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First Fen Gallop is a Huge Success!!

We were delighted by the response to the first Fen Gallop on Sunday 5 July. Almost 400 runners took part in either the 10k or 4 mile race. People came from far and wide, including the USA!



A HUGE thank you to everyone who helped to make the event such a success – whether running, helping or cheering!

At the moment we plan to run the event on the same weekend next year – so watch this space!

For the full list of winners, see page 5.

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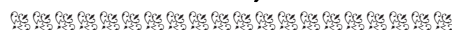
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August

Bright buckets and spades,
sun, sea and ice creams
melting in the hands of a child
dreaming her Summer dreams.

Lifeguards, cool lemonade,
music playing in the bandstand,
sandals, shorts, t-shirts,
August! Isn't it just grand?

Christine Lacey

Bin Collections – Wednesdays

5 August Black

12 August Blue and Green

19 August Black

26 August Blue and Green

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Fen Gallop Winners

Adult 10k: David Willer and Stephanie Rodgers
 Veteran 10k: John Broom and Dawn Broom (who came all the way from Yorkshire to run!)
 Adult 4 Mile: Tony Bacon and Susan Passmore
 Veteran 4 Mile: Jeremy Rodgers and Jess Llewellyn
 16 and under 4 Mile: Conall McGuinness and Emily Howard
 11 and under 4 Mile: Harry Hall and Martha Llewellyn
 7 and under 4 Mile: Ted Hall and Lillia Florence
 Mini Sprint: Zoe Kenna and Jessie Prince
 Penri Jones Cup for first Willingham Resident (4 mile): Callum Hall
 Tylers Trophy for first Willingham Pupil (4 mile): Harry Hall

DIARY DATES

Clubs and groups – whether to inform or remind – let *Willingham News* know of any meetings so that they can be included in the Village Diary.

Fen Edge Twinning Association

A record number of people joined us on our visit to our partners in Avrille in May.

After the success of hosting a French choir as well as our usual guests last year, it was great to take some of Tyrannochorus for their French debut. A brass band greeted our arrival on Friday and both choirs sang, to great acclaim, at a Picnic in the Park event on Saturday afternoon. The day was rounded off with dinner together at a chateau restaurant.

We were taken to visit a beautiful Japanese garden at Cholet on Sunday and finished with dinner in small groups of friends and neighbours.

It was nice to have a good mix of ages this year, so if you would like to join us please contact Natalie Morgan on 01954 252883 or Julia Gwilt on 01223 570045.

Advance Notice: The next of our popular quiz nights will be at 7 30 pm on 20 November at Cottenham Village College.

CRICKET CLUB QUIZ

The second quiz of the year on 19 June proved as popular as ever. As always, the scope of the questions was wide-reaching, the number of donated raffle prizes large, and the food exceptional. Many, many thanks go to Linda Blunt for the pasta bake and to Ian Fordham for the chilli con carne.



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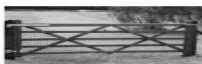
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General Knowledge Quiz – answers begin with R

Answers on page 17

- In William Golding's novel, *Lord of the Flies*, which boy causes the death of Piggy?
- Which famous London hall opened in 1871?
- Which was Britain's first pier?
- Name Hyacinth Bucket's husband in *Keeping Up Appearances*.
- Rock band formed by Richard and Fred Fairbrass?
- Who played Superman in Richard Donner's 1978 film?
- The musician and founder of Genesis and Mike and the Mechanics?
- Who played Erin in *Erin Brockovich* (2000)?
- Which composer was born on 7 March 1875? His works include the famous *Bolero*.
- The Black Pudding Throwing Championships are held in which English northern town?
- Which is the largest state in India?
- Samuel Pepys is famous for his diary, but he also reformed and expanded which British Institution?
- Which is the largest reservoir in the UK?
- Capital of Morocco?
- What does the French term *chemin de fer* mean?
- American Pastoral*, *Sabbath's Theater* and *I Married A Communist* are novels by which American writer?
- Indian film director (1921-92) known for *Panther Panchali* and *Distant Thunder*?
- Scheherazade*, the orchestral work based on *The Arabian Nights*, is by which Russian composer?
- The process by which light changes speed when passing from one material to another is known as what?
- Theodore, US poet whose works include *The Waking*?

Book Quiz

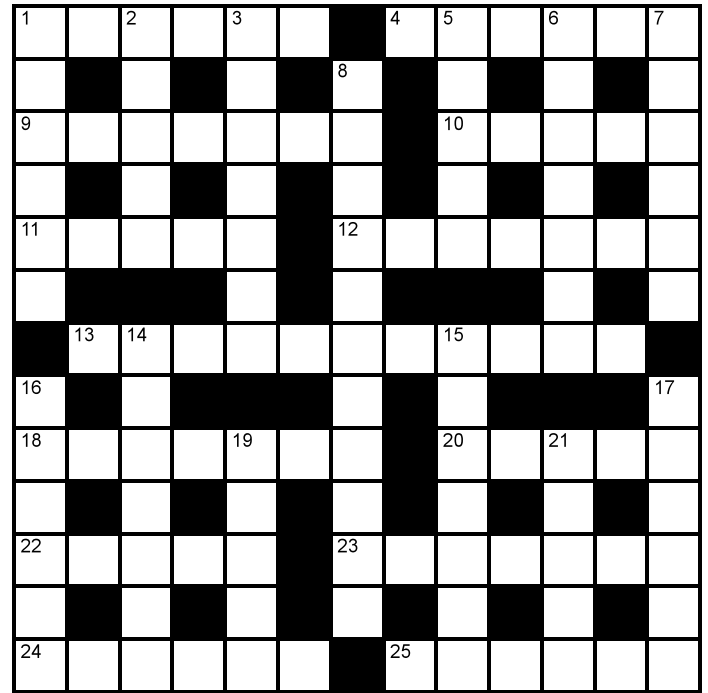
Answers on page 17

This month begins with A, and so do the authors of these books. Do you know them?

- Money*
- Epitaph for a Spy*
- Not a Penny More, not a Penny Less*
- Persuasion*
- Brick Lane*
- Good Wives*
- The Restaurant at the End of the Universe*
- Behind the Scenes at the Museum*
- I Know why the Caged Bird Sings*
- Oryx and Crake*

Quick Crossword by Willow

Answers on page 17



Across

- Try to get the ball (6)
- Large bottle or jug (6)
- Tycoon (7)
- Cutter of whiskers (5)
- Conifer that sheds its leaves (5)
- Determine (7)
- Isolated to prevent spread of disease (11)
- Back (7)
- Twang; bottle (5)
- Happening (5)
- Tumbler (7)
- Troublemaker Dennis? (6)
- Turn pale; boil for a short time (6)

Down

- Commotion (6)
- Celebratory smoke? (5)
- Hide (7)
- Lingers furtively (5)
- Small antelope (7)
- Took care of (6)
- Damage from ordinary use (4,3,4)
- Very many (7)
- Put in jeopardy (7)
- Respect (6)
- Rough drawing (6)
- Alcohol measure (5)
- Of the city (5)

Willingham Women's Institute

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New members are always welcome: please contact Jacky on 261831 if you are interested. Come for a taster – we have some great meetings lined up.

No meeting in August

14 September – *Creating with Silver* with Rebecca Hill

12 October – Social and Centenary Evening

WI News

Willingham WI invites you to a Group Meeting on **Wednesday 7 October** at 7 30 pm in the Social Club.

The speaker will be Christine Adams and the subject is *Miss Savage Moves Her House*

'May Savage's house in Ware was going to be demolished to make way for a bypass. However Miss Savage had other ideas!

She had every nail, brick and beam of her medieval hall house dismantled and carted over 100 miles to Norfolk. In Wells-Next-the-Sea, May Savage set about single-handedly rebuilding her house from scratch. She was almost sixty years old, and it would take her till the end of her life.'

Christine Adams inherited the house and using May's letters and diaries she tells the story of this remarkable lady.

Willingham Bowls Club

Bowls Club members have contested two competitions in the past month. The first competition for the Robinson Cup was a pairs format. After the group games, the final was between David Hart and Jamie Smith against Christine Hampton and Alan Davies. The final was over 8 ends after which the score was 6-6 meaning a decisive last end which went to Alan and Christine.



The next competition was the George Green Cup. This event was a triples format with all teams playing each other. At the end of the group games the winners were Pete Jarvis, Dawn and Jamie Smith who had a winning margin of 4 shots.



Willingham Photography Club

Our Club meets every month in The Baptist Tabernacle. We aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves.

The next meeting will be on
17 August from 8 to 10 pm

This evening will be spent preparing for the annual village exhibition as well as giving people hands-on experience to do some macro photography.

Tea and Coffee will be served throughout.

We cordially invite anyone who takes photographs to come along and see what is on offer.

Your expertise level does not matter; nor does the nature of your camera.

The membership cost is £20 for 6 months. First month is free.



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Old Willingham

Newcomers to the village might wonder why there is an ATM in the front of a house in the High Street. Here is a picture of that house in earlier days. Eighty years ago there was an ancient rambling thatched house covering this site and that of the post office. At that time the village newsagent was on Green Street, run by Mrs Few and her daughter Marjory. Eventually, as the village expanded they ran out of space and built two identical houses on the High Street – one for the shop (shown here) and the other to live in. This photo shows the shop in April 1960 when it closed for the last time. After this, one of the houses became the post office and is still just visible behind major modifications. This house went through various changes and ended up, by the 1980s, as a branch of Barclays Bank. When the bank closed in the early 2000s there was such an uproar in the village that Barclays agreed to keep the ATM machine for at least 15 years – and it is still there!



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.

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Birding Notes

For most bird-watchers seeing a peregrine falcon remains an uncommon and exciting experience. The fastest bird in the world, it can reach 200 mph, and its aerobatics when hunting are thrilling to see. A birding highlight of a recent holiday to Menorca came on a coastal path overlooking high cliffs, when we were lucky enough to see a pair of peregrines teaching a recently fledged chick to fly and hunt. Little did we realise that we would be able to have the same experience in the centre of Cambridge.

Increasing numbers of peregrines are choosing to nest in cities and this spring, for the first time, a pair has nested in Cambridge and successfully raised a chick. The pair was spotted nesting on a high city-centre roof top in April; once the chick fledged in June, the family moved off the nest so that flight training could begin in earnest. This was accompanied by noisy vocal encouragement and it has been a common sight to see shoppers and tourists craning their necks skywards to see what the fuss is about. Hunting has also been successful, if the occasional decapitated pigeon remains are anything to go by.

Peregrines normally nest on cliff ledges or in open spaces and it seems that tall buildings in cities replicate this habitat. Cities also have the advantage of providing a reliable supply of food thanks to their large feral pigeon populations as well as offering some protection from persecution. Many cities now have nesting peregrines and there is some suggestion that birds are beginning to choose these in favour of traditional upland sites.

One of our most persecuted birds of prey, peregrines became almost extinct in the 1960s. Thousands were killed during World War 2 to protect the pigeons which were used to carry messages; widespread use of DDT in 1950s meant that birds were poisoned when they ate infected insects and birds. Thanks to conservation measures and a crack-down on pesticides, numbers have recovered and the current population stands at around 1400 pairs in summer. It seems that city nest sites may be helping this recovery.

Peregrines mate for life and will return to previous nest sites, so we can hope to see this beautiful bird gracing the skies of Cambridge for years to come.

Renate Barker

WILLINGHAM FEAST

There will be a Feast Market at the Primary School from 9 am – 1 pm on **Saturday 10 October** as part of the Feast weekend.

For further information and to book your stall please contact helen.snow@ntlworld.com.



WILLINGHAM GARDENING CLUB

Meetings are held at the the Social Club on the first Monday of each month (except January and August) and start at 7 30 pm until around 9 pm. There is also plant raffle.

New members are always welcome. Our annual subscription is a modest £14 though you may attend one meeting for £2. Simply come along or ring Celia on 01954 261394.

Next Meeting: Monday 7 September A social evening with quizzes and light refreshments including soft drinks, starting at 7 30 pm. The Social Club bar will be open for you to purchase drinks. This is an evening for informal conversation and fun. Please bring any old photos of past Club holidays or trips which can be displayed.

Outings

All outings leave the Green at 8 30 am and return by about 6 pm. Ring Celia on 01954 261394 or Keith on 01954 261885 to book your seat.

12 September to Stamford and Easton Walled Gardens in Lincolnshire. £25 per person payable on the day.

11 November – Christmas shopping and sightseeing trip to historic Lincoln. £20 per person payable on the day.

Outings are open to all so we look forward to welcoming you.

Reminder of Annual Village Horticultural Show

The show will be held on **Saturday 5 September** at the Primary School.

We welcome entries from everyone but particularly local people including children. Please join us and have a go whatever your ability, because without you there wouldn't be a show. Entry forms with details of how to enter the various classes are now available from local shops, the library, and the hairdressers.

Willingham Christians Together Present: Polar Explorers Holiday Club

A fun packed holiday club for children of reception to year 6
3 to 7 August 10 - 12 30

Our holiday club this year involves donning our snow suits, gloves and wooly hats to explore the frozen wasteland that is Willingham! With the help of Sir Random Finds and Bare Feet we will go on a mini-expedition each day to learn about a different character in the bible.

Expect a fun packed time including games, crafts, songs, stories, snacks, challenges and much, much more!

On 8 August Parents are invited to join us for a special Sunday morning session of Polar Explorers to get a taste of all you have been up to!

There is no charge for this amazing event! Numbers are limited so please book early to secure your place. Closing date for bookings is 26 July. Registration forms can be found on our website or at the Baptist Church.

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Are you Interested in Archaeology?

This summer Cambridge Archaeological Unit is inviting local residents to take part in excavating and analysing finds along the Ouse Washes. The digs will be taking place in August at two locations: a Roman Villa at RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes and a Civil War Bulwark earthwork and Roman Car Dyke at Earith. All levels of experience are welcome and training will be given to those who have never done this kind of work before. Full details at ousewashes.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer-hub/volunteers-in-action/.

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If you feel that you would be interested in 'the good life' please give me a ring (01954 260718) or email: sue.ayling1@ntlworld.com.

I am also trying to get all allotment holders' email addresses as it will make contact with everyone so much easier (and cheaper!).

Sue Ayling (Allotments)

THE OLD RECREATION GROUND

This 5 acre field has undergone many transformations over time. For centuries it was virtually underwater, on the edge of Willingham Mere, and became part of Middle Fen after the Mere was drained. It has rich fenland soil with a relatively high water table.

Under the Enclosure Award of 1853 the field was allotted to the village for community use, and it ultimately became known as the 'Recreation Ground', being used by villagers for general recreation of all sorts. For several years from the mid 1920s, the cricket club was particularly successful, supported by many of the local gentry. It boasted an excellent cricket square, with a pavilion that backed onto Earith Road. Voluntary contributions were collected in buckets during matches.

After the Second World War the Recreation Ground was used mainly by the football club. There are still villagers today who remember playing football or watching football matches there. They also recall, when young, playing round a small pond in the north east corner of the field. In those days Earith Road was only a small country road, with very few houses and little traffic.



The present 'New' Recreation Ground opened in the 1950s, and was situated on land known as 'The Sandpits', off West Fen Road. Both football and cricket clubs increasingly used the new ground, which was larger, easier to access, and nearer the centre of the village. Subsequently the 'Old' Recreation Ground was let to local farmers for grazing or hay.

In 2012 the Parish Council agreed that it would be appropriate to use this land as a Community Orchard, open to everyone in the village. The trees in the orchard were planted in 2013 and 2014. Since the end of the 19th century orchards have played a large part in the village economy, and there is still one commercial orchard being worked

Charity Lunch

The August charity lunch supporting Magpas will be held on **15 August** at 1 pm by Ruth Weedon and Jacqueline Hodgkinson at 5A High Street.

The lunch consists of soup, bread and cheese. A donation of £5 is suggested.

All are welcome.



today. In 1935, commercial orchards around Willingham alone covered over 750 acres, with fruit being regularly sent to London and all over the country, so we feel it is fitting to recreate in a small way, something that has been so important to Willingham life over the years.

One interesting feature to note is opposite Row 4 of the orchard, by the hedge, where you can see the concrete base for a spigot mortar, which fired high explosive bombs. This was part of the county's defences against possible invasion in World War 2.

Polly Fawcitt

If you have a memory or story from the days when the Old Recreation Ground was used for sport, we would love to hear it.

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Services

2 August

9 00 am BCP Communion Service
10 30 am Family Service

9 August

10 30 am Communion Service

16 August

9 00 am Communion Service
10 30 am Morning Worship

23 August

10 30 am Communion Service

30 August

10 30 am Family Communion Service

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 and young people in the Octagon during term-time. On the 1st 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.

St Mary and All Saints Events

Bubbles – is held in the Octagon every Friday during school term time from 10 – 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. There are different craft activities, a story time and a time to eat together. Come with your children to enjoy. Contact Linda at revlin@me.com or 263187. The next Messy Church is on **3 October**, 3 30 – 5 pm.

time4T – a friendly get-together that is open to everyone every Friday 2 – 4 pm in the Octagon. Good company. £1 includes tea and biscuits. More information available from Alan (261349), Rosemary (205718) or David (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. A Coffee Morning (run by Mothers’ Union) will also be run in the Octagon at the same time.



WILLINGHAM SALVATION ARMY
Silver Street, Willingham CB24 5LF
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Services

Sunday 2 August Don and Trish Hall
Sunday 9 August Don and Trish Hall
Sunday 16 August Don and Trish Hall
Sunday 23 August Don and Trish Hall
Sunday 30 August Rachel Robinson
All at 5 pm. All welcome.

Salvation Army Events

Coffee Morning: Mondays, 10 30 am – 12 noon.

Nimble Fingers Craft Club: Mondays, 2 – 4 pm. Bring your crafts and join with others. Learn new skills as well. Tea, coffee and good company provided.

Luncheon Club: Alternate Thursdays, **13 and 27 August** at 12 30 pm. Price £4. Book with Daphne on 260568.

Friendship Club: Alternate Thursdays, **13 and 27 August** from 1 45 – 2 45 pm after Luncheon Club. Quizzes, singing, talks, games, tea and biscuits and lots more.

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MOTHERS’ UNION

There will be no meeting in August





Services

2 August

- 9 00 am I Am the way the truth and the life – *Traditional Worship*
 10 30 am I Am the way the truth and the life – *Contemporary Worship*
 6 00 pm I Am the way the truth and the life – *Evening Worship*

9 August

- 10 30 am Never too unlikely – *Holiday club special with BBQ*
 6 00 pm Holiday topic – *Evening Worship*

16 August

- 10 30 am I am the vine – *Altogether Worship*
 6 00 pm I am the vine – *Evening Worship*

23 August

- 10 30 am Grappling with guidance – *Family Worship***
 6 00 pm Holiday topic – *Evening Worship*

30 August

- 10 30 am Guidance when God is silent – *Family Worship***
 6 00 pm Prayer focus – *Evening Worship*

(* = + activities for children)

Baptist Events

Holiday club 3 – 7 August – The polar explorers are coming! Starting 10 30 am each morning at the Baptist church – see the website for more details.

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: Is continuing through August. Thursdays 10 – 11 15 am – half an hour of singing with instruments and actions followed by free-play, refreshments and a chance to meet other parents or carers. For all pre-school children aged 1-4, with a quieter space set aside for babies under the age of 1. Please contact Sharon Sennitt on 01954 782345 for further information.

Open Door Coffee Morning: Restarts 9 September. Every Wednesday 10 – 11 30 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: Restarts 11 September. Fridays at 6 30 – 7 30 pm in the church for children of primary school Year 1 upwards. Action-packed hour with craft, games, songs, drama all based around a bible story. Please contact Lorraine Bald for further information – 01954 261189.

Men's Breakfast: 19 September – 7 45 am in the Baptist church for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Please contact Pete Sacre for more information – 01954 261655, sacrepete@yahoo.co.uk.

CAP Student money course – 7, 14, and 21 October: Free money management course which 10,000 people attended nationwide last year. Delegates who came on a recent Willingham course fed back that it was 'life changing'. The course teaches you the CAP system of budget – save – spend, and whatever situation you are in you will gain something from it. Please see willinghambaptist.org for more details and contact Debbie Jackman (01954 261195) if you would like to be on a course. CAPmoneyWillingham@btinternet.com.

PASTORAL LETTER

As a retired Salvation Army Officer, it has been a real privilege to be drawn out of retirement for a few months to oversee the work of The Salvation Army in the village. Now with the arrival of Territorial Envoy Don and Lieutenant Trish Hall, as the new leaders for the Salvation Army Church, I return to my restful and slower pace of life at my home in Bognor Regis.

This edition of Willingham News affords me the opportunity to say how much I have enjoyed living in this area. Having spent most of my life in cities, it has been a joy to see the wheat growing in a field at the end of my road. People coming and going to their developing allotments. Species of birds that I have only ever heard about or seen on the television. The splendid colours of the flowers in greenhouses. Rivers and canals with brightly painted barges.

It has also been a joy to meet so many wonderful villagers and especially to hear about the old days of the market gardening, village characters, Feast weekends, floats and church activities. I have been privileged to share something of the joys and sorrows in the personal lives of some of you. I feel that I have made so many new friends. So comes the round of goodbyes and thank-yous to many people for allowing me to be part of their lives, albeit for such a short period.

Saying, 'goodbye' and 'thank you' during this past week has been a reminder to me not to take anything for granted, and to always be grateful for every new experience which may come my way. It is also a reminder to,

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his love endures for ever.'
 (Psalm 107)

I believe that in His graciousness, goodness and love, God brought me to Willingham to learn new lessons of life and hopefully to contribute something worthwhile to the community. I trust that you will find something special today and in coming days, for which to thank the Lord; for indeed, He is good.

Major Thea Wood

Salvation Army

The Editors would like to thank Major Wood for her contributions to the magazine and to village life, and wish her all the very best for the future.

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

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 July, Carol Bailey gave us a lovely demonstration of *New Ideas for Summer Flowers* but sadly again we had a really poor turn-out. Why not support the library by coming to these sessions – they're free and friendly!

Next Talk:

- **Wednesday 5 August** – *Engage Summer Social*. Bring your ideas for good summer reads – how many books can you think of with 'Summer' in the title?
- **Wednesday 2 September** – *History of Country Markets* with Margaret Cliff.
- **Wednesday 7 October** – *Tea and Tablets* with Victoria Richardson – Making the most of Library Services with Portable Devices.

The talks are free but donations are welcomed towards refreshments.

Summer Reading Challenge

We hope you are well into your summer reading and enjoying this year's Record Breakers theme. It's not too late to sign up if you haven't started yet – you've still got time to read those 6 books, but hurry on down! And you can check out the website for more games and activities at www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk.

This year's medal presentation will be on **Tuesday 15 September** at 3 45 pm so put that in your diaries now!

Friends of Willingham Library

The future of the Library

As reported in last month's *Willingham News*, following an initial consultation on strategy in the context of losing around a third of its budget over the next three years, the Library Service are now preparing detailed options for discussions with County Councillors and for further public consultation. However, the timescale for this is 'in due course. We anticipate this will take place later in the year, rather than over the summer as previously advised'. More information can be found on the libraries website (address at the top of the page).

The best way to strengthen the case for Willingham Library is to make sure that it is well used.

Rosie in Stitches

The Friends of the Rosie Hospital raises money through the Tea Bar at the Rosie Hospital outpatient department and through their trading arm Rosie in Stitches which has raised £731 so far in 2015.

Our American themed toys at Bar Hill Summer Fete were popular.

If you have any spare polyester toy stuffing or yarn we are in urgent need of your donation.

Follow us on the Rosie-in-Stitches facebook page. New knitted clothes and toys for sale on our website www.rosieinstitches.org.uk.

This summer we have a small display at the Tea Bar, Outpatient Department, Rosie Hospital at Addenbrooke's and Hackers Fruit Farm, Dry Drayton.

Our next stalls will be:

Sunday 23 August 10 am to 4 pm

Pop-Up Shop at Hackers Fruit Farm, Dry Drayton

Bags, toys, clothes for children, blankets, hats, scarves, gloves, baby mittens, booties, hats.

Saturday 12 September 2 30 to 5 pm

Craft Fair at Ploughman Hall.

Thank you for all your support



Summer at the Museums

www.cam.ac.uk/museums/summer

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23 July – 2 September.

Pack more into your holidays this summer and join museums in Cambridge and beyond for some family fun and adventure.

23 venues across the County will be presenting a jam-packed programme of drop-in and bookable creative activities, events and trails - all part of the annual Summer at the Museums line-up. Whether it's something to do on a rainy day, a day out close to home, or a bit of hands-on creativity, we have loads of activities and events for you to choose from.

From creating miniature masterpieces at the Fitzwilliam Museum, solving detective mysteries at the Farmland Museum or travelling through the ages on the Burwell Museum Time Travel Bus, this year's *Summer at the Museums What's On* guide is full of events and activities to keep everyone entertained. You can also keep a record of your visits throughout the summer with our accompanying museum passport. Use it to collect a stamp from every place you go.

Free *What's On* guides and passports will be available from all participating museums or collections. Alternatively, pick up your own from www.cam.ac.uk/museums/summer.



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August Bank Holiday Monday 31 August Surgeries closed. Normal opening Tuesday 1 September.

Repeat medication Please be aware that neither A & E departments nor our out of hours services Urgent Care Cambridge and 111 can dispense your repeat prescriptions for you. Please check your supplies and remember to **order from our dispensary in plenty of time so that you can collect before the weekends and bank holidays. We need 48 hours notice** in order to comply with the legal requirements. Ring **01954 260073** or leave your repeat prescription order-form at either Willingham or Longstanton surgery. You can also **order your prescriptions on-line** so ask dispensary for details of how to register for this service.

Accident and Emergency We see from hospital discharge letters that some patients are attending the casualty department with minor problems which could have been dealt with by our Out of Hours Service **Urgent Care Cambridgeshire**. It is a huge drain on resources to use the A & E Department for non-urgent matters. Please phone **UCC on 111**. They will advise you if they feel a trip to A & E is necessary, and if not, what alternative options are available to you. Please have the following information to hand when you phone 111.

- Patient's Date of Birth
- Patient's name and address
- Name of patient's doctor
- Details of the medical condition
- Details of any medication being taken

Going to University this September? Remember to ring and book a telephone consultation with one of our practice nurses to check you are up to date with your immunisations.

Monday Morning Surgeries Monday mornings are becoming extremely busy times for both surgeries. Please try to help this situation by avoiding first thing Monday morning where possible for unnecessary attendance/phone calls. Please phone/call into the surgery after 10 am for a routine appointment and for blood results after 12 pm.

Carers' Support Meeting The next meetings are on **Wednesday 2 September** and **Wednesday 7 October** from 2 – 4 30 pm. Karen has had great success with these meetings and is able to offer support and information to help with the stress and worry of being a carer. Please feel free to come along or phone Karen at the surgery for further details.

Telephone Appointments These can be booked with doctors if you do not wish to attend the surgery. A lot of routine matters can be dealt with over the telephone.

Mobile Numbers Please make sure that we have got your current mobile number. Text confirmations for your

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

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| 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 |

appointments will be sent to the mobile number that we have on our system, so if this is not up to date you will not receive the text reminder.

Pharmacy The pharmacy at Willingham Surgery can help with many of your travel essentials, so pop in for some free advice and get stocked up for summer.

Missed appointments in June totalled 90. This amounts to around 18.5 hours of wasted doctor/nurse time. When appointments are not cancelled we are unable to reuse them for other patients so PLEASE inform us if you are unable to make your appointment.

Sharon Unwin – Manager

WEEE Recycling Collection report

A BIG thank you to all who contributed to the recent WEEE collection and to maintaining Willingham at the top of the village league for weight collected – a whopping 7246 kgs – earning the village £226.84.

2618 kgs were small appliances, 60% of which generally end up in landfill, so an environmental benefit also.

Thanks to all involved and to the Parish Council for their cooperation with WISER.

WAG

What's In a Sausage?



Ever wondered? The sausage is high on Britain's favourite food list, and I have my personal favourites. A flyer for a 'Sausage Making Master Class' at Highgate Farm Shop seemed too good an opportunity to miss, so I and four of my like-minded friends signed up to find out.

The advert implied we could add whatever flavourings we might want, so game on! Create the sausage you had always dreamed of!

We arrived at the Butchery on the appointed evening with flavourings of our choice and met up with Kevin the Butcher. He presented us with our raw materials, a bowl full of 10lb of prime pork cuts.

Our first question... What type of pig is this and which bits of it have we got in here? A quick tour of the chiller identified the meat we were working with was from a Saddleback Pig, predominately from the shoulder and the belly, ie meat with a reasonable fat content and good texture. Satisfied with the base ingredients we gathered around the mincer for the first process.

Make the sausage meat.....

Once the meat was passed through the mincer the first time, dry breadcrumbs and any dry seasonings were mixed through. A suitable amount of liquid (of your choice!) and any other 'wet' ingredients such as fresh herbs were added before the entire mix was passed through the mincer again to combine.

Make the sausage....Now the fun part!

Only natural casings are used here, so these were soaked to make them workable. Standing next to a machine that looks similar to a certain upright vacuum cleaner, the sausage meat was loaded inside, the pressure pumped up, and the casings slipped over the nozzle. The speed of the sausage meat exiting the nozzle was controlled by a lever on the 'hoover' which was operated by knee pressure. The casing on the nozzle was gripped (lightly!) between finger and thumb. The general idea was to allow the casing to feed off the nozzle at the same speed as the sausage meat was being forced out. Most first efforts were a little timid but in the end we all got there with something that looked like one very long sausage in varying degrees of thickness.

String the sausage.....Now the tricky part!

Thinking the hard work was over, we now had to turn one

very long sausage weighing in at the best part of 10lb into something a bit more user friendly. There are two options apparently, in twos or threes. A short 'discussion' followed on the relative merits of each, but it appeared to boil down to aesthetics and how many you might want to eat at one sitting (freezer portion control?). Kevin made it look effortless, and I'm sure it is after a couple of years of experience, but we didn't have that on our side! We found that chanting a mantra like 'knit one, pearl two' was useful and we got there in the end.

A very satisfying and enjoyable evening was had by all, thanks to our hosts Highgate Farm Shop and particularly Kevin at the Butchery. We shared our sausages amongst ourselves and went home to stuff our freezers.

... And now I know what goes into a sausage – just good ingredients and flavourings of your choice.

What were our flavourings? Sorry, can't tell you. It's now a secret family recipe that may just be handed down through the generations.

Future sessions are available at the Farm Shop if you fancy having a go yourself.

Neil Barker

Help to stay independent, safe and well

Many of us don't think about care and support until we, or someone we know, needs it, then find we are unsure where to find information and how to access the support we need.

A new online resource is providing information about care, support and wellbeing. This includes information about continuing to live independently and safely at home, making life easier, and getting support after a stay in hospital. There are care home and housing options and details of how to pay for care and support. You can find out more by visiting www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/careandsupport

If you do not have access to the Internet, can't find what you need online, or want more information, you can phone 0345 045 5202 or visit any Cambridgeshire Library (also known as community hubs).

Answers General Knowledge Quiz:

1. Roger
2. Royal Albert Hall
3. Ryde
4. Richard
5. Right Said Fred
6. Christopher Reeve
7. Mike Rutherford
8. Julia Roberts
9. Maurice Ravel
10. Ramsbottom
11. Rajasthan
12. Royal Navy
13. Rutland
14. Water
15. Rabat

Answers to FOWL Quiz: 1. Martin Amis. 2. Eric Ambler. 3. Jeffrey Archer. 4. Jane Austen. 5. Monica Ali. 6. Louisa M Alcott. 7. Douglas Adams. 8. Kate Atkinson. 9. Maya Angelou. 10. Margaret Atwood.

Answers to Crossword: Across: 1 Tackle, 4 Flagon, 9 Magnate, 10 Razor, 11 Larch, 12 Resolve, 13 Quarantined, 18 Support, 20 Pluck, 22 Event, 23 Acrobat, 24 Menace, 25 Blanch.

Down: 1 Tumult, 2 Cigar, 3 Leather, 5 Lurks, 6 Gazelle, 7 Nursed, 8 Wear and tear, 14 Umpteen, 15 Imperil, 16 Esteem, 17 Sketch, 19 Optic, 21 Urban.

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Northstowe

It is obvious to all who travel on the B1050 that building works on Phase I of Northstowe have commenced, with the road modifications south of the Guided Busway. When complete there will be three access roads to the new town, complete with two sets of traffic lights. The road works will continue until early 2016 and will eventually cause some overnight closures before they are finished. Building onsite commenced on 17 July with the new Primary School, and includes a sports hub, a local centre with shops and community uses, a site for a Household Recycling Centre, and the first 1500 houses.

The plans for Phase II, which is for the town centre, shops, 3 schools, roads, employment opportunities and another 3500 new houses, were approved in outline at the end of June, subject to S106 and some reserved matters. No work on Phase II can commence until the A14 upgrade is complete, so we have quite a few more years before any real details emerge.

And speaking of the A14, the latest news, various publications, and maps of the planned upgrade can be found on the Highways Agency website at www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H.

Flood Risk & Reporting

Cambridgeshire County Council has recently reviewed their Strategy for Flood Risk Management and will be publishing the updates by the end of the year. It is worthwhile repeating from the review that the authority cannot know about every flooding incident, particularly those which do not lead to flooding within property, but that it is important to record flood incidents which affect roads or enter the boundaries of properties. Knowledge of flooding events from relatively regular rainfall can warn where there is a risk to properties from more extreme rainfall.

Flooding from overflowing drains and gullies can be reported to Highways online at: bit.ly/CCCGully

(www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/HighwaysReports/Highways/ReportProblem1.aspx)

Flooding within Cambridgeshire, but not on Highways, can be reported here: bit.ly/CCCFFlood (www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/site/xfp/scripts/xforms_form.aspx?formID=48&language=en)

(The short website links above will take you to the same pages as the rather unfriendly Cambridgeshire links.)

Bus Route to Cottenham & Ely

The original plan to extend the 110 bus route to Rampton, which prompted the Council to seek a further extension to Willingham, has been withdrawn and a new tender application is underway. Once the details of this are revealed we will once more look into the viability of including Willingham on the journey. Our County Councillor, Peter Hudson, is attending the meetings and keeping us informed.

Ploughman Hall

The Ploughman Hall floor has been due for a polish for a while now, but we had been waiting for the youth conversion work to be completed. Now that this is done we have scheduled a deep sanding and resurfacing with a sport finish. We hope to have this done in August whilst there is a break in hall activity.

We have recently added an additional CCTV camera to cover the QEII field and extra lighting by the Youth Centre entrance.

New Councillors

Regular readers might be expecting the usual appeal to fill vacant council posts – but attentive readers will know that John Anderson, Linda King, Rhys Tassell and Brenda Mansfield were all co-opted in June and are now fully signed up, so their contact details are now available below.

Contact Details:

Your current Parish Councillors and their contact details (in alphabetical order) are:-

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Mr J Anderson | 01954 203344 |
| Mr A Cook | 01954 260325 |
| Dr R Croucher (Vice Chairman & Halls Lead Councillor) | 01954 261113 |
| Mr N Harris | 07792 611226 |
| Mrs L King | 01954 260780 |
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| Mr R Manning | 01954 261235 |
| Mrs B Mansfield | 01954 261540 |
| Mr S Mellows (Cemetery Lead Councillor) | 01954 270063 |
| Mr A Slater | 01954 261455 |
| Mr J Smith (Leisure & Amenities Lead Councillor) | 01954 261141 |
| Mr R Tassell | 07974 673836 |
| Mrs J Vincent-Pilsworth | 01954 260929 |
| Mr J Watson (Green & Boundaries Lead Councillor) | 01954 200245 |

Meeting dates are published on the website, the notice board outside the public hall in the High Street, at the library and are listed below. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak briefly or ask questions. Names will be taken down at the beginning of each meeting, together with the electoral register number to ensure everyone has a fair chance to speak within the allowed time (15 minutes in total for all speakers – 3 minutes maximum per person). Meeting Dates: 5 August, 2 September, 7 October at 7 30 pm in the Octagon.

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

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

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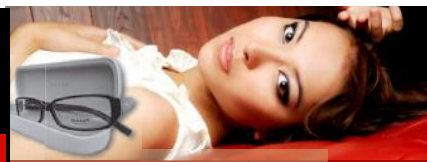
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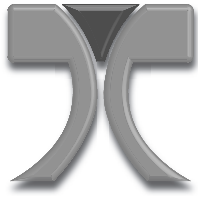
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| DATE | EVENT | ORGANISATION | VENUE | EXTRA INFO |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 23 July to 2 Sept | Summer at the Museums | Cambridge University | Cambridge Museums | See p15 |
| Sat 1 Aug | Cake Stall | Parish Church | Parish Church Porch | 10 am, see p12 |
| Sat 1 Aug | Coffee Morning | Mothers' Union | Octagon | 10 am, see p12 |
| Mon/Fri 3/7 Aug | Polar Explorers Holiday Club | Baptist Church | Baptist Church | 10 am – 12 30 pm, see p10 |
| Wed 5 Aug | Engage Summer Social | Engage in the Afternoon | Library | 2 – 3 30 pm, see p15 |
| Wed 5 Aug | Parish Council Meeting | Parish Council | Octagon | 7 30 pm, see p19 |
| Thu 6 Aug | Golf Day | Black Bull Golf Society | Graveley | Email: sarah_pv@hotmail.com Tel: 01954 261252 |
| Thu 13 Aug | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 12 30 pm, see p12 |
| Thu 13 Aug | Friendship Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 1 45 – 2 45 pm, see p12 |
| Sat 15 Aug | Charity Lunch | For Magpas | 5A High Street | 1 pm, see p11 |
| Sat 15 Aug | Annual Flower & Produce Show | Royal British Legion | Over Community Centre | See June issue, p10 |
| Mon 17 Aug | Preparation for Annual Exhibition & Macro Photography | Photography Club | Baptist Church | 8 – 10 pm, see p8 |
| Wed 19 Aug | Hearing Aid Clinic | Surgery | Surgery | 2 – 4 pm, see July issue, p16 |
| Sun 23 Aug | Pop-Up Shop | Rosie in Stitches | Hackers Fruit Farm Dry Drayton | 10 am – 4 pm, see p15 |
| Thu 27 Aug | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 12 30 pm, see p12 |
| Thu 27 Aug | Friendship Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 1 45 – 2 45 pm, see p12 |
| Wed 2 Sept | <i>History of Country Markets</i> with Margaret Cliff | Engage in the Afternoon | Library | 2 – 3 30 pm, see p15 |
| Wed 2 Sept | Carers' Support Meeting | Surgery | Surgery | 2 – 4 30 pm, see p16 |
| Wed 2 Sept | Parish Council Meeting | Parish Council | Octagon | 7 30 pm, see p19 |
| Thu 3 Sept | Golf Day | Black Bull Golf Society | St Neots | Email: sarah_pv@hotmail.com Tel: 01954 261252 |
| Sat 5 Sept | Cake Stall | Parish Church | Parish Church Porch | 10 am, see p12 |
| Sat 5 Sept | Coffee Morning | Mothers' Union | Octagon | 10 am, see p12 |
| Sat 5 Sept | Horticultural & Craft show | Gardening Club | Primary School | See p10 |
| Mon 7 Sept | <i>Plant Hunters</i> with Andrew Sankey | WEA | Baptist Church | 10 am, see p9 |
| Mon 7 Sept | Social Evening | Gardening Club | Social Club | 7 30 pm, see p10 |
| Thu 10 Sept | Luncheon Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 12 30 pm, see p12 |
| Thu 10 Sept | Friendship Club | Salvation Army | Salvation Army Hall | 1 45 – 2 45 pm, see p12 |
| Fri 11 Sept | <i>Murder at Hangman Hall</i> | Over Players | Over Community Centre | 7 30 pm, see p8 |

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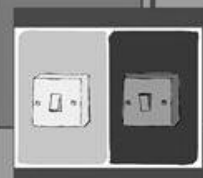
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