

WILLINGHAM NEWS



August 2008

WSA Summer Fete



Tang Soo Do demonstration at Willingham School Fete. Photo by Guy Beauchamp.

Despite the gloomy forecast and morning showers, the sun shone on the WSA Summer Fete on the afternoon of 5 July, which this year took 'Spectacular Sports' as its theme. The afternoon started with a parade of children from the school, Tigger Toddlers playgroup and Honeypot Preschool to the Arena where the 'Spectacular Sports Flame' was lit and the fete opened by Anne Clews, Chair of the WSA.

Continuing the theme, there was a heptathlon competition for the children and Space Hopper racing – which may not have made it into the official Olympic Games yet, but it is surely only a matter of time. Other attractions included a crockery smash, face painting, bouncy castle and the traditional barbecue, bar and cream teas. Visitors were entertained by a gymnastics display and arena displays from young dancers from the Ladybird Borland School of Dance and the impressive Tang Soo Do group.

The afternoon raised in excess of £3100 which will go towards providing a trim trail for the school grounds. Thanks to extensive fundraising efforts, the WSA have continued to purchase equipment for the Learning Landscape Project at the school, including an Outdoor Classroom and a Storyteller's Corner, and have funded the coach travel for school trips this year.

Many thanks to everyone who supported the fete and helped to make it such a success.

We're sorry to see you go...



Sally Barltrop, who is leaving Willingham Surgery after 22 years, see page 8. Photo by Tom Eaton.

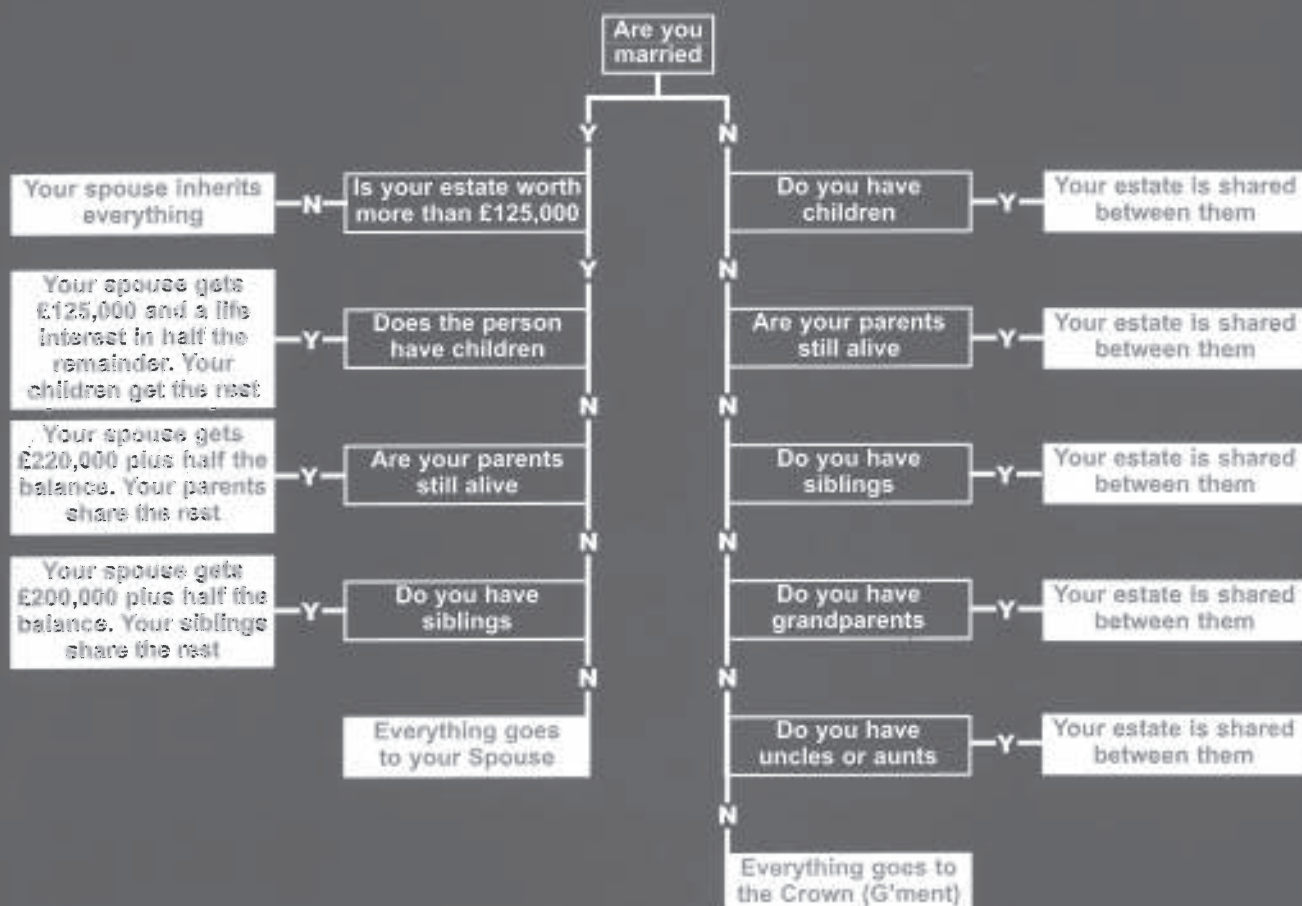
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From the Parish Council

New Bus Stop

The new Bus Stop has officially now been opened in Willingham. It is hoped all residents enjoy the art work and ideas that have gone into the Bus Stop and feel that it is definitely an improvement on the old style Bus Stop.

The Connections Bus Project Team

'Rec to Rec' activities organised by Julie Bristow will take place on the Recreation ground in the Summer on Monday evenings 6 30 pm – 8 30 pm as part of a drive to improve youth facilities in Willingham.

The Sports Pavilion

The official opening of the Sports Pavilion will be requested for September to give time to make arrangements and to allow for summer holidays.

Swavesey Level Crossing

The level crossing at Swavesey will not be closed for guided busway works until Windmill Bridge is re-opened. Buses will be re-routed in the meantime, work is due to start on 4 August until 27 October, although it is hoped to be finished earlier.

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 information you would like to see on our website, please contact the Clerk.

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

Mr J Anderson (Planning Committee Chair)	01954 203344
Mr M Borland	01954 203347
Mr J Burnett	01954 270338
Mrs K Cornwell	01954 261530
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Mrs R Mumford (Halls Committee Chair)	01954 260934
Mr G Pake (Cemetery Committee Chair)	01954 260534
Mr C Stephens	01954 260396
Mr T Walkden	01954 201722
Mr J Watson (Leisure & Amenities Committee Chair)	01954 200245

Committee Meeting dates

Go to the Parish Council Website (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, 6 August July, 7 30 pm at The Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road and is open to the public.

Parish Council Office Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP.

Tel. 01954 261027

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*Clerk: Colin Brown. Deputy Clerk: Mrs Dawn Spouge
The Office is open on Monday Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10 am to 1 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.*

Jottings from you county councillor

My campaign for a bypass for Willingham has received some support from a neighbouring councillor – actually two! Steve Criswell who represents Earith has joined my calls for a wider scheme that bypasses Willingham and Earith – and particularly the bank along the river. I have also been supported by Phil Read who represents Sutton and who also thinks a Willingham bypass is essential. What we need now is the outcome of the study and then to identify how such a bypass is funded. The Transport Innovation Fund would have been one source of funding, since it was expected to bring in over £40m for transport projects annually, as well as the initial £500m of government funding, but that has gone back to the drawing board to look further at the merits of the scheme.

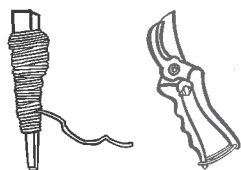
I had a meeting with representatives from the Highways Agency at the end of June to discuss their current plans for upgrading the A14. They still expect to hold an exhibition later this year when their plans will be made public. At present there are a lot of questions as to how the local access road will work – particularly between Girton and Swavesey - and how many lanes there will be. One thing I am certain of – it is an immensely complicated scheme, especially the junction design, and the costs are continuing to spiral. We have to maintain pressure on central government to ensure that the scheme is fully funded.

Finally, on another transport-related issue, I had a request to ask for the timings of the traffic lights at the Berrycroft junction to be changed, so that there were only two green phases as opposed to the current three. This would mean that both Over Road and Berrycroft would be green at the same time. Some people think this would be a good idea, others are not so sure – so if you have a view, please let me know.

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.

*Shona Johnstone, Highfield, 5 Lowburyholme Road, Over, CB24 5NP Tel: 01954 230565
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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 and 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 and there is usually an annual Club holiday too in late May.

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

Meeting/Presentations and Outings:

Monday 4 August members evening out.

Monday 1 September - Dennis Gifford will talk to us about growing geraniums.

Our programme of outings continues. The next outing is to the Norfolk coast on Saturday 16 August. We first visit the famous old seaside resort of Cromer and then the Priory Maze and gardens at Beeston Regis. The cost is £16 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. All outings leave from the Green unless otherwise stated.

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

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.

REMINDER

The annual Horticultural and Craft Show will be held at the local primary school on Saturday 6 September in the afternoon. Entry forms and class schedules will be available shortly at a club meeting, from committee members and from the Post Office, Berrycroft Stores, the delicatessen in Berrycroft, Rainbow Crafts and from the Library on the Green.

Now is the time however to consider what you might make or grow for entry. This is a local show for local people and it depends for its success on you. Please consider what you might enter for exhibition and judging, for example there are classes for photographs, models, paintings, stitchworks, flower arranging, homecraft and of course, fruit, flowers and vegetables. There are classes for all ages. It is good fun, fulfilling and rewarding especially if you win a prize or a cup. Experienced judges are employed to judge the entries. With the summer school holidays in full swing children will have some additional time to devote to creating or growing their entries. Why not have a go? See also the separate feature on the show elsewhere in this magazine.



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We are very sorry to tell you that **Sally Barltrop**, our Nurse Practitioner at Willingham Medical Practice is leaving us for pastures new. She has been a nurse at the practice for 22 years and now feels it is time for a change in her career.

Sally has been an invaluable member of our team and is much loved by her patients and work colleagues. I'm sure most of you will have received her tender care over the years and will want to join us in wishing her well in her future career. Sally will be greatly missed by everyone.

Saturday morning surgeries We are currently trialling a Saturday morning surgery session for three months during July, August and September to gauge demand. We will be **open from 8 30 am – 11 45 am each Saturday morning**. Government policy dictates that these sessions should be **reserved for 'routine book in advance doctor appointments'** and will not be walk-in emergency sessions. We regret that it would not be viable at present for us to open the pharmacy and you will not be able to collect your repeat prescriptions on Saturdays. These surgeries are intended for people who work and cannot attend during the week. There are no laboratory facilities available to allow for blood tests on Saturdays. Emergencies will be covered by CAMDOC in the normal way over the weekend. We would welcome your views on whether you feel we should continue with this service after the trial period.

Acknowledgements Our grateful thanks to friends and family of Ena Platts for their kind donations to the Willingham Surgery Equipment Fund in her memory.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

Prescription collection from Willingham Pharmacy

Please note the pharmacy will not be open on Saturday mornings but will continue to open until 7 00 pm on Wednesday and 6 30 pm on Monday and Friday.

If you are unable to collect your repeat medication during these hours please contact the pharmacy team.

Neil Rowland-Hall - Pharmacist

Willingham Pharmacy Opening hours

Monday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 30pm – 6 30pm
Tuesday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 00pm – 6 00pm
Wednesday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 00pm – 7 00pm
Thursday	8 30am – 1 00pm	CLOSED from 1 00pm
Friday	8 30am – 1 00pm	2 00pm – 6 30pm

Volunteers needed



**Cambridge Mencap is seeking volunteers
 to support a child or young person with a learning disability.**

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If you could spare a few hours one evening of every month then you could be doing something new, or

something you already do and enjoy, whilst making a BIG difference to a young person's, and a family's, life.

Interested? Find out more by contacting Robert Wallace,
 Volunteers Support Coordinator, by

Phone: 01223 883140 Text: 07835101621
 Email: robert@cambridgemencap.co.uk

Willingham Horticultural and Craft Show

Saturday 6 September 2008
Willingham Primary School

The show is organised annually and run by members and friends of the Willingham Gardening Club. If you have not obtained your schedule and entry form yet then please do so as soon as possible from The Library, Post Office, Berrycroft Stores, Rainbow Crafts or the delicatessen in Berrycroft. This is a fun event for all the family giving you and them the chance to be creative.

There are classes for art, photography, crafts of many descriptions and for vegetables, fruit, flowers and other plants. Delicious afternoon teas will be available from 1 30 pm and all garden produce will be auctioned off at the end of the show.

Exhibits will be staged from 8 30 am and judged at 11 00 am.

The show will be open to public view at 1 30 pm until 3 30 pm. - approximately.

Produce auction at 4 00 pm.

Grand Prize Draw - First prize £50 and other great prizes at 4 30 pm.

Timings are indicative but may be subject to change if the circumstances require.

Why not have a go and encourage younger members of your family to join in too. Details of all classes are contained in the schedule, where you will also find the entry form.

Entries must be submitted by 4 September (details in the schedule).

For more details contact Tony Halsey on 201910.

Please support your local show

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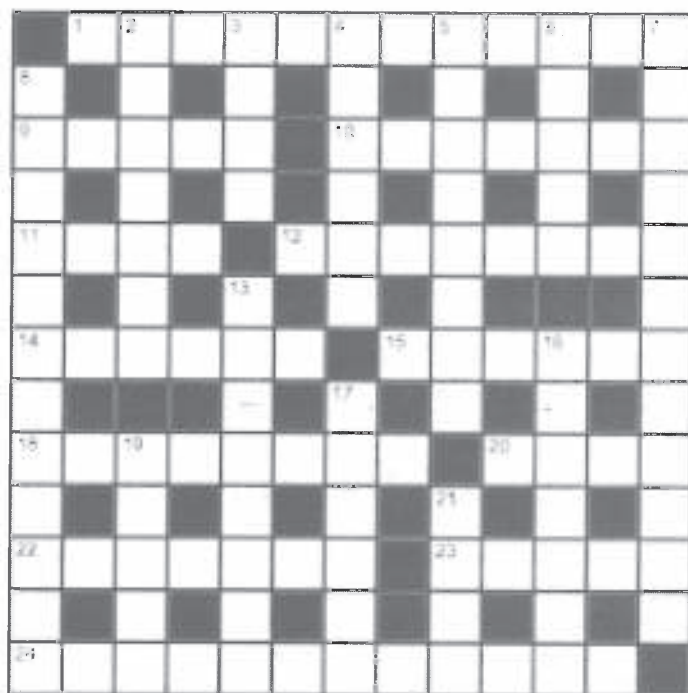
6 August	Black Bin
13 August	Green Bin and Box
20 August	Black Bin
27 August	Green Bin and Box

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Plastic bags may also be recycled at Willingham Co-op car park.

Crossword set by Willow



Across

- 1 Boxer weighing between 51kg and 54kg (6-6)
- 9 Titan who held aloft the heavens (5)
- 10 Annual book of calendar information (7)
- 11 Capital of Latvia (4)
- 12 Title of Marcel Duchamp's "Urinal" sculpture (8)
- 14 Performing arts group (6)
- 15 Song from 1983 film "Flashdance" (6)
- 18 Quick witty retort (8)
- 20 Kind of silica used as a gemstone (4)
- 22 Tendency of a body to stay still or continue moving (7)
- 23 To be worthy of something (5)
- 24 No great shakes (3-2-3-4)

Down

- 2 Musically quick and lively (7)
- 3 Difficult or tedious undertaking (4)
- 4 Grass field for grazing or hay-making (6)
- 5 Swiss cheese with large holes (8)
- 6 Birthplace of Christopher Columbus (5)
- 7 Petty detail caused by strict interpretation of rules (12)
- 8 Little shaggy Scottish dog (5,7)
- 13 Pre-prandial drink (8)
- 16 Pose a threat to (7)
- 17 Angel of the highest rank (6)
- 19 Groom oneself in a vain manner (5)
- 21 Islamic leader of mosque and/or community (4)

Solution on page 15

Poetry reading evening

More than 20 people attended the poetry and prose reading evening organised by FOWL – Friends of Willingham Library – on 11 June. They offered a wide choice and variety of readings, and everyone found the experience most enjoyable.

Among many other choices, we heard an extract from a Harry Potter book, a John Betjeman poem and The Boy Hunt (based on the children's book - We're going on a Bear Hunt), There was a poem by Rudyard Kipling (The Sergeant's Wedding), and a poem by a local poet, Chris Lacey. We also heard a 'Latin' poem and the lovely

words of a pop song.

One of the highlights of the evening was a Willingham reinterpretation of Daffodils – written and read by our very own poet laureate, 'Willingham Wordsworth' (alias Tony Mumford).

FOWL is planning more events in the autumn: watch this space.

(Sadly, Tony Mumford died a few days after this event. The pleasure which he gave by his contribution was a real tribute to him.)

Do Try This At Home

It's coming up to 'runner bean time' again. We hope for a good crop, but what do you do with them all? If you like sweet chutney, try this unusual but delicious recipe.

Runner bean chutney

2lb (900g) runner beans, sliced	1½lb (675g) onions, peeled and chopped
1½ pints vinegar	2lb (900g) demerara sugar
½ teasp. salt	1 teasp. turmeric
1 teasp. dry mustard	1½ tablesps. cornflour (if you like a stiffer chutney, increase this amount)

Cook the beans in salted water till just soft
Cook the onions in ½ pt vinegar till just soft
Place the beans, onions and sugar in a pan together with the remaining vinegar and boil for 15 minutes.
Mix the mustard, turmeric, salt and cornflour with a small amount of water and add to the pan
Bring to the boil and cook for a further 15 minutes
Allow to cool before bottling

Contributed by Chris Couchman

Learn to dance – Lindy Hop/Swing/Charleston

After watching the dancers at last year's 40s and 50s night at Over Community Centre with 'The Silver Bird Music Show' in aid of Over Day Centre and last January with the 'Opus 17 Swing Band' held in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust Appeal, we are wondering if there is anyone out there interested in learning to Lindy Hop etc, especially as both the above evenings are going to be repeated at Over Community Centre. The Silver Bird Music Show is returning to the Centre on 18 October raising money for the Day Centre, and the Opus 17 Swing Band is returning on 24 January next year (we are not sure yet who to raise funds for!).

Why not join us for a 'taster' session at the Community Centre on a Sunday afternoon being planned in the not too distant future. All ages are very welcome. Suitable for beginners and non-dancers. No partner required.

If you want a fun way to keep fit, then this must be for you.

So that we can find out how many people would be interested and whether it would be viable to go ahead, hopefully on a regular basis, please leave your name and 'phone number with Julia or Dave Warren on 01954 230056 or email us at julia_warren@btinternet.com as soon as

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Pastoral Letter

We recently said farewell to our Rector Geoff and his wife Sheila, at his last service in the church celebrating seven years serving us at the St. Mary & All Saints Church. It was a time of mixed emotions reflecting on what they have both achieved, but mindful of their accident which brought forward their retirement.

It is often only when someone leaves that you discover how much they have actually done and what their job actually entails; so much more than just leading services on Sunday mornings, weddings and funerals. Their job description includes typist, filing clerk, hospital visitor, committee Chairman: the list goes on.

But what happens next, who will fill the space, not just as our Rector, but Chairman of the Parish Plan Committee, as School Governor? I cannot speak for the other organisations, but as far as the parish is concerned, the mantle falls to myself and my fellow church Warden to arrange other clergy to take the services while we seek someone else to fill the vacancy left by Geoff.

I was reminded of Jesus, who led His disciples. He was only with them for three years, although he taught them so much during that time. When he left them to return to Heaven they were left without a leader, or were they?

Jesus said to them, 'I will ask the Father and He will send you another helper, who will be with you for ever-the Spirit of truth'. (John 14 : 16-17). And this is still true for us today. In the words of a well loved hymn: 'I do know what lies ahead, the way I cannot see, I know who holds the future, and he'll guide me with His hand'.

Steve Mellows

Willingham WI

As August is traditionally a holiday month we do not usually hold a monthly meeting. Last year we had a Treasure Hunt followed by a meal at a local hostelry. This proved a very pleasant and popular way to spend an evening, so as with all good things we are off again this year to seek our treasure and fill our inner self. This will be on Monday 11 August meeting at the Social Club car park at 6 45 pm; would all members who wish to take part please make sure they have ordered their food in advance.

Several of our members spent a very enjoyable day out in Oxfordshire recently, on a coach trip organised by the County Federation. They visited Woodstock and Bleinheim Palace and then on to Denman College, the WI College at Marcham. The college offers to members and non-members residential and non-residential courses ranging from alternate therapies, garden design, languages, fitness, arts & crafts of every type, cookery, photography, Oxford Colleges, Computing and many, many more subjects. The college is set in its own grounds in the centre of a small Oxfordshire village and is a very beautiful and peaceful place to stay. Members meet other members from different parts of the country and sometimes lasting friendships are made.





Parish Church

Bubbles takes place every Friday during school term time, so has a break during August, but will re-start on 5 September.

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.

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 August cake stall will take place as usual on the first Saturday of the month - Saturday 2 August, at the church, with cakes on sale from about 10 00 am. (The cakes sell out quite quickly.) 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.

Proceeds from the cake stall and the bric-a-brac stall are for the Restoration Fund.

Baptist Matters

Open Door will 'close' for the summer holidays at the end of July and re-opens on Thursday 11 September. 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 will recommence on Thursday 11 September and will meet on every Thursday morning 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 will recommence on Tuesday 9 September and will meet

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 3 years, with their parents/carers, for fun activities and refreshments. Please come along and join us.

Salvation Army

Every Monday Coffee morning 10 30 am - 12 00 noon

Thursdays Lunch 12 30 pm

Friendship Group 2 00 pm

For information call 260066

Holiday Club August 4-10th 2008



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

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Time: **10-12.30pm**

Age: **5-11 years**

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3 August

10 00 am Liz Herrington
(Communion)

6 00 pm Liz Herrington

10 August

10 00am Holiday Club Celebration –
to be held at Primary School

6 00 pm TBA

17 August

10 00 am Bob Earl

6 00 pm Prayer Focus

24 August

10 00 am Andrew Wyllie

6 00 pm TBA (Communion)

31 August

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10 August

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6 00 pm Evensong

17 August

11 00 am Family Communion

24 August

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11 00 am All Age Worship

31 August

11 00 am Parish Communion with
Rampton

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 August: 7th).

There is a **prayer meeting** on the last Friday of each month at 8 00 am (In **August: 28th**).

Children are welcome at all our 11am services. On the 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays, there are activities for primary school age children, and 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 Gillian Macnaghten know (01954 261817).

**THE SALVATION ARMY
SILVER STREET**

3 August

10 30 am Worship

5 00 pm Worship

10 August

5 00 pm Worship

17 August

5 00 pm Worship

24 August

5 00 pm Worship

31 August

5 00 pm Worship

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH
HIGH STREET
RAMPTON**

3 August

9 30 am Parish Communion

10 August

9 30 am Church Lite in the Village
Hall

17 August

9 30 am Parish Communion

24 August

9 30 am Church Lite in the Village
Hall

31 August

11 00 am United Service at
Willingham

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

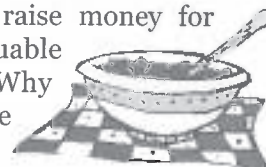
In the second full week in each month the Churches in Willingham and Rampton will be praying for the people who live in a particular area of the village. In August this is Priest Lane, Belsars Close, Rampton End, Rampton Road, Schole Road.

**Willingham Charity
Lunch**

This month's charity lunch will be held on Saturday 9 August at 29 Rampton End at 1 00 pm. The lunch will be co-hosted by Barry Saunders and Joy Gourlay and consists of a choice of soups, bread and cheeses, tea and coffee etc. It costs £3, a small sum to pay to help charitable causes.

This charity we are supporting this year is the Over Day Care Centre. The centre provides care for the frail and elderly through social contact, recreation and informative activities etc. It provides a focal resource through which the appropriate medical and social services can be supplied thereby providing relief for carers. It also provides a focus through which residents of all participating villages can take an active part in care in the community.

These lunches are social occasions, a good time to meet old and new friends, particularly if you are new to the village, and at the same time raise money for such a valuable charity. Why not come and join us?



News from the Willingham Scout Group

Willingham Scout Group have enjoyed a very successful year and is now so popular that a new Beaver Colony began last September and a new Scout Group will begin this coming September - simply to cope with demand. This is a compliment to all the leaders and helpers who put in so much work behind the scenes to make Scouting so rewarding and enjoyable for our children.

The many activities undertaken by the various groups this year include: the Bravers winning first prize for their Viking long boat (occupied by suitably attired vikings) in a village parade, taking part in the Scouting Centenary Sunrise Promise, tree planting, sending Christmas gifts as part of Operation Christmas Child. Visits to Activity World, the Police helicopter at RAF Wyton, going swimming, tobogganing, taking part in a European Football championship and helping with



the first Willingham Scout Group Funday. The cubs have been very busy completing many and varied badges and participating in a lot of fun trips out. The Scouts have

been sailing, done an 11 mile hike, had a karate evening, met snakes and lizards in an evening with the 'Reptile Experience', been tobogganing and canoeing... the list goes on. If any of the groups had a spare moment, these were filled with passing badges, learning about different cultures around the world - and playing wonderfully rowdy games! To round off the year, many of them will have enjoyed Summer Camp at Holt Island, St Ives, by the time you read this.



Fundraising is a very important part of scouting involvement and this year the group has been busier than ever. They held what is hoped to be the first of many Fundays, with events and attractions to entertain the whole village. One of the highlights was a Balloon

Race. We now have a winner for this event, who is pictured right, receiving her prize.

The event raised almost £900. Not bad for a very damp May Saturday, when the competition included the FA Cup Final! We hope it will become one of the major annual fundraisers for the Scouts.

Thank you to all of you who attended and helped with the organisation. And may we also say thanks for all the local sponsorship we received - it is very much appreciated.



Kate Van Dort receives her prize - her balloon was found in Gloucestershire!

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Pictures from the Funday, from the top: the juggler demonstrates his skills, the Raptor Foundation and the Beavers 'Strike it Lucky' stall.

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We are now a member of TEAMS – The East Anglian Mills Society. Other TEAMS mills open over the Bank Holiday weekend are Haddenham, Impington and Wicken.

Help! We need a handcart.

By now, you will have heard about WAMADS debut outdoor performance taking place from 15-17 August in Willingham House gardens. We are now appealing for your help to find an old-fashioned wooden handcart or wooden wheelbarrow.

Perhaps you have a handcart or wheelbarrow in your garden, garage, shed or barn that you wouldn't mind lending to the group for three or four days in August? If so, we are very keen to hear from you. Please email wamads@hotmail.co.uk or call the producer on 07748 791062.

Willingham Library

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Library Opening Times

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

It's not too late to register for Team Read, our **summer reading** challenge for children. Drop in at the library and find out how you can join. The medal ceremony for everyone who completes the challenge will be on Thursday 11 September from 4 – 5 pm. And don't forget Ian Whybrow's visit on 6 August.

Future Events for your diary:

Wednesday 24 September at 7 30: Friends of Willingham Library present "Oliver Cromwell – Myth and Reality", a talk by local author Roy Sherwood.

Wednesday 1 October: Engage in the Afternoon, 2 – 4 pm. The opening event of a new venture for adults (only) in the library. We plan to use some library closed time to have bi-monthly gatherings with a speaker, tea and coffee and an opportunity to change books or use the computer.

Solution to puzzle on page 9

Across: 1 Bantam-weight, 9 Atlas, 10 Almanac, 11 Riga, 12 Fountain, 14 Troupe, 15 Maniac, 18 Repartee, 20 Opal, 22 Inertia, 23 Merit, 24 Run-of-the-mill.

Down: 2 Allegro, 3 Task, 4 Meadow, 5 Emmental, 6 Genoa, 7 Technicality, 8 Cairn terrier, 13 Aperitif, 16 Imperil, 17 Seraph, 19 Preen, 21 Imam.

Village Diary

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

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
August				
4	Members' evening out	Willingham Gardening Club		Celia 01954 261394
6	Visit by well-known children's author Ian Whybrow	Library/ Parish Council	Library	Free 10.00-10.45 am and 11.15-12 noon.
9	Charity Lunch		29 Rampton End	1 00 pm
11	Treasure Hunt	WI	Social Club car park	6 45 pm
15, 16, 17	Picnic performance	WAMADS	Willingham House	Fri and Sat 7.30pm, Sun 2.30pm, email:wamadstickets @hotmail.co.uk or call 07835 805115
16	Norfolk coast outing	Willingham Gardening Club	Departing the Green 8	30 am - Linda 01954 202072
25	Open Day		Cattell's Mill	1 00 pm to 4 00 pm.
September				
1	Talk: Growing Geraniums	Willingham Gardening Club		Celia 01954 261394
6	Horticultural and Craft Show	Willingham Gardening Club	Willingham School	Tony Halsey 201910
6	Fen Edge Community Association Autumn Show		Cottenham Village College	
20	Middlesex-Windsor outing Club	Willingham Gardening Club		Depart the Green 8 30am
24	Oliver Cromwell - Myth and Reality', talk Roy Sherwood	Friends of Willingham Library	Library	7 30 pm
October				
1	Engage in the Afternoon: tea/coffee and a speaker (for adults)	Library Service	Library	2 00 pm - 4 00 pm
4,5	Willingham Feast			

Willingham Feast

Long-standing members of the Willingham village community will remember when the Village Feast was a major event in the village. In the days before the NHS, this was also 'Hospital Sunday' when money would be raised for Addenbrookes Hospital, so that local people could be treated there.

Some local villages still make a big feature of their Feast Weekends, but in Willingham over recent years it has become a Sunday event only, with an annual visit from a Salvation Army band which plays on the Green in the afternoon, and for a joint churches service in the parish church in the evening. The Willingham Feast is always on the weekend before the 11 October, so this year it will be on 4 and 5 October.

This year there are plans to revitalise the Feast as a weekend of events, with something for everyone in the

village. It will kick off on Saturday morning with a Farmers' Market and car boot sale. There will be events including a puppet show for children and families, plus a sketch show by WAMADS; and in the evening there will be a ceilidh and also an event for young people. On Sunday the Letchworth Salvation Army Band, who have joined us for previous Feast Sundays, will be at the Salvation Army Citadel in the morning, on the Green in the afternoon, and in the Parish Church in the evening.

In keeping with the 'Hospital Sunday' tradition, money will also be raised through the weekend's event to support local hospitals and medical facilities.

Put the date in your diary now, and look out for further information in the Parish Magazine and around the village nearer the time. If you want to book a Farmers' Market stall (£10 a stall) or car boot pitch (£6 per car), ring 01954 205157.

Village Directory

Council	Parish Council		01954 261027
	Parish Council Chairman	Mr P King	01954 260780
	Planning Committee Chairman	Mr J Anderson	01954 203344
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	District Councillor	Mrs P S Corney	01954 213221
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	CAMDOC –After hours medical help		01223 464242
Schools	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
Children	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
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	Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance	Mrs L Borland	01954 203347
	Bubbles	Kathryn Wright	01954 261770
	Bumps and Babies Group	Hilda Beauchamp	01954 205487
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Hilda Beauchamp	01954 205487
Halls	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Mrs A Robinson	01954 261076
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	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
Clubs	Gardening Club	Mr T Halsey	01954 201910
	Social Club	Mr J Sibley	01954 260436
	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
Sport	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
Churches	Mothers Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Mrs Hilary Wyllie	01954 260051
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Accessibility has been a key consideration behind the design, ensuring that more people in the community are able to use the site to access information.

Core information can be accessed in 11 different languages, pages can be adjusted to increase the text size and background colours at the click of a button, and a text-speaker has been added which reads aloud highlighted text.

Head of Media and Communication Hayley Buzzel said: 'There is also plenty to keep our younger users entertained. They can meet some of our firefighters in the interactive area. By clicking on different parts of a fire engine, fire station and firefighter, they can bring up short clips of firefighters explaining what the item or place is for.

There's also an animated leaflet, controlled by the user, with information about arson, hoax calls, road safety and the dangers of playing with fire.'

The website will enable users to go online to book an appointment for a free home fire safety check. This is where a member of the fire service visits a person's home, provides advice about keeping safe from fire and will put up smoke alarms in the property free of charge if they are needed.

Chief Fire Officer Graham Stagg said: 'The new website

provides us with many more opportunities to spread our messages about fire safety and provide information to the people of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough at the touch of a button. It will also give people a way of contacting us to tell us what they think of our service and to tell us their opinion on issues we seek feedback on at different times of the year such as our Service Improvement Plan and budget.

'The new website has a simple layout and is easy to use. We hope that users will enjoy logging on and that it helps keep them safer in their homes, at work or when out and about in the county.'

The site also contains information about the Fire Authority - the governing body of the fire and rescue service - and includes Fire Authority and committee meeting dates, agendas, papers and minutes, as well as corporate plans and information on the Authority's budget and performance.

Councillor Roy Pegram, Chairman of the Fire Authority, said: 'We are working hard to ensure that we communicate as effectively as possible with everyone in our community and the new website provides new and exciting ways for us to do that.

More and more people have internet access at home and use it as a first step to finding the information they want. It was important that our website could be the first port of call for people wanting to find out more about their local fire service or seek advice about fire safety and prevention, and our new website delivers that.'

Learn how to 'use the mouse to save your house' and log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk

Fen Edge Community Association Autumn Show

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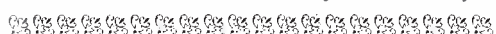
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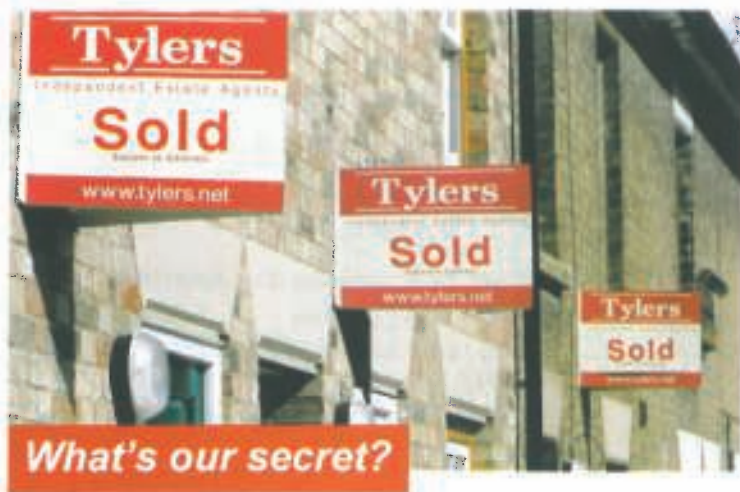
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