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EDITORIAL

As always, we, at *Willingham News*, wish all our readers and friends a Happy New Year; the front cover shows photographs taken around Willingham last winter by Colin Brown.

This year is a very special and poignant centenary in the history of our country; August 1914 saw the beginning of the First World War when young men left these shores to fight – many never to return. Among the landmarks at the top of the cover page is the war memorial, a fitting tribute to men of this village who gave their lives and on page 6 is our first tribute to a local man. He fought at the Somme where, on the first day of battle, 19,000 men were killed and 40,000 injured.

We ask that you send in pieces about the men and women in your family who took part in this war - local or otherwise and we hope to print a tribute every month.

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Appointment of Clerk/Treasurer

Applications are invited for the post of Clerk/Treasurer to the Willingham Combined Charity.

The work equates on average to 2 or 3 hours per week. The main duties are:

• Calling of meetings (usually 3 or 4 a year) as directed and attendance at these.

• Preparing agendas and taking minutes.

• Dealing with correspondence and referring it to an appropriate trustee if necessary.

• Acting as the first recipient of calls concerning problems over maintenance and upkeep of the Charity bungalows in Over Road.

• Keeping accounts and arranging for annual audit.

It is important that the successful applicant has computer and email access.

Applications will be considered from all age-groups including retired persons and should be accompanied by the names and contact details of two referees. These should be sent to the Chairman of the Trustees, Mr Graham Cousins, 54 Long Lane, Willingham, CB24 5LD by Friday, 31 January. This is a paid post. Any enquiries regarding the post or the remuneration to 01954 201871.

BUNGALOW TO LET

Willingham Combined Charity invites applications for the tenancy of a Josiah Smith home in Over Road. To be eligible you need to be over 60 and in need, hardship or distress and either born in the village or a resident for the past two years. Applications could therefore be from people who were born in the village and have subsequently moved away.

If you are interested and feel that you qualify, please contact our clerk, Josie Ferrante, (01954 261818) for details of the property and an application form. Closing date Friday, 31 January.

Proud Congratulations

Are sent to 4-year old Riley Cole of Wilford Furlong from his grandparents. In the autumn he came second in the Grafton Centre Model Search beating many others to get into the Final. This took place from 26 - 30 October when he did up to five shows a day on the catwalk.



Grandparents – Your photograph may be collected from the *library*.

Tribute to a soldier of The Great War

by Graham Rose, a descendant.

Sidney Hopkin was born and bred in Willingham and attended the school in Fen End. Afterwards he cultivated the land around his home in the Black Pit and Berrycroft area, now known as Balland Field. As a young man he volunteered as an engineer to fight in the First World War and joined the Cambridgeshire and Suffolk Regiment and trained in Bury St Edmunds before being sent to the Somme. When he returned home, he told of laying barbed wire fences and spoke of the fighting, the mud in the trenches - where not even toilets could be properly dug and of the explosions around him. But as with many who fought in the Great War he kept some things back about his dreadful experiences.

He experienced a period of convalescence in Wales before returning to Willingham to resume his farming life. Sidney's rehabilitation included driving the first Fen Pump Old Oil Engine sited along the Earith Road.

After the war, life was very hard for most working people. Apart from poverty there was a lot of sickness. Sidney had two children of his own, Edna Rose and Eric, but also cared for three of his deceased grandmother's sister's family – Henry, Gordon and Phyllis. There was not much room in their old home but they managed and worked at sending fruit and flowers to market.

During the floods of 1947 their livestock from Bridge Farm was also lodged at their Berrycroft house! Sidney had many stories about those days of farming, of the railway through Earith which carried goods but not passengers to markets on the other side of the river.

One story he told was how one of his new heifers went missing after being offloaded from the railway yet managed to appear the next day having crossed the river unaided

simply by following the call of her herd!

Sidney kept going to a ripe old age. He moved to a smaller place on Rampton Road before he died; he is buried in Willingham churchyard. His family is proud of his achievements and the contribution he made to his country in 1914.



Fen Edge News needs a new editor

If you are interested in editing this excellent and essential publication, please contact the current editor and Chairman of the Fen Edge Community Association, Alan Leeks, at chairman@fenedge.co.uk. Alan has been bearing this double burden with stoic fortitude for four years now, so as well as thanking him, we are looking at every possible avenue to enable him at least to pass on this task. If you require further information before contacting him, please call Paul Knighton on 01954 270194.

Concert To Celebrate Paul Ingle's 90th birthday

Proceeds to Teenage Cancer Research

Jennifer Thompson, Gordon Hewlett and friends will give a concert in St Mary's Parish Church at 7 30 pm on Friday, 24 January. Tickets £6 on the door. Price includes a glass of wine. All proceeds go to Teenage Cancer Research

LITTER AROUND WILLINGHAM

We all live here – please respect the environment and keep your litter in your pockets or bags till you get home – paper bags, sweet wrappers, plastic bags, rubber bands – the streets can't do anything about being buried in waste but you can. We're still in the season of Goodwill – let's start the New Year with a clean slate and clean streets.





Coming soon...

Cambridgeshire Future Transport

What is CFT?

Cambridgeshire Future Transport (CFT) is a programme that is working with communities to design local transport solutions.

Transport solutions will be applied in all areas across Cambridgeshire that receive bus subsidies from the Council.

The solutions could include reviewing the bus routes and times, community bus schemes, car sharing schemes, etc.

We will soon be coming to your area to hear from you, because a subsidised bus service runs through or near your parish.

What can you tell us?

• how you travel e.g. by public bus, dial-a-ride, etc

• what kind of transport solutions we can develop together that best suit the local community needs

Please keep an eye out for when we will be in your area during January. We will let you know using posters and flyers in key community locations, parish websites, our CFT website, cambridgeshire.net and

shapeyourplace.org.

The CFT Team

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LOVE IN A BOX



We would like to thank all the parents, carers and children who contributed to Love In A Box this year. The lorry took away 190 boxes! This means 190 children received a gift at Christmas because of your kind generosity. The support we had was overwhelming both with the number of boxes and supporting our Love In A Box fundraising event.

The school also wishes to thank Mrs Lenk for her help in running the scheme and kind contributions of her own time and items to send to these children.

Once again, thank you all for the huge support you gave this scheme.

Gemma Ayers Willingham Primary School

Willingham Photography Club

Our Club meets on the third Monday of each month in Willingham Baptist Tabernacle. We aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves.

The next meeting will be on

20 January at 8 pm

Discussion of photos from current month's assignment – Three of a Kind

Coffee

Introduction to next month's assignment – *Cold Weather* Technical questions and answers

We cordially invite anyone who takes photographs to come along and see what is on offer. The level of your expertise does not matter; nor does the nature of your camera.



If you are over sixteen and would like to model for the Club, please ring Stephen Salmon on 01954 260875 Contact numbers: Anita Salmon 01954 260875 Christopher Cross 01954 260790

In the meantime, do have a look at our website on www.WillingbamPhotoClub.org.uk

Friends of Willingham Library Book Quiz

Sudoku

(Solution on page 17)

(Answers on page 17)

Who are the authors of the following series?

1.	A Dance to the Music of Time
2.	Discworld books.
3.	The Herries Chronicles
4.	The Foundation Saga
5.	The Forsyte Saga
6.	The Barchester Chronicles
7.	The Mma Ramotswe books
8.	Remembrance of Things Past
9.	<i>The Poldark</i> books
10.	A Series of Unfortunate Events

General Knowledge Quiz – Answers begin with the letter A

(Answers on page 17)

- 1 French composer of the music for the ballet *Giselle*. He also wrote *Minuit, Chrétiens*, the English title of which is *Oh Holy Night*.
- 2 Who in the Bible symbolised lying?
- 3 Which British Prime Minister was forced to resign in 1916?
- 4 Queen Victoria had 9 children. Four had names beginning with A. Who were they?
- 5 Name the first two men to set foot on the moon on 21 July 1969.
- 6 She was the first woman to take her seat in the House of Commons.
- 7 Give the inventor of the spinning frame.
- 8 Who wrote *Little Women*?
- 9 Name the Scottish architect who designed Syon House and Osterley Park.
- 10 With whom did Arthur Whitten-Brown, in a Vickers Vimy in June 1919, make the first direct non-stop crossing of the Atlantic?
- 11 Who first reached the South Pole?
- 12 Name the English sailor who went round the world in 1740-44 and later re-organised the Navy.
- 13 What was the French writer, Voltaire's, real name?
- 14 An opera by Verdi?
- 15 Who is credited with the invention of the screw?
- 16 Which father and son both became President of the United States?
- 17 What was the special claim to fame of Nicholas Breakspear of Hertfordshire?
- 18 Who conducted a lengthy correspondence with 'Mrs Freeman' under the pseudonym of 'Mrs Morley'?
- 19 Who was Prime Minister at the time of the Festival of Britain?
- 20 In the Bible what was the name of Cain's brother and who was their father?

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A Talk/Film Show

On Friday, 17 January from 7 30–9 pm in the Octagon

Bury Fen, Earith to Sochi, Russia

Fen Skating Through the Years

This talk will be a combination of film clips, photos and skating equipment through the ages of skating on the fens – both for pleasure and competitions.

- We shall pay tribute to the likes of Turkey Smart.
- Discuss the development of skating equipment 'Norwegian' skates have been superseded by custommade carbon fibre skating shoes, hi-tech skin suits, and hinged blades to maximise the speed.
- Skates from over the years will be on show as well as pictures and newspaper clippings.
- We'll be delighted to answer any questions.
- We also want to give an insight into the events and people to watch out for during the Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, in February 2014.

Admission will be $\pounds 2.50$ including light refreshments after the talk.

Dave Smith and Nigel Drake Fen Centre

The Cricket Club Quiz

Once again, the quiz evening on 6 December was extremely well organised by Ron Leach with lashings of raffle prizes. There were numerous rounds arranged by Matthew Leach and ably assisted by John and the overall winners were *The Chocolate Teapots*. *Nice But Dim* won the chocolate round. The food was prepared by Ian Fordham and Linda Blunt. An excellent evening.



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Willingham Free Press Apple Juice

Back in early October a number of us (collectively, the Willingham Free Press), who are keen not to see our apples go to waste, spent several happy days picking our own and a few kind donors' apples. As Willingham Free Press this was in fact our fifth year. The picture shows a smiling band one sunny Sunday morning with some of the fruits of our labour. Between us all we eventually harvested around a ton and a half of apples and transported them to Watergull Orchards in Wisbech St Mary to have them professionally pressed and the juice pasteurised and bottled - with a little raw juice kept aside for cider making! The bottled juice, needless to say after such a lovely summer for the fruit, is delicious - so much nicer than any commercial juice we have ever tried. We ended up with more juice than we can shake a stick at (some 1,200 bottles in total) and have quite a few still available for purchase at £18 per case of 12 or \pounds 10 for half a case should anyone like to try this genuine Willingham produce. If you would, then please call Les

Hambly on 01954 201952 who will be happy to deliver in Willingham. Proceeds, after our direct costs, will be donated to the Willingham Action Group Community Orchard fund, so you will also be supporting a community project.



LOOKING BACK

Each month Jon Edney provides the *Willingham News* with an article and photograph of Old Willingham. These pictures can be viewed at any time on the web site www.oldwillingham.com but in former years the residents of the village were dependent on people like Dennis Jeeps showing the photographs at illustrated talks. One such event was reported in the newspaper of 22 March 1973.

It said that 'the keen interest and enthusiasm that many Willingham people have in the history of their village was demonstrated on Saturday evening when Mr Dennis Jeeps and Mr Michael Hopkins showed pictures of the village to a capacity audience at the Church Hall.

'The programme of film slides was shown by Mr Jeeps with apt comments from Mr Hopkins. The history and development of the village has been captured on film so villagers can see the way the village has developed and changed in the past hundred years.

'Mr Jeeps showed the audience unique pictures of farming equipment and machinery. Ancient thatched cottages, now erased, have not been forgotten as they have been preserved on film for posterity.

'The earliest photographs were taken by the late Mr Harold Smith, of Ivy House, those taken at the turn of the century by the late Mr Horace Thoday and the modern photographs by Mr Dennis Jeeps.'

Old Willingham



The two men by the door are blacksmiths, each with a hammer in hand and wearing a leather apron. The burly man on the left might be the master smithy and the younger man his apprentice. This building stood where Foreman's garage is today – at the top of George Street. In those days horses were very much part of village life and the blacksmith would provide and fit their shoes. But the work of the forge was far wider producing all manner of ironwork for domestic and agricultural purposes. It seems there has been a forge on this site for some time – it is marked as such on the map around 1900 - and it seems natural that it changed into a workshop and garage during the twentieth century.

See more photos at www.oldwillingham.com

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

The Wine Tasting Quiz

In the photo are some of the winning team at the Wine Tasting Quiz which took place at the end of November and was promoted by Willingham Action Group. Great thanks go to Clive Pawsey, Willingham's own wine expert, who runs the quiz and to *Cat's Whiskers* for some fantastic music that had many participants dancing until they were finally thrown out at closing time! Thanks also to Willingham Social Club for allowing us to use the function room. Please note - we plan to hold another quiz during Feast Week in 2014 - it is an absolutely wonderful evening with great wines, humour and music. The evening raised £250 for the Teenage Cancer Trust, a worthy added bonus.

Clive and Cat also run a very popular monthly winetasting evening in Willingham where Clive provides and elucidates on approximately eight tastings and Cat provides some mouth-watering food. If you want more details about the wine tastings, please phone 01954 260647.



David Stephenson

Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library 0345 0455225

Opening Hours		
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	

Christmas/New Year closure

Willingham Library will close at 1 pm on Tuesday, 24 December and reopen at 4 pm on Thursday, 2 January.

Library News

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON

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

In December we had a relaxed and friendly session talking about books with a Christmas theme and also books we would like to give and receive as presents.

Why not join us in February – there will be no meeting in January – as it falls on New Year's Day. It's free but donations are welcomed towards refreshments.

Future Talks:

•Wednesday 1 January - No meeting

•Wednesday 5 February – Jon Mountfort and Scalextric – Talk and a chance to have a go!

•Wednesday 5 March – RAF Bomber Command Pathfinder Force. Warrant Officer Jim Blackwood from RAF Wyton will be coming to speak about the vital work of this unit in World War II

Volunteering at Willingham Library

Are you interested in becoming a Library Access Volunteer? This role involves working in partnership with library staff to support people of all ages who need help in using library self-service equipment, using the photocopier and logging on to computers as well as shelving books and tidying stock. If you would like to learn more, please leave your details with library staff and we will contact you.

Circulating Collections

In 2014, the library will begin receiving series of themed collections of new books which will stay for a few weeks before moving on to another library. The first one, which will be arriving soon, will be 'Diaries' both fictional and true-life. We hope you'll enjoy them!

Friends of Willingham Library

On a murky November Sunday afternoon members of the Friends Group met in Willingham Library for a relaxed couple of hours, including having a go at some literary themed quizzes over tea, wine, cakes and biscuits. It was an enjoyable afternoon and may be followed up with further similar events. The aim of the Friends Group is to promote the use of the Library in various ways. If you would like to become a member, for an annual subscription of £6, fill in an application form at the Library or ring Linda on 260780.

Shape Your Place

Have a say about your neighbourhood and get things done! ShapeYourPlace.org is an award winning website giving local residents across Cambridgeshire a real say about what matters most to them where they live. It acts as a one-stop shop for the community where you can have conversations with each other and local public services about local issues and news.

On the site you can:

- Raise issues affecting where you live
- Start campaigns and debates and have conversations with other people
- Blog about local events and community activities
- Share community news and issues.

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For more information, visit southcambridgeshire.shapeyourplace.org or contact Anna, Shape Your Place – South Cambridgeshire, Tel: 07769 304132, Email Anna.allen@cambridgeshire.gov.uk



Parish Church

Bubbles – is held in the Octagon every Friday during school term time from 10 am to 11 30 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 date of the next Messy Church will be either at the end of January or beginning of February – please keep an eye open for posters outside the church nearer the time! 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 or 263187

time4T – a friendly get-together that is open to everyone is 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 – 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

CoffeeMorning:Mondays $10 \ 30 - 12$ noon. You are very welcome tocome and join us for a coffee, tea, cakeand bacon sandwiches and a chance tochat with old and new friends.

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

Luncheon Club: Fortnightly - 16 and 30 January. Join us for a delicious home-cooked lunch and dessert, price $\pounds4.00$. There is still room for a few more. If you would like to join us, please ring Daphne on 260568. Please book in advance if possible.

Ducklings Parent and Toddler Group!

Tuesday mornings at the Salvation Army from 9 45 - 11 15 am with craft, singing and stories. Term time only. £1 per session.

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TOPS: Toddler group: Tuesdays at 9 45 am for 18 months plus in the church. Great place to meet other families whilst the children enjoy the activities and playing. Currently there is a waiting list. Please contact Hilary Wyllie for further information - 01954 260051.

Little Notes: Thursdays 9 45 am – half an hour of singing with instruments and actions for all pre-school children aged 0–4 and their parents or carers, followed by:

Bump, Babies and Beyond: Thursdays $10\ 15\ -\ 11\ 15\ am-$ free-play, refreshments and a chance to meet other parents or carers. For all pre-school children aged 0–4, with a quieter space set aside for babies under the age of 1. Please contact Emma Tregenna for further information 01954 261775.

Open Door Coffee Morning: Thursdays from $10 - 11\ 30\ \text{am}$. This is a chance to chat with old and new friends over tea and coffee all welcome. Please contact Cynthia Nolan for further information 01954 202240.

Kids' Friday Club: at $6\ 30 - 7\ 30$ pm in the church for children of primary school age year 1 upwards. Action packed hour with craft, games, songs, drama all based around a bible story. Please contact Lorriane Bald for further information $-\ 01954\ 261189$. Restarting 10 January.

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, 18 January at 7 45 am in the Octagon for a cooked breakfast and chat followed by a talk by Professor Andrew Wyllie. All men welcome. Please contact Pete Sacre for more information – 01954 261655.

MOTHERS' UNION

Our next monthly meeting will be on Monday, 27 January at 2 30 pm. Joy Childs will be talking to us about *Paramda*² Also Bring and Buy Stall

Rwanda'. Also Bring and Buy Stall. All are welcome to join us.





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

5 January

8 00 am BCP Communion Service (said) Morning Worship

1030 am

12 January

Communion Service 9 00 am Family Service 1030 am

19 January

Communion Service 10 30 am

26 January

900 am **Communion Service** 1030 am Morning Service

Unfortunately it has not been possible to book a date for the next Messy Church in before Willingham News' deadline for January entries. Please keep an eye open for posters!

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 Sunday Clubs for children in the Octagon during term-time. (Two groups, one for children up to the age of 11 and another for those of Secondary school age) On the 2nd Sunday of the month (and 5th when there is one) we stay together in church for a 'Family Service'. Children are always very 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

Weekend mass times:

St Ives: Saturdays at 5 00 pm; Sundays at 8 00 am and 11 00 am Bar Hill Church Centre: Saturdays at 6 pm



WILLINGHAM SALVATION ARMY Silver Street, Willingham CB24 5LF 01954 261108

5 January	Evening worship
12 January	Evening worship
19 January	Evening worship
26 January	Evening worship

All at 5 pm. All welcome.



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5 January

- 9 00 am Jesus encounters Andrew -Traditional Service
- 10 30 am Jesus encounters Andrew -**Contemporary Service**
- 6 00 pm Water into Wine – Evening Worship

12 January

- 10 30 am Jesus encounters Philip -Family Worship**
- Healing the royal official's son -600 pm Evening Worship

19 January

- 10 30 am Jesus encounters the storm -Altogether Service
- 5 00 pm United service at the Salvation Army beginning the week of Christian unity and prayer

26 January

- 10 30 am Jesus encounters the man in the tombs – Family Worship**
- Prayer Focus Evening Worship 6 00 pm

** – Service includes Sunday Club for ages 0 - 11

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Friday

A Big Thank You to all our patients who sent us Christmas cards with such lovely words. We were all very touched. We are also enjoying the many goodies you so generously gave us. They will give us a boost through the cold winter months.

Christmas Tree – Thanks to Andrew and Mary Coe for donating the beautiful Christmas tree which brightened up our waiting room at Willingham over the festive period.

New Year Resolutions – Why not make 2014 the year you finally give up smoking?

Public Health England have launched a new campaign to help you quit, with a range of support ideas alongside the face-to-face support offered by our nurses and pharmacy staff. These include **NHS Quit Cards, a smoke-free app, daily email or text support and a Quit Kit** with practical and engaging tools to help you in the comfort of your own home. Please visit our pharmacy or make an appointment with one of our nurses who can explain all the stop smoking medicines available and other tips to make your resolution successful.

The new 111 service is now up and running in Cambridgeshire. There may be a few 'teething troubles' until staff and patients are familiar with the new arrangements. Please do give us feedback on your experiences so we can help make sure that everything runs smoothly. If you ring the old Urgent Care Cambridge telephone number, your call will be diverted to 111 who will triage and then transfer you to the appropriate out-of-hours service for you. This could well be Urgent Care Cambridge.

Last year poor use of A & E cost the local CCG \pounds 1.3 million. This could have treated 360 heart attacks or bought 230 hip replacements in the Cambridge and Peterborough area. Please use the correct out-of-hours' service this winter.

Parental consent for childhood vaccinations – Dept of Health guidance states that no-one other than a parent (or

January Charity Lunch

This will be held on 18 January at 1 pm at 13 Priest Lane and hosted by Jacqueline Hodkinson and Ruth Weedon.

The lunch consists of soup, bread and cheese and costs $\pounds 3$.

A new charity will have been chosen in December. All are welcome

WILLINGHAM SURGERY NORMAL OPENING HOURS						
Monday Appointments Tuesday Appointments	8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00 8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00	2 30 - 6 00 3 00 - 6 00 2 00 - 6 00 3 00 - 5 30				
Ante Natal/Baby Wednesday Appointments	Clinic 8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00	2 00 - 4 00 2 00 - 7 00 4 30 - 7 00				
Thursday Appointments	8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00 8 30 - 11 00	Closed from 1 00 pm Half day				
Friday Appointments Emergencies	8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00	2 00 - 6 00 3 00 - 5 30 4 00 - 6 00				
WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 NORMAL OPENING HOURS						
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 1 00	2 30 - 6 30 2 00 - 6 00 2 00 - 7 00 CLOSED				

8 30 - 1 00

parties with authorised parental consent) can give consent for childhood vaccinations. When booking the appointment, please leave a phone number where you can be contacted if a grandparent or other member of the family will be bringing your child to surgery for their vaccination. The nurse may ring to officially obtain your consent. Alternatively you can provide written and signed consent. **Acknowledgements** – Our grateful thanks and thoughts go to the family of Mr Clive Barringer. Before his death Mr Barringer had asked his wife Dorothy to make a donation on his behalf because he wanted to express his gratitude for the care he had received during his illness. This has meant a great deal to us all.

200 - 630

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

Willingham Walkers

Take an early chance to put any New Year's resolutions into practice which involved taking more exercise! Join us this month when we will be taking a circuitous route, walking the paths between Rampton and Cottenham. Meeting, as usual, at 10 00 am at the Duke of Wellington on **Sunday**, **12 January – note the change to the date** previously circulated in December's edition of *Willingham News*. Please let Mike Tidball know if you will be walking with us (m.tidball@btinternet.com or telephone 01954 260647).

From the Parish Council

www.willingham-pc.org.uk

Precept

There is good news and bad news. The good is that the Parish Council has set a zero increase for next year. The total remains at \pounds 112 000 or about one pound per week for each household. This helps pay for the Parish Office and its staff, the provision of two halls and a pavilion, the recreation ground, play areas and play equipment, the village green and the cemetery. Council funds also go to help support a host of other village facilities including youth activities and this magazine. Perhaps not such bad value at a pound per week, but we mentioned bad news. Unfortunately many of you will see a rise in your Parish precept. This is because of a change in the way the charges are allocated and is imposed on us by Central Government. We have no control over this and as a Parish Council receive not one penny more from it.

Staff Changes

As mentioned last month, following the resignation of Dawn Spouge, who relocated with her family at the end of October, Mandy Powell has been appointed as our Parish Clerk. Now Halina Szulakowska has been appointed as Administrative Assistant. Mandy has been with us for several years as Admin Assistant and during this time has trained to become a fully qualified clerk. We offer a warm welcome to Halina who will start work regularly in January.

Councillor Vacancy

There is currently one vacancy on the Council which will be filled at the elections next May. There is plenty of time to think about it and if you feel you would like to put yourself forward then do have a chat with the Clerk or any of the existing Councillors to find out what is involved. The duties are not too onerous and you will be helping the Council in the work it does for our community. It would be particularly nice to hear from female candidates. Not through choice, the current Council is all male.

New Year Resolution

By the time you are reading this you may have made and possibly already broken several New Year resolutions. But here is one for us all that was the suggestion of one of our previous Councillors. It is to try and make our village an even nicer place to live in 2014. Here is the challenge. Drop no litter, drive slowly and carefully, park considerately, smile often, meet and greet friends, neighbours and colleagues warmly and see if every day you can do one little kindness. Not an easy challenge but worth a go. Meanwhile the Parish Council wishes all our parishioners a very Happy New Year.

Contact Details

Your current Parish Councillors and their contact details are:-

Mr H Awal	01954 204526
Mr A Cook (Chairman of the Council)	01954 260325

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Mr R Manning	01954 261235
Mr S Mellows	01954 270063
Mr G Pake (Cemetery Lead Councillor)	01954 260534
Mr A Slater	01954 261455
Mr J Smith	01954 260625
Mr J Watson	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 meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday, 8 January at the Octagon at 7 30 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak briefly or ask questions. Names of those wishing to speak will be recorded at the beginning of each meeting together with their electoral roll number. To ensure everyone has a fair chance to speak there is a total allotted time of 15 minutes with a maximum of 3 minutes per person.

The Parish Council office is open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 1 pm except Bank Holidays. There is an answer-phone service outside of office hours.

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

Tel. 01954-261027: E-mail email@willingbampc.org.uk Clerk: Mrs Mandy Powell Admin Assistant: Mrs Halina Szulakowska

Willingham School Christmas Fayre

A BIG 'thank you' to everyone who supported Willingham Primary School's Christmas Fayre in December - over £1000 was raised. This year was busier, bigger and better than last year! Our fantastic stall holders came to sell their gifts including jewellery, plants and toys and donated prizes for our raffle; we were also thankful to village businesses who donated prizes for our Golden Crackers. Children were able to buy small gifts for grown- ups in the Secret Santa Shop, and Santa himself made his usual appearance giving out presents in his grotto.

The school choir entertained us and accompanied their singing with African Drumming.

We are now looking forward to a Cheese and Wine evening later this month in partnership with Hempsal's Community Farm (24 January), and a Beetledrive (2 February) in early February. You may also want to get the date for the Fun Run in your diary, which this year will be on Sunday, 18 May.

Pastoral Letter

I January 2014 says the calendar, displaying bright new images on the wall. The first day of the first month of a year has carried significance since ancient times. The Biblical story of Noah records that it was on the first day of the first month of his remarkable six-hundred-andfirst year that the surface of the deluged earth became dry. The first day of the first month of a much later year marked the time when Moses erected the tabernacle that was to be the Israelites' meeting place with God after their escape from Egypt and throughout their period of nomadic life. Another gigantic leap through history takes us to the first day of the first month of the young king Hezekiah's cleansing and re-dedication of the Temple in Jerusalem. Later still, day one of month one

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Courses start week commencing 20 January

As well as our traditional programme: <u>NEW COURSES at Cottenham VC</u>

<u>from January</u> Machine Sew - Create & Craft (Monday evening)

Egg Tempera Painting (Tuesday evening) Intro to Sign Language (Tuesday evening) Photoshop Beginners (Monday evening) Digital Photography Beginners (Tuesday evening) Designing for Making (Wednesday morning)

Drawing (Wednesday evening) Adult Ballet (Thursday morn Cottenham Community Centre) was chosen for the start of the journey taken by the wise lawgiver Ezra, on his way from Babylon to administer post-exile Jerusalem. A closer look into the Old Testament stories shows that each first day of a first month heralds a fresh start for the future, a determined farewell to an unhappy past, and an awareness that, throughout it all, God remains faithful. So what will I January 2014 bring to you? I wish you a new year in which past grievances can be let go, where you find plentiful new opportunities and where you too experience the faithfulness of God.

Andrew Wyllie The Baptist Church

Willingham Women's Institute



The next meeting will be on Monday, 13 January at 7 30 pm in the Social Club

General Meeting

Unfortunately the Origami has had to be postponed but hopefully something exciting will be replacing it!

New members always welcome; please contact Jacky on 261831

Why not join us? We have some great meetings lined up:Mon 10 FebruaryYellow Butterfly Cakes - Sugarcraft
with Yvonne O'Neill

Mon 10 March *The Restless River* – a talk about the Great Ouse by David Garner

At our November meeting, Dr Simon Poole spoke about the Mediterranean diet. Poor lifestyle choices cause over 50% of cancers and heart disease and the Mediterranean diet can help. It's not about recipes but good ingredients such as free-range meat, colourful fruits and vegetables, fish, nuts and goat's or sheep's milk cheese. Eating slowly and eating to enjoy reduces calorie intake. Dr Poole brought delicious organic and flavoured olive oils for us to

try. Willingham WI also celebrated its 85th birthday. We toasted the ladies who began it all in 1928 with bucks fizz and and a beautiful cake made by Marian James and Doreen Young which was cut by our guest, Dr Hewlett.



Children in Need

Willingham Guides and Senior Section joined forces on 14 November to run our first ever mini fête to raise money for Children in Need. All the girls organised and ran their own stalls and persuaded friends and family to spend their

money. There was a diverse range of activities such as fishing sweets out of a bowl of spaghetti in tomato sauce, apple bobbing, face painting or playing the traditional



Dutch game Sjoelen as well as stalls selling jewellery, crafts and a magnificent array of cakes that the Guides and leaders had baked. The evening was a great success with nearly £150 being raised for Children in Need.



Solution to Sudoku

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

Answers to FOWL quiz

1. Anthony Powell. 2. Terry Pratchett. 3. Hugh Walpole. 4. Isaac Asimov. 5. John Galsworthy. 6. Anthony Trollope. 7. Alexander McCall Smith. 8. Marcel Proust. 9. Winston Graham. 10. Lemony Snicket.

Answers to the General Knowledge Quiz

1. Adolphe-Charles Adam 2. Ananias 3. Asquith 4. Albert, Prince of Wales (later Edward VII); Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh; Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught; Princess Alice 5. Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin 6. Nancy Astor 1919 7. Richard Arkwright 8. Louisa M Alcott 9. Robert Adam 10. John Alcock 11. Roald Amundsen 12. Admiral Lord Anson 1697-1762 13. Francois Marie Arouet 14. Aïda 15. Archimedes 287-212 BC 16. John Adams and John Quincy Adams 17. Only Englishman to become Pope - Adrian IV 1154-9 18. Queen Anne 19. Attlee 20. Abel; Adam

The Oceans Seven Swim Challenge

Willingham resident Edward Williams is а marathon swimmer who runs Elite Swimming Academy in Cambridge. He was one of the youngest people in the world to swim solo across the English Channel in 2006 and next year he is swimming solo across the Irish Channel to become the fifth person in the world to achieve the world's ultimate channel swim! It is much longer



and colder than the English Channel with lethal jellyfish.

Ed is swimming this channel as part of The Oceans Seven Swim Challenge which he is aiming to complete before his thirtieth birthday in 2016. This challenge includes swimming the longest, hardest channel on each of the seven continents namely: The Catalina Channel (America), the Molokai Channel (Hawaii), the Tsaguru Strait (Japan), the Straits of Gibraltar (Africa) and the Cook Strait (New Zealand).

These five swims combined with the English Channel and the North Channel make up the Oceans seven challenge which has only ever been completed by four people and Ed intends to be The youngest ever to achieve it. Man eating sharks, deadly box jellyfish, 10 ft waves, and sheer cold are just four of the reasons why these swims (up to 30 miles each) are considered the hardest in the world so the swimmer must be physically and mentally prepared to deal with the demands. The Oceans Seven requires a tremendous amount of planning, time, financial resources and multi-national support teams of knowledgeable local experts.

Ed is raising funds for Water Aid who works with the poorest and most marginalised communities to set up practical and sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene projects that meet their real needs.

To sponsor him and to read his full story visit www.edwardwilliams.org.uk.

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DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Sat 4 Jan	Cake Stall	Parish Church	SMAS Porch	10 am, see p12
Sat 4 Jan	Open Morning for New Members	Hempsals Community Farm	Hempsals Community Farm Meadow Road	10 am – 1 pm
Mon 6 Jan	The Victorian Landscape	Willingham Education Association	Baptist Church Hall	10 am
Wed 8 Jan	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p15
Sun 12 Jan	January Walk	Willingham Walkers	From Duke of Wellington	10 am, see p14
Mon 13 Jan	General Meeting	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm. see p16
Tue 14 Jan	Enrolment Evening with Free Tasters	Adult Learning	Cottenham Village College	From 6 30 pm, see p16
Thu 16 Jan	Luncheon Club	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Hall	12 30 pm, see p12
Fri 17 Jan	Talk and Film Show Fen Skating Through the Years	Fen Centre	Octagon	7 30 – 9 pm, see p8
Sat 18 Jan	Talk – Professor Andrew Wyllie	Men's Breakfast	Octagon	7 45 am, see p12
Sat 18 Jan	Charity Lunch	Charity to be Advised	13 Priest Lane	1 pm, see p14
Mon 20 Jan	Discussion on <i>Three of a Kind</i> Introduction on <i>Cold Weather</i>	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 pm, see p7
Fri 24 Jan	Concert for Paul Ingle's 90th Birthday	For Teenage Cancer Research	Parish Church	7 30 pm, see p7
Mon 27 Jan	Talk – <i>Rwanda</i> with Joy Childs	Mothers' Union	Octagon	2 30 pm, see p12
Thu 30 Jan	Luncheon Club	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Hall	12 30 pm, see p12
Fri 31 Jan	Quiz	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm Jacky - 261831
Mon 3 Feb	Talk – <i>Through the Year in a</i> <i>Nature Photographer's Garden</i> with Jeff Harrison	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
Wed 5 Feb	Jon Mountford and Scalextric	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p11
Mon 10 Feb	<i>Yellow Butterfly Cakes</i> – Sugarcraft with Yvonne O'Neill	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p16

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

Please notify Willingham News of any changes

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	Over Surgery		01954 231550
	Urgent Care Cambridgeshire		111
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	Willingham Out Of School Club (3–6 pm only)	Mrs R Tiley	01954 283033
	Phoenix Prep School	Gill Cooke	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
	Ducklings Toddler Group	Rachel Robinson	07963 870971
	Honeypot Pre-School (term-time only)	Mrs G Balaam	01954 201567
	Tigger Toddlers	Jenny Rayner	01954 270122
	Old Buttery Nursery School		01954 260046
	Holiday Playscheme	Phoenix School	
	Willingham Guides and Senior Section	Lynn McGoff	01954 261296
	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	Emma Tregenna	01954 261775
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Hilary Wylie	01954 260051
	Little Notes Music group	Emma Tregenna	01954 261775
	Kids' Friday Club (Baptist Church)	Loriane Bald	01954 261189
Halls	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Rosemary Mumford	01954 260934
	Baptist Bookings and Rentals	Emma Launchbury	01954 263108
T 1	Salvation Army Hall Bookings	Majors Philip and Debbie Nield	01223 233492
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	Willingham Jam Club	Julian Eales	01954 201818
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	Willingham Walkers	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
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Sport	Badminton	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
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Churches		A 1 XX7 1	
Churches	Baptist Church	Andrew Wylie	01954 260051
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