

# WILLINGHAM NEWS



June 2009

## Willingham – old and young

### Mrs Nancy Collett

On 28 June Mrs Nancy Collett will celebrate her 104th birthday. As she talks about her time in Willingham (she came in 1928) her sense of humour and her remarkable memory quickly become apparent.

She was one of the first people to move into Millfield, in 1931. She lived there until the early 1970s, when she was one of the first to move to Wilford Furlong, then still being built.

She came from Dullingham, where she was born, having met Canon Hair, then Rector, at Ely. She came to work for him at the Rectory, then at Willingham House. She still speaks warmly of his kindness.

Her husband died in 1953, but she has a son and six grandchildren still living.

It is fascinating to hear her talk about Willingham as it was, but what comes across most strongly in a conversation with her is that she is someone with a very positive approach to life as it is now.



### The Willingham Originalz Youth Club



On Wednesday 6 May we opened the doors to the young people of Willingham.

The open evening was attended by young people, parents, Willingham Action Group (WAG), Youth sub-group (WAGY) and Parish Council representatives and proved a great success. It gave the 16 young people (12 – 16) of the village the opportunity to share their ideas and views of what they would like from their youth club.

We held a naming competition to give the youth club a fresh title – this gave them the opportunity to take ownership of their club. They came up with lots of imaginative ideas but when put to the vote the general consensus was – THE WILLINGHAM ORIGINALZ.

In addition they were also able to design a logo, which is still at the design stage. Watch this space....

The doughnuts and making your own fresh smoothies was enjoyed by all.

A representative from Connexions, Cambridgeshire County Council attended to do a press release; this will be in local newspapers in the next few weeks.

The youth club will be open 6 30 - 8 30 pm on Wednesday evenings for all young people of secondary school age and will be held at the Baptist Church hall for the next few weeks.

I am very excited to see Willingham youth club soon become a reality. This would not have happened without the commitment and perseverance of all involved. I have already received positive feedback from many different sources.

*Alice Bullock*  
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## Willingham Women's Institute – June meeting



On Monday, 8 June, Willingham WI will be holding an OPEN meeting when the speaker will be Eva Clarke, a Holocaust survivor living in Cambridge, who will be speaking on behalf of the Holocaust Educational Trust, telling the story of her family's

experiences during World War Two. It is a moving and fascinating story, and will be of interest to many people in Willingham – not just history students and enthusiasts. Don't miss this unusual opportunity of hearing history at first hand. We won't be singing Jerusalem, and you don't have to bring along a pot of jam.

We meet at 7 30 pm in the Social Club, and all are welcome.

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### Youth

A meeting was held on 6 May in the Baptist Tabernacle to consider the best way forward (see front page article). It was decided at the meeting to hold the first few 'Youth Groups' at the same venue, which began on Wednesday 13 May, to see how well attended it would be and to decide on a future venue for the group. The importance of working together for the benefit of young people and of seeking their views has been emphasised by all. Further news to follow.

### News from South Cambridgeshire District Council

The Conservative Councillors worked on a new strategy for the District Council and the document was published last year. It became known as the three As@ as these were their Aims, Approaches and Actions. These have now become the Corporate Plan, the things the Council will do. The aims are that the council will be:

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### Update on Parish Plan Issues

A report from the Parish Plan Action Group indicated that: Work on the website was progressing. Social activities including Willingham Feast were in train. The County Council Highways Department were being asked about parking and school traffic safety issues. Speedwatch training would commence in June. A meeting was being sought with the County Council and Parish Council involvement considered desirable. It was agreed that it was absolutely necessary to maintain the level of co-ordination and co-operation.

### Willingham Parish Council Website

Please do look at our 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 of any information you would like to see on our Website, please contact the Clerk.

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

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### 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, 3 June at The Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road and is open to the public.

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

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## Parish Plan Progress Report

There is just a short report this month. The cycling club seems very successful; often there are two rides each week catering for social and serious cyclists. Contact details can be found in the Village Directory in *Willingham News* or on the club website - [http://web.me.com/lee.hill/Willingham\\_Cycling\\_Club/Home.html](http://web.me.com/lee.hill/Willingham_Cycling_Club/Home.html)

So what is next? The newly-formed walking club contact details can be found in the library and in next month's *Willingham News*. There have been suggestions for a running club and a film club. Please contact us if you are interested in either. We are also continuing development of a new website to cover mainly social, youth and business matters in the village.

Last month some of the Action group members went to the Jam night at the social club. We had a great time, so if you are at a loose end on the last Monday of the month go along. We listened to everything from folk to heavy metal from the many talented musicians present.

The Parish Plan Action Group is setting up a sub-committee to work with the Parish Council and Churches Together to arrange events for the Willingham Feast at the beginning of October. We are hoping that there will be lots of activities over the Feast Weekend including many ideas put forward by residents when answering the questionnaire. The aim will be to raise money for local charities and have fun at the same time.

Finally, last month saw the start of Willingham Originalz, the name given to the new youth group set up under the auspices of the Parish Council and Cambridgeshire Youth Service, and reported elsewhere in this issue. We should thank the Parish Council, CCC and the Baptist Church (they have allowed use of their hall for meetings.) Hopefully the youth group will go from strength to strength and everybody will do their best to improve facilities.

*Willingham Action Group – contact Mike Tidball on 260647 or [m.tidball@btinternet.com](mailto:m.tidball@btinternet.com)*

## Jottings from your County Councillor

Much of this year has been taken up with pursuing a bypass for Willingham. The County Council finally produced its study earlier this year, but it was disappointing to say the least. It merely concluded that further work needed to be done. One important result, however, was that it did also acknowledge that the Northstowe development would have a negative impact on what is already an overcrowded road. I believe that there is now a tacit acknowledgement by the County Council that a bypass for Willingham is certainly justified by the volume of traffic.

I have agreed that further modelling work on the impact of Northstowe is important, particularly as we try to work out how the bypass might be funded. This will be the real sticking point. Much as I would like, I don't think that Northstowe will be able to fund the entire bypass, but it may be possible to fund a significant part that way. However, there will still be a large gap and finding the remaining money will be a real problem. I would have argued that revenue from a potential congestion charging scheme should be used, but I very much doubt that this will now happen. Once the further work on the bypass has been done, I will meet with officers to try to resolve this sticking point. Whatever happens I still think the bypass will be many years off, but acknowledgement of its need by the County Council is a major step forward.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has sent cards and messages of support during my recent illness. I am now well on the road to recovery and look forward to playing a full part in representing my constituents, particularly in dealing with the challenges ahead.

*I can be reached at the address or telephone number below.*

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<b>24 June</b>	Black Bin

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Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	4 30 – 7 00
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	Closed from 1 00pm
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	Half day
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
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## Cottenham Young Farmers

If you are aged 10-26, interested in the countryside and like socialising with like-minded people... join us on a Wednesday evening. Don't be fooled by the name; you don't have to be a farmer, or from Cottenham, we are a group of boys and girls based in Willingham, who meet weekly.

Young Farmers enjoy a wide variety of activities, talks and demonstrations. Recently we have had demonstrations from Police dog handlers, tree surgeons, Alpaca farmers and local hunt groups. Other activities include tenpin bowling, punting, clay pigeon shooting, chocolate parties and discos.

It is not compulsory to come along every week, just pick which activities you prefer!

On Sunday 31 May this year the County Show was held at Wimpole Farm. This is always an enjoyable day for the whole family. Local Young Farmers groups compete against each other with their own marquee housing a huge array of hand made exhibits such as woodwork, floristry, cooking and metalwork etc. The day can be compared to a 'mini' East of England Show, with arena displays, stalls, vintage vehicles and not forgetting the beer tent!!

Cottenham Young Farmers has a shared mobile phone, we notify everyone weekly of venue etc. If you would like more information or want to leave your number for us to inform you of events, ring or text 07895178580.



Come along for a few weeks and see if it is for you before you decide to join the club.

Also, if anyone is able to offer an activity or talk/demo that we may find interesting we would love to hear from you.

## BBGS Golf Dates 2009

4 June	Abbotsley Old Course	6 & 7 Sept	Ufford Park
9 July	Ramsey	1 October	Bar Hill
6 August	Bourn		

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## Willingham Gardening Club

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Organised by the Willingham Gardening Club but you don't need to be a member to come along.

These are extensive gardens with features to suit everyone. Come along and have an enjoyable day out.

All welcome. Contact Tony on 01954 201910 or Celia on 01954 261394

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 and there is an annual Club holiday too in May usually.

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

### Meetings/Presentations and Outings

Monday 1 June at our club meeting Geoff Peck will talk to us about 'Garden Ponds'.

Saturday 20 June, we shall travel to Waterperry Gardens near Oxford. The coach leaves the Green, Willingham at 8 30 am. The cost is £16. 50 per person to include entry. These are extensive gardens to suit all tastes. Refreshments are available at the gardens.

### Reminders

The Club will be staging the annual Horticultural and Craft show at the Willingham Primary School on Saturday 5 September. As usual details will be published in these pages in due course but for the time being please note that the Club is willing to provide plants and plant containers to any children of school age willing to grow the plants on and to submit them as an entry in the appropriate class at the show in September. Last year a good many children participated and submitted some really good entries. Please encourage children in your family to take part. A prize or prizes will be awarded to the entry or entries judged to be the best by our judges.

## Photo Mystery from [www.OldWillingham.com](http://www.OldWillingham.com)



Last month's mystery photo (shown here) was a tough one because the building no longer exists. However, several people gave the right answer.

The house with the large windows is on the current site of Berrycroft Stores. It was actually used as a storeroom for the business but burned down by accident during the second world war.

Fire engines came from the Oakington Bomber station but could not save it. The current Berrycroft Stores was then constructed on the site using concrete because bricks were hard to obtain during the war.

Marion Harrington wrote: 'The boys standing outside, are my dad, Roland Jeeps (left) who had just left school at 14 and his cousin Eric Easy. This was 1932 and the shop had just been built. Millfield was built the same year. The older shop on the left was built in 1925. According to Milford Jeeps, the petrol being sold was 'Power' and cost 1s 2d. (6p a gallon) The car was a Humber and belonged to Sir Frederick Hyam, a landowner from Stretham.'

Gordon Spackman recalled the 27 years he worked in the shop. He has lived in the Berrycroft / Mill Rd. area since 1922 and made the window frames for the shop. He remembers one time in the 1960s when the fireworks on sale in the stores went off by accident with much noise - but fortunately the building did not catch fire.

## Pastoral Letter

We watched the Yesteryear Road Run, recently, with so many old vehicles processing through the village, all looked after by their owners to keep them in good working order.

What a life some of these vehicles have had. At some time in perhaps the distant past, they would have been purchased as brand new from the show room, all shiny, the pride and joy of their owners, but then what? Well, for many of the Agricultural vehicles there was a hard life ahead with years of faithful service to bring a profitable return on the initial investment. Then as the years went by, the once pride and joy became worn out and superseded by a new more powerful, more productive model with advanced features which rendered the old one too inefficient to keep up with the demands of the day. So what then? Retirement to lighter duties, or just put to one side in a shed or under an old tarpaulin collecting cobwebs and providing an undisturbed nesting site for a pair of sparrows or starlings.

Then, perhaps years later, in a moment of nostalgia the owner, or someone else with an eye for restoration and a desire to breathe new life into the old fellow, drags it out of the shed. The cobwebs are dusted away. The birds nest, long abandoned, is removed from the tool box and restoration begins with new parts to replace the worn and broken ones, and that all essential lick of paint, slowly brings the once abandoned work horse back to full working order, and something to be proud of.

But it is no good just painting and polishing the outside, so that it looks like new, without bringing the engine and other moving parts up to scratch, so that it works again.

As the Lord said to Samuel, when he went to choose a new king for Israel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height. The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.' (1 Samuel 16 v7). Unless we accept the lord in our hearts, we cannot live the lives he wants for us, and thus find fulfilment.

Steve Mellows  
Churchwarden

## Swavesey & Over Tennis Club

Youth just edged out experience at Swavesey & Over Tennis Club's Spring tournament.

Played as a 'mystery partners' pairs competition - no-one knew who they were playing with or against until just before the start of each of the five sets - Tom Henshaw clocked up five straight wins, giving him an aggregate score of 30 points for and 14 points against.

This was just enough to see off the club's Number 1

men's player, Andrew Papworth, who, to make the match more even, had been 'handicapped' by a 2 - 0 start to his opponents in each set. He also finished with a haul of 30 points, but had 16 recorded against him.

In the ladies section, Fay Turner won with a score of 24 - 19, with Sue Kent second on 22 - 23.

The club plays at Swavesey Village College, with club nights at 7 30 pm on Mondays and Fridays.





## Salvation Army

### Coffee and Fellowship

**Morning** every Monday 10 30 – 12 00 noon, except Bank Holidays. Come along and enjoy a time of friendship and fellowship over a cup of coffee. All welcome.

**Craft Club Monday** every Monday 2 00 – 4 00 pm, except Bank Holidays. Come and share your craft interest with others and enjoy a cup of tea and friendship.

**Luncheon Club** meets every week on Thursday at 12 30 pm. To book a place call Daphne on 01954 260568.

**Over 60's Friendship Club** every Thursday 2 00 – 3 00 pm. Each week we share items of topical interest and have a cup of tea. All welcome. For further information please contact Major Marian Lewis on 01480 386593, email [Marian.Lewis@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:Marian.Lewis@salvationarmy.org.uk) or ring Gordon on 01954 260066.

### 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 cake stall is on the first Saturday in the month – 6 June. It begins at 10 00 am, and the cakes sell pretty quickly.

**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 cakes and bric-a-brac go to the Restoration Fund.

## Baptist Matters

**Bumps and Babies** meets on 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** 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 3 years, with their parents/carers, for fun activities and refreshments. Please come along and join us.

**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.



**Rock Solid** A youth group every Tuesday during term time from 6 30 to 8 00 pm for anyone in years 6 – 9. A fun packed evening of games, quizzes, discussions and a tuck shop. Please come and join us.

**Kids' Friday Club** A kids' club on a Friday for all those currently in primary school. Come along from 6 30 to 7 30 pm for crafts, games, stories, quizzes, music, puppets and much more.

## Parish Church

**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.



## Willingham Charity Lunch

This month's charity lunch will be held at 1 pm on Saturday 27 June at the home of Cliff and Diane Hopkin, 13 Rockmill End. The lunch consists of a choice of soups, bread and cheeses, tea or coffee, etc, and costs £3 or a donation.

The charity we are supporting this year is Mercy Ships who operate three hospital ships and send them to some of the world's poorest countries whose people do not have access to health care. Every day, doctors, specialists and nurses give of their time and expertise without charge to provide free medical care to those in desperate need.



The lunch is a social occasion, a good time to meet old and new friends.



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CHURCH STREET  
WILLINGHAM**

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

**7 June**

11 00 am Parish Communion

**14 June**

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11 00 am All Age Service with Baptism  
No Evensong this month

**21 June**

11 00 am Parish Communion

**28 June**

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11 00 am All Age Service

There is a **prayer meeting** on the **last Friday** of each month at 8 00 am (In **June: 26th**). During the interregnum there is a special time for prayer in the sacristy on the first Saturday morning of each month. (In **June: 6th**).

Children are welcome at all our 11 00 am 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).

**WILLINGHAM TABERNACLE  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
GEORGE STREET**

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

**7 June**

10 00 am Rev Trevor Rowe  
(Communion)

6 00 pm Rev Trevor Rowe

**14 June – Fellowship Sunday**

10 00 am Mrs Carole Durose

6 00 pm Mr Colin Cresswell

**21 June**

9 00 am Geoff Pake

10 45 am All – Age Service at Primary  
School

6 00 pm Rev Trevor Rowe

**28 June**

10 00 am Rev Trevor Rowe

6 00 pm Richard Sanders  
(Communion)

Any enquiries please contact:

Rev Trevor Rowe (Minister)

(01954 261193),

Hilary Wyllie (Church Secretary)

(01954 260051), or Emma Launchbury

(Administrator) (01954 263108)

**THE SALVATION ARMY  
SILVER STREET**

[www.salvationarmy.org/  
uk/willingham](http://www.salvationarmy.org/uk/willingham)

**7 June**

5 00 pm Sunday Worship

**14 June**

5 00 pm Sunday Worship

**21 June**

5 00 pm Sunday Worship

**28 June**

5 00 pm Sunday Worship

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED  
HEART**

**19 Needingworth Road, St Ives**

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**Saturday**

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**Sunday**

8 00 am and 11 00 am

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**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 Mere Way, Mill Field, Mill Road and Newington.

## Willingham drama – before WAMADS

In May we described how WAMADS had become Willingham Stagecraft and looked back on its birth and growth. Now Amy Robinson tells the story of drama in Willingham from the 1930s.

Drama societies are no new thing in Willingham. There was a very successful group run from the old school in Fen End and led by the Headmaster, Mr Hounsell, during the thirties. Mr Cecil Gleaves remembers being taken to see various one-act plays – for example, *The Ghost Train*, *Bishop's Candlesticks*, etc.

Mrs Jessie Smith (née Raven) did much drama work with the youth of the village at this time. She lived in the little cottage near the Co-op, which has recently been rebuilt and thatched. Her rooms were full of dressing-up costumes.

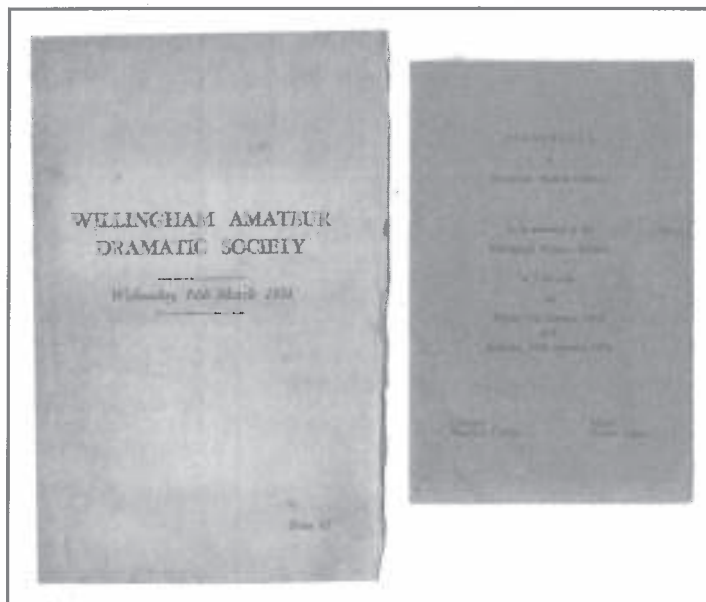
Mrs Rose Manning (Ray Manning's grandmother) also had a collection of costumes, some of which she gave to me. I still have them. She also gave me some programmes and a photograph from those times.

However, Mr Hounsell moved on, and I guess the drama group faded, until the fifties.

At that time evening classes were encouraged and a drama class was introduced, to join the very popular woodwork class in the old school. In charge was Donald Doggett, a qualified teacher, who unfortunately was drowned on holiday a few years later.

Then Swavesey Village College was finished (it opened in 1958), and offered the Willingham group the use of the college drama facilities. There was a free bus run for evening classes in those days, so the offer was accepted. It was there that I produced my first play. Swavesey Drama Group is still very active.

I spent some very happy years there, and appreciated the qualified directors etc, all provided by the college.



Back in Willingham, in 1976 I directed *Cinderella*, written by Mrs Win Goffin, with music by Martin Yates – as mentioned in May's *Willingham News*. Following its success, Win and Martin wrote another play, *The Golden Bell*, performed in the old Church Hall. WAMADS was formally set up at a meeting on 22 June 1976. Jim Potter wrote the constitution and a committee was formed, consisting of: Chairman – Amy Robinson; Secretary – Peter Hayman; Treasurer – Frank Burdett; Committee members – Anita Allen; Win Goffin; Tony Norton.

Long may the tradition of drama in Willingham continue.

*Footnote: Martin Yates has built a musical career with a broad range of repertoire and genre. He has conducted widely across Europe.*

**Drama Gathering:** Past and present members, and supporters are invited to a social gathering at 15a High Street for 7 00 pm on Friday 26 June. Phone Amy: 261076.

## Wolves Ravage Rangers in Cup Thriller

### Willingham Wolves 1 - 0 St Ives Rangers (U16)

Willingham Wolves U16s achieved a glorious triumph on Sunday 26 April when they were crowned League Cup Champions in the Cambridge & District Colts League for the second consecutive season. The Cup Final, which was held at the Cambridge Stadium, pitted the Wolves against arch rivals St Ives Rangers.

For 70 minutes, the two sets of warriors were locked in a furious battle for domination. Then an incisive Willingham attack down the left wing culminated in a lofted cross into a crowded St Ives goal area. The bounce eluded all but Jamie Bovey, who unleashed a powerful

volley high into the roof of the net. The joy was unbounded, but Willingham retained their composure until the final whistle ratified the victory.

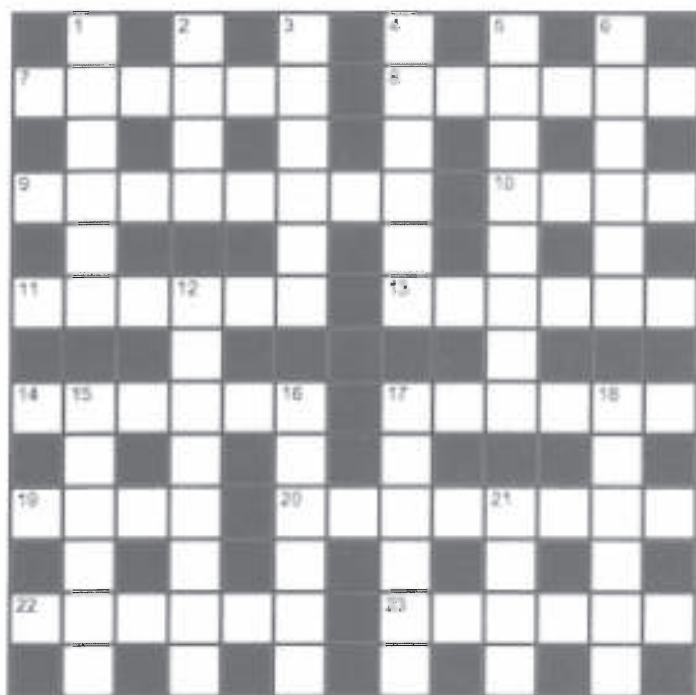
Congratulations to manager Dean Greygoose and the U16's - a great performance!

Steve Moffat

**STOP PRESS \* STOP PRESS \* STOP PRESS \* STOP PRESS**  
Congratulations to Willingham Wolves U9s who finished 6th in their league.



# Crossword set by Willow



## Across

- 7 Stew food in a closed pan (6)
- 8 Name; knob (6)
- 9 Estimate the worth of (8)
- 10 Not in use (4)
- 11 Spruce (6)
- 13 Riddle or mysterious person (6)
- 14 Domesticated polecat (6)
- 17 Male goose; look (6)
- 19 Work (4)
- 20 Half-full person? (8)
- 22 Fragment of song (6)
- 23 Suck in (6)

## Down

- 1 Trifles (6)
- 2 Grinding machine (4)
- 3 Withdraw; mend (6)
- 4 Practical joke (6)
- 5 Surgeon's entry point (8)
- 12 Person living at others' expense (8)
- 15 Lay out (6)
- 16 Cup (6)
- 17 French fancy cake (6)
- 18 Make certain (6)
- 21 Inspirational goddess (4)A

solution on page 18

## Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library  
0845 0455225



Monday	5 00 - 7 00 pm
Tuesday	2 30 - 7 00 pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	10 00 am - 12 30 pm    2 30 pm - 7 00 pm
Friday	10 00 am - 12 30 pm
Saturday	10 00 am - 12 30 pm

## Poetry and Prose

The varied reading tastes of local residents were again demonstrated at the second 'Poetry and Prose' evening, organised last month by Friends of Willingham Library. Poets read out ranged from the light, Pam Ayres and Roger McGough, to the more serious such as W H Auden and Siegfried Sassoon, interspersed with readings of her own poetry by Chris Lacey. Among the prose extracts, we were reminded of the fine writing of James Cameron through an extract from *Point of Departure* about an enforced stay in a small African country, and the somewhat different style of another journalist, Jeremy Paxman, on how parliamentary elections were conducted in the 1860s.

## Engage in the Afternoon

These are free social occasions for adults, held on the first Wednesday of each month, and include a speaker, tea/coffee/biscuits and an opportunity to change books, use computers and have a chat during library closed time.

## Upcoming meetings (all 2 00 - 3 30 pm):

*Wednesday 3 June* - Bill Kirkman will be talking about the U3A (University of the Third Age), which provides educational, creative and leisure opportunities for people no longer in employment.

*Wednesday 1 July* - Carol Bailey will describe and demonstrate flower arranging.

*Wednesday 5 August* - Deborah Maloney on dogs for hearing impaired people and bringing along her latest trainee dog.

## Village Diary

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
<b>June</b>				
1	Club Meeting - Geoff Peck on 'Garden Ponds'	Willingham Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
3	University of the Third Age Talk by Bill Kirkman	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 - 3 30 pm
6	Club Meeting - Peter Walker on 'Encounters with Orchids of Britain'	Willingham Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
6	Concert	Friends of All Saints Church	All Saints Church Rampton	7 30 pm
26	Drama Party	Amy Robinson	15a High Street	7 pm 261076 for info
29	Willingham Jam Night		Social Club	7 00 for 7 30 pm
27	Charity Lunch	Willingham Charity Lunchers	13 Rockmill End	£3 or donation
<b>July</b>				
1	Carol Bailey demonstrates flower arranging	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 - 3 30 pm
<b>August</b>				
27	Deborah Maloney - dogs for the hearing impaired	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 - 3 30 pm

## Electrical Tools Needed. Please help



Could you help disabled people by donating any electrical woodworking tools?

David Dumbayah lives in Sierra Leone and helps run a home for 30 fellow polio sufferers. He is in a wheelchair, but since polio only affects the legs, working with carpentry tools is quite possible.

He wants to set up a workshop so that the disabled people can generate some income by making furniture. There is no state aid in Sierra Leone and they are currently dependent on charity to live.

If we can collect suitable tools I will arrange transport to Africa. Can you help in any way? If so please contact Jon Edney by email: [jon@theednies.com](mailto:jon@theednies.com).

I have told him that I am making this appeal and he is waiting in hope.

# 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
	Surgery		01954 260230
	Dispensary for repeat prescription requests		01954 260073
	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 (3-6 pm only)	Mrs R Tiley	01954 201567
	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	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	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
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Hilda Beauchamp	01954 205487
	Little Notes Music group	Naomi Lockwood	01954-261248
	Rock Solid (Baptist Church)	Richard Sanders	01954 200708
	Kid's Friday Club (Baptist Church)	Rev Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
<b>Halls</b>	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Mrs A Robinson	01954 261076
<b>Local Representatives</b>	Allotments - See Willingham Combined Charities below		
	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	Mr J Sibley	01954 260436
	Willingham Stagecraft (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
	Willingham Wheels	Jackie Rooks Maynard	07760227970
<b>Sport</b>	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Claire Few	01954 203001
	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>	Mothers' Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Rev Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Administrator	Emma Launchbury	01954 263108
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Hilary Cheng	01223 700778
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**"Come along to see a small selection of our clothes  
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Remember it's Father's Day on 21st June. Buyagift are offering up to £10 off your Father's Day gifts when you use the eVouchers. There are many more free offers available - too many to list here - so visit the Special Offers page at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/forh](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/forh) for more details and to find the eVoucher codes.

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If you can improve our website, provide transport for our volunteers or display a small selection of our wares please contact a member of the committee, details are given on our website at [www.rosieinstitches.org.uk/volunteering.htm](http://www.rosieinstitches.org.uk/volunteering.htm).

Thank you."

Avril Williams, Rosie in Stitches  
for Friends of the Rosie  
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### Solution to puzzle on page 15

**Across:** 7 Braise, 8 Handle, 9 Evaluate, 10 Idle, 11 Dapper, 13 Enigma, 14 Ferret, 17 Gander, 19 Opus, 20 Optimist, 22 Snatch, 23 Absorb.

**Down:** 1 Trivia, 2 Mill, 3 Repair, 4 Wheeze, 5 Incision, 6 Slalom, 12 Parasite, 15 Expend, 16 Trophy, 17 Gateau, 18 Ensure, 21 Muse.

## Police – Reminder

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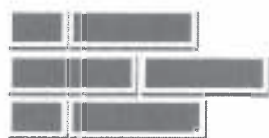
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Willingham's PCSO (Police  
Community Support Officer) is  
Diana Neill. Do make yourself  
known to her when you see her  
in the village. Her email address  
is: diana.neill@cambs.pnn.police.uk  
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or for calls to report incidents.

## Message from our PCSO

It has been brought to my  
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of day along West Fen Road  
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suspicious activity in parked  
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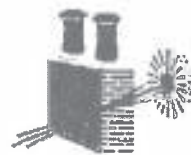
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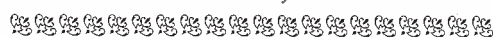
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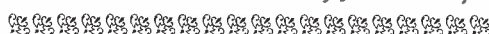
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