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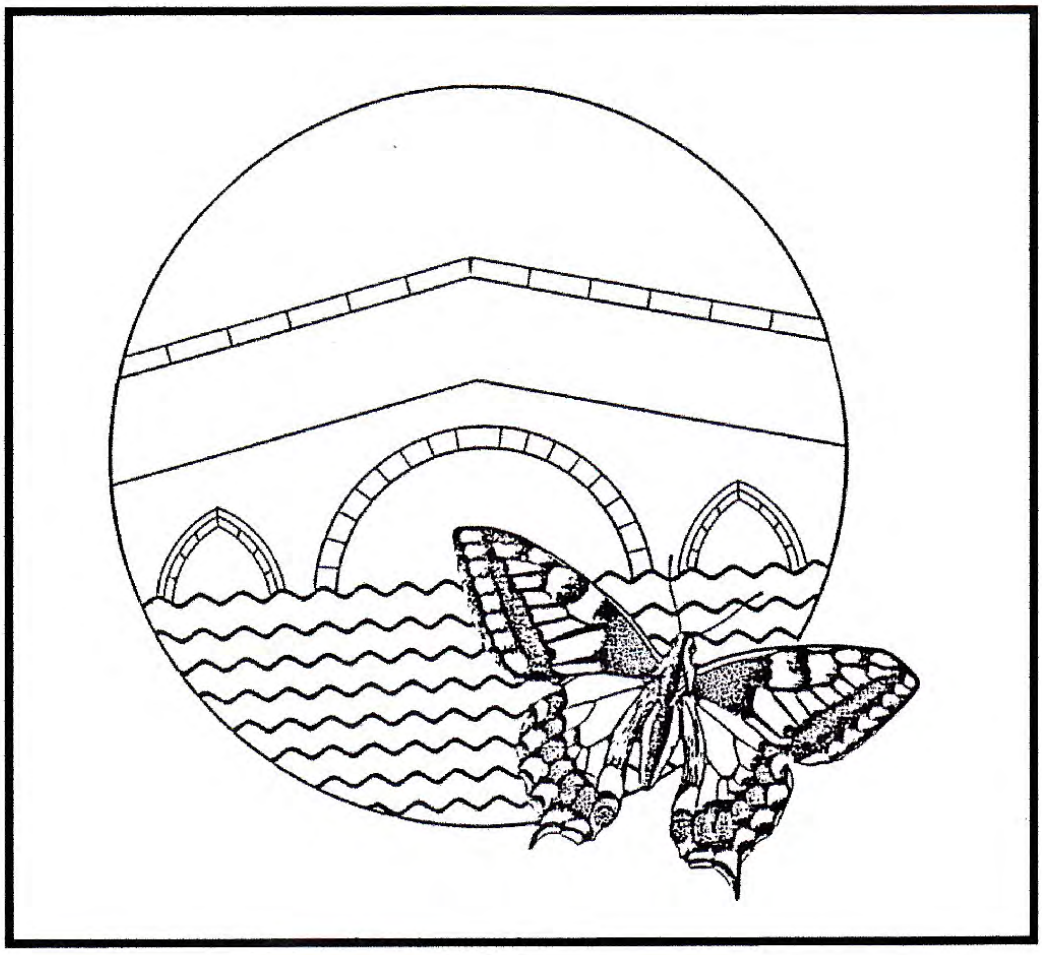

November 2026

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What's on this Month

Thurs 12th & 26th SOUP & CHATTER 12:15 to 2 pm at the Village Hall. Remember plenty of board and card games to be played!

Sat 14th BINGO 7 pm in Village Hall

Wed 11th MARDLERS & MORE 10-12 in Village Hall

Wed 11th PARISH COUNCIL 7.30 pm in Village Hall

Wed 21st METHODIST COFFEE MORNING 10 am Chapel

Sat 28th Christmas Fair 10-2pm in Village Hall see below

Thurs 29th TEA AFTERNOON 2-4 pm in Village Hall see below

Weekly at Village Hall

Monday 1.30pm STITCHERS & CRAFTERS – Sue Harris 670471

Tuesday 2.00pm SHORT MAT BOWLS – Mick 670616

Tuesday 7pm TABLE TENNIS CLUB – Andy- 07968 604504

Thursday 11.00am TAI-CHI – Rachael 01603 716522

Friday 10:30am YOGA – Bronwyn 07938 804786

Friday 2.00pm SHORT MAT BOWLS – Mick 670616

Rainbows (aged 4-7), Brownies(aged 7-10) and Guides (aged 10- 14) meet weekly in term time. For more details go to www.girlguiding.org.uk and follow the links.

Benefice Church Services

1st 10 am Benefice Patronal Festival Catfield

8th 10.50 am Remembrance Service at **Potter Heigham,** Catfield and Ludham

15th 10 am Joint Holy Communion at Catfield with Potter Heigham
Morning prayer at Ludham

22nd 10 am Joint Holy Communion at **Potter Heigham** with Catfield
Morning prayer at Ludham

29th 10 am United Morning Gift Service at **Potter Heigham Methodists. (**Gifts of Christmas toys for distribution by the Salvation Army)
United Service with Ludham Methodists TBA

6th December 10 am Patronal Festival Benefice Holy Communion at **Potter Heigham**

Methodist Church Services

1st 11am At Ludham. First Sunday Special Service

8 h 10 am United Service St. Nicholas Church Potter Heigham

15th 10 am Worship Leader Mrs L Monsey

22nd 10 am Local Arrangement

29th 10 am Gift Service Mr S Cushion

Methodist Chapel Potter Heigham
Come and Support

Coffee Morning Raffle and usual Stalls Saturday 21 st November from 10am

Homily for November 2026

We will Remember them!

I wonder if you can cast your mind back to November 2014 and to the display of poppies in front of the Tower of London. Even the artist Paul Cummins, who created the installation never imagined that nearly four million people would stand and look down on the sight. I had the good fortune of travelling on the underground at the beginning of that November and disembarked the tube train just to take a peek before continuing back to Norwich. But what a sight! and this is not a guess 888,246 ceramic poppies stood before me, all now in position. Why that number you might ask? Well, each poppy represented the life of a British or Colonial soldier who gave their lives to fight for us in the First World War. Each poppy had been bought and all the money going to the work of the Royal British legion and would be posted to their owners at the end of the month.

There is nothing good about war and sadly we do not seem to have learnt anything, daily, there is fighting going on, not just in Ukraine with Russia but so many other countries around the world. Gaza, Israel, Sudan, Myanmar, Ethiopia and the list is not exhausted. Places where the innocent are being killed in their hundreds and for what? Is it greed? individuals determined to get their own way, selfishly setting a path that destroys and never wins. Do we learn? Have we learnt a lesson from the First World War? The answer has to be no!

In Catfield church we have this year put up our own display of poppies of Remembrance. Come down and take a look or go into your village church and take the opportunity to be quiet and think for a few moments of those from your village who gave their lives. You may have members of your own family who served. I pray that one day all intent on destruction will pause and understand what they have done and there will be peace.

In the words of Laurence Binyon's poem For the Fallen -

They grow not old as we grow old,

Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

Judith Gardiner Licenced Lay Minister

Dates for your Calendar 2026

Potter Heigham Village Hall

Afternoon Teas 2pm – 4 pm

December 17th

Soup & Chatter 12:15pm – 2 pm *(2nd and 4th Thursday of the month)*

November 12th and 26th

December 10th

Christmas Craft & Family Fair

Saturday November 28th

Potter Heigham Parish Council meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Village Hall Management Committee Meeting 2nd December 2026 at 7.15 pm

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Fancy A Leisurely Walk once A Month

We are looking for a Volunteer to deliver our Monthly Gazette to **the Residents of St. Nicholas Way.**
Our current supporter has been doing a wonderful job for the last 30 years and deserves a rest.
If you feel you can help please let me know.
Contact on mary@doomgloomandclose.co.uk

Notices:Revd Zephney L Kennedy, The Methodist Church UK,
The *King's Arms* Bible Discussion Group will meet at the *King's Arms,* Ludham NR29 5QQ, at 3pm on Tuesdays, We welcome visitors and those who might join us. We are making our way through *The Psalms,* as well as exploring the letters of John

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Potter Mardlers & more

What a very special meeting as we all met together to celebrate a Diamond Wedding.
After tea, coffee and cakes we were entertained by a lovely selection of songs performed by Zaira Palumbo.
It was so lovely to share a special time with all our members. Thank you everyone.
Our next Mardlers' meeting is on Wednesday, November 11th 10.00 - 12.00. Doors open 9.30a.m.
Look forward to seeing you all there! Hazel

DAY COACH TRIPS DIRECT FROM POTTER HEIGHAM VILLAGE HALL *[in conj. With Wrights Coaches)*

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING at SPRINGFIELDS, SPALDING £16

Wednesday, November 18th Coach leaves 9 am Arrives back 4.30 pm

SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH POTTER HEIGHAM VILLAGE HALL

We were so pleased to welcome so many of our regulars back to our October lunch, as well as some new faces.

Our next Lunch will be held on Wednesday, November 4th 12 – 2.pm. Just £5 for a 2 course meal + Tea /Coffee…..with plenty of choice!

All homemade soups and puddings!

Although organised by Potter Mardlers the lunches are open to anyone in the community not just for our members. So why not come along and give us a try. It's a great place to meet with your family or friends and you can be sure of a warm welcome so don't forget to call Hazel on 01692 670616 to book your table.

Tea Afternoon

Our next tea will be at the village hall on the 17th December 2-4.
Let us know of any dietary requirements or allergies,
Lifts to the hall available.
Donations to the raffle, gratefully received.
Contribution of £3 Per Adult, £1 per Child required.
Booking via Maggie @ 07905320956

Macmillian Cancer Support

Macmillian Coffee Morning Update

A Big Thankyou to all who bought Cakes, Raffles Prizes and for Donations

Cakes and Raffle tickets etc. raised **£491** on top of the generous donations So once again thank you to everyone for making the event a success.

Sea Palling Independent Lifeboat

The last few months have been a busy time for our volunteer crew.

Our annual lifeboat day in August was a huge success, as always we thank our supporters and sponsors of whom the day just couldn't happen.

We must also thank Golden Beach Holiday Park for allowing us to fundraise at their annual summer event, and also Hickling Barn for supporting us with a well attended and enjoyable quiz night. These events our crucial to our independent lifeboat charity and therefore us being able to stay operational.

As Summer, turns to Autumn our volunteers continue to be on service and available to HM Coastguard at the press of a button. The seas being rougher is a great time to challenge our crews on board our Lifeboat and our inshore ILB.

Looking ahead we are looking forward to the arrival of Santa in Sea Palling, Sunday 6th December at 15:00 will see Santa arrive from the North Sea and be delivered to the Lifeboat Tavern for an afternoon of fun and festivities.

We hope to see you there.

We will sign out now, and wish you a safe few months and hope to see you soon

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Potter Heigham Art Exhibition Easter 2027

Sadly due to Mary Haslam's illness and her Passing
this year's Event didn't take place.
We are looking for anyone to help organise and run
the Art Exhibition over Easter weekend 2027.
It would be nice to keep the exhibition going in Mary's memory
Please contact Donald Pickering if you can help either on
01692 670407 or email donaldpickering48@btinternet.com

Potter Heigham Parish Council

Notes of the Meeting 14 October 2026

New Police Beat Manager: PC Jack Houghton has been appointed to cover the area. Contact details are on the website.

Flood Protection: There had been a meeting of government agencies with parish councils to discuss flooding events and steps to improve resilience. Householders were also encouraged to look for ways to increase resilience to flooding where possible.

Flood Warden Volunteers: More volunteers are needed to help with putting barriers in place and providing assistance if there is a flood event. Please contact lead flood warden Mr Paul Rice (0774 8706544) or the clerk if you can help. More information about flood wardens can be found at https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/info/emergency-planning/flooding/flood-wardens/

Sewerage Pump in Marsh Road: Following encouragement from the Parish Council, the local MP and County Councillor, Anglian Water have fitted a new above ground pump and tanker lorries should no longer be needed.

Allotments: There are some plots available for rent at Green Lane. Each plot is approximately 30 sq m. If you are interested in renting one please get in touch with Donald Pickering by tel: 01692 670407 or email: donaldpickering48@btinternet.com.

Peter Sandall Good Neighbour Award

Do you have a neighbour who has been particularly helpful over the past year – if so why not nominate them for the Annual Peter Sandall Good Neighbour Award.

Nominations should include the name of the person you want to nominate, your name and why the nominee deserves the award.

Your nominations must be received by the Parish Clerk, Sheila Beckett, before 25 December 2026 - clerk@phpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk



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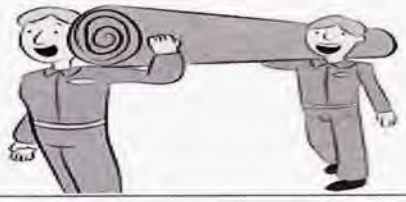

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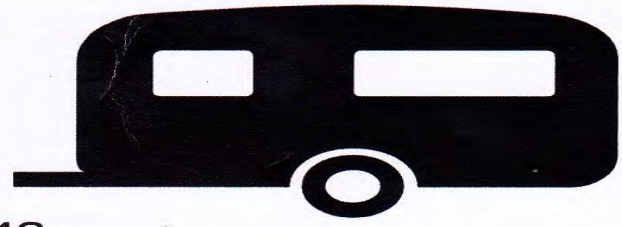

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