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<b>15 March</b>	<b>Black</b>
<b>22 March</b>	<b>Blue and Green</b>
<b>29 March</b>	<b>Black</b>

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## Willingham Wheels 'Sofa to 50k'

I'm sure many of you will have heard of the 'Couch to 5K' training plan. The idea is to transform you from 'couch potato' to 'runner', getting you running three miles (5K) on a regular basis in just two months.

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 would like to start cycling for health, fitness, recreation, commuting or perhaps to tackle a challenge or charity ride up to 50 kilometres (30 miles) long.



After the success of last year's programme, Willingham Wheels is running it again and will be starting the 8-week training plan on **Tuesday 9 April**. Rides will usually be on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings. Time commitment ranges from a minimum of 1 hour 30 minutes to a maximum of 6 hours 30 minutes per week.

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

As an added incentive this year, we will be running a couple of extra weeks to take our 50-kilometre graduates up to 50 miles just in time to take part in the Over Day Centre 50 Mile Challenge Ride on **16 June!**

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) or have a look at our website: [www.willinghamwheels.com](http://www.willinghamwheels.com).

*Nigel Leaney*

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## Willingham News Delivery Update

Thank you to those who kindly responded regarding delivering *Willingham News* to Thodays Close and Long Lane North. I have also managed to add some new names to the backup list of people willing to cover holidays etc so it's a win-win situation for me.

We thank Pat Daniels for her long stint as a deliverer which I believe started at the inception of the magazine. Well done Pat and enjoy your retirement!

*David Clarke*

## Bowls Club Established 1935

The new season is approaching and the Bowls Club is looking for new members. It's a friendly club welcoming all standards, from beginners to experienced players, and we have open days and coaching lessons, all free.

We have open sessions for members to have a roll up and are in three leagues: Ely and District Afternoon League, Business Houses Evening Matches and, during the winter, we play at Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club in an Indoor/Outdoor league. You can be any standard to play in these leagues – we mix experienced and inexperienced bowlers and this has worked very well.

The membership fee is £35 for an adult and 16 years and under are free.

Dress code is simple. For league matches we wear grey trousers or skirts with a white top but for general play we wear casual clothes. Bowling shoes must always be worn, with flat soles and no heel or tread, as it is important to protect the green.

We are having a *Come Along and Talk to Us* session at The Duke of Wellington, on **28 March**, 6 30 – 7 pm. Bowls is a lovely game, very friendly and good exercise. Hopefully we will be meeting some new members this year.

If you are interested, please contact our Secretary, [ianbissett@gmail.com](mailto:ianbissett@gmail.com) or Terry Buckley, 01954 201802.

*Terry Buckley*

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## Willingham Gardening Club

Next Meeting: **Monday 4 March** – *The History of Cottage Gardens* with Andrew Sankey.

The Gardening Club meets at 7 30 pm in the Social Club on the first Monday of each month, except January and August. New members are welcome. The annual subscription is £20 but visitors are welcome at any meeting, at a cost of £2. Please call Celia on 01954 261394 or simply turn up to a meeting.

Our Excursions Team is busy researching possible venues for this year's programme so watch this space. The club's AGM will be in March when our new year begins, and annual subscriptions are due at the April meeting.

Date for your Diary – the annual village Horticulture and Craft Show will be held on **Saturday 31 August**.

Last year's show received good coverage in both *Willingham News* and *Fen Edge News*. It was nice to see the junior section so well filled with innovative items and several young people appeared to have been well-employed over the summer holidays! Now is the time to be planning your fruit, vegetable and houseplant entries. This year's schedule will have several minor amendments but last year's will still be useful for reference. For further information please contact Carol Bailey, 01954 260794.

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## Old Willingham



It's the 1960s and, at the end of Feast Week, a large Salvation Army band plays on the Green. You might wonder why the cars are parked all over the place but, in those days, a road ran right across the Green and along the back. Of more interest is the building in the background, demolished in the 1970s. It was actually an old brick building but after World War II the owner rendered it, adding false beams and painting three scenes in the upstairs 'windows' each with a sailing ship. What a shame this eccentric building has gone!

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).

## WILLINGHAM 100 Years Ago

In March 1919 there was still great concern about the amount of land, estimated at 5,000 acres, left underwater or unusable by the recent floods. The Great West had come within inches of flooding at The Hermitage in Willingham parish.

At the Tabernacle the annual collection in aid of the Baptist Union Sustentation Fund was taken. Several services were held, the most popular being an afternoon musical service led by the pastor, Reverend W F Harris. As well as an organ solo by Mr Fred Cole, items included the songs 'A Dream of Paradise' by Miss Jessie Raven, and 'The Holy City' by Mr Bert Conquest. Collections for the day amounted to £5.12.10, double the amount raised the previous year. Jessie Raven later married George Smith and lived in the cottage which is now 1 George Street.

Influenza was still rife. The deaths were reported of Private John William Garner, aged only 19, and Gunner John Rigby. The latter had been an orderly at Willingham VAD Hospital before joining up, and a keen member of Willingham Football and Cricket Clubs.

Anne Kirkman

## 1st Willingham Cub and Scout Group

### New Akela Needed (See Cover)

When the cub section of the scouting movement was founded in 1916, it used Rudyard Kipling's *The Jungle Book* to engage with young people. The characters from this classic story are still part of the scouting tradition. In *The Jungle Book*, Akela was the wise and brave leader of the wolf pack who was mentor to the child hero, Mowgli. Our cub section is currently in need of a wise and brave leader to be a mentor to young people aged 8 - 10 in our community. Without a leader, the section is facing closure at the end of next month, which would leave a big gap in our provision for young people.

Our Scout Group and Explorer Unit have a fantastic team of volunteers working with over 120 young people aged 6 to 18, and we need a little more help to make this sustainable. Volunteering with us is easier than you think. It's an opportunity to work with young people in your community with full support and training. You can experience the fun, friendship and adventure offered by scouting, so please get in touch via: [adventure@1stwillinghamscoutgroup.org.uk](mailto:adventure@1stwillinghamscoutgroup.org.uk).

The impact of crime in our community was felt very strongly over the summer, and a lot of research points to the engagement of young people as effective in combating antisocial behaviour. Following this, we invited our PCSO, Tom, to talk to us about the work of the police and gave him an opportunity to engage with some scouting activities. We had a very successful session combining a tour in a patrol car with target archery!



Our group is looking forward to more adventures in the coming year with a number of camps and outdoor activities planned. In June, all our young people will have the chance to spend a night underground in a cold-war era nuclear bunker in the Essex countryside, which promises to be a fantastic and unique experience. At the end of July, our scouts will be joining over 1,000 others representing Scout groups from around the world at the week-long *CamJam* event held every four years at Huntingdon Racecourse, enabling them to build friendships with young people from different cultures. We will be supporting the Fen Gallop community event on **7 July**, so consider joining us for the day to help out. All information about our activities is available on our website [www.1stwillinghamscoutgroup.org.uk](http://www.1stwillinghamscoutgroup.org.uk).

# Willingham Wassail

On Sunday 20 January a merry band of revellers met at the Community Orchard for the annual Wassail.



The Wassail is part of a tradition that is over 1,000 years old, going back to Anglo-Saxon times. On Twelfth Night, now 6 January but 17 January in the pre-Gregorian calendar, wassailers would gather in the orchard to wake up the trees and drive out any lurking evil spirits in order to ensure a good harvest.

The dictionary tells us that first of all a Wassail is 'a festive bout of drinking' but it has a serious purpose in celebrating the apple. It's more often celebrated in the West Country and Kent where there is cider-making but Willingham's tradition of fruit growing makes it a natural thing here too.

The Wassail King and Queen, Brenda and Melvyn Smith, were crowned with ivy wreaths and they anointed one of the larger apple trees with bread soaked in mulled cider.

Together we recited our Wassail poem, twice for good luck:

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.  
Hoorah! Hoorah!



We then danced around the tree beating pots and pans and someone even brought a vuvuzela along to make sure the trees were properly awake. We spread out around the orchard anointing the trees and making a racket before anointing ourselves with hot mulled cider made by Graham Mumby with Willingham apples.

We were blessed with a beautiful sunny, if chilly, day and everyone enjoyed perpetuating this lovely old tradition. Hopefully we can now look forward to a bumper harvest!

*Wendy Law*

## Willingham Women's Institute

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The next meeting will be on **Monday 11 March** at 7 30 pm in the Social Club

### Annual Meeting and Social Evening

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The Mixed Craft group meets on the last Wednesday of every month, 10 30 am to 4 30 pm in the Baptist Church. All welcome, no need to be a WI member.

### January meeting

We were visited by Sallie Crawley who spoke to us about *Relaxation and Reducing Anxiety*. Many good tips and ideas were shared and at the end we had all learned some coping strategies. The task ended with a focussed meditation.

## Willingham Reading Group

### *The Son* by Jo Nesbo

Sonny Lofthus, a heroin addict, is in prison for murder and is ready to confess to another murder in return for a continuing supply of drugs, until he finds out the truth behind his policeman father's supposed suicide for being 'The Mole'.

He escapes prison and begins wreaking revenge. The novel is told mostly from the point of view of Simon Kefas, a policeman and his father's friend, who is desperate for money to pay for his wife's operation which he cannot afford as he is paying off gambling debts. Sonny is the centre of corruption: prison staff, police, lawyers, a desperate priest, all of them under the thumb of Oslo's crime overlord 'The Twin'.

A crime novel with twists and turns, it is gritty and gripping with a strong storyline like all Jo Nesbo's books. Our reading group thought it was a good story but some of us thought there was a bit too much violent detail. Most of us gave the book a fairly high score out of ten.

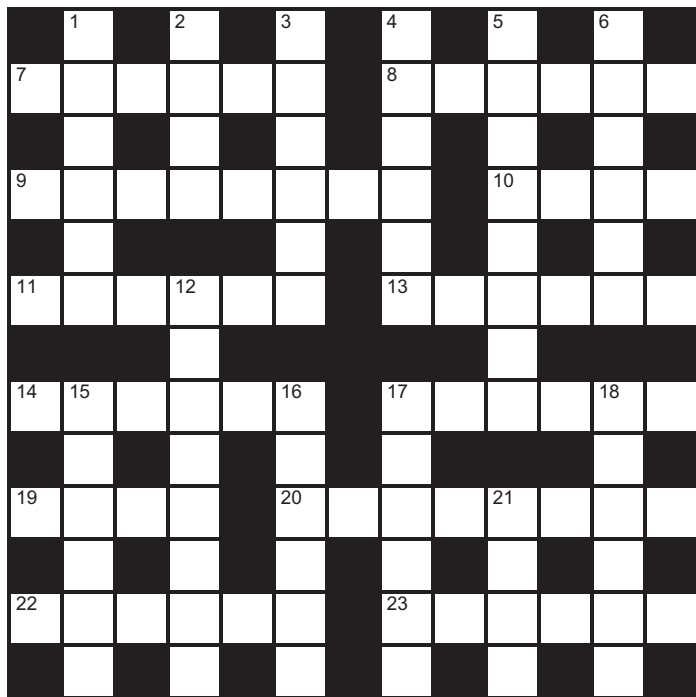
*Christine Lacey*



# Quick Crossword by Willow

Answers on page 17

This crossword is a pangram – it uses every letter in the alphabet.



## Across

- 7 Show (6)
- 8 Feeling of calmness (6)
- 9 Brief publication (8)
- 10 19 of lemon (4)
- 11 Real-time video (6)
- 13 Pines (6)
- 14 Bedspreads (6)
- 17 Staid (6)
- 19 Hide (4)
- 20 Country's border (8)
- 22 Not just (6)
- 23 Rich surroundings (6)

## Down

- 1 Watch out (6)
- 2 Light military vehicle (4)
- 3 Skiing race (6)
- 4 Unpleasantly shabby (6)
- 5 Heavy snowstorm (8)
- 6 School period (6)
- 12 Table of dates (8)
- 15 Mean (6)
- 16 Expedition to see animals (6)
- 17 Ought to (6)
- 18 Hypothesis (6)
- 21 Cab (4)

# Book Quiz

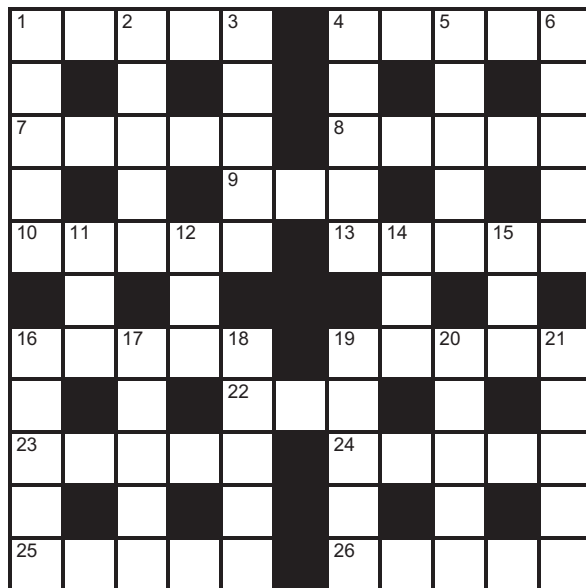
Answers on page 17

All the titles include a month of the year. Can you name the authors?

- 1 *The Two Faces of January*
- 2 *Summer in February*
- 3 *March*
- 4 *The Enchanted April*
- 5 *The Darling Buds of May*
- 6 *The Ides of June*
- 7 *July's People*
- 8 *The First Fifteen Lives of Harry August*
- 9 *September*
- 10 *The Hunt for Red October*
- 11 *Moominvalley in November*
- 12 *A week in December*



# Young Readers' Corner



## Across

- 1 Put seed in the ground to grow (5)
- 4 Small boat with a paddle (5)
- 7 Attached to a bridle and used to guide a horse (5)
- 8 Keen (5)
- 9 Hot drink (3)
- 10 The opposite of a friend (5)
- 13 Baby's toilet (5)
- 16 Actors act on this (6)
- 19 Round handles (5)
- 22 Child's word for grandmother (3)
- 23 Fast (5)
- 24 Large country is Asia (5)
- 25 White, brown or granary (5)
- 26 What we say to apologise (5)

## Down

- 1 Small bag for money (5)
- 2 The same (5)
- 3 Nice to eat (5)
- 4 Not expensive (5)
- 5 When you sleep (5)
- 6 Sooner than expected (5)
- 11 Used for catching fish (3)
- 12 Big cup (3)
- 14 Possess (3)
- 15 Bath or container for ice cream (3)
- 16 Clean with a brush (5)
- 17 Fruit (5)
- 18 Finished (5)
- 19 Makes jumpers with wool and needles (5)
- 20 Request strongly (5)
- 21 Frightening (5)

Answers on page 17



W for Willingham Colouring. Can you spot something else beginning with 'W' in the picture?

# From the Parish Council

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## East/West Rail Link from Oxford to Cambridge

Councillor Bridget Smith, leader of South Cambridge District Council (SCDC), attended the February Council meeting and spoke about the ongoing focus of SCDC.

Amongst these, Councillor Smith highlighted the east/west rail link between Oxford and Cambridge as being transformational for South Cambridgeshire, bringing improved transport and opportunities for business and housing development.

Last autumn, SCDC wrote to the Government, asking them to give full and thorough consideration to the environment when selecting the route. Councillors are urging people to make sure they have their say during the consultation period, recognising that the information published raises a lot of questions which they will be asking the promoters on behalf of local communities.

To find out more about the Oxford to Cambridge rail link proposals and the routes under consultation visit [www.eastwestrail.co.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.eastwestrail.co.uk/haveyoursay).

## Willingham Action Group (WAG)

WAG has applied for a grant for the purchase of a number of bird boxes. These will be placed around the village in order to help reduce the decline in native bird numbers. More information to follow when the boxes arrive.

## Ploughman Hall

The Hall remains a very popular venue for parties and exercises classes. Below is a list of activities taking place regularly there:

### Monday

9 30 – 10 30 am – Zumba/Aerobics

10 45 – 11 45 am – Pilates

12 noon – 1 pm – Mother and Baby Exercise

6 – 8 pm – Fitness, Strength and Conditioning Circuits

8 – 10 pm – Badminton

### Tuesday

6 – 8 pm – Fitness, Strength and Conditioning Circuits

8 – 10 pm – Badminton

### Wednesday

7 30 – 8 30 pm – Keep Fit/Zumba

### Thursday

9 30 am – 12 30 pm – Adult Ballet

7 – 8 pm – Yoga

### Friday

9 30 – 10 30 am – Aerobics

10 30 – 11 30 am – Fitness Pilates

8 30 – 10 pm – Ballroom Dancing

## Lost and Found

Cambridgeshire Police have joined police forces nationwide by ceasing to take reports of lost property and accepting only certain types of found item. The changes took effect nationally from 1 February after the Chief Constables' Council agreed it as a way of reducing non-essential demand and the associated costs and bureaucracy generated for call

centres and front counters.

The police have traditionally accepted responsibility for recording lost and found items, despite there being no statutory duty to maintain a system of recording non-evidential property. Found items dealt with by the police have reduced and a consistent approach adopted across the country. This will help reduce call volumes and remove an unnecessary burden on policing.

If you have lost or found an item, visit the force website for guidance on what to do. Further detail is below.

## Lost items

Any loss can be reported online at sites including [www.lostbox.co.uk](http://www.lostbox.co.uk), [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) and [www.report\\_myloss.com](http://www.report_myloss.com) (for an insurance report).

For bicycles, register and report at [www.bikeregister.com](http://www.bikeregister.com).

Report lost UK Passports at [www.gov.uk/report-a-lost-or-stolen-passport](http://www.gov.uk/report-a-lost-or-stolen-passport).

Details of losses reported via these methods are made available to police forces across the UK. If you have lost property in a public place or premises or on public transport, contact the location or service provider directly.

## Found items

The following categories have been created for found items:

### Accepted

Items capable of containing data such as mobile phones or computers, cash and wallets that are identifiable, unidentifiable cash, identity and personal documents.

### Not Accepted

Bicycles, personal but unidentifiable items, clothing, keys and jewellery.

For non-accepted items, with some exceptions, the finder can retain the property. They are under no legal obligation to hand in the property providing they have made a reasonable attempt to return it to the owner.

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 their electoral register number, to ensure everyone has a fair chance to speak within the allowed time (15 minutes in total for all speakers and three minutes maximum per person).

Meeting Dates: **6 March, 3 April**. The meetings are held in the Octagon starting 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.

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*

## Contact Details:

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

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# District Councillors' Report

It's been another busy month on South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) matters, with a successful surgery and time spent out and about talking to Willingham residents about issues that matter to them.

## Black Pit Drove

The long running saga of Black Pit Drove appears to be nearing a conclusion. At a High Court hearing in December the presiding judge awarded a temporary injunction, barring any further caravans from entering the site but declined to issue a full injunction because the people currently camped on the site were neither present nor represented. Subsequent to this, another caravan illegally appeared on the site, but our Enforcement Officers were asked by the police not to act, pending further criminal investigations. The second High Court hearing took place on 4 February and it has issued an injunction stating that the caravans illegally camped must be removed. It is expected that by the time you read this, the caravans will have been removed and the land returned to its original condition. Anyone continuing to illegally use the land as a place to live will be in contempt of court and can be sent to prison, fined or have their assets seized. This has been a drawn out, frustrating and expensive process and we have regularly been pressing for action but the multiple ownership of the land, ongoing police investigations and various legal hurdles have thwarted progress.

## Construction Vehicles

Residents continue to be affected by unauthorised construction vehicles using the B1050 to serve Northstowe (and the A14) and we receive endless complaints regarding this matter.

Following notification of a recent breach, SCDC Enforcement Officers have written to all developers and their contractors, reminding them of the management conditions in place.

By the time this is published, we will have held another Action Day where a group of enthusiastic residents will have conducted some surveillance in order to identify and report culprits. The evidence required by the Enforcement team must include photographs or videos showing the date, time, vehicle type, name and vehicle registration as well as the vehicle's final destination on the Northstowe site. The more information provided, the more likely the Enforcement team will be able to act. If any breaches are witnessed, we encourage residents to contact us or report directly to Planning Enforcement via the SCDC website [www.scambs.gov.uk](http://www.scambs.gov.uk).

## Surgeries

The Willingham surgery held on 26 January was very well attended once more. Due to their popularity, it is our intention to extend the length of future surgeries from one to two hours in duration. The dates of future surgeries are **4 May, 6 July, 7 September, 2 November**, all 11 am – 1 pm in the Ploughman Hall.

## Northstowe Health Centre

The Longstanton branch of Willingham Surgery will serve all Northstowe residents until 2021. Willingham practice has plans to expand provision to allow for a larger patient list and have calculated the increased number of GP and Nurse sessions to achieve this – approximately 4,000 additional patients prior to opening the Health Hub in Phase 2. NHS money follows the patient, so if more patients register, the GP gets more money.

The GPs at Over, Swavesey, Milton, Cottenham and Girton have come forward with a proposal to jointly deliver primary health care from the Northstowe Care Hub from 2021. This is currently being considered by the NHS Core Commissioning Group. Details can't be given at present, but they do need to be in place by June 2019 so that the procurement process can start in April 2020 and services start to be delivered from the care hub in June 2021.

## Repair Cafés

SCDC helps volunteers to set up new Repair Cafés. If you are interested in setting up a Repair Café and would like support, or if you would like to volunteer as a repairer, please email [spep@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:spep@scambs.gov.uk) or call 01954 713070. For more details see: [www.scambs.gov.uk/community/community/the-sustainable-parish-energy-partnership/repair-cafes](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/community/community/the-sustainable-parish-energy-partnership/repair-cafes).

## Housing

SCDC and Cambridge City Council recently published a draft new Greater Cambridge Housing strategy, setting out how both authorities aim to meet the housing challenges in our area over the next five years 2019 – 2023. The overall aim is to bring forward homes that are affordable, energy efficient and, ideally, close to where jobs are. This aligns with our overall aim of reducing carbon footprint to net zero by 2050. The strategy outlines key priorities such as homes for essential local workers, those on low to median incomes, older people and specialist accommodation for young people or those at risk. It will accelerate the number of homes built per year, types of building companies involved in the delivery, maintain a high standard of design and promote health and wellbeing through housing, working with key partners to deliver homes for our residents. There's more information at: [www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-strategy-consultation](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-strategy-consultation).

## Climate and Environment

SCDC wants to raise the bar by aiming to be carbon neutral by 2050. This has been making headlines and *ITV News* carried an interview with a resident of Histon and the District Councillor which you can read about here: [www.itv.com/news/anglia/2019-01-03/aiming-to-be-britains-first-carbon-neutral-council](http://www.itv.com/news/anglia/2019-01-03/aiming-to-be-britains-first-carbon-neutral-council).

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## St Mary + All Saints

CHURCH STREET, WILLINGHAM  
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**Services**

### 3 March

11 00 am Morning Worship

### 6 March (Wednesday)

10 30 am Ash Wednesday HC service with Ashes  
 (also 7 30 pm at Swavesey)

### 10 March

11 00 am Holy Communion

### 17 March

11 00 am All-Age Service

### 24 March

10 30 am Joint 5folds service at Pathfinder Church,  
 Northstowe in Pathfinder School

### 31 March

11 00 am Mothering Sunday All-Age Service

We have a variety of styles of worship and we hope you will find one that suits you. You will be warmly welcomed whenever you come.

#### 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, Swavesey or Northstowe and worship together.

If you know of anyone who is ill or who for some other reason would like a visit, please let us know. Furthermore, if you'd like to discuss getting married, or having your child christened, we'd love to talk to you!

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

#### Clergy contact details:

Jenny Hill, 07970 949331 or [revdjennyhill@5folds.org.uk](mailto:revdjennyhill@5folds.org.uk)  
 Beth Cope, 07720 330272 or [pioneerminister@northstowe.church](mailto:pioneerminister@northstowe.church)

Jan Payne, 07780 674563 or [jan.payne@northstowe.church](mailto:jan.payne@northstowe.church).

## Events

**First Steps:** a fun session for pre-school children and their parents or carers. We meet at the Baptist Church on Fridays 10 – 11 30 am. Join us for free play over coffee and toast followed by a story from the Bible, singing and craft activity. At the moment, every other week, we get the kids settled into play whilst the grown-ups look into some questions of life and faith. Please search for 'Willingham First Steps' to get the latest information.

**Willingham Churches Together 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. Come with your children and enjoy! Messy Church is on **Saturday 9 March** at 3 30 – 5 30 pm at the Baptist Church. Contact Beth Cope, [pioneerminister@northstowe.church](mailto:pioneerminister@northstowe.church) or Susan Meah, 01954 781258.

**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:** will be at 10 am on **Saturday 2 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!

**NEW – Time for Prayer – 9 – 9 30 am every Thursday** morning in the Church. All welcome.



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## WEEKLY PROGRAMME – EVERYONE WELCOME

### Mondays

**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 (bi-weekly)**

Prior booking essential. Telephone Daphne on 01954 260568.

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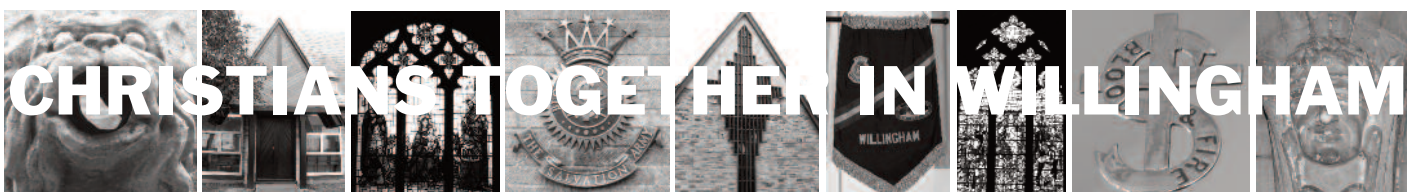
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Sunday: 8 and 11 am

Bar Hill Church Centre: Saturdays at 6 pm.





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## Services

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### 3 March

10 30 am *Contemporary Worship\*\**  
6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 10 March

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**  
6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 17 March

10 30 am *Altogether Worship*  
6 00 am *Evening Worship*

### 24 March

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**  
6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### 31 March

10 30 am *Mother's Day Café Church with Breakfast*  
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: 16 March** – 7 45 am in the church for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Please contact Pete Sacre for more information – 01954 261655 or peetamin@gmail.com.

**Messy Church: 9 March** at 3 30 – 5 30 pm in the Baptist Church. A fun session for ALL the family with crafts, games, all-age worship (songs and story), food and other stuff. Contact Margaret Edney for further details, 07528 193858.

## PASTORAL LETTER

During the last few weeks I have had the privilege of conducting a significant number of funerals, special times for families to come into church as they say goodbye to a loved one, saying thank you for their life and recognising all the love which has been shared. They have been times when families have spoken about so much love shared, how people have been respected and real examples of selflessness which have been a real privilege to listen to.

One thing which has touched me is how attentive either members of the families or neighbours and friends have been, always being there for the person as they needed support and care, even if they have suffered from dementia and barely recognised those who gave time and effort to help them. On each occasion, this has been a real blessing, especially where a parent has been supported, when there has been a chance to repay love and care. In these cases, there has been sincere thanks to give, loyalty to have been recognised, and love, in the real meaning of the word, to be recognised and for this together, we have thanked God.

From another perspective, many of us spend our lives in families as the care givers, at the centre of caring and fulfilling the needs of others. As we get older, it is sometimes difficult to acknowledge that we ourselves need a helping hand. This can make speaking aloud our thanks difficult, make us feel even more vulnerable and rub in that we do actually need to accept help from others. We live our life from day to day barely giving a thought to whom we could or should express our thanks, and this can sometimes be painful to those who are trying to offer care.

As a vicar now for over 20 years and in my previous occupation, I have seen this from both perspectives! Of the deep love given by many families for their loved ones but how challenging others find it to admit their own ageing and vulnerability, making it more difficult to accept help. But it is such a blessing that help in both small and more significant ways is offered, and how important a brief word of thanks and appreciation can mean!

Times can be tough for us all from time to time and this should not be underestimated. Life really is hard for lots of us for one reason or another, but to spend a few moments each day trying to recognise the blessings we have, the kind words we have received, can be something which will change our lives and the lives of our nearest and dearest!

Thank you for managing to read this to the end and may we all recognise the many blessings we each receive each day and have the humility to say thank you!

*Reverend Jenny Hill*

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

## There's No Health without Mental Health

Our mental health is just as important to our overall wellbeing as our physical health. From time to time we might not feel as well mentally as we would like; it's nothing to be ashamed of and statistics show that one in four of us will experience mental ill health at some point in our lives. Whether you're experiencing anxiety, stress, depression, bipolar disorder or another mental illness, there is a range of services to support you in managing your condition. Here is information about just a few, available to everyone living in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough:

- The Keep Your Head website [www.keep-your-head.com](http://www.keep-your-head.com) has a range of information and sources of support for children and adults of all ages. You don't need to be a service user to access the site as the information is available to all.
- The First Response Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you are experiencing something that makes you feel unsafe, distressed, or worried about your mental health you can contact the First Response Service by dialing 111 and selecting option 2. More information at [www.cpft.nhs.uk/about-us/mental-health-crisis.htm](http://www.cpft.nhs.uk/about-us/mental-health-crisis.htm).
- STOP Suicide is a suicide prevention campaign which 'seeks to alert communities to the warning signs of suicidal behaviour and reassure them that an open and honest approach to suicide is the best way to prevent it.' More information at: [www.stopsuicidepledge.org/resources-and-information](http://www.stopsuicidepledge.org/resources-and-information).
- The Psychological Wellbeing Service can be accessed by anyone registered with a GP in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Oundle, or Wansford – you don't need a referral. This IAPT [Improving Access to Psychological Therapies] service helps people aged 17+ who are suffering from mild to moderate depression and anxiety and offers short term treatments with a focus on 'here and now' problems. Information about the Psychological Wellbeing Service can be found at [www.cpft.nhs.uk/services/pws/psychological-wellbeing-service.htm](http://www.cpft.nhs.uk/services/pws/psychological-wellbeing-service.htm).
- If you feel you'd like some mental health support you could also speak to your GP, who might refer you to talking therapies, suggest you try mindfulness or Cognitive Behavioural Therapy or prescribe medication. All can be effective in helping to manage a range of mental health conditions.

## Arts on Prescription

This is a service provided by the charity 'Arts and Minds'. Free daytime workshops are led by professional artists and supported by a qualified counsellor and take place weekly. Art workshops are available for anyone experiencing depression, stress or anxiety. This is not art therapy, although participants have said they find it therapeutic!

### 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 – 7 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	4 30 – 7 00
Ante Natal/Baby Clinic		2 00 – 4 00
Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
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

### WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 NORMAL OPENING HOURS

Monday	8 30 – 1 00	2 30 – 6 30
Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 30

Workshops are held at the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology (MAA), Downing Street, Cambridge, CB2 3DZ, 1 – 3 pm on Tuesdays. To sign up please email [mindsarts@gmail.com](mailto:mindsarts@gmail.com).

## More Evening and Weekend GP Appointments Available

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**Carers Support Meetings:** Meetings are on the first Wednesday of every month, 2 – 4 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 or email her at [susan.lawson7@nhs.net](mailto:susan.lawson7@nhs.net) for more information.

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*Lisa Smith*  
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### Library News

#### Engage in the Afternoon

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

In February, we had a disappointingly small turnout for a really interesting talk by Rosemary Buisseret from Plant Heritage, the world's leading cultivated plant conservation charity. It combines the talents of botanists, horticulturalists and conservationists with the dedication of keen amateur and professional gardeners. They are involved in various conservation projects, including National Plant Collections, Threatened Plants Programme and Plant Guardians with the chief aim of safeguarding our unique garden flora across Britain and Ireland.

### Future Talks:

- **Wednesday 6 March** – *Healthwatch, Cambridgeshire* with Janine Newby-Robson  
Healthwatch is an independent body making sure that those who run local health and care services understand and act on what really matters to people. They also help people find the information they need about services in their area.
- **Wednesday 3 April** – *Diamonds* with Jason Middleton  
Jason returns, following his popular talks on *Gems of the World* and *Pearls*, to delve into the glittering world of diamonds – their history, quality and mining as well as stories of famous diamonds.

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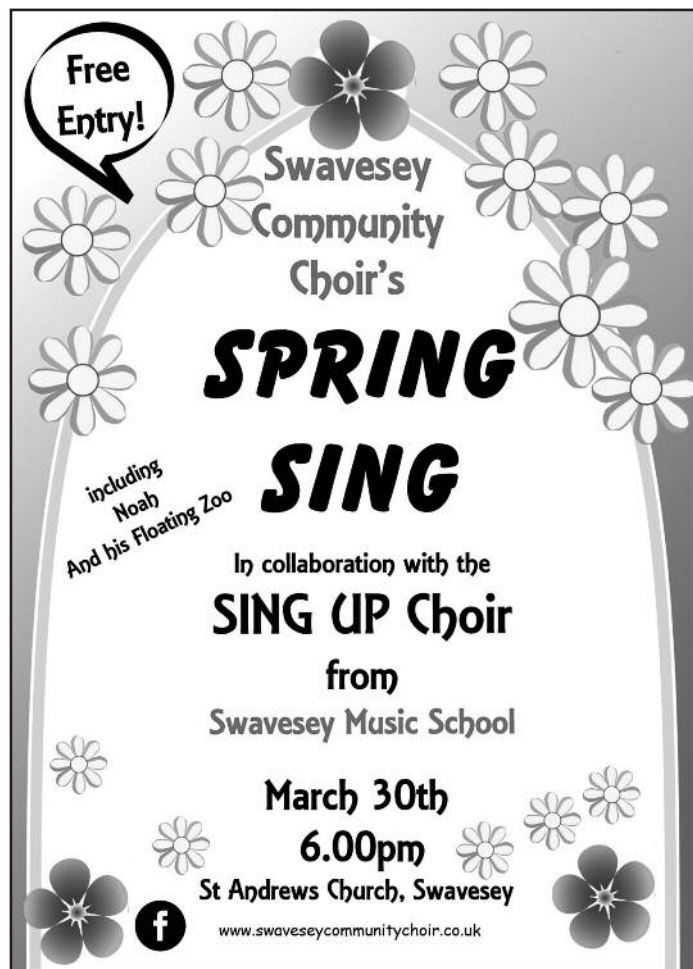
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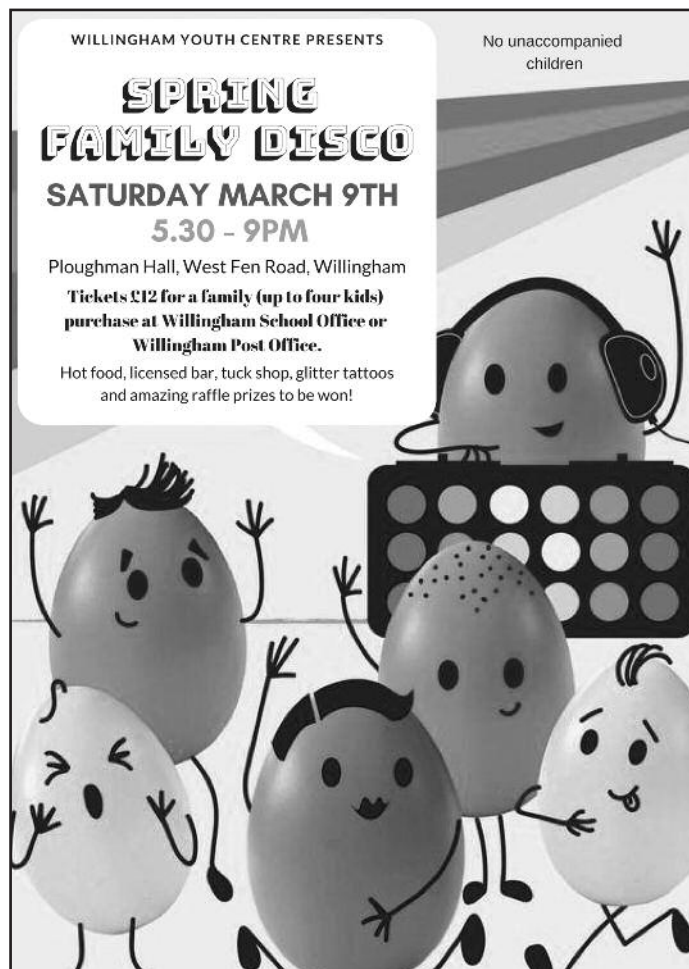
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# Willingham Primary School

Children were asked to write a news report about the Evacuation of Dunkirk.

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When our news team interviewed James Campbell Clouston, a Canadian officer, Pier Master on the mole [a narrow wooden walkway mounted on a concrete breakwater], it was his job to save these soldiers but still to tell them help is coming. James Campbell Clouston and all the troops saw the boats coming in and just as that happened the Luftwaffe flew over the boats.

The boats arrived and the soldiers were in a bundle to get on. A boat owner named Paul exclaimed, 'I tried to save as many as I could but you can't save them all'. Another boat owner told us that she saved over 50 troops on her boat and that she went back to save more.

Winston Churchill commanded that if any private boat owners could give up their time and maybe their life to save the vulnerable troops in a harmful area.

*Jasmine, Year 6*

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## You Could be Dancing!

This is an update on Willingham Dance Club, mentioned in last month's magazine and we're off to a good start. Enough people have signed up for us to run six sessions to see if there's sufficient interest to keep the club going and we've booked two experienced dance teachers.

In response to a survey of those who indicated interest, we arranged four sessions of Beginner Salsa, two were in February and two more will run on **8 and 22 March**. Then we will swap to Beginner Lindy Hop on **5 and 12 April**. The classes run on a Friday, 7 – 8 15 pm at the Ploughman Hall. The fee is £7 per person.

The teachers are Evan Jeposa from Ely Ballroom for the Salsa classes and Paul Claydon of Rugcutters for the Lindy Hop. We hope to run a social dance event later in the year if the Club keeps going.

You're not too late to join and you don't need a partner to come along. Contact us by email at: [willinghamdanceclub@gmail.com](mailto:willinghamdanceclub@gmail.com). Pre-booking is essential.

Let's get Willingham dancing!

*Teresa Weston*

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## Children's Crossword Answers

Across: 1 Plant, 4 Canoe, 7 Reins, 8 Eager, 9 Tea, 10 Enemy, 13 Potty, 16 Stage, 19 Knobs, 22 Nan, 23 Rapid, 24 India, 25 Bread, 26 Sorry.

Down: 1 Purse, 2 Alike, 3 Tasty, 4 Cheap, 5 Night, 6 Early, 11 Net, 12 Mug, 14 Own, 15 Tub, 16 Scrub, 17 Apple, 18 Ended, 19 Knits, 20 Order, 21 Scary.

# Willingham Craft Beer Festival

The Craft Beer Festival will return, **Thursday 27 June – Sunday 30 June** at the Ploughman Hall.

It's a little early to know exactly which beers we will have, but we have started on the list of brewers to include. We want a good selection of beer styles, not too similar to last year but some of those breweries are must-have choices for this year.

We will have real ale in cask and KeyKeg, lager, mild, IPA, pale ale, brown ale, stout and porter, and probably one or two rarities – who remembers the beetroot wheat beer from last year? We will also have real cider – last year we had over a dozen ciders from four different breweries. There will be wine and soft drinks, and by popular request, a small selection of gins. The food trucks were very popular last year, and they will be back providing food every day.

## Elderflower Festival Beer

Once again, we are going to brew a beer especially for the festival. Last year we wondered whether to repeat the elderflower pale ale, but are very pleased we did, since it was one of the most popular beers of the festival. This year we have no hesitation in doing it again. Our friends at Three Blind Mice brewery will brew the beer in the first week of June so it will be fresh for the festival.

We will need volunteers to collect the elderflowers again, and will be organising a collection point at The Bank pub over the weekend of the **1 - 2 June**.

The festival is organised by a volunteer committee, along with The Bank Pub and Jolly Good Beer. Both organisations give up a lot of time to organise and run the festival, as well as making a significant donation to help us cover our costs. We also have an energetic and committed team of volunteers who help us to set up, run, and clear away the festival. If you are interested in volunteering to help at the festival itself, please email [volunteer@willingham.beer](mailto:volunteer@willingham.beer).

Uttridge Accounting, in Church Street, has generously offered to be main sponsor of the Craft Beer Festival with additional sponsorship from Cambridge Medical Communication, on the High Street. Last year we raised £3600 for charities – help us to beat that target this year!

For more information see the website: <http://willingham.beer> or @WillinghamBeer.

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## Crossword Answers

Across: 7 Reveal, 8 Relief, 9 Pamphlet, 10 Zest, 11 Webcam, 13 Yearns, 14 Quilts, 17 Sedate, 19 Skin, 20 Frontier, 22 Unfair, 23 Luxury.

Down: 1 Beware, 2 Jeep, 3 Slalom, 4 Grotty, 5 Blizzard, 6 Lesson, 12 Calendar, 15 Unkind, 16 Safari, 17 Should, 18 Theory, 21 Taxi.

## Book Quiz Answers

1 Patricia Highsmith 2 Jonathan Smith 3 Geraldine Brooks  
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# Willingham Social Club

## What's on in March

### Saturday 2 March, The Lightwaves – Doors Open 8 pm

The Lightwaves return after a fantastic performance as the headliners at the Beer Festival last September. If you weren't at the Beer Festival, find someone who was and ask them about 'that ukulele and guitar duo'! Don't be fooled by their unassuming air, they belt out a wide variety of songs, some of which you wouldn't think could be possible on a ukulele! With 16 strings and two voices working in harmony they reeled us in with their sheer talent and enthusiasm. They are becoming one of the hot favourites in Cambridgeshire for events such as Strawberry Fair and have played on Cambridge Radio. See them at the club before they go on to amazing things! Everyone over 18 welcome. £5 on the door or in advance from the Club.



### Saturday 16 March, The Mean Eyed Cats – 8 pm

The Mean Eyed Cats will be back again to help us celebrate St Patrick's Day. Lee Gillett and John Drake have a full band sound and play many different covers to get everyone singing and dancing. We will be having all the usual silly games, a raffle and a few surprises too. Fancy Dress welcomed. Members' guests can attend for £2, payable at the bar.

### Saturday 30 March, Ouse Valley Singles Club – Doors Open 8 pm

Ouse Valley Singles Club, a live band, are making their debut appearance at the Club in the function room. Influenced by the long-forgotten sounds and traditions of 1950s Skiffle, they combine this sound with the energy of Punk and the swing of Rock and Roll, whilst occasionally dropping some Reggae flavour into the mix. Layering this with hilarious folk-like story-telling, they often cross the parameters of what is deemed to be politically correct but keep it very tongue in cheek. They have created a truly original and highly entertaining sound that has been dubbed 'New Wave Skiffle' and they have been described as 'George Formby meets The Clash' and 'Vaudeville Music Hall meets Working Men's Club'. We expect this to be really popular, so please get your tickets soon. Everyone

over 18 welcome. Tickets are £10 each from the club or [www.wegottickets/event/450861](http://www.wegottickets/event/450861) (online booking fee applies).



### Sold Out Event – Custard Comedy, Friday 12 April

Sadly, this event, with celebrity headliner Paul Sinha, is now sold out. There may be posts on our Facebook page if anyone can no longer go and has tickets to sell, so please follow our page and we will do our best to link you to the sellers.

### Sat 27 April, 8 pm – UA Roadshow

UA Roadshow will be returning with their popular Soul and Motown disco. We've been repeatedly asked for this popular event once again, so how could we disappoint! Favourite tracks from this era and requests. Everyone over 18 welcome. Tickets £5 available in advance from the club or on the door with limited hall capacity.

Live music booked for this year includes 'The Indietones' and 'Or Wot' in May and later 'Vex', 'Scooted'n'Booted', 'Graham Buxton', 'Mister J' and 'On the Ceiling'.

## 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

**18 March 8 – 10 pm**

*Unusual Perspective Assignment* with a talk to be arranged. 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. Membership is £20 for six months but the first month is free.



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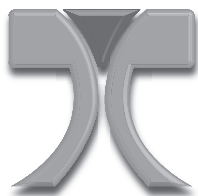




# WHAT'S ON

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Sat 2 March	Cake Stall	Parish Church	Parish Church Porch	10 am, see p12
Sat 2 March	Coffee Morning	Mothers' Union	Octagon	10 am, see p12
Sat 2 March	The Lightwaves	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p19
Sun 3 March	Jazz Club	Social Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Mon 4 March	<i>The History of Cottage Gardens</i> with Andrew Sankey	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5
Tue 5 March	<i>A New Middle Bronze Age Torc</i> from near Ely with Neil Wilkin	Fen Edge Archaeology Group	Baptist Church	7 30 pm, see Feb's issue
Wed 6 March	<i>Healthwatch, Cambridgeshire</i> with Janine Newby-Robson	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p16
Wed 6 March	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p10
Wed 6 March	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Thu 7 March	<i>Willingham News</i> Deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Fri 8 March	Beginner Salsa Session	Willingham Dance Club	Ploughman Hall	7 – 8 15 pm, see p17
Sat 9 March	Messy Church	Churches Together	Baptist Church	3 30 – 5 30 pm, see p12
Sat 9 March	Spring Family Disco	Willingham Youth Centre	Ploughman Hall	5 30 – 9 pm, see p16
Mon 11 March	Annual Meeting & Social Evening	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p8
Thu 14 March	Community Lunch	Salvation Army	Salvation Army	12 30 pm, see p13
Thu 14 March	Cameo Get Together	Salvation Army	Salvation Army	2 pm, see p13
Sat 16 March	Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p13
Sat 16 March	Fund Raising Event	The Wright Family	Baptist Church	See Feb's issue
Sat 16 March	St Patrick's Day Party with the Mean Eyed Cats	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p19
Mon 18 March	Unusual Perspective Assignment	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p19
Wed 20 March	Hearing Aid Clinic	CAMTAD	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Fri 22 March	Beginner Salsa Session	Willingham Dance Club	Ploughman Hall	7 – 8 15 pm, see p17
Mon 25 March	Impromptu Music with the Jam Club	Jam Club	Social Club	7 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Wed 27 March	Mixed Craft Group	Women's Institute	Baptist Church	10 30 am – 4 30 pm, see p8
Thu 28 March	Golf Day	Black Bull Golf Society	Ely	Nigel Aspinall 01954 200592 nidgeandjenny@yahoo.co.uk
Thu 28 March	Community Lunch	Salvation Army	Salvation Army	12 30 pm, see p12
Thu 28 March	Cameo Get Together	Salvation Army	Salvation Army	2 pm, see p12
Thu 28 March	Come Along & Talk to Us	Bowls Club	Duke of Wellington	6 30 – 7 pm, see p5
Sat 30 March	Spring Sing	Swavesey Community Choir	St Andrews Church Swavesey	6 pm, see p16
Sat 30 March	Ouse Valley Singles Club	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p19

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	First Steps	Vicky Page	vickypage85@gmail.com
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Katy Gilbert	01954 261922
	Little Notes Music Group (0-4 years)	Emily Martin	07731 440251
	KFC Kid's Friday Club Years 1-6 (Baptist Church)	Lorriane Bald	01954 261189
<b>Halls</b>	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Gillian Beal	admin@5folds.org.uk
	Baptist Bookings and Rentals	Emma Launchbury	01954 263108
	Salvation Army Hall Bookings		01954 260538 / 01954 252419
	Willingham Social Club Bookings	Lynne Sadler	01954 260557
	Willingham Youth Centre bookings		willinghamsocialclub@gmail.com
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	Allotments	Sue Ayling	01954 260718
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<b>Local Representatives</b>	Fen Edge Community Association	Eileen Wilson	chair@fenedge.co.uk
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	OWLS Community Car Scheme	Lorraine Hunt	07505 254363
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	Willingham RBL Poppy Appeal Organiser	Graham Atherton	01954 201816
	Willingham Bee Group Chairman	Steve Smith	01954 260331
			07795 215071
<b>Clubs</b>	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)		willinghamlibraryfriends@gmail.com
	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
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	Willingham Jam Club	Julian Eales	01954 201818
	Willingham Photography Club	Steve Harding	07595 668161
	Willingham Walkers	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
	Willingham Youth Club	Pete Lawrence	enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org
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	Women's Royal British Legion	Mrs M Few	01954 260124
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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
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	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	Emma Launchbury	01954 260538
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Simon Oliver	07554 202929
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