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### Photography Exhibition

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**Saturday 5 October, 12 noon - 5 pm**

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#### The Library

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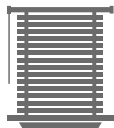
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<b>6 September</b>	<b>Blue and Green</b>
<b>13 September</b>	<b>Black</b>
<b>20 September</b>	<b>Blue and Green</b>
<b>27 September</b>	<b>Black</b>

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New members are always welcome. For further information, contact Wendy on 01954 202188 or email [willinghamwi28@gmail.com](mailto:willinghamwi28@gmail.com) and follow us on Facebook. Come for a taster – we have some great meetings lined up.

Our Mixed Craft Group meets on the last Wednesday of each month between 10 am and 4 30 pm in the Baptist Church. Please come and join us making baby quilts for premature babies at the Rosie Maternity Unit and knitted items for various charities. All welcome, no need to be a WI member

### Summer Party

July's meeting was held in the President's colourful garden. Members were able to catch up with friends and enjoy the summer evening with wine and a finger buffet.

### Horticultural Show – Saturday 31 August

WI will be serving drinks and home-made cakes during the afternoon. All proceeds to Cancer Research.

## Willingham 80 Years Ago

In September 1939, many villages in Cambridgeshire, including Willingham, were receiving evacuees from London. *The Independent Press* of 15 September reports that '164 children from Popham Road School, Islington as well as 20 privately evacuated children with several teachers and helpers, have been received in the village. A committee has been formed to deal with all matters relating to the welfare of the evacuees'. The committee was made up of 12 members, the chairman being the Rector Canon Bywaters and the joint secretaries were M E Blueman (Headmaster) and Miss P Boulton. Although this is not mentioned, the usual arrangement at first was that the local children attended school for one half of the school day, and the evacuees for the other half.

Popham Road School no longer exists. After several changes of name after the war it was demolished, and a school called New North Academy now stands on the site.

Anne Kirkman

## Willingham Feast

The programme for this year is on the front cover. More details about each event and any added nearer the time are on the village Action Group website at [www.willinghamlife.org](http://www.willinghamlife.org).

Mike Tidball  
Secretary, WAG

## Willingham Combined Charity

### Bungalow

The Charity invites applications for a one bedroom bungalow becoming available at Josiah Smith Bungalows. To be eligible you need to be either:

- A woman over the age of 60
- Born in the village
- In need, hardship or distress

Or

- A person who has resided in Willingham for not less than two years
- In need, hardship or distress

Application forms are available from Miss K Bunnett (Clerk), 01954 203432 or [k.bunnett@googlemail.com](mailto:k.bunnett@googlemail.com).

Completed applications must be received no later than **Monday 30 September**.

### Allotment

Late last year we created smaller allotments of five square metres for those who might like to try growing vegetables and flowers but are slightly tentative or short of time. These have proved very successful and we have had to create more. Our first seven have already been let and we have one vacant plot left. If you would like to 'have a go', please get in touch.

The Trustees recently had the perimeter cleared and provided fencing around the Westmeadow site for the benefit of the allotment holders, hopefully ensuring that they manage to keep most of what they grow!

If you would like to get involved in allotment growing but don't feel you can take on the responsibility of a plot, please do get in touch as I might be able to help.

Sue Ayling

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## Willingham Photography Club

We meet every month in the Baptist Church to learn more about photography and have fun.

The next meeting will be on  
**Monday 16 September, 8 – 10 pm.**

We will be looking at photographs taken during last month's *Rim Lighting* practical session and *Willingham Walk*. Technical questions and answers will be invited and tea and coffee served. If you enjoy photography we invite you to come along and see what is on offer. Your expertise level does not matter, nor does the nature of your camera.

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# Willingham Gardening Club

Next Meeting: **Monday 2 September** – *Ferns and other Foliage Plants* with Margaret Nimmo-Smith.

The Club meets at 7 30 pm in the Social Club on the first Monday of the month, except January. New members are always welcome. Visitors and guests can attend any meeting for £2. Please call Celia on 01954 261394 or simply turn up to a meeting.

## Excursions:

- **Saturday 28 September** – Knebworth House and Park.  
Cost: £29 for the coach and entry to the house and gardens. Pick-up times: Cottenham – 8 15 am, Willingham (the Green) – 8 30 am.
- **Thursday 21 November** – Christmas Shopping Trip to Birmingham. Birmingham has one of the biggest Christmas Markets, if not the biggest in Britain. The city has spent millions of pounds in recent years on re-developing its shopping areas and the famous ‘Bull Ring’. As well as shopping, there is much to see, including the library with a roof-top garden. Cost: £23. Pick-up times: Cottenham – 7 45 am, Willingham (the Green) – 8 am. Arrangements can be made to pick up in Longstanton if travelling in that direction.

To book, please contact Celia on 01954 261394, specifying your pick-up point and providing a telephone number (preferably a mobile) in the unlikely event of cancellation on the day.

The seats are allocated on a ‘first-come, first-served’ basis and non-club members are welcome to join us. Payment is made on the coach in cash or by cheque, made payable to Willingham Gardening Club.

A reminder of this year’s **Horticulture and Craft Show** on **Saturday 31 August**. This is a traditional village event and all profits go to Cancer Research. Why not check the leaflet to see how you and your family can enter? There is a wide variety of classes, from flowers and vegetables to photography and cooking, and also lots for younger members of the community.

## July Cricket Club Quiz Results

The winners were:

1st – The Beady Eyes with 108 marks

2nd – Here We Go Again with 106 marks

Joint 3rd – Nice But Dim and The Chocolate Teapots with 99 marks

As usual it was an excellent evening. Why not join us for our next quiz on:

**Friday 13 September**

Contact [mattreferee1@gmail.com](mailto:mattreferee1@gmail.com) to book a table.

# Readers’ Letter

Dear Editors

We are writing with regard to an item last month’s *Willingham News* and the announcement by the Parish Council that the Meadow Road site is now ready for recreational use after having undergone a successful transition from brownfield to greenfield site. On 5 August, we took up the council’s suggestion to visit the site and were dismayed and also concerned at what we found.

There is no signage indicating the location of the site but we eventually identified it as lying just behind two concrete barriers, about 0.6 of a mile from the junction of Rockmill End and Meadow Road. Just behind the concrete barriers we found several heaps of waste which included pieces of glass, ceramic, old shoes, a jerrycan, gas canister, broken plastic, dirty textiles, and much more. While it is surely a good sign that this litter has been assembled for removal, it did not make for a pleasant welcome to this newly designated recreation area.

As we continued to walk around the site, we encountered more scattered litter and many serious tripping hazards. With the exception of the central strip of the field, the ground is exceptionally uneven, with pits, holes and deep ruts. Many of these pits and ruts are covered in long grass, which makes them difficult to see before you walk into them. We also found pieces of rubbish – wires, pipes, plastic – that seem permanently wedged in the soil and so are further safety hazards. Away from the central track, there is also abundant bramble, nettle and wood sharpened by flailing that visitors will need to avoid.

Based on our own experience, we cannot in good conscience recommend that anyone visit the Meadow Road site until these safety concerns have been adequately addressed. That is why we are frankly shocked that the Parish Council could be so irresponsible as to declare this site ready for use as a recreation area and even encourage residents to visit it at this time.

We are also concerned about the additional expense that will be necessary to adequately secure the site as a safe and clean recreation area. We aren’t sure this is a sensible investment of parish funds when there are so many other important community needs.

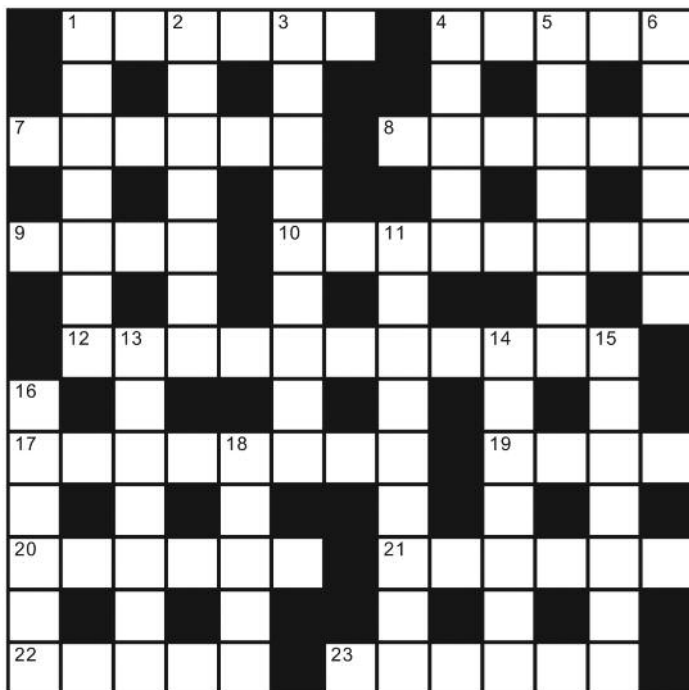
Yours sincerely,

*Mr and Mrs D Saint Laurent*

*The Editors invite the Parish Council to comment in the next issue of Willingham News.*

# Cryptic Crossword by Willow

Solution on page 19



## Across

- 1 Find pet following short cut east (6)
- 4 Ruin wet organdie top left in drier (5)
- 7 Number 2 briefly leading league during previous day (6)
- 8 Students come back in place by nightfall (6)
- 9 Genuine regret after final defeat (4)
- 10 Complaint when neck is broken aboard ship (8)
- 12 Deciding to put off digging (11)
- 17 Stir breakfast? (8)
- 19 Improves climbing place (4)
- 20 Main cut's eaten by a large beast (6)
- 21 One markets things we aspire to (6)
- 22 Sad year after son has nothing run right (5)
- 23 Item editor put together (6)

## Down

- 1 Put down sad injured deer (7)
- 2 Note the most senior people being the most unfeeling (7)
- 3 Cared about misleading Reuters' ad (9)
- 4 Part of elephant's torso? (5)
- 5 Cowboy film with mediocre ending's grim (7)
- 6 Most recently dead? (6)
- 11 Nicer trio set standard (9)
- 13 Aristocrat and Queen circumnavigate island sooner than expected (7)
- 14 Study fly eating quietly (7)
- 15 Sounded angry when good energy in world misused (7)
- 16 Stabs asparagus tips (6)
- 18 Country where scholarly Latin's held back (5)



# Young Readers' Corner

## School Quiz

It's time to go back to school so here's a 'schooly' quiz for you!

Answers on page 19

- 1 What kind of creatures travel in a 'school'?
- 2 What is the name of the school in *Tom Brown's Schooldays*?
- 3 School children and parts of the eye share a name – what is it?
- 4 The Hogwarts train goes from Kings Cross station – what's the platform number?
- 5 Willingham Primary School moved to Thodays Close in 1975 – what road was it on before?
- 6 What is the French word for school?
- 7 Who wrote the book *The World's Worst Teachers*?
- 8 If I was eight on 6th May 2019, what Year will I be in when I go back to school in September 2019?
- 9 In which town does Otto drive the School Bus?
- 10 What kind of school did Jack Black teach at in the film?

## Book Quiz

Can you name these books with an S for September in the title? Hope your summer was good!

Chris Lacey

Answers on page 19

1. *Sense and Sensibility*
2. *Sophie's Choice*
3. *The Seagull*
4. *A Streetcar Named Desire*
5. *The Sign of Four*
6. *Salem Falls*
7. *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*
8. *The Silence of the Lambs*
9. *A Spot of Bother*
10. *Shirley*

## September Poem

The children have returned to school  
or ventured out to new horizons.  
Wishing them well we notice the quiet  
then the afternoon rush returns.

The sun shines with September warmth  
casting shadows across memories.  
Smiling we wait for the ones we love  
who greet us each day with a kiss.

Christine Lacey



# 1st Willingham Scout Group

## Bear Grylls Welcomes 1st Willingham Scout Group to Camp

The last week in July saw 22 young people from Willingham join 1,600 scouts and guides from across the world for a week at our local jamboree, CamJam, which is held every four years at Huntingdon Racecourse. We were treated to a fantastic surprise when Bear Grylls, Chief Scout, dropped in by helicopter to welcome us all to the camp. He gave us an inspiring opening speech and told us: 'scouting is a great gift that many people wish they could be involved in, so make use of every opportunity that scouting gives you'.

CamJam is a fantastic opportunity for 10 – 17 year-olds to experience some really diverse aspects of scouting. There were over 50 activities throughout the week which included scuba diving, go-karting, sailing, stilt walking, fishing, wood turning and screen printing. We had great evening entertainment with a nightly cinema screening, live bands and a talent show, as well as the traditional camp fire. The weather, with downpours, tropical sunshine and high winds, provided us with some interesting challenges! But the most rewarding aspect was the opportunity to mix with young people from around the world. Our tents were sandwiched between scout groups from Uganda and Ireland who shared in our experiences and our young people also made friendships with scouts from Canada, Sierra Leone, Sweden, Pakistan, Switzerland and France, as well as many groups from other parts of the UK.

Our youngest section, the Beavers, visited the event for one day. They came away with some memorable experiences and are looking forward to be staying there in four years' time when the Jamboree comes around again.

In our little Fenland community, scouting provides some great opportunities for our young people to better understand their part in a much bigger world. In the current climate, isolating the UK from its neighbouring cultures, it becomes even more important for the future of our young people that they have opportunities to engage with other values and beliefs from around the world.

*Matt Haigh*

*Group Scout Leader, 1st Willingham*

*adventure@1stwillinghamscoutgroup.org.uk.*



*Bear Grylls*



*Beavers' Visit Day*

*Scuba Diving*



*Camjam Group Photo*

*Beavers with Flags*



*Rope Ladder*



*Campsite from a Drone*



*Zorbing*

# From the Parish Council

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

## South Cambridgeshire District Council says: Thank You for Recycling Right.

Most of us recycle right but there still some items that cause problems for the Materials Recycling Facility. It costs Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service £10,000 every month to remove and dispose of incorrect items from recycling collected from blue bins. They reduce quality and, if there are a lot of them, it can cause large quantities of materials to be rejected and not recycled. Your Council Tax money is therefore wasted, instead of being spent on improving local services. These items do not belong in your blue recycling bin:

- nappies, wet wipes, sanitary towels – black bin
- tissues and kitchen roll – green bin for composting
- black bags – black bin
- clothes, textiles, shoes – donate, swap, place in textile or shoe bank, take to the Household Recycling Centre (HRC)
- food and liquid remains - remove any food and rinse containers, and empty all liquids from bottles. Squash and replace caps before recycling.

More information on what can and can't be recycled can be found in the South Cambs magazine or on the website at: [www.scambs.gov.uk/bins](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/bins).

## Yes, This is Happening in Willingham: Let's S.C.R.A.P. Fly-Tipping

Fly-tipping is the illegal disposal of waste. It can be anything from a bag of waste to a truckload. We all have seen abandoned items in the countryside, villages and towns. But leaving items by HRCs, charity shops or by bins are all fly-tipping too. Around two thirds of fly-tips come from households, so it is crucially important that you understand your Duty of Care to avoid a £400 fixed penalty notice or an unlimited fine.

Together with other partners in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Partnership (RECAP) we have launched the S.C.R.A.P. Fly-Tipping campaign to help residents to understand their responsibilities. Follow the S.C.R.A.P. code below to make the right choices when asking someone to remove your waste. To help us deal with fly-tipping incidents efficiently, please report them to us on-line at [www.scambs.gov.uk/environment/envirocrime/](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/environment/envirocrime/) or by ringing 03450 450 063. If you witness fly-tipping, call 999 to report crime in action but please do not put yourself in danger. When reporting fly-tipping, please note as many details as possible:

- the exact location, date and time
- the size of the fly-tip and type of waste
- photos or a description of the fly-tip and fly-tippers
- details of the vehicle - registration number, description and direction of travel

## Resignation

The Council are very sorry to say goodbye to Jamie Smith. Jamie has worked tirelessly on behalf of the parish during his time with us and we wish him all the best in his future endeavours.

## MUGA Survey

Thanks to all 197 residents who completed the survey. From the comments it is clear that the vast majority think that a MUGA will be an excellent addition to the village sports facilities. Most respondents

already participate in at least one sport, mainly weekly. Football was mentioned most often (30%), followed by netball (13%), tennis (12%), running (10%), and hockey (6%), and around half of respondents travelled outside the village to pursue their sport. Interestingly, in answer to which sports respondents might want to play on a Willingham MUGA, tennis was most popular (30%), followed by football (28%), netball (21%) and hockey (11%). All the age ranges were covered, with most in the 36 - 45 group but next were the 5 - 15s and there was good representation from the over 55s. The survey results will be available on the Parish Council website from early September. The next step will be to draw up a detailed plan.

## Dog Walking Facility

The availability of the privately owned 'set aside' field for dog walking was removed towards the end of 2018. Since then the Council have been looking at alternative options to accommodate dog walkers in the village. The Council considered the loss of the set aside field in November 2018 and May 2019. At the May meeting the Council considered proposals put forward for using the Recreation Ground and QEII Field and agreed that neither site would be suitable for dog walking.

Following various representations from parishioners at recent meetings and correspondence received, it was agreed that, if the required number of Councillors requested the May decision be rescinded so that amended and further proposals could be considered, then this would be added to the August agenda.

This request was received by the Clerk and various options were considered at the meeting held on the 7 August. After careful consideration the Council agreed that, whilst the recreation ground was still considered an unsuitable location for dog walking, the Council would form a working party to carry out a feasibility study of possible sites at the Ploughman Hall and the Orchard. It is hoped that the council will consider the results of the study at the October meeting. The Council will also continue to work on improving the Meadow Road site which will provide approximately four to five acres of open space for dog walkers and parishioners to enjoy.

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, three minutes maximum per person). Meeting Dates: **4 September, 2 October** in the Octagon 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. Tel. 01954 261027.

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

*Mrs Mandy Powell*

*Parish Council Clerk*

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# Willingham History

## Part 5 – The Black Death

### Reign of Edward III 1327–1377

William de Hauberge became Rector of Willingham in 1339, followed soon afterwards by Adam de Lynham in 1342, who stayed for 28 years. Adam stayed in Willingham much more than his predecessors. The fact that he left a breviary, cope and a full set of vestments to the Church was perhaps an indication of his affection for the place. There is perhaps another reason that kept Adam de Lynham in Willingham for so long – the Black Death.

Bubonic plague, or the Black Death as it came to be known, arrived in England from Europe in 1348 through the ports. We now know the bacteria were spread by fleas carried on black rats, and it spread northwards at a terrifying speed. First symptoms were a blackened tongue, high fever and the rapid spread of boils across the whole body. Most died within one week. Few recovered. It affected rich and poor, peasants and priests in equal measure, but in particular younger men and children. It seemed to disappear after 1349, but recurred in 1361-2.



*Infected patient*

The disease killed no less than 40% of the entire population of England. I can find no specific figures for Willingham (Parish records of births and deaths did not start until 1559), but we do know that 50% of the populations of Cottenham and Oakington died, so it is likely that deaths in Willingham would have been on a similar scale. On this basis, Willingham's population of around 275 in 1340 would have fallen to barely 140. With half the village wiped out in such a short time, the effect on village life and work is difficult to imagine. In the diocese of Ely, 350 out of 650 priests died. But Adam de Lynham, Rector of Willingham was not one of them. He lived through it all until 1375.

Willingham had a new Rector in 1370, Robert de Sustede. His name illustrates the continuing dominance of the Normans in English life, over 300 years after the Norman conquest. No fewer than eight of the first 12 rectors of Willingham had names of French derivation. He was a

Doctor of Law and was involved in the two Inquisitions which took place in Willingham in 1370 and 1371. These were held in the Bishop of Ely's Manor House in Fen End. The Bishop of Ely still owned most of Willingham, as his predecessors had for 250 years. In 1370 he owned a windmill in Rampton Road (now no longer standing), and he also owned three fish ponds known as Dernlode, Frithmere, and the Stacks. These fisheries played a very significant role in the Willingham economy of this period, providing employment and subsistence in fishing, fowling and reed gathering.

Robert de Sustede's ability in law led to him being sent to Rome by King Edward III in 1371, to act for William de Wymondham, the King's personal physician. We know that he started on his journey with a yeoman and two horses through the ports of London and Sandwich, and he is most likely to have followed the pilgrimage route of Via Francigena across France and over the Alps via the St Bernard Pass. This distance was 1,100 miles and was known to have taken 12 to 14 weeks on horseback. In fact Robert died in Rome. One wonders whether he couldn't face the journey back!

*Alan Farwitt*

*Next time: National Revolt and Colder Winters*

## Old Willingham



*OldWillingham.com*

This is one of the few photos that shows my own house on the High Street! The date would be in the 1950s and the most striking thing about the picture is the mass of greenhouses and outbuildings at the back of the houses. With the exception of the current Auction Sale Room at the top left, all these are now gone. If you look carefully between the trees in the middle you may see a figure in white. Yes, there was a tennis court in the garden! The trees are much bigger of course but the shape of the court is still very visible today.

See more photos at [www.oldwillingham.com](http://www.oldwillingham.com) and, 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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#### 1 September

11 00 am Morning Worship

#### 8 September

11 00 am Holy Communion

#### 15 September

11 00 am All-Age Service

#### 22 September

11 00 am Holy Communion

#### 29 September

11 00 am Joint 5folds Service at  
Longstanton. Bring and Share  
Lunch.

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. Activities for children and young people at the back of the church during term-time.

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

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### Events

#### First Steps:

Meets in the Octagon and restarts in September! We're for all pre-school age children and their carers. We meet 10 – 11 30 am for tea and toast, play, story, song and craft. It's a great chance to make friends while the little ones play. For the latest info please search for 'Willingham First Steps' on Facebook. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Churches Together Messy Church

An action packed, informal and fun session for the whole family, with crafts, stories and songs. Followed by food too!

The next one is on **Saturday 14 September**, 3 30 – 5 30 pm at the Baptist Church.

Contact Beth Cope, PioneerMinister@northstowe.church or Susan Meah on 01954 781258.

#### time4T:

Sadly this has now finished due to falling numbers.

#### Cake Stall and Coffee Morning:


**Saturday 7 September**, 10 am – 12 noon in the Church porch – often more than just cakes! Proceeds to the church. A Coffee Morning (run by Mothers' Union) is in the Octagon at the same time. Come and enjoy!

#### Time for Prayer:

9 – 9 30 am every Thursday morning in the Church. All welcome.



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### Services

(\* = + activities for children)

#### 1 September

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

#### 8 September

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

#### 15 September

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

#### 22 September

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

#### 29 September

10 30 am *Family Worship\*\**

6 00 pm *Evening Worship*

### Events

#### Nimble Fingers Craft Club:

Mondays 2 – 4 pm. Bring your crafts and join with others, or come and learn new skills.

Tea, coffee and good company provided. Contact Daphne, 01954 260568.

#### 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. Contact Katy Gilbert, 01954 261922.

#### Open Door Coffee Morning:

Wednesdays 10 – 11 30 am. Contact Cynthia Nolan, 01954 202240.

#### Community Luncheon Club:

Thursdays bi-weekly, 12 and 26 September, prior booking essential. Contact Daphne, 01954 260568.

#### Kids' Friday Club:

Fridays at 6 30 – 7 30 pm for children of Primary School, age Year 1 upwards. Action packed hour with craft, games, songs and drama all based around a Bible story. Contact Lorraine Bald, 01954 261189.

#### WBC Youth Club:

Fridays 8 – 9 pm 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. Contact Bev Thomas, 01954 789230.

#### Men's Breakfast: Saturday 21 September, 7 45 am

7 45 am for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Contact Pete Sacre, 01954 261655 or peetamin@gmail.com.

#### Messy Church, 14 September:

3 30 – 5 30 pm at the Baptist Church. A fun session for ALL the family, containing crafts, games, all-age worship and food. Contact Margaret Edney, 07528 193858.

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#### Weekend Mass times:

St Ives, Sacred Heart - Saturday evening: 5 pm and Sunday: 8 and 11 am  
Bar Hill Church Centre: Saturdays at 6 pm.

## Pastoral Letter

Unfortunately, following the closure of the Salvation Army branch in Willingham, there are some months when we won't have a Pastoral Letter. If you are a member of a local faith or humanist group and would like to contribute a 'Thought for the Day' type entry a few times each year, please contact us at [willinghamnews@gmail.com](mailto:willinghamnews@gmail.com).

*The Editors*

## Congratulations from Willingham British School Trust!

The Trustees congratulate every young person in Willingham who has gained the required academic grades and will be starting a university course or apprenticeship programme this Autumn. The Trust has funds available to help you and your parents meet the additional and possibly unexpected costs. These might include paying for equipment, field trips and books. Applications will also be considered from institutions seeking financial support for educational innovation.

The next meeting of the Trustees will be on the **11 October**. Initial enquiries about eligibility for funding and applications should be made to the Trust Secretary, Dr Ray Croucher, 01954 261113 or [raycroucher47@gmail.com](mailto:raycroucher47@gmail.com).

## Workers' Educational Association (WEA)

Founded in 1903, the Workers' Educational Association (WEA) is a charity dedicated to bringing high-quality, professional education into the heart of communities. With the support of nearly 3,000 volunteers, 2,000 tutors and over 10,000 members, they deliver friendly, accessible and enjoyable courses for adults from all walks of life.

Willingham WEA's planned Autumn Term nine week course will be on the subject of *Europe between the Wars* with popular tutor, Stephen Corley. The class will be **Monday 16 September to Monday 18 November**, with a break for half term. Meetings are at 10 am – 12 noon at the Baptist Church. Please note, enrolments now have to take place before the course starts, online on the WEA Eastern Region website: [www.wea.org.uk/eastern](http://www.wea.org.uk/eastern).

## Willingham School Association

### Upcoming Events at the Primary School

- AGM with tea and scones on **Friday 6 September** at 2 pm.
- Friday Fun BBQ and bouncy castles on **Friday 20 September** at 3 30 pm. No entry fee, wrist bands £5 for unlimited use of Bouncing Beans inflatables.

## Willingham Dance Club Update

Classes start again on **Friday 13 September** and we're kicking off the Autumn term with seven sessions of Salsa with Evan Japosa of Ely Ballroom.

Sessions are fortnightly from 7 to 8 15 pm at the Ploughman Hall. Everyone is welcome, both beginners and those with some experience and you don't need to bring a partner.

The fee for the first class is £7 per person. After that, the drop-in fee will be £8 (or £7 if paid a week in advance). Either way, pre-booking is essential so we can be sure of numbers to cover costs (the club is non-profit making).

We're also very excited about a special event we're hosting on **Sunday 13 October**. Debbie and Paul Jackson of 'Get in the Swing' will be teaching a three hour workshop for beginners to learn 1920s Partner Charleston, also at the Ploughman Hall. These workshops are great fun. Debbie and Paul are amazing dancers themselves and their approach is friendly, informal and very encouraging. Singles or couples – all welcome.

The session is 1 30 – 4 30 pm and includes refreshments. It will be very sociable with a break in the middle so come along and make some new dancing friends. The fee for the three hours is £15 per person (including refreshments). Numbers will be limited so pre-booking is essential.

To book sessions or find out more please email [willinghamdanceclub@gmail.com](mailto:willinghamdanceclub@gmail.com).

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

## Cancellation of Friday Walk-In Surgery

As of **6 September**, we will unfortunately be unable to offer the Friday afternoon Emergency 'walk in' clinic from 4 – 6 pm at Willingham Surgery. Limited appointments will be available on Friday afternoons, but these must be made in advance by contacting reception. If you call with an emergency on Friday afternoon, the receptionists will ask for a brief description of your problem and arrange for a clinician to decide whether you need attend the surgery for treatment before the weekend. Please note, you should not contact 111 until after 6 pm, when the surgery is closed.

## Flu Vaccinations

We expect to start receiving our vaccines at the beginning of September, with further deliveries in October and November. There will be three different flu vaccinations available:

- All patients aged 65 and over will be offered FLUAD, recommended by the government as being the most effective vaccine for this age group.
- Patients between 18 and 64 years AND in an 'at risk' category will be offered the quadrivalent vaccine which should offer more protection than the ones given in previous years.
- Children over the age of two will again be offered the nasal flu vaccine. School age children in Reception and Years 1 - 5 will have the vaccine at school.
- The surgery will give the nasal flu vaccine to children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2017.

## Saturday Flu Clinics

In order to provide vaccines as early as possible, we will be offering a limited number of Saturday morning flu clinics this year. The first date is:

**Saturday 14 September**, 10 am – 12 noon - Flu Vaccines for Over 65s.

We are expecting the vaccines for those aged under 65 to be delivered from the beginning of October, and will announce the Saturday morning clinics for this in due course. Further flu clinics are scheduled throughout the week, so please contact reception for details and make your appointment.

## Pharmacy 2U

You may have received a leaflet in the post inviting you to get your repeat prescriptions from a company called Pharmacy2U. This is a distance selling company (internet only) which has nothing to do with the surgery and it is not funded or operated by the NHS. Patients should be aware that in choosing to use an online Pharmacy like this you cannot have any face to face contact. They are only allowed to deal with patients by post, telephone or internet. Prescriptions are delivered via Royal Mail at your own risk. We believe that an internet business like Pharmacy2U is no substitute for your local dispensary.

## 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
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Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
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## Kids Back to School and the Bugs that Come With It

There are so many basic medical problems that you can treat at home without a trip to your GP practice. Coughs, colds, upset stomachs, head lice, chicken pox and ear infections can all be treated with medicine from your pharmacies. Alternatively, practice nurses can help with lots of minor conditions which mean you don't need to see a GP. Remember that children can get between eight to ten colds a year, and a cough can last at least three weeks before it starts to improve.

**Carers' Support Meetings:** Held 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).

**Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics:** The next Hearing Aid Clinics at the Surgery are on **18 September, 16 October and 20 November**, 2 – 4 pm. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

**Remember: A&E is not an alternative to a GP appointment.**

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*Lisa Smith*  
Assistant Practice Manager



# Queenholme Alpacas



If you've taken a walk along the top of the river bank in Willingham lately, you may have spotted some rather exotic looking creatures grazing the pastures.

A little piece of Peru now exists in the furthest corner of the village – a herd of alpacas – and the numbers are growing!

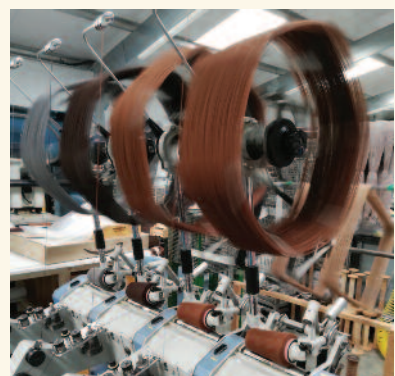
We first visited an alpaca breeder in January 2018, and we were instantly captivated by these docile, yet inquisitive animals, with their doe-eyes and luxuriously soft fleeces. With very limited knowledge of alpacas, we started researching and reading everything we could, and by the summer of that year, we welcomed our first four pregnant females to our farm.

Fast forward only 12 months and we now have five breeding females, six yearling males and four cria (babies) that we have bred ourselves. To say that alpacas are addictive would be an understatement! We are well and truly under their spell!

So, what are our plans for these captivating creatures, I hear you ask? In the spring of 2020, we will be offering Alpaca Experiences on our farm. Visitors will be able to trek with their own alpaca along a scenic route by the river and enjoy a fact-filled couple of hours learning all about alpacas. We also plan to offer Alpaca Yoga sessions, and creative workshops including knitting and crocheting with alpaca yarn. Alpaca fleece is a stunning natural fibre, that is not only incredibly soft, but also hypoallergenic as it contains no lanolin, making it perfect for anyone with sensitive skin. Alpacas come in 22 natural colours, ranging from white through to black, with many shades of fawn, brown and greys in between. The yarns can be dyed, but we choose to sell our yarns in the beautiful natural colours produced by the animals themselves.

If you would like to find out more about our alpacas and exciting plans for next year, please see our website: [www.queenholmealpacas.co.uk](http://www.queenholmealpacas.co.uk) and like us on Facebook and Instagram.

*Katy Gilbert*





## Willingham Library

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Wednesday	Closed	
Thursday		4 – 7 pm
Friday	10 am – 1 pm	
Saturday	10 am – 1 pm	

### Library News

#### Engage in the Afternoon

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

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 4 September** with Georgina Forbes from the East Anglian Air Ambulance.

#### Summer Reading Challenge

We hope you all had a great summer of reading and enjoyed our Space Chase themed events including the *Star Wars* crafts afternoon where much fun was had by all. Children created and fought with light sabres, patiently decorated intricate models and even taught staff new facts about the *Star Wars* universe! Attendees ranged from toddlers to teens, and everyone was keen to put their own spin on the crafts.

Don't forget, if you completed the challenge, we will be holding our Medal Ceremony on **Tuesday 24 September** from 3 45 pm. Parents/carers must remain with children.

#### Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)

We would like to thank the organisers of the Craft Beer

Festival for selecting FOWL as one of the charities which they will be contributing to from their profits. Congratulations to them on running such a successful event and thanks also to everyone who contributed by drinking beer!

There is a second-hand book stall at the library on the first Saturday of each month – 10 30 am to 12 noon. The next one is **7 September**, so do come along and browse our wide selection of books. All proceeds to FOWL.

Watch this space for library events coming up in October!

#### Library Reading Group Book Review

*The White Queen* by Philippa Gregory

Set at the time of the Wars of the Roses, this book tells the story of Elizabeth Woodville, King Edward IV's queen. She is one of England's less well-known queens, a commoner, besmirched by her enemies as the poor Lancastrian widow who seduced the golden son of York, Edward IV, by witchcraft.

Here history is brought to life through the words of Elizabeth, whose husband, Sir John Grey, a Lancastrian, has been killed in 1461 fighting the Yorkists, and his lands confiscated. Elizabeth waits by the side of a road for the arrival of the victorious King, hoping to petition him for the return of her lands. There is an immediate attraction and they marry secretly in 1464. Over the next 18 years, Elizabeth bears him nine children, while Edward continues the fight to keep his kingdom. At his death, Edward gives his brother Richard guardianship of his sons, Edward and Richard, despite Elizabeth's misgivings. Richard seizes power and incarcerates the two young boys in the tower. The mystery of what happened to them still exercises historians to this day, and Gregory offers an alternative theory.

Scores ranged from four to eight out of ten, some of the group finding it rather too long.

*June Barnett*

## The Over Players Pantomime 2019

The Over Players is your local amdram company and draws members from many villages including Over, Willingham, Bar Hill, Swavesey and Northstowe. Last year 900 people came to see our pantomime!

This year's pantomime, *Aladdin*, will be directed by Jack Stinton and we would love you to be involved. So if you want to give it a go, either treading the boards or behind the scenes, just email [panto2019@overplayers.uk](mailto:panto2019@overplayers.uk) or visit our website: [www.overplayers.uk](http://www.overplayers.uk). You will also find us on Facebook.

#### Key Dates for your Diary:

**4 September:** Read through from 7 45 pm at the Church Hall in Over. All interested in the show (performers or backstage) are welcome.

**8 September:** 4 – 7 pm – Script and Movement Workshop at Over Community Centre.

All potential performers welcome. Wear comfortable clothing and expect to sing, dance and go a little crazy at this fun workshop led by Director and Choreographer Jack Stinton, designed to give you a flavour of what's involved.

**11 September:** Auditions for principal roles at Over Community Centre from 7 pm.

**15 September:** First rehearsal 4 – 7 pm at Over Community Centre.

**7 October:** Box office opens 9 am! See [www.overplayers.uk](http://www.overplayers.uk).

**8 – 14 December:** Final rehearsals and shows at Over Community Centre.

PS. We will be performing Kirsty Smillie's award winning new comedy *The Play's The Thing* on **Friday 6 September** at the Cambridge Drama Festival held at the ADC Theatre.

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## Willingham Social Club

Now that the Summer holidays are coming to an end the Social Club has a full calendar of events lined up. Tickets are available for most events now.

### Saturday 6 September – Johnny Dee, 8 pm

Back by popular request, for another evening of ridiculously funny and daring costumes, impersonations and music, this is always a great night! Guaranteed dancing and audience participation by those willing! Members free, guests £2. Special offers on drinks with a raffle and party games at half time.

### Saturday 14 September – Vex , Live Party Funky Band, 8 pm



We discovered this band playing in and around Norfolk and, if you're looking for that perfect mix of dance classics, funky flair and professional musicians to bring it all together, then look no further. From Stevie Wonder and Prince to Bruno Mars and Maroon 5, the boys have everything you need to get you in the mood to dance the night away.

Tickets on sale now, £5 each from [www.wegottickets.com/event/466467](http://www.wegottickets.com/event/466467) or the Club.

**Beer Festival, Friday and Saturday, 27 – 28 September (see separate entry).**

### Friday 11 October, Custard Comedy, 7 45 pm

It's a double headline, featuring *Britain's Got Talent* stars Nick Page and Mandy Muden alongside Hannah Silvester, whose set combines frank and honest stand-up comedy with a warm delivery and the occasional comedy song. Our MC is Lou Conran who has supported, amongst others, Sarah Millican and Joe Lycett. Tickets £10 at [www.wegottickets.com/event/471597](http://www.wegottickets.com/event/471597).

### Saturday 26 October, Scooted n Booted. Live Ska Band, 8 pm

All the usual lively sounds from this very entertaining band. Tickets £5 from [www.wegottickets.com/event/466470](http://www.wegottickets.com/event/466470).

### Other Events

Cash Bingo every Wednesday.

Poker: Tuesdays (non – league) and Thursdays (check for league nights).

Jam Club: Last Monday of the month.

Jazz Club: First Sunday of the month.

See website for more details.

## Willingham Beer Festival

**Friday 27 September, 4 – 11 30 pm**

**Saturday 28 September,  
12 noon – 11 30 pm**

### Beers, Bands and Bunting.....The Social Club is holding its annual Beer Festival!

We have a specially selected range of beers and ciders from Elgood's and other local breweries, to suit all tastes. The Porterhouse Gin Club will also be serving their speciality gins and mixers from their impressive bar. Delicious food will be available and the Club bar will be open for all of your favourite drinks and snacks too.

As the village's foremost entertainment venue, we pay the same attention to our music acts as our beers. Live music starts from 7 pm on Friday through until close on Saturday. We have some exciting acts including 'The Lightwaves', our regular headliners, following 'Amy and Eve' a mesmerising acoustic duo on Friday.

Saturday opens with 'Holly Jean', a singer guitarist who was a big hit last year, followed by 'Little Giddings' a folk duo, 'I Claudia', a singer guitarist with a great sense of fun, and 'The Macarnos' an acoustic band playing popular covers as well as their own music to end the Festival.

We are immensely grateful to our sponsors, in particular Highgate Country Stores and Butchery, our main sponsor, and A R Aspinall & Sons Ltd, Builders' Merchant. Details of all sponsors can be found on our website [www.willinghambeerfestival.co.uk](http://www.willinghambeerfestival.co.uk).

All proceeds this year will go towards a new community kitchen at the club which will be a valuable addition for all of the local groups that use the function room. We are proud to have Willingham Action Group (WAG) and Willingham Bee Group working alongside us, both of whom will benefit from the money raised.

Entry is £3, plus a refundable glass deposit of £2 and this year we have chosen to issue the surplus glasses from last year. After much consideration, we decided that we would rather be environmentally friendly and allocate the saving to our community funds. We hope you won't be too disappointed!

If you would like to volunteer to help, we have a list at the Club or you can send us a message. All our volunteers thoroughly enjoyed the experience and party atmosphere last year. For regular updates, see our Facebook Page.

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### Crossword Solution

**Across:** 1 Locate, 4 Towel, 7 Twelve, 8 Sunset, 9 True, 10 Sickness, 12 Determining, 17 Porridge, 19 Spot, 20 Animal, 21 Ideals, 22 Sorry, 23 United.

**Down:** 1 Lowered, 2 Coldest, 3 Treasured, 4 Trunk, 5 Western, 6 Latest, 11 Criterion, 13 Earlier, 14 Inspect, 15 Growled, 16 Spears, 18 Italy.

### Book Quiz Answers

1 Jane Austen, 2 William Styron, 3 Anton Chekhov, 4 Tennessee Williams, 5 Arthur Conan Doyle, 6 Jodi Picoult, 7 Robert Louis Stevenson, 8 Thomas Harris, 9 Mark Haddon, 10 Charlotte Bronte

### School Quiz Answers

1 Fish, 2 Rugby, 3 Pupils, 4 9¾, 5 Fen End, 6 École, 7 David Walliams, 8 Year 4, 9 Springfield (The Simpsons), 10 School of Rock



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DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Sun 1 Sept	Jazz Club	Jazz Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm, see p19 willinghamsocialclub.com
Mon 2 Sept	<i>Ferns &amp; other Foliage Plants</i> with Margaret Nimmo-Smith	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p7
Wed 4 Sept	<i>East Anglian Air Ambulance</i> with Georgina Forbes	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p17
Wed 4 Sept	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Wed 4 Sept	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p10
Wed 4 Sept	<i>Aladdin</i> : Read Through	Over Players	Over Church Hall	7 45 pm, see p17
Fri 6 Sept	Willingham School Association AGM	Willingham School Association	Primary School	2 pm, see p5
Sat 6 Sept	Johnny Dee	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p19
Sat 7 Sept	Cake Stall and Coffee Morning	Parish Church/ Mothers' Union	Church Porch & Octagon	10 am – 12 noon, see p12
Sat 7 Sept	Second Hand Book Sale	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	10 30 am- 12 noon, see p17
Sat 7 Sept	District Councillors' Surgery	District Council	Ploughman Hall	11 am – 1 pm, see August's issue
Sun 8 Sept	<i>Aladdin</i> : Workshop	Over Players	Over Community Centre	4 – 7 pm, see p17
Mon 9 Sept	<i>Nordoff Robbins Music Therapy</i> with Elaine McGregor	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5
Wed 11 Sept	<i>Aladdin</i> : Auditions	Over Players	Over Community Centre	7 pm, see p17
Thu 12 Sept	Golf Day	Black Bull Golf Society	St Neots	Nigel Aspinall 01954 200592 nidgeandjenny@yahoo.co.uk
Thu 12 Sept	Community Luncheon Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri 13 Sept	Salsa with Evan Japosa	Dance Club	Ploughman Hall	7 – 8 15 pm, see p13
Fri 13 Sept	Quiz Night	Cricket Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p7
Sat 14 Sept	Flu Vaccines for Over 65s	Surgery	Surgery	10 am – 12 noon, see p15
Sat 14 Sept	Messy Church	Churches Together	Baptist Church	3 30 – 5 30 pm, see p12
Sat 14 Sept	Vex – Live Party Band	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p19
Sun 15 Sept	<i>Aladdin</i> : First Rehearsal	Over Players	Over Community Centre	4 – 7 pm, see p17
Mon 16 Sept	<i>Europe Between the Wars</i> with Stephen Corley	WEA	Baptist Church	Autumn Term Course, see p13
Mon 16 Sept	Looking at <i>Rim Lighting &amp; Willingham Walk</i> Photographs	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p5
Wed 18 Sept	Hearing Aid Clinic	CAMTAD	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Fri 20 Sept	Friday Fun BBQ	Willingham School Association	Primary School	3 30 pm, see p5
Sat 21 Sept	Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p12
Sat 21 Sept	Afternoon Tea	Over & District Royal British Legion	Over Community Centre	3 – 5 30 pm, see August's issue
Sun 22 Sept	Wellbeing in Willingham	For Mind & Mesothelioma UK	Book Warren & Café	2 – 5 pm, see p13
Tue 24 Sept	Summer Reading Challenge Medal Ceremony	Library	Library	3 45 pm, see p17
Wed 25 Sept	Mixed Craft Group	Women's Institute	Baptist Church	10 am – 4 30 pm, see p5
Thu 26 Sept	Community Luncheon Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri/Sat 27/28 Sept	Willingham Beer Festival	The Feast	Social Club	Fri: 4 – 11 pm, Sat: 12 noon – 11 30 pm, see cover & p19
Sat 28 Sept	Outing to Knebworth House & Park	Gardening Club	From the Green	8 30 am, see p7
Mon 30 Sept	The Jam Club	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see cover & p19

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	Honeypot Pre-School (term-time only)	Mrs Kate Van Dort	01954 201567
	Koala Kidz	Mrs Edith Jeffrey	01954 260046
	Guides and Rangers	Lynn McGoff	01954 261296
	Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance	Mrs L Borland	01954 203347
	Messy Church	Margaret Edney	07528 193858
	First Steps	Vicky Page	vickypage85@gmail.com
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Katy Gilbert	01954 261922
	Little Notes Music Group (0-4 years)	Lisa Adcock	07949 062360
	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
	Willingham Social Club Bookings	Lynne Sadler	01954 260557
	Willingham Youth Centre bookings		willinghamsocialclub@gmail.com
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<b>Local Representatives</b>	Allotments	Sue Ayling	01954 260718
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	Fen Edge Community Association	Eileen Wilson	chair@fenedge.co.uk
	Over & District Royal British Legion	Jane Matthews	07983 630265
			overanddistrictrbl@yahoo.com
	OWLS Community Car Scheme	Lorraine Hunt	07505 254363
	Willingham Action Group (WAG)	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
	Willingham Combined Charities	Kassia Bunnett	k.bunnett@googlemail.com
			07969 541095
	WEA	Jacqueline Hodgkinson	01954 201816
	Willingham RBL Poppy Appeal Organiser	Graham Atherton	01954 260331
	Willingham Bee Group Chairman	Steve Smith	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 Dance Club	Teresa Weston	willinghamdanceclub@gmail.com
	Willingham Social Club	Lynne Sadler	01954 260557
			willinghamsocialclub@gmail.com
	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
	Women's Institute	Wendy Law	01954 202188
<b>Sport</b>	Angling		www.histonangling.org.uk
	Badminton	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	Bowls Club	Ian Bissett (Sec)	ianbissett@gmail.com
			Willinghambowlsclubsec@gmail.com
	Cricket Club	Mr R Ambrose	01954 260446
	Cycling Club – www.willinghamwheels.com	Paul Knighton	07787 530394
	Ladies' Hockey	Teresa Hutchcraft	01954 260177
	Tennis Club	John Graham	01954 231968
	Willingham Diamonds Netball Club	Emma Byrom	01954 202481
	Willingham Running Club	Gerry Mears	07511 131645
	Willingham Sports Pavilion	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Jamie Smith (Sec)	01954 261141
<b>Churches</b>	Mothers' Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Emma Launchbury	01954 260538
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Simon Oliver	07554 202929
	Roman Catholic Priest	Fr Karol Porczak	01480 462192
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