# WILLINGHAM NEWS



December 2009

## Christmas Greetings to all our Readers

## Willingham Library - 40 years old

October 2009 was a month of celebration for Willingham Branch Library. The Library opened its doors to the public on Monday 20 October 1969. The building was the former Eastern Gas Showroom and the cost of buying the building, adapting and furnishing it was  $\pounds_{3000}$ .

The village had previously had a 'library' in a room at the County Primary School in Fen End. This consisted of three boxes of books that were brought out for borrowers to look through. For 17 years Miss Ivy Jeeps acted as Librarian, helped by Mrs P Ingle.

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Remembrance Sunday





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## Thanks for long service....

Geoff Benton has done the number two list distribution drop for Willingham News, and before that for the village newsletter, for more than 15 years. Because of the chronic illness of his wife he now has to give up the task.

He deserves warm thanks for his years of devoted service.

## .....and call for a new volunteer

We need someone to take his place. The volunteer needs to be able and willing to pick up about 14 packages each month from the church and deliver them around the village to the people who make the final delivery. We are looking at about 700 magazines, boxed and packed into a dozen drops and weighing in total about 50 Kg.

If you are willing to help, please get in touch with Phil King (telephone 260780).

#### Please contact

#### advertswillinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk with any advertising queries.

Advertising is sold on an annual basis for an insert into 12 issues beginning in January. We can carry one-off black and white ads during the year, subject to availability of space, at a cost of £45 per issue for 1/4 page black and white ad. Ads should be supplied in advance of the monthly deadline and preferably in pdf format. Cheques should be made payable to Willingham Parish Magazine before publication and delivered to Jennifer Hulford, 42 Millfield, Willingham. Please send copy to the above email address, or leave at the library.

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The next issue: Please send material to the following email address: willinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk, and, if possible, send your copy as an email attachment NOT incorporated into the email. Paper copy can be left at the library. Please note that the deadline is 8 December.

**Police Contacts: 08454 564564** The email of our PCSO Diana Neill is diana.neill@cambs.pnn.police.uk





## From the Parish Council

#### **Parish Council Committees**

It was agreed at the November full Parish Council meeting to restructure a rather outdated committee system and thus effect more productive time for the Clerks and the Councillors. It has been decided to retain the Planning Committee. Its role is different from other Committees and it has devolved powers and the need to meet more frequently.

There will be a lead and deputy lead Councillor for each of the main areas of activity and the lead Councillors will represent their area in the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee which is also to be retained. In appropriate cases, working parties will be set up to deal with certain issues and once they are resolved, disbanded. The full Parish Council currently meets monthly. If additional meetings are necessary, these will be set.

It is hoped that the above changes will provide a better service to the Parish, make more effective use of Council resources and ensure that all Councillors are involved in the work of the Council and the decisions it makes.

#### 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.

# details (in alphabetical order) are:-

Your Parish Councillors and their contact

Mr J Anderson	01954-203344
(Planning Committee Chair)	
Mr I Barratt	01954-261609
Mr H Berry	01954-204575
Mr M Borland	01954-203347
Mr J Burnett	01954-270338
Mr A Cook	01954-260325
Mrs K Cornwell	01954-261530
Mrs P Daniels	01954-260505
Mr R Foster	01954-261293
Mr P King	01954-260780
(Council Chair)	
Mr B Kirkman	01954-260393
Mr R Manning	01954-261235
(also Leader of the District Counc	ril)
Mr S Mellows	01954-270063
Mrs R Mumford	01954-260934
Mr G Pake	01954-260534

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

#### **Meeting dates**

Go to the Parish Council Website (www.willinghampc.org.uk), or look at the Parish notice board next to the Public Hall in the High Street or the Library notice board for details of any meetings.

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 2 December 2009 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, email@willinghampc.org.uk.

Clerk: 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.

# Willingham Cricket Club – a view from the past

Married v Single (Two innings match)

*Married:* I F Thoday; W Ellwood; E Gleaves; B Pyke; E Few; B Askew; W Tibbitt; C Huckle; Joseph Gleaves; John Gleaves; Revd Seddon

Single: T Frohock; S Jeeps; H Few; B Read; G Lack; C Askew; E Ingle; T Whittlesey; C Gleaves; E Smith; H Gleaves

*Score:* Married 45 and 41. Single 75 and 15 for 0 wicket.

The match was played on 28 July 1865.

The above was taken from an old scorebook that the Club has recently received.

## From Willingham Action group

#### The menace of speeding traffic

In 2007 a questionnaire was circulated to all households in order to ascertain the hopes and aspirations of the residents of Willingham and inform the Parish Plan. The results showed that some 90% of residents were concerned about the speed and volume of traffic that passed through the village. Residents were concerned about the safety risk that this traffic posed, the noise and the general degradation in their quality of life.

The Parish Council and Willingham Action Group have been working closely in partnership to tackle this and other issues. This article is to bring you up to date with what has been undertaken in 2009 to help find some mitigation to this continuing problem.

The majority of residents cited a bypass as the ideal solution to our traffic problems, hence discussions with Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) started there. On a positive note CCC accepted the benefits of a bypass to our village and commissioned a consultant's report. However, provision of a bypass is closely linked to the development of Northstowe which as we all know is now running some years late. In addition the probable reduction in public sector expenditure as a result of the economic slowdown will have a detrimental impact. It is clear that we have to accept that even if there is agreement to a bypass its construction is still many years away. In the meantime we have a continuing problem of traffic.

On the question of speeding traffic many residents have complained that the police do little to curb speeders. The police respond that there is little more they can do without increased resources (or reducing efforts elsewhere). WAG decided that a way forward was self help and so agreed to join Cambridgeshire Constabulary's Speedwatch initiative. This allows the police to lend villages equipment to measure the speed of individual vehicles and whilst the equipment is not suitable for initiating criminal proceedings the police commander will write to those drivers reported Local (this village) showing excessive speed. speeders can expect a more personal approach from the police. Repeat offenders can expect more positive action. Since we joined the initiative, 287 motorists have been reported to the police for speeding in our village and of those, 132 have been formally notified by the police.

The results of our Speedwatch activities surprised the police with the result that they have increased the number of speed gun patrols and with the darker nights they have used unmarked cars and strategically placed motor cycle patrols - much to the surprise of erring motorists. In a recent meeting with senior officers continuing police support to reducing speeding was agreed.

Clearly not all speeding motorists are residents of other villages; some live in Willingham. Can we ask you to do your bit to comply with the speed limits and set an example to others? It would be embarrassing to get a formal warning from the police or even a ticket.

I would like to thank all those volunteers who have given valuable time to help on the Speedwatch patrols. We still need more volunteers.

Reg Purnell

# Dog fouling – a call for responsible behaviour

There are Parish Council notices at the Village Green and Recreation Ground stating 'No Dogs Allowed'. Unfortunately these seem to be ignored by the 'irresponsible few'.

Are these people aware of the following diseases that can be found in dog faeces:- Parvo Virus, echinoccossis, whipworms, hookworms, roundworms, giarda, coccidian and toxocariasis?

Are the irresponsible few aware that before using the Recreation Ground the 'RESPONSIBLE FEW' have the unenviable job of clearing up dog faeces so that football games, training etc. can go ahead?

Are the 'irresponsible few' aware that the Dog Fouling of Land Act 1996 makes it an offence not to clean up dog faeces from designated public areas, parks and footpaths? Dog owners who allow their dogs to foul these areas can be prosecuted and fined up to £1000. On the spot fixed penalty fines can also be imposed.

Will the 'irresponsible few' take responsibility for a child or adult contracting a disease that could cause blindness? That child could be their own, or a relation or close friend.

A dog warden has written on the internet:

'Responsible owners do not allow their dogs to foul public places. Ideally, dogs should be trained from an early age to "go at home" in their own garden before or after a walk, but if dog fouling does occur away from home the responsible owner will clean it up. Any suitable plastic bag can be used, or special poop-scoop bags can be purchased from various pet shops or veterinary surgeries. Dispose of faeces in a dog waste bin or take the bag home.'

We hope this article will prick the conscience of the irresponsible few to make the Willingham Green and Recreation Ground free of dog faeces.

It has the full support of the Parish Council.

#### David Clarke

on behalf of Willingham Pavilion Committee



## Willingham Medical Practice

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

#### WILLINGHAM SURGERY **OPENING HOURS CHRISTMAS 2009** Mon 21 – Wednesday 23 December Normal hours Thurs 24 Dec Xmas Eve 8 30 am-1 00 pm Fri 25 Dec Christmas Day CLOSED Sat 26 & Sun 27 CLOSED Mon 28 Dec BANK HOLIDAY **CLOSED** Tues 29 Dec Normal hours Wed 30 Dec Normal hours Thurs 31 Dec New Year's Eve 8 30 am - 1 00 pm Fri 1 Jan New Year's Dav CLOSED Mon 4 Jan Normal hours

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Tuesday	8 30 - 1 00	2 00 - 6 00
Wednesday	8 30 - 1 00	2 00 - 7 30
Thursday	8 30 - 1 00	CLOSED
Friday	8 30 - 1 00	2 00 - 6 30

Doctors and staff wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday

When the surgery is closed please ring CAMDOC on 01223 464242

or you can ring NHS Direct on 0845 4647 for advice only.

The last date for ordering your repeat prescriptions in time for the Christmas holidays will be Tuesday 22 December before 6 00 pm for collection on Thursday 24 December (Christmas Eve) before 1 00 pm.

Please ensure that you order in plenty of time. Patients ordering repeat prescriptions late November/early December will be offered two months' supply to cover Christmas and New Year. To prevent wastage please only order those items you need from your repeat medication list.

A list of chemists open on bank holidays will be posted on the surgery front door for those who have been issued with a written prescription from CAMDOC.

**Seasonal and swine flu vaccination clinics** Ring reception for details

**Christmas Lucky Squares** £1 each in aid of **MAGPAS** on sale at Reception in Willingham and Longstanton surgeries. Fantastic prizes - Christmas hampers, bottles, cuddly toys, chocolates and many others. Please support this local charity when you visit the surgery. Any donations for prizes gratefully accepted. Prizewinners will be notified on Mon 21st December.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

## Willingham WEA

A new course is starting on Monday 21 January at 10 00 am in the Hall of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, George Street. The subject is 'The Short Eighteenth Century' - 1714-1793 a neglected period but one which shaped modern Britain with a new ruling house, birth of empire and industrial revolution along with a flowering in the arts and literature. The tutor is Mary Dicken.

Further information from Rosemary Mumford, 01954 260934



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The new Library was open three evenings and two afternoons a week. The first Supervisor was Mrs Alma Cowles and Mrs Gwyneth Rule was the Library Assistant. Both were Willingham residents.

During 1997 a Mobile Library served the village for a few months while the Library building was refurbished. In June 1997 the new building was 'officially' opened and Mrs Grevett, the oldest Library user, cut the cake.

The celebrations in October started with a talk by Chris Jakes of the Cambridgeshire Collection. Chris talked about the '60s - what was happening in Willingham and in the wider world.

The next event was a talk by John Killick, the Cambridgeshire poet-in-residence. John is a poet who works with people with dementia. He read several poems that he had written as a result of talking with people in the early stages of dementia.

Then came the Celebration Tea - Library staff, former Library staff, Friends of Willingham Library and Library users all enjoyed a buffet tea. A special cake was cut by Denis Chandler who, in 1969, was the Librarian responsible for stocking the Library with 7000 books, including children's books and reference books.

The final event was specially for children. 'Wally' was hidden in several places in the Library for the children to find. A great time was had by all!

The village is very lucky to still have a Library and especially lucky to have such dedicated and efficient staff. Long may it continue.

Rosemary Mumford



## Letters to the Editor

#### Cross word about Sudoku

I was shocked and disappointed to find that the crossword in the *Willingham News* has been replaced by the dreaded Sudoku. This is enough to make the most patient and forbearing members of your readership weep, let alone Willow. Please ask him/her to bring back the crossword at the earliest opportunity.

Peter Leaver 45 Church Street

(*Mr Leaver has no need to weep this month. As he will see, the crossword is very much alive – but the dreaded Sudoku is not dead!*)

## Willingham Tabernacle Baptist Church Christmas Fayre

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2-4pm

Stalls will include a toy stall, book stall, homemade jams and chutneys, handmade craft items, Christmas biscuits, cakes and tree decorations, all handmade, a jewellery stall, Fairtrade stall and wood carvings made by Christians in Bethlehem.

Crafts and activities will be available for the children.

Coffee & mince pies will also be served.

Please come along and join us!



I have recently returned to the village after many years away. I was a member of an active creative writing group, and would very much like to belong to one in Willingham, or, if there isn't one, start one. Basically, where I lived before, we met once a week, on a Monday morning for two and a half hours, and took it in turns to read what we had written the previous week, be it a short story, poem or monologue. We tended to take it in turns to host the sessions. I know that there is an art group in the village, and drama also. I know that there are creative writing groups in Cambridge, but I don't drive, so can't get to any of them.

Kathryn Brookes pawsrest@btinternet.com



## **Old Willingham**

Last month we showed this picture of the Black Bull pub shortly after it was built. The building on the corner is about to be demolished and the sign reads: 'M. WYNN builders LTD phone Histon 623 – DANGER'. We asked readers for information about the old building. The answer is that it was, in fact, the original Black Bull. The new pub was built along side and the business transferred. Then the old pub was knocked down and part of the site used for road widening and a footpath. The remaining land is now an outside seating area. Note the large building behind the old pub which was knocked down at the same time. The pub landlord at this time was George Lack. His daughter Queenie took over later.



Pastoral Letter

Here we are then in December, counting down the days to Christmas; anticipating all the excitement of tinsel, turkey, and trees. I love Christmas and look forward to it with an almost childlike expectation. I also have a Christmas tradition of my own! Each year at some point in December I will try to make time to sit and watch my favourite Christmas film - It's a Wonderful Life!

For those of you who don't know the film it takes place in the fictional town of Bedford Falls shortly after World War II and stars James Stewart as George Bailey, a man whose imminent suicide on Christmas Eve gains the attention of his (trainee) guardian angel, Clarence, who is sent to help him in his hour of need. George tells Clarence that he wished he had never been born, and wanted to end it all. Much of the film is told through flashbacks spanning George's entire life. Through these flashbacks we see all the people whose lives have been touched by George and the difference he has made to the community in which he lives.

*I* won't spoil the ending for you by telling how it all turns out but be prepared for tears and some life affirming emotion!

George Bailey wished he had never been born, his life had not made much difference or at least that's what he thought - the reality was very different.

At Christmas we remember that Christ came into the world and that His coming makes a difference. Yes, Christ does make a difference to the world, but more significantly he can make a real difference to our personal world - when we allow Him to enter our lives and bring peace, forgiveness and blessing. Of all the carols that we will hear, or maybe sing, this December, I think that none puts this message better than the words of the third verse of the carol 'O Little Town Of Bethlehem'.

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given. So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven. No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin Where meek souls will receive Him, Still, the dear Christ enters in.

May you know the rich blessings of Christmas and the difference that Jesus can make.

Have a great Christmas, have a wonderful life!

Major Aubrey Draycott Salvation Army

## November 2009



## **Salvation Army**

**Every Monday** Coffee and Fellowship from 10 30 am to 12 00 noon

Craft meeting 2 00 to 4 00 pm

**Luncheon Club** now runs fortnightly on Thursdays at 12 30 pm

**Christmas Dinner** on Thursday 17 December – the last Luncheon Club for the year

To book a place call Daphne on 01954 260568

## **Baptist Matters**

**Baby Notes** A music group for babies and their parents/carers. Monday afternoons at 2 30 pm for newborn to crawling and 3 pm for babies crawling to walking.

**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.

**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.

**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 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.

**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.

All activities will end **a**t the end of term for the Christmas break and will resume again in January.

# **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.

#### 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 very popular cake stall takes place on the first Saturday of the month, at the church – this month on 5 December. It begins at 10 00 am.

**Bric-a-brac** Rene Gould's stall is at 19 Fen End. It's well worth a visit, by buyers and sellers.

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

#### December 2009



THE SALVATION ARMY SILVER STREET www.salvationarmy.org/ uk/willingham

6 December 5 00 pm 13 December 5 00 pm 20 December 3 00 pm Carol Service 25 December Christmas Day 10 00 am 27 December 5 00 pm

## ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH STREET WILLINGHAM

#### www.willinghamchurch.org

#### 6 December

11 00 am	Parish Communion			
13 December				
8 00 am	Holy Communion			
	(BCP)*			
11 00 am	Christingle - Uniformed			
	Groups			
6 00 pm	Evensong			
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8 00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)			
11 00 am	Nativity Service			
22 December	· (Tuesday)			
7 00 pm	Carol Service			
24 December				
3 00 pm	Crib Service			
11 30 pm	Midnight Communion			
25 December	Christmas Day			
10 00 am	Family Communion			
27 December				
11 00 am	Parish Communion			

\* BPC = Book of Common Prayer

During the interregnum there is a special time for prayer in the sacristy on the first Saturday morning of each month. (In **December: 5th**). 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).

## WILLINGHAM TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH GEORGE STREET

www.willinghambaptist.org

6 December		
10 00 am	Rev Trevor Rowe	
	(Communion)	
6 00 pm	Elizabeth Herrington	
13 December	r	
10 00 am	Rev Trevor Rowe	
4 00 pm	Children's Christmas	
	Presentation	
20 December		
9 00 am Keith Rawlinson		
10 45 am	All – Age Service at	
	Primary School Christmas	
Special		
6 00 pm	Carol Service	
27 December		
10 00 am	Rev Trevor Rowe	
6 00 pm	Elizabeth Herrington	
	(Communion)	

Any enquiries please contact: Rev Trevor Rowe (Minister) (01954 261193), Hilary Wyllie (Church Secretary) (01954 260051), Emma Launchbury (Administrator) (01954 263108)

### CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

19 Needingworth Road, St Ives www.sacredheart-stives.org

Saturday 5 00 pm (Anticipatory) Sunday 8 00 am and 11 00 pm

#### CHRISTIANS TOGETHER PRAYING FOR THE PEOPLE OF WILLINGHAM.

In December, West Fen Road, Westmeadow Close, Whites Path and Wilford Furlong will be in our thoughts.

#### Peal of bells for Christmas

The church bells will ring from 2 30 – 5 30 pm on Saturday 12 December.



## Women's Institute



The December meeting of Willingham WI will be the annual Christmas party with food and entertainment for WI members. It will be held at the Social Club on Monday December 14th at 7 30 pm. Please remember to bring your plate, bowl and cutlery. Drinks will be available from the Social Club bar (ie please don't bring your own as we would like to

support the Social Club). Please make sure your name is on the list for the party to help the caterers (ring Doreen on 200561 if you need to check).

#### Quiz Night 2010

Willingham WI will be holding their popular annual Quiz Night on Friday, 29 January at Willingham Social Club. To book a team (4 or 6 people) please contact Jacky on 261861 or Gill on 201989. Tickets will be £7 per person to include a fish and chip supper. Drinks will be available from the Social Club bar (own drinks not permitted). Further details including start time in next month's *Willingham News*.



Willingham Ladies Hockey Club is open to any ladies over the age of 18 who would like to play hockey on a fun basis. We're not in a league and you don't have to commit to coming every week. So why not give it a try. It's a great way to keep fit!

Players meet at Willingham Recreation Ground at 10 00 am on Saturdays from September to June.

For further details telephone Kris on 01954 202082

## 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 become a member at a very modest annual subscription. In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and other places of interest and there is an annual Club holiday too, usually in May.

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

#### **Meetings/Presentations and Outings**

Monday 7 December, 2009 - members' Xmas party (guests of members also welcome) same time and venue as for meetings. There is a modest charge for guests of  $\pounds_5$ .

Monday 4 January 2010 - Club Meeting when Rodney Tibbs will speak to us about his visit to the Antarctic.

Our programme of outings for 2009 is at an end. We shall announce details of the programme for 2010 in these pages in due course when arrangements have been made.

We wish all members and others who have supported us during the year a merry Xmas and happy new year.

#### Horticultural and Craft Show 2009



Gordon Spackman receiving the auctioneer's trophy for his longstanding support of the Horticultural and Craft Show.



www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library 0345 0455225



Monday Tuesday		5 00 - 7 00 pm 2 30 - 7 00 pm
Wednesda	ay Closed	1
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	

#### Engage in the Afternoon

Come along to these special free sessions on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 00 to 3 30 pm. There are speakers, tea/coffee and biscuits and a chance to change books and use the computers.

#### Future sessions

Wednesday 2 December - Christmas Session. Bring along a Christmas object or memory to share and enjoy a mince pie.

Wednesday 6 January – Tracy Howard will speak about Anglia Crossroads, an organisation which helps elderly and disabled people manage in their own homes. Wednesday 3 February – to be confirmed.

Wednesday 3 March – Carol Bailey will make a welcome

return to talk about flowers for Springtime and Easter.

#### DANCE OR JUST LISTEN TO

## 'THE OPUS 17 SWING BAND'

Saturday 30th January 2010 at the Community Centre Drings Close, Over, Cambridge CB24 5NW Doors open 7.30 for an 8.00pm start

If you like to dance, come and join us for an evening of 40's and 50's music played by this 18 piece live band. If you enjoyed last year's event, you must not miss this one! Tickets selling fast.

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All the proceeds will be going to Over Day Centre who are staging this event.

## **Crossword set by Willow**



#### Across

- 7 Vegetable squash (6)
- 8 Keen judgment (6)
- 9 Very lazy (4-4)
- 10 Prong of a fork (4)
- 11 Regimental flag (6)
- 13 American wild cat (6)
- 14 Larder (6)
- 17 Pointless (6)
- 19 Large jug (4)
- 20 Team game played with nets on sticks (8)
- 22 Electric generator (6)
- 23 Legal adminstrator of 21s (6)

#### Down

- 1 Shallow body of water (6)
- 2 Kind of eagle (4)
- 3 Stockholm's country (6)
- 4 Summerhouse (6)
- 5 Result of a division sum (8)
- 6 Shed (4-2)
- 12 Theatre break (8)
- 15 On every occasion (6)
- 16 Cowardly (6)
- 17 Fruitful (6)
- 18 Shiny appearance (6)
- 21 Pledge (4)

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MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
Dec 2	Christmas Reminiscences	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 00 pm-3 30 pm
5	Christmas Fayre	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	2 00 - 4 00 pm
5	Swavesey Choir Concert	Swavesey Community Choir	St Andrew's Church	7 30 pm
6	Talk by Tracy Howard on Anglia Crossroads	Engage in the afternoon	Willingham Library	2 00 - 3 30 pm
7	Christmas Party	Willingham Gardening Club	Willingham Social Club	Members' guests - £5.00
14	Christmas Party	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm
19	Xmas Disco	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	8 00 pm - until late Member free, Guests £5.00
20	Children's Xmas Party	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	2 00 – 4 30 pm £3.00
31	New Year's Eve Disco	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	8 00 pm – 12 30 am Members free, Guests £5.00
Jan 4	Talk by Rodney Tibbs on 'My visit to the Antarctic'.	Willingham Gardening Club	Willingham Social Club	
21	The Short 18th Century	WEA	Baptist Hall	10 00 am
23	Disco (For Motor Neurone Assn)	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	Gill 201989 8.0pm - 11.30
29	Quiz Night	Womens Institute	Social Club	
30	Opus 17 Swing Band	Over Day Centre	Community Centre	7 30 pm
Feb				
1	Talk by Richard Revells on 'The Trials of life of Butterflies'.	Willingham Gardening Club	Willingham Social Club	7 30 pm

## **Village Diary**

Swavesey Community Choir Concert Saturday 5 December at 7.30 pm, St Andrews Church, Swavesey

#### Veni, Veni Emmanuel

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# Se Se Se Se Se Honeypot Christmas Fayre

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 10 30 am - 12 30 pm

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	British School Trust	Richard Foster	01954 283030
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	Tigger Toddlers	Sarah Custance	01954 201567
	Old Buttery Nursery School	Saran Custance	01954 202005
	2nd Brownies	Mar O Dala	01954 260046
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Across: 7 Marrow, 8 Acumen, 9 Bone-idle, 10 Tine, 11 Ensign, 13 Ocelot, 14 Pantry, 17 Futile, 19 Ewer, 20 Lacrosse, 22 Dynamo, 23 Notary.

Down: 1 Lagoon, 2 Erne, 3 Sweden, 4 Gazebo, 5 Quotient, 6 Lean-to, 12 Interval, 15 Always, 16 Yellow, 17 Fecund, 18 Lustre, 21 Oath.

### The Over Day Centre

The Over Day Centre was established in 1989 to provide day care for frail and elderly people. Clients come not only from Over, but also the surrounding villages of Bar Hill, Longstanton, Willingham, Swavesey, Rampton, Cottenham and Elsworth.

The Centre is a charitable independent organisation, which is run by a small amount of grants/ sponsorship, with the remaining funds being raised by our dedicated team of fund raisers.

Activities at the Centre include, keep fit, active games, reminiscence, singing, crafts, quizzes, raffles, bingo and visits from various traders.

We are holding our Christmas Fayre on Friday 11th December at 2pm in the Day Centre. You are welcome to come along and browse amongst the stalls. Our Grand Raffle Draw will also take place during the afternoon. We would love to meet you!

#### **Diary Dates**

Friday 11th December	Xmas Fayre and Grand
	Draw - 2pm
Monday 14th December	Christmas outing
Monday 21st December	Christmas lunch and Party

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