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Friday 26 August	Black

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Fen Edge Twinning

Vive le jumelage – let's reconnect with our French friends.

Did you know that the Fen Edge Villages of Cottenham, Landbeach, Rampton, Waterbeach and Willingham are twinned with Avrillé, in the Loire Valley, France? The Fen Edge Twinning Association was formed over 20 years ago and great friendships have been forged. Until COVID hit, there were annual trips to or from France but as you would expect there were no visits in the last couple of years.

The twinning trips have always been truly rewarding, shared experiences and we are pleased to announce that our French friends are planning to visit the Fen Edge villages in November. Assuming that the global situation does not change again and it is safe, they will arrive on the evening of **Friday 11 November** and leave early on **Monday 14 November**. This visit coincides with Remembrance weekend and is a really suitable weekend to re-establish our close link with France.

It's also been a long time since the community of English twinneders has met and we can't wait until November for the fun to restart. We will be working with the Cottenham Community Cinema to provide a French flavour to accompany their showing of *Petite Maman* on **4 September**. For more information, check out their Facebook page. By the time this magazine issues, we will also have celebrated Bastille Day with a summer picnic at Waterbeach Village Hall.

As always, the association is keen to welcome new members so, if you are interested in helping our cultural exchanges, as a host, as a visitor or simply with interest and moral support, please get in touch. Alternatively, contact juliagwilt@gmail.com or fenedgetwinning@gmail.com for more information.



Twinneders at the Fen Edge Festival

Water Works in Willingham

Residents of several streets in the village have received letters from Cambridge Water warning of works starting late July running until mid-December to replace water mains in these areas. Works are starting around Berrycroft and adjoining estates before moving towards the Over Road. It is expected that there will be some traffic disruption over the period with temporary lights controlling the traffic in affected areas.

Esther Overton – Author

Meet the local 13-year-old who wrote and published a book based on the real-life history of Willingham.

At a loose end during lockdown, Esther Overton decided to find out more about her local area.

What she discovered inspired her to write and publish a book telling the story of a family of children who had grown up on her street – and to give the proceeds to an incredible cause.

For Esther, books and stories have always been an important part of life. So when lockdown struck and she found herself bored at home, she decided to see if any interesting real-life stories had happened in her local area's history.

She was excited to discover that her namesake, Esther Thoday, also lived on Berrycroft during the 19th century, and had six children. The family's story – which involved the tragic death of one of the six siblings – reminded Esther of *Little Women*, one of her favourite books. She decided to write her own book inspired by the story of the family, whose successful fruit and flower business changed the lives of many who lived in the village. Esther describes it as 'a story of growing up – it's about finding your foundations and discovering what's important.' The resulting book, *What Binds Us*, is now published and available on Amazon.

While writing her book, Esther became aware of another story, about Kumar, who was just seven years old when he became trapped in slavery in a brick kiln in South Asia. Esther had heard Kumar's story at a local festival, where Alianore Smith of International Justice Mission (IJM) was speaking, and she was shocked to learn that an estimated one in four of the 40 million people living in slavery today is a child – just like Kumar. IJM, in partnership with local authorities, learned of Kumar's situation and brought him and the other exploited workers to safety. Today, he is a successful graduate and qualified social worker, working to protect others who have experienced slavery.

Esther was so moved by Kumar's story that she decided to donate the proceeds from her book to IJM, to help find and bring to safety even more children like Kumar. She wants to raise awareness of the fact that 'slavery still exists today. There are more people in slavery today than any time in history – and it happens to children too.'

Learn more at IJMUK.org.



Over Players – *The Little Mermaid*



The Over Players Panto is back – bigger, brighter (and maybe deeper) than ever! Get involved!

For those new to the area, The Over Players is our local Amdram group, drawing membership from a very wide area including Willingham. We perform

two shows a year and have tackled musical theatre, farce, drama, Shakespeare, Music Hall plus our ever-popular pantomime in December. Many local families have told us that it's the start to their family Christmas celebrations and we missed it so much over the last three years.

This year's return to panto will be a retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's classic fairy-tale, *The Little Mermaid*, written specially by local playwright Kirsty Smillie. Are you keen to tread those boards? Maybe you prefer to be involved behind the scenes, perhaps you are interested in make-up, costumes, stage set construction or the technical side? Or maybe helping during the performances as stage crew, musician or chaperone? We are a lovely group and open to anyone from year 7 or above (we have no upper age limit!). You will be given a very warm welcome in whatever capacity you are keen to try.

There are many opportunities to be involved so check out these dates for your diary. All events will take place at the Over Community Centre.

- **7 September:** Read through 7 30 – 10 pm
- **11 September:** Performance workshop 4 – 7 pm
- **14 September:** Open auditions for lead roles (no audition for chorus members) from 7 pm
- **18 September:** First rehearsal
- **6 – 10 December:** Show dates

Contact mermaid22@overplayers.uk for more information. Let the magic begin!

Willingham Memory Box Café

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Cambridge Community Arts



If you have a dream but never thought you could do it, it's worth giving CCA a go!

Cambridge Community Arts, a Cambridge-based social inclusion charity, has just released its part-time, year-long creative courses for adults starting in September.

The course programmes, offered in partnership with Cambridge Regional College, allow you to explore your chosen art form in depth. Course programmes on offer include Photography, Visual Arts, Music for Performance, Music Production, Creative Writing and Drama.

Jane Rich, CEO of Cambridge Community Arts, says: 'We bring people together in small groups in the community, to learn and practise all forms of art. They gain in confidence, improve their mental health, make friends and in some cases get back to work.'

Full details and application form can be found on www.camcommarts.org.uk or phone 07763 280029.

Courses are open to adults 19+ who live in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority area. There is a reduced rate for those on a low income or means-tested benefits. If courses become oversubscribed, CCA prioritises those with health conditions, disabilities and/or unpaid caring responsibilities.

For more information, contact Hanna Warne on hanna@camcommarts.org.uk or 07955 601516.

Willingham Women's Institute



There will be no meeting in August. Our next meeting will be *Made in Willingham* on **Monday 12 September** at 7 30 pm in the Social Club. Further details in the next issue.

WI News

In June we had our Summer Party. We were blessed with a lovely evening and everyone enjoyed Pimms and a delicious buffet in Jane's garden.

Our WI is large and friendly and a great way for women in the village to socialise and get to know new people. Why not give it a try? If you would like to find out more, please contact us at willinghamwi28@gmail.com.



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Old Willingham



Edwardian cross-dressing! At first glance this looks like a regular team photo until you notice that the men are wearing dresses and women's hats. Where they got them from is anybody's guess. We don't know the circumstances of this photo taken about 1910. However, we might guess that the men challenged the women to a cricket match and the women said it would be unfair because they had to wear long skirts. At that point the men may have said: 'OK, we will too!' The women are all wearing matching ties so perhaps they were an organised team. If anyone can shed further light on the circumstances we'd be delighted to hear from you.

See more photos at www.oldwillingham.com.

If you have stories or memories about this picture, please contact Jon Edney, 31 High St or oldwill@oldwillingham.com.

Willingham Photography Club

We are now meeting again in person at the Baptist Church, where we will continue to aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves.

There is a monthly assignment and photos are submitted at the meeting for consideration and feedback from our resident professional photographer.

The theme for August is *In Camera Movement*. At this meeting, we will also have a talk on *Colour Temperature*.

The meeting is on 15 August

We cordially invite anyone who enjoys photography to get in touch and see what is on offer.

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

The membership cost is £20 for 6 months with the first month free of charge for new members.

If you have any further questions, please contact:

Steve Harding 07595 668161

In the meantime, do have a look at our website on

www.willinghamphotoclub.org.uk.

Memories of Willingham 50 Years Ago – Part Two

This article is a continuation of a piece that Anne wrote in the May edition of Willingham News about her memories of the village in the late 1960s when she first arrived. This part is about the amenities in the village at that time.

Although the village was smaller 50 years ago, it had more shops than it has now. Among these was the Co-op, but there were four other grocers as well and two butchers right in the village. The bakery at the corner of Church Lane still produced bread on the premises. There were two newsagents, two banks and two hardware stores, which also stocked agricultural supplies. Fewer people had cars but petrol was available at several locations including the Berrycroft Stores. The village also had its own dairy, delivering milk daily. Although there was nowhere to buy clothes a van came round, I think from Sutton, with basic men's and boys' clothing.

As well as the Parish Church, villagers could attend the Baptist Tabernacle, a very large building on the site of the present modern Baptist Church. The Old Baptist Church was directly opposite the Tabernacle, the Methodists were located in the building next to the library (now a private house) and the Salvation Army had a relatively humble building on Long Lane.

Although five pubs flourished there were fewer venues for socialising than we have now. The Public Hall in High Street, where dances and film shows had been held in the past, was by then very run down and events and meetings generally took place in either the Church Hall next to Willingham House or the Social Club which was not the well-equipped building we know today. The flourishing WI met monthly in the Church Hall. There was no Pavilion on the Recreation Ground, although the village had both football and cricket teams. Another regular event was the Friday auction at Raymond Munns where local people would take an hour off work to socialise.

Willingham Feast is still observed in October but it was a much grander occasion then. Large Salvation Army bands would visit from as far away as Kent and were billeted for the weekend with local families. They played in various locations but most people turned out to hear them on the Green on Sunday afternoon. While they were playing, the caravans and lorries of the Fair arrived and waited in Church Street to set up their attractions as soon as the service was over.

The Surgery was located in a small bungalow on Station Road, and we even had a dental practice in the village. There was as yet no library, although the present building, which had been a gas showroom since gas was first installed in the village, opened in the early 1970s. However books were available from the County Library through the school where a selection was laid out on a table in the staffroom, I think on Friday afternoons.

There was a resident policeman in Haden Way but there seemed to be little crime for him to deal with. Back doors were used more often than front doors and were usually left unlocked, as were cars.

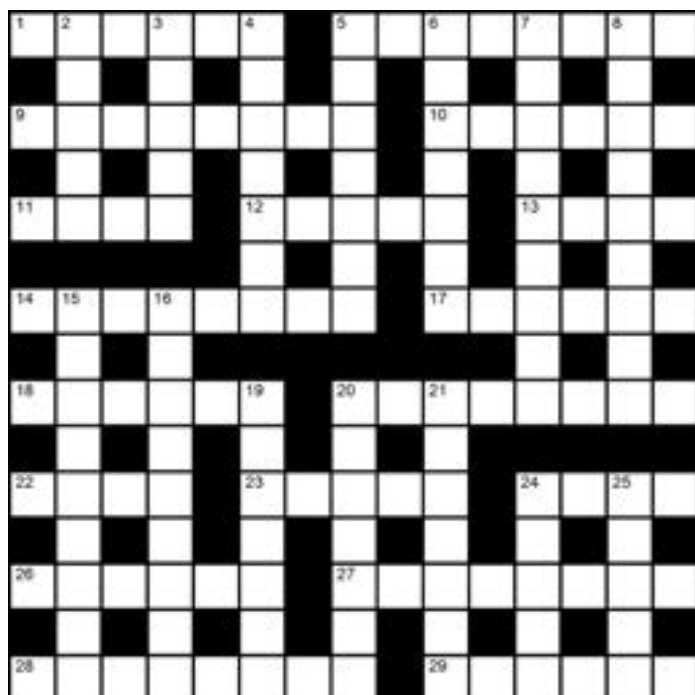
Importantly the village had its own old people's home in Willingham House itself, and they also provided very superior meals for 20 villagers by arrangement with the Cambridge Meals on Wheels service. I always felt that I would like to end my days there.

Anne Kirkman

Cryptic Crossword

by Naxos

There are 11 famous felines to find in this puzzle.



Across

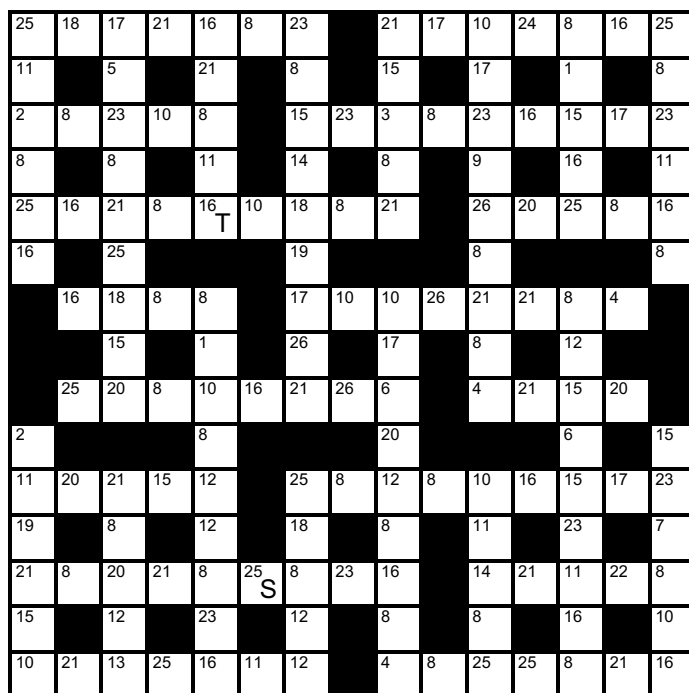
- 1 Philosopher claiming to exist in more than one range (6)
- 5 Think again about animals heading south (8)
- 9 Parent with dental problem is never there (8)
- 10 Sound at night when skin pulled back! (6)
- 11 Metal out front (4)
- 12 American relative embraces the French city (5)
- 13 Barely managed part of the week, educationally (4)
- 14 Article went missing early after class once before (8)
- 17 Memorable like a clasp (6)
- 18 Arrest family member after short stay (6)
- 20 There's gold in promotion without protecting Scottish pockets (8)
- 22 Party, party! I'm dead! (4)
- 23 Smart set made up of random names (5)
- 24 Mark small vehicle (4)
- 26 Detergent brand has Queen for year becoming more reasonable (6)
- 27 In a rush to make London street sound posh? (4-4)
- 28 Charge after unfinished game to get to the cheese (8)
- 29 Pants for a sailor in present (6)

Down

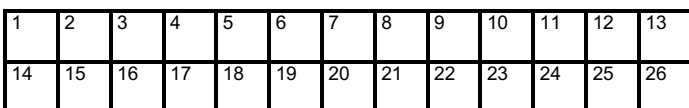
- 2 Declaim about brassy name dropper (5)
- 3 Audaciously defy or take the role of a stretch of tarmac? (5)
- 4 One of a pair of musical sisters (7)
- 5 Payment for a Princess, say? (7)
- 6 Lacking colour, came in a poorly state (7)
- 7 Sly opening to slinky underwear cutting into back support (9)
- 8 Terribly shaken about that female pyrophobe (5, 4)
- 15 Manipulator runs rings round Saint Edmund, initially on track (9)
- 16 Mr Snow loses wicket for two runs and is magically transformed into school pet (3, 6)
- 19 Warrior spirit rises in Asia when disorder presides (7)
- 20 Connection between pens and, say, bananas (7)
- 21 Mother seen in short gold get-up consorts with Duchess (1, 6)
- 24 I'm following direction to meet Student King (5)
- 25 Eponymous beast, at least in part, has landed (5)



Codeword



A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



Book Quiz

This month I have chosen books with boys' names in the title.

Can you guess the authors?

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> | 6. <i>We Need to Talk about Kevin</i> |
| 2. <i>The Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> | 7. <i>Robinson Crusoe</i> |
| 3. <i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> | 8. <i>Lucky Jim</i> |
| 4. <i>David Copperfield</i> | 9. <i>Kim</i> |
| 5. <i>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone</i> | 10. <i>The Picture of Dorian Grey</i> |

Christine Lacey

History Group

In August the WHIGs are looking at Willingham's connection with royalty, such as Queen Boudicca, King Raedwald and especially William the Conqueror's use of Belsar's Hill to try and evict the rebel Hereward from the Isle of Eels.

To find out more about William the Conqueror's attacks on Hereward please come to the WHIGs meeting on **9 August** at 7 30 pm in the Octagon. £3 on the door to cover the cost of the room.



Young Readers' Page

This month's guest editor is Tommy Barrett who is a great comic book fan. Have a go at his 'Superhero' word search and then meet a superhero of his own creation.

Answer on page 21

The ultimate word search battle
Team Marvel vs Team DC

Team Marvel

1. Groot
2. Spiderman
3. DoctorStrange
4. CaptainAmerica
5. Thor

Team DC

1. HarleyQuin
2. Flash
3. GreenLantern
4. Batman
5. Superman

Remember they are superheroes, they can go forwards, backwards or diagonally!



By Tommy Barrett ... creative advisor Orson Wallis

This is one of Tommy's own superhero characters. His superpower is winking. You might like to colour him in.



Clumsy Mufin works for a newspaper: *Alien News*, as a photographer. He takes pictures of the latest news. He thinks he's a superhero but the reality is very different. When he tries to catch criminals – to take their picture – he always accidentally lets them escape instead.

He also knows a lot of bad jokes. Here are some daft definitions from Clumsy Mufin's dictionary:

Illegal – sick bird

Minimum – small mother

Parsnip – when Dad cuts your hair

Polygon – empty bird cage

Walnut – someone who's mad about walls



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Engage in the Afternoon

There will be no 'Engage' meeting this month, but it will return on **Wednesday 7 September** with a speaker from the Shepreth Hedgehog Hospital.

Author Visit

At the end of June, the library invited local crime author, Alison Bruce, to address an audience of over 50 people at the Social Club. Her talk was insightful, witty and informative and described not only how she gains inspiration for her books, but also her work at Anglia Ruskin University, developing the UK's largest policing professionalism contract. Anglia Ruskin now delivers a policing degree to seven police forces, including Cambridgeshire. The evening was funded using some of the 2019 donation the library received from Willingham Craft Beer Festival. We look forward to hosting similar events in the future.

Summer Reading Challenge

By the time you read this, the children's Summer Reading Challenge will be underway but there's still time to sign up! To participate, children need to sign up at their local library and read at least one book a week for the six weeks of the summer holidays. This year's theme is 'Gadgeteers', so look out for some exciting activity sheets and stickers to collect. All those completing the challenge will receive

a medal and a certificate. More details can be found online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/libraries and www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk or at any library.

Friends of Willingham Library

Games Afternoon, Friday 5 August, 2 – 4 pm

Come and enjoy a game of Scrabble or one of the other games we have at the library. You can bring a game of your choice to share if you prefer. Refreshments available, donations welcome.

Second-hand Book Sale, Saturday 6 August, 10 30 – 12 noon

We have a good selection of books for all ages at 50p each or three for £1. Come along to the library and stock up for all your summer reading needs. Exact change, if possible, please. We would be grateful for any donations of good quality books for children.

Thought for the Month

August is the month when many look forward to a holiday, whether to foreign parts or a 'staycation'; and we need a chance to slow down, step away from routine, to relax. Sadly, though, we all face concerns about the rising cost of living, energy bills, etc. For some the problems of feeding their children and providing childcare through the school holidays mean that August is a month of serious anxiety. As a village we did an excellent job of supporting one another through the COVID lockdowns, and that same community spirit is still needed for the well-being of all.

We are also living through a period of political uncertainty in Britain and on-going conflict in Europe, so it isn't easy (or wise?) to switch off completely during holiday season. Trying to get a healthy balance between leaving our worries behind us for a couple of weeks and remaining aware of concerns that demand our attention, is a good aim – and the old saying, 'a change is as good as a rest', still remains true.

Change is often something we resist as it can be an uncomfortable experience; but it may also be invigorating and even small changes can make a big difference. It is proven that we function better and achieve more if we keep taking short breaks, rather than focus continually on one thing for hours on end. Doing something different for a while every day for a fortnight can be as beneficial as going on holiday. Using a bit of our leisure time to support someone else who is under pressure brings benefits to both parties and may even result in lasting friendships.

Times and seasons, chance and change, are part of the God-given order of creation. May we embrace God's good gifts joyfully throughout this month.

The Revd Dr Janet E Tollington

A retired United Reformed Church Minister

Jazz at the Social Club

On the first Sunday of every month make a date for jazz at the Social Club.

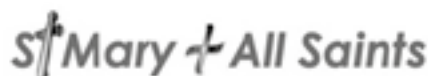
12 30 – 3 30 pm. Doors open at 12 noon.

Admission £10.

This month it's Martin Nicklass's Dixielanders on 7 August.

For more information contact Rosie-Val on 01954 789670.

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	7 00 pm	Worship Together
14 August	11 00 am	Morning Worship
21 August	11 00 am	Holy Communion
28 August	11 00 am	Morning Worship

Children are Welcome

Children of all ages are welcome to join our Busy Bees group for special 'Fun Craft and Activities' during our services. Everyone is encouraged to just come along and join in the fun.

Prayers for Ukraine

With the sad news from Ukraine continuing in the news, we have set aside an area in the Church for those who wish to spend some quiet reflective time or to pray for Ukraine and its people during the daytime Church opening hours. Also, every Thursday evening from 6 30 pm to 7 pm, we offer a time to gather to pray for an end to conflict and peace for Ukraine – everyone is welcome.

The Memory Box Café

We are planning our next Memory Box Café for **Saturday 27 August** at 10 am in the Octagon. Everyone living with memory loss or similar conditions will be welcome. There is a poster on page 6 with more details.

Sale of Plants, Preserves and Cakes

We are grateful to everyone who supported this event. As a result, we are able to send £303 to the British Red Cross Appeal for Ukraine. So, a big Thank You!

The Octagon

The Octagon Hall is available for private bookings.

Please contact Colin Smith in the Office on Tuesdays to Fridays between 9 30 am and 12 noon using the contact details shown below with any queries and to make bookings.

Contact Details

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5folds Office:	
Colin Smith	01954 203459 or admin@5folds.org.uk

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Services

Sunday 7 August

10 00 am	Morning Worship
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 14 August

10 00 am	Morning Worship
10 00 am	Café Church on Zoom
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 21 August

10 00 am	Morning Worship
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 28 August

10 00 am	Morning Worship
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Events

Café Church: Café Church is an informal style of church with interviews, games, chat, quizzes, films and crafts. Join us at 10 am for 45 minutes of fun and interaction from the comfort of your own lounge! Please contact secretary@willinghambaptist.org for the Zoom link.

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 for more information 01954 260568.

TOPS Baby and Toddler Group: Tuesdays at 9 45 am. For all ages 0 – 5, a great place to meet other families whilst the children enjoy the activities and playing. Contact Debbie Allen for more information 01954 261581.

Open Door Coffee Morning: Wednesdays 10 – 11 30 am. Contact Cynthia Nolan for further information, 01954 202240.

Community Luncheon Club: Thursdays bi-weekly, prior booking essential. Contact Daphne on 01954 260568.

Men's Breakfast 20 August at 7 45 am for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Contact Pete Sacre for more information 01954 261655 or petetamin@gmail.com.

Fen Gallop

The Fen Gallop returned to the Recreation Ground on Sunday 3 July with around 400 runners taking part across all of the running events in the 'Family Running Festival': the chip timed 10K and 4-mile races, the 1 mile for under 11s and the mini sprint for under 5s.

This was the first time since 2019 that the event was able to take place in its full format, with the Primary School Fete continuing straight after the running finished.



Cathy Ison (second from left) winner of the René Gould Trophy

It was fantastic to see so many families enjoying the sunshine and supporting the event late into the afternoon.

The Fen Gallop team has always been incredibly proud to present prizes to our own Willingham runners, and the trophies themselves have

been named and dedicated to past Willingham residents that have made a huge impact on the village.

The Eileen Askew Trophy winners this year were Nye Monks and Georgie Turvill for the fastest 4-mile U16's male and female Willingham residents. The Penry Jones Cup was awarded to Alfie Pipe as the fastest Willingham male resident for completing the 10K course with a chip time of 37:10, making this the second year in succession he has won the trophy.

The René Gould Cup was awarded to Cathy Ison as the fastest female resident, with a chip time of 51:06. The award was presented by René's family. The overall 10K race winner was once again Martin Amos who achieved an incredible chip time of 33:56!

The Committee would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to our amazing sponsors: Hockeys, Neil Marsh Health & Fitness and Cambridge Design Partnership. Also a huge thanks to our enthusiastic team of marshals that helped out on the course, our team of registration volunteers, the Cadets, Scouts and Guides, Willingham Youth Trust, students from Swavesey Village College, teachers and assistants from the Primary School and all of the local businesses that help support our event. Thank you to Willingham Wolves, Willingham Barbers and Willingham Gym for their huge contributions to the Fete.

The Fen Gallop is the biggest fundraiser in the school's calendar, and it is hoped that this year's event has made around £6,000 for the Willingham School Association.

The Committee would also

Alfie Pipe (in the middle) winner of the Penry Jones Cup



like to say thank you to Emma Bowyer who has dedicated five years to organising the event, but is now stepping down, although we hope that she will return to take part in the 10K again next year! The rest of the Committee will be back together in October, ready to start planning a brand new Gallop for 2023.

Sunday 2 July save the date!

*Katy Gilbert
Fen Gallop Committee*



After Party

Swavesey Camera Club

Are you interested in getting more from your photography whatever your level? Come over to Swavesey Camera Club. Whether your camera is a mobile phone, basic compact camera or the latest digital SLR, our programme is designed to help you get the best out of it. We are always keen to encourage new members to join and pride ourselves on being a very friendly, welcoming club with activities to suit all abilities.

We will be meeting in person from **Thursday 8 September** onwards. Our first meeting, from 7 – 9 pm, will be a 'Welcome evening' **free** to attend for non-members. We will also continue to live stream and record the meetings via Zoom for those unable to attend in person on the night. So no member will miss out on our meetings.

Our programme is available to view on our website. We will be having guest speakers, internal competition evenings and also members' evenings, all of which are designed to inspire you. Some of the guest speakers will be talking about mobile phone photography, wildlife photography, landscape photography and street photography. There will be some photography software talks as well.

Full membership for the season – Adult £68, Concessions £55, Youth £20.

Non-members – £4 per visit on the night.

Meetings take place at Swavesey Village College in the Global Environment Room.

For more information go to the club website. There is also a 'Contact Us' form on the website to get further advice about joining the club: swaveseycameraclub.co.uk.

Hope to see you there!

Maggie O'Moore

Over Day Centre Bike Rides raise £2,200

Very many thanks to everyone who supported this year's bike rides that took place on 12 June – and especially to the riders who participated and gave so generously. With the five rides jointly organised by Willingham Wheels and Swavesey and Over Cycling Club – two family routes starting from Northstowe as a new option this year, and one family route, the 20-miler and the 50-miler starting from Over – 113 riders joined us with nearly £2,200 raised as much needed funds to help the Day Centre provide essential services for the elderly of our wider community.

We were most fortunate to have sponsorship from Law & Lewis, Redmayne, Arnold & Harris and Cambridgeshire Bathrooms to meet event expenses so that all rider donations went to the Day Centre. Very many thanks also to Tom Miller, first aider; Darryl Bass, Passionate Flowers, Broom Wagon and Brucie's Bikes for mechanical support; to Tesco, Bar Hill for drinks and snack-stop water and fruit for the family rides; to

Fen Edge Community Association for the medals, to the Over Community Centre for the BBQ and bar for the after-rides social with live music from talented duo RPM; to local WIs and friends for superb cakes for the cake and raffle table; to all local businesses who so generously gave raffle prizes; and to the registration teams, rides marshals and sweepers who helped run the event.

We hope you can join us for next year's rides, provisionally **Sunday 25 June 2023**.



Gardening Club News

Summer is when the fruits of many gardeners' hard work become quite literal. Green-fingered enthusiasts have been growing an abundance of produce throughout the village, ranging from raspberries to rhubarb. It was also great to hear that some of the plants exchanged at the June meeting have begun to flower!

On Monday 4 July, we welcomed Wendy Jones from The Bushel Box Farm Shop, who gave a brilliant talk on *Nine Decades of a Family Fruit Farm*. Wendy presented a fascinating, personal history of the triumphs and challenges fruit farmers have faced. Needless to say, attendees enjoyed learning about the local history of an integral and longstanding part of our community.

The new committee have been busy bees making plans, including a visit to Hygate Farm for the next meeting on **1 August** at 7 pm. Lindsey Clark started a flower farm there 18 months ago and has kindly offered to show us around. The cost for the evening is £2 on arrival with the option to pay an additional £3 at the farm to fill a jar of flowers! Car sharing will be helpful as there is limited parking at the farm – we will be able to offer lifts from the Recreation Ground at 6 50 pm if needed.

If you would like to attend but have not already expressed an interest or require a lift, please get in touch with the committee via email at: willinghamgardeningclub@gmail.com.

Recommendations have also been made to visit Cambridge Lavender Farm at Barnfield Farm where you can pick your own lavender while they are in glorious bloom. The farm is open Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm, with a small £5 entrance fee.

Melissa and Jack



FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

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Local Transport and Connectivity Plan – Have Your Say Before 4 August

There is a new and important survey from the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority on long-term transport strategy. Get more information and a short survey form at www.yourltcp.co.uk. It will guide all future transport projects in the region. For South Cambridgeshire it draws on the work already done by the Greater Cambridge Partnership on a proposed new bus network and on cycleways that the Parish Council and residents commented on last year. The Parish Council was highly critical (see January's *Willingham News*).

It is really important that Willingham residents once again put their views, even if only in the general comments box – questions 8 and 9. They will be read. The Parish Council's priorities are a better public transport link to the Guided Busway – either a frequent shuttle service or some buses leaving the busway – and a bus to Cottenham. We also need more cycleways, especially to Cottenham but also to Over and Earith, and improvements to the narrow and dangerous shared use one to Longstanton. See the Parish Council website for more information.

Flower Tubs

This summer the Parish Council has organised planting of the flower tubs around the village that were supplied last year by WAG with a community chest grant. The theme is red, white and blue in recognition of the Jubilee. Most of the plants were obtained from Hayden's Nursery in Mill Road at a discount, for which we are very grateful. Next year we hope to arrange some sponsorship. The Council is again indebted to our volunteer waterers without whom this would not be possible – Sue Shimmens, Paul and Carolyn Knighton, the Scouts and the Parish Clerk.

Wolves Football Festival

Over two weekends in June, the Parish Council was able to host the 'Football Festival' on the Recreation Ground, which was organised by Willingham Wolves. It was the second largest such festival in East Anglia and a huge success. It also hosted the largest girl's tournament in the county. 272 teams participated involving 2,228 players between the ages of 6 and 15. There were an estimated 1,500 spectators. This event really put Willingham on the football map.

Fen Gallop and Primary School Summer Fete

The very popular 'Fen Gallop' involved around 400 runners in a 10K and 4-mile chip-timed run on 2 July. The Primary

School Summer Fete took place later on that day.

These two events along with the football festival depended on the huge amount of work put in by teams of volunteers. It is very encouraging to see the Recreation Ground being so well used.

Community Warden Scheme, Willingham and Over

Joanne Twinn of 'Age UK' is the Community Warden for Willingham and Over. Currently there are four people using this valuable service in Willingham. The work carried out is varied but tailored to the needs of the individuals concerned.

Joanne advertises the help which can be offered through posters and leaflets along with coffee mornings, visits to 'The Memory Box Café' which is run by the Parish Church and links to the Carers' Group at the Medical Practice. If you would like to talk with Joanne then contact her on 07812 496002.

Councillor Vacancies

We currently have two Councillor vacancies. If you are interested in taking on such a role, then please contact the Parish Clerk, contact details below. New Councillors will be co-opted at the September Council Meeting.

Willingham Feast

More information about events will be in the September Magazine.

The Fair is booked to be on the Green and open from **29 September to 2 October**.

The Parish Council wishes all residents an enjoyable time over this holiday period.

Contact Details

Councillors' details can be found on the website but below are details for the Chair/Vice Chair and Lead Councillors: Council meetings are generally held on the first Wednesday of the month, starting at 7 30 pm. Agendas are published on the website and the notice board outside the Public Hall in the High Street. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak briefly or ask questions (see agendas for further details).

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Hot Weather

Most of us welcome hot weather, but when it's too hot for too long, there are health risks. In England there are on average 2,000 heat-related deaths every year. When hot weather hits this summer, make sure it doesn't harm you or anyone you know.

Why is a Heatwave a Problem?

The main risks posed by a heatwave are:

- not drinking enough water (dehydration)
- overheating, which can make symptoms worse for people who already have problems with their heart or breathing
- heat exhaustion and heatstroke

Who is Most at Risk?

A heatwave can affect anyone, but the most vulnerable people are:

- older people – especially those over 75
- those who live on their own or in a care home
- people who have a serious or long term illness – including heart or lung conditions, diabetes, kidney disease, Parkinson's disease or some mental health conditions
- those who may find it hard to keep cool – babies and the very young, the bed bound, those with drug or alcohol addictions or with Alzheimer's disease
- people who spend a lot of time outside or in hot places – those who live in a top floor flat, the homeless or those whose jobs are outside

The Top Ways for Staying Safe When the Heat Arrives

- look out for others, especially older people, young children and babies and those with underlying health conditions
- close curtains on rooms that face the sun to keep indoor spaces cooler and remember it may be cooler outdoors than indoors
- drink plenty of water as sugary, alcoholic and caffeinated drinks can make you more dehydrated
- never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle, especially infants, young children or animals
- try to keep out of the sun between 11 am to 3 pm
- take care and follow local safety advice, if you are going into the water to cool down
- walk in the shade, apply sunscreen and wear a hat, if you have to go out in the heat
- avoid physical exertion in the hottest parts of the day
- wear light, loose fitting cotton clothes
- make sure you take water with you if you are travelling.

For more information please visit: nhs.uk/.../heatwave-how-to-cope-in-hot-weather.

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 – 6 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
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Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
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Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00

Carers' Meeting

If you are a carer for someone and need advice and financial or emotional support, please come along to our carers' support meeting on **Wednesday 3 August** at the Surgery, where we will be holding a drop-in meeting between 2 and 4 pm. Please come along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely free!

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at the Surgery. Please contact Sue Lawson at the Surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

Lisa Smith

Assistant Practice Manager

Willingham Surgery Patients' Group

A meeting was held on 17 May. If you attended the meeting and left your email address with me, you, along with existing members, will hopefully have received all the paperwork relevant to the meeting. Any problems/queries please do contact me.

If you were not at the meeting but would like a copy of the above send an email to: sue.ayling1@ntlworld.com. If you have no internet access, drop a line to me: Sue Ayling, 30 Church Street, Willingham or call 01954 260718.

Before our next meeting on **Wednesday 14 September** at 7 00 pm in the Ploughman Hall we will be announcing the results of the elections for Chair and Secretary. Please see below for the timetable of the process.

Sue Ayling, Secretary

Elections

If you are registered with the Surgery and would like to be involved in the process of nominating someone for the above position/s and voting, all you need to do is contact Sue Ayling in one of the ways mentioned above and we will ensure that you get the paperwork.

Timetable for the Election:

5 – 25 August	Apply for nomination papers from the Secretary
25 – 30 August	All nominations to be returned
1 – 10 September	Voting papers go out
10 September	Papers to be returned to be counted
14 September	Results announced at the meeting

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Ladies' Hockey at Northstowe

Reflecting on the first year of Huntingdon Ladies' residency in Northstowe.

Rewind to last September and the glorious sunshine of Northstowe's running festival. This was the first opportunity I had to meet some members of the Huntingdon Ladies' Hockey Club and I was struck by what a friendly bunch they were. When I confessed that my experience was limited to one year in the mid-90s, I was reassured that they had plenty of sticks I could borrow but I would probably want to order my own gum guard!

That summer's day couldn't have been in starker contrast to the dark, cold Tuesday evenings throughout the winter training. Yes, I will admit that there were many occasions when I returned home from work and the last thing I wanted to do was don my shin pads, even arriving at the Astro pitch in tears one week after an especially stressful day. But, without exception, I always left the sessions feeling on top of the world.

If, like me, 'which position do you play?' is a terrifying question because you don't even know the possible responses, worry not. Everyone in the club is supportive and helps you to develop each week. It is totally fine if you don't know your push pass from your drag flick. Our more experienced members (some of whom play hockey at international level) are so good at sharing their knowledge and really do nurture newcomers. The club welcomes everyone and there is a great mix from late teens all the way through to golden oldies.

It's lovely to be part of a club that goes beyond the pitch too. We all looked quite different out of our kit at the Christmas social. I can safely say that my 10-pin bowling leaves rather a lot to be desired, so I'd better stick to hockey.

I haven't felt confident enough to play in a Saturday match yet, but my hockey skills have improved so much over this first year thanks to the encouragement of my teammates. Goodness me, the celebrations when I scored my first goal in training! And of course, everyone at work heard about it the following day.

We compete in the East Area Hockey League in Women's Division 3 North West with matches on Saturday. I do still have a few rules to learn, but 2022 will hopefully see me making my match debut.



Hockey huddle

Before starting hockey, I only knew my neighbours living on my road in Northstowe, but now I have a wider circle of friends in the town and a real sense of belonging at a sports club here. Four of the Northstowe residents who joined the club in 2021 are now on the committee, getting involved in running the club, and we would love you to join us this coming season.

Email huntingdonhockeyclub@gmail.com if you have any questions, follow us on Instagram @huntshockey and Facebook @huntingdonhockey, and come along to our first training session of the new year on **Tuesday 30 August**, 7 to 8 30 pm, at Northstowe Secondary College. (The season runs until the end of March 2023.) Supporters and cheerleaders would be very welcome at our home matches too.

Join us on Tuesday evenings and see how much more fun your winter is this year.

Ros Hart, Secretary of Huntingdon Ladies' Hockey Club

Swavesey Choir

If you have always enjoyed singing, then Swavesey Community Choir would love you to join them! We welcome everyone, whether you just enjoy singing in the car or have years of experience. We meet every Wednesday evening (during term time) Term starts on **14 September** at 7 30 pm. Feel free to 'come and try us out' anytime! Please use the contact details below for more information:
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District Councillors' Report

Update on Ukraine Refugees

The most recent data shows that 508 Ukrainian guests have now arrived in South Cambridgeshire involving 67 parishes and our district continues to host the most Ukrainian visitors in England. SCDC Officers have now made 158 welfare visits and conducted 451 DBS checks. People who are hosts to Ukrainian guests and/or have interest in SCDC's ongoing work in this area can sign up to the regular community updates by emailing duty.communities@scambs.gov.uk.

A new SCDC administered grant scheme is now available, designed to help Ukrainian families to integrate into community life. Grants of up to £300 are available to encourage a wide range of events to help reduce social isolation and encourage guests to feel involved in their local community and life in Britain. Parish councils, community groups, informal groups or individual hosts can apply. Further information and funding bid support is available from Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service 01223 464696 or enquiries@cambridgecvs.org.uk.

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) Survey

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Health and Wellbeing Board (HWPB) is currently running a survey for residents' thoughts about pharmaceutical services. The PNA survey asks what is important to you, how easy it is to get and use medicines or equipment and whether there are other services you need or want. The link to the survey is here: cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/jsna/pna.

New Electric Bin Lorry

The Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service has just taken delivery of its second fully electric bin lorry. The E-Rotopress has an unusual shape, with a constantly revolving body that contains a corkscrew which compacts the waste and has far fewer moving parts than a traditional bin lorry. The power saved by this mechanism means the machine can travel longer distances. The truck has a top speed of 56 miles per hour and can carry up to 12 tonnes of waste.

Summary of Open Planning Applications

Please be reminded that we post a weekly summary of open planning applications for Willingham (and Over) on our Facebook page. We update it each Monday. There are also frequent public information posts from community groups and other local authorities, such as the County Council. The page is here: facebook.com/libdems3rdMay18.

Census 2021 Results

The first results from the 2021 Census have just been published. These include population and household estimates for England and Wales at local authority level. Figures for the South Cambridgeshire District show that our population has increased in the last 10 years by 8.9%, from around 148,800 to 162,000. The Census also reveals that the population of Cambridge has increased from 123,900 to 145,700 (an increase of 17.6%) since 2011. The East of England has seen the largest growth in population of any region in England, rising to 6.3 million people, an 8.3% increase from 2011. More information is available here: cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk.

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County Councillor's Report

Dear Residents

I hope that you are all enjoying the summer; if you're going away on holiday I hope that you have a great break. Here is my update of County Council matters.

Decentralisation

The Council's Strategy and Resources Committee has agreed the policy framework and design principles for its programme of decentralisation and has approved the next steps and pilot approach to put it into place. The principles are that

1. A greater proportion of the Council's resource (workforce and budget) will be invested through decentralised approaches and structures.
2. We will involve communities in our decision-making, design and activity.
3. We will deepen relationships with voluntary and community sector organisations, District, Parish and Town Councils, other public sector partners, and community groups, working together through our democratic roles and most suitable governance structures to deliver the best outcomes for communities.
4. Social, economic and environmental impacts will be given equal consideration in our decision-making processes.
5. Our local presence should seek to be navigators and reference points for all local public services. Opportunities to apply this approach should be pursued by the Council's land and property functions.

A number of opportunities for pilots are being considered including, for example, decision-making on Local Highway Improvement (LHI) schemes.

Highways

The latest quarterly meeting of the Parishes with the Highways maintenance team took place on 23 June. The key issue raised was the need to address the overgrown cycle paths (Cottenham-Rampton) and (Cottenham-Histon) and on Earith Road.

The first spending from the Council's new Just Transition fund has been agreed:

- £2.175m over four years has also been awarded for a business case for the first phase of the Council's plan for Cambridgeshire to reach net zero carbon by 2045.
- £1.7m has also been awarded for flood work and nature restoration. I have submitted suggestions for highway flooding hotspots from all three villages in the division to be considered as part of this scheme.

Waterbeach Waste Facility

Preparations are happening at the Amey waste park at Waterbeach in advance of major works to reduce odour emissions. The works will allow district councils to continue to deliver collected waste to Waterbeach for transfer to alternative processing sites and to landfill from August while the odour emission works are done. These are necessary to comply with new legal requirements.

Updated operating procedures for the transfer station use have been submitted to the Environment Agency for their approval. A planning application has been submitted to the Council's Minerals and Waste Planning team seeking approval for the works proposed.

As always, please feel free to contact me with your thoughts, views and issues. My mobile is 07919 990299 and email is neilgoughcrw@gmail.com.

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WHAT'S ON

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Mon 1 Aug	Visit to Hygate Farm	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 pm, see p13
Wed 3 Aug	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Wed 3 Aug	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p14
Fri 5 Aug	Games Afternoon	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p10
Sat 6 Aug	Second Hand Book Sale	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	10 30 am - 12 noon, see p10
Sun 7 Aug	Martin Nicklass's Dixielanders	Jazz Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm, see p10
Mon 8 Aug	<i>Willingham News</i> Deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Thu 8 Aug	Welcome Evening	Swavesey Camera Club	Swavesey Village College	7 – 9 pm, see p12
Tue 9 Aug	Talk: <i>Willingham's Connection with Royalty</i>	Willingham History & Education Group (WHIGs)	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p8
Mon 15 Aug	Theme: <i>Camera Movement</i> Talk: <i>Colour Temperature</i>	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p7
Sat 20 Aug	Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p11
Sat 27 Aug	Memory Box Café	Parish Church	Octagon	10 am - 12 noon, see p6

Cryptic Crossword



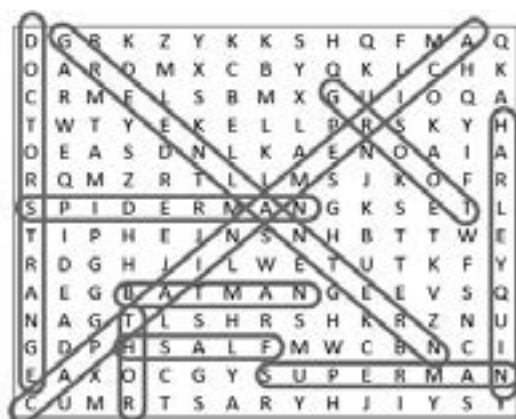
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Book Quiz

1. Mark Twain
2. Beatrix Potter
3. Roald Dahl
4. Charles Dickens
5. J.K. Rowling
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7. Daniel Defoe
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