

# WILLINGHAM NEWS



June 2008

## YesterYear Road Run

Sunday 20 April saw the 14th MAGPAS YesterYear Road Run wend its circular way from Cottenham via Rampton, Willingham, Over, Histon and back to Cottenham. The programme promised a 'Spectacular Procession of Vintage Vehicles and Motorbikes'; it fully lived up to its billing. Unfortunately, the organisers could not promise the weather to match, but both the procession and the turn out in Willingham made light of the unpleasant conditions.



*Magpas and Robert Smith*

Most of us know of the rationale for MAGPAS, but it is well worthwhile to briefly explain what MAGPAS is for. The charity provides the life-saving emergency



*A Triumph Herald*

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This picture above shows what used to be called the poor man's Rolls Royce – a Triumph Herald 1360 – in its

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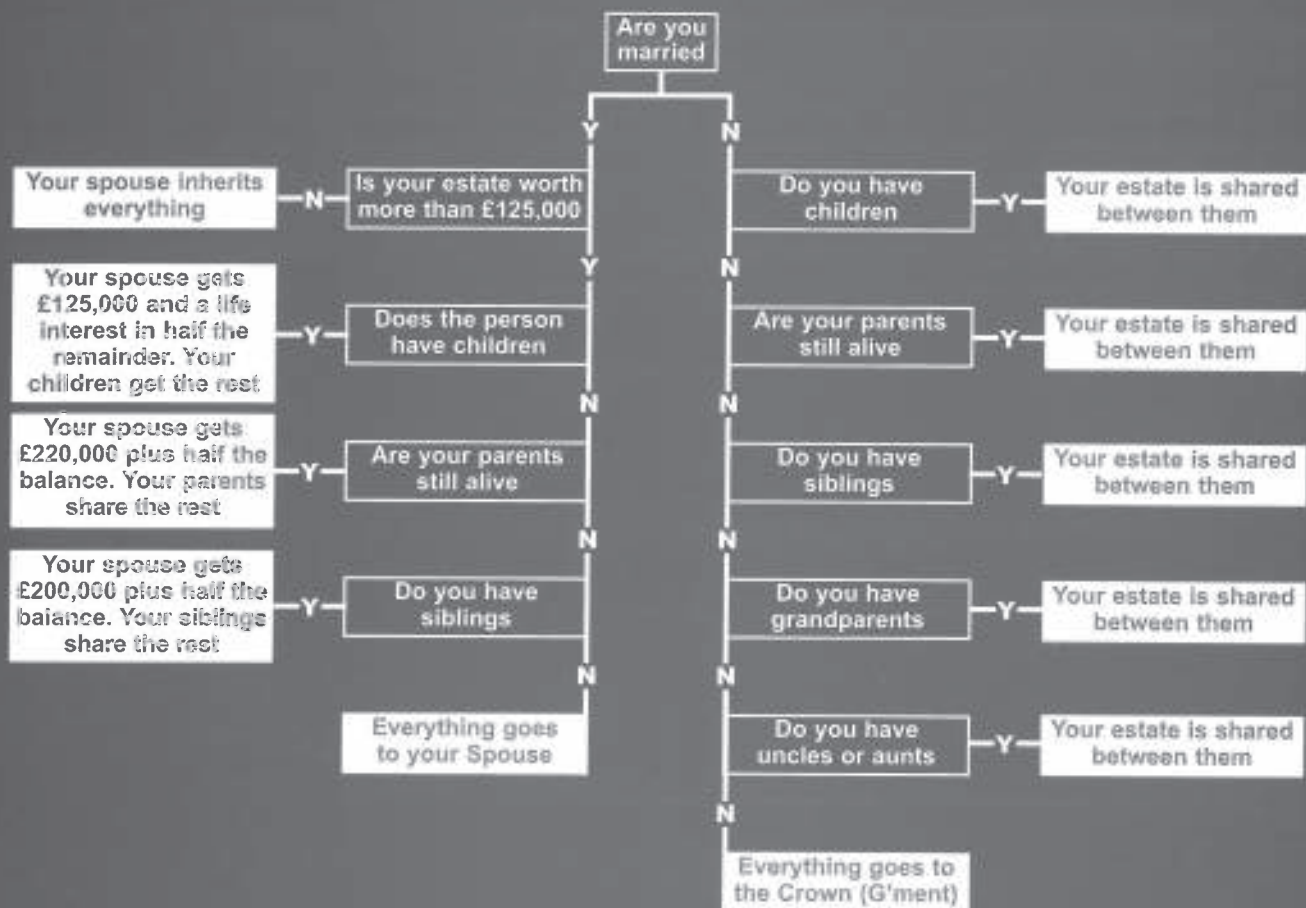
## The Willingham Wing

In February young people from Willingham got creative, designing images that will form part of the new art bus stop in the village. During workshops on the Connections Bus the young people learnt about the flower growing and bee keeping tradition in the village. The selected designs will be printed on floor lights to be installed at the High Street bus stop in July.



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## From the Parish Council

### Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

The annual meeting of the Parish Council took place on Wednesday, 7 May at Willingham Primary School. Councillor P King was re-elected as Chairman and Councillor P Daniels was re-elected as Vice-Chairman. All the Committees will be meeting in the near future to decide on the Chairmen for their Committees.

### New Bus Shelter

The new Bus Shelter will be officially opened on Saturday, 19 July. This will be an exciting event as a lot of work has been put into the Bus Shelter from both professional artists and local young people giving their input to the design.

### Interactive Traffic Sign in Earith Road

A protest gathering took place during May regarding the frustration felt by the Council due to the Interactive Traffic Sign in Earith Road still not working. The press were invited to attend this occasion in the hope that this would galvanise the County Council into action.

### Your Parish Councillors and their contact details (in alphabetical order) are:-

<b>Mr J Anderson</b>	01954 203344
(Planning Committee and Cemetery Committee Chair)	
<b>Mr M Borland</b>	01954 203347
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<b>Mrs K Cornwell</b>	01954 261530
<b>Mrs P Daniels</b>	01954 260505
(Council Vice Chair)	
<b>Mr P King</b>	01954 260780
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<b>Ms S King</b>	01954 202045
<b>Mr B Kirkman</b>	01954 260393
(Green & Boundaries Committee Chair)	
<b>Mr R Manning</b>	01954 261235
(also Leader of the District Council)	
<b>Mr S Mellows</b>	01954 270063
<b>Mrs R Mumford</b>	01954 260934
(Public Hall Committee Chair)	
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<b>Mr J Watson</b>	01954 200245
(Leisure & Amenities Committee Chair)	

### Sports Pavilion

The new Sports Pavilion should be nearing completion in June. Villagers will find the facilities much improved. Watch out for information about the opening on the Village Notice Board.



### Willingham Parish Council Website

Please do look at our new Parish Council Website for items such as contact details, agendas and minutes. Any information relevant to the Village will be posted on the website.

If you have any ideas about any information you would like to see on our Website, please contact the Clerk.

### Committee Meeting dates

Go to the Parish Council Website ([www.willingham-pc.org.uk](http://www.willingham-pc.org.uk)), or look at the Parish notice board next to the Public Hall in the High Street or Library notice board for details of any Committee meetings that may be called.

All Committee meetings are at the Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall unless otherwise advertised. As usual Minutes of all meetings will be placed in the Library once they have been signed as accurate.

### Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday, 4 June – 7 30 pm at The Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road and is open to the public.

#### Parish Council Office

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Clerk: Mr Colin Brown. Deputy Clerk: Mrs Dawn Spouge

The Office is open on Monday Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10 00 am to 1 00 pm, except Bank Holidays. 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.

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day a quality car just about affordable by the average working man. Behind the car is the entrance to Garners' Farm where Kerry and Janet and their cohorts are dishing out coffee and tea, a variety of home made cakes and amazing hot bacon rolls. Some years ago, Kerry began by charging friends for coffee and donating the proceeds to MAGPAS. This practice has grown over time and, this year, she and her hard-working friends were able to raise over £360 for the charity.



*The entrants at the village Green*

Here many of the vintage vehicles are gathered on the Green for refreshments and to re-group for the next stage of the procession through the village and on to Over.

### Two of the many entrants parked on the Green

The model number of the Ford is unknown as, according to the programme, entrant number 86 should be a Vespa 125cc scooter. If you know the model, please send the details to *Willingham News* for publishing.



*A Bentley Mk 6 and a Mystery Ford.*

Towards the end of the procession came this decorative Ferguson TED20 tractor seen receiving some well-merited nourishment.



*Ferguson TED20 C Steward 3*

And, bringing up the rear of the spectacular procession what was probably a marshalling vehicle – the Flying Haggis.

Last year, this event raised £10000 for MAGPAS funds. This year, the aim is beat that total.



*Flying Haggis*

### *Solution to puzzle on page 18*

Across: 1 Tennis, 4 Henman, 9 Indiana, 10 Blend, 11 Delhi, 12 Rewards, 13 Sought after, 18 General, 20 Dwell, 22 Sloop, 23 Variety, 24 Idling, 25 Orator.

Down: 1 Triads, 2 Nadal, 3 Imaging, 5 Elbow, 6 Mcenroe, 7 Nudist, 8 Navratilova, 14 Own goal, 15 Federer, 16 Agassi, 17 Player, 19 Ripen, 21 Evert.



## Willingham Medical Practice

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**Safety in the Sun** We are now finally enjoying some sunny weather and unfortunately we have already had patients who have suffered sunburn. Please remember to apply sunscreen if you are outside in the sun and use a **minimum sun protection factor of 15**. Sunburn can cause long term damage to your skin and we recommend that you check regularly for any moles or blemishes that have changed shape or colour. If you are concerned make an appointment with the doctor. Some medicines may make your skin more sensitive to the sun. Please check on the label supplied with your tablets or ask the pharmacy staff.

**Please make sure that children are always protected from the sun.** A high protection factor of at least 25 is advised and during the hottest part of the day skin should be covered. It is advisable for children to wear a sunhat. Remember to reapply sun lotion throughout the day.

**Skin care products** We have a full range of suncare and after-sun products in our Willingham Pharmacy and our staff will be happy to advise on these and on our insect repellent preparations. **Insect bites** can be very irritating and distressing although most can be treated with creams or antihistamine tablets available over the counter. Occasionally the bites can become infected and will need treating with antibiotics. Please ask our pharmacist for advice.

**Allergies** Most hay fever products are available without a prescription and are cheaper to buy over the counter than on prescription. Ask at the pharmacy for advice on tablets, nasal sprays and eye drops.

**Travel Vaccinations** If you are travelling abroad this year don't forget to make an appointment with one of our nurses at least six weeks before you travel to ensure you receive the full cover needed to protect you. We are a registered Yellow Fever Centre.

**The CAMTAD Van** will next be at Willingham surgery on Wednesday 16 July between 2 30 and 4 30 pm. **This is a free service for those with hearing problems.** Just come along and sit in the waiting room to wait for your individual consultation when you can discuss any problems and obtain advice. No appointment needed. NHS batteries can be exchanged and hearing aids checked. CAMTAD stands for Campaign for Tackling Acquired Deafness and the service is provided by trained volunteers who all suffer from hearing problems themselves.

*Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager*

### Willingham Pharmacy Opening hours

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Wednesday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 00pm – 7 30pm
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Friday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 00pm – 6 30pm

## WILLINGHAM SURGERY - STOP PRESS

### Threats to your local GP practices

Government plans to reform the way primary care services are delivered in the future pose a threat to the current model of patient-centred general practice. The BMA have launched a campaign to raise awareness of the issues and how this will affect your local surgery. Look out for details in your own surgery and watch the media. It will give you a chance to make your personal feelings known to the government by signing a petition which will be presented to the Prime Minister on 12 June, and explain how you can write to your MP and the PCT. We may still have a chance to influence government policy. **Please support your local surgery or you may lose it.**



## Jottings from your County Councillor

In wading through the thousands of pages that comprised the Northstowe planning application (which I have on CD ROM to save the planet!), one theme constantly emerged – the desperate need for Willingham to have a bypass. So last month, I was extremely pleased that finally the County Council have agreed to fund a study to ascertain whether one is needed.

Yes, I could give them the answer now, as I suspect could many residents of Willingham, but at least we have moved one small step forward. I am confident that the volume of traffic will confirm the need for a bypass, but the key issue then will be how it is funded. It is likely to cost many millions of pounds and there is not enough money in the council's budget for capital schemes, so we will need to think of some creative alternatives – although with the presence of Northstowe so close by, I think part of the money at least should come from developer funds. In the meantime, the Parish Council and I will continue to keep up the pressure to ensure that the study comes up with the right result.

Just this evening, along with representatives from the Parish Council we had a briefing about the Longstanton bypass. Work on this is starting on 19 May and will take some 40 weeks to complete. We all expressed concern about the fact that the bypass was starting just as the B1050 will be partially closed (single line working) for the guided busway scheme. That is extremely unfortunate, especially since the bypass should have been completed had it not been for arguments about land ownership, which has held the scheme up for many months. The County Council officers assured us that they will try to keep delays to an absolute minimum.

Finally, it occurred to me that while parish magazines are the best way of keeping in touch with everyone, my

reports can sometimes be a bit out of date. So I have taken advice from my children (and husband!) and set up a blog, where I can report on current issues and hopefully keep you all better informed. The address is listed below along with my other contact details.

I am always available for consultation, either in person or by phone, letter or e-mail. I can be reached at the address or telephone number below.

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<http://shonajohnstone.blogspot.com/>



*Shona Johnstone, with some Parish Councillors, on her birthday 'celebrating' the five years during which the Earith Road interactive sign has not worked.*

## Workplace issues: Open invitation

Chaplaincy to People at Work (CPW) has issued an open invitation to its annual meeting on Thursday 5 June at the St John's Innovation Centre, Cowley Road, Cambridge. The meeting begins at 6 00 pm, and at 6 30 people will be invited to join six discussion workshops to examine a number of big issues in the workplace. There should be something to interest you.

Among the subjects covered will be corporate social responsibility; the impact of the media; faith and work; retail therapy and its effects on our lives; the future of manufacturing in Britain; and is there still a future for farming in Cambridgeshire?

There will be a feedback session and a buffet supper (for which there is a £7 charge) to end the evening.

For further details, please contact Canon Chris Savage on 01223 276657 or [chris.savage@workplacechaplaincy.org.uk](mailto:chris.savage@workplacechaplaincy.org.uk), or Bill Kirkman (01954 260393) or [wpk1000@cam.ac.uk](mailto:wpk1000@cam.ac.uk).

CPW is an ecumenical charity committed to supporting people, of all faiths and none, in their places of work. It operates throughout Cambridgeshire. The Team Leader is Canon Chris Savage. He is supported by a team of associate chaplains, from different denominations.

## Letters to the Editor

### Message from Angele

Angele Cernauskiene is giving up her job as Willingham's litter-picker. She has written to ask for her thanks to go to all Willingham residents, adding 'they all were so kind to me'. Her excellent work will certainly be missed.

### Thanks

I would like to thank the people of Willingham who sponsored me in the London Marathon, which took place recently. A special thanks to my family and friends who took on sponsor forms and helped me to raise a grand total of £1846.10 for Children with Leukaemia.

Well done, and many thanks.

*Jimmy Ryan (Luke and Sam's Granddad)*

PS My official time was 4:51:15.



### Lost cat

You may have noticed that there are a few posters around the Church Street area with details of a missing cat on them; well that is our cat and we have not seen him for over two weeks. We are finding it difficult to believe that he has just vanished! There is no 'evidence' of him being hit by the fast moving traffic on Earith Road and it is very out of character for him to be missing as he likes his food very much.

His name is Dash. He is mainly black (shorthaired) with white freckles on his face and a white chest and paws. He is very affectionate and very much a lover of his belly being rubbed.

We are offering a reward for his safe return but any information readers may have regarding his whereabouts would be gratefully received. We don't have children and miss him very much.

*Rhys and Clare Tassell (Church Street)*



## WAMADS: Getting a taste of the action

On 16, 23 and 30 April Willingham Amateur Music and Drama Society (WAMADS) arranged three taster days in the Public Hall to showcase some of the activities of the group and encourage new members to become involved.

On the first Taster Day we displayed our large selection of costumes and make up for people to look at and try on. Ranging from a lion's outfit to medieval dress we have something to suit many tastes and types of production. We also played videos of past performances so that newcomers would have a feel for the kind of productions that we have put on over the 30+ years that WAMADS have been performing.

Some simple drama games broke the ice in the first week and got people speaking to each other and moving around the room. It was clearly enjoyed as the newcomers came back for more in the second week! This time we tried some singing including a rousing piece from the popular musical 'Les Misérables' in harmony. We astounded ourselves with how good it sounded at the end of the evening.

In the final week we were even more ambitious, attempting a scene and the accompanying songs from 'Fiddler on the Roof'. This gave people an idea of what is involved in putting together a production and the mini 'performances' by all the characters were greatly enjoyed.

We attracted a whole host of talented people from the village and surrounding areas including make-up artists, musicians, photographers, scenery builders and, of

course, actors. We intend to make the most of this new-found talent to put on an evening of entertainment to be performed in the beautiful gardens of Willingham House in August. Outdoor performances during balmy summer evenings are increasingly popular, and there will be option of ordering food from the restaurant or bringing your own picnic - watch this space for details.

If you would like tickets for our summer show or feel inspired to get involved in any way with this friendly group, no experience necessary, contact the secretary on 01954 261354, email [wamads@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:wamads@hotmail.co.uk).



*Taster Day*

## *Pastoral Letter*

### *The Myanmar Tragedy*

*On 2 May, Cyclone Nargis swept up the Irrawady Delta. The wall of seawater was ten feet high and the wind that drove it roared ashore at 130 miles per hour. In farmland that once grew more rice for export than anywhere else in the world, whole villages were annihilated. As that first week slipped by, the highly professional staff of International Aid organisations were refused entry visas. Myanmar's military government seemed less concerned with the rescue of its own people than it was with a referendum to strengthen its own political position. Meanwhile thousands of dead floated in floodwater and the scene was set for catastrophic outbreaks of disease in communities already weakened by dehydration and famine. A great bereavement fell upon a nation with nearly the population of England. From our distance, we try to give, and pray and hope.*

### *But how did it happen?*

*The Cyclone was the end, but not the beginning. The generals had long ago set their political agenda. It involved ruthless clamp-down on dissent but did not include plans to make the Irrawady Delta's fertile floodplain a safer place to live. And where did these men themselves emerge from? What lies behind the turbulent, violent history of Burma's internal politics of the past 60 years: independence in 1948, the assassination of most of the government-elect before it had taken up office, and then weak leadership that opened the door to periods of xenophobic military rule, now continuous for the past two decades? Cyclones can damage economies and cause loss of many precious lives, but they need not ruin countries if there is far-sighted, wise and resourceful governance. The tragedy of Myanmar is that it has had none of these for many years, and Nargis demonstrated its resulting woeful infrastructural weaknesses.*

*Around AD30, in Jerusalem, a man from Galilee was arrested. He was innocent of any crime, and the Roman procurator knew it. But Pilate was an amoral governor, his actions for long determined by political expediency, spiced with violence. When the test came, he condemned Jesus to be crucified. Likewise the soldiers revealed a long-standing familiarity with brutal behaviour when they tortured their Galilean prisoner, and the Pharisees ran true to deep-rooted, wrong-headed, religious prejudices when they mocked Him. The decisions they made about Jesus revealed the chronic state of their hearts. When their 'cyclone moment' came, they were found out. But Jesus repeatedly taught that we all have a cyclone moment - a time when we need to decide whether we neglect Him or explore the claims and promises He makes - to cleanse from guilt and sin, to purge and redirect priorities and to open up a loving relationship with God. Are we ready for the 'cyclone test'?*

*God bless*

*Andrew Wyllie  
Baptist Church*





## Parish Church

### Bubbles

Bubbles takes place every Friday during school 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 00 to 11 15 am.

**Wedding bells** A peal of bells will ring from 9 30 am-12 30 pm on Saturday 21 June.

### 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 no formality: just walk in.

### Cakes

The June cake stall will take place on Saturday 7 June, at the church, with cakes on sale from about 10 00 am. (It's a good idea to arrive early, before the cakes sell out.) If you would like to join the team of cake makers, get in touch with Joyce Bowen on 261075.

### Bric-a-brac

Rene Gould's bric-a-brac stall continues at 19 Fen End and is well worth a visit – as a buyer or a seller.

### Mothers' Union

Our next monthly meeting will be on Monday 30 June at 2 30 pm in the Octagon. Our speaker will be our Diocesan President, Joan Cameron, talking about 'Time for Relationships'. We welcome anyone who would like to come along. Transport can be arranged. Ring 260688.

## Baptist Matters

**Open Door** Come for coffee ( or tea) and a chat on Thursday mornings in the Baptist Church from 10 00 to 11 30 am. All welcome.

**Bumps and Babies** meets on Thursday mornings from 10 00 to 11 30 am 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.

**TOPS** meets on Tuesday mornings from 9 45 to 11 15 am in the Baptist Church during term time. This meeting is for children aged 18 months to three years, with their parents/carers, for fun activities and

refreshments. Please come along and join us.

## Salvation Army

**Coffee Morning** Mondays 10 30 am

**Craft Meeting** Mondays 2 00 pm

**Thursdays Lunch** 12 30 pm

**Friendship Club** Thursdays 2 00 pm

For information contact Gordon on 260066.

*Congratulations to Gordon and Edna Spackman, who celebrate their Diamond Wedding on 5 June. They will be at the Salvation Army for lunch, and then plan to enjoy a family get-together.*

## Holiday Club August 4-10<sup>th</sup> 2008



Soon it will be Holiday Club Time again! This year our theme is **Xpedition.**

At: **Willingham Primary School**

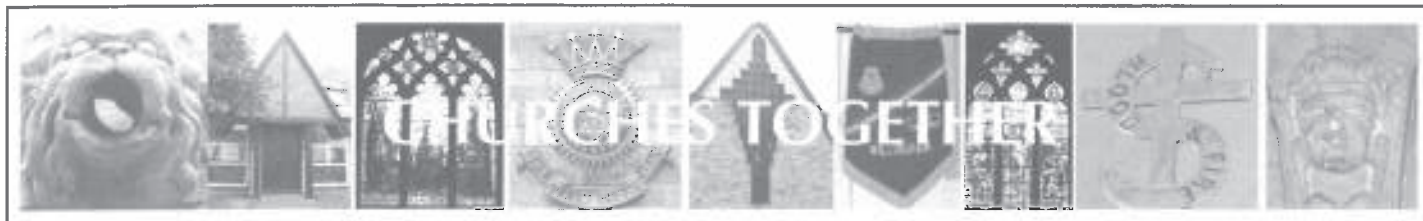
Time: **10-12.30pm**

Age: **5-11 years**

Come along and join us! Everyone welcome!

**From**  
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GEORGE STREET**

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**1 June**

10 00 am Liz Herrington (Communion)

6 00 pm Liz Herrington

**8 June**

10 00 am Revd Jim Mullin

6 00 pm Revd Dick Prior

**15 June**

9 00 am Geoff Pake

10 45 am All-Age Service - to be held  
at Primary School

6 00 pm TBA - Prayer Focus

**22 June**

10 00 am Revd Richard Lewis

6 00 pm Revd Richard Lewis  
(Communion)

**29 June**

10 00 am Revd Dr Raymond Brown -  
Church Anniversary

6 00 pm Geoff Pake - Prayer Focus

Any enquiries please contact Hilary  
Wyllie (Church Secretary) Tel. 01954  
260051.

**ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS  
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WILLINGHAM**

[www.willinghamchurch.org](http://www.willinghamchurch.org)

**1 June**

11 00 am Parish Communion

**8 June**

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11 00 am All Age Worship

**15 June**

11 00 am Family Communion

**22 June**

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11 00 am All Age Worship with  
Baptism

**29 June**

11 00 am **United Communion with  
Rampton Followed by  
Rector's farewell Lunch**

Thursday Praise is a service for those  
who prefer a less traditional service. It  
will take place on the first Thursday of  
the month at the Parish Church at  
8 00 pm. (In June: 5th).

There is a **prayer meeting** on the **last**  
Friday of each month at 8 00 am (In  
**June: 27th**).

Children are welcome at all our  
11 00 am services. On the 1st, 3rd &  
5th Sundays, for younger children there  
is a crèche. On 2nd and 4th Sundays  
we have activities in the Church  
Service. 'Fidget Bags' are available for  
use in the pews.

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

**THE SALVATION ARMY  
SILVER STREET**

**1 June**

10 30 am Worship

5 00 pm Worship

**8 June**

5 00 pm Worship

**15 June**

5 00 pm Worship

**22 June**

5 00 pm Worship

**29 June**

5 00 pm Worship



**ALL SAINTS CHURCH  
HIGH STREET  
RAMPTON**

**1 June**

9 30 am Parish Communion

**8 June**

9 30 am Church Lite in the Village  
Hall

**15 June**

9 30 am Parish Communion

**22 June**

9 30 am Church Lite in the Village  
Hall

**29 June**

11.00 am United Communion at  
Willingham

**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 June this is Over Road,  
Haden Way, Rook Grove, and West  
meadow Close.

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email [wpk1000@cam.ac.uk](mailto:wpk1000@cam.ac.uk)

The booklet contains personal  
profiles and general articles  
which have appeared in  
*Willingham News*. It is an  
attractive publication. Why not  
buy one for a friend who has  
moved from the village and would  
like a reminder of it?

## Willingham Gardening Club



Meetings are on the first Monday of each month at the Willingham Social Club, Fen End and start at 7 30 pm. There is usually a speaker on a subject of interest to gardeners and plant lovers. Meetings on average last about one and a half hours. There is a plant raffle.

The Club welcomes new members at any of our monthly meetings. We are a group of people with an interest in plants and gardening. If you are a plant lover/enthusiast or just want to see whether you could become interested, come and join us to see whether you want to join at a very modest annual subscription. In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and places of interest.

Contact Celia on 01954 261394 or just turn up to a meeting to decide whether to join.

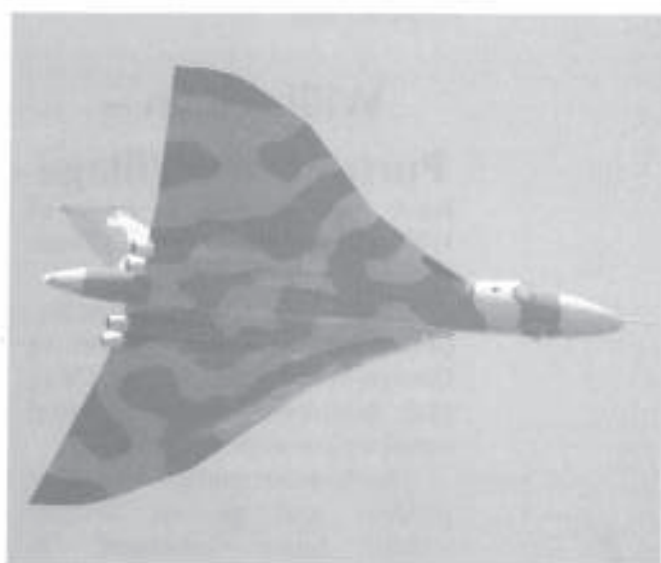
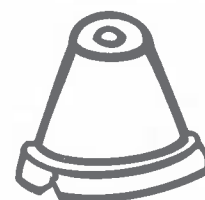
### Meeting/Presentations and Outings

Monday 2 June Peter Jackson will speak to us on the subject of 'Drought resistant plants'.

Our programme of outings commenced on Saturday 10 May, when we visited the RHS gardens at Wisley in Surrey. Wisley was, as always, delightful and inspiring. Our next outing (apart from the Club holiday at the end of May) is on Saturday 21 June when we shall be going to Suffolk to visit Harvey's Garden Plant Centre in the morning and after lunch we shall visit Kentwell Hall. The cost of the whole day including transport but excluding lunch is £20 per person. Non-members are welcome to join us. A booking may be made by contacting Linda on 01954 202072. We endeavour to return to Willingham by no later than 6 30 pm at the end of each outing.

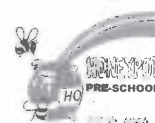
### The outings dates for your diary for the rest of the year are:-

- \* Saturday 21 June - Suffolk - Harvey's Garden Plants centre and later Kentwell Hall. 9 00 am start
- \* Saturday 19 July - Hertfordshire - St Albans and later to the newly restored Gardens of the Rose. 9 00 am start.
- \* Saturday 16 August - Norfolk coast - Cromer and later a visit to Priory Maze and Gardens at Beeston Regis. 8 30 am start
- \* Saturday 20 September - Middlesex - Windsor and later Osterley Park House and Gardens. 8 30 am start.
- \* Wednesday 5 November - Ipswich - Xmas Shopping. 8 30 am start.



*This is the last flying Vulcan bomber that flew over Willingham on 6 May in what we think might have been its air worthiness testing flight.*

## Honey Pot Preschool



Sponsored Trundle & Leavers Party  
at Willingham Primary School

12 July

10 00 am 12 00

## Village Diary

**PLEASE** tell Willingham News about any events your organisation has planned.



# WILLINGHAM CRICKET CLUB FIXTURE LIST

Sat 7 June	Somersham (home)	Cottenham 3rds (away)
Sat 14 June	Newmarket (away)	Needingworth 2nds (home)
Sat 21 June	Isleham (home)	
Sat 28 June	Longstanton GH (home)	Longstanton GH 2nds (away)
Sat 5 July	Needingworth (home)	Needingworth 2nds (away)
Sat 12 July	Littleport (away)	Cambourne 2nds (home)
Sat 19 July	Bottisham/Lode (home)	Waterbeach 2nds (away)
Sat 26 July	Cherry Hinton (home)	Little Thetford (away)
Sat 2 August	Cambridge NCI 2nds (away)	Cambridge NCI 5ths (home)
Sat 9 August	Somersham (away)	Cottenham 3rds (home)
Sat 16 August	Newmarket (home)	Over 3rds (home)
Sat 23 August	Isleham (away)	Longstanton GH 2nds (home)
Sat 30 August	Longstanton GH (away)	Little Thetford (home)

## Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library  
0845 0455225



### Library Opening Times

<b>Monday</b>	<b>6 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8 00 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>3 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 30 pm</b>
	<b>6 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8 00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Closed</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 30 pm</b>
	<b>6 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8 00 pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11 00 am</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 00 pm</b>
	<b>3 00 pm</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 30 pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10 00 am</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12 30 pm</b>

**Friends of Willingham Library  
invite you to an evening of**

## Poetry and Prose

**on Wednesday 11 June at 7 30 pm  
in the library**

Come along and read a favourite passage or poem or just listen and enjoy a glass of wine and nibbles. Space is limited so please pick up a free ticket from the library.

### And Exciting News for younger members!

On Wednesday 6 August, famous author **Ian Whybrow** (*Harry & the Dinosaurs* and *Sniff* stories) is coming to Willingham Library, as part of the summer reading challenge. Tickets will be free to Willingham children because of generous sponsorship by Willingham Parish Council. Ask at the library or watch this space for more details.

## Bin collections

<b>4 June</b>	Green bin and box
<b>11 June</b>	Black bin
<b>18 June</b>	Green bin and box
<b>25 June</b>	Black bin

**Leprosy Mission.** Thank you for all the stamps you have sent. We also collect obsolete and foreign coins, and picture postcards. They may all be left in the box at the Parish Church. **Glossy magazines** (including *Willingham News*) should be placed in the green box. **Recycle Plastic** bearing the recycling symbol and having the initials PET, HDPE or PVC - recyclable at Willingham Co-op car park, or at Tesco, Bar Hill. **Plastic bags** may also be recycled at Willingham Co-op car park.

## Village Diary

*we are exchanging some dates with Over, we hope to our mutual benefit*

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
<b>June</b>				
2	Meeting 'Drought resistant plants', a talk by Peter Jackson	Willingham Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
11	Poetry and Prose + Wine and Nibbles	Friends of Willingham Library	Library	7 30 pm
<b>July</b>				
7	"Around the world in our garden" - a talk by Roy Nunn			
12	Sponsored Trundle and Leavers Party	Honeypot Preschool	Willingham Primary School	10 00 am - 12 00
<b>August</b>				
6	Visit by well-known children's author Ian Whybrow	Library/ Parish Council	Library	Free - time TBA

## Cottenham Sports Centre: New Dance Studio

Thanks to a grant from the New Opportunities Fund, Cottenham Sports Centre has a brand new dance studio. We have recently launched a range of daytime and evening fitness / aerobic classes. All the activities in the studio benefit from a wood sprung floor, air conditioning, mirrors and a state of the art sound system, which together create the ideal venue for aerobic based classes as well as a range of dance disciplines.

All Fitness classes are available on a pay-as-you-go basis or as part of our new Gym and Classes membership option which starts at from only £30 per month.

DAY	CLASS	TIME	INSTRUCTOR	COST
Monday	Exercise for Life(50+)	9 45 - 10 45 am	Jane Williams	£4.50 Concessions £4.00
Monday	Strike	8 00 - 9 00 pm	Michael Peacock	£4.50
Tuesday	Dancercise	10 00 - 11 00 am	Lois Fallon	£4.50
Tuesday	Gym Fit	4 00 - 5 00 pm	Heather Steer	£3.50
Tuesday	Exercise for Life Workout	6 30 - 7 30 pm	Jane Williams	£4.50
Tuesday	Ladies Circuits	7 30 - 8 30 pm	Jane Williams	£4.50
Wednesday	Strike	8 00 - 9 00 pm	Michael Peacock	£4.50
Thursday	Wake up and Work out	9 45 - 10 45 am	Jane Williams	£4.50
Thursday	Gym Fit	4 00 - 5 00 pm	Heather Steer	£3.50
Thursday	Aerobics	6 00 - 7 00 pm	Clare Strongman	£4.50
Thursday	Legs, Bums n Tums	7 00 - 8 00 pm	Clare Strongman	£4.50

Sport and exercise are becoming ever more important if we are to live a healthy lifestyle. The government has suggested that adults and children alike should take some form of exercise at least 30 minutes a day, five times a week as a minimum. The benefits of doing regular physical activity include a reduced risk of heart disease, stroke, some cancers, osteoporosis and obesity. In addition many people feel better in themselves reporting reduced stress, anxiety and depression.

### Are you getting enough exercise?

If not come along and give one of the new classes a go, or use the gym with its range of modern fitness equipment or if racket sports are more your thing, why not have a game of badminton or tennis with friends?

Cottenham Sports Centre opening hours are 5 00 pm – 10 00 pm Monday – Friday and 9 00 am – 5 00 pm Saturday and Sunday.

For further information, call reception on 01954 288760 during our opening hours or e-mail [sportscentre@cvcweb.net](mailto:sportscentre@cvcweb.net)

# Village Directory

<b>Council</b>	Parish Council		01954 261027
	Parish Council Chairman	Mr P King	01954 260780
	Planning Committee Chairman	Mr J Anderson	01954 203344
	County Councillor	Mrs S Johnstone	01954 230565
	District Councillor	Mr R Manning	01954 261235
	District Councillor	Mr B R Burling	01954 230168
	District Councillor	Mrs P S Corney	01954 213221
<b>Services</b>	Police		0845 456 4564
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	Pharmacy		01954 261787
	Over Surgery		01954 231550
	CAMDOC –After hours medical help		01223 464242
<b>Schools</b>	Primary School		01954 283030
	Willingham Out Of School Club	Mrs R. Tiley	01954 200871
	Cottenham Village College		01954 288944
	School Governors Chairman	Dr N A Walton	01954 202185
	School Association	c/o school	01954 283030
	British School Trust	Mrs L Blunt	01954 261309
<b>Children</b>	Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	Mrs M Dellar	01954 260045
	Honeypot Pre-School (term-time only)		01954 201567
	Tigger Toddlers	Mrs W Leaney	01954 201089
	Old Buttery Nursery School		01954 260046
	2nd Brownies	Mrs G Balaam	01954 260126
	Willingham Guides and Senior Section	Lynn McGoff	01954 261296
	Geoff Bailey Dancers	Mr G Bailey	01954 260233
	Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance	Mrs L Borland	01954 203347
	Bubbles	Kathryn Wright	01954 261770
	Bumps and Babies Group	Hilda Beauchamp	01954 205487
<b>Halls</b>	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Hilda Beauchamp	01954 205487
	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Mrs A Robinson	01954 261076
<b>Local Representatives</b>	Billavincea Lodge 8719	Mr M Scrivener	01480 413533
	Fen Edge Community Association	Mr G Redhead	01954 288944
	Cambridge News Correspondent	Anne Kirkman	01954 260393
	Workers' Educational Association	Mrs J Hodgkinson	01954 201816
	Willingham Combined Charity	Mrs J Ambrose	01954 260446
<b>Clubs</b>	Gardening Club	Mr T Halsey	01954 201910
	Social Club	Mrs S Hart	01954 204260
	WAMADS Drama Group	Mrs C Atkins (Secretary)	01954 261354
	Willingham Youth Club	Mrs Jean Langford	01954 201706
	Women's Institute	Mrs Doreen Young	01954 200561
	Women's Royal British Legion	Mrs M Few	01954 260124
<b>Sport</b>	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Claire Few	01954 203001
	Football Club	Mr Alex Howard	01954 260734
	Cricket Club	Mr R Ambrose	01954 260446
	Hockey	Kris Westmore	01954 202082
	Badminton	Mr J Fuggle	01954 260478
	Step Aerobics	Ms E Weatherill	01954 205439
	Bowls Club	Mrs Linda Aspinall	01954 261526
<b>Churches</b>	Anglican Church (Rector)	Rev Geoffrey Turner	01954 261225
	Mothers Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Mrs Hilary Wyllie	01954 260051
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Hilary Cheng	01223 700778
	Roman Catholic Priest	Monsignor Rogers	01223 350787
	Salvation Army	Major M Lewis	01480 386593



## Willingham Walk4Water Sunday 8 June 2 30 pm

### Turn on the Tap 4 Safe Accessible Water in the Developing World.

Samaritan's Purse aim to raise £1 million by the end of 2008 to provide more hand dug wells, repair and drill more boreholes, provide more water filters and ensure that thousands more people receive the health and hygiene education that is so important for sustaining long-term development.

Here in Willingham, we are planning a four (roughly) mile walk from the Parish church to Queenholme Farm (down Spong Drove and with the kind permission of Robert and Christine Gilbert) and back to 28 Church Street for a simple BBQ. There will be a pause at the farm for refreshment before the return journey.

For those unable to walk, the BBQ will be available from 4 30 pm and there will be a bowl for donations which will go to the campaign. Walkers also very welcome to the BBQ. Numbers needed for catering, please.

For those hoping to walk, there is a sponsorship form. Alternatively, there is registration fee of £2 for entering the walk if one doesn't want to go down the sponsorship route. Either way, we hope to raise a good amount to send to Samaritan's Purse who, incidentally, run the annual Operation Christmas Child (Shoeboxes).

Please visit the website [www.turnonthetap.org](http://www.turnonthetap.org) to see how many folk have registered their walk already! There is also a short video to watch. As soon as I have some positive feedback I shall register the walk. Please ring me on 01954 270063 or email on [heather@mellows.org.uk](mailto:heather@mellows.org.uk) if you would be interested in joining us.

The plan will be to set off from 2 30 onwards. Children will need to be accompanied by adults who will be totally responsible for them. There is no footpath but very little traffic on the route.

Hoping to hear from you soon. If you leave a message, please leave contact details.

Heather

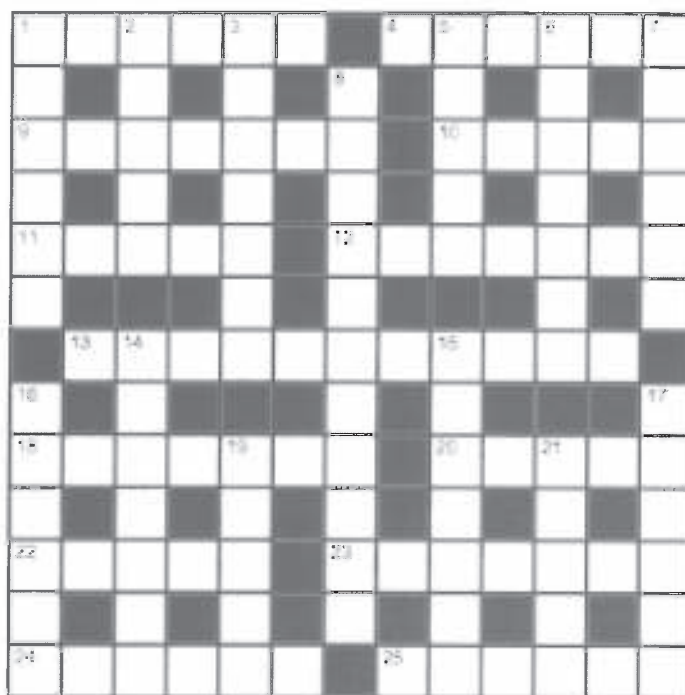
### Some thoughts to encourage you to walk:

*\*Every 20 seconds one child dies from dirty water related diseases.*

*\*Every year 1.5 million children under five die from diarrhoea, caused by dirty water.*

*\*It is estimated that 118 million people, mostly children, will die over the next 15 years from water related diseases, all of which are preventable*

## Crossword set by Willow



Solution on page 7

### Across

- 1 This game was once real (6)
- 4 British 1,17 (6)
- 9 State known as "Crossroads of America" (7)
- 10 Mix harmoniously (5)
- 11 Capital of India (5)
- 12 Gives something in gratitude (7)
- 13 Much desired (6,5)
- 18 Military leader (7)
- 20 Reside (5)
- 22 Single-masted sailing boat (5)
- 23 Type (7)
- 24 Wasting time (6)
- 25 Able speaker (6)

### Down

- 1 Chinese secret societies (6)
- 2 Spanish 1,17 born in Mallorca (5)
- 3 Producing a picture (7)
- 5 Joint; band (5)
- 6 American 1,17, now commentator (7)
- 7 Wearer of birthday suit? (6)
- 8 Czech, now American 1,17 (11)
- 14 Footballer's nightmare (3,4)
- 15 Swiss 1,17 (7)
- 16 American 1,17 married German 1,17 (6)
- 17 Musician (6)
- 19 Mature (5)
- 21 1970s American woman 1,17 (5)

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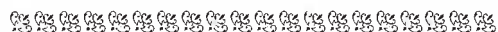
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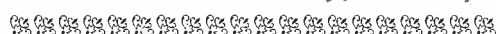
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