take the opportunity to browse and check out some of the special offers they will be having on the night.

There cannot be a Christmas Event without the arrival of Father Christmas, and he will be arriving in a very special way – Intrigued? Come and find out more! There will be festive singing, tombola, craft stalls and other Christmas goodies on sale. The youngsters can have fun with the Elf on the Shelf trail and face painting. Why not pay a visit to Father Christmas in his grotto? In addition, come, see and listen to an amazing, working steam engine which will power an organ playing seasonal music.

Horning's wonderful cafés and restaurants will be open for meals and festive offerings. Check out social media and visit our traditional pubs for music and entertainment available on the night. Come and enjoy the warmth of a traditional Christmas event .....the Horning way!

For further details contact tel: 01692 630695 or email: [horninghub@yahoo.com](mailto:horninghub@yahoo.com).

*Karen Smith*



## Blakeney Rowing Club - now at Barton Turf

There've been many pleasurable rowing outings over the last month: it's great to row from Barton Turf on a sunny morning. There are at least two outings a week from this base now. Pictures on our website at [crablakeney.wordpress.com](http://crablakeney.wordpress.com) show club members, or "Crabbers," having a great time whilst taking part in a growing sport.

On **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November**, "Crabbers," plus other invited rowers, will gather at Barton Turf to compete for The Robin Coombe Trophy in a programme of races. New rowers will be most welcome too as social, fun rows will also feature. Why not come along on 4<sup>th</sup> November at 10am for a picnic, a row and a chat? When you are on the water, coaching and helpful advice will always be available. You will be made very welcome. There is no obligation to participate in any competitive event. Come along for a gentle and sociable row.

Please contact [hborgnis@icloud.com](mailto:hborgnis@icloud.com) if you wish to know more about becoming involved.

*Barry Howes*



## Ashmanhaugh & Barton Wanderers CC

The 2024 cricket season has ended and it has proved to be a one-in-a-million season for this village club: we hope that this success and growth long continues.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI, champions of the Lacons Norfolk Alliance Premier League, went onto promotion to the 1<sup>st</sup> team EAPL for 2024. We look forward to travelling to and welcoming to our home ground teams from around the East of England in 2024.

Our 2nd team cemented their place in division 4, narrowly missing out on promotion. We're delighted to announce that our 3<sup>rd</sup> XI gained promotion to the Norfolk Cricket League Div 3 East after ending the season in second position.

Congratulations to all players, it's been a superb season. For 2024, we will be adding a 4<sup>th</sup> XI for our younger players (and a few older, experienced ones) who look to step up into competitive senior cricket.

If you are interested in joining us, as a player, volunteer or supporter (or all 3!), get in touch via the social media or at [everettjayne@gmail.com](mailto:everettjayne@gmail.com). Updates on events, fundraisers and winter training along with more information about the club can be found on our social media channels or at [www.aandbw.play-cricket.com](http://www.aandbw.play-cricket.com).

*Jayne Everett*



## Wildlife Working Party Nov 2023

Barton Turf Common - On 7<sup>th</sup> October a working party levelled the

paths that run alongside Dale and Forge ponds. This will enable mower access, creating short grassed paths easier to walk along and maintain. The paths have been grass seeded so let's hope the frosts don't appear too early. It was a big undertaking, but the many hands made for light work, and we were finished and enjoying tea and cakes (thanks Martin) within a couple of hours. Thanks to everyone for your help: a great bit of teamwork.

The meadow section of the common has been cut using a scythe mower. Cutting back is an essential part of meadow diversity maintenance, allowing light to reach the ground for new seedlings, inhibiting growth of grasses, and removing organic material to reduce fertility of the soil, good for diversity. The number of cuts per year varies according to how vigorous dominating grasses are: in some meadows as many as three cuts per year are recommended. The scythe mower makes a single cut reducing the chances of damaging animals. I was pleased to see a vole keeping well away from the mower as we cut and three unharmed frogs as the hay was moved.

From the cuttings, a heap has been created for wildlife, in particular grass snakes. Hopefully next year the heap will act as an egg laying site for grass snakes, the youngsters emerging in June or July, exact replicas of the adults, just 15cm long.

Swifts - Common swifts (*Apus apus*) arrive in the UK from their African Winter range early to mid-May. Their evocative calls are an essential part of our summer soundscape, the adults high in the sky catching as many as 10,000 insects a day. My elation at their arrival is matched by disappointment three months later when they migrate south at the start of August which, for me, marks the run down to Winter.

Swifts pair for life and nest under the eaves of houses making a very simple nest from materials collected on the wing. Signs that swifts are nesting in the eaves are the clumsy comings and goings of adults feeding chicks and pantiles slightly raised, caused by the offspring exercising their wings! It is the juveniles that swoop low along roads examining potential nest sites for the future. Swifts feed, drink, sleep, and mate on the wing and only land when they breed. A truly amazing bird.

The number of swifts in the UK is down by 65% in the last 25 years because of a lack of nest sites (caused mainly by comb bird stops and lack of roof access when new soffits/fascias are fitted),

reductions in insect populations, as well as a reluctance on their part to move to new nesting areas, as they like the company of others. By comparison, the Netherlands, where swift nesting sites have year round legal protection, has only seen a 4% decline in swift numbers in the last 25 years. Swifts are yearly visitors to Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf, travelling 7000 miles from Africa, passing through up to 25 countries to arrive here. It would be good to support our NIB swift populations.

I would be very interested to hear from other swift enthusiasts. Please contact me if you have swifts nesting; you want to survey your area for swifts; you want to help build swift nest boxes. I would also be interested to hear from anyone who has good numbers of swifts nesting nearby and who would be prepared to support the installation of swift nest boxes to help support the local population of these amazing birds.

Neil Sanderson [nesanderson@yahoo.com](mailto:nesanderson@yahoo.com)  
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## WHB Twinning Association

Our committee are working on next August's visit of twinned villages of La Pommeraye and Montjean-sur-Loire. It will be a special occasion as it's the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our French friends first visit in 1994 and the formal twinning of our villages. Our AGM takes place on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, with a short committee meeting, before moving to the enjoyable part of the evening, sampling the delicious wine of our twinning region, with nibbles, chatting with friends and watching a slideshow of our visit this year. We are very lucky to have such stalwart members: many Twinning organisations struggle in Norfolk, as we found out at the NATC meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October (Norfolk Association of Twinning Committees).

Sheila Milsted



## Walking Parish Paths

A big thank you to all who joined us in October. We had a great turnout with about 30 people walking with us.

As you may know, the DEFRA Planning Inspectorate will be conducting an inquiry into whether a path near Alderfen Broad should be accessible to the public. For this we need statements from anyone who has used the path dating back to 2002 or before. If you can supply such a statement, we would appreciate hearing from you by email: [mphilipps@live.com](mailto:mphilipps@live.com).

Maggie Philipps



## Wildlife Notes

Some of you may have read in the local press that Norfolk Wildlife Trust are celebrating the return of the Spoonbill as a breeding bird in the broads after a pair fledged young at Hickling this summer. Believed to be the first in the broads for about 400 years, Norfolk now has two of the eight breeding sites for Spoonbills in the UK, the birds having nested at Holkham in north west Norfolk for a few years now. Most of Norfolk's Spoonbills will have left by now heading south for the winter although many of them will spend time no further south than Poole harbour in Dorset. I can still remember seeing my first Spoonbill as a young boy in the late 1960s on the island of Texel off the Dutch coast and being amazed at the shape of the bill. For those not familiar with the species it is a large white, heron-like bird, standing at about 3 feet tall and with a wingspan of about 4 feet and has a long bill with a flat spoon-shaped tip, hence the name. Last month I wrote that Ospreys sometimes spend time in the broads on autumn migration so I was pleased to see one at Barton boardwalk on the 25<sup>th</sup> September fishing on Barton broad. A Hobby also flew past shortly afterwards, my last sighting of one this year.

My first Pink-Footed geese of the winter flew over in two separate flocks on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October and by now we have got used to hearing their calls as they fly backwards and forwards to their



Pink Footed Geese – Jon Kelf

feeding areas on the grazing marshes. Look out for them feeding on fields where sugar beet has recently been harvested, eating the cut off tops.

During October flocks of Redwings and Fieldfares, both members of the thrush family, have been coming in together with Meadow Pipits, Skylarks, Woodcock and Goldcrests. On a clear still frosty night you can hear the Redwing flocks flying overhead giving their contact calls, a high pitched drawn out “seep”.



Goldcrest – Jon Kelf

You may also hear the calls of Tawny Owls as this is the time of year when the adults are most vocal as they encourage their young to move away and seek their own territories. In our garden, Blackbirds and Chaffinches will be joined by ones from Scandinavia and both Brambling and Siskin may appear on your feeders especially if you have sunflower hearts to offer them. Winter ducks should have arrived on our waterways with larger numbers of Mallard, Tufted duck, Teal and Wigeon and the first Whooper swans will have arrived on the grazing marshes in the St Benets/Ludham area.



Fly Agaric – Jon Kelf

Enjoy the autumn fungi especially the brightly coloured toadstools like Fly Agaric which will appear underneath Birch trees.

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## Weather

Summer warmth extends into October!

September's rainfall amounted to 71.2mms/2.8in which is 118% of the average. After a hot start, temperatures slowly eased but September was the joint warmest on record in England.

So far in October, the total rainfall recorded to date (up to 19<sup>th</sup>) is 73.2mms/2.88in which is already the monthly average and with more heavy rain forecast in the next 10 days, we could see a monthly total exceeding 100mms/3.94in. The highest daily total to date is a notable 40mms/1.57in that fell in the early hours and later in the day on the 13<sup>th</sup>, courtesy of two active fronts crossing the region.

Temperatures were well above average for the first half of the month with exceptionally warm weather from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup>. The highest temperature recorded was 25.4°C on the 10<sup>th</sup>, courtesy of a late Spanish plume.

In complete contrast, Polar Maritime air swept across the country on the 14<sup>th</sup> causing temperatures to fall sharply and our first air frost of the autumn occurred overnight on the 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> (0.5°C).

*Peter Mills*





## Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club

A busy October saw members doing a litter pick in Hoveton and repainting the fence on Granary Staithe. Two of our members plus support team drove an Austin 7 from the most easterly point in England to the most westerly point in Wales and back over a weekend to raise money for the Motor Neurone Disease Association – with over £8,000 collected so far. We have been part of the Wrap Up project which involved collecting unwanted coats to pass on to local needy charities. October 24<sup>th</sup> was world polio day – every year we edge closer to eradication of this dreadful disease, but we need to keep vigilant and continue the mass immunisation programme worldwide to complete our goal. We marked this with a further planting of purple crocus corms at various sites in Wroxham, Hoveton, Horning and Neatishead, and then followed this by joining some of the Norwich Rotary clubs and Aylsham for a major collection at the Forum on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

We are now well on with planning our Santa collection event. The sleigh will be repainted and refurbished, Santa is booked and our schedule planned. We are currently expecting to be in Sprowston on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> December, Spixworth 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, Wroxham on 13<sup>th</sup>, Horning 14<sup>th</sup> and Badersfield on 20<sup>th</sup>, all early evening, and Tesco at Stalham during the day on 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. We look forward to seeing all the happy children.

Our autumn programme of weekly meetings at Wroxham Barns on a Monday evening has been excellent so far covering a wide range of topics from prostate cancer to transatlantic rowing to a speaker from the John Innes Centre in Norwich, and there is plenty more to come; if you fancy finding out more about us just come along one night – anyone is welcome to attend, but please let us know in advance if you are coming. You can also support us and the many local and international charities we donate to, through the Broadland Council Lottery Scheme – simply go online ([www.communityatheartlottery.com](http://www.communityatheartlottery.com)) and sign up, selecting Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club as your chosen cause. You can also support us directly by visiting our page on the [www.totalgiving.co.uk](http://www.totalgiving.co.uk) website. Meantime remember, in the true Rotary spirit of “Service above Self” we have members ready and willing to help out in the local community wherever the need arises. If you fancy joining us for a vibrant, sociable, active, and fun club experience, please contact our president, Kelvin Dore, on 07798 786944.

*Peter Milsted*



## Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Club

As we move into November and remembrance, spare a thought for our allies at the time who valiantly fought alongside our servicemen and women. Canadian Servicemen who were Lions and stationed in the UK during the second world war, noticed that a lot of children were going hungry and decided to raise funds. There being no Lions clubs at the time they managed to get the Queen Mother involved through her charity. Since then Lions clubs have been established throughout the UK and have been raising funds and serving local communities.

Did you come along to our Craft Fair in Oct? If you couldn't not to worry as we're holding another one on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November** from 10am until 3pm in the Hoveton Broadland Youth and Community Centre on Stalham Road. Christmas will soon be on us and it's an ideal place to find presents. Food and refreshments will be available on the day. Admission and parking is free.

Santa will soon be out and about on his sleigh visiting shops, schools and communities in our local area. Please see our website for a list of dates and locations.

For those who support us through participation in the Community at Heart Lottery, a huge thank you. Buying tickets helps fund our work and gives the chance of winning the top prize of £25,000, plus the monthly super draw with the chance to win an exciting prize. Visit our website at <https://www.communityatheartlottery.com/support/wroxham-and-hoveton-lions-club>.

We are currently on the lookout for a part time Manager to look after our charity shop in the Hoveton precinct. This is a paid position and is an ideal opportunity to work with a fantastic team of staff and volunteers raising money for local, national and international charities and good causes. Please visit our website to apply. We are also actively seeking additional charity shop volunteers, either mornings or afternoons, if you have any spare time and feel you would like to help us raise funds, drop into the shop and talk to a member of staff or email us on [wroxhamandhovetonlionsclub@gmail.com](mailto:wroxhamandhovetonlionsclub@gmail.com).

The shop is always on the lookout for good quality Bric a Brac or clean clothing, please bring them along, or we can collect – ring 01603 783737. See also Facebook or our website at <https://wroxhamandhovetonlions.org>. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

*Lion Mick Holden, President*



## Wroxham Library

Below are some of the events & services we offer but see our Facebook page or call the library on 01603 782560.

- Keep Warm and Well this winter: Visit your local library to pick up Free winter essentials including:- a blanket; hot water bottle; toiletries bag. Free hot drinks are also available during staffed times.
- Computer Buddy: We will shortly be offering 1 – 1 internet and digital support, for help with your tablet, smartphone, email and much more. Booking will be essential. Please contact the library for details.
- Crafting: Alternate Saturdays (staff dependent), 10.30am-3pm. Aimed at children aged 5 -11 (under 8s require supervision).
- Coding Club: Every Saturday 2-3pm, Ages 7 -11, limited to two spaces. Please book a place.
- Knit and Natter: not just for knitters! Bring your embroidery, textile, or crochet project along to our informal gathering. **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov**, 2.00-4.00pm and **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov** 2–4pm.
- Crib Club (Cribbage card game): new players welcome. **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** 2-4pm. Please bring your own board and cards if you have them.
- Scrabble Club: Last Thursday of each month from 2-4pm. **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov**. All welcome.
- Thinking of starting up or growing your own business? As a local Business and IP Centre, we have free access to a wide range of business resources at Wroxham library. Find out more at: [www.norfolk.gov.uk/bipcnorfolk](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/bipcnorfolk).
- Just a Cuppa: every Tuesday 10–12pm. Come along for a friendly chat over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit.
- Our Bounce and Rhyme sessions take place on Wednesday at 10.30am. No need to book just drop in and sing along!
- Story Explorers: reading adventure for children aged 0–5. To sign up and find out more, simply visit the library and speak to a member of staff.
- Family History: Use our free access to Find My Past any time the library is open. Drop-in on Wednesday and Friday evenings between 4-6pm to get advice from Diane, our family and local history expert.
- Housebound Library Service: if you are unable to get out to the library to get your library books, we can bring them to you! Details from the library.

Also:

- Book one 60 or 120 minute session per day on a computer.
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- Download the FREE Spydus app to check out books on your smartphone
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Please call us on 01603 782560 or email us at [Wroxham.lib@libraries.norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:Wroxham.lib@libraries.norfolk.gov.uk) for further details or to book places on any of the events.



## Very Wherry Christmas Event

To Help Keep History Sailing

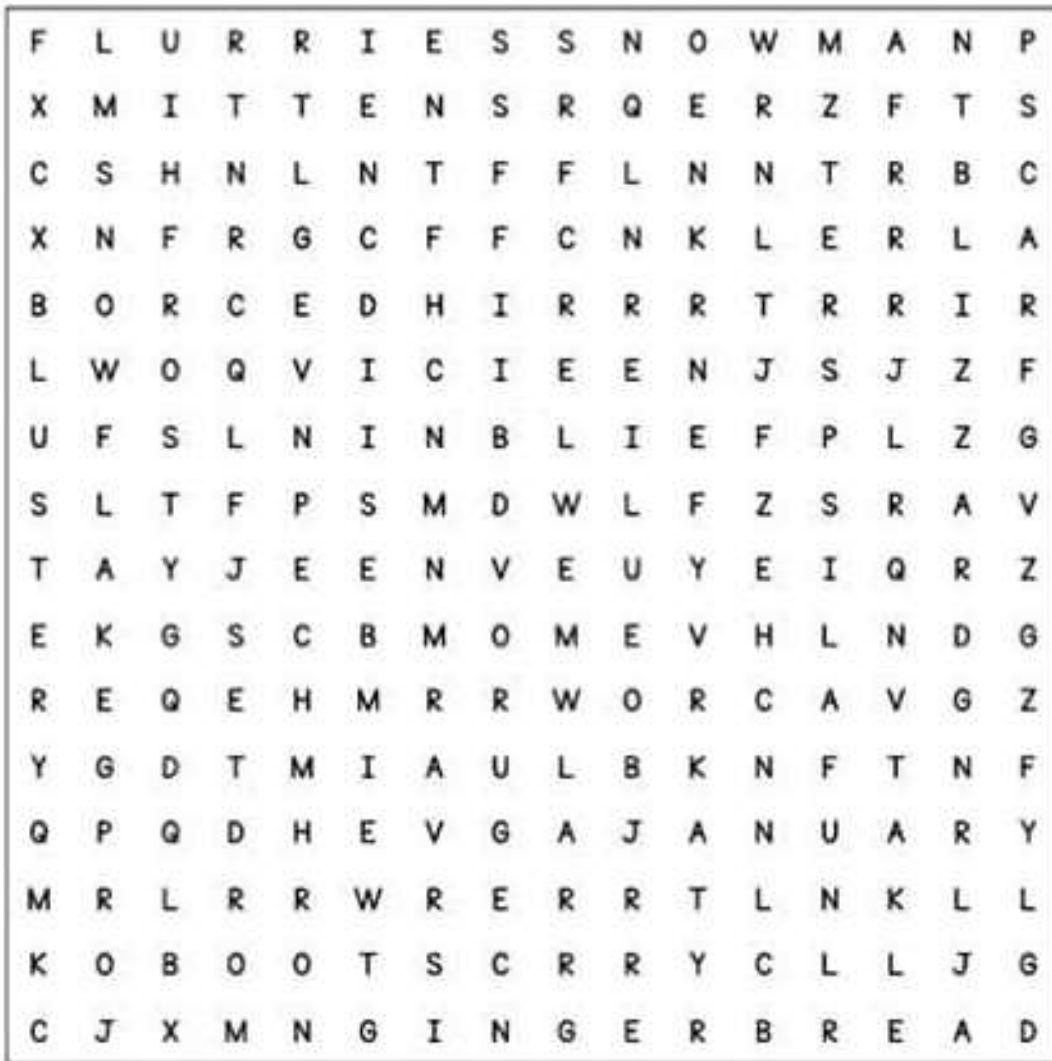
A charity Christmas shopping event is being held at The Norfolk Gallery, Wroxham Barns to help keep history sailing. The Very Wherry Christmas evening on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** is a fundraising initiative for Wherry Yacht Charter Charitable Trust, which restores, maintains and operates five of the eight remaining wherries in the world. These unique historic vessels are available to the public for chartering, scheduled sailings and events - activities which provide the main source of income for the charity to preserve the wherries for future generations and fulfil its mission to “Keep History Sailing”. As well as showcasing the programme of scheduled sailings for 2024 and how to charter a wherry for a special event or bespoke holiday, the Very Wherry Christmas event is an opportunity to join the charity’s Friends group – which could be just the perfect Christmas gift for the person who has everything. Membership vouchers purchased on the evening will be displayed in specially-designed original artwork cards by WYC Artist in Residence Su Haywood, who uses pieces of old wood and rope from the wherries in some of her larger mixed media designs. The cost of becoming a Friend is £25 a year for a single person or £50 for a family (up to four people). Benefits include priority booking on scheduled sailings, invitations to exclusive events and sailings and the opportunity to volunteer. Tickets for a scheduled sailing would also make an unusual Christmas gift and there will be special offers on selected dates for purchases on the night only. The Very Wherry Christmas event runs from 7pm to 9pm with complimentary seasonal nibbles and drinks provided by Norfolk Gallery Owner David Packham, who volunteers for WYCCT. Everyone is welcome and parking at Wroxham Barns is free.



Brrrrrrrrrrrrrr, it feels as though autumn has suddenly disappeared and winter is on it's way. Find a warm spot and curl up with our wintery puzzles











## Winter Word Search



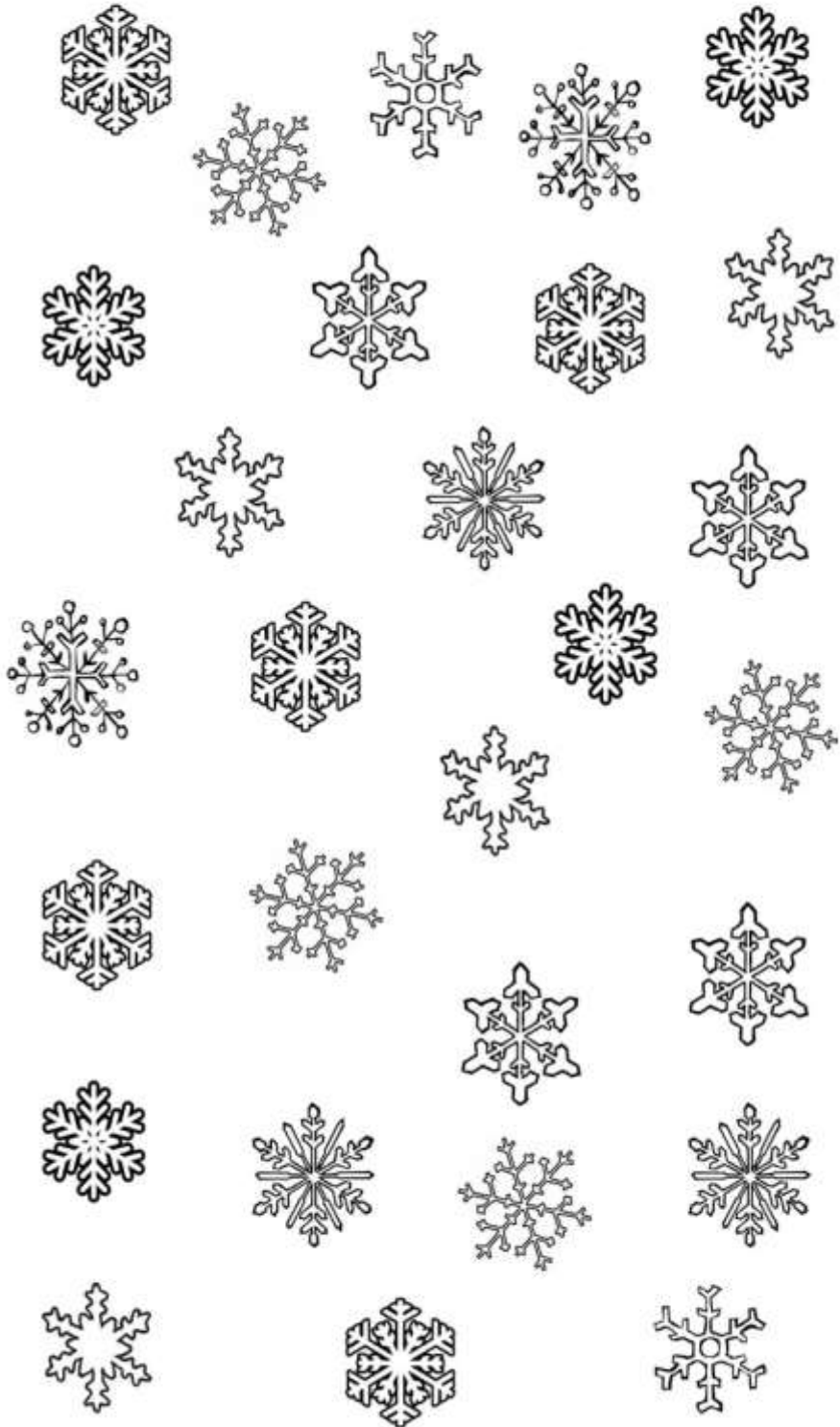
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| Chilly   | Freezing    | January  | Snowflake |
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| December | Gingerbread | Reindeer | Winter    |

# SNOWFLAKE SCANNING WORKSHEET

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### **Welcome Pack**

The NIB team have created a package to welcome newcomers to the villages. This package contains a range of useful information and leaflets, including a NIB (obviously!) and details of the shop, village hall, pub etc. If you are aware of a property which is due new residents, please let us know.

If you know, manage or run a local group or business and would like your flyer included, please do get in touch.

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**DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER EDITION – 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

## Diary Dates for November 2023

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| Saturday  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 11 – 1pm     | Jumble Sale, Neatishead School                          |
| Monday    | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | 7 for 7.30pm | Village Screen, "The Unlikely Pilgrimage Of Harold Fry" |
| Wednesday | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 10.10am      | Mobile Library, Pitt Corner, Neatishead, NR12 8BT       |
|           |                  | 11.15am      | Mobile Library, Council Houses, Ashmanhaugh, NR12 8YL   |
|           |                  | 7 - 9pm      | Knit & Stitch, Community Room, NVH                      |
| Thursday  | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 10 - noon    | Friends & Neighbours, AGM/Mardle & Quiz                 |
| Saturday  | 11 <sup>th</sup> | 9 - noon     | Community Market & Café, NVH                            |
| Monday    | 13 <sup>th</sup> | 2pm          | Horning Flower Club, Horning Village Hall               |
| Wednesday | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 10.15am      | Mobile Library, Pennygate, Barton Turf NR12 8BE         |
|           |                  | 10.35am      | Mobile Library, Ex-Post Office, Barton Turf NR12 8BB    |
|           |                  | 10.55am      | Mobile Library, Staithe Road, Barton Turf NR12 8AZ      |
|           |                  | 2pm          | WI, NVH   |
|           |                  | 7.30pm       | NIBCHG Remembrance, Neatishead School                   |
| Saturday  | 18 <sup>th</sup> | 10 - noon    | Coffee Morning, St Michael and All Angels, Barton Turf  |
| Sunday    | 19 <sup>th</sup> |              | <b>Deadline for Dec/Jan Edition of The NIB</b>          |
| Monday    | 20 <sup>th</sup> | 7.30pm       | Gardening Club, NVH                                     |
| Wednesday | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | 7 - 9pm      | Knit & Stitch, Community Room, NVH                      |
| Thursday  | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | 10 - noon    | Friends & Neighbours, Xmas Bingo/Secret Santa           |
|           |                  | 7.30pm       | NABS A Musical Extravaganza, NVH                        |
| Friday    | 24 <sup>th</sup> | 7.30pm       | NABS A Musical Extravaganza, NVH                        |
| Saturday  | 25 <sup>th</sup> | 10 - 11.30am | Hope Café, Neatishead Baptist Church NR12 8YF           |
|           |                  | 11 - 4pm     | Hoveton St John Church Christmas Crib Festival          |
|           |                  | 7.30pm       | NABS A Musical Extravaganza, NVH                        |
| Sunday    | 26 <sup>th</sup> | 11 - 4pm     | Hoveton St John Church Christmas Crib Festival          |
| Thursday  | 30 <sup>th</sup> | 5 – 8pm      | Horning Christmas Event, Horning                        |

## Future Dates

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec | White Horse Inn - Christmas Menu available  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> December               | Christmas Fair 9.30am - 12.00 at the NVH  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> December               | Village Screen: "Barbie"  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> December               | White Horse Inn - Xmas Wreath Making Lunch £55.00                                   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> December               | NABS Christmas Quiz   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> December               | White Horse Inn - Christmas Party Night with Chris Wilson                           |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> December              | White Horse Inn - Supper with Santa £10.00 per child to include kids' meal and gift |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December              | Wherry Band Concert at the NVH  |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> December              | Christmas Fair (FONS) Neatishead School   |

For the **New Victory Hall** regular activities weekly programme see their website, [victoryhall.info](http://victoryhall.info)

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