

WILLINGHAM NEWS



September 2010

Challenges for two Willingham residents

Champion receives his cup

Phil Gray was the individual silver medallist, and was part of the Great Britain team which won the team silver medal. (FITASC is clay pigeon shooting: Fédération Internationale de Tir Aux Sportives de Chasse.)

Aged 18, Phil lives in Willingham, and works as a roofer for the Cambridge firm, John Kitteridge Roofers.

He writes about his enthusiasm for the sport.

I started shooting at a very young age; I got my shotgun certificate and was the youngest person in the UK to obtain one at the age of ten. I would shoot every weekend. I started to win club trophies, and represented the Cambridgeshire team at a very early age. I found the thrill of breaking clays amazing. My dad and his friend Jamie Harding were there with advice and help if I was struggling, and my scores kept on increasing.

There are many disciplines in clay shooting, and to begin with my main ones were down the line, sport trap, and sporting. All of these allow you to have the gun pre-mounted into your shoulder when you call for the clay.

As my shooting improved I moved on to a more demanding discipline called fitasc. In this you must have the gun below a special line on your skeet vest when you call for the clay, and you are not allowed to mount the gun until you can see the clay. This obviously makes things more difficult. I love this discipline and it is now the main one for me.



Phil Gray receives his cup at the World FITASC Championship in Italy.

This discipline has brought me the most recognition. Last year I made the junior team to represent Great Britain in Europe, and brought back bronze. I also made the team to shoot the world, but unfortunately this was in Australia, and I was unable to go due to work commitments and lack of sponsors. (No prize funds like snooker or golf.)

However, I made the team again this year for the world championship. To achieve this you have to shoot four selection shoots and obtain points to define where you come in each one. The three highest scores make the team.

This year the world fitasc was held in Italy. When we arrived the temperature was in the 40s. This proved to make the shoot very hard.

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My Late Introduction to Classics

by Ian Niblock

I first became deeply involved with Classics, some 20 years ago, while I was browsing the shelves in Heffer's Trinity Street Bookshop in Cambridge.



There were two books side-by-side on a shelf, both with the title *Reading Greek*. One contained the text, the other the grammar and vocabulary. It was a surprise to find that one of the first passages to be translated described an attempted insurance fraud which took place around the beginning of the 5th Century BC! I was to discover later that the Athenians relied heavily at that time upon imports of grain from the Black Sea area, and it was common for ship-owners to insure against the loss of their cargoes. I was familiar with some of the ports around the Black Sea while serving as a marine engineer. Whereas the Greeks shipped grain, we shipped petrol.

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Dear Readers

We are pleased that there have been interesting contributions from readers – including younger readers – in the past couple of months.

Our aim is to ensure that *Willingham News* is a good reflection of life in the village, and to achieve that aim we need your ideas and suggestions, so please continue to send them.

Early next month we have Feast Weekend. Last year there was a varied programme of events inspired and organised by WAG – the Willingham Action Group, which was set up to ensure that ideas which emerged in the Parish Plan are carried forward. This year, WAG again has some interesting events to offer to you. We hope the Feast Weekend is memorable and enjoyable.

Meanwhile, don't miss this month's big event – the Horticultural and Craft Show.

The Editor

Bin Collections

2 September (Thursday)	Black bin
8 September	Green bin and box
15 September	Black bin
22 September	Green bin and box
29 September	Black bin

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From the Parish Council

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Willingham Lode

In addition to the volunteer clearance works, the Environment Agency will be asked to dredge the Lode as this has not been done for many years, causing the Lode to gradually silt up and water levels to rise.

Parking at the junction of Schole and Rampton Roads

The police will be asked to look into inconsiderate parking at this dangerous corner.

Winter gritting routes

These will be shortly clarified and guidance given on the responsibilities and liability of householders clearing snow outside their homes.

Library service

Early indications are that our library will not be affected by cuts. **Please make best use of your library to help keep it open.**

Police service and cuts

The worst case scenario reflecting the 40% cut in the County Council's budget would be to reduce police numbers from 1400 to 300, although practicalities render this unlikely. The Government's view is that police should concentrate on crime alone; helping with civil emergencies, such as flooding, should not be within their remit.

District Council matters

The new Chief Executive, Jean Hunter, will take up post at the end of September.

The District Council has voted against taking on the £200 million debt to buy back equity shares in public housing.

The distribution of local grant funding has been frozen as the Council is currently owed £80000.

MPs have been asked to support the Council when taking tough decisions regarding traveller matters. It is hoped that planning inspectors will no longer be empowered to reverse planning decisions provided that proper procedures have been followed.

The failure to upgrade the A14 impacts adversely on business investment and would limit Northstowe to no more than 1500 houses.

Strategic planning

Council and WAG representatives will form a working party to agree strategic objectives for the life of the current Parish Council and a wish list for longer term aims.

Police matters

There is no news to report regarding the rape of a woman in Mill Lane. Police have been told about the pack of wild dogs attacking domestic animals.

Football wall

This has been erected on the recreation ground and thanks are due to John Anderson, David Clarke and their helpers.

Provision of grants by the Parish Council

The criteria for making, approving and accounting for these will be clarified and submitted for consideration at the September meeting of the Council.

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), 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 1 September 2010 at The Octagon, St Mary and All Saints Church, Church Street** and is open to the public.

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The Office will be open on all weekday mornings from 10 am to 1 pm, except Bank Holidays. Appointments may be made by calling the Office. There is an answer-phone outside office hours, and the Clerk undertakes to return any calls as quickly as possible.

Can we tempt you to 'A STROLL IN THE PARK' Sunday 10 October

The Cambridge Branch of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People is organising a sponsored stroll in Milton Country Park on Sunday 10 October from 10 00 am until approximately 3 00 pm. We would like to encourage people from Cambridge and the surrounding villages to come along with their dogs and families and enjoy a walk whilst raising much-needed funds for this very worthwhile cause. We will present medals to those who complete the course and there will be a treat for dogs at the finish point.

On the day there will be a giant tombola, Hearing Dogs merchandise, puppies in training, working partnerships and much more. There is an excellent café where, after your walk, you can sit back and enjoy some refreshments or alternatively stock up at the café before you start so that you can enjoy a picnic en route. There are plenty of seats along the way so that you can stop and enjoy the scenery and all that the park has to offer. The routes will meander along paths beside the lakes where, at the time of writing, there are swans, cygnets, ducks and ducklings to be seen.

Despite the proximity to the A14 there is a very tranquil atmosphere and the site is very child and dog friendly. The routes of two miles and approximately five miles will be well marked and maps will be available. The majority of the route is very wheelchair and pushchair friendly and is generally flat. Dogs and accompanied children will be very welcome.

Cost per participant is just £2 but we hope that many walkers will obtain sponsorship to increase the amount raised for the charity. We would very much like this to be an annual event so please do come and support us. For further details, or to obtain entry and sponsorship forms please contact Jenny Parker.

Email contact: jennifer.parker5@btopenworld.com
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Sudoku

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6		1						
		3	5			7		
	3	7					1	
9	8		4					
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Ode to Eric



Dear Eric – we will miss you lots,
Whatever shall we do?
Will life in Willingham be the same
Without the likes of you?

Your cheery voice, a smile, a joke,
In weather rain or shine,
And think of all those 'goody bags'
You brought at Christmas time!

Oh, will the milk still taste as good
As we sip our cuppa tea –
And think of Eric as we do,
And say, ... "Now, where is he?"

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Vaccination records If you are starting University in September you will probably be asked to supply details of your vaccination history. We can supply a print-out of your vaccination records for university or other purposes but please allow at least 24 hours for this to be prepared.

Antibiotics are important medicines used to treat infections caused by bacteria. They can be life-saving for infections such as meningitis. However bacteria can adapt and become 'antibiotic resistant' so the antibiotic no longer works. By using antibiotics less often we can slow down the development of resistance. Antibiotics are only effective against bacterial infections and do not work against viral infections which are more common. All colds and most coughs and sore throats are caused by viruses and antibiotics will not work.

Antibiotic prescribing Your doctor will only prescribe antibiotics when you need them for an infection. **Please do not expect your doctor to prescribe antibiotics when they are not appropriate.** In recent years fewer new antibiotics have been discovered and the more often we use our existing antibiotics the more likely it is that bacteria, such as those that cause meningitis, will become resistant to them.

Colds, coughs and sore throats The best way to treat these is to drink plenty of fluid and rest. Colds can last about two weeks and may end with a cough and bringing up phlegm. There are many over the counter remedies which can help the symptoms. Please ask our pharmacist for advice. If the cold lasts more than three weeks or you become breathless or have chest pains, or you already have a chest complaint, see your doctor.

Children and coughs, colds and sore throats It's very common for children to get coughs and colds when mixing at school and to pass them on to the family. Most coughs and colds get better just as quickly without antibiotics. Ask our pharmacy team for advice on the best remedies for children. If you see the doctor you shouldn't expect that your child will automatically be prescribed antibiotics. By not using them unnecessarily they are more likely to work when your child most needs them.

Flu vaccinations Flu vaccination is recommended and is free under the NHS to all people of 65 years and over, and to those of any age with a long term medical condition, for example diabetes, heart disease, kidney or liver disease, asthma or any breathing disorder. Carers (in receipt of Carers Allowance) are also eligible. Please enquire if unsure.

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Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Ante Natal/Baby Clinic		2 00 – 4 00
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 00 pm
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	Half day
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Emergencies		4 00 – 6 00

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Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 30

Flu vaccination clinics We will be holding clinics in October. Please ring reception towards the end of September to book your appointment and remember to tell the receptionist that the appointment is for a flu vaccination. Due to the large number of people needing this protection we plan to hold some flu vaccine only sessions and ask that people wear short-sleeved clothing for easy access to arms! Many thanks.

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Willingham Youth Trust

Willingham Youth Trust (WYT) is in the process of formation as a Charity with limited company status, currently having eight Trustees, with the objective of attracting funds in order to establish dedicated youth facilities for the village. There have been several attempts in the past to run youth clubs and provide a forum for young people, which have not been sustained. The Parish Council has been involved with such initiatives and currently supports the Connections Bus and contributes to a youth worker.

The Parish Plan questionnaire outcomes provide an insight into opinion regarding the lack of youth facilities. Under the sections dealing with Crime, Disorder and Disturbance and Social Amenities there was a strongly held view that the provision of activities and facilities benefiting the young people of the village was a priority. In addition the Youth questionnaire, to which there was a good response, demonstrated overwhelming support for a Youth Club and drop-in café centre.

The Willingham Action Group (WAG), formed after publication of the Parish Plan report, sought to address the issues raised in collaboration with the Parish Council. Progress has been made in establishing a weekly youth session run by trained youth workers employed through the County Council Youth Service in addition to the Connections Bus.

Such arrangements have their limitations and were never considered as a solution but a step in the direction towards providing dedicated facilities. There will however be many hurdles to overcome, the most obvious being funding. Following the successful example in another village in the locality it was decided to set up a formally constituted organisation with charitable status to better attract funds and provide the necessary project management.

Although there is a shared view that Willingham needs dedicated youth facilities there will inevitably be diverse views as to what those facilities should be and where they should be located. There are many options to be considered each with favourable aspects and associated problems to be overcome. Consultation and the creation of a common vision shared by the young people, their parents and the wider community is the only way forward. Also to attract funding a comprehensive project document will have to be prepared demonstrating it has community support and backing.

The Trustees cannot make decisions in isolation so urgently request those with a view and interest in making something happen to get in contact and get involved. Initially the formation of a Parent Panel is suggested as a way for the Trustees to engage with both parents and young people to analyse and present the preferred options for wider consultation.

Please contact *Trevor Rowe*, WYT Chairman,
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Phil Gray continued from page 1

The competition is 200 clays shot over four days. My first day did not prove too good as I only shot 41 out of 50 and was very disappointed. However, I left the ground to relax and made up my mind to try harder tomorrow.

The second day proved to be just as hot; so I was happy to put in a score of 45 out of 50. This made me feel a little better, but I knew that I still had a lot of work to do if I intended to keep up with the big boys of the competition.

My third day was the best of all; I managed to put in a score of 50 out of 50. This definitely helped. Now all I had to do was keep my head for the last day. My final score was 49 out of 50. I was very disappointed to have missed out on 100 out of 100, but was pleased to have put in an overall score of 185 out of 200.

This gave me Individual Silver place as a junior. I missed out on Gold by three clays. I also got a special trophy for shooting 99 out of 100, and also another for being ranked number 13 in the world. And finally the junior team also got silver.

On the whole I had a brilliant time. I can't explain the thrill of being ranked number two junior in the world and number 13 over all.

Now it all starts again and this month will be the first of the selection shoots where I will be trying to get on the Great Britain team again, for next year.

Phil Gray

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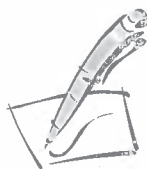
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Graham has appeared at the Centre many times with various jazz bands and around three years ago he formed his own band touring and playing around the country. Judging from the information that gets back to us he is becoming ever more popular and, as one local jazz fan stated, the band is 'a breath of fresh air'.

Tickets, priced at £8.50, are available from Julia 01954 230056 or Val on 230655 or email julia_warren@btinternet.com

Raffle for a local organisation

Letter to the Editor



Calling all grandparents

Last month I wrote a letter suggesting we should have a Grandparents club for those of us who are involved either regularly or less frequently in childcare. (See August issue)

I have already had some response and will be getting back to these Grandparents. Meanwhile a new school term is about to start and there may be some of you who about to take on the school run for the first time. There may be others who have just become Grandparents or some who are about to be involved in childcare as parents return to work.

If you are interested in getting together to chat informally please let me know. We can then decide how to proceed.

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Dick Whittington – still some opportunities

The cast of Willingham Stagecraft's pantomime 'Dick Whittington' are about to throw themselves headfirst into rehearsals. September will see the Public Hall once again alive with song and dance routines, comedy, and actors trying their best to learn lines.

We have a talented cast, fantastic costumes and an enthusiastic team putting it all together. There are still a few spaces in the adult and junior chorus, so if you were unsure about coming along to the auditions, it's not too late! Phone Laura on **260226** before the end of September or come along to a rehearsal at the Public Hall on any Tuesday evening in September to see what's involved.

Anyone aged 7–12 who would like to join the junior chorus, please phone first. We're an inclusive group so all ages and abilities are welcome to take part. We are also still looking for people to help out backstage and front of house, so whatever your skills, come and join in.

Ian Niblock continued from page 1

I bought both the books and was able to make steady progress through the early chapters. Like many people with an engineering background, I knew and could pronounce the first few letters of the Greek alphabet, which we used in mathematical calculations. It would have a very long mathematical expression which needed the use of all the letters of the Greek alphabet!

It might be asked: What was an engineer doing examining Greek textbooks? Part of the reason may have been that I enjoyed reading the writings of George Steiner, the distinguished literary critic. I know little about literary criticism, but in his essays, Steiner includes short passages from novels and he comments upon them. There was no need for the reader to purchase or borrow the book from which the passages came. As Steiner points out, 'as never before, the student and the person interested in the current of literature reads reviews and critiques of books, rather than the books themselves, or before he has made the effort of personal judgement.'

In his book *Language and Silence*, he provides an essay on the achievements of F R Leavis, the onetime Cambridge don, who was an even more distinguished literary critic. Steiner observes that 'The commanding axiom in Leavis' life work is the conviction that there is a close relation between a man's capacity to respond to art and his general fitness for human existence.'

This strong conviction was expressed in the Richmond Lecture in which Leavis proclaimed that C P Snow, who was both a novelist and a scientist, was ignorant. Snow had suggested that while most scientists had limited literary knowledge, there was little knowledge of the laws of thermodynamics amongst lecturers and students of the Humanities. On reading this, I thought I should see 'how the other half lived'.

Steiner believes that it is not sufficient to study one's own national literature, but it should be studied alongside the literature of another nation. He also noted that the majority of 18th and early 19th century writers were versed in the Classics.

On reading this I thought I should enrol for a course in Classical Greek, and attended weekend courses at Madingley Hall. I also attended a Summer school at the University of Wales Lampeter. I was allowed to undertake some postgraduate courses in Classics and I'm presently working towards an MA in Classics.

Ian Niblock has lived in Willingham for many years, since retiring from the Merchant Navy.

Charity Lunch

The September charity lunch in support of Motor Neurone will be held on 11 September at 1 00 pm at the home of Amy and Alan Robinson at 15A High Street.

The meal consists of soup, bread and cheese and costs £3. All are welcome.

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Pastoral Letter

Dear Friends,

I hope that you have enjoyed the summer and that you feel refreshed and ready to recommence the work that God is calling us to do in the new church year.

While we were on holiday this year, we looked at the PADI (Open Water Diving) website. I was intrigued by some words which I imagine to be the PADI motto. This is what it said:

Kill only time

Take only memories

Leave only bubbles

God gave us the world to live in. He entrusted it to our care, to be good stewards of our planet and to look after it. We haven't always cared for the earth as we should have done, but we can choose how we continue to nurture the environment in the future. Each day, we all make decisions, many of which affect the world and all that lives and breathes upon it.

The PADI motto is a good rule of thumb to use as we care for our planet, reminding us

that we all have a part to play, and that we should do our best to protect the world for future generations. If you enjoy the beauty of your surroundings, particularly in appreciating the variety of the seasons to which we are exposed in this country, remember that we appreciate them because others have done things before our time, like planting trees and bulbs, or protecting the coastline, so that we could enjoy the fine features enjoyed by so many. How we behave in this country also influences how others fare in different parts of the world, such as climate change. We have seen recently the result of adverse weather conditions in different parts of the world which have brought loss of life to many.

As the autumn arrives, welcome her beauty. Be careful in your use of water, think wisely about how to travel, don't waste good resources. If we all take time to be more mindful of our impact on the world, we can change our planet towards a better future.

Thinking of the environment . . . and you,

Hilary Cheng

Methodist Minister

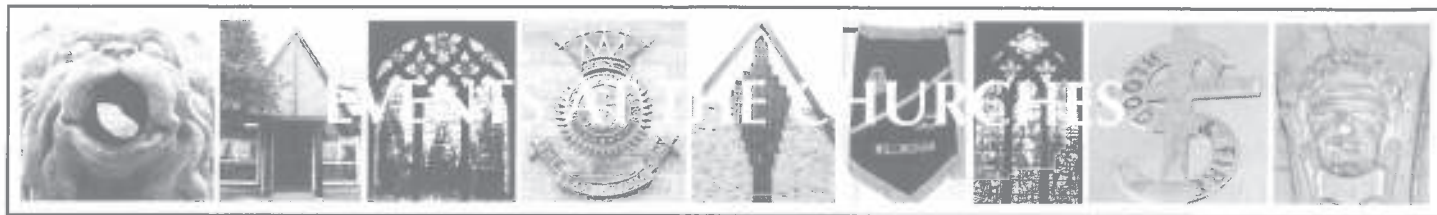
Friends of Willingham Library September Quiz

The answers begin with E or F

(Answers on page 16)

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. Died 14 February 2010 – he was a jockey and wrote loads of thrillers about horses. | 8. The poet of: (and there are no mistakes!)
<i>Fille et mère et mère et fille et fille et mère et mère et fille et fille et mère et mère et fille et fille et mère et mère et fille et fille et mère.</i> |
| 2. Who wrote <i>Macavity: The Mystery Cat</i> ? | 9. <i>Silas Marner</i> – the author? |
| 3. The creator of the Dutch detective Piet Van der Valk? | 10. <i>The Day of the Jackal</i> – one of his best. |
| 4. One of the funniest and most enjoyable books once you get into it – set in Hungary in the 1950s – <i>Under the Frog</i> – written by? | 11. Italian writer of <i>The Name of the Rose</i> . An historian and scholar of James Joyce. |
| 5. Once US President Nixon's assistant and a key man in the Watergate build-up. He wrote <i>The Company</i> . | 12. Her Assistant District Attorney, Alexandra Cooper, solves the crimes. Who created her? |
| 6. His fourth novel – 'a harrowing tale of love and war' – <i>Birdsong</i> . | 13. Born in Cardiff in 1911, he was MP for Coventry. He spoke French, German and Russian and his special interest was Anglo-French affairs. He wrote several novels including: <i>The Minister</i> and <i>The Fratricides</i> . |
| 7. Herself a criminal lawyer, her thrillers feature Crown Prosecutor Helen West and Detective Superintendent Geoffrey Bailey. | 14. <i>The History of Tom Jones</i> . If you haven't read it, try it! The author? |

Why not pop along to Willingham Library and see what you can borrow?



Parish Church

Bubbles – is held in the Octagon every Friday during school term time from 10 am to 11 15 am. Bubbles is for pre-school children accompanied by parents or carers. It offers a time to meet others and be creative.



Coffee Stop – Every Tuesday morning from 10 am to 11 30 am in the Octagon. You are very welcome to 'drop-in' for coffee or tea and a chat.



Cake Stall - This month on Saturday 4th September in the Church. There is always a good selection of cakes to buy and also home-made jams and chutneys for sale.



Bric-a-brac Always on sale at 19 Fen End, the home of Rene Gould and certainly worth a visit.

Proceeds from the Cake Stall and the Bric-a-brac Stall go to the Restoration Fund.

Mothers' Union We open our Autumn meeting with a service in Church on Monday 27 September at 2 30 pm, led by the Reverend Valerie Kilner. *Families First* subscriptions are due. Also we shall have a Bring & Buy Stall. Transport can be arranged.

Leprosy stamps

Thank you to all of you that have saved your used postage stamps for me over the years. As there have not been any volunteers to take over from me, there will not be any further collections.

Milford Jeeps

Baptist Church

Bumps and Babies, for mums to be and those with babies up to 18 months restarts on Thursday 9 September at 10 00 am with a new programme.

Baby Notes recommences on Monday, 6 September at 2 30 pm.

TOPS for parents and carers with children from 18 months up will restart on Tuesday, 7 September at 9 45 am.

Rock Solid for those in school years 6-9 will restart on Tuesday, 7 September at 6 30 pm with a new programme.

Open Door on Thursdays at 10 00 am is the opportunity to come and chat and make new friends over a cup of tea or coffee. It restarts on **9 September**.

Kids' Friday Club New programme 'Take Away' begins Friday 10 September at 6 30 pm for all children of primary school age. If you enjoyed Rocky's Plaiice Holiday club you will love KFC!

TGI Sunday 11 00 am on the third Sunday of each month. It's church, but not as you know it! A lively contemporary style suitable for all age groups and those who don't like church!

Salvation Army

Coffee mornings and Fellowship:

Mondays at 10 30 am

Craft: Mondays at 2 00 pm

Luncheon Club: Fortnightly on alternate Thursdays. (9 and 23 September)

(Ring Daphne on 01954 260568 or Gordon on 01954 260066)

There is room for a few more.

WILLINGHAM FEAST



Thursday 7 October to Tuesday 12 October 2010

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| • Music Evening | • Treasure Hunt |
| • Feast Market/Boot Sale | • Bell Ringing |
| • Seniors' Tea Party | • Primary School Concert |
| • Chinese Lanterns | • Fun Fair |
| • Live Band Ceilidh | • Giant Scalextric |
| • Concert on the Green | • Art/Photography Exhibition |
| • Pampered Chef | • Walk/Run/Cycle to Ely |
| • Children's Activities | |

For more information or to get involved contact

Mike Tidball on 260647 or go to www.willinghamlife.co.uk



**ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS
CHURCH STREET
WILLINGHAM**

www.willinghamchurch.org

5 September

11 00 am Parish Communion

12 September

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)*

11 00 am All Age Worship

There will be **no evensong** in September

19 September

11 00 am Parish Communion

26 September

8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)*

11 00 am Harvest Festival

Back to Church Sunday

* BCP = **B**ook of **C**ommon **P**rayer

During the interregnum there is a special time for prayer in the Sacristy on the first Saturday of each month – 4th September.

Children are welcome at all our 11 00 am Services. On the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays there are activities for Primary School age children. There is a crèche for younger children. On the 2nd and 4th Sundays we have activities in the 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 Steve Mellows (270063) or Janette Mullett (261003) know.

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

In September:

Rockmill End, Rook Grove,
Rose & Crown Yard, Saxon Way
and Schole Road
will be in our thoughts.

**WILLINGHAM TABERNACLE
BAPTIST CHURCH
GEORGE STREET**

www.willinghambaptist.org

Sundays in September:

5 September

10 00 am Reaching others

6 00 pm Honouring parents

12 September

10 00 am Winning new followers

6 00 pm Making the most of God's day

19 September

9 00 am Growing Disciples

11 00 am TGI Sunday – Growing Disciples

6 00 pm Don't misuse God's name

26 September

11 00 am The Big Welcome
(followed by barbeque)

6 00 pm Don't worship the wrong thing

The All-age Celebration that has been based at the Primary School on the third Sunday each month is to have a make-over. Starting in September the all new TGI Sunday will be at the Baptist Church on George Street at 11 00, still on the 3rd Sunday, and will include activities for children and lunch together.

Rocky's Plaice Holiday club, which was held at the Baptist Church during the first week of August saw an average attendance of 50 children each day. With a programme of games, craft, lively songs, DVD story based in a chip shop telling the story of Peter, one of Jesus' disciples. Captain Ketchup made his appearance every day to give a review and read out jokes from the bin. The daily quiz showed just how much the children had remembered. The extra feature was the daily drama series in Rock's Plaice restaurant with head chef Alberto Taglietelle and his two apprentice chefs, Salt and Vinegar who made a total mess as they messed with ingredients to make celebration pies,

marshy peas, battered fish, a celebration cake and chef's special super sandwich. They finally received the silver stars needed to qualify and were offered their own TV cooking programme by celebrity chef, Charlie Chutney. However, they returned on the following Sunday to decorate another cake, and the bald head of a church leader. The story will continue in September at KFC, (Kids Friday Club) starting on Friday, 10 September.

**THE SALVATION ARMY
SILVER STREET**

www.salvationarmy.org/uk/willingham

5 September

5 00 pm Worship

12 September

5 00 pm Worship

19 September

5 00 pm Worship

26 September

5 00 pm Harvest Festival with Captain Welch

We are pleased to report that a leader has been appointed to run the Corps from 30 September – **Captain Emma Knites**.

Note: On Feast Sunday, 10 October, Letchworth Band will be here for the afternoon and evening. Watch this space!

**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 am

Willingham Gardening Club

The Club welcomes new members at any of our monthly meetings, on the first Monday of each month at the Willingham Social Club, Fen End starting at 7 30 pm. There is usually a speaker on a subject of interest to gardeners and plant lovers and from time to time on subjects of wider interest. Meetings on average last about one and a half hours. There is a plant raffle at each meeting.

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 of £10. You may attend **one** meeting for a small charge of £2 to see what we do and to speak to members and to the committee informally.

In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and other places of interest and there is usually an annual Club holiday of four or five days duration during which we visit the best gardens and other places of interest in the holiday location. See below for more details.

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

Celia will be recording interest in a May 2011 holiday (late May bank holiday week) to Northumberland during the next three months or so. If you are interested contact her as soon as possible on the above number to make a provisional booking.

Club Meetings/Presentations and Outings

Monday 6 September – Club Meeting – Roger Skipper will speak on 'South Africa's Garden Route'.

Our next outing will be to the RHS Hyde Hall gardens near Chelmsford in Essex on Saturday 18 September. The coach will leave the Green, Willingham at 9 00 am.

The cost is £22 per person inclusive of travel and entry. Hyde Hall garden includes an extensive herbaceous border and rose collection. There are two ornamental ponds and a superb farmhouse garden. The national collections of crab apples and viburnums are held there.

If you wish to come with us contact Celia on the above number to reserve your seat on the coach. Remember you do not need to be a member to join us.

We shall announce details of other outings in due course.

Christmas Greetings in Willingham News

Once again readers are invited to publish their local Christmas greetings in the December issue of *Willingham News*.

For £6, put your greeting in a 'box'. The proceeds will go to Willingham First Responders.

Send your greeting as soon as possible to willinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk, or in an envelope addressed to *Willingham News* and left at the Library.

Cheques should be payable to: **Willingham Parish Magazine.**

Willingham Horticultural and Craft Show

Saturday 4 September, 2010
Willingham Primary School

This show is organised annually and run by members and friends of the Willingham Gardening Club. If you have not obtained your 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 at 8 30 am and later judged.

The show will be open to public view at 1 30 until 3 30 pm approximately. Refreshments will be available from 2 00 pm.

Produce auction at 4 00 pm.

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

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

Why not have a go and encourage younger members of your family to have a go too. Details of all classes are contained in the entry form/class schedule available as above.

Entries must be submitted from 8 30 am at the school and by 9 45 am at the latest.

For more details contact Keith on 261885 or Celia on 261394.

Please support your local show and enjoy an interesting (and maybe winning !) afternoon out. All proceeds apart from necessary expenses will be donated to a local cancer research charity as in past years. This is a very worthy cause because cancer affects one in three of us. We believe that we should do our small bit to aid the search for better treatments and for a cure.

Behaviour in the cemetery

Incidents of inappropriate behaviour in the cemetery have been reported. This has included riding bicycles, and leaving rubbish.

It is important to remember that people visit the cemetery to pay respect at the graves of their families and friends – and to respect the feelings of those visitors.

Anyone who sees examples of inappropriate or unseemly behaviour is asked to report them to the police: 08454 564564.

Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

0345 0455225



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

Library News

Public Consultation: Your Local Library Needs You

Cambridgeshire County Council is carrying out a public consultation to help protect front line library services and shape them for the future in the wake of Government-led cuts in money for public services. They want to hear what facilities and services local communities want. If you value Willingham Library please go to the Public Consultation meeting on Tuesday 14 September, 6 30 to 8 30 pm, at Over Community Centre. There is also a questionnaire that can be filled out in libraries or online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/news/libservicereview/lsr_online_questionnaire.htm. The consultation ends on 30 September.

Space Hop

Over 100 children have taken part in this summer's reading challenge, so well done all! The children who have completed the challenge of reading a book a week over the summer holidays will be receiving their medals and certificates at a special ceremony on Thursday 16 September from 4 00 – 5 00 pm so don't



forget to come along. If you can't make it to this, don't worry, we will keep your medal and certificate safely until you next visit the library.

My Village Heroes by Alan King

Mr King has researched all the people from Willingham who gave their lives in the First and Second World Wars. He has now given a copy of his book to Willingham Library, where it is available to read. It is a really beautiful and detailed piece of work.

Engage in the Afternoon

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

It's free but donations are welcomed towards refreshments.

In August we had a fascinating talk by David Jacques on the ways in which new medicines have been discovered, often by accident.

Why not come to one of our future sessions:

- Wednesday 1 September – Maggie Maddiss – Scrapbooking Workshop
- Wednesday 6 October – Hilary Firth – Library Doorstep Service: how the library service is delivered to housebound people by a dedicated band of volunteers
- Wednesday 3 November – Amanda Norton – St John Ambulance Service

Willingham Feast

As part of the Feast weekend, Willingham Photographic Club will be holding an exhibition of their photographs in Willingham Library on the afternoon of Saturday 9 October and all day Sunday 10 October. Do come along and take a look at their work.

Friends of Willingham Library Poetry and Prose Evening

There will be another of these popular events on Wednesday 20 October at 7 30 in the Library. Bring along a favourite or unusual poem or piece of prose to read out, over a glass of wine. Everyone is welcome, including those who would prefer not to read something but just to listen.

Willingham Library Quiz – Now it's the children's turn

Children's Book Quiz

Answers on page 16

Under 5's

- 1) Who is the author of the *Kipper* stories?
- 2) These books by Helen Nicoll and Jan Pienkowski have two main characters – *Meg and ?*
- 3) This colourful fish with shiny scales is the main character in the book by Marcus Pfister.

Primary School

- 4) Name the pig in *Charlotte's Web*.
- 5) Who are the three farmers in Roald Dahl's *Fantastic Mr Fox*?
- 6) Author of the *Tracy Beaker* books?

Secondary School

- 7) Who wrote the *Princess Diaries*?
- 8) Which is the first book in the Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz?
- 9) In *Twilight* by Stephenie Meyer, name the vampire who Bella Swann falls in love with.

Village Diary

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
September				
1	Parish Council meeting	Parish Council	The Octagon	7 30 pm
1	Maggie Maddiss – Scrapbook Workshop	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 – 3 30 pm
4	Horticultural and Craft Show	Willingham Gardening Club	Primary School	1 30 to 3 30
6	Talk: Roger Skipper on 'South Africa's Garden Route'	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
11	Charity Lunch		15a High Street	1 pm
14	Public consultation on library services	Cambridgeshire County Council	Over Community Centre	6 30 – 8 30 pm
16	Summer Reading Challenge: Presentation of medals	Willingham Library	Willingham Library	4 – 5 pm
18	Outing to RHS Hyde Hall Gardens	Gardening Club		Coach leaves Green at 9 am
October				
1	Pampered Chef Evening	Honeypot Preschool	Honeypot Preschool, Thodays Close	time to be confirmed
6	Hilary Firth – Library Doorstep Service	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 – 3 30 pm
9/10	Photography Exhibition	Willingham Photographic Club	Willingham Library	
20	Poetry and Prose Evening	Friends of Willingham Library	Willingham Library	7 30 pm

Old Willingham

Well done to several people who emailed about last month's picture of Wilfred Searle, the village barber outside his shop in 1938. All identified that it is the right hand part of the little thatched building on the High Street, opposite the end of Church Street. The building has recently been sensitively restored, although the door was filled in some time ago. David Clarke correctly guessed that the clue to the date comes from the name of the film



Jane Steps Out on the poster for the Regal Cinema (Cambridge.)

Our regular correspondent says that the Regal opened in 1936 and added: 'I was there on the first night and the film shown was that now Classic musical *Swingtime* starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers'. He also says: 'the picture shows half of the property. The other half, virtually identical, was then occupied by Richard Raven (Vitti) who ran it part-time with his wife as a confectioners. His main occupation was smallholder and nurseryman on Rampton Road'.

Jon Edney

31 High Street (oldwill@oldwillingham.com)

Answers to book quiz (on page 11)

- 1 Dick Francis.
- 2 T S Eliot.
- 3 Nicolas Freeling.
- 4 Tibor Fischer.
- 5 John Ehrlichman.
- 6 Sebastian Faulks.
- 7 Frances Fyfield.
- 8 Paul Eluard.
- 9 George Eliot.
- 10 Frederick Forsyth.
- 11 Umberto Eco.
- 12 Linda Fairstein.
- 13 Maurice Edelman.
- 14 Henry Fielding.

Answers to children's book quiz (on page 15)

1. Mick Inkpen.
- 2 Mog.
- 3 Rainbow Fish.
- 4 Wilbur.
- 5 Boggis, Bunce and Bean.
- 6 Jacqueline Wilson.
- 7 Meg Cabot.
- 8 Stormbreaker.
- 9 Edward Cullen.

Sudoku Solution (on page 7)

8	7	5	9	1	4	2	6	3
6	4	1	3	7	2	9	8	5
2	9	3	5	6	8	7	4	1
5	3	7	6	2	9	4	1	8
9	8	6	4	3	1	5	7	2
4	1	2	7	8	5	3	9	6
1	2	9	8	5	7	6	3	4
3	5	4	1	9	6	8	2	7
7	6	8	2	4	3	1	5	9

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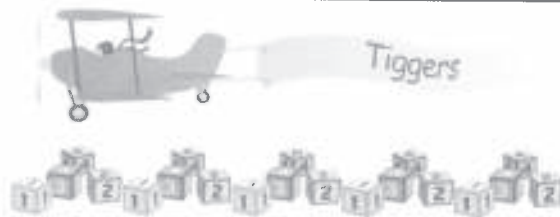
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Tiggers Returns on Wednesdays

The new term starts on Wednesday 8th September for Tiggers. We are a friendly group welcoming babies and children up to school age with their parent/carers. We meet weekly during term-time, on Wednesdays, 10.00-11.30 at the Salvation Army Hall, Silver Street. Each week there is a variety of toys to play with, a craft table, baby corner, singing and snack time (including healthy snacks for the children and drinks for the adults!), all for only £1 (your 1st session is free). If the weather is dry we also have a safe outside area with ride-ons and other outside toys. Later on this term we are looking forward to welcoming the Sure Start children's services with an "Active Tots" session and "Glazed and Amused" pottery painting in time for Christmas!



Each week an example of the craft is added to our display board. This is our display from the Summer Term, thank you to all the Tiggers children for their help producing this colourful, seasonal display.

We look forward to welcoming familiar and new faces in the Autumn Term.

WILLINGHAM BADMINTON CLUB Open Evening

– Come Along for a Free Taster

**Tuesday September 14th
8.15 pm to 10 pm**

Played badminton before? Want to play again?

You are invited to come along to the Willingham Badminton Club Open Evening on Tuesday September 14th from 8.15 pm to 10 pm in the Ploughman Hall. The Ploughman Hall has a full size badminton court with suspended wooden floor and very good ceiling height and lighting.

Please wear non-marking sports shoes and bring your own badminton racket.

We are a friendly club, with a good playing standard, looking for new members.

If you require more information please visit our page of the Willingham Village website

www.willinghamlife.org/page/sport
or contact

John 01954 260478 or Bridget 01954 260335

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Priority queue for card-holding NCT members. Doors open for members at 2pm.

soul night

The Oaks Fundraiser Disco

RAFFLE



SATURDAY 9th OCTOBER
COMMUNITY CENTRE, OVER

8pm - Midnight (18+)

TICKETS - £5 (adv) & £7 on the door
GET YOURS NOW!! £5 (Adv)

Have a great local night out, a few drinks and a WHOLE lot of dancing!!
This is our 6th fundraising Soul Night event in Over - last one attended by over 185 guests -
everyone has a fabulous time - so come along and join us!
Get your £5 tickets in Sept from Oaks staff after school,
Rob Allen (Rely on Us) or at the Community Centre, Over.

Free prize draw for all guests who arrive B4 9.30pm
And £1 raffle - prize = BARROW of BOOZE!!
For more info or tickets 01954 201963

All profits to Oaks children's Out of School club, Over.

Big Band Concert

Rock Lives! Saturday 18th September

Featuring Boogie Nights and Spillage

**BOOGIE
NIGHTS**

Local favourites *Boogie Nights* are reforming specially for this event, and expect high energy rock from *Spillage*. A night to remember!

From 6.30pm to Midnight, at the Swavesey Show Ground near the guided bus stop.

Entry is just £15 including food: entry restricted to over 18s. There will be a bar, so please don't bring drinks...

Tickets available from:

Over Day Centre: 01954 231807, Rodney Crofts: 01954 202283 (Over)

John Dyer: 01954 230828 (Swavesey)

All proceeds to the Over Day Centre

The Over Day Centre 1 Drings Close, Over, Cambs CB24 5NZ

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Village Directory

Please notify *Willingham News* of any changes

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	District Councillor	Mr R Manning	01954 261235
	District Councillor	Mr B R Burling	01954 230168
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Services	Police		0845 456 4564
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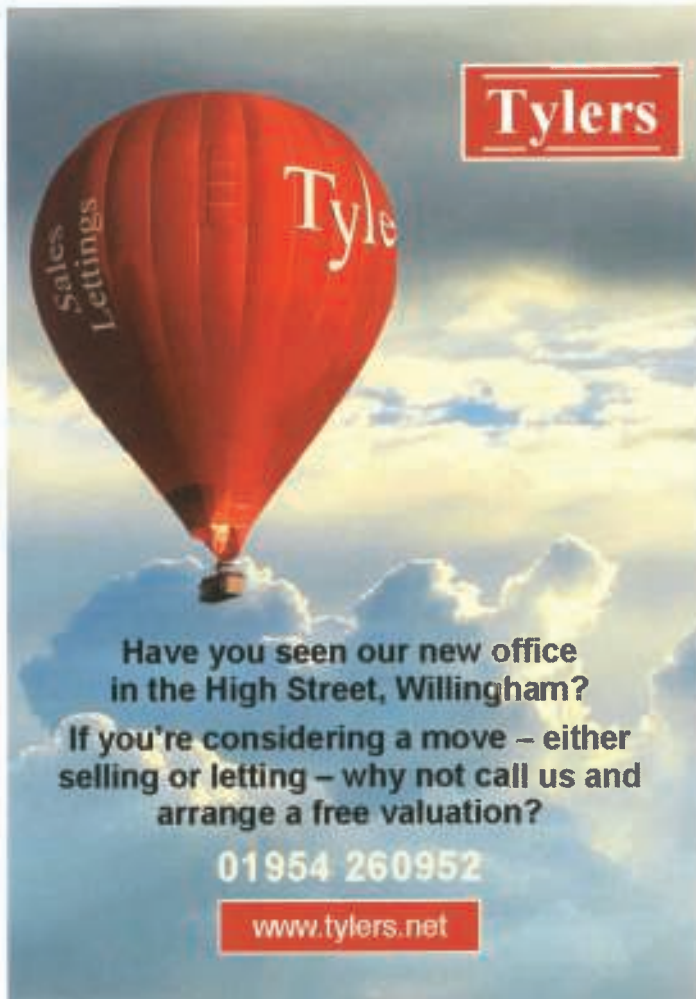
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