

March 2006

# The Beginning of the Public Hall



110 years ago, in March 1896, the following was published in the *Cambridge Independent Press.* 

'Mr Fred Crisp of the White House, New Southgate, and a native of Willingham is about to do what has long been wished and hoped for, namely, to build a Town Hall, with the

accompanying reading-room, committee rooms and accommodation for a caretaker, and to hand it over to the inhabitants of his native village free.

Mr H G Few, who has had this object in view for some years, and has agitated for it persistently, will give the site for the buildings in a very eligible position in the village with a frontage on the High Street. As Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council, Mr Few asked the members if they would be willing to take over the building in trust for the parish, when it is complete, as Mr Crisp and Mr Few would prefer this arrangement to handing it over to private trustees.

They willingly and unanimously accepted the responsibility. The following gentlemen were appointed as committee of management – Rev John Watkins, Rector, Rev James Carvath, Tabernacle, Messrs H G Few, Dr Lewis, Edmund Smith, Cornelius Raven, E S Thoday and George Peglar.

Preparations will begin at once for the new buildings.'

Today the hall is still providing a service to the village. The scouts, cubs and beavers use it most nights during the week. It is also used by WAMADS for rehearsals together with tap dancing classes and as local band practice venue.



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# From the Parish Council

#### Housing and Parish Council 'surgeries'

For sometime now the joint Council and Housing Advice Centre 'surgeries' (on the first Wednesday mornings of each month) have attracted very few people wishing to take up village matters with the Parish Council. There have been no opinions expressed to the Parish Council Office on the timing of these 'surgeries', following the request for comments in the previous Parish Magazine. Therefore it has been decided to discontinue the Parish Council side of those sessions. Of course Parishioners will continue to have the opportunity to raise matters of concern with the Parish Council, either by attending Council meetings (normally the first Wednesday of each month), or, by appointment, at the Parish Council Office.

The Housing Advice Centre surgeries will continue to take place every month, at the usual time and place.

#### Next Parish Council meetings

The next full Council meeting will be on Wednesday 1 March, as usual at 7.30pm, in Willingham Primary School, Thodays Close. The agenda will be posted on Thursday 23 February on the notice board outside the Public Hall in the High Street, and in the Library.

The Cemetery, Green & Boundaries Committee advertised last month as due on 22 February will now



be on 15 March (agenda posted 9 March); and the next Leisure & Amenities and Public Hall Committee which was to have been on 27 February will now be on 9 March (agenda posted 3 March).

All these are at 7.30pm in the Parish Council Office at the Ploughman Hall.

Members of the public are entitled to attend Council and Committee meetings, and agendas all include a slot for them to speak. Once ratified, minutes of past meetings of Committees and the full Council are available for view in the Library.

#### Traffic calming



County Highways has now made it's decision on new traffic calming measures. Unfortunately a combination of lack of funding and the existing configuration of the roads into Willingham has meant that they have not been able to provide everything that we might have wished. However, there will be a zebra crossing on the High Street, near the Covent Garden turning. There will also be three interactive flashing signs along Rampton Road, one in Over Road near Westmeadow Close, and two in Station Road. The Parish Council has also again asked Highways to take up the problem of the non-working interactive signs in Earith Road.

#### Improvements to the Green

Some time ago the Council held consultations on what improvements parishioners would like to see on the Green. It is now intended to take these forward during this year.

#### Litter and dog waste bins

The Council has recently carried out a survey of missing and damaged litter and dog waste bins in the village, and is shortly to start a programme

of replacement. In the future, if any parishioner notices any bin which has been vandalised or stolen, if you would report this to the Parish Council Office, the Council can take action on it.

#### **Recreation Ground willow trees**

Users of the Recreation Ground may have noticed recently that the willow trees have had a bit of a haircut. This was done on expert advice that the weight of some of the branches were becoming dangerous – in fact, one blew down during a gale towards the end of last year – so the Council has had to take action to avoid the risk of accidents. The overall weeping willow shape has been retained, and once the leaves come on the trees the cuts will not be visible.

#### Parish Council Office: Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB4 5LP.

Tel. 01954-261027: E-mail email@willinghampc.org.uk The Parish Office is open on Monday and Friday mornings from 9am to 12 noon, and on Wednesday afternoons from 1.30 to 4.30 pm. Appointments can be made by calling the Office. There is an answerphone outside office hours, and the Clerk undertakes to return any calls as quickly as possible.

# Advice from the Police

#### Personal Information

If you throw away credit card receipts and bills, make sure that you rip them up, or shred them if possible, so prying eyes can't read them. Identity theft is a growing problem, but these simple steps reduce your risk.

Thieves can use even the most mundane of personal details to help them "verify" that they are someone they aren't, and one of the most common ways of obtaining personal details is 'bin-raiding'. This is surprisingly common in affluent areas and is spreading out of towns to the countryside; with 75% of local authorities now admitting it happens regularly in their area. Therefore, don't keep all of your bills, receipts and other personal documents in an obvious place, if you can, lock it away. If you don't have anywhere to lock it, try and keep it somewhere out of the way or separate it out. Consider investing in a shredder!

Identity thieves will also try to dupe you into giving personal information either in person, over the phone or by using official sounding e-mails. And of course, personal computers can hold plenty of information useful to fraudsters. Be suspicious of anyone seeking too much personal information, and don't be afraid to challenge them by asking, "why do you need those details?" - a legitimate enquirer won't mind you asking. Make sure you store all important documents and details, such as your birth certificate, National Insurance number, receipts and bank statements, in a safe place. Anything containing personal information that you intend to throw out should be destroyed before it is put in the bin. Using a household paper shredder is not taking things too far. If you think you have become the victim of an identity thief, report it to the police, local authority and relevant Government departments or companies immediately.

Keep personal information in "encrypted" folders on your computer.

Encryption scrambles the contents of your chosen folder so it cannot be read by anyone else.

You can "unscramble" the contents using a password.

Many well-known software companies offer free downloads to help you with encryption, or encryption can be an option under your standard operating system.



# The Annual Easter Egg Bingo.



## Saturday 25 March at 2pm at Willingham Primary School.

Bingo with an Easter twist – you win Easter eggs! Fun for all the family.

Please look out for posters around the village for more details.



# **Collection Dates**

1 March	Green bin and green box
8 March	Black bin
15 March	Green Bin and green box
22 March	Black bin
29 March	Green bin and green box

Postage stamps may be placed in the box at the Parish Church to be sent to the Leprosy Mission. Glossy magazines (including Willingham Parish Magazine) should be placed in the green box

#### **Recycle Plastic**

Plastics bearing the recycling symbol and loving the initials PET, HDPE or PVC are recyclable at Willingham Co-op car park or at Tesco Bar Hill.

# Willingham Medical Practice

#### 52 Long Lane, Willingham, Cambridge CB4 5LB Reception Tel: 01954 260230 Dispensary Tel: 01954 260073

#### Longstanton Branch Surgery, Magdalene Close, Longstanton. Tel: 01954 207600

#### Patient Survey 2005



Every September, in line with government requirements, South Cambridgeshire PCT organises a patient questionnaire which is distributed to all the 17 GP practices in the South Cambs area. 50 questionnaires per GP are handed

out randomly by each GP practice and the results are then correlated by the PCT. Thank you to everyone who completed a questionnaire.

We have now received the **results of last year's survey**. Although the overall results are anonymised, each practice is allocated a code so that we can see how we fared against the other practices. Once again our practice performed very well and received high placing in nearly all the categories. We were extremely pleased to be placed top in South Cambs for overall satisfaction and especially thrilled that both our receptionists and nurses again came top in the South Cambs area.

Your individual comments were particularly heart warming and we thank you all for your kind observations. We are glad that everyone seems pleased with the new car parking facilities as this was highlighted as a problem last year. We always hold a team meeting to look at the results of the survey, take on board your comments and suggestions, and see where we can improve our

The surgery a	nd dispensary are n	ormally open as
follows:		
Monday	8.30 - 1.00	2.30 - 6.00
Tuesday	8.30 - 1.00	2.00 - 6.00
Wednesday	8.30 - 1.00	2.00 - 4.00
		5.00 - 7.00
Thursday	8.30 - 1.00	estima so
Friday	8.30 - 100	2.00 - 6.00

service. There is always room for improvement and we take particular notice of your suggestions, although on balance we feel that hot drinks served in the waiting room might be tricky when there are children around. If you can attend surgery during the day we would be most grateful if you could leave the early morning and late evening appointments free for those people who work.

If any of you would like to see a copy of the Patient Survey Report please ask at Reception. If you didn't get a chance to fill out a questionnaire this year please feel free to hand in your comments or suggestions at

> any time. Could we take this opportunity to remind you that we do provide "Well Man and Well Woman Checks" here during normal surgery hours. Just tell the receptionist that you would like a Health Check and she will ensure that you are given the appropriate length of appointment

time. We do not hold special clinics as specific times may not always be suitable for all.

#### **Telephone lines**



Whilst the majority of comments were very positive and constructive we realise that there is one area in particular that is causing concern. This is a problem common to all GP practices.

Despite our best efforts to alleviate the pressures on the telephone lines some of you are still experiencing difficulty getting through on busy mornings. During March we are installing a brand new telephone system which we hope will go a long way to solving this problem. We will keep you informed of progress.

#### Acknowledgements

Thank you to the family and friends of Mr Philip Norman who made donations to the Surgery Equipment Fund in his memory.

Cynthia Bidwell - Practice Manager





Are you the proud owner of an all-singing, alldancing digital camera that mostly does what you ask it to? If so, you have probably taken lots and lots, and perhaps too many, pictures of all sorts of subjects. Obvious topics include the family, holidays, hobbies and other interests. Maybe your pictures feature Willingham in one form or another. The story behind the pictures could also be worth telling. If you think you would like submit an item to including interesting pictures, please send an

Snap Happy?

email attaching the story and the pictures as separate full sized jpegs to willinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk.

It seems to have been a long winter, and the lack of sunshine over the past few weeks has been pretty wearisome. Catkins are out and bulbs are poking through. Flowering daffodils have been spotted in Cambridge. In short, Spring cannot be too far away. Just to cheer us up, and act as a taster, here are a few snaps taken last year in a Willingham garden.

clockwise from top left: a spotted flycatcher, a dragon-fly (Norfolk hawker), and a close up of a bee.





Willingham Wolves Football Club Annual Quiz Night

> Saturday, 18th March 2006 Willingham Primary School 7.30 pm start

Come and support your local Boys/Girls Football Teams

Cost £5.00 per person (to include a Chilli or Vegetarian Supper). Please bring your own drink.

Teams to consist of a maximum of 6 players Team Captains must ring in advance of the evening to book in their team

> To book your team in call Janet Wake on 01954 260678





# Notes from the Editor

Please remember to inform us of dates for the Village Diary well in advance in order that events in the village do not clash.



You may well notice from this edition that there have been changes. We have updated the format of the magazine which we feel is appropriate now that the magazine is well established and we have more sophisticated computer software available.

We have also set up a separate email address for advertising matters. We hope this will improve the service we offer.

Comments are always welcome!

#### Note to the editor

I was very interested to read the obituary for Mr Sense. Might I suggest a copy should be sent to our Prime Minister. Then, maybe, in the not too distant future, Mr Sense may be 'resurrected to eternal life' (but do not hold your breath)

A newcomer to the Village.

#### March 2006



# Women's Institute

On 13 March 13 at 7.30pm there will be a Visit to WI Office for members only. Please contact Jackie Sparks on 261831 if a lift is required

## Housing Advice Surgery

Jointly with the Parish Council, Gail Cooke, Neighbourhood Manager of South Cambridgeshire District Council will be running a Housing Advice Surgery on the first Wednesday of each month from 10am to 12pm in the Baptist Church.

The Local Community Beat Officer for

Willingham, PC Alison Jones, has asked if she can attend these meetings beginning on 1 March. This will be a chance for any Willingham residents to speak in person and in confidence to Alison with any problems that they are concerned about.



## **Teeny Babies Update**

Please note that Teeny Babies now starts at 6.30pm and finishes at 7.45pm. We are still located in the Baptist Church and meet every Monday. This meeting is free of charge!

We would like the opportunity to teach our teenage parents emergency first aid. If there is a trained first aider who would be willing to give up a few hours of their time (voluntarily) would they please contact Anita on 07830 244742.

# Willingham Charity Lunch

This month's charity lunch will be held at the home of Mr and Mrs K Taylor at 37 Rampton End, at 1pm on Saturday 11 March. The lunch costs £3 and consists of a choice of soups, cheeses etc. The money raised is donated to a good cause, this year being the Air Ambulance Service. If you are new to the village or an existing resident and wish to enlarge your social circle, do join us and enjoy the friendly occasion and at the same time raise money for this valuable service.

## Yesteryear Road Run

#### Sunday 23 April 2006

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Last year we donated £8,400 to MAGPAS making our total fundraising over £72,000. Without the support of each village we could not continue to achieve such fantastic results.



Please come and support us and enjoy this year's event. Our vintage parade will be passing through your village so come out and



see the largest collection of cars, tractors, motorcycles, commercials and various other exhibits.

We assemble at Cottenham Green leaving at 9.30am moving onto Rampton, Willingham, Over, Swavesey, Longstanton, Oakington, Histon and back to Cottenham for 4pm.

It really is a fun day out for all the family so watch out for our posters for further details or contact Tony and Patsy Nightingale 01353 741174.



# Pastoral Letter

# I wasn't expecting anybody

Cindy was out and I was making the most of being the sole occupier of "Willson Towers" when the doorbell rang.

I pushed aside the pile of papers and went to the door. I didn't recognise the caller, but I could see that he was in a spot of difficulty. He had two huge cardboard boxes and, being in one of my observant moods, I soon deduced that they were not empty. The man was wilting. Beads of sweat glistened on his brow. **"I dunno what yer got in 'ere mate, but they're pretty heavy!"** he said - on reflection he may not have used such an attractive word as "pretty" but I got the gist.

I wondered whether now was a good time to tell him about some of the lessons I learned on my recent "moving and handling" course, but I thought he may not appreciate my expertise, so perhaps it was kinder to relieve him of his burden before it came to the point where I would have to practice the skills I have just acquired on a first aid course!

I signed on the peculiar electronic gadget that come with modern delivery men and sent him on his way before returning to the papers strewn across my office.

The two large heavy cartons remained in our hallway for a further two days before I thought to check the contents. I discovered that each box contained 50 copies of a Bible study book that we are giving out to members of our church, so that we can explore together.

I have previously read the book ... so I am in a reasonable position to argue with the man who, ignorant of content, exclaims "I dunno what yer got in 'ere mate, but they're pretty heavy!" Like all books, you have to read them before you make a decision as to their content.

Had my delivery man been a little wiser, he would not have attempted to carry the whole consignment at once, thus avoiding a struggle. In the same way we urge you to resist the temptation to take more than you can handle, especially when reading the Bible or any other religious literature.

It is better that we enjoy the wealth rather than endure the weight as we explore what's inside.



It's perfectly true that on the day the parcel arrived, I wasn't expecting anybody, but I'm glad my visitor came ... And the thought occurred to me that had I left the parcel unopened in my home the contents would have been completely useless. And if we leave our Bibles unopened.... ??? I leave you to finish the sentence.

Major Willson



## March 2006

**Baptist Matters** 

MEETING POINT. There will be a meeting on Monday 6 March at 2.30pm in the rear hall of the Baptist Church. The speaker is yet to be confirmed. Everyone welcome.

RENDEZVOUS will meet on Monday, 20 March at 2.30 pm in the rear hall of the Baptist Church when Mr Roy Burgess, from Cottenham, will show some films taken in Cambridge and around the District mainly from the 1930's. Everyone welcome - of any age.

FILM SHOW on Friday, 10 March at 7.30 pm, again in the rear hall of the Baptist Church. This will be a double feature programme with a theme looking at how our film makers in the past predicted the future. The all-



time film classic from Germany of 1926 'Metropolis' will be shown and the 1950 Academy Award

winning film 'Destination Moon', plus an extract from Chaplin's 'Modern Times' (1936). As usual, admission is free, but there will be an optional retiring collection for the Baptist Church Building Improvements Fund.

OPEN DOOR. Come for coffee (or tea) and a chat on Thursday mornings in the Baptist Church from 10.00 - 11.30am. Everyone very welcome.

BUMPS AND BABIES meet on Thursday mornings from 10.00 to 11.30am in the rear hall of the Baptist Church during term time. This is a chance for new and expectant parents to meet up for a chat and a coffee while the babies play. Do come along and join us.

# **Events at the Churches**

TOPS meets on Tuesday mornings from 9.45 to 11.15am in the Baptist Church during term time. This meeting is for children aged 18 months to 3 years, with their parents/carers for fun

activities and refreshments. Please come along and join us.



# Salvation Army

#### **Coffee Morning**

Every Monday 10.30am to 12pm. Everybody welcome.

Lunches every Thursday 12.30pm followed by the Friendship Club 2pm to 3pm. Everybody welcome.

Please telephone G Slackman on 260066 for further details.

# **Parish Church**

#### **Mothers Union**

Our next monthly meeting with on Monday 27 March at 2.30pm in the Octagon. Our speaker will be Mrs Richmond talking about a Tour of China. We welcome anyone who would like to come and join us. Please telephone 260688 if you require transport.

#### Bubbles

Bubbles takes place every Friday during term time.

Bubbles is for pre-school children accompanied by parents or carers. It offers time to meet others and be

creative. It is held in the Octagon from 10.30 to 11.45 am. For more details

contact Jackie Dean on 01223 575698

#### **Coffee Stop**

Every Tuesday morning from 10.00 to 11.30 am you are welcome to drop in to the Octagon for coffee or tea and a chat. There is always a welcome, and no formality – just walk in.

#### Restoration Appeal Book a Date for the Band

Wednesday 7 June is a date to put in your diary. We are organising a concert in the Parish Church by the Brass Quintet and the Sax Quartet from the Minden Band of the Queen's Division,

based at Bassingbourn. The concert will start at 8.00pm and there will be light refreshments. The Minden Band



has a high reputation, and this promises to be an excellent evening's entertainment. Watch this space for more details, but in the meantime, put the date in your diary.

#### Cakes

The cake stall will take place as usual on Saturday 4 March. It is an important regular source of income for the Restoration Appeal – as well as being a very popular source of excellent cakes! If you would like to join the team of cake-makers, Joyce Bowen would be delighted to hear from you (telephone 01954 261075).

#### Bric-a-brac

Another important source of income is Rene Gould's bric-a-brac stall at 19 Fen End. She is always keen to welcome buyers and contributors of goods for the stall. It is definitely worth a visit.

For more information about the Restoration Appeal, contact Bill Kirkman (01954 260393).

# Churches Together in Willingham and Rampton Services at the Churches during March

#### ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH STREET WILLINGHAM www.willinghamchurch.org

#### 5 Mar

11.00am Parish Communion

#### 12 Mar

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00am	Family Praise
19 Mar	
11.00am	Parish Communion
ar 11-	with Baptism

#### 26 Mar

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
11.00am	Mothering Sunday:	
	Family Service	

#### Lent Course Wednesdays at 8pm in the Octagon, 1 March - 7 April 2006

#### Saints Alive

If you feel that your faith has never been as real as you would like. Or if you feel it has slipped and gone flat, Saints Alive offers teaching and challenge to bring New Life.

Saints Alive is a course for those who want to:

- Grasp the core of the Christian Faith
- \* Get closer to Jesus
- Experience the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### Ash Wednesday

On 1 March, Ash Wednesday, there will be a service of Holy Communion at 5.00pm at Rampton.

Thursday Praise is a service for those who cannot get to church on Sunday, or who prefer a less traditional service. It takes place on the second and fourth Thursday of every month, at the Parish Church. In March the dates are Thursday 8 and Thursday 23. If you would like to know more, phone Sue West on 01954 260409. For Children we now offer children's facilities at all our 11 00 am services. Even if they are too young to crawl, there is a place for them in Caterpillars. For children from pre-school upwards Young Idea gives them a share in our services and time out for their own activities.

If you know of anyone who is ill, or for some other reason would like a visit, please let the Rector know. Telephone 01954 261225.

#### ALL SAINTS CHURCH HIGH STREET RAMPTON

5 Mar	9.30am Parish Communion
12 Mar	9.30am Parish Communion
19 Mar	9.30am Parish Communion
26 Mar	9.30am Parish Communion



#### WILLINGHAM TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH GEORGE STREET (www.willinghambaptist.org)

Apart from our All Age services (usually the 3rd Sunday of each month) a busy Sunday School takes place each week at the same time as the morning service. A crèche is also provided at each of our morning services.

#### 5 Mar

10am	Morning Service -
	Communion
6pm	Evening Service
12 Mar	
10am	Morning Service
6pm	Evening service
19 Mar	17.0
9am	Morning Service
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(refreshments are available between the two services from 10.05am to 10.40am)

10.45am	All Age Family Service
6pm	Evening Service
26 Mar	
10am	Mothering Sunday
	Parade Service
6pm	Evening Service -
	Communion & Praver Focu

#### Parade Service – Mothering Sunday

A quick reminder that 26 March is Mother's Day and is therefore our annual Parade service for the uniformed organisations of the village. Please do come along and support this family event and don't forget to bring along your Mums/Carers! We look forward to seeing you at 10am on Sunday 26 March.

#### THE SALVATION ARMY SILVER STREET

#### 5 Mar

Envoy Bobby Doherty
Mark and Dawn Anderson
Kathleen Comby
Roy Barton
Norman Gulliver
Karen Anker
John Porter
Colonel Alan Bateman

#### Churches Together praying for the people of Willingham and Rampton

In the second full week in each month the Churches in Willingham and Rampton will be praying for the people who live in a particular area of the village. In March this is West Fen Road, Fen End, Rose & Crown Yard, Earith Road, Lordship Close and Pegler Court.

#### March 2006

# MAGPAS Winter Ball



On Saturday 28 January, you may have spotted some very smartly dressed people walking the streets of Willingham....at around 7.30pm?

These people were all making their way down to the Ploughman's on this

freezing Saturday evening. And what an evening it was! The hall was decorated in a wintry silver and blue, with icicle lights, candles and live music adding to the atmosphere of the evening.

At around 6pm the caterers, musicians, disco, photographer, bar, chocolate fountain, waiters and waitresses arrived to prepare and set up for an evening filled with entertainment, dinner, dance and good company (we sold 120 tickets and with only a few exceptions, most of these were bought by the people of Willingham). All of this was made possible by generous donations from local businesses (Chadwick Export Services, Lee Associates, Cambridge Medical Communications and Tylers Estate Agents). Live music for the evening was provided by the Simply Reeds Quartet, disco of Howard Arksey, and harpist Rohan Platts (also one of our First Responders) who all gave up their Saturday evening to come and provide entertainment free of charge. The waiters, waitresses and doormen were volunteers from the village; all worked hard through the evening, and were very professional. Two raffle prizes were up for grabs: a luxury hamper, and a beautiful and tasty chocolate sculpture donated by Corinne Smythe of Willingham. Corinne also donated the delicious dipping chocolate fountain for the evening's dessert. Our photographer Sharon Wareham captured us in our finery, and, I have to add, she had her work cut out at times with some of



Rohan Platts playing the harp

us really enjoying the bar facilities on the evening!

Our main aims for organizing the evening were to invite the people of Willingham to a local enjoyable and unique event using our village resources, and to raise money for a cause which every person in Willingham be will benefiting from, whether working in the village during the day,

or living here. We have raised over £1,000 - all of this will be going into the Willingham First Responder Fund, building up towards our aim of £5,000 to get our scheme in the village up and running.

Looking back at the success of the Willingham Winter Ball, we do not really have a choice but to repeat the performance. We are planning to host another Winter Ball in 2007, as well as various other events during the summer months. Please keep in mind the charity behind all of this - MAGPAS - and the people who give up their free time to save lives. If you want to make a donation, whether as an individual or as a business, or would like to be involved in the future

events planned by the Willingham First Responders, (or would like to volunteer as a local First Responder and join our jolly group) then please get in touch with Helen on 260062. or the Magpas office on 01480 371060.



Local Businesses : Sponsors of Winter Ball (Photo by Sharon Wareham)

Willingham First Responders.

## Willingham Gardening Club

Meetings are on the first Monday of every month at the Social Club and start at 7.30pm. New members and guests are always welcome.

6 March – 'Wild Flowers of East Anglia' Jenny Eldrich

3 April - AGM

Subs are due at the March meeting - £5.00 for the year

The annual plant stall will be in May, so if you are sowing seeds or planting up plug plants or cuttings, remember to include a few extra for the sale!



## March 2006



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MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
March	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Willingham	7.30pm
			Primary School	153.1
6	Talk 'Wild Flowers of East Anglia' by Jenny Eldrich	Gardening Club	Social Club	7.30pm
10	Storytime for the under 5's	Cambridgeshire Libraries	Library	11.30am
11	Charity Lunch		37 Rampton End	ıpm
15	Auditions	WAMADS	Public Hall	8pm tel. 201816
18	Annual Quiz Night	Willingham Wolves	Willingham Primary School	7.30pm
25	Easter Bingo	Willingham School Association	Willingham Primary School	2pm
14	Willingham Fun Run	Willingham School Association		T.B.A
24	Storytime for the under 5's	Cambridgeshire Libraries	Library	11.30am
27	'Tour of China' Talk	Mothers Union	Octagon	2.30pm
April			States - No.	1.00
3	AGM V	Villingham Gardening Club	,	
9	Cash Bingo	Willingham Social Club	Willingham Social Club	8pm start
23	Yesteryear Road Run			Tony & Patsy Nightingale
26	AGM	Friends of Willingham Library	Library	01353 741174 7.30pm
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20	Duck Race	Parish Church	Recreation Ground	2-5pm
June	*			di la seco
7	Restoration Fund Brass Quintet & Sax Quartet concert	The Octagon	6	To be confirmed
July	Established and			
13,14,15	OUTSIDE EDGE	WAMADS	Ploughman Hall	7.30pm Box Office 2005

# Village Diary

# March 2006

# Willingham Parish Magazine

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Cambridgeshire Countryside Watch aims to reduce rural crime, and the fear of rural crime, in the county. It is aimed at anyone living or working in the countryside. It is a partnership between private residents, landowners, farmers, horse owners, rural businesses, countryside users and the police. It is supported by Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

It offers a number of benefits. They include:

- Messages to your telephone detailing crimes and incidents
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- Discounts on security equipment
- · A dedicated web site, including details of crimes
- Countryside Watch signs to deter would-be criminals
- · Post coding advice and equipment to order or hire
- Help and advice from a dedicated Countryside Watch team
- Ordnance Survey map reference of premises, to help the emergency services
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Monday*	6.00 pm		8.00 pm
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	6.00 pm		8.00 pm
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	3.00 pm	-	5.30 pm
Saturday	10.00 am	-	12.30 pm

Can't get to Willingham Library because of mobility problems or ill health?

#### The Doorstep Service might be the answer.

It is run by Cambridgeshire libraries in partnership with volunteers. If you would like to have books or talking books delivered to you then contact the local area coordinator (details below). She will visit you to discuss your needs and then find a Library Visitor who will visit once a month with the books that have been chosen for you. Current users of the service have reported that good friendships have been made along the way.

#### To find out more ring Hilary Firth on 01223 718358 or ask at the Library.

Or would you like to volunteer as a Library Visitor for the Doorstep Service? If you have a few hours to spare each month, and want to share your love of books with someone who can't get to a library, why not ring Hilary at the number above?

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