



WILLINGHAM NEWS



August 2012

Fun and Farewells (but this year no Flood!) at the Fete

Willingham School Association was ready for all that the weather could throw at it for the school fete on the 7 July. In the end, the sunshine and showers made for a fabulous and fun-filled afternoon, from the Olympic Torch procession from the Village Green, through the barbecue and barrow of beer raffle to a celebration of Mrs Brearley's 11 years as Head teacher of the school in the early evening.

Hundreds turned out to try their hand at splat the rat, sugar cube towers and other playground challenges or to sit back and enjoy the cream teas and storytelling. For the more active among us there was crazy golf and a bouncy castle as well as a host of other activities to keep the little ones busy with their friends while parents sampled a beer or browsed round the stalls.



Above: How quickly can YOU eat three cream crackers?

Left: Mrs Brearley in regal mode

Below: Cream teas



Ready for the Olympic torch procession



As always the fete brought together the whole community in Willingham and the family feeling was underlined at the end of the afternoon, when students, past and present, gathered to wish Mrs Brearley a very happy retirement. It was a chance to enjoy the videos of thoughts and songs created by school pupils, which were brimming over with fun, love and mischief, reflecting the inspiration and laughter Mrs B has brought to the school over 11 years.

Thank you to all those businesses, parents, extended families and helpers who played a part in making the day such a happy and successful one; both in bringing the village together and, in doing so, contributing to the opportunities for Willingham children. Special thanks also go to Suzie's mum for the delicious quiches!

Tim Mead, Willingham School Association

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EDITORIAL

As I'm writing this, the sun is finally threatening to shine after week after week of relentless rain. And to think that the last time I wrote an editorial, I was thinking about drought resistant planting! Although some events have fallen foul of the weather, the School Association Summer Fete was a big success, and you can see on the front page some of the activities that went on despite the grey skies. From the diary page, it is clear that there is plenty still to come in Willingham this summer, from the Olympic party to the Horticultural show, so please send in a report of your event, and share what you have been doing with the village. Accompanying photos are very welcome. Enjoy the rest of the summer, and fingers crossed for some blue sky on the front page in September!

Bin Collections

1 August: Black Bin
8 August: Green and Blue Bins
15 August: Black Bin
22 August: Green and Blue Bins
30 August: Black Bin

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Willingham Bowls Club

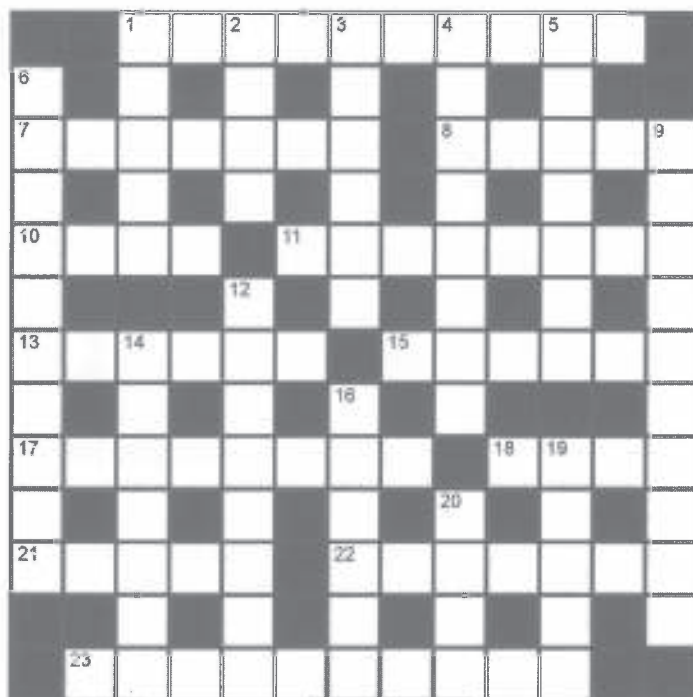
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Fri, 3 August	v Littleport	2 00 pm
Fri, 10 August	v Ely city	2 00 pm
Fri, 17 August	v Bottisham	2 00 pm
Tues, 21 August	v PO	6 15 pm

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You don't have to have retired to take up bowls. The younger you start the better! All you need is a flat soled pair of shoes; bowls and tuition will be provided.

Quick Crossword by Willow

Solution on page 17.



Across

- 1 Not important (10)
- 7 Refuse to talk (4, 3)
- 8 Ensnares; unforeseen drawback (5)
- 10 Natural fibre (4)
- 11 London underground line (8)
- 13 Repetitive behaviour (6)
- 15 Large blunt needle (6)
- 17 Distinct from others (8)
- 18 Move rapidly (4)
- 21 Seek information from (5)
- 22 Popular restaurant fish (3, 4)
- 23 Cold milk pudding (10)

Down

- 1 Of the highest standard (5)
- 2 Cut of steak (4)
- 3 Clear (6)
- 4 American holiday (8)
- 5 Raise petty objections (7)
- 6 Very tall building (10)
- 9 Haphazard (3-3-4)
- 12 Witch's pot (8)
- 14 Diplomatic (7)
- 16 Kidnapper's demand (6)
- 19 Make a speech (5)
- 20 Advise of danger (4)



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As usual there will be no meeting in August.
The next meeting is on Monday 10 September at 7
30 pm in the Social Club.

My Month in Malawi
with Louise Dunn

New members always welcome;
please contact Jacky on 261831

WI News

Summer Party – Despite the weather
and having to move the event
indoors to the Social Club, the
evening was a great success. We all
enjoyed Pimms, cucumber sandwiches, scones and
strawberries and cream. The room had been decorated
with the Jubilee theme and lots of bunting. The best hat
was won by Jane Burnett and the best co-ordinated outfit
was won by Cynthia Nolan.

Stephen Drake from Willingham Auctions valued items
members had brought along and then ran an entertaining
quiz for us to value items from his own collection.
Thanks go to Linda, Doreen, Mary, Hilary and Jacky for
putting together the food and decorating the hall.

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Farewell and Adieu (Sing to the tune – Spanish Ladies)

Farewell and adieu to you residents of Willingham
Farewell and adieu to you Willingham School
For I have my orders to start my retirement
But I hope in the long run to see you again.

I'll cry and I'll sob, I will miss all you children
I'll cry and I'll sob, it's awful to go
But I will go happily, I have all my memories
It's been so rewarding to see you all 'grow'.

Farewell and adieu to you residents of Willingham
Farewell and adieu to you Willingham School
For I have my orders to start my retirement
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I'll cry and I'll sob, for the good friends I've made here
I'll cry and I'll sob and I'll shed a good tear
But I will go happily, I have all my memories
And I'll look back and remember with fondness and love.

Farewell and adieu to you residents of Willingham
Farewell and adieu to you Willingham School
For I have my orders to start my retirement
But I hope in the long run to see you again.

Goodbye everyone! – I have enjoyed every minute of my
job. It has been a great privilege to educate young people.
I have loved all of the children in my care and I have
hopefully inspired them to 'Reach for the Stars'!

I shall miss you all, very, very much.

With much love from your dear Headteacher, Jo Brearley



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Located at the end of Meadow Road, 2 miles outside the village of Willingham, we are a group of 18 families who come together to farm 5 acres of land owned by the Tregenna family, using sustainable agricultural techniques. By working together we are able to try our hands at a really wide variety of projects, currently including saddleback pigs, British Toggenburg goats, ducks, chickens, geese, turkeys, bees and fruit and vegetable boxes. Ben Tregenna keeps the farm running day-to-day and our members come and get involved at least once a month on a Saturday morning or Wednesday afternoon. Hempsals Community Farm is a not-for-profit 'Community supported agriculture' scheme (CSA).

We are very excited that we have a few openings for new members to join us as we are extending the scheme to get more people involved. Membership gives you the opportunity to be really involved in those areas that interest you, to get hands-on experience with the animals, and to learn many new skills along the way. In the past year our members have built a beehive, pig arks, a cider press and a cold smoker. We've also tried brewing our own beer, ploughing and making scarecrows! We're just beginning to enjoy the fruits of our labours as our vegetable boxes for members are coming on-line, Cyndi the goat is producing plenty of milk (and our members are making cheese) and the pigs are fattening up nicely. There are also plenty of social events including monthly 'bring and share' lunches and an annual hog roast.

Please do look at our website www.hempsalsfarm.com and arrange to visit on a Saturday morning if you would like to join us on the farm, either as a full member or as a 'Friend'. As well as all the membership benefits outlined above, members will receive a weekly veg box with 6 eggs, half a pig and a Christmas bird (choice of turkey or goose). The cost is £60 per month and all our produce is shared equally among our members, who each commit to a minimum of one work session per month for the rest of the calendar year. We hope to see you on the farm soon! For more information please contact Emma Tregenna on 01954 261775 or send an e-mail to join@hempsalsfarm.com

Letter to the Editor

Dear
Editors

Having read the letter about the 'stupid' dove, I feel that this dove was not that stupid! It managed to raise two



young and is now nesting again on the same nest. I would have thought that it was a safe place to nest where predators will be put off by lots of people going by.

Brenda Smith

Drivers urgently needed

OWLS Community Car Scheme has undertaken over 360 journeys since it started in May last year. It provides a valuable service to those people living in Over, Willingham, Longstanton and Swavesey who cannot access other means of transport. Over 30 eligible journeys are being undertaken each month. With rising demand we now urgently need additional volunteer drivers.

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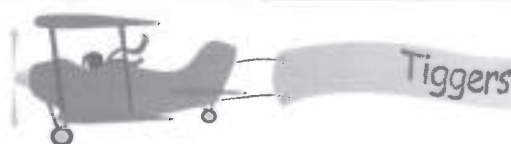
Answers on page 10.

Complete the title with a place/site/name of a building.

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| 1. <i>The Murder at the</i> | Agatha Christie |
| 2. <i>Abbey</i> | Jane Austen |
| 3. <i>South</i> | Winifred Holtby |
| 4. <i>Abbey</i> | Winifred Graham |
| 5. <i>What Happened at</i> | Michael Innes |
| 6. <i>Maigret in</i> | Georges Simenon |
| 7. <i>Park</i> | Martin Cruz Smith |
| 8. <i>A Far Cry From</i> | Muriel Spark |
| 9. <i>The</i> <i>Poisonings</i> | Julian Symons |
| 10. <i>Revisited</i> | Evelyn Waugh |
| 11. <i>The</i> <i>Connection</i> | Ted Willis |
| 12. <i>Castle</i> | P G Wodehouse |
| 13. <i>Death at La</i> | Donna Leon |

Willingham Walkers

There will be a summer break and so no walk in August. The next walk will be on Sunday 9 September. Details will appear in the September edition of the *Willingham News*.



Tiggers is continuing during the school holidays! (except 22 & 29 Aug) Come along and join the fun.....

Tiggers is a group for babies and children under 5 years, with their parent/carer. During the holidays, well behaved older siblings are welcome too. Come along and enjoy some playtime, craft activities, socialising, songs and snack-time.

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Pastoral Letter

You can't have failed to miss the fact that the Olympics have begun! Has your favourite TV programme been rescheduled or postponed? Have you begun to get caught up watching it or are you trying hard to avoid it altogether?

However you feel about the Olympics, for those athletes that take part it is the culmination of hopes and dreams. That Gold Medal is what dreams are made of. Have you ever won a race? I won one once when I was 3 years old! The important thing when running a race is to keep your eyes fixed on the goal; to know where you are aiming for and to keep going. Athletes don't give up on a race because they are not going as fast as they think they should, or because someone puts them off. They keep running. But before the race begins, athletes put in hours of training. They work at it and keep going no matter what the weather is like, how they are feeling or whether there is so much else that is going on. And even when they don't win, they lose out on a medal, they have an injury and have to take time out to rest, they keep going. They are focused, dedicated and put all that they have into the race or game. A race or event or match can be won both individually and as part of a team. It is individual achievement or group victory. It's about focus and fixing your eyes on the ultimate goal, the prize at the end of the race. A race usually has supporters – and that can be you and me. Supporting each other, encouraging each other, guiding each other.

Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 9: 24-27 Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.

When Paul wrote these words, the Olympic Games were an established event – the Greeks had started the games in 776 BC. Even Jesus may have known about the Olympic Games!! Although Paul uses the illustration of sport to teach on discipline and stamina, his main purpose for using it is to teach about persevering to win. He speaks of prizes and trophies, yet Paul is challenging his readers to think about what kind of winning matters to them. As they watch the races between world class athletes, as they hone their own bodies to be fit and healthy, what goal are they really pursuing? It's a question that we each need to ask of ourselves? What goals are we pursuing? What is the goal of our own life? What prize do we each most want to win? The crown that Paul talks about is life with Jesus. The ultimate goal is Christ.

This summer, we would be delighted to see you in any of the churches in the village if you want to explore this further.

Old Willingham

It would be hard to identify this picture today except for the building on the very left side. It is, of course, the old Methodist Chapel next to the Village Green which was closed in 2000 and was converted into a house. This picture was probably taken in the 1920s as these buildings were demolished in the 1930s. A large Gas Showroom was built on the corner of Rockmill End to supply cookers and application for use with the new gas supply. That showroom is now the village library!



If you have stories or memories about this picture, please contact Jon Edney, 31 High Street or oldwill@oldwillingham.com

A response to July's Old Willingham photo:



'I am one of the school pupils in the Old Willingham picture in *Willingham News*. I am the first girl on the left and my name then was Glenda Jeeps. I was seven years old when this picture was taken, Yes, I do still have my Coronation Mug.'

Glenda Tillyard (Rampton Road)

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Library News

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Come and join in with these special sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 – 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 July we had a large turnout for Bob Burn-Murdoch's excellent and very enjoyable talk on Fen Skating

- Wednesday 1 August – Margaret Brierley – Olympic memories of 1948

(This is a change of speaker – The East Anglian Air Ambulance speaker will be coming in October)

- Wednesday 5 September – Chris Hudson – The Hanson-RSPB wetland project
- Wednesday 3 October – Barbara McGhee – East Anglian Air Ambulance

New Look Libraries website

The Cambridgeshire Libraries website at <http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/> has been given a makeover, with a much clearer homepage so it is now easier to find what you need. Among the many features, you can search for and reserve or renew a book, and download ebooks. The Online Resources link gives free access to a huge range of reference books such as dictionaries, encyclopedias and old newspapers, to help with homework, research or that elusive crossword clue.

Answers to FOWL Quiz

1. *Vicarage*, 2. *Northanger*, 3. *Riding*, 4. *Hallowmas*, 5. *Hazelwood*, 6. *Montmartre*, 7. *Gorky*, 8. *Kensington*, 9. *Blackheath*, 10. *Brideshead*, 11. *Buckingham Palace*, 12. *Blandings*, 13. *Fenice*

WAG Environmental Group

Big Tree Plant grant application

We can now announce that the BTP grant covering village and parish planting, the Jubilee Field and the planting of a community orchard and woodland trees on the Old Recreation Ground has been confirmed. The grant is worth £11652 in cash terms, with additional matched funding of £1200 in kind to be added and £5000 credited for professional input, making £17852 in total. The original application can be viewed via a link in the news section of willinghamlife.org, with some modifications having been made since as requested by the grant panel. The project has to be completed by 2015 and is planned to run over three winters commencing this autumn.

We had previously announced that our application to the South Cambs Community Chest fund for picnic area seating and a table had been successful with a grant of £800 having been awarded.

More details of project planning, and how we wish to involve the community, will be provided in subsequent issues of the *Willingham News*.

Graham Mumby WAG Environmental Group
graham.mumby@gwmumby.co.uk

CATTELL'S MILL, WILLINGHAM

OPEN SUNDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER

11 am to 6 pm

Your local windmill, Cattell's Mill on Mill Road, will be open again on Sunday 9 September from 11 am to 6 pm. This is the East Anglian Mills Society Mills Open Day, which also coincides with Heritage Day across the country.

Visitors are welcome to look around the windmill to see the restoration work carried out so far including four new sets of stairs, new stone furniture, a new door and repairs to the balustrade. The painting and reinstatement of the shutters is ongoing and will hopefully be complete by the time of opening.

We also have a café serving cakes, cream teas and refreshments and an exhibition area housing a display plus several reference books and photograph albums of the mill's restoration over the years.

Any donations, which are always gratefully received, together with any proceeds from the café and the sale of postcards, books etc go to the Cattell's Mill Restoration and Preservation Trust. Disabled facilities are available. For further information please contact Richard or Sarah on 261168.

Please note the mill will not be open on August Bank Holiday Monday as in previous years.

WILLINGHAM GARDENING CLUB

Meetings are held at the Willingham Social Club, Fen End, Willingham on the first Monday of each month and start 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.

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 interested in plants 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. Dates of two outings for your diaries are **Saturday 22 September** and **Wednesday 7 November** for the Xmas Shopping Trip.

Reminder for Members

The Members' Evening Out this year is on **Monday 6 August**. We shall be visiting **Chapel Cottage Nurseries, Hook, Wimblington, near Chatteris**. The Nursery is located off the Chatteris to March road and the post code is PE15 0QL. Please note that anyone requiring a lift should wait at the Social Club, Fen End by no later than 6 pm. **IN THE EVENT OF RAIN THE TRIP WILL NOT TAKE PLACE BECAUSE OF THE RELATIVE LACK OF FACILITIES AT THE LOCATION.** The telephone number of the Nursery is 01354 740938 if you need directions and the chairman's mobile number is 07710 832654.

The next Club meeting is on Monday 3 September, the speaker will be Peter Walker on Gardens of Devon.

Our next outing of the year will be on **Saturday 22 September** when we visit the **RHS Gardens at Hyde Hall, Essex**.

If you have never seen this garden then you have a treat in store. It is a 20th and 21st Century informal and formal temperate garden set in 28 acres of countryside near Rettendon in Essex.

There are good refreshment facilities and an excellent plant nursery. There is a now famous dry garden area containing about 6000 drought tolerant plants which have neither been fed nor watered since planting. The garden also contains a plantation of over 70,000 native trees and wildflower meadows.

The cost of coach travel is £15 per person payable on the coach. Entry for Club members is free but a small charge will be levied from non-members. The coach leaves the Green at 8.30 am. We need to know by the end of August if you intend to travel as required by our coach company.

Future Attractions

Annual Horticultural and Craft Show. The show will be held as always at Willingham Primary School. The date for your diaries is **Saturday 1 September**.

By the time this edition of the magazine is published it will be late July. Please start to consider what you might enter as an exhibit in your local Horticultural Show.

There are plant, fruit, vegetable, art and crafts classes for all ages. More details in the next edition when show schedules/entry forms will be circulating in the village.

Our annual Xmas Shopping trip will be to **Ipswich** on **Wednesday 7 November** leaving the Green at 9 am. The cost will be £16 per person.

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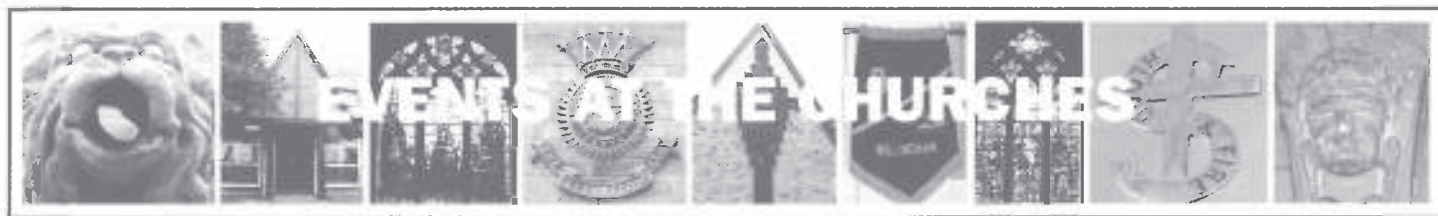
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Parish Church

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



Messy Church – is a fun session for the whole family, involving all the Churches in Willingham. It is held in the Church and the Octagon between 3 30 and 5 30 pm, on the third Sunday of the month. There will be different craft activities, a story time and a time to eat together (sandwiches and cakes etc). Come with your children to enjoy. Contact Heather on 270063 for further details or Linda at revlin@me.com

time4T – a friendly get-together that is open to everyone every Friday, 2 – 4 pm in the Octagon. Good company. £1 includes tea and biscuits. More information available from Alan (261349), Rosemary (205718) or David and Mary (261353).

Bric-a-brac is always on sale at 19 Fen End, the home of Rene Gould. Proceeds from the Bric-a-brac stall go to the Building and Restoration Fund.

Cake Stall – this happens at 10 am on the first Saturday of each month. It is held in the church porch and proceeds go towards the work and upkeep of St Mary and All Saints.



Salvation Army

Coffee Morning: Mondays 10 30 am – 12 pm. You are very welcome to come and join us for a coffee, tea, cake and bacon sandwiches and a chance to chat with old and new friends.

'Nimble Fingers' Craft Meeting: Mondays 2 – 4 pm. Bring your knitting, sewing, card making and come and join with others. Learn the skills of embroidery. Tea and coffee and good company provided!

Luncheon Club: (held once a fortnight), in 9 and 23 August. Come and join us for a fabulous home cooked lunch and dessert (£4). There is still room left for a few more. Ring Daphne on 260568. Please book in advance if possible.

Bible Study and Prayer Group: Mondays 12 – 1 30 pm, 6 and 20 August. All are welcome to come and join us for an informal time of study and chat and prayer with a cup of tea. Bring your lunch!



Willingham
BAPTIST CHURCH

George Street, Willingham, Cambridge CB24 5LJ
info@willinghambaptist.org www.willinghambaptist.org

Baby Notes: Mondays 2 30 pm. Bring along your small children for a session of music and baby massage and have the chance to make some new friends. Two groups run consecutively.

CAP Money course - further courses will take place later in the year

TOPS will not take place during August. The group will resume on Tuesday 11 September.

Bumps and Babies will not take place during August

Open Door coffee morning will resume on Thursday 6 September at 10 am.

Little Notes will not be running in August.

Kids Friday Club will not take place in August but will resume on Friday 7 September at 6 30 pm.

TGI Sunday will be on 5 August at 11 am as the finale for On Your Marks Holiday Club followed by a barbecue.

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER PRAYING FOR THE PEOPLE OF WILLINGHAM

In August, Pyrethrum Way, Rampton End,
Rampton Road and Ravens Yard will be in our
thoughts

Willingham WEA

The Autumn Term starts on Monday, 17 September
10 am in the Baptist Church Hall, George Street.

The course this term is 'Introduction to Ancient Egypt'.

The origins, development and downfall of Ancient Egypt from the Old Kingdom to Cleopatra.

The Tutor is Emma Curryer

The fee is £45.

For more information please telephone Rosemary Mumford, Secretary, 01954 260934.



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

www.willinghamchurch.org

5 August

8 00 am BCP Communion Service (*said*)

10 30 am Morning Service

12 August

9 00 am Communion Service

10 30 am All Age Service

19 August

10 30 am Communion Service

26 August

9 00 am Communion Service

10 30 am Morning Service

There are no 6 pm services during August.

We have a variety of styles of worship and we hope you will find one that suits you. You will be warmly welcomed whenever you come.

9 am Traditional

This service uses traditional Church of England communion and Morning Prayer services. Please note that there is no Sunday School provision for children at this service.

10 30 am Informal and Child friendly

Modern worship with a Sunday School for children in the Octagon on most Sundays during term time. On the 2nd Sunday of the month (and 5th when there is one) we stay together in church for 'All Age Worship'. Children are always welcome. Fidget bags are available for use in the pews.

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

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
19 Needingworth Road, St Ives
www.sacredheart-stives.org

Week-end Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5 pm Sundays at 8 am and 11 am
At Bar Hill church centre, 6 pm on Saturdays



WILLINGHAM SALVATION ARMY
Silver Street, Willingham CB24 5LF

01954 261108

Email: emma.knights@salvationarmy.org.uk

5 August

Joy!

Philippians 3

12 August

Running the Race!

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

19 August

Majors Debbie and Philip Nield

26 August

It's a question of Influence...

Esther

All at 5 pm



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5 August

6pm Evening Service

12 August

6pm Evening Service

19 August

9 am Morning Worship

10 45 am All Age Celebration

26 August

10 am Morning Meeting

6 pm Evening Worship

Communion is celebrated on the first and third Sunday evenings and second and fourth Sunday mornings.



WILLINGHAM SURGERY & LONGSTANTON BRANCH SURGERY

Reception Tel: Willingham 260230 Longstanton 207600 Dispensary 260073

Out of hours cover: Urgent Care Cambridgeshire 0330 123 9131

When the surgery is closed please ring Urgent Care Cambridgeshire 0330 123 9131 or NHS Direct 0845 4647 for advice only

Blood test results Please can we ask you to take responsibility for ringing for your test results unless you have a follow-up appointment with a doctor to discuss these. The doctor or nurse will advise you at the time your blood tests are taken and if you have an appointment with the doctor you do not need to ring for the results. **Due to the sheer volume of test results the surgery can contact only those patients whose results need urgent attention.**

Phoning for lab results Some results can take up to a week whilst others may be back sooner, depending on the type of test requested. Results are received electronically at the surgery by lunchtime. Doctors are able to view these after the morning surgery and home visits. **Please ring for results after 2 30 pm** to allow time for these to be processed and filed in your computer records. The telephones are also less busy in the afternoons. Blood tests taken in readiness for Drug Reviews will be discussed at your Drug Review appointment with the doctor.

Specimens Please label all specimens clearly and enclose any necessary information. Specimens can be left in the box at reception or can be placed in the letterbox (suitably wrapped) before surgery. Specimen containers can be obtained from reception and we ask you not to use glass containers for health and safety reasons. Samples are delivered by courier to the laboratories at least twice daily.

Confidentiality If you wish another party (eg spouse, partner, parent etc) to enquire on your behalf we will need your consent to release this information. Please tell the nurse or doctor at the time of the test so that they can enter your consent on the computer.

Mobile phone numbers In the event that the surgery may need to contact you by phone or by text message please can you ensure that we have your up to date mobile phone number on record.

Going to Sixth Form or University in September? Often a change in environment can lead to outbreaks of preventable diseases such as mumps and measles. Our nurses would be happy to check your immunisation status and provide any routine vaccinations needed. Just book a nurse appointment or ask for a telephone consultation with a nurse to check your vaccination status.

Acknowledgements Our thanks go to family and friends of Lloyd Jeeps of Willingham and also to the family of Dorothy Wayman from Longstanton who have kindly donated money towards our Surgery Equipment Fund in memory of their loved ones who have recently passed away.

Donations to the Surgery Equipment Fund have enabled us to purchase a new sigmoidoscope and we are now able to

WILLINGHAM SURGERY NORMAL OPENING HOURS

Monday	8 30 – 1 00	2 30 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 6 00
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

WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 NORMAL OPENING HOURS

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

offer **sigmoidoscopies** at both our surgeries. This means that patients no longer have to travel to hospital for this service.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

WILLINGHAM MEN'S BREAKFAST

Willingham Men's Breakfast has been running for 3½ years now, having been started at the Baptist Church by my son James and me. We now have at least 18 regulars from an initial six and meet on a monthly basis on the third Saturday of the month at 7 45 am.

We usually alternate between The Tab and The Octagon (to the side of St Mary's) and cook a breakfast at a modest £2 each, (free to first-timers... once only) followed by a speaker to talk on an interesting topic. These have included 'Men at their workplace' and 'Men as Dads', a hair-raising account of flying small aircraft in remote areas of Kenya and Tanzania, and Wyllie's Watershed Way, the first person to walk the length of mainland UK without crossing a watershed (think about it!). We have also heard from seven intrepid walkers (four from Willingham) who scaled Kilimanjaro last January.

continued opposite

Last month (July) our speaker was Dan Bullock back briefly from Zambia with a fascinating insight into work with OM (Overseas Ministry).



We occasionally organise trips, with a now annual weekend walking in the Peaks or the Lakes, to the more sedate stroll along the coast to a renowned eatery on Mersea Island, Essex. Last month some of us cycled at 7 am to St Ives to watch the Olympic Torch and back for a hearty breakfast at a fellow breakfaster's house. Others have cycled from London to Cambridge for Charity!

We finish at 9 am sharp to allow men to get on with the rest of their day. To be included on the contact list send name and telephone number or email address to:

Pete Sacré

sacrepete@yahoo.co.uk

01954 261655

New Map on the Green

A new map showing key points in the village is now installed on the Green. It is a project which for financial reasons has been long in coming to fruition. It has been made possible by a generous grant from the District Council's Community Chest fund, for which the Parish Council is most grateful.

The map was created by Philip Stickler of the University's Cartographic Department.



The picture shows (left to right) Councillor Ray Manning, Leader of the District Council, Bill Kirkman, Parish Council Lead Councillor (Green and Boundaries), Andrew Cook, Parish Council Chairman, Andy Buchanan, who installed the map, and Phil King, Parish Council Vice-chairman – taking an 'official' welcoming look at the map.

Do go and inspect it.

(photograph by Colin Brown)

Willingham

Olympics Celebrations

Launch Party
Duke of Wellington
Friday August 3
6pm to 7.30pm
Torch Lighting

Parade
Saturday
Meet at 11am
The Green
Torch Parade
11.30am
Ploughman Hall
Large TV

Games
Noon – 5pm
Slow Bike Race
Hockey Race
Badminton
+
Many Others
Olympics on TV

Ceremony
Jubilee Field
5pm
Event Winners
Receive Medals

Evening
Ploughman Hall
Children's disco
6pm – 7pm
Food/Bar
Big TV
Music
7pm – 10.30pm

COME ALONG - ENTER SOME RACES
NO CHARGES FOR EVENTS/ENTERTAINMENTS

From the Parish Council

www.willingham-pc.org.uk

B1050:

Unfortunately there is nothing to report regarding improvements to this route into the Fens. Despite the rhetoric stating that the road is dangerous and remedial action is to be taken we still wait with baited breath on what the County Council will do. So please drive carefully along this route as it is likely the road surface will deteriorate.

Vacancy on the Parish Council:

Wendy Jones (nee Hardman) resigned from the Parish Council in June. Wendy was very proactive as the lead councillor for Leisure and Amenities and will be sorely missed. Please watch the Parish Notice board for notice of this vacancy. Should you be interested in enquiring what being a Parish Councillor involves and applying for the position, please contact the Parish Office.

The Ploughman Hall and Willingham Youth Trust:

The improvements to the car park are still planned but the Environment Agency has raised concerns about increasing the height of the car park and displacement of water during severe wet conditions. This is being challenged by the Parish Council as to remove the existing car park surface and replace with a new surface will greatly increase the cost of the project. Further updates will follow.

Funding is still an issue regarding the conversion of the store rooms at the Ploughman Hall into a youth facility. Please contact Trevor Rowe if you can help with a donation.

Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour:

This appears to be an ongoing problem with further damage to the Sports Pavilion and the Ploughman Hall roofs. The Pavilion front door has been smashed on two occasions in one month with the cost of replacing the glass over £400 a time. On advice from the Police we are seeking help from local residents and dog walkers. If anyone sees vandalism being carried out they should contact the police ringing 101. The person responsible for damaging the Pavilion door the first time had a visit from the police and Restorative Justice used as a punishment costing the person £250. Will you be the next parent to get a tap on the door? A group of youngsters intimidated a user of the Ploughman Hall recently attempting to get into the premises and kicking the door. As a parent do you know where your child is and what he/she is doing?

Wet Weather:

The inclement weather has caused problems for people planning fetes/parties/barbecues but it has also caused problems for the County Council in cutting grass along the byways and verges. With the trees and bushes also growing quickly you are reminded that any problems regarding poor visibility at road junctions can be reported directly to the County Council by telephone or going online.

Neighbourhood Watch:

Willingham does suffer more than some villages with regards to bouts of vandalism and anti-social behaviour (see above) and there is a determined effort to reduce this by improving the neighbourhood watch scheme. The numbers joining the scheme are increasing daily and as invitations are posted through people's letter boxes it is hoped that more people will get involved. The NHW scheme that runs in Swavesey has reduced crime and if this can be replicated in Willingham

then it should make the village a nicer and safer place to live. The initiative has full support of the Police and the Parish Council.

Change of PCSO:

We welcome back Claire Whiteman as the PCSO for Willingham after having over 18 months away. She replaces Thomas Baugh who is moving to Papworth and we thank him for his efforts and wish him well for the future.

Street Lighting:

Cambridgeshire County Council will be replacing all the street lighting in Willingham, with work due to commence in November. The new lights will be far more energy efficient than the existing ones, and will provide a white light which is more effective than the present yellow lighting, the new lighting will be dimmed late at night, but is likely to still provide a reasonable standard of illumination. Not all the lights however will be replaced, in a small number of cases lights will be removed from streets which presently have in excess of the stated requirement. Some newer lamp posts will just receive new light fittings, but all the older posts which have a limited life remaining will be replaced with slightly higher ones. The work will be carried out by Balfour Beatty who have a 25 year contract to maintain the County's street lighting.

Contact Details:

Your current Parish Councillors are:-

Mr H Awal	01954-204526
Mr I Barratt (Chairman of the Planning Committee)	01954-261609
Mr D Clarke	01954-260600
Mr A Cook (Chairman of the Council)	01954-260325
Mr R Foster (Halls Lead Councillor)	01954-261293
Mr D Jacques	01954-261353
Mr C Jones	01954-261036
Mr P King (Vice Chairman)	01954-260780
Mr B Kirkman (Green and Boundaries Lead Councillor)	01954-260393
Mr R Manning	01954-261235
Mr S Mellows	01954-270063
Mr G Pake (Cemetery Lead Councillor)	01954-260534
Mr R Purnell	01954-205257
Mr J Watson (Leisure & Amenities Lead Councillor)	01954-200245

Meeting dates are published on the website, the notice board outside the public hall in the High Street and at the library. The next full Parish Council Meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 1 August at the Octagon, St Mary and All Saints Church, Church Street. Parishioners are welcome to attend and there is a 15 minute slot on the agenda at the start of the meeting to allow them to speak or ask questions.

The parish council office is open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 1 pm, except Bank Holidays. You can make an appointment or just call in during the office opening hours. There is an answer-phone service outside office hours. Our parish clerk is Mrs Dawn Spouge and our Admin Assistant is Mrs Amanda Powell.

The contact details are: Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP.

Tel. 01954-261027: email email@willinghampc.org.uk

JOTTINGS FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Last year the County Council signed a contract with Balfour Beatty to replace the County's ageing streetlights. As you might imagine, this is a mammoth task as we own 56,000 streetlights across the county (not including those owned and maintained by district and parish councils), and a very large contract. You may have noticed that the lights in Bar Hill have recently been replaced and this is part of the contract. I have been advised that Balfour Beatty plan to replace the lights in Willingham in November. Because the new lights are stronger than the existing sodium lights, there will be fewer than at present, but it will not affect visibility. I have asked Balfour Beatty and County Council officers to attend the August meeting of Willingham Parish Council and to bring maps so that councillors can see where the new lights will be sited and be able to comment. I am told that in Bar Hill the actual process of replacing the lights was very smooth. Residents were not left in the dark – physically or metaphorically – and that Balfour Beatty kept the whole area very clean and tidy. Less positive has been the reports of consultation with parishes, so I welcome the early contact from the company and their willingness to come to explain the programme to the Parish Council. More details along with a list of FAQ's can be found at: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/lights/streetlighting

In the meantime the long saga of the A14 continues. The latest phase of analysis has been completed (answer, the A14 gets busy and congested; tell me something I didn't know), and a series of options have been identified which will be considered in more detail before a final option or options go out for consultation. I have been involved with the launch of a national local growth campaign and used the example of how the A14 is strangling local growth, pointing out that a firm wishing to invest in the county and needing a high quality road network will, with a fair wind, have to wait some 25 years for the road to be finally upgraded.

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

Shona Johnstone
Highfield, 5 Lowburyholme Road, Over
CB24 5NP
Tel: 01954 230565
e-mail: shona.johnstone@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Twitter: @ShonaF7

WILLINGHAM HORTICULTURAL AND CRAFT SHOW

Saturday 1 September 2012

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, Rainbow Crafts, R & K Barbers, The Deli/English Rose Beauty, and other retail outlets in Willingham.

This is a fun event for all the family, giving you and them the chance to be creative or simply to witness the creativity of others.

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 from 1 30 – 3 30 pm (approximately).

Refreshments will be available from 2 pm.

Prize Giving – 3 30 pm.

Produce auction at 4 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 from various outlets in the village.

Entries must be submitted from 8 30 am at the school and by 9 45 am at the latest. We need adequate time to stage your exhibits to their best advantage so early submission of entries is essential.

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.

Please support your local show for without that support it would not continue to exist.

Answers to Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Irrelevant, 7 Keep mum, 8 Catch, 10 Silk, 11 District, 13 Ritual, 15 Bodkin, 17 Peculiar, 18 Zoom, 21 Refer, 22 Sea bass, 23 Blancmange.

Down: 1 Ideal, 2 Rump, 3 Limpid, 4 Vacation, 5 Nitpick, 6 Skyscraper, 9 Hit-and-miss, 12 Cauldron, 14 Tactful, 16 Ransom, 19 Orate, 20 Warn.

VILLAGE DIARY

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
AUGUST				
1	Olympic Memories of 1948 with Margaret Brierley	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm
1	Annual Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm
3	Olympic Launch Party		Duke of Wellington	6 – 7 30 pm
4	Cake Stall	St Mary's & All Saints	SMAS Porch	10 am
4	Torch Parade		The Green	11 am
4	Games		Jubilee Field	12 – 5 pm
4	Evening Celebrations		Ploughman Hall	6 – 7 pm Children's Disco 7 – 10 30 pm Music & Food
6	Members' Evening Out	Gardening Club	Chapel Cottage Nurseries	See p11
SEPTEMBER				
1	Horticultural and Craft Show	Gardening Club	Primary School	See p11 & p17
1	Come-and-Sing Haydn's The Creation	In Aid of McMillan Cancer Care	Tydd St Giles Church Wisbech	See p5
3	Gardens of Devon with Peter Walker	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
5	The Hanson-RSPB Wetland Project with Chris Hudson	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm
9	Open Sunday	East Anglian Mills Society	Cattell's Mill Mill Lane	11 am – 6 pm
10	My Month in Malawi with Louise Dunn	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm
17	Introduction to Ancient Egypt with Emma Curryer	WEA	Baptist Church Hall	See p12
22	Club Outing	Gardening Club	Hyde Hall RHS Gardens	See p11
22	Supper & Social Evening	Royal British Legion	Over Community Centre	7 30 pm for 8 pm See p11

NEWS FROM THE OVER PLAYERS

This year's pantomime is

Cinderella

Tuesday Dec. 4 – Saturday Dec. 7

If you would like to be involved in *Cinderella*,
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There will be a script readthrough on Sept. 12, with auditions on Sept. 16. Rehearsals are every Wednesday and Sunday, starting Sept. 19. **Further information from our website: www.overplayers.org.uk**

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