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British Cycling has come up with a similar idea to encourage you to dig your bike out of the shed and get riding! It is ideal for the complete cycling novice who is looking to start cycling for health, fitness, recreation, commuting or perhaps to tackle a challenge or charity ride up to 50 km (30 miles) long.

Willingham Wheels ([willinghamwheels.com](http://willinghamwheels.com)) will be starting the 8 week training plan on **Tuesday 10 April**. Rides will usually be on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays and time commitment ranges from a minimum of 1 hour 30 minutes to a maximum of 6 hours 30 minutes per week.

Under 16s are welcome but they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

If you're interested in taking part or want to find out a bit more, please contact Nigel Leaney on 01954 201089 or [nigel.leaney@outlook.com](mailto:nigel.leaney@outlook.com).

## Willingham Gardening Club

The next meeting is on **Monday, 5 March at 7 30 pm**. The speaker, Rodney Tibbs, will talk about *Your Own Mediterranean Climate* followed by the Annual General Meeting.

The Gardening Club meets at 7 30 pm in the Social Club on the first Monday of each month (not January and August). New members are most welcome. The annual subscription is £14 but for anyone wishing to come for a particular meeting or as a taster, the cost is £2. Call Celia on 01954 261394 or simply turn up to a meeting.

## Old Willingham

Health and Safety – what's that? Here we see Milford Jeeps, who lived his entire life in the village and died only recently, driving a load of empty fruit trays, probably to Berrycroft Stores. The huge stack of trays beside him is tied to the motorbike side-car! Tens of thousands of these trays were used to transport fruit and flowers to market via the railway at Longstanton and were returned and reused. This picture is probably taken in the 1950s. Milford has no helmet and the motorbike has 'L' plates! Somehow he survived to a ripe old age though.

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).



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## Over Village Market

Over Village Market (OVM) is a successful community enterprise, showcasing local artisans, which has attracted a growing number of customers and stallholders since the inaugural market in October 2015.

The Market was co-founded by three successful local food producers: Fen End Country Kitchen, whose range of preserves and chutneys has attracted success in the Great Taste Food Awards; ORB Real Bread, Cambridgeshire Food Producer of the Year Finalist in 2015 and Rosegate Farm Butchery, Cambridgeshire Food and Drink Awards Producer of the Year 2017. Co-founder, Heather Sturman of Fen End Country Kitchen says, 'There is a lovely atmosphere at each event with stallholders having the time to chat to people about their produce; a wonderful little tea, coffee and cakes outlet, fabulous hot food and local musicians to entertain us all.'

All stall holders must come from within a 30 mile radius of Over and there are around 15 – 20 different stalls at each event with a combination of regulars and occasional attendees giving a wide range of things to buy including preserves, ceramics, fruit and vegetables, flowers, chocolates, cheese, handmade jewellery, meat, cider, homemade cards, children's books and handmade candles. The market takes place between 10 am and 12 30 pm on the Green in Over.

This thriving artisan and crafts market has grown year on year and is a great community success story, with around 100 visitors to each event. It is run on a voluntary basis with profits donated to local charities. Last year's beneficiary was Over Day Care Centre who received a £300 cheque to provide services for older, frail and often socially isolated people in the community.

Market dates for the rest of this year:

**10 March**

**28 April**

**16 June**

**8 September**

**13th October**

**24th November – Festive Market**

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## Past Editions of Willingham News

Back issues of *Willingham News* from October 2005 are now available on the Willingham Life website (go to [www.willinghamlife.org/](http://www.willinghamlife.org/) and the drop-down menu from the *Willingham News* header). Very many thanks are due to Steve Adcock who spent a huge amount of his spare time over several months during the summer scanning each one and ensuring that the files were all fully searchable. However, there is one missing – March 2006 – so if you have it, please contact *Willingham News* on [willinghamnews@gmail.com](mailto:willinghamnews@gmail.com) or 01954 260780.

## Willingham Women's Institute

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The next meeting will be on **Monday 12 March** at 7 30 pm in the Social Club

### Annual Meeting and Social Evening

New members are always welcome; please contact Wendy on 01954 202188 if you are interested. Come for a taster – we have some great meetings lined up:

**April – Medieval to Mississippi Guitarist** with Saffron Summerfield

### WI News

#### January meeting

Entertainment was provided by Marion Leeper with *Storytelling*. Marion brought along a great coat from the Second World War which had belonged to her father-in-law. Members were invited to explore it and describe it. Marion then told us stories relating to the experiences of the owner and his wife during the war. She was also able to tell us stories from other people who lived in Cambridge during the war, and was keen for people to share stories with her. A very entertaining speaker.

## Running to Raise Money for Alzheimer's Society

Hi ,

I'm Jimmy Ryan and on **Sunday 8 April** I am running the Greater Manchester Marathon in aid of the Alzheimer's Society. This is a charity which is important to me and my family as Alzheimer's has unfortunately affected two members of our family.

My mother-in-law, Emma, had suffered with Alzheimer's for a number of years before she passed away.

My youngest sister-in-law Elspeth (Elfie), aged 59, has suffered with Alzheimer's for a number of years now and is sadly confined to her bed and unable to do anything for herself.

I would like to raise funds to help other people like Emma and Elspeth and their families, so that they don't have to suffer from this awful illness.

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Thank you,  
Jimmy.

# Willingham Jam Club

Monday 29 January was a significant date in the history of Willingham, as the Willingham Jam Club celebrated its 10th Anniversary and what a show-stopping, diverse and stomping night it turned out to be.

Held on the last Monday evening of each month at the Social Club (with a break from June to August), the Jam Club is renowned for introducing musicians of all standards and musical persuasion to each other, enabling them to learn and grow as musicians, with many over the years forming bands and music collaborations that continue to perform to wider audiences.

That Monday had a special buzz about it as Jam Club members and guest musicians, old and new, came together to celebrate 10 years of musical magic, all conjured up from within our vibrant and creative village.

In the usual fashion, the first hour saw a cluster of guitarists, banjo players, harmonica players and singers, jamming to numbers ranging in style from blues, to jazz to rock and Americana Bluegrass and Country.

The night's stage entertainment opened promptly at 8 30 pm with a few numbers provided by Gary Whiting, who gave a melodic and sensitive performance including a Bob Dylan classic. Gary was one of the first musicians to attend 10 years ago and his skilful performance set the standard for the night. Gary was followed by a duo who provided an oriental flavour to the event. With Adrian on percussion bells, accompanying his wife, Peng Li on vocals, they performed a beautiful, gentle and tender traditional song called *Moli Hua* which means Jasmine flower. The song originates from Pang Li's place of origin (Wuhan in Hubei province in China) and the audience were spellbound by the gentle simplicity of the performance.

The first full band to grace the stage on the evening was 'The Queen Bee Blues Band', featuring our very own Julian on lead and rhythm guitar. The band gave an entertaining and highly polished performance with Beatrice Balzarotti on lead vocals radiating stage presence and top draw vocals to deliver blues at its very best.

'Jambalaya', a keyboard and vocals duo then took to the stage and entertained us with their take on a couple of classic standards before Jam club regular Bob Simpson brought his band 'Stone Cold Stumble' to the stage, delivering a set that enabled these guys to showcase their true talent as a tight and musically gifted band. It was a

surprise to many to learn afterwards that this was the band's first outing! They certainly played like they have been together for some years.

Then the regulars, octogenarians and 'Vintage Jag' gave us an entertaining set of Rolling Stones and other standards from the sixties, finishing off with the band being joined by harmonica wizard, Steve Lockwood.

A whole host of other guest musicians joined regulars for the finale 'Scratch Band' with Steve relishing the role of frontman, cajoling and orchestrating the best out of each musician to deliver a final set that glistened with talent, energy and sheer joy. Nine drummers were present on the night which allowed Steve to rotate the drumming duties and also throw in a bit of 'Duelling Drumming' before ending the evening with a blistering few numbers that enabled Steve to show us all what a true master of harmonica playing and a top entertainer and showman he really is.

Steve seized the occasion to thank a number of people who have assisted him over the last 10 years, including, Julian Eales, who assists Steve very ably in the running of the event. Sound engineers, Darren and Derek, were given special praise for their skill and dedication and Andy Buchanan was thanked for his maintenance and repair skills of the stage and sound equipment that has saved the club a small fortune.

This was truly a memorable event and the Jam Club goes from strength to strength. The packed audience is testament to its growing popularity. So, put it in your calendar for the last Monday of every month, whether you are a seasoned or beginner musician, or you just want to be entertained by a cluster of musicians gathered and joined by their love and joy of music. A good night's entertainment for just £2.

Come down, no musical experience needed! The next Jam session will be on the **Monday 26 March**.

## Young Cricketers

**Attention Young Cricketers (aged 7 – 12)  
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Longstanton Cricket Club will be running  
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## March

Have you seen the hares  
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They are in the back field  
Putting on an amazing show.  
Have you seen the hares?  
I dare you to come and watch.

*Christine Lacey*



# Sudoku

Solution on page 19

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

## Friends of Willingham Library Book Quiz

Answers on page 19.

The first names of the authors of these 10 books all begin with M for March. Do you know who they are?

1. *The History Man*
2. *Circle of Friends*
3. *The Camomile Lawn*
4. *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*
5. *Zuleika Dobson*
6. *Lucy Sullivan is Getting Married*
7. *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*
8. *Sleepyhead*
9. *The Dancers at the End of Time*
10. *The Rachel Papers*

## Front Page Photo

Thanks to Jon Watkins for the front page photo. The setting was the January blue moon. The second full moon in January 2018 is a fabled 'once in a blue moon'. Unfortunately heavy cloud at sunset on 31 January meant there were no photos of the full moon as it rose above the horizon. However the following morning, even more determined to get a photo, Labrador Lola and Jon departed with a flask of tea for West Fen Road. The photo was taken on 1 February just before the sun rose with the small amount of cloud adding some colour as the moon was setting.

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## Young Readers' Corner

Did any of you make the bird cake using the instructions in last month's magazine? We would really love to hear from our younger readers.

On **Sunday 25 March** our clocks go forward at 1 am and then they will go back on **Sunday 28 October**. An easy way to remember which way to move the clocks is, 'In spring they spring forward and in autumn they fall back'. What will you do with the extra daylight? Will you be training for this year's Fen Gallop (see page 16)?

## Easter Word Search

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| Lamb     | Holiday   |
| Daffodil |           |

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## Swavesey Community Choir

**St Patrick's Day Spring Sing**  
**Swavesey Parish Church**  
**Saturday 17 March at 7 30 pm**  
**Free Entry**

# From the Parish Council

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## Outcomes of Community Governance Review for Willingham and Over

The full Council of South Cambridgeshire District Council met on 25 January. Its business included consideration of a recommendation from its Civic Affairs Committee that a new boundary between Willingham and Over be adopted. Following a lengthy discussion an alternative, amended boundary line was agreed. This new boundary would move all the properties around Highgate Farm and to the west of Haden Way into Willingham. A map showing the agreed boundary can be seen on the Parish Council website. The Local Government Boundary Commission for England will also be asked to re-align the County Council boundary along the new parish boundary.

The Parish Council is very grateful for the support of local District Councillors, especially Councillor Manning, who have had to work very hard to bring this Review to this positive result.

## District and Parish Council Elections

All current District and Parish Councillors have to stand for re-election on the **3 May**. If you would like to consider becoming a Parish Councillor, nomination forms for candidates are now available from the Parish Office. Completed nomination forms should be returned by hand to South Cambridgeshire Council's offices at Cambourne, no later than **6 April**. To be qualified to stand for election you have to fulfil simple pre-conditions. These are stated on the nomination papers. Further information may also be obtained from: [elections@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:elections@scambs.gov.uk) or the Electoral Commission website ([www.electoralcommission.org.uk](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk)).

## Willingham's Electricity Supply

In recent weeks there have been several short periods when the electricity supply to the village has been disrupted. UK Power Networks have confirmed that some of these faults have been due to debris hitting lines during the recent strong winds. In addition a fault has been identified and repaired on a high-voltage line running between Burwell and Aldreth. Poor tree maintenance is not currently considered to be an issue. UK Power Networks are reluctant to install underground cabling because of potential damage caused by farmers.

If you are concerned about the welfare of vulnerable family members and neighbours who lose their electricity supply during these disruptions, encourage them to register with their utility suppliers who have a responsibility to prioritise the needs of these customers.

## Willingham's New Defibrillator

The Parish Council has purchased a second defibrillator and this has been sited on the Village Library building. The support of our Library staff in helping the Parish Council complete this is gratefully acknowledged. Training in using a defibrillator will be provided by a qualified first-responder during April – further details will be provided.

## Stopping Fraud

Financial fraud can be prevented by remembering the following points. Firstly, a genuine bank or financial organisation will never contact you 'out of the blue' to ask for your PIN or password. You can ignore any requests to move money into different accounts. Secondly, never allow access to your personal or financial details by automatically clicking on links in an unexpected email or text. Thirdly, if you have an uninvited approach from someone on the doorstep claiming to represent a company, contact this company directly by telephone or email before allowing someone to enter your home.

## Making Metals Matter

Please make sure that all household metal packaging – drink and food cans, foil trays and wrap, empty aerosols and screw tops – is placed within your blue bin for recycling. It is estimated that if all household metal packaging from Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire was collected it would save the equivalent of taking 812 cars off local streets for a year.

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: **7 March and 4 April**. 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 answerphone service outside office hours.

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

Telephone. 01954 261027

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

*Mrs Mandy Powell, Parish Clerk*

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

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## Willingham Social Club

A big thank you to everyone who ventured out in 'Dry January' to see Bear Club, the party band. They were absolutely amazing and we will definitely rebook them. Our best complimentary comment of the night was 'What is a band like this doing at the club?' Well the answer is, we now 'try and test' most of our 'paid for' live music and are becoming pretty picky as we are getting lots of requests from bands to play here.

### Wednesday Cash Prize Bingo

Every Wednesday at the club you can come along to play Bingo for cash prizes; 7 pm for eyes down at 7 30 pm. We use an electronic machine which shows the numbers to the audience, so what could be easier? It is £6 for 6 games with the prize money dependent on the number of players. So tell your friends and it will soon build into an exciting, edge of the seat experience! Ideal for hen parties, leaving dos and birthdays.

### Events this Month

#### Saturday 3 March 8 pm

Karaoke kindly hosted by our regular crooner Tony! FREE entry to everyone and we love an audience.

#### Saturday 10 March 8 pm

Soul and Motown Disco brought to us by UA disco. £5 entry on the door. Everyone over 18 welcome.

#### Saturday 17 March 8 pm

St Patrick's Day – we are holding a free night in the members' bar. Members of the club can come along for free with guests at a nominal charge of £2, to be entertained by a Live Tribute to Meatloaf. This act also covers music from the 60s and 70s. There will also be a game of Irish Bingo and a raffle. Irish themed fancy dress encouraged! Why not join the club for £10 a year to reap the benefits of cheaper bar prices and more free events to follow?

#### Saturday 31 March 6 15 for 7 pm

**Family Easter Egg Bingo.** Bring the family to the Club Function room for a fun filled evening of bingo, with lots of Easter eggs and other prizes! £6 for 6 games. There will also be a free bingo game for children and optional Irish Bingo for 50p. The bar will be open and children's drinks and snacks available.

Unfortunately 'Jessies Ghost' which was originally advertised for March has been postponed until November due to a new band member being unavailable.

### What's on in April?

**Friday 6 April**

Cricket Club Quiz Night

**Saturday 7 April**

Meeting Point, Over 30s Disco

**Friday 27 April**

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## The Annual Willingham Wassail

Some 20 hardy souls and committed 'orchardeers' celebrated once again, the pagan festival of Wassail on Sunday 21 January, the closest Sunday to the traditional day of 17 January.



The weather was awful with sleet, wind, rain and freezing temperatures. Much traditional mulled cider was consumed to keep the cold out, with sausages and various tasty items available under umbrellas kindly provided by the prescient Jo and Karen Davies.

Renate Barker once again took the role of Chief Druid, reciting a traditional verse exhorting the trees to get their sap rising, bear fruit and be plentiful as they begin their new life cycle.

*Here's to thee, old apple tree,  
That blooms well, bears well.  
Hats full, caps full,  
Three bushel bags full,  
And all under one tree.  
Hurrah! Hurrah!*

Graham Mumby and Liz Cosford were elected King and Queen of the Wassail, with the honour of placing cider-soaked toast and bread on the branches of a chosen representative of all the orchard trees. The gathered pagans then shouted 'Hurrah Hurrah', 'Wassail Wassail' and similar while banging spoons on pots and pans to awaken the trees. More cider-soaked toast was distributed among further trees, especially those donated by the stakeholders present.

Then we all went back to Carolyn and Paul Knighton's greenhouse for hot soup, baked potatoes with sundry guest contributions and more mulled cider, making for a very unproductive but restful remainder of the day.

Let's hope the trees respond to the effort!

*Paul Knighton*



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**Services**

- 4 March**  
 11 00 am Morning Praise
- 11 March**  
 11 00 am Mothering Sunday Holy Communion
- 18 March**  
 11 00 am *Together at 11* – All-Age Service
- 25 March**  
 10 30 am Joint Palm Sunday Service at St Andrew's Swavesey  
 Julie's last service with a bring and share lunch afterwards.
- 29 March**  
 7 30 pm Maundy Thursday services will be at Longstanton and Swavesey churches
- 30 March**  
 2 00 pm Good Friday – reflective services will be at Willingham and Over churches
- 1 April**  
 6 00 am Sunrise Service on the Green – please bring flowers to decorate the cross
- 11 00 am Easter Sunday – Service of Holy Communion for all the family

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 am Informal and Child-friendly**

Modern worship with Sunday Clubs for children and young people in the Octagon during term-time. Children are always very welcome. An All-Age Service is held on the third Sunday of the month, where the children remain in the service. On fifth Sundays, we join with our sister churches in either Over, Longstanton or Swavesey 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. Furthermore, if you'd like to discuss getting married, or having your child christened, we'd love to talk to you!

Vicar's contact details: Rev Julie Anderson, The Vicarage, Over. 01954 231496.

Admin contact details: Gillian Beal, 01954 203459 or [admin@5folds.org.uk](mailto:admin@5folds.org.uk).

**Events**

**First Steps** – a fun session for pre-school children and their parents or carers. Arrive at 10 am for tea/juice and toast. Free play and chat, followed by story from the Bible, singing and craft activity. Takes place at the Octagon on Fridays during school term time from 10 – 11 15 am.

**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, followed by food in the Octagon. Come with your children and enjoy! Messy Church will be on **Saturday 10 March** at 3 30 pm. For more information, contact Heather at [mellowsfamily@googlemail.com](mailto:mellowsfamily@googlemail.com) or 01954 270063.

**time4T** – a friendly get-together that is open to everyone on Fridays 2 – 4 pm in the Octagon. Come and chat and meet new friends. £1 includes tea and biscuits. More information available from Rosemary Woodward, 01954 205718.

**Cake Stall and Coffee Morning** – at 10 am on **Saturday 3 March**. The cake stall is held in the church porch with proceeds going 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. Come and enjoy!



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**Mondays**

**10 30 am – 12 noon – The Coffee Club**

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**2 00 pm – Nimble Fingers Craft Club**

Bring your crafts and join with others, or even come and learn new skills – tea, coffee and good company provided.

**Thursdays**

**12 30 pm – Community Luncheon Club**

Prior booking essential – Telephone Daphne on 01954 260568.

**2 00 pm – Café Worship – Midweek Christian Worship**  
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**Mothers' Union**

**'Lent Soup Lunch'**

**Thursday 8 March**

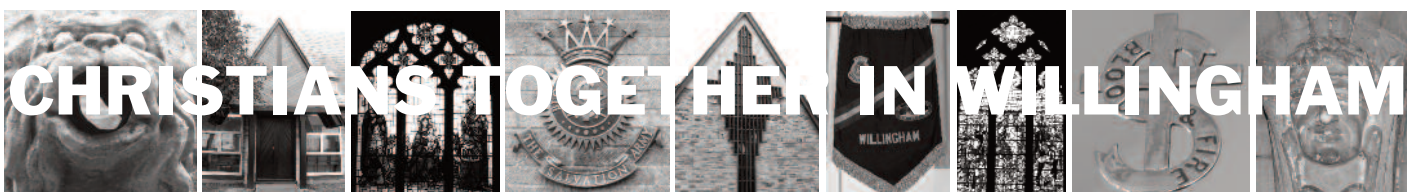
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## Services

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### 4 March

10 30 am Mustard Seed and Yeast – *Contemporary Worship*\*\*  
6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 11 March

10 30 am Treasure and Pearl Mothering Sunday – *Altogether*\*\*  
6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 18 March

10 30 am The Net – *Family Worship*\*\*  
6 00 am *Evening Worship*

### 25 March

10 30 am New and Old Treasure – *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 Katy Gilbert for more information – 01954 261922.

**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 Emily Martin for more information 07731 440251.

**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, 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 Bev Thomas - 01954 789230.

**Men's Breakfast: 17 March** – 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.

## PASTORAL LETTER

I am sure that many of you will already know my news but for those who don't – I am leaving to take up a new job in Huddersfield.

It is both sad and exciting news. Sad, because I have met some very lovely people in all the parishes that I look after and it will be hard to leave them, but exciting because my new job is in an area that is a little more challenging and will bring some wonderful opportunities to share the love of Jesus with those on the edge!

My favourite two verses in the bible are found in Chapter 28 of Matthew's gospel where Jesus gives the disciples the great commission and it says this:-

'Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

It is an absolute command, not just a request by Jesus, to go and tell others about him and help them to follow his ways; I believe that when God called me to be a priest, he was asking me to do just that. My hope and prayer is that I have shared the love of Jesus with all those I have met here in Willingham and maybe some of you know that love for yourselves now; but it is time to go and share it with others who perhaps don't know how much Jesus loves them – yet! And never forget that second verse because it gives us confidence to know that no matter what, Jesus will be with us always to the very end of time! That's an amazing promise and it means that you are never alone. Lean on him in tough times and trust him to help you in all things and he will! And then thank him for everything he has done for you. I know I do – I thank him for all of you and the way you have supported me.

So I want to thank you too for all the support I have had over the last two years since I became the Vicar in Willingham and please be assured you will be in my prayers as you begin the task of finding someone who can lead you on into a new era!

Thank you.

*Julie Anderson*  
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**Website: [www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk](http://www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk)**

**Hospital Waiting Lists:** Please note that some hospital departments currently have very long waiting lists. Once your referral has been sent to the hospital, the GP has very little power to expedite your appointment or move you up the waiting list. The hospital is responsible for prioritising your referral. Moving a patient up the waiting list will obviously lead to a longer wait for someone else. If you are concerned your referral has been lost or forgotten, we are happy to check on the progress for you. Please contact the surgery if you are concerned.

**School Letters:** We cannot supply letters to confirm that children have been brought to surgery or that doctors' advice has been sought. This has to be done on the basis of clinical need rather than for administrative purposes. The local schools have been informed of the practice policy, and they should contact us directly with your consent if they require any further information.

**Flu:** The GP Surgery and hospitals are currently experiencing a high volume of patients with flu and winter vomiting. Flu is a common infectious viral illness spread by coughs and sneezes. It can be very unpleasant, but you'll usually begin to feel better within about a week. GPs don't recommend antibiotics for flu because they won't relieve your symptoms or speed up your recovery. Flu is very infectious and easily spread to other people, so please do not attend the surgery unless you fall into one of the following categories:

## Call NHS 111 or see your GP if:

- you're worried about your baby's or child's symptoms
- you're 65 or over
- you're pregnant
- you have a long-term medical condition – for example, diabetes or a heart, lung, kidney or neurological disease
- you have a weakened immune system – for example, because of chemotherapy or HIV
- your symptoms don't improve after 7 days

## You should attend A&E or call 999

- if you develop sudden chest pain
- have difficulty breathing
- start coughing up blood

Visit NHS Choices for further information about flu symptoms, how to treat flu at home, and how to limit the spread of infection. [www.nhs.uk/conditions/flu/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/flu/)

**Winter Vomiting:** Norovirus, which causes diarrhoea and vomiting, is one of the most common stomach bugs in the UK. It's also called the winter vomiting bug because it's more common in winter, although you can catch it at any time of the year. Norovirus can be very unpleasant but it usually clears up by itself in a few days. You can normally look after yourself or your child at home. Try to avoid going to your GP, as norovirus can spread to others very easily. Call your GP or

## 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	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Emergencies		4 00 – 6 00

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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	2 00 – 6 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 30

NHS 111 if you're concerned or need any advice. You can also visit NHS choices for further details of symptoms and how to treat your illness at home, and when you should seek medical advice. [www.nhs.uk/conditions/norovirus/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/norovirus/)

## Additional Appointments Available at this Practice:

We are making more appointments available for patients at this practice. Additional appointments can be booked until the end of March. This is because we know that there are times you want to be able to see a GP at short notice. We also know that over winter lots of people have seasonal illnesses which require more than a pharmacy but don't need emergency treatment. The extra on-the-day appointments are bookable by ringing reception on the usual number.

**Carers' Support Meetings:** Our next meetings are at the Surgery on the following Wednesdays: **7 March, 4 April and 2 May** at 2 pm. If you are a carer, please pop along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely FREE! Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery for more information.

**Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics:** The next Hearing Aid Clinics at the Surgery are on Wednesdays **21 March, 18 April and 16 May** at 2 pm. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

*Lisa Smith – Willingham Surgery*

## Willingham Photography Club

We meet every month in the Baptist Church. We aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves!

The next meeting will be on  
**19 March from 8 pm to 10 pm**

The theme of the meeting is *Education*, with the second half of the evening to be confirmed.

(The programme of events and topics is subject to change; please refer to our website for the most recent details.)

Technical questions and answers will be invited.

Tea and coffee will be served.

We cordially invite anyone who enjoys photography 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.



If you have any further questions, please contact:

Christopher Cross 01954 260790

*In the meantime, do have a look at our website on*  
[www.WillinghamPhotoClub.org.uk](http://www.WillinghamPhotoClub.org.uk)

## Community Art Trail and Café

Following the success of the advent adventure we are now launching an event for Easter which we hope everyone will love just as much! There will be two parts to the event, and it's all free!

### Contemporary Art Trail

**Sunday 25 March to Sunday 1 April**

There will be 14 contemporary art images linked to Easter posted around the village for you to find. We will be publishing a leaflet with the trail mapped out and some clues to the location of each image. There will be information about each image and some questions to get you thinking.

We plan to have the leaflets available at the library and post office, as well as online ([www.willinghambaptist.org](http://www.willinghambaptist.org)) and via Willingham Baptist Facebook page.

### Community Colouring and Craft Café

**Saturday 31 March 10 am -12 noon**

### Willingham Baptist Church

Drop in for a free drink and a hot cross bun and find out the answers to the location of all the images on the trail. You might even get a prize if you found them all! Then why not help to create a piece of community art on an Easter theme through colouring. We will have large pictures for people to colour in together and will then display them in the church over Easter as well as posting photos of them online. We will have craft tables with Easter activities and intersperse the morning with some short reflections on an Easter theme. Come for all or some of the time. **This event is suitable for all ages!**

## My Favourite Tune

**Willingham Library Wednesday 21 March, 7 30 pm**

Willingham's Desert Island Discs! Bring along your favourite tune to play an extract from, and say a few words about why it is special. Any genre from classical to rock – the wider the range the better. A CD player will be available or you can bring your own electronic device. The library wifi will also be available.

Wine will be provided, and simple nibbles.

## Cambridge Pinks – Breast Cancer Now Regional Group

Cambridge Pinks is the regional group for Breast Cancer Now.

Would you like a stall at my indoor summer fete on **9 June** at Orwell Village Hall. Adults £10 a table, children £6 and charities £8. Set up time is 10 15 am for an 11 am start. The fete will finish at 3 pm. There will be a raffle so please could I ask for a raffle prize from each stall? This will be helping Breast Cancer Now. If you would like a table please contact Kirsten at [popcornandmo@hotmail.com](mailto:popcornandmo@hotmail.com).



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Friday	10 am – 1 pm	
Saturday	10 am – 1 pm	

### Library News

#### Engage in the Afternoon

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 February, Linda Bridewell came to speak to us from Action on Hearing Loss, which is the new name for the Royal National Institute for Deaf People. It was a small but select group but an interesting talk on how best to talk to and include people with hearing loss without causing embarrassment or upset. There was also an interesting demonstration of various levels of deafness and a lot of questions from the audience, which made it a very enjoyable session.

#### Wednesday 7 March – *Keeping Guinea Pigs*

Different breeds, how to care for them and a guinea pig for you to meet!

Why not join us? You will be very welcome in our friendly group. It's fun and free!

Donations are welcomed towards refreshments.

#### FOWL (Friends of Willingham Library) presents – Desert Island Discs

Wednesday 21 March - 7 30 pm

See box on page 16.



## News from The Royal Society for Protection Of Birds

### What has been happening at Fen Drayton Lakes

We and our volunteers had a busy winter working away to improve the lakes for both people and wildlife. Over on the North West of Elney Lake we have removed some willow and other mature trees to give a long view across. This adds an interesting element to one of the most wooded walks on offer across the reserve. We've also done a great deal of work to open up the popular route to the Ferry Mere shelter, in an attempt to allow the path to remain dryer and firmer under foot. This kind of work also helps to revitalise and diversify the vegetation.

### Wildlife

Bitterns returned to spend the winter, with up to three being seen at once from the Elney viewpoint adjacent to the busway. Moreover, this view point has also produced barn owl, marsh harrier, bearded tit and snipe. Unfortunately the starlings did not swarm to the reserve on mass this winter, but there were sometimes a couple of thousand gathering at dusk.

### Dates for your Diary

After the snowy roads put pay to our Christmas event, we will be hosting an Easter themed willow weaving workshop on **Sunday 25 March**. (Booking essential: please call on 01954 233260 or email [fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk](mailto:fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk) to reserve your place.)

From **Friday 30 March to Friday 6 April** there will also be some fun-filled activities for Easter, including an Easter-themed nature trail. A must for the kids and all the family! Please check our website ([rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes](http://rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes)) for up to date information about these events.

### Ever thought about using your skills to help your local wildlife?

We're always on the lookout for more volunteers to help in a variety of flexible roles.

If you are interested, please do get in touch, ideally by emailing [tim.fisher@rspb.org.uk](mailto:tim.fisher@rspb.org.uk). Or, if you prefer, on 07568 116413.

For other general reserve information:-

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## Henry Norman's Diaries

We have been contacted by an author who is writing a book about the Second World War diaries of Henry Norman (now deceased), who lived in Willingham with members of his family including his sister Lily Norman. The author is keen to find out any information about Henry's life in Willingham and if he has any relatives still in the village.

If any residents remember Henry and can give any such information then please contact me, Mike Tidball, Willingham Action Group, 01954 260647 or [m.tidball@btinternet.com](mailto:m.tidball@btinternet.com)

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## Readers' Letters

This evening, I was driving home after a hard day at work, through Berrycroft, going past the row of businesses opposite the Chinese takeaway, when I noticed a paperboy or girl walking along the pavement. Their newspaper carrying bag was clearly visible. The young person in question was engrossed in their mobile phone (or tablet) - I could see the light. They were not looking where they were going, they just trudged along in the dark.

Suddenly, without taking their eyes off the screen of their device, they turned to the right, and walked into the road, right in front of me. I swerved to avoid them, and came to a stop beside Berrycroft Stores. I looked to see if they were OK, but they just carried on walking as if I wasn't there, and continued on their way, crossing over the road and going into the Chinese take away.

I was shocked and shaking; it had been a very near miss. This clearly shows that the use of mobile devices is as dangerous for pedestrians as it is for drivers.

I rang the newsagent as soon as I got home, spoke to a staff member and advised that the paper delivery kids be made aware of the dangers of walking whilst using a mobile device, especially on a dark winter evening. However the chap I spoke to was not a Willingham resident, and he had no idea as to where the incident in question had occurred.

Would these paper delivery kids ride their bikes with no lights on?

Yes, I do enjoy a daily newspaper, but the life of a child is too high a price to pay.

*Paul Johnson*

Dear Sir,

I'm writing to share recent information obtained after a call to UK Power Networks on Saturday 27 January. As many residents will be aware, we have been subject to frequent, brief power cuts throughout January, sometimes a few each week. The customer service representative at UK Power Networks acknowledged that our local district had seen 'a lot of outages since 2 January' and explained that each time power was lost to some 5,000 plus houses and businesses. This obviously has some worrying consequences for elderly residents living alone (some with crucial medical equipment requiring uninterrupted power supply), people working from home, and our local businesses.

She explained that the problem seemed to be caused by automatic network fault detection turning off power, probably due to interruptions to signals in local high voltage wires - likely from overgrown trees, combined with recent winds and storms. UK Power Networks have sent out engineering crews to inspect the wires, but no cause has been found as yet.

May I suggest that:

1. Local residents and landowners check for trees overhanging the larger high voltage wires in and around the village (and allow tree trimming if on non-council land),
2. The Parish Council once again liaises with the authorities to ensure a quick and effective solution to this

problem, as they did when we had power network problems a few years ago.

Regards,

*M Rogers  
Balland Field*

This item was discussed at Parish Council and is referred to in the Parish Council News on page 10

## Willingham Bowls Club

**Membership evening Monday 19 March  
Duke of Wellington, 7 pm**

The season will soon be upon us and anyone wishing to join will be welcome. We are looking for new members with or without experience who would like to play bowls this season. Tuition will be given and there is no pressure to play in any of our league teams; we have club days and evenings and our league teams are for all standards. All we hope is that you enjoy playing bowls and meeting people.

We are in three leagues:

Ely and District, (afternoon games)

Business Houses, (evening games)

Indoor/Outdoor league at Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club

(this is played during the winter).

If you are not sure about joining but would like to know more about the club and bowls, please come along and we will answer any questions.

Annual Club Fees:

Adult £30

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Further information; contact

[terry.buckley@virginmedia.com](mailto:terry.buckley@virginmedia.com)

## Solution to Sudoku

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

**Answers to FOWL quiz:** 1 Malcolm Bradbury, 2 Maeve Binchy, 3 Mary Wesley, 4 Milan Kundera, 5 Max Beerbohm, 6 Marian Keyes, 7 Michael Rosen, 8 Mark Billingham, 9 Michael Moorcock, 10 Martin Amis.

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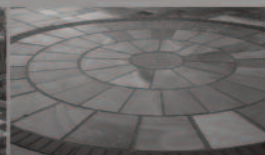
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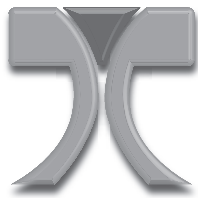


# WHAT'S ON

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Sat 3 March	Cake Stall	Parish Church	Parish Church Porch	10 am, see p12
Sat 3 March	Coffee Morning	Mothers' Union	Octagon	10 am, see p12
Sat 3 March	Free Karaoke	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p11
Sun 4 March	Jazz Club	Social Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Mon 5 March	AGM	Rosie in Stiches	Rosie Hospital	12 30 pm, see Feb issue
Mon 5 March	<i>Your Own Mediterranean Climate</i> with Rodney Tibbs	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p11
Wed 7 March	<i>Keeping Guinea Pigs</i>	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p17
Wed 7 March	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p10
Wed 7 March	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Thu 8 March	<i>Willingham News</i> Deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Thu 8 March	Lent Soup Lunch	Mothers' Union	Octagon	12 noon – 1 30 pm, see p12
Sat 10 March	Over Village Market	Over Village Market	The Green, Over	10 am – 12 30 pm, see p7
Sat 10 March	Messy Church	Christians Together	Parish Church & Octagon	3 30 pm, see p12
Sat 10 March	Soul & Motown Disco	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p11
Mon 12 March	AGM & Social Evening	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p7
Sat 17 March	Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p13
Sat 17 March	St Patrick's Day Spring Sing	Swavesey Community Choir	Swavesey Parish Church	7 30 pm, free entry, see p9
Sat 17 March	St Patrick's Day – Free Night	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p11
Mon 19 March	Membership Evening	Bowls Club	Duke of Wellington	7 pm, see p19
Mon 19 March	Theme: <i>Education</i>	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p16
Wed 21 March	Hearing Aid Clinic	CAMTAD	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Wed 21 March	Willingham's Desert Island Discs	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	7 30 pm, see p16
Thu 22 March	Golf Day	Black Bull Golf Society	Bar Hill	Nigel Aspinall, 01954 200592 nidgeandjenny@yahoo.co.uk
Sat 24 March	Entertainment Quiz	Over Community Centre	Over Community Centre	See Feb issue
Sun 25 March	Contemporary Art Trail Begins	Baptist Church	Willingham	Until 1 April, see p16
Sun 25 March	Indoor Nets Session	Longstanton Cricket Club	Swavesey Village College Sports Centre	See p8
Sun 25 March	Willow Weaving Workshop	RSPB	Fen Drayton Lakes	See p17
Mon 26 March	Impromptu Music with the Jam Club	Jam Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p8
Sat 31 March	Community Colouring & Craft Café	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	10 am – 12 noon, see p16
Sat 31 March	Family Easter Egg Bingo	Social Club	Social Club	6 15 for 7 pm, see p11

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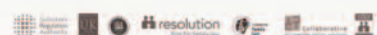
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	Willingham Youth Centre bookings	<a href="mailto:enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org">enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org</a>	
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	Over & District Royal British Legion	Andrea Rusted	01223 562844
	Willingham Action Group (WAG)	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
	Willingham Combined Charities	Kassia Bunnett	<a href="mailto:k.bunnett@googlemail.com">k.bunnett@googlemail.com</a>
			07969 541095
	WEA	Rosemary Mumford	01954 260934
	Willingham RBL Poppy Appeal Organiser	Graham Atherton	01954 260331
	Willingham Bee Group Chairman	Steve Smith	07795 215071
<b>Clubs</b>	Gardening Club	Mrs C Bailey	01954 260794
	WBC Youth club (Baptist Church Years 7–9)	Bev Thomas	01954 789230
	Willingham Social Club	Lynne Sadler	01954 260557
		<a href="mailto:willinghamsocialclub@gmail.com">willinghamsocialclub@gmail.com</a>	
	Willingham Jam Club	Julian Eales	01954 201818
	Willingham Photography Club	Christopher Cross	01954 260790
	Willingham Walkers	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
	Willingham Youth Club	Pete Lawrence	<a href="mailto:enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org">enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org</a>
	Women's Institute	Wendy Law	01954 202188
	Women's Royal British Legion	Mrs M Few	01954 260124
<b>Sport</b>	Angling		<a href="http://www.histonangling.org.uk">www.histonangling.org.uk</a>
	Badminton	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	Bowls Club	Terry Buckley	<a href="mailto:terry.buckley@virginmedia.com">terry.buckley@virginmedia.com</a>
	Cricket Club	Mr R Ambrose	01954 260446
	Cycling Club – <a href="http://www.willinghamwheels.com">www.willinghamwheels.com</a>	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
<b>Churches</b>	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Jamie Smith (Sec)	01954 261141
	Mothers' Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Rev Paul Joel	01954 260538
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Simon Oliver	07554 202929
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