

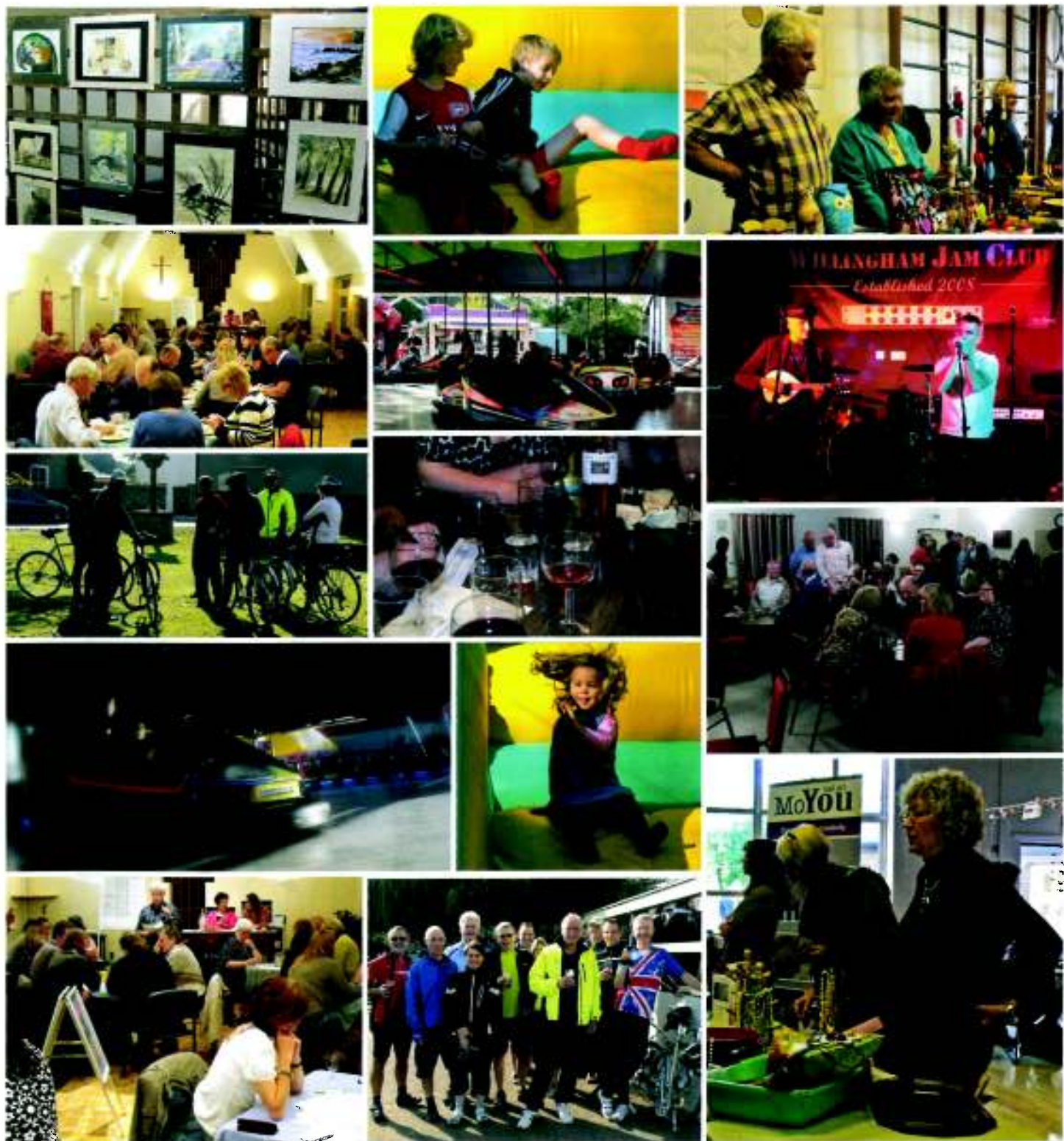


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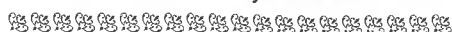
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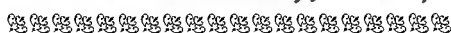
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EDITORIAL

October saw another year of excellent Feast celebrations consummately organised. Well done and many thanks, on behalf of everyone, to all those who were involved in putting together the activities. Hopefully, you all participated in one way or another as from reading the programme, there was something for everyone - but ticket sales are essential.

Now it's November, the clocks have gone back so we have dark mornings and evenings to contend with. So what will November bring – apart from the fast encroaching winter? We have the fun of Bonfire Night – but please remember to act responsibly when handling fireworks – and St Andrew's Day at the very end of the month. But importantly, there is Remembrance Sunday.

There may be one or two people still alive in the village who were born or were young children during World War 1; there will be more who fought and lived through World War 2. However, I was once told that since 1900 British Forces have been involved in conflicts, either fighting or as peace-keepers, in every year but one. Consequently, apart from the two world wars, we have an opportunity on 11 November to remember those who died or were seriously injured in all conflicts. We can give thanks that we are here to remember their sacrifice and, with modern medical knowledge and care, we saw some of the injured ex-service men and women in the Paralympics.

But what can you find to do? Look at the Diary on page 18 - there is a wealth of activities and reading through *Willingham News* there are regular weekly group and club events which are not listed in the Diary – something for all ages.

Bin Collections

7 November Black bin

14 November Blue and Green bins

21 November Black bin

28 November Blue and Green bins

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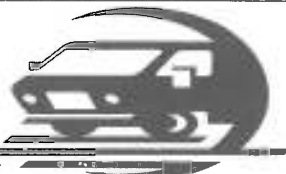
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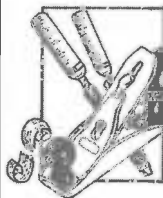


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The Club welcomes new members to all of our monthly meetings. Why not come and see whether you want to become a member? The annual subscription is a modest £10. You may attend one meeting at a cost of £2 to see what we do and to talk to others.

Speak to Celia on 01954 261394 or just turn up to a meeting to experience what we do or to join. In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and other places of interest. Details of the programme for 2013 will appear in these pages early in the New Year.

Reminder for Members: The next Club meeting is on **Monday, 5 November** when the speaker will be Barry Gayton on *Holly Wreath Making*.

OUTINGS – Our next outing will be **Wednesday, 7 November** for our annual Christmas Shopping Trip – this year to Ipswich. Cost is £16 per person payable on the coach. **Anyone can come whether a Club member or not.** Call Celia to reserve your seat. We depart from the Green at 9 am.

Willingham Walkers

The next walk will be on Sunday, 11 November leaving the Duke of Wellington at 10 am. It will be a short walk of about 6 miles taking in some of the local footpaths between Willingham, Longstanton and Over. Enquiries to Mike on 01954 260647 or email: m.tidball@btinternet.com

Custard Comedy Club

Cottenham is hosting a new monthly comedy club @theatrium, Cottenham Sixth Form Centre. On Friday, 30 November the headline act is Gary Delaney who has performed on radio and written for many stand-up shows.

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WI News

In September, Louise Dunn spoke about teaching in Malawi during her gap year. The people live in extreme poverty – average life expectancy is 50, high numbers of orphaned children due to AIDS, women trek for miles to collect clean water and good food is scarce – but the optimism and practicality of the people shone through. The slides illustrating her talk showed smiling people and a beautiful landscape. Louise was an excellent speaker bringing her own personal slant on what she had experienced, making it lively and often amusing.



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A special mention should be given to Terry Jakes who at 91 still turns out regularly for the team and is a great advert for bowls and his generation in particular. Well done Terry, and here's looking forward to next season.

Our club annual dinner will be held at The Black Bull on Wednesday, 14 November at 7 00 pm.

All members/guests and friends are welcome.

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Willingham Youth Trust

As part of the Feast celebrations, Willingham Youth Trust held a *Feast from the East* on 4 October. This was a fundraising event to raise money to convert part of the Ploughman Hall into a two floor youth centre. The trustees are most grateful to Shiplu Ahmed and the staff of the Royal Bengal restaurant for providing us with 50 curry meals as their donation towards the event.

We are also grateful to Barry Papworth (butcher), Willingham House, Rainbow Crafts, Bosworths Bakery, Happy House, One Stop, Mac Hair Studio, Berrycroft Stores, English Rose Beauty Salon and Allsorts Tea Shop for gifts which were auctioned on the night. A total of £509 was raised. In addition to the fantastic curry the other main attraction was the quiz. There were twelve teams of four who hotly contested the prize of 'Eggheads of Willingham'.

The next event will be *Willingham's Got Talent* at the Ploughman hall on Saturday, 8 December. Another curry and quiz night is planned for next year in the Royal Bengal.

The youth club is open to those aged 11 plus every Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6 30 pm in the Baptist Church Hall on George Street.

We are looking to raising £65,000 to convert two storage rooms in the Ploughman Hall into a two floor youth centre. £25,000 is already with the Parish Council and another £5,000 has been promised. We are awaiting response to grant applications, but if you or your company can help to reach the target figure, we will be able to complete the work sooner. If you can help by giving money, please contact our treasurer Terry Jones tel: 200971, email david.jones147@ntlworld.com. If you would like to volunteer your services as a helper, please contact Trevor Rowe 261193, email revtrevrwe@hotmail.com

Sudoku

(Solution on page 15)

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Friends of Willingham Library Book Quiz

(Answers on page 15)

This month's quiz is based on the four elements – earth, air, fire and water.

Supply the missing words in the titles below.

1. *The ---- Who Played with Fire*, by Stieg Larsson
2. *Like Water for -----*, by Laura Esquivel
3. *The ---- Earth*, by Pearl Buck
4. *A Breath of ----- Air*, by HE Bates
5. *Fire over -----*, by AEW Mason
6. *The Water -----*, by Jim Kelly
7. *The --- in the Air*, by HG Wells
8. *The ----- of the Earth*, by Ken Follett
9. *The Bonfire of the -----*, by Tom Wolfe
10. *The Water -----*, by Charles Kingsley



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The trophy winners, some of whom retained their trophies, were:

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Margaret Smith | The G & M Lucas Cup for Best In Show (Horticulture) |
| Doreen Young | The Willingham Gardening Club Tray for Best in Show (Crafts) |
| Denise Ginsburg | The Marriot Newsagents Shield for Most Points in show. |
| David Smith | The Cornish Challenge Rose Bowl for Best Fruit. |
| Denise Ginsburg | The Alec Denson Memorial Trophy for Best Vegetable exhibit. |
| Denise Ginsburg | The Basil Sewell Trophy for Best Cut Flower. |
| Sarah Cook | The Len Denson Trophy for Best Flower Arrangement. |
| Margaret Smith | The Mary Sharp Trophy for Best Plant. |
| Jim Wright | The TGL Burgess & Son Homecraft Cup for Best Homecraft. |
| Doreen Young | The Ferguson Trophy for Best Craft exhibit. |
| Tony Halsey | The Alec Hayden & Son Cup for Most Points in Show in Flower and Plant Section. |
| Dick Godden | The Garden Club Trophy for Best Photograph. |
| Doreen Young | The Keith Hodgkinson Cup for Best Art exhibit. |
| Jenny Rodgers | The Junior Artist Shield. |
| Molly Hawksworth | The Junior Photographer Shield. |
| Isabelle Thomson | The Franz Koj Memorial Shield for Best Children's Entry. |
| Oliver Abblitt | The Willingham Primary School Trophy for most points in show (12 and over). |
| Jenny Rodgers | The Gerald and Lily Williams Trophy for most points in show (under 12 years) |
| Dominic Abblitt | The Franz Koj Memorial Trophy for most points in show (6 and under) |

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Pastoral Letter

November is a month full of rememberings. Obviously Remembrance Day will spring to mind but there's also Guy Fawkes and both All Souls' Day and All Saints' Day. We think, usually with sadness, of those who have left this earthly life. Terms like 'passed on' or 'over' come to mind. We might think about how we miss them and contemplate what they have missed and what they could have done, seen or been if they were still here with us. Of course all of this is natural and stems mostly from our having loved them and now we are missing them. So usually all of this remembering seems to be cloaked in sadness.

But there is another side to this. There is the great hope of the Christian that the next world will be altogether more beautiful and glorious than we can ever imagine here in this one. By that I don't mean the hope of floating around on a cloud wrapped in white and playing a harp. Far from it! That would not be a source of hope for me at all – sounds horrendous and I'd rather be here if that is what's on offer. What the Bible promises us is this world re-created into a perfect world where there is no more pain or suffering of any

sort. This is a wonderful hope because it will end all of those cries that we have here of 'why does God let this happen?' The answer is that this is an imperfect earth. The perfect and truly wonderful heaven is to come for those who put their trust in Christ.

Autumn gives me a sense of comfort as I see the trees changing and becoming incredibly beautiful with their glowing colours. Those colours come from the sap no longer rising and the leaves dying. The glory comes in their death. My hope and trust in God, my reading of the Bible, tells me that in death we are changed in a similar fashion - not to look like a glowing leaf but that we will be changed from one glory to another as we shine in heaven. Yes, remember your loved ones with the sadness of missing them, but don't hold back from thinking too that those who have died in the faith of Christ are now shining in glory in a much, much better place. May God bless and encourage you in all of your rememberings.

Rev Linda Liversidge, St Mary and All Saints

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editors

Having read the October *Willingham News* I cannot believe the comments from John Raven of Earith Road regarding the 'surfacing of The Causeway from Aldreth to Fox & Hound Corner'. I accept that as Willingham has become very built-up since my family moved here in 1975 it obviously produces more vehicles, not only as a through way but also for locals. We surely do not want to use a historic Roman byway – which is used for recreation purposes and keeps walkers, riders and cyclists out of the village as much as possible and is a place of natural beauty which leads directly into the Fens. If surfaced it would only encourage even more traffic from the Ely and Chatteris direction to avoid the A10 and we would still have the problem of too much traffic from Earith and St Ives avoiding the A14. I assume he must own some land in this vicinity otherwise he would have more respect for what little countryside is left in the area.

The only comment I would agree with is that if a bypass is not forthcoming then Northstowe should not be started.

Christine Few

Dear Editor

Please can I add my thoughts regarding heavy goods vehicles travelling through Willingham damaging the highway? Can the Parish Council make the following suggestion to SCDC and the Highways agency?

Can a 7.5 tonne or 18 tonne GVW weight limit (except buses) be considered along the B1050 Willingham High Street starting at Over Road crossroads continuing westbound covering George Street and Earith Road Willingham and Shelford's Road Earith as far as Earith Bridge?

Goods vehicles at higher weights would have to use the A14, A1096 St Ives by-pass and the A1123 Needingworth by-pass. I believe the Needingworth by-pass was built with a primary purpose of encouraging heavy goods vehicles collecting gravel from Needingworth to avoid travelling through Bluntisham, Earith and Willingham.

This weight limit should cause minimum disruption to heavy goods vehicle traffic. It would go a long way to protecting the subsiding section of the B1050 Shelford's Road close to Earith Bridge running alongside the river. It would also cut down heavy goods vehicle traffic through Willingham.

In addition, it would also prohibit the route from becoming a heavy goods vehicle 'rat run' should the suggested road toll be introduced on sections of the A14 as part of the 'A14 Upgrade' between the M11 and A1M.

Linda Horne
High Street

An appeal from the homeless outreach in Cambridge.

Owing to a 50% reduction in the number of beds available there will be more people sleeping on the streets this winter. If you have any spare warm clothes eg jumpers, coats etc or sleeping bags and/or blankets, please could we have them?

Collection point is 15 Rampton End. If you can't deliver, please contact Chris Agnew 270225 and she will arrange to collect.

Thank you

Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

0345 0455225



Opening Hours

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| Monday | Closed | |
| Tuesday | 10 am – 1 pm | 2 – 5 pm |
| Wednesday | Closed | |
| Thursday | | 4 – 7 pm |
| Friday | 10 am – 1 pm | |
| Saturday | 10 am – 1 pm | |

Wednesday, 31 October 10 30 – 11 30 am

Animals Everywhere! With Illustrator Nicola Killen –

Calling all 3-6 year olds. Hear Nicola talk about her favourite animals and decorate your own animals too at Willingham Library! It's free but tickets are limited and must be booked in advance at Willingham Library. Parents/carers must stay with children. With the kind support of Willingham Parish Council.

Engage in the Afternoon

Come and join in with these special sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 pm 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 October we had a very interesting speaker, Barbara McGhee from the East Anglian Air Ambulance. We heard about the founding of the service and the struggle for funding as it has no direct government financial support. Barbara then went on to tell us about some of the people whose lives have been saved by the service with some touching and amusing anecdotes.

Future speakers are as follows:

- Wednesday 7 November – Lisa Bulbeck from Age Concern – *Carry on Cooking*
- Wednesday 5 December – Liz Wright from the Donkey Sanctuary

Willingham Feast

The exhibition by the Willingham Photography Club in the library over the Feast weekend was a great success again attracting many visitors to see the club's excellent work. If you or your club would like to rent the Library during the hours when it is closed, please speak to one of the librarians.

WILLINGHAM PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

We would like to introduce ourselves to those who don't already know about our activities. We have informal, non-competitive meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month from 7 45 pm to 10 pm in the Baptist Tabernacle and our members are of a wide range of photography skills, cameras and ages. Fancy seeing what we do? Then you are very welcome to come as a guest on any Club night.

The meetings are informal and usually divided into two halves. The first is a show of members' photographs taken to illustrate the previous month's topic or theme, after which we have a coffee/tea break so members can chat to one another. During the second half we briefly discuss the next month's topic/theme, or take part in tutorials and practical workshops, often with advice from two professional photographers who have supported the Club from its start 3 years ago.

We hosted our third annual exhibition of members' photos at the Willingham Feast, and have been on various photographic field trips to the Fens and the centre of Cambridge. We also had a social evening in the village curry restaurant! Many of our photographs have appeared in the *Willingham News* and we are regularly asked for photographs of various village events.

For more information either visit our website at: www.photo.ballandia.co.uk or contact Chris on 01954 260790.

WAG Environmental Group Autumn 2012 – Litter pick

Join us on Saturday, 10 November at
10 am and/or 1 pm

Please meet at the Baptist Church*

We hope you will join us again this year in a bid to tidy up Willingham.

Equipment and bags will be provided but please bring your own gloves.

Children should be accompanied by an adult.

Any cyclists willing to venture to the outreaches of the village will be most welcome!

However, everyone can help by not dropping litter and/or by picking up litter beside their own homes. If you are aware of any unsightly mess and need help, please contact this number and leave details - (01954 260430).

In addition, throughout the year, litter pickers and high visibility tabards can be borrowed from the Parish Council Office – available for pick-up during office hours – but remember to take your own gloves.

Hope to see you all on 10 November!

Thank you

***Please note this year's meeting point**

Feast report 2012

The Willingham Feast took place in October and, if we judge by the happy faces of those who joined in, it was a success. The new events this time included an art display by local artists and a wine tasting quiz and the Willingham Youth Trust organised a curry and quiz night. If you were one of those who attended events we hope you had an enjoyable time.

The Feast, many years ago, was a combination of Harvest Festival and the time when young men and women ended their contracts of working elsewhere as farmhands, maids and other such jobs and came back to the village to celebrate before going away to work again. The whole village joined in; people wore their best clothes and went around their neighbours' houses eating and drinking – a little like New Year. The tradition died out but after the Parish Plan Questionnaire, where one significant response was that Willingham lacked social events, Willingham Action Group reinvented it.

Sadly, there are two problems. Firstly, the group of core organisers is too small for the workload that arises especially in the final two or three weeks and especially as some have full-time jobs and/or young families. Despite using these pages to call for volunteers to help, we have had no response. Secondly, although there was a great response asking for more social events from the questionnaire, many of the events are poorly attended, considering the size of the village. If events are not supported then they cannot run and, at the moment, we doubt we can have a village Feast next October.

I would like to thank those volunteers who have helped and another group without whom the Feast could not take place – our sponsors. Our thanks to The Barber's on High Street, Berrycroft Stores, Bike to Be in Longstanton, English Rose Beauty House, Foreman's Garage, Happy House Take Away, Francis Pullen Photography, MAC Hair Studio, Tyler's Estate Agents, Uttridge Accounting, Vintage Travel, Willingham Auctions, Willingham Medical Practice, Willingham Motors and Willingham Pharmacy.

In addition we thank others whose help was invaluable: Absolute Pandemonium Steel Band, Askomil Website Design, Andrew Cook, The Duke of Wellington, Janet Hart, St Mary and All Saints Church, Wilford Furlong Centre, Willingham Post Office, all who helped at Willingham School especially Mr Singleterry and the young musicians, and Willingham Social Club.

Mike Tidball

Chairperson – Willingham Action Group

WILLINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Christmas Fayre

on Saturday, 1 December from 2 – 4 pm.

Enjoy mince pies, home produce and crafts
for the children

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Armistice Day approaches and the Poppy Appeal is going well. Services in all three villages are as usual for Armistice Sunday.

However, it is the practice in Over to hold a short ceremony at the War Memorial on Armistice Day itself at 11 am when the Over & District Branch will lay its own wreath. There will still be the usual ceremony at 2 30 pm when other Organisations will be able to lay their wreaths. This will be followed by the usual church service at 3 pm.

You are invited to attend either or both of these occasions of tribute and thanksgiving.

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS

Instead of that last minute scramble to deliver Christmas cards to friends and neighbours in the village, you could use the Greetings page in the December issue of the *Willingham News* and in doing so support a local charity.

For £6 (all of which will go to Magpas) you can place your greetings in a small box. Simply let us know what you want to say and we will do the rest or personalise your box with your own design, font and words. Send it to willinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk, or leave it at the library, addressed to *Willingham News*. Cheques should be payable to Willingham Parish Magazine and can be left at the library or posted through 54 High Street. You can do this any time between now and 10 November. Why not get one Christmas task completed early? We will file all Christmas Greetings ready for publication in the December issue.

Charity Lunch

The November charity lunch, supporting the Alzheimer's Disease Association, will be hosted on Saturday, 10 November at 1 pm by Heather and Steve Mellows at 28 Church Street.

The meal consists of soup, bread and cheeses and costs £3.

All are welcome.

WILLINGHAM LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB

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

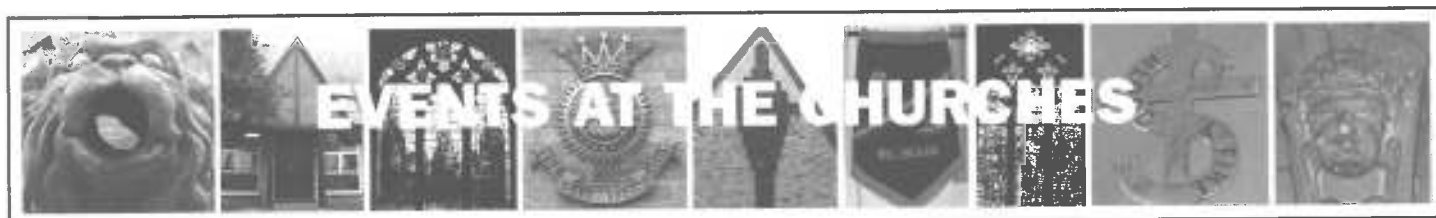
Players meet at Willingham Recreation Ground/Ploughman Hall car park at 10 am on Saturdays from September to May.

For further details contact Teresa: phone 01954 260177

Email: teresa.fcca@btinternet.com

Subs only £5 for the entire season!

You don't even have to own a hockey stick as we have a supply.



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 Octagon and Church. The next one will start at 3 30 pm on Saturday, 1 December. Because it will be focused on lots of lovely Christmas activities it will finish at 5 30 pm. 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 held 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).

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 – 12 noon. You are very welcome to come and join us for a coffee, tea, cakes 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 on 1, 15 and 29 November. Come and join us for a fabulous home-cooked lunch and dessert for £4. There is still room left for a few more. Ring Daphne on 260568. Please book in advance if possible.

Saturday, 24 November 10 am – 2 pm. Craft Fair. All Welcome

Saturday, 22 December 10 am – 2 pm. Exhibition of Nativity Scenes.



Willingham
BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Baby Notes: Mondays 2 30 pm for 0 – crawling, 3 pm for crawlers and walkers. There is no Baby Notes on the last Monday of each month.

TOPS: Toddler group: Tuesdays 9 45 am – for 18 months plus. There is currently a waiting list for this group.

Little Notes: Thursdays 9 45 am

Open Door Coffee Morning: Thursdays from 10 – 11 30 am – a chance to chat with old and new friends over tea and coffee.

Bump, Babies and Beyond: Thursdays at 10 15 am for mums-to-be and those with babies up to 18 months.

Kids Friday Club: 6 30 pm for children of primary school age.

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER PRAYING FOR THE PEOPLE OF WILLINGHAM

In November,

Stanton Mereway, Station Road, Stocks Terrace,
the Surgery Road, Thoday's Close

will be in our thoughts

Willingham Salvation Army Craft Fair

**Saturday
24 November**

10 am – 2 pm

**Cake Stall
Refreshments available**

Everyone Welcome

Willingham Salvation Army
Silver Street, Willingham

Registered Charity No. 214779, and in Scotland SC009359



ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS
CHURCH STREET, WILLINGHAM
www.willinghamchurch.org

4 November

8 00 am BCP Communion Service (said)
 10 30 am Morning Service

11 November

9 00 am Communion Service
 10 45 am Remembrance Service

18 November

10 30 am Communion Service

25 November

9 00 am Communion Service
 10 30 am Morning Service

Saturday, 1 December – *Christmas Special Messy Church*
 3 30 – 5 30 pm

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

These are traditional Church of England Communion and Morning Prayer services. 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.

Concert in aid of Rampton Church funds

(This very old and beautiful church has recently needed a lot of repairs)

Venue: Rampton Church

When: Friday, 30 November at 7 30 pm

By: Jennifer Thompson and friends.

Price: £6 per person includes a glass of wine.
 Tickets on the door.

This will be a concert of popular classics.
 Wrap up warmly.



WILLINGHAM SALVATION ARMY
 Silver Street, Willingham CB24 5LF
 01954 261108
 Email: emma.knights@salvationarmy.org.uk

4 November

For such a time as this... Esther

11 November

Commissioners Ray and Judith Houghton

18 November

It's a question of Faith

25 November

It's all about Faith

All at 5pm



Willingham
BAPTIST CHURCH

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

4 November

10 30 am One Body, Many Parts
 No evening service

11 November

10 30 am King David – Failure Forgiven
 6 00 pm Power over Evil

18 November

10 30 am King Solomon, The Temple Builder
 6 00 pm Power over Death

25 November

10 30 am Josiah – The Restorer
 6 00 pm Restoring Sight

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

Weekend mass times:

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



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**

Visit our Practice Website www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk for more info about us.

Flu vaccines are still available free for those aged over 65, pregnant women and anyone with a chronic disease. Just ring for an appointment. Private flu vaccines are available for those who do not qualify under the NHS criteria. Please ask in our pharmacy for details.

Repeat medication: Patients ordering repeat prescriptions late November/early December will be offered 2 months' supply to cover Christmas and the New Year.

To prevent wastage please check your stocks and only order those items you actually need from your repeat medication list. If you need the medicine in the future you can still request it then. Once medicines leave the pharmacy they cannot be recycled even if they have not been opened. Please take any unused medicines to your pharmacy for safe disposal and do not flush them down the toilet. Remember that stockpiled, unused medicines kept at home are a safety risk for children and others.

Did you know that unused medicines cost NHS East of England an estimated £34 million every year which is the equivalent of around 1,350 more nurses, 9,275 more hip replacements, 35,788 more cataract operations, 2,271 more drug treatment courses for breast cancer, or 34,393 more Alzheimers treatments? Help the NHS to help you and others by avoiding waste.

AAA Screening: NHS Clinics for patients living in this area will be held at Willingham Surgery over the coming months. This is a new national programme which will invite men to be screened when they reach the age of 65 to detect if they have an Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm. We encourage you to take up this free offer which could potentially save your life. The wall of the main blood vessel called the aorta which supplies blood to the body can become weakened and enlarged with age forming an aneurysm and if this becomes large enough to rupture it could be life threatening. An appointment will last less than 10 minutes when a simple ultrasound scan will be taken of the abdomen. There is no need to undress and you will be given the result straight away. If you are over 65 and do not receive an invitation, you can contact **01223 256909** or visit the national screening website at aaa.screening.nhs.uk

Appointment reminders: Since the beginning of the year we have been able to send a text message reminder to your mobile phone on the day before you have an appointment at the surgery. We now have the facility to leave a reminder message on your home phone if you do not have a mobile

WILLINGHAM SURGERY NORMAL OPENING HOURS

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| 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

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| 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 |

phone. If you would like this facility, please let reception know so that we can set this up automatically on our system. If you would like to receive reminders on your mobile phone, please make sure we have your up-to-date number. This is also important if we need to contact you urgently.

Thank you to the families and friends of Vera Wilson and Grace (Rene) Gould of Willingham and Veronica Golding of Longstanton who have kindly made donations to the Willingham Practice Equipment Fund in memory of their loved ones. These donations allow us to purchase equipment which would not routinely be available in GP surgeries and we are most grateful.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

MOTHERS' UNION NOVEMBER MEETING

Our next monthly meeting will be on Monday, 26 November at 2 30 pm when Susan Baker will be speaking to us on the theme of Jesus and families. All are welcome to join us. Also Bring and Buy Stall.



JOTTINGS FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

One of the roles of a local County Councillor is often to be a statutory member of a local body or charity and it is in that context that I have been one of the Trustees of the Over Day Centre for the past 15 years. The Day Centre was first established in 1989 before moving to its present premises in 2001. Its purpose is very simple – to care for the frail and elderly of Over and surrounding villages who are referred to the Centre. The Centre is open six days a week and clients can be transported to and from it in the Centre's own bus that can often be seen in Over and neighbouring villages. The Centre offers companionship and entertainment, but also a number of other services for example clients can use a specially designed bath (a normal bath being a luxury that they may no longer be able to use at home); there is a hairdressing salon and a foot-care specialist comes regularly. There is a programme of entertainment and often groups from outside provide musical offerings. The Centre also has a good relationship with the Over Primary School.

There is a small band of paid staff, but we rely heavily on volunteers to help with preparing hot lunches and refreshments. We also depend on the staff and volunteers to help with fundraising. Although the Centre has a contract with Cambridgeshire County Council to provide 42 places per week for social service clients, this does not cover all expenses and £2,000 still has to be raised every month to keep the Centre running.

So who comes to the Centre? Clients come if they are referred by their doctor, or district nurse, or by a family member who thinks they may benefit. An assessment is always carried out although it is very rare that someone is deemed too frail to be safe at the Centre. The Centre can take up to around 28 clients per day who may attend on more than one day, depending on their needs and the vacancies at the time. On most weekdays the Centre is nearly full, but we currently have a number of vacancies on Saturdays when perhaps clients are with their families, but it may be that weekends are when carers and families would like a break from caring responsibilities. If this is the case and you know of somebody who may benefit from coming to the Day Centre on a Saturday, please do get in touch.

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

Answers to FOWL quiz

1. Girl 2. Chocolate 3. Good 4. French 5. England 6. Clock
 7. War 8. Pillars 9. Vanities 10. Babies

Sudoku solution

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Old Willingham

Milford Jeeps, who appears in the picture outside Berry Cottage, sent the following letter:

'In 1921 my family and I moved to Berry Cottage, exchanging homes with Gordon Spackman's family. My father was a painter and decorator, and a water engineer, running the water pumping in Station Road and the Fen drainage in Earith Road and we needed larger premises.

'The lean-to on the side of the house was a dairy used by Mr William Norman who moved to the Acacias in Long Lane. The building on the right was built about 1924 as a shop. The front railings were requisitioned in 1940 for the war effort. Many villages lost their railings but many were never used as they were made of the wrong metal.



'The car, previously owned by Sir Frederick Hyam, was a 12HP Humber. One luxury it had was a screen for the rear seat. One of the downsides was that it had no driver's door, the reason being that the petrol can and spare wheel were attached to the running board. The vehicle had no self-starter (it had to be hand cranked) and the screen wiper was hand operated. It was the first car in the village to tow a trailer. In 1932 the car was sold to Alan Bloom of Oakington, later of Bressingham Steam Museum. Note that, at that time, there were no kerbs or footpaths.'

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

From the Parish Council

www.willingham-pc.org.uk

Resignations:

Sadly several very talented Councillors have resigned lately – not all for the same reason but a group of them because of some ludicrous legislation. After the scandal of MPs' expenses it was decided by Central Government that no politician could be trusted and that systems must be put in place to guarantee openness and honesty. The principle was fine and there seems no reason why it should not apply to MPs who receive decent salaries, large expenses and gold-plated pensions from the public purse. Whether or not it should apply to unpaid Parish Councillors who claim no expenses and receive no pension is another matter.

None of the Parish Councillors involved in the dispute had the slightest problem with declaring their interests. They have always done so even when asked to complete a 14-page form that listed a considerable amount of personal and financial information about both them and their partners. However, the sticking point was that the legislation insisted it be posted on the worldwide web. You will have read the letter on this subject in last month's *Willingham News*.

Those of you who have received e-mails from a Nigerian bank telling you that there is £1,000,000 just waiting to be collected if you will provide a few personal details will know about identity theft. Some Councillors felt that this was an intrusion too far into their private lives and the Parish Council agreed. A strongly-worded letter is going to our local MP and the Secretary of State.

We wish those Councillors, who have resigned, all success and our thanks for their considerable contributions. Should the legislation change and they feel able to return at some time in the future they will be most welcome. Meanwhile we are delighted to welcome new councillors, Sue Ayling and Neil Harris. Neil has previously served on the Council and his experience will be very useful. Sue will help augment the number of female Councillors – of which we are very short. Ideally the Council should represent a cross section of the community it serves.

Traveller Sites:

In some ways it has been a difficult month with neither Central Government nor the District Council helping us very much. Some of you will have seen the reports of a planning meeting at SCDC on 3 October in the *Cambridge News*. There were no less than seven applications relating to traveller sites. Willingham Parish Council went along to present as balanced a case as possible that sites must be spread geographically across the district. The Parish Council has argued for many years that whilst the village can and will accept a fair proportion of sites, it cannot support an indefinite number. This is not discrimination. The traveller community has been consulted on the policy and agrees.

It was very clear that at this stage in the interests of justice all seven applications needed to be treated in the same way and SCDC did this on the first six with eighteen-month extensions of their existing temporary consents. Unfortunately, the meeting got a little out of hand with a series of counter proposals that eventually resulted in the

seventh application being approved for permanent consent. This could make it very difficult to object to any of the other six proposals and possibly more.

We also have to report that we failed to get our way on the erection of a wind turbine. The Parish Council was not at all happy about it but SCDC approved. It is only one for the moment in Meadow Road.

It is also only fair to say that none of these decisions were down to our local District Councillors, Ray Manning and Pippa Corney, who were both present at the SCDC meeting and spoke strongly in support of Willingham Parish Council.

Ploughman Hall

Work commenced on the car park at the end of October. It will be closed for a few weeks.

Contact Details:

Agendas, minutes and much more are on the website or for the latest news and updates you can twitter Willingham pc.

Your current Parish Councillors are:-

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| Mr H Awal | 01954-204526 |
| Mrs S Ayling | 01954 260718 |
| Mr A Cook (Chairman of the Council) | 01954-260325 |
| Mr N Harris | 07792 611226 |
| Mr D Jacques | 01954-261353 |
| Mr P King (Vice Chairman) | 01954-260780 |
| Mr B Kirkman (Green and Boundaries Lead Councillor) | 01954-260393 |
| Mr D Law | 01954-202188 |
| Mr R Manning | 01954-261235 |
| Mr S Mellows | 01954-270063 |
| Mr G Pake (Cemetery Lead Councillor) | 01954-260534 |
| Mr J Watson | 01954-200245 |

Phil King is temporarily chairing Planning and Andrew Cook has agreed to stand as Vice Chair. Both have stated that they will happily relinquish their posts when permanent appointments are made.

Details of new Councillors will be added when their declaration documents are complete.

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 on Wednesday, 7 November at the Octagon, St Mary and All Saints Church, Church Street at 7 30 pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend and 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. There is an answer-phone service outside office hours. The contact details are: Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP. Tel. 01954-261027. E-mail email@willinghampc.org.uk

Parish Clerk: Mrs Dawn Spouge, Admin Assistant: Mrs Amanda Powell.

Tribute to Rene Gould, a remarkable lady

I would like to pay a special tribute to Rene, whom I knew for forty years. During that time the steadfast trait that shone through was her generosity - not just with her money, but with her time, her consideration of others and her genuine concern for those who did not wish to or were unable ask for help or assistance. She always had an eye for the underdog, the ones that needed help and encouragement. She was an active member of the Red Cross for many years and also for several years went with disabled members of the Winged Fellowship Trust on holiday to push the wheelchairs.

When we came to live in the village in the 1970s, Rene was one of the volunteers who ran the 'Nearly New Shop' in the Public Hall. It was started to raise funds to support the playgroup but progressed to supporting the cubs, brownies, scouts, guides and other village causes, as well as the Red Cross. She was a longstanding member of the Mothers' Union and Ladies' section of the British Legion and raised funds regularly at fêtes and Christmas Bazaars. I've been told how she even kept the telephone box and the bus shelter on the High Street clean - couldn't stand the mess and dirt!

Soon she had set up her own stall in Fen End - a small table and her window sill in the street. She accepted almost anything from people moving house, or spring cleaning, and extended, on occasions, to unwanted Christmas presents. To the despair of her long-suffering daughter, a good third of Rene's sitting room was a regular sorting and pricing office, with piles against the wall of every conceivable thing imaginable.

The contents of the daily stall were but a fraction of her 'stock'. Wooden sheds appeared in her back garden to house the overflow, carefully packed in black bags. A few years ago we broke a teapot at home and I asked her if she might have a similar one. 'Go to the second shed' she said, 'and look in the third sack from the left'. I had a choice of three.

The casual passer-by may have thought a bric-a-brac stall like this would bring in the odd pound or two but week in, week out, she banked between £30 and £50 in the charity account. Multiply this by 52 weeks and you have at least £1,500 over a year. I well recall one day when someone tried to pass a fake £5 note through her stall takings. It was identified at the Post Office when it was paid in. She was livid. 'I know who will have paid me that' she said. 'I'll get him.' And she did - that afternoon.

Rene became interested in the medieval wallpaintings' conservation programme in the Church, which was a particular interest of mine, and we discovered that several charities were much more willing to give grants if we could demonstrate our own commitment with some substantial initial 'seedcorn'. First the Pilgrim Trust, then the Archbishop's Council for the Care of Churches, English Heritage and others responded with grants of up to 3 or 4 times Rene's stall earnings. Very different needs and projects now emerged. Almost every year throughout the 1980s, 1990s and into the early 2000s that 'seedcorn' from Rene's stall played a major part in obtaining substantial grants for a wide range of projects in the Church from these sources.

Look around the Church and see the results for yourself:

The infra-red heating system

The entire internal lighting system

The injection treatment against deathwatch beetle in the roofs

The restoration programme on the tower and spire



The conservation of all the medieval wallpaintings

The external floodlighting of the Church, Rene gave in memory of her husband, George.

It is no exaggeration to say that over the past 30 years her little everyday stall has raised around £50,000, and this has led to well over £250,000 of grant aid.

She never asked for recognition, but it was good to see Rene's work recognised

nevertheless. The Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire presented her with a Certificate for her charity work. Later she received an invitation to one of the Queen's Garden Parties at Buckingham Palace - she did enjoy that day. In 2004 an article was published in *The Times* about her and then in 2010 the Parish Council nominated her for a Village Hero award from South Cambridgeshire District Council.

Despite problems with her fingers and mobility as she grew older, the routine of putting out the daily stall became one of the things that kept her going, albeit with increasing help from Gill. It was still out every day until Easter of this year. When at last it did not appear, you knew there really was something wrong.

A light has gone out in Fen End, and in the community at large. But what a legacy she has left behind.

Alan Fawcitt

VILLAGE DIARY

| MONTH | EVENT | ORGANISATION | VENUE | EXTRA INFO |
|------------|---|--|--------------------------------|---|
| OCT | | | | |
| 31 | <i>Animals Everywhere!</i> For 3-6 year olds with Nicola Killen | Willingham Library | Library | 10 30 – 11 30 am See page 10 |
| NOV | | | | |
| 1 | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Silver Street | £4. See page 12 |
| 3 | Hockey | Ladies' Hockey Club | Rec/Ploughman | 10 am; 260177 |
| 3 | Cake Stall | St Mary & All Saints | SMAS Porch | 10 am |
| 5 | Firework Spectacular | 1st Willingham Scout Group | Jubilee Field | Gate opens at 6 pm. See page 5 |
| 5 | <i>Holly Wreath Making</i> Barry Gayton | Willingham Gardening Club | Social Club | 7 30 pm |
| 7 | Annual Christmas Shopping Trip | Willingham Gardening Club | Meet on the Green | 9 am. See page 5 |
| 7 | Lisa Bulbeck from Age Concern: <i>Carry on Cooking</i> | Engage in the Afternoon | Library | 2 – 3 30 pm |
| 7 | Full Meeting | Parish Council | Octagon | 7 30 pm |
| 10 | Hockey | Ladies' Hockey Club | Rec/Ploughman car park | 10 am; 260177 |
| 10 | Litter Pick | WAG Environmental Group | Baptist Church | 10 am and 1 pm |
| 10 | Charity Lunch | For Alzheimer's Disease | 28 Church Street | 1 pm. £3 |
| 10 | Live 80s Band <i>Decade</i> | Social Club | Social Club | 8 pm; £5 |
| 11 | Monthly Walk | Willingham Walkers | Meet at The Duke of Wellington | 10 am. See page 5 |
| 11 | Act of Remembrance | Royal British Legion; Other Organisations | Over War Memorial | 11 am 2 30 pm |
| | Church service | | Over Parish Church | 3 pm |
| 12 | <i>Bee Keeping</i> Stephen Poyser | WI | Social Club | 7 30 pm |
| 14 | Bowls' Club Annual Dinner | Bowls' Club | The Black Bull | 7 pm |
| 15 | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Silver Street | £4. See page 12 |
| 17 | Hockey | Ladies' Hockey Club | Rec/Ploughman Car park | 10 am; 260177 |
| 19 | Club Meeting | Photography Club | Baptist Church | 7 45 pm See page 10 |
| 23 | Preview of Open Art Exhibition | Rheebridge Art Exhibition Centre | Cottenham 6th Form | £5. See page 6. |
| 24 | Hockey | Hockey Club | Rec/Ploughman Car park | 10 am, 260177 |
| 24 | Craft Fair | The Salvation Army | Silver Street | 10 am – 2 pm |
| 24 | Quiz Night | 1st Over Scout Group | St Mary's Church Hall, Over | 7 30–11 pm £6 pp. 07774 924083 |
| 23-25 | Open Art Exhibition | Fen Edge | Cottenham 6th Form Centre | Free |
| 26 | <i>Jesus and Families</i> Susan Baker, Bring & Buy Stall | Mothers' Union | The Octagon | 2 30 pm |
| 29 | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Silver Street | £4. See page 12 |
| 30 | Concert of Popular Classics Jennifer Thompson and Friends | In aid of Church Funds | Rampton Church | 7 30 pm; £6 includes a glass of wine |
| 30 | Headline Act: Gary Delaney | Custard Comedy Club | Cottenham 6th Form Centre | 8 pm. £10 See page 5 |
| DEC | | | | |
| 1 | Christmas Fayre | Baptist Church | Baptist Church | 2 – 4 30 pm |
| 1 | Christmas Special Messy Church | St Mary & All Saints | The Octagon | 3 30 – 5 30 pm |
| 1 | Motown Disco – Vinyl | Willingham Social Club | Social Club | 8 pm. £5. |
| 4-8 | Pantomime: <i>Cinderella</i> | Over Players | Over Community Centre | Tel: 07521 099146 |
| 5 | Liz Wright from The Donkey Sanctuary | Engage in the Afternoon | The Library | 2 pm |
| 8 | <i>Willingham's Got Talent</i> | Willingham Youth Trust | Ploughman Hall | See local notices |
| 22 | Exhibition of Nativity Scenes | The Salvation Army | Silver Street | 10 am – 2 pm |

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| | District Councillor | Mr B R Burling | 01954 230168 |
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| Schools | Primary School | Mrs V Francis | 01954 283030 |
| | Willingham Out Of School Club (3–6 pm only) | Mrs R Tiley | 01954 201567 |
| | Phoenix Prep School | Mrs Jackie Daire | 01954 263113 |
| | School Governors Chairman | Jonathan Lewis | 01954 283030 |
| | School Association | c/o school | 01954 283030 |
| | British School Trust | Lynda Blunt | 01954 261309 |
| Children | Beavers, Cubs and Scouts | Mrs M Dellar | 01954 260045 |
| | Honeypot Pre-School (term-time only) | Mrs G Balaam | 01954 201567 |
| | Tigger Toddlers | Jenny Rayner | 01954 270122 |
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| | Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance | Mrs L Borland | 01954 203347 |
| | Bubbles/Messy Church | Rev L Liversidge/ | 01954 263187/ |
| | | Heather Mellows | 01954 270063 |
| | Bumps and Babies Group | Catherine Rowe | 01954 261193 |
| | TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group) | Trevor Rowe | 01954 261193 |
| | Little Notes Music group | Emma Tregenna | 01954 261775 |
| | Kids' Friday Club (Baptist Church) | Trevor Rowe | 01954 261193 |
| | Ploughman Hall Bookings | through Parish Council | 01954 261027 |
| | Wilford Furlong Centre | | 01954 261445 |
| Halls | The Octagon | Rosemary Mumford | 01954 260934 |
| | Baptist Bookings | Julie Stock | 01954 202221 |
| | Allotments – See Willingham Combined Charities below | | |
| Local Representatives | Billavincea Lodge 8719 | Mr M Scrivener | 01480 413533 |
| | Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise (COPE) | David Hart | 01954 260204 |
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| | <i>Cambridge News</i> Correspondent | Anne Kirkman | 01954 260393 |
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| | Workers' Educational Association | Rosemary Mumford | 01954 260934 |
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| | Social Club | Sarah Rutherford | 07989 242155 |
| | Willingham StageCraft (drama group) | Charlotte Prince | 01954 230837 |
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| | Women's Institute | Jacky Sparks | 01954 261831 |
| | Willingham Jam Club | Julian Eales | 01954 201818 |
| | Women's Royal British Legion | Mrs M Few | 01954 260124 |
| | Willingham Photography Club | Christopher Cross | 01954 260790 |
| | Willingham Walkers | Mike Tidball | 01954 260647 |
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| | Cricket Club | Mr R Ambrose | 01954 260446 |
| | Cycling Club | www.willinghamwheels.com | |
| | Ladies' Hockey | Teresa Hutchcraft | 01954 260177 |
| | Badminton | Sarah Custance | 01954 202005 |
| | Bowls Club | Mrs Linda Aspinall | 01954 261562 |
| | Tennis Club | John Graham | 01295 431968 |
| | Willingham Running Club | Gerry Mears | 07512 512997 |
| | Willingham Sports Pavilion | Trudy Greygoose | 07786 230559 |
| | Mothers' Union (Branch Leader) | Mrs S Hayden | 01954 260363 |
| Churches | Baptist Church | Rev Trevor Rowe | 01954 261193 |
| | Methodists (Ministerial Contact) | Rev Hilary Cheng | 01223 700778 |
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