HOLLAND ON SEA 2024 – *Local History Recorder Report by Roger Kennell*

JANUARY

Restoration work is still underway at the Oakwood Inn following a fire.

Holland Marshes, and the B1032 road affected by flooding after much heavy rain. Sladburys Lane by Pickers Ditch also covered by water.

FEBRUARY

The side plot to Beach Cottage in Queensway has been cleared of vegetation. Foundation trenches are excavated.

On the 12th the Oakwood Inn reopens. This Grade 2 building was hit by lightning in June last year, causing a fire seriously damaging the building.

Further wet spells compound the flooding and waterlogging of fields and the marshes.

The month was the wettest and the mildest on record.

MARCH

A submarine seen offshore heading north at the beginning of the month.

Building work commences at Beach Cottage, Queensway. The interior of the cottage is being stripped.

APRIL

A plot of land is being cleared in Hereford Road at the former tennis courts complex.

St Barts Church was linked to St. Paul's Church, Clacton with the coming of the Rev. Susan Wiggins. She is now retired.

MAY

The old Empire Cliff Garage, Frinton Road is The Premier Convenience Store

JUNE

The Stroke Assn. Hall (former Red Cross) on Frinton Road is undergoing works

26th. The Holland sign at the public hall taken down. The post was rotten. Erected in 2000 for the Centenary year.

JULY

A new roundabout made in Sladburys Lane for the new housing development called Trinity Park.

AUGUST

A month of pleasant weather

OCTOBER

The Northern Lights, predominately reddish pink, observed on the 10th.

An outdoor gym has opened at the seaward end of York Road next to the carpark.

NOVEMBER

An overnight light dusting of snow fell.

DECEMBER

Plenty of Christmas light decorations around the village.