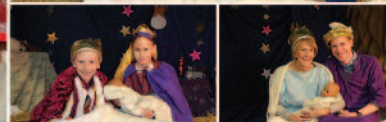
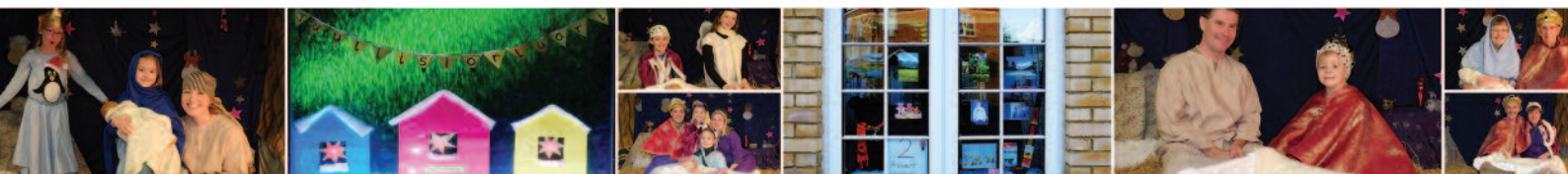


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## Advent Adventure

The front cover this month shows photos of two events held in Willingham during December. The Advent Adventure windows, now in their third successful year, and also the *Get in the Picture* event held at the primary school's Christmas Fayre. The windows were featured on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire and also mentioned in *Cambridge News*.

We are planning to make about 12 of the 'windows' into a pack of Christmas cards for 2017. We hope that we will have these available for purchase from September with the money going to a Willingham good cause. Please let us know if you would be likely to buy a pack of cards.

We hope to have the windows back in 2017 with another new theme! If you'd like to host a window, please let us know.

Please contact us about cards or windows at:

wundecided@aol.com (Kathryn) or

emmalaunchbury@hotmail.co.uk (Emma)

## Willingham Social Club

### What's on in January/February?

Friday, 20 January. Elvis Impersonator Ian Coulson is returning to the club. Doors open at 7 30 pm.

With his authentic act of the most popular Elvis hits from his GI days through to his glittering Vegas performances, Ian Coulson, as Elvis, is a great night for everyone. He is a first-class entertainer, as well as being an excellent singer. Audiences worldwide have said just how much he sounds like the King, singing all of Elvis' hits from *That's All Right Mama* to *Rubberneckin*.

The act is self-contained, with the best PA system and quality Elvis backing tracks from Kingtracks in Tennessee and with live guitars, electric and acoustic. Ian uses authentic radio mikes, so Elvis can wander amongst the audience. He has the finest costumes ranging from 50s Elvis cool jackets and tuxedos through to the leather suit featured in the 1968 comeback special.

Tickets £8 each from the club or [www.wegotickets.com/event/383438](http://www.wegotickets.com/event/383438)

Friday, 10 February. Custard Comedy returns. Doors open 7 45 pm.

Sol Bernstein headlines, alongside Roger Monkhouse and Laura Lexx. Always a sell-out, so be sure to get your tickets early from the club or [www.wegotickets.com/event/378470](http://www.wegotickets.com/event/378470). Tickets £10 each.

Saturday, 25 February. *Ramshackle Daddies*, Live Rock and Roll Band.

Doors open 7 30 pm.

More information to follow or contact Alex on 01954 260557. [www.willinghamsocialclub.com](http://www.willinghamsocialclub.com)



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**Willingham Action Group** sends best wishes to all the residents of Willingham as we approach Christmas and the end of another year. The orchard is thriving, the Feast was a great success and by the time you receive this, the final phase of the playground area behind the Ploughman Hall will have been completed.

We want to thank the Parish Council for their considerable help in our joint ventures and all the WAG volunteers and supporters for their time and effort in 2016 as well as all our kind sponsors.

## December's Cricket Club Quiz

As always, an extremely enjoyable evening with mountains of raffle prizes and food.

*Play Misty for Me* – this team not only came second in the overall quiz with 102 points but won the picture round. Third was *Fairies and an Elf* with 101 points but top was *Beady Eyes* – winning score of 104.

Well done to all 15 teams who took part and also many thanks to the organizers and cooks as well as to the Social Club.



## WILLINGHAM GARDENING CLUB

Meetings are held at the Social Club on the first Monday of each month (**except January**) and start at 7 30 pm until about 9 pm and include a plant raffle.

The Club welcomes new members. If you are interested, come along and speak to a committee member informally. There is a small charge of £2 for non-members. Members pay an annual subscription of £14. Ring Celia on 01954 261394 or just turn up to a meeting.

### Meetings:

**January – No Meeting**

**Monday, 6 February** – Speaker, Barry Kaufman-Wright on Beautiful Gardens of Britain.

The Committee of the Club wishes all members and our supporters a very Happy New Year.

We will be publishing our list of outings to gardens and places of interest as soon as possible so that you can note the dates in your diaries in good time.

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The January Charity Lunch will be held on **Saturday, 21 January** at 1 pm and hosted by Val Parsons at 20 Earith Road. The lunch consists of soup, bread and cheese and the suggested donation is £5.

The donations for 2016 were for the Willingham Medical Practice and the sum raised was £1,000. It has been indicated that a new Dermascope as well as a new Magnifier will be purchased for the surgery.

A new Charity will be chosen for 2017.

**All are welcome**

## JAZZ IN WILLINGHAM

There will be no jazz in January as New Year's Day falls on the first Sunday. The next jazz gig will be held in the Social Club on **Sunday, 5 February** when the band will be the Dynamic Jazz Band.

## Old Willingham



This picture was taken 100 years ago in an unknown Willingham back garden. There are a couple of things that are striking. The first is the bike. Nowadays, we take them for granted, but bikes like this were only invented twenty years before this photo which means it would have been a new and prestigious possession. No wonder that it is being so proudly shown. Horace Thoday's shop on Church Street started selling bikes around 1910 and this may have come from there. The other striking thing is how young this chap is; probably still in his teens. We don't know who he is and we can only wonder whether his name is now on the memorial in the Parish cemetery.

See more photos at [www.oldwillingham.com](http://www.oldwillingham.com)

If you have stories or memories about this picture, please contact Jon Edney, 31 High Street or [oldwill@oldwillingham.com](mailto:oldwill@oldwillingham.com)



## The Fen Gallop 2017

**Sunday, 9 July**

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Keep up to date via our Facebook Page and we will be launching a new website soon.

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### Advance Notice

## The Fen Edge Festival is back Friday, 23 June – Sunday, 25 June



Organised by the Fen Edge Community Association, the 2017 Fen Edge Festival will be fun-filled, exciting, exhausting, and should be a highlight in your summer calendar. As in previous years, the Seventh Festival will be centred around Cottenham Village Green but will also encompass other locations in the village. Whilst many of the events and activities at the Festival will be free for everyone to enjoy, all profits are distributed to local charities and groups for the benefit of many.

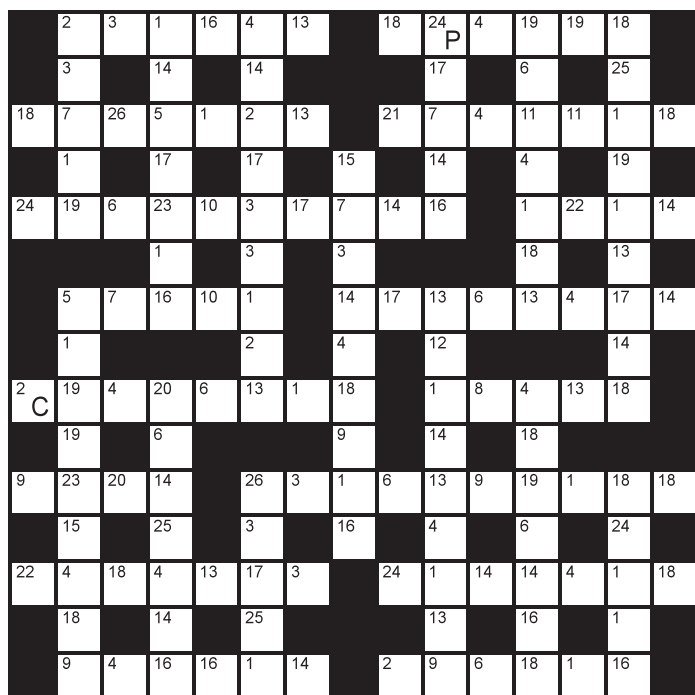
Packed with a huge range of exciting activities, displays, stalls, food, drink and fabulous live music – the Fen Edge Festival 2017 will be an unmissable event providing enjoyment for everyone who takes part. It is a fantastic opportunity to reach thousands of people. If you would like to attend as a stallholder, please email: [stalls@fenedgefestival.co.uk](mailto:stalls@fenedgefestival.co.uk).

Similarly, we are looking for local groups and organisations to provide activities at the Festival which will raise your group's profile. Please email: [activities@fenedgefestival.co.uk](mailto:activities@fenedgefestival.co.uk).

Put the dates in your new diaries now and make sure you join us for three days of good old-fashioned community fun next summer.

## Codeword

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## DEE ELLE

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<i>Corners of my Mind</i>	£3.50	0-7212-0887-8
(Regency press – 1992)		

Doreen is now working on her latest book, a collection of poetry, a play and short stories. All books are well worth a read and explore the supernatural as it was and as it is!

Steve Oldham

## Young Readers' Corner Quiz



Answers on page 9

### Stories

1. Which little girl had an encounter with three bears?
2. What is the name of Winnie the Pooh's donkey friend?
3. Who was created by Gepetto the woodcarver?
4. Name the bear in *The Jungle Book*?
5. What kind of creature was defeated by the Three Billy Goats Gruff?
6. The leader of a gang of outlaws in Sherwood Forest?
7. Who stole Christmas in a Dr Seuss' book?
8. The character who couldn't be put together again by all the King's horses and his men?
9. The druid in the Asterix books?
10. What is the name of the Lion in *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*?
11. Give the name of the wizard at the court of King Arthur?
12. The writer of the prize-winning book *The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish*?

## Friends of Willingham Library Book Quiz

Answers on page 9

Ten American novels. Do you know the authors?

1. *The Scarlet Letter* 2. *The Golden Bowl* 3. *The Age of Innocence*
4. *The Great Gatsby* 5. *As I Lay Dying* 6. *Babbitt*
7. *To Kill a Mocking Bird* 8. *Appointment in Samarra*
9. *The Catcher in the Rye* 10. *Fear of Flying*



# The King of the Marbles

## Bedtime story for children

Lucy was waiting by the school gates for Max so they could walk home together. Suddenly, she heard a strange banging noise. What could it be? Lucy soon found out. Round the corner came Max banging a drum, using two wooden spoons. 'Banga banga banga banga banga BANG!' went Max making the last 'BANG' extra loud.

'Hi Lucy, look what I've got,' he called. 'Isn't it lovely? I've always wanted a drum!'

'Where did you get it?' asked Lucy.

'From Timothy Peak,' Max replied. 'I swapped my marbles for it. Do you want to have a go?'

But Lucy didn't want to because at that moment she was feeling very cross.

'They weren't YOUR marbles. They were OURS,' she said. 'And I hope you didn't give away the King of the Marbles as well because that is my favourite.'

Max knew that the King of the Marbles was Lucy's favourite. It was as big as a satsuma and the twirly bit in the middle was all the colours of the rainbow. It felt cold and smooth in your hand and when you held it up to the light, the colours merged, like a kaleidoscope. It truly was a wondrous thing!

'Oh, yes. I gave Timothy Peak the King all right,' said Max. 'It was what finally clinched the deal! And now I've got my drum, I can wear a red coat with gold braid and shiny buttons and a black top hat and be a real drummer boy like in that carol we sing at Christmas, and I can lead a big parade and it will be jolly wonderful! So there!'

All Lucy could think about was the King of the Marbles and how she would never feel its smooth, glassy surface ever again. She burst into tears and ran home, all the time listening to Max marching behind her, banging his drum!

For ages afterwards, wherever Lucy went, Max followed her. So did his drum. When she was having a bath, Max stood outside the bathroom door and banged his drum. When she was trying to have a lie-in on Saturday morning, Max jumped up and down on the end of her bed and banged his drum. When she went quietly into the living room to read her library book, Max stood beside the big, pink, comfy chair and banged his drum.

'It's not my fault that you want to read your book in the same room that I need to bang my drum in,' he said. It was exasperating.

One sunny afternoon, Max was marching round the garden banging his drum as usual and Lucy was in the kitchen with Aunt Gladys. Now, Aunt Gladys was a very wise old lady. She put her arms around Lucy and gave her a cuddle. Lucy told her how cross she was with Max for swapping the King of the Marbles for a silly old drum.

'Now, now, now, my duck,' said Aunt Gladys. 'Don't you fret. Your brother is just teasing you. You mustn't mind him. What goes around, comes around – you'll see.' She put a £2 coin into Lucy's hot little hand. 'Why don't you go and buy some sweeties?'

Lucy thanked Aunt Gladys and off she went to Mrs Bun's old-fashioned sweetie shop which had rows and rows

of nice things in glass jars. Mrs Bun weighed out your choice on big chunky scales.

If the sweeties were small and light like Lucy's favourite Tom Thumb drops, then you ended up with lots in your paper bag but toffee drops were heavy and you didn't get very many at all. Max LOVED toffee drops. He was a greedy boy and could get three in his mouth at once!

Today, Lucy thought that she fancied a change from her favourites. She paid Mrs Bun the £2 and received a small paper bag containing seven toffee drops. 'If I have one every day after tea, they will last me a week!'

Once home again, Lucy fetched her library book and went back to the big, pink, comfy chair and settled herself down. She was soon deep in the story, sucking hard on the sweet toffee that filled her mouth. She hardly noticed when Max came into the room and stood beside her.

'What are you eating?' he asked and for once, he wasn't banging his drum.

'Oooogle ooof,' replied Lucy with a mouthful of toffee. Then swallowing it, she said.

'A toffee drop.'

'From Mrs Bun's?'

'That's right.'

'Can I have one?' Max asked.

'No,' Lucy replied. 'I bought them. They're mine. You can't have one, so go away.'

'Oh, pleeeese, Lucy,' Max whined. 'You know I love toffee drops – and anyway you chose my favourites, not yours so I should be allowed to have on. Go on, Lucy, please.'

'NO!' replied Lucy and put the bag into her pocket. Max gave his drum a couple of half-hearted twacks.

'But I let you listen to me banging my drum,' he said, pouting.

'I know, you did,' Lucy replied, 'and I'm going to let you listen to me eating my toffees!'

*Kathryn Critchley-Fowler*

## Codeword Solution

1	E	2	C	3	R	4	I	5	J	6	A	7	U	8	X	9	H	10	G	11	Z	12	W	13	T
14	N	15	F	16	D	17	O	18	S	19	L	20	M	21	Q	22	V	23	Y	24	P	25	K	26	B

**Answers to FOWL quiz:** 1. Nathaniel Hawthorne  
2. Henry James 3. Edith Wharton 4. Scott Fitzgerald  
5. William Faulkner 6. Sinclair Lewis 7. Harper Lee  
8. John O'Hara 9. J D Salinger 10. Erica Jong

## Answers to Young Readers' Corner Quiz:

1. Goldilocks 2. Eeyore 3. Pinocchio 4. Baloo 5. A Troll  
6. Robin Hood 7. The Grinch 8. Humpty Dumpty  
9. Getafix 10. Aslan 11. Merlin 12. Neil Gaiman

# From the Parish Council

[www.willingham-pc.org.uk](http://www.willingham-pc.org.uk)

Probably when you read this you have enjoyed Christmas and are contemplating 2017 and all the opportunities it will bring. Likewise, as a Council we are looking ahead, more about this later, but, it is also good to remind ourselves of some of the achievements of 2016.

## Village Green

Following requests from parishioners, the Council has provided a Christmas tree and new LED lights to provide a welcome sight in this Christmas season. We do hope you have enjoyed them and we would like to thank the Co-op for their sponsorship of the tree.

## QEII Field Phase 2

Many thanks must go to the committee who over several years has been working tirelessly to complete this project. They organised another successful *It's a Knockout* in the summer which the Council supported. This has enabled Phase II of the project to begin and weather permitting should be completed by the New Year. The range of facilities should provide recreational equipment and activities for children and young teens in Willingham for many years to come. 'Thank You' also to Willingham residents who have supported events showing their ongoing commitment to the project.

## Street Lighting

Following Cambridgeshire County Council review of lighting and subsequent timed switch 'offs' around the village, the Council continues to review street lighting in areas of concern and hope to address these in the coming months.

## Firework Display

It provided an enjoyable spectacle on the night. The Council gave a donation of £500 towards the display which took place on the Recreational Ground.

## Planning

A significant number of applications for large developments in the village have been put forward this year. The Council continues to comment on these applications and where it feels that they are inappropriate, it objects to them. This includes undue development north of Meadow Road as it considers this to be a natural boundary between the village and open countryside.

## Community Orchard

WAG and the Council have continued to work closely on various projects including the Community Orchard. Recently picnic

benches have been purchased for the use of residents to make visits to the orchard more enjoyable.

## Parking Issues

Many residents have expressed concerns over parking issues around the Primary School. The Council has been working closely with the School and the PCSO this year to address the concerns raised and it is hoped that some of these will be addressed in the coming months.

## 2017!

Apart from following through the above matters, we will continue to look at issues that concern our Parishioners. These may include:

- a second defibrillator for the village.
- the sponsorship of two additional community lifelines taking the number from 12 to 14 paid for by the Council, ie 50% of those currently issued to Willingham residents.
- Highway issues and concerns.

## Crime Prevention Session

There will be a crime prevention session held by our PCSO in the Ploughman Hall on **21 January** starting at 4 pm. All residents are welcome.

Finally, do not hesitate to contact the Council Office/ Councillors with concerns that you may have about our village in 2017.

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 mins max per person).

Meeting Dates: **4 January, 1 February**. The meetings are held in the Octagon and start at 7 30 pm.

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

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

Tel 01954 261027:

E-mail [clerk@willinghamparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@willinghamparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Clerk: Mrs Mandy Powell

## Contact Details:

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

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**Out of Hours Care** Please phone 111 if you require medical attention when the surgery is closed. Accident & Emergency is intended for life threatening conditions or if you are likely to need an X-ray.

**Patient Survey** Thank you to all our patients who kindly completed a Patient Survey. We received some wonderful comments and value your feedback, so please continue to let us know how we are doing. Patients can leave feedback on our Website, NHS choices or in Surgery in our comments box.

**Booking Appointments On-line** Would you like to book appointments on-line? Please contact the Surgery for more information.

**Telephone Consultation** Could we deal with your consultation over the telephone? Please phone the Surgery to book and ensure we have your up-to-date contact details.

**Christmas Lucky Squares in aid of Magpas** Thank you to everyone who brought our Lucky Squares and well done to all the patients who won prizes.

**Christmas Tree** Many thanks to Andrew and Mary Coe for donating the surgery another beautiful Christmas tree.

**Carers' Support Meetings** Our next meetings at Willingham Surgery are on **8 February, 8, March, 5 April, 2 – 4 pm**. Please pop along and get some free support and advice.

**Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics** The next Hearing Aid Clinics at Willingham Surgery are **18 January and 15 February** from 2 – 4 pm. No appointment necessary. Simply come for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

**RELATE Cambridge is coming to Willingham Surgery!** Relate Cambridge will be offering counselling for couples and individuals at Willingham Surgery from **10 January**.

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

WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 NORMAL OPENING HOURS		
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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

The appointments will be on a Tuesday from 10 30 am to 12 30 pm. If you feel this is something you would benefit from, please discuss with your GP. For more information or to book an appointment, contact Relate Cambridge on 01223 357424 Mon – Thur 8 am – 10 pm, Fri 8 am – 6 pm, Sat 9 am – 5 pm (confidential answerphone at all other times) or visit [www.relatecambridge.org.uk](http://www.relatecambridge.org.uk)

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CANCEL YOUR APPOINTMENT IF YOU NO LONGER NEED IT!**

*Sharon Unwin – Practice Manager*

We are very happy to sponsor this year's Christmas tree on the Green and also wish to thank everyone who has supported us over the past year. Local Co-op members, through the new customer membership scheme, have helped to raise over £600 for the Willingham Youth Trust.

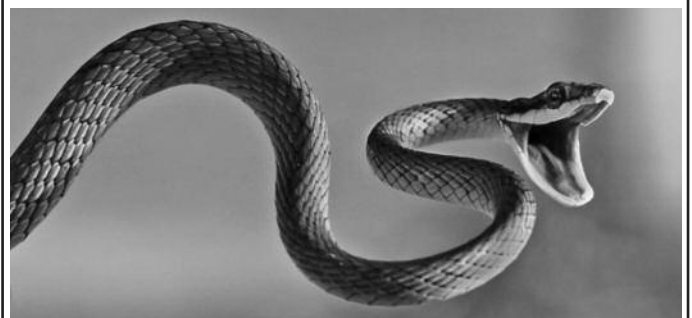


## Wilford Furlong Sheltered Housing Community Centre

A big thank-you to all who donated raffle prizes for the Christmas Lunch on 1 December.

*Christine Watson*

## Stories and pictures of your pet?



As mentioned in December's issue, we thought it would be fun to hear about the antics that your pets get up to – and photos too.

We'd love to hear from you.



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## Services

### 1 January

11 00 am Morning Worship

### 8 January

11 00 am Communion Service

### 15 January

11 00 am All Age Worship

### 22 January

11 00 am Communion Service

### 29 January

10 30 am Joint Service of all five churches in the new team

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.

**11 00 am Informal and Child-friendly** Modern worship with Sunday Clubs for children and young people in the Octagon during term-time. On the 3rd Sunday of the month we stay together in church for a 'Family Service'. Children are always very welcome. Fidget bags are available for use in the pews. On 5th Sundays we will join with our sister churches either here in Willingham or in Over, Longstanton, Swavesey or Lolworth and worship together.

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

Clergy contact details:

The Rev Julie Anderson, The Vicarage, Over. 01954 231496.

The Rev Lynda Davies, The New Rectory, Longstanton.

01954 202912.

## 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** – *Church ... but not as you know it!* An action packed, informal and fun session for the whole family, with crafts to enjoy, stories to hear and songs to sing, all followed by a cooked meal in the Octagon. Come with your children and enjoy! Next Messy Church is on **Saturday, 14 January** at 3 30 pm when the theme will be *The Prodigal Son*. Come and help us build a tractor out of junk modelling! Contact Heather at [mellowsfamily@googlemail.com](mailto:mellowsfamily@googlemail.com) or 270063, or Lynda at [revlyndadavies559@gmail.com](mailto:revlyndadavies559@gmail.com) or 202912.

**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 Rosemary Woodward (205718) or David Jacques (261353).

**Cake Stall** – at 10 am on the first Saturday of each month (**except January**). 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 take place in the Octagon at the same time.



WILLINGHAM SALVATION ARMY  
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01954 261108

## Services

Most Services are at 5 pm – Everyone Welcome.

## Weekday Events

**BRUNCHIES:** Breakfast Club and Coffee Morning – Mondays 10 30 am to noon (except Christmas and Bank Holidays).

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

**Luncheon Club:** Alternate Thursdays at 12 30 pm. £4. Book with Daphne on 260568. Re-starting on **2 February**.

**CAMEO Friendship Club:** Thursdays at 1 45 – 3 pm. Quizzes, singing, talks, games, light refreshments and much more. Next one is **9 February**.

**Tiggers Toddlers:** Every Wednesday 10 – 11 30 am at the Salvation Army Hall during term time for 0 – 4 years old. All families welcome. We have an hour of free play, including use of the outside area (weather permitting) and a weekly craft table. There is a baby corner for pre-crawlers. At 11 am we provide a snack – a drink, bread or rice cake, fruit and a biscuit for the children and tea, coffee and cake for carers. At the end of the session we enjoy song time together. We ask for a contribution of £1 per family every week, and the first week is free. Please contact Lisa Smith on 01954 201282 for further information.

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## Weekend Mass times:

**St Ives:** Saturdays at 5 pm; Sundays at 8 am and 11 am

**Bar Hill Church Centre:** Saturdays at 6 pm





## Services

(\* = + activities for children)

### 1 January

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 8 January

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 15 January

10 30 am *Altogether Worship*

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 22 January

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 29 January

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

## Events

**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. Please contact Hilary Wyllie for further information – 01954 260051.

**Little Notes:** 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:** 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:** Fridays 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 Lorraine Bald for further information – 01954 261189.

**WBC Youth Club:** Fridays 8 – 9 pm in the church for Years 7, 8 and 9. Time to meet friends with music, X Box, table football, pool, joint games, tuck shop and stage time. WBC aims to help children, young people and adults consider their own response to the Christian message. More information from Paul Joel, 07955 071160.

**Men's Breakfast: 21 January** – 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.

**Life Matters for Men** – Curry and talk coming soon!! All men welcome – details will be posted on the church website [willinghambaptist.org](http://willinghambaptist.org). Any questions – email us at: [lifemattersformen@gmail.com](mailto:lifemattersformen@gmail.com).

## PASTORAL LETTER

Have you ever found out a fact that just blew your mind? Recently a group of us were asked 'If you had a piece of string that reached from the ground to the shoulder of an elephant, how many times would it go round the sole of that elephant's foot?' The guesses ranged from between 5 times to 12 times which all seemed reasonable – but they were nowhere near the answer which is twice. Yes twice! That fact astonished us all, but so what? Do amazing facts make any difference to us? I was surprised and intrigued but it hasn't changed my life or the way I live it.

What has changed my life is the fact that Jesus came to earth; the son of God was born as a man which is what we celebrate throughout the Christmas season. He came on a rescue mission, to save us from ourselves. We could just marvel a bit at this and then file it away with all the other trivia that fills our brains or we could do something about it. We could take this seriously and let it change how we live our lives. For we have a God who has proved how much he loves us; we have a God who knows what it is like to be human; we have a God who wants the best for us.

So as we face a new year, I urge you to ask yourself 'So what?' Don't file away Christmas as done for the year but seek to find out what difference Jesus' coming makes to our whole lives. When I first did this, I had to let him into all aspects of my life, to acknowledge that on my own I was heading along a poor path and I needed to start trusting him. Over time, the change has been immense. My whole perspective has been transformed and I know that he has plans for me and will always be with me. The sense of security, purpose and joy they bring is immense, and the more time I spend with him, the more I understand how much he loves me and how that love was there even when I was against him. I pray that you realise how much he loves you now, whatever your faith position. And that you are able to respond to him and put your trust in him. If you want to find out more, then please feel able to come and talk to me.

*'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'*  
John 3:16.

May you know the abundant blessings of our loving God.

*Rev Paul Joel*  
*Baptist Church*

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## LOOKING BACK – WARTIME MEMORIES

On Armistice Day, we remember the men and women who served in wars abroad and at home. One group that made a valuable contribution at home were the women who served in the Land Army. *Looking Back* in *The Cambridge Evening News* issue of 8 November 1996 contained an article by Renee Ledermann, then called Renee Katz, who was in the Land Army and stationed at Willingham from 1943 until 1945. She wrote about her memories of that period.

For Renee, a Londoner, it was a big change to be in the countryside. However, she loved the environment and thoroughly enjoyed the open air. Much of the farming in the village was market gardening and she found the work pleasant, particularly the peace and quiet when she was working alone in the tomato greenhouses though she also dug up carrots and spring onions as well as harvesting apples and other fruit.

Despite the hard work, she found the time and energy, along with the other girls, to enjoy a social life in Cambridge. She recalled meeting British and American troops at the Saturday night dance at *Dorothy's* (situated in the street running parallel to Sidney Sussex Street).

There were two buses a week from the village and a taxi. Occasionally, she and her sister would stay overnight at the YWCA in Cambridge and catch the 6 30 bus the following



morning. She loved the dawn air and again – the peace and quiet.

Serving in the Land Army gave many of the girls a chance to enjoy freedom, independence and opportunities that would have been denied them at home. She recalled the lifestyle enjoyed by the American servicemen who entertained them and treated them to large quantities of food. She remembered tasting peanut butter for the first time.

The heavier work, like tree-felling, required men to work with the girls and they were joined by Italian prisoners of war whom, she found, were very pleasant to work with.

In the article, Renee then aged 82, quoted her particular affection for the people of the village and the family she worked with most of the time. They were very friendly and kind and invited them for tea and wonderful food that was unobtainable in London. She enjoyed eating baby tomatoes, spring onions and delicious sausage rolls made by the local baker.

Towards the end of the War, Renee married her husband Max and she left the Land Army just before VE day. Nevertheless, she retained many happy memories of the Cambridgeshire countryside, the local people and the farming life.

*David Stevenson*

## Readers' Letters

Dear Editors

You will read that Willingham Co-op sponsored the cost of the Christmas tree on the Green this year and the Parish Council paid for all the new lights. Several councillors also gave time to decorate the tree with the lights. I can see the decorations from my house and I think they are truly excellent. All those involved in the project should be congratulated.

*Mike Tidball*

Dear Editors

How refreshing and interesting it was to read a piece from our MP, who, as we learned, is pretty busy!! We used regularly to have 'Jottings from your County Councillor' written by Shona Johnstone before she stepped down. Wouldn't it be nice, occasionally, for our current County Councillors to take time from their busy schedules to inform those they represent and perhaps voted for them?

*Name and Address withheld.*

*Willingham News* did write to them suggesting the very same several weeks ago. *January Editor*

## Are YOU up for something different this New Year?



I do not mean getting on the treadmill to work off the Xmas meal!

Why not come along to our Community choir and enjoy singing with a bunch of people who like to smile!

We meet every Wednesday evening (during term time) at Swavesey Village College.

No auditions or previous experience required, just enthusiasm!

Please use the contact details below to check out starting dates and for more information:

Email: [swavesey.community.choir@gmail.com](mailto:swavesey.community.choir@gmail.com)

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## January – Food



Following the excesses most of us will be indulging in over the Christmas and the New Year period, what about using up some of those Brussels sprouts that might end up languishing in the vegetable box – and making some warm, comforting soup?

**Cream of Brussels Sprout Soup** – toasted almonds adds texture if you wish. (To serve 6)

### STOCK

2 pints water (1.12 litres)  
4 oz meat (100 grams) – or  
a vegetable stock cube  
1 carrot  
1 small turnip/swede – ie  
the white vegetable (what  
you call it depends on  
which part of the country  
you come from!)  
1 clove garlic  
1 onion with 2 cloves  
1 bouquet garni & bay leaf  
Pepper & salt

### SOUP

2 lbs of sprouts (900 g)  
8 oz of potatoes (225 g)  
1 onion  
2 oz butter (50 g)  
½ pint milk (300 ml)  
Black pepper  
½ teaspoon of nutmeg (2.5  
ml)  
¼ pint single cream (150  
ml)  
4 oz flaked almonds to  
garnish (100g)

### METHOD

1. Cook stock ingredients for approx 1½ hours.
2. Meanwhile, trim and wash sprouts.
3. Peel and thinly slice the potatoes.
4. Melt the butter; toss in the sprouts, onion and potatoes.
5. Add the milk.
6. Remove any scum from the cooked stock.
7. Pour the contents through a fine sieve or muslin into a large bowl. (If less than 1½ pints (900 ml) top up with boiling water.)
8. Add the stock to the above.
9. Bring to the boil, then cover and simmer for 20 minutes.
10. Wait until the soup is cold before liquidising.
11. Stir in the nutmeg and cream.
12. Toast the flaked almonds – turning them several times.
13. Reheat GENTLY before serving. DO NOT BOIL.
14. Serve the soup, sprinkling each bowl with the almonds.

NB. If to be frozen, do so without adding nutmeg and cream.

### BURN'S NIGHT

Many people throughout the world celebrate Burn's Night on 25 January. Why not raise a glass and try a *Rusty Nail*? This is the recipe for a perfect one.

50 ml single malt

25 ml Drambuie

Ice and a twist of lemon.

Pour the malt of your choice and the Drambuie into a glass and stir the mixture well.

To serve, add ice and garnish with a lemon twist – according to taste.

*Slainte mhabh (good health)*



## A Skeleton in the Cupboard

I hadn't been out of hospital very long when she started, 'Come on, brave up, it's time you went out and found yourself a boy friend. You're 22 years old. I was married by that age.'

I'd heard it all before, it was like a broken record, but we couldn't all be as pushy as my elder sister. At the back of my mind I knew she was right, no one was going to beat a path to my door; I had to do something. So with grave doubts, I rang my friend Sue and arranged to go clubbing the next Saturday.

The hairdresser was my first port of call and my long straggly hair was cut and coloured. Even I had to agree it looked lovely, not like me at all.

Into town next to find something to wear. I was fed up with jeans, so I went for a very pretty rather short dress; my long legs were one of my best assets. Shoes – heels or flats? I was quite tall and didn't want to tower over any boys. I went for blue suede kitten heels, slightly more than I would normally spend but perfect and I was on a mission!

As I passed the cosmetics counter one of the beauticians offered to demonstrate how to attain the latest look, free. Was I brave enough to sit and be done in public? Yes, damn it I was.

I had no idea that my eyes could look so big or my mouth so sexy. In fact I looked quite beautiful, so I spent more money buying all the products she had used. Please let all this over-spending have the desired effect!

Saturday came and the nerves kicked in early in the day, I thought about backing out but my sister said she would come and help with my new make-up. By eight o'clock when Sue arrived, I was ready. She was amazed at my transformation and that filled me with confidence. We set

off to the *Bricklayer's Arms* to meet up with other friends.

I was standing at the bar trying to catch the barman's eye to buy a glass of white wine when a voice beside me said, 'Hello gorgeous, can I buy that for you?'

He said his name was Alex, which I already knew; he'd been in the year above me at school but he hadn't recognised me. I told him I was Samantha and we sat down together and talked for hours. I never did go clubbing. We had so much in common; we liked the same things, even disliked the same things! He walked me home and kissed me goodnight; it was like fireworks going off! He wants to see me again next week. I've never been so happy. I almost danced into the house. There's just something I should tell him but perhaps not yet. I want to enjoy being Samantha for a few more days. Samuel, my previous self, can stay in the cupboard a little while longer.

*Wendy McDiarmid*

*Willingham Writers' Group*

(Several of us meet monthly and have fun with what we come up with!)

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### JANUARY

Amazing January, welcome the New Year!

Resolutions made but not all kept I hear.

What does it matter, we have a new day.

Woods to walk in and perhaps snow today.

Children are very happy for Santa has come

And left some of their special wishes at home.

Amazing January, welcome the New Year!

With our hearts warmed with love and cheer.

*Christine Lacey*

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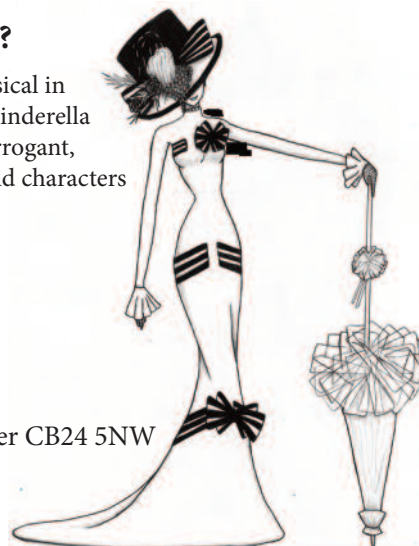
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## ONE THING AFTER ANOTHER

'You want the Leylandii hedge down? Fine, I'll sort it.'

She stared. This from the laziest man on the planet.

'That is, I know I man who will,' he added.

She went on staring. This from the most cheap skate man in existence! 'Who and how much?' Knowing full well the bill would land at her feet.

'He's a good lad – and he owes me.'

Glenda looked out of the kitchen window. The hedge was gross. Why had Charlie planted it? The neighbours at that end of the garden already had a lovely, well-established copper beech hedge. At least, there were no buildings for the Leylandii to fall onto and damage. Did she care if they simply flattened Charlie or his latest buddy?

'When? Tomorrow or the day after?' She asked.

'Have a heart, Glenda. He'll fit us into his schedule.'

'If he owes you, he should pay his debts first. Anyway, it's not me who wants the hedge down – it's the neighbours! It's a monstrosity.'

'Why don't you trust me to sort it?'

'Let's just say, Charlie, that even with a sack full of fingers and toes, I'd still not have enough digits to add up all the catastrophes you've caused.'

Charlie stalked off.

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Glenda finished swimming her daily 30 lengths of the pool and rolled onto her back to float lazily and gaze up at the cloudless, blue sky and the snow covered mountains in the distance. That had been a day and a half. She chuckled. Charlie had gone to the boozer so she'd decided to go shopping. As the main breadwinner, why not?

Running for the bus home with nothing to show for her foray to the shops, one of her heels had caught in a broken flagstone. She would have gone flying if another woman hadn't caught her – and unbelievably, it had been an old school friend visiting the town with her local gardening club.

Glenda and Shirley spent an hour catching up but before they parted, promised to keep in touch. After having her heel fixed, Glenda made her way to the bus stop. A bus was actually sitting there so she jumped on, flashed her ticket before plonking herself down.

'Don't make yourself comfortable, love,' the bus driver called. 'You'll have to get off and join the others.' He nodded at the queue on the pavement.

Glenda had thought they were waiting for a different bus. 'I've got engine trouble.'

'Can't we wait on the bus till the next one shows up?'

'Not allowed, love. Company rules.'

'You're just making that up,' she told him, but complied when she saw the replacement arriving. The driver drove off at a snail's pace with the engine wheezing. Unfortunately, the replacement was already pretty much packed. Glenda fumed as she and others were left behind.

Right, she'd had enough. She'd treat herself to a taxi home but before that, she'd have another look round the shops. She stomped off, determined now to buy something. She found tops, dresses, trousers and a couple of jackets to try on – but despite her valiant efforts, her pile dwindled to jeans and a t-shirt. She paid, then intent on heading for the nearest taxi rank, she left the shop. Alarms sounded and a security man barred her way. Customers stared; she bleated her innocence but was taken upstairs though quickly released on her producing the receipt – and with a generous token for the embarrassment caused. Slightly mollified but in need of a coffee, Glenda made for her favourite café only to find it closed for renovations.

To sum up her day – one useless husband, the price of having her heel fixed, wasting time at the bus stop, humiliation in the department store after buying clothes she didn't really need and now, not even a coffee. At least she had met Shirley after all those years. She popped in for an evening paper to read in the taxi.

'Anything else?' the young girl asked.

'Give me a lucky dip, please.'

The taxi home mollified her feelings a little and the sight of a lorry outside the house, piled high with the residue of shredded branches and tree stumps, overwhelmed her. Feeling highly pleased and amazed at Charlie, she went into the back garden to thank the men.

OMG! It was too much of a coincidence that their neighbours had also ordered their copper beech hedge to be obliterated. Glenda slunk into her kitchen.

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Climbing out of the pool, she made her way to the changing rooms. She'd felt little emotion at leaving behind her home and hapless husband. Some said that life began at 40 but for her, it started when her lottery ticket had turned up trumps.

*Liz Kinnear*

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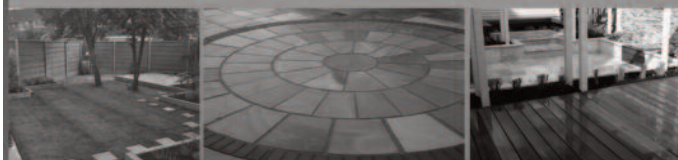
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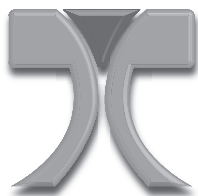


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DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Wed 4 Jan	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p10
Sun 8 Jan	<i>Willingham News</i> Deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@btinternet.com
Mon 9 Jan	<i>UN Hazardous Occupations</i> With Gary O'Shea	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see Dec 16 issue
Sat 14 Jan	Messy Church – <i>The Prodigal Son</i>	Christians Together	Octagon & Parish Church	3 30 – 5 pm, see p12
Mon 16 Jan	<i>A Brief History of the English Garden</i> with Andrew Sankey	WEA	Baptist Church Hall	10 am, see p5
Wed 18 Jan	Hearing Aid Clinic	CAMTAD	The Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p11
Wed 18 Jan	<i>My Fair Lady</i> Read-through	Over Players	Over Church Hall	7 45 pm, see p17
Fri 20 Jan	Elvis Impersonator Ian Coulson	Social Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5
Sat 21 Jan	Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p13
Sat 21 Jan	Charity Lunch	New Charity for 2017 TBA	20 Earith Road	1 pm, see p7
Sat 21 Jan	Crime Prevention Session	Crime Prevention	Ploughman Hall	4 pm, see p10
Wed 25 Jan	<i>My Fair Lady</i> Auditions	Over Players	Over Community Centre	7 30 pm, see p17
Mon 30 Jan	Impromptu Music with the Jam Club	Social Club	Social Club	7 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Wed 1 Feb	Talk	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p16
Wed 1 Feb	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see 10
Thu 2 Feb	Luncheon Club	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Hall	12 30 pm, see p12
Thu 2 Feb	CAMEO Friendship Club	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Hall	1 45 – 3 pm, see p12
Sun 5 Feb	Dynamic Jazz Band	Social Club	Social Club	12 30 3 30 pm, see p7
Mon 6 Feb	<i>Beautiful Gardens</i> With Barry Kaufman-Wright	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5

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	Cricket Club	Mr R Ambrose	01954 260446
	Cycling Club – www.willinghamwheels.com	Paul Knighton	07787 530394
	Ladies' Hockey	Teresa Hutchcraft	01954 260177
	Tennis Club	John Graham	01954 231968
	Willingham Diamonds Netball Club	Emma Byrom	01954 202481
	Willingham Running Club	Gerry Mears	07511 131645
	Willingham Sports Pavilion	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Jamie Smith (Sec)	01954 261141
<b>Churches</b>	Mothers' Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Rev Paul Joel	01954 260538
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Hilary Cheng	01223 700778
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