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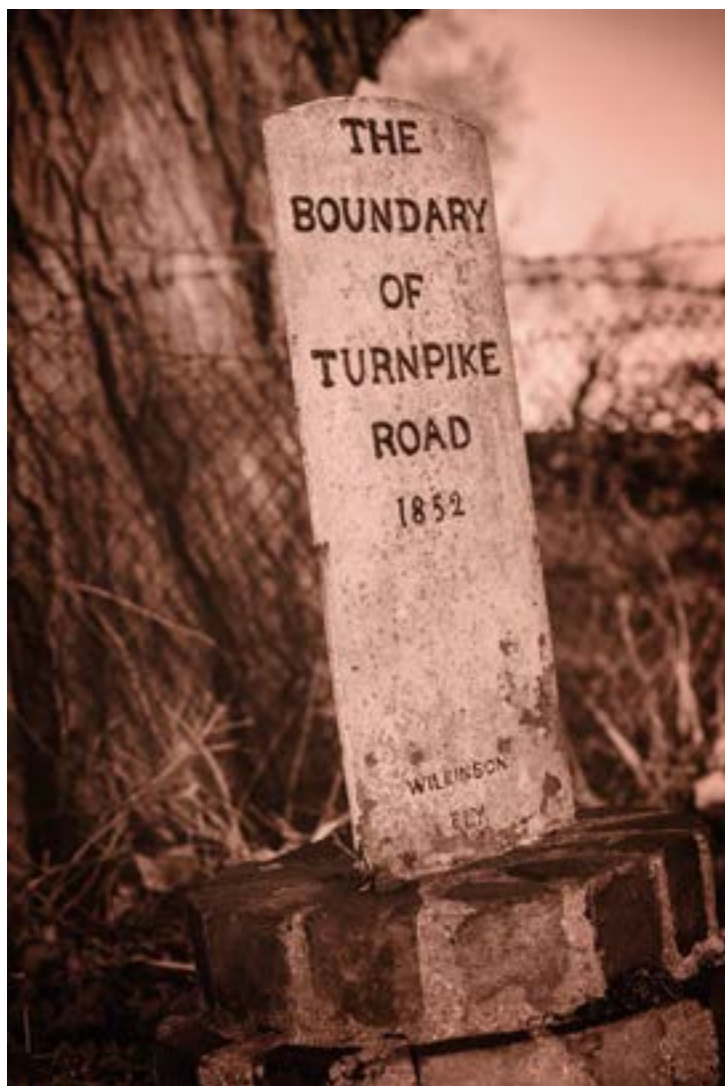
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Photo by Michael Hughes

Open Garden in Willingham – see page 5

Willingham Photo Club runs a monthly assignment for its members. Here is a sample of recent submissions, showing a milestone in Ely, a striking close-up of a dragonfly larval case and common cranes over Ouse Fen.



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Friday 24 July	Blue and Green
Friday 31 July	Black

(Dates correct at time of going to press)

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Open Garden in Willingham

4 and 5 July

As part of the National Garden Scheme, which opens private gardens to raise money for charity, there will be just one garden open in the village this year, and it will be well worth a visit.

The garden is at Little Oak, 66 Station Road. It is a one-acre garden featuring many different areas and planting schemes, with a range of annual, herbaceous and perennial beds, a productive kitchen garden, fruit trees and ponds. The main garden is wheelchair accessible and there is driveway parking for disabled visitors only. The garden will be open from 12 noon to 5 pm on both days and is an ideal place to relax with a cup of tea and homemade cake.

Admission is £5.50, with children admitted free, and all proceeds go to nursing and caring charities. Payment can be made by card.

Liz Cosford



Readers' Noticeboard



The Willingham Community Larder is now open!

Willingham Action Group has set up a Community Larder in the church porch to help support local residents. How does it work? It's simple. You can donate non-perishable food items by placing them in the box. If you or someone you know needs a few essentials, please feel free to take what you need. This is a wonderful way to show kindness, support one another and strengthen the community spirit in our village. Please give what you can and help spread the word!



Old Willingham



Shadow Over the Fens:

The Witch Trials of Cambridgeshire

Take a walk out on to the fen edge on a cold, misty evening and it is easy to see how the imagination could wander. But in the mid-17th century, that imagination took a dark and lethal turn.

While many of us are familiar with the infamous 'Witchfinder General', Matthew Hopkins, and his raids across Essex, fewer realise that Cambridgeshire was swept up in the same wave of panic. Right here, in our neighbouring parishes, ordinary people were accused of consorting with evil spirits and causing crops to fail, horses to fall sick and families to fall ill.

Old Willingham invites you to a special one-hour presentation: *The Cambridgeshire Witch Trials: Fear on the Fen Edge*.

Together, we will explore the historical context of these trials, the disturbing interrogation methods used by Hopkins and his cohorts, and the true stories of the local men and women accused of witchcraft. It is a sobering look at how easily neighbourly disputes over a church pew or a sick animal could escalate into matters of life and death.

- When: **Monday 27 July** at 7 30 pm
- Where: Willingham Social Club, Fen End, Willingham, CB24 5LH
- Admission: £5 on the door. Cash or card.

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Tea and coffee, with toast and jam or marmalade, are served from 10 am until 10 30 am, and a light lunch, such as jacket potatoes, soup or pasta, is available at 11 45 am. Tea and coffee are also available throughout the morning. We make no charge for our refreshments, but donations towards the second phase of the Octagon Improvement Project are always appreciated. We are currently updating the toilet facilities and replacing the hall curtains to benefit everyone who uses the Octagon.

You will always find someone to chat to if you would like some company. We also have regular visits from our Village Agent, who is supported by Cambridgeshire ACRE. She can offer confidential, independent advice and support, free of charge, on a range of issues and can help you access local services.

There are also magazines, books, puzzles, games, knitting and mindful colouring to enjoy.

Please follow the footpath to the left of the church gate and you will find the Octagon behind the church. We are wheelchair accessible and have an accessible toilet.

We hope to see you in July.

Willingham Gardening Club

At our June meeting, Willingham Gardening Club welcomed Robert Smit, who gave an informative and entertaining talk about ponds. Robert highlighted how nutrient composition and aeration can help promote plants and wildlife, while also offering advice on aesthetic choices to ensure water features can suit any garden. Importantly, he emphasised the importance of pond safety, which can be as simple as installing a surrounding fence or secure mesh covering.

Our next meeting will be on **Monday 6 July**, when we welcome Liz Wright, who will give a presentation entitled *How Good Is the Good Life?* We hope to see you there!

Willingham Gardening Club meets on the first Monday of the month at the Social Club, with refreshments available from 7 pm. The meeting begins at 7 30 pm. There is an entrance fee of £4 for non-members.

New members are always welcome and can sign up for membership now. If you are interested in joining or learning more about the benefits of membership, please email willinghamgardeningclub@gmail.com.

Information can also be found on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/WillinghamGardeningClub.

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Willingham Photo Club

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Our next meeting is on Monday the 20th July at 8:00pm in the Baptist Church

Early Education in Willingham Part 3

By 1847 the school, now Willingham Free School, was definitely under Anglican influence, the new headmaster, Robert Blinkhorn, having been appointed at a Vestry Meeting in March of that year at a salary of £23 per annum. Among the regulations of the school was a list of the holidays to be allowed, namely Plough Monday, Cambridge Midsummer Fair, Stourbridge Fair Day, Ash Wednesday and the six following days of the Easter season, Ascension Day, plus a month at harvest and two weeks from 24 December to 6 January inclusive.

Another Anglican school was opened in March 1852, built by the Rector and catering for 20 girls. This was on land in Church Street where the former Church Hall, now a private house, stood in the 20th century. Not to be outdone, the Baptists were also planning to build a new British School, although the different Baptist sects in the village had some difficulty working together. It was finally built on land given by Thomas Frohock of the Large Baptist Chapel and opened on 13 November 1856, when about 250 people sat down to 'a good tea' provided by the ladies of the village. Previously, the Baptist scholars had walked to Earith and back every day for their education. It took another three years for the debt incurred in building the school to be finally cleared.

Anne Kirkman

Poetry Corner

The Box

It was only after my parents were gone,
my brother too, that it was passed to me –
the deed box, now squatting by my side
in the middle of our dining room floor.
Metal, black as a bomb or a gun,
with a hint of an echo when tapped.

It's cold to my fingertips, skips up motes
of dust, perhaps my father's dead skin.
No key, none needed; slight creak
from the lid. I inhale old air,
try to trap a memory or two, hoping
for a reminder of something lost.

I linger over bank books with shillings and pence,
statements of rents, mortgage forms,
meagre loans to get them by.
It takes me an evening to travel through time,
scanning through letters from my father
to names and places long forgotten.

Only now do I see how much they gave me,
quietly, uncomplaining. I sit hunched
over the box, breathing deeply;
I can't bring myself to close it, not yet.

John Lawrence

Wendy Law

We are very sad to announce that Wendy Law, until recently one of the editorial team at *Willingham News*, died on 4 June. We shall include a full tribute to Wendy in next month's issue but in the meantime we would like to express our love and sincere condolences to Derek and family at this difficult time.

Reader's Letter

Dear Editors

When visiting the GP surgery yesterday I was shocked to see the displayed information saying that 32 GP appointments and 14 Nurse appointments had been missed during the last week. By my calculation that is likely to equate to a full day's valuable time of our health professionals. I asked the receptionist if those figures were a 'blip' or if that was usual to be told that the number of missed appointments had been increasing of late.

We are lucky in Willingham to have, in my experience, an efficient and caring team who offer us a good service in times when they're under considerable pressure of patient numbers. I would like to urge all service users to be considerate in remembering to cancel appointments no longer needed so that others who are having to wait for appointments can be seen.

While writing I must include a 'shout out' to our professional Pharmacy team. We are lucky to have that service in the village too. I'm sure many of us appreciate our village health services and I for one, thank you all.

Teresa Weston

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Do join us at the Fete, in the Ploughman Hall, on **5 July**, where we will be serving refreshments and Doreen's scones with jam and cream, from 2 to 4 pm.

On **13 July** we will be holding our members' garden party.

In May, Stuart Green entertained us with his sea shanties. He explained how the songs developed as working songs on tall ships to synchronise the crew. By singing a shanty with a specific rhythm for the task, the crew were able to hoist sails or flags, mechanically move the capstan and work the pumps. We enjoyed being sailors for the evening, singing the shanties, and some of us had a go at pulling the ropes in time. It was all good fun.

Looking for friendship, laughter and something new?

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When? The second Monday of every month (except August).

Where? The Social Club.

Arrive from 7 pm for refreshments and a natter, with a speaker or activity starting at 7 30 pm.

Come and meet us for a free taster session.

We hope to see you soon.

Find out more: willinghamwi28@gmail.com or call Vicky on 01954 201405.

Let's Stop Sewer Problems in Willingham!

Recently, sewer pipes in Fen End took several days of hard work by Anglian Water to clear a serious blockage. A similar problem could occur anywhere in the village if we do not all follow the guidance on what should and should not be put down our drains, sinks and toilets.

This is therefore a reminder never to put sanitary products of any kind, baby wipes, fats or oils down our pipes. We all want to reduce the risk of flooding and blockages. In fact, it is a criminal offence to put anything down a sink or toilet that interferes with the free flow of the sewer, under Section 111 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

For more advice, visit: www.anglianwater.co.uk/justbinit

Meanwhile, please follow their code. Never pour fats or oils down the sink and only flush the 3 Ps: pee, poo and paper.

Valerie McKee

Friends of Willingham Church

friendsofwillinghamchurch@gmail.com

Would you like to help us raise much-needed funds for the maintenance and restoration of our beautiful church building? We want to preserve the church so that future generations can enjoy it as much as we do.

An architect carried out a survey of the church at the beginning of June. We will therefore soon learn the extent of the work required. We can then begin supporting the Parochial Church Council as it organises the necessary work and pass on the funds we have raised.

We will be fundraising at the WAG Fete, running a 'Summer Hamper' raffle and a 'Find the Treasure' game on **5 July** from 11 30 am to 3 30 pm. There will also be an event in the autumn. Please look out for details on social media and, of course, in *Willingham News*.

You can also help by becoming a member of the Friends group. We ask supporters to make a donation of £10 (or more) every six months, or at whatever interval suits them. Please set up a standing order or make payments by BACS.

If you would like to find out more, please email us at the above address.

Rosemary Tiley

Willingham Social Club

The Social Club will be hosting its Annual Village Beer Festival on **17 and 18 July**. This year's event will raise money for the Social Club, as there are several costly repairs that need to be carried out. We hope to continue the success of last year's event, which attracted more than 350 people. There will be a great variety of beers and ciders, many sourced from local breweries, as well as good food and live music on both days. For those who want an alternative to real ales, we will also be offering gin, Pimm's and Prosecco.

Once again, we would like to thank all our sponsors and volunteers, without whose support this event could not be held.

Live music will begin on Friday night with Drew Girling, front man of Blue Thunder and Max Headroom, performing three acoustic sets. On Saturday we will be entertained by The Strumsters, a four-piece ukulele band from the Cambridge area, performing a wide range of popular songs on three ukuleles and a bass.

Friday's food will include burgers and hot dogs from A Waller and Sons Butchers in Cambridge, along with chilli nachos. On Saturday we will be serving hot pork and stuffing rolls and chilli nachos.

We will also be hosting an afternoon tea and bingo session on **30 August** at 3 30 pm. There will be a raffle and tombola. Money raised will be donated to breast cancer research.

We have a wide variety of music, bingo and history nights booked for this year, along with free music nights. Please check our Facebook page for further details. If you are not a member of the Social Club and are interested in joining, pop in to get a membership form or message us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/willinghamsocialclub.

Tony Clews

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

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Elections

Following the recent local elections for South Cambridgeshire District Council, further elections took place for Parish Council roles at the Annual Meeting of Willingham Parish Council in May. The key roles of Parish Chair and Vice Chair saw Councillor Derek Law and Councillor James Hutchcraft re-elected to their previous positions. Information regarding other lead roles is available in the minutes of the 13 May meeting on the council website.

Congratulations to James Hutchcraft and Aisha Rashid on their successful election to South Cambridgeshire District Council. Both will represent the Willingham and Over ward. James will continue in his role on the Parish Council. Aisha was co-opted onto the Parish Council at the June meeting. These dual roles will strengthen the ties and communication between the Parish and District Councils.

Footpath to Highgate Farm

As many of you will have noted, the footpath is now open and in use. The Parish Council, and indeed traders at the Highgate site, welcome its completion and the improved access it provides, as well as the reduced risks for those accessing the site along this route. We would like to thank all those involved in bringing this long-desired project to completion.

Outgoing Councillors and Staff

Councillor Linda King has decided to step down from her role as a councillor. We will miss her and thank her for all her hard work and dedication over the years, particularly her contribution to the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) project, which is currently in progress.

We also say goodbye to our outstanding Clerk, Mandy Powell, who has now officially retired. We wish her all the best for the future and thank her for her long and dedicated service to the Parish Council and the residents of Willingham.

Community Warden Scheme

This scheme supports people to live independently in their communities by reducing isolation and loneliness, providing practical help and support, maintaining regular contact and helping people access other services.

Warden Joanne Twinn currently has capacity to take on new service users. Referrals can be made by self-referral, family members, the Hospital Discharge Team or voluntary sector organisations such as Age UK. To make a referral,

please refer to the Village Directory in this edition for contact details.

Willingham Action Group

A reminder that the Willingham Village Fete will take place on **5 July** at the Ploughman Hall. Representatives of the Parish Council will be available at a stall throughout the day to answer questions about the function and work of the Council.

A proposal by the Willingham Action Group for another hedge-laying event was approved by the Council at its most recent meeting. The location will be at the rear of the Ploughman Hall and the QEII Playing Field. Further details will follow.

BBQs

With the recent spell of good weather, we would like to remind residents that BBQs are not permitted on the Recreation Ground or QEII Playing Field because of fire hazards and health and safety concerns.

Vandalism

Unfortunately, there have been a number of incidents of vandalism. Newly planted trees and signage were damaged on the Meadow Road and pond sites, and a bench was set on fire on the QEII Playing Field. If you become aware of any further incidents, please consider contacting the police on 101 and informing the Parish Council Office at the Ploughman Hall.

Contact Details

Councillors' details can be found on the website. The details for the Chair, Vice Chair and Lead Councillors are listed below.

Meetings

Meetings are generally held on the first Wednesday of the month, starting at 7 30 pm in the Octagon. Agendas are published on the website and on the noticeboard outside the Public Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may speak briefly or ask questions. (See agendas for further details).

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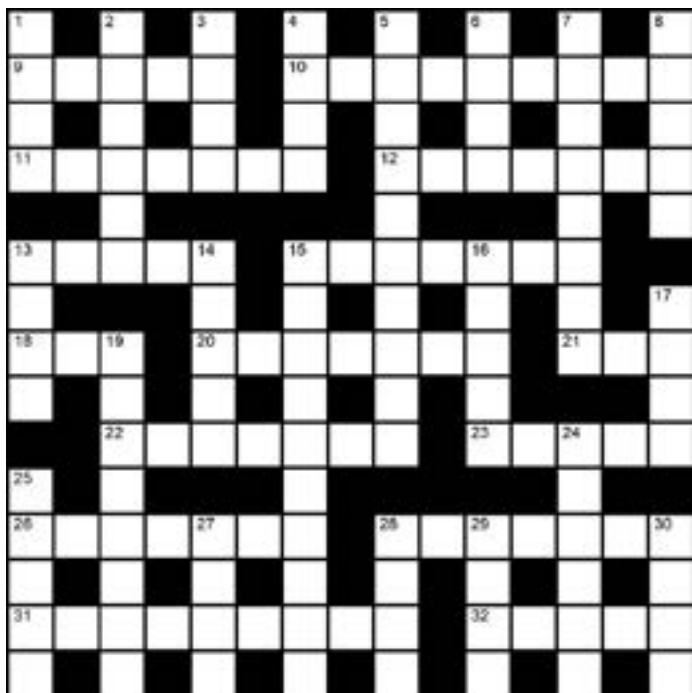
Cryptic Crossword

By Naxos

Answers on page 19

No Spoilers ...

... but 13 solutions (whose clues are asterisked) are linked to a theme to celebrate a centenary this year.



Across

- 9 Part aristocrat laughs over place of sacrifice (5)
- *10 Note of pet's drinking habits or award for circuit breaker? (3, 6)
- 11 Cover the same area and go way beyond the flag? (7)
- 12 Trump astronomical event (7)
- 13 Ancient Greek hit and run (5)
- 15 Hit back with the water in Paris creating scene (7)
- *18 Pull in the leaders for quick change here (3)
- *20 I can drop into revolutionary double bend (7)
- 21 Decline noodle if on stick (3)
- 22 Questions honesty of little rascal awfully snug (7)
- 23 After promotion I'm up before ten to mingle with others (5)
- *26 Someone very keen on canal feature holds the wheel tight (7)
- 28 It's pure bosh -- reverse releasing hydrogen to dry out! (5, 2)
- *31 Flag form of payment with colour (9)
- 32 Used to keep fish in native American lake (5)

Down

- *1 Drop line of greeting on safety feature frequently polished (4)
- 2 See 4 down
- 3 Test partly obtained from tutor allowed (4)
- *4 and 2 down Current master troubled after accident (10)
- 5 On the seabed spot wrecked craft (10)
- 6 Trade in wood (4)
- *7 Quality of rubber enclosure (8)
- 8 Does he waste time just ticking over? (5)
- 13 Gain hope initially for time when kind to exaggerate (4)
- 14 Run over main points about cover (5)
- *15 At the trial stage unfortunately they're right behind you (10)
- 16 Cut opponent short with a means to help you go (5)
- *17 Animal cross at innermost corner (4)
- 19 American singer supports idiot bird fancier (8)
- 24 See 29 down
- *25 Overcome after small oil spill (5)
- 27 Negative one in French grammatical term (4)
- 28 Someone in dire emergency leads team (4)
- *29 and 24 down Is it a scourge to be last in the field? (10)
- *30 European starting in top spot (4)



Young Readers' Corner

Spot the Difference Fun Run Challenge

Welcome to the big Fun Run! The two race-day pictures look almost exactly the same, but there are 10 sneaky differences hiding between them. Can you find all 10 before crossing the finish line? Look carefully at the runners, the crowd, and the race track. Some differences are easy to spot, while others are extra tricky.

Circle each difference as you find it and see if you can discover all 10. Good luck, detective, and why not colour the pictures when you've finished!



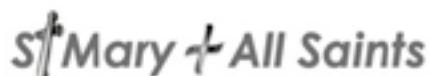
'Name the Song' Quiz

Continuing the sporting theme, all of these songs are popular race-day, fitness and motivational favourites to get you ready for the Fen Gallop. Can you guess the song from the clue?

- The title of this song by Journey describes holding on to a dream, despite obstacles.
- Rocky Balboa trained to this famous anthem by Survivor.
- A Queen classic often heard when athletes stand on the podium.
- The title of this Katy Perry hit could describe the sound of a lion.
- If the weather is perfect for the race, you might feel like you're doing this by Katrina and the Waves.
- Tina Turner's hit claims you're a winner whatever your place in the race.

Answers on page 19

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Services – in Church (except where shown)

- 5 July 11 am** Holy Communion
12 July 11 am Café Church – in the Octagon Hall
19 July 11 am Holy Communion
26 July 11 am Morning Prayer – based on the Book of Common Prayer

Wednesday Services of Morning Prayer

On **each Wednesday** a short Morning Prayer Service is held at 9 30 am in one of the four 5folds Churches.

Services in July are: **1 July**, Swavesey; **8 July**, Longstanton; **15 July**, Willingham; **22 July**, Over; **29 July**, Swavesey. Everyone is welcome.

Memory Box Café

Our next Memory Box Café will be on **11 July** from 10 am in The Octagon with the usual mix of music, refreshments, laughter and fun. Everyone living with memory loss (or other illness) accompanied by a carer, friend or family is welcome. See page 7 for further details.

Octagon Community Hub

The Octagon Community Hub is open **every Monday morning** from 10 am to 12 30 pm. Come and join us for great company and free tea, coffee, toast and a hot light lunch. There are always magazines to read and borrow, jigsaw puzzles to do, board games and card games to play, colouring sheets to colour, wool to knit with or you can just chat to others in a comfortable, friendly environment. Also available is advice and guidance about finance. Everyone is welcome.

Prayers for Ukraine and World Peace

We continue to keep an area set aside in Church for those who wish to spend some quiet reflective time to pray for Ukraine and its people during daytime Church opening hours. Also, **every Thursday** at 4 30 pm, we offer a time to gather to pray for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East and for an end to conflict worldwide. Everyone is welcome.

Octagon Hall

The Octagon Hall is available for group and private bookings at a cost of £16 per hour. For further information and bookings, please contact Colin Smith at the administration office, Tuesday to Friday 9 30 am to 12 noon, using the contact details shown below.

Contact Details

Clergy:

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26 July Service

EVENTS

Wednesday Fellowship – Coffee Morning, 10 – 11 30 am

Every Wednesday, Open Door for coffee and chat.

Men's Breakfast – 18 July, 7 45 – 9 15 am

Breakfast and chat. Speaker: Mike Day – *Capability Brown*. To book contact Pete on: whammensbrek@gmail.com.

Community Lunch Club – 2 July, 16 July and 30 July

Book through Daphne on 07919 024857.

TOPS Baby and Toddler Group – Tuesdays at 9 45 am (term time only). Meet other families while the children play. For children up to the age of five.

Contact Debbie Allen on 01954 261581.

Nimble Fingers Craft Club – Mondays 2 – 4 pm

Bring your crafts and join with others, learn a new skill or just chat. Contact Daphne on 07919 024857.

Women's Bible Study Group – 27 July, 7 pm

For all events contact: secretary@willinghambaptist.org.

Catholic Parish of the Sacred Heart, St Ives

Mass at **5 pm Saturdays**, and at **9 and 11 am Sundays**.

Mass is also celebrated at **6 pm on Saturday** in the church at Hanover Close, Bar Hill, CB23 8EH. www.olem.org.uk.

For more information about the Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia, See www.rcdea.org.uk.

Willingham Action Group

Willingham Village Fete



Our New Community Larder

The new Community Larder is available in the front porch of St Mary and All Saints' Church in Church Street. If you, or anyone you know, is in need of essential items, please help yourself. If you are able to do so, please donate non-perishable food and household items direct into the box.

The feedback received so far has been very positive, highlighting both the kindness and pride within our community and the importance of looking out for one another. Please help spread the word about the Community Larder.

Save the Date(s) for Willingham FEAST

Willingham has much to celebrate, from our rich farming heritage to the strong community spirit that brings us together year after year. FEAST has long been an important tradition in our village, rooted in harvest celebrations and community pride.

This year, we are delighted to expand our FEAST celebrations with a series of events taking place in the autumn. From activities and gatherings to opportunities to reconnect and celebrate together, we hope there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

Visit our Facebook page for the full programme of events.

Keep up to date by liking our Facebook page:

Website: www.willinghamlife.co.uk

Get in touch at: events@willinghamlife.co.uk



New District Councillors

Councillors James Hutchcraft and Aisha Rashid

Both Aisha and I are privileged and honoured to have been elected by the residents of our two villages to represent their views at South Cambridgeshire District Council.

Since being elected on 7 May, and as new first-time councillors, we have thrown ourselves into the various induction and training events hosted throughout the last few weeks as well as undertaking a handover process with outgoing and retiring Councillor Bill Handley. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Bill for all his diligent hard work over the last eight years and we wish him well in the future.

Annual Meeting of South Cambridgeshire District Council

Aisha and I attended the first full Council Meeting of the new session on 21 May. This was largely a procedural meeting where a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council were appointed as well as the Leader of the Council. Importantly, Council member nominations were confirmed and approved for various committees and external bodies.

I was proud to be confirmed as a member of the Civic Affairs Committee and Joint Planning Advisory Group as well as the SCDC representative on the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel and the Over and Willingham Internal Drainage Board. Aisha was confirmed as a member of the Licensing Committee and the Employment and Staffing Committee in addition to the SCDC representative on the Needingworth Quarry Liaison Committee.

Zero Carbon Communities Grant

SCDC's Zero Carbon Communities Grant is now open, and Willingham and Over Parish Councils or local community groups may be interested to know if they are eligible to apply. Grants of between £2,000 and £19,500 are available, with £152,000 to be awarded in total, so if there is a project that could reduce carbon emissions or encourage more sustainable living, this could be the funding to make it happen. Eligible projects might include improving energy efficiency of a community building through insulation, heat pumps, solar panels or LED lighting, supporting low-carbon travel such as cycling infrastructure, or community-led initiatives around waste reduction, nature, or sustainable lifestyles. For full details visit the Zero Carbon Communities Grant page on the South Cambs website, or feel free to contact myself or Aisha at cllr.hutchcraft@scambs.gov.uk or cllr.rashid@scambs.gov.uk. The deadline for applications is 5 pm on **Friday 24 July**.

Local Government Reorganisation: Where Are We Now?

Following earlier consultation, a decision on LGR for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is expected in July. A Structural Changes Order would then pass through Parliament, formally establishing the new unitary authority. Shadow authority elections are anticipated for May 2027, with the new authority becoming fully operational and South Cambridgeshire District Council wound up on 1 April 2028.

James Hutchcraft



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Volunteer Opportunity: Chair of the Patient Participation Group (PPG)

We are looking for a new Chair for our Patient Participation Group (PPG). The PPG is a group of patients who work with the practice team to help improve services, share patient views and support the development of the practice. As Chair, you would lead meetings, help set agendas and act as a key link between patients and the practice. Any patient registered with the Medical Practice who is interested in representing patient views and helping shape local healthcare services can apply. No previous experience is required – just enthusiasm, good communication skills and a willingness to get involved.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Sharon Unwin, Practice Manager. We would love to hear from you and welcome new voices to the PPG.

Annual Medication Reviews

All patients prescribed repeat medications require an annual review, typically held during their birth month. Regardless of the number of medications on your repeat prescription, it is a legal requirement to review your medications annually with a GP. Not only is the GP legally responsible for prescribing your medication, but this is also a good opportunity to discuss any concerns or ask any questions you may have. If you fail to attend this appointment, it may affect your receiving your regular monthly medication. Please note that, even if you are under the care of a hospital consultant for a condition, you will still be required to attend this appointment.

Waiting Times

We apologise that, due to increased demands on the GPs, there may be delays in being seen for your routine or emergency appointment. Please bear in mind that our staff are working hard to minimise this, but it is always advisable to allow a little extra time, just in case.

MyChart Patient App

MyChart is the electronic patient portal at Addenbrooke's and The Rosie hospitals, allowing patients to securely access parts of their health record held within the hospitals' Epic electronic patient record system. It is designed to improve communication between patients and their clinical teams and to enable patients to be more involved in, and informed about, their care by having access to their information. Hospital information available electronically through MyChart includes upcoming appointments, past appointment details, current problems and conditions, clinical correspondence, test results and medication information. Patients can also check in for appointments, message their care team (where available within the clinical specialty), download recent visit records and securely share MyChart information electronically with other clinical settings, such as their GP, community care staff and clinicians at other hospitals. For further information and to sign up to MyChart, please visit: www.cuh.nhs.uk/visiting-our-hospitals/your-appointment/mychart.

Referrals

If, during your consultation, the GP or nurse has arranged a referral to a hospital or community service and you have not heard anything within two weeks, either from the surgery confirming your referral has been sent or from the hospital or service itself, please contact our secretaries, who will be happy to follow this up for you.

Contacting the Surgery

Email is not an appropriate route for patients to make clinical contact with a GP and we ask that you do not convey clinical information in this way. This includes, for example, asking clinical questions, informing the GP that you are changing the dose of your

NEW SURGERY OPENING HOURS

Willingham Medical Practice		Longstanton Branch Surgery	
Monday	8 am – 6 30 pm	Monday	8 30 am – 1 pm & 2 30 pm – 6 pm
Tuesday	8 am – 6 30 pm	Tuesday	8 30 am – 1 pm
Wednesday	8 am – 6 30 pm	Wednesday	8 30 am – 1 pm
Thursday	8 am – 6 30 pm	Thursday	8 30 am – 1 pm
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Wednesday	8 30 am – 1 pm	2 pm – 6 pm
Thursday	8 30 am – 1 pm	2 pm – 6 pm
Friday	8 30 am – 1 pm	2 pm – 6 pm

LONGSTANTON DISPENSARY OPENING TIMES

For Collection of Prescriptions		Telephone Line	
Monday	8 30 am – 1 pm & 2 30 – 4 pm	Monday	10 am – 12 & 3 – 4 pm
Tuesday	8 30 am – 1 pm & 2 30 – 4 pm	Tuesday	10 am – 12 & 3 – 4 pm
Wednesday	8 30 am – 1 pm & 2 30 – 4 pm	Wednesday	10 am – 12 & 3 – 4 pm
Thursday	8 30 am – 1 pm	Thursday	10 am – 12
Friday	8 30 am – 1 pm & 2 30 – 4 pm	Friday	10 am – 12 & 3 – 4 pm

Please note that when the GP surgery is closed our patients are unable to collect letters from or drop off samples with the dispensary team.

Please telephone 01954 207602 for any medication queries or hospital discharge concerns but NOT requests for repeat medications

medication or wishing to update the GP before an appointment. If we receive such emails, our only response will be to ask you to make a GP appointment.

Please also note that we are unable to book appointments via email or our AccuRx Patient Triage system. Appointments can be made via SystmOnline, the NHS App or by telephoning the surgery and speaking to our reception team.

Vaccinations

- The Pneumococcal Vaccine is available year-round for everyone aged 65 years and over.
- The RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) Vaccine is available year-round for everyone aged 75 years and over, as well as all pregnant women from the 28th week of pregnancy.
- The Shingles Vaccine is available year-round for everyone aged between 65 and 80 years, for individuals aged 50 years and over who meet the definition of severe immunosuppression, and for those aged between 18 and 49 years who are receiving a stem cell transplant.

Carers' Meetings

If you are a carer and need advice, financial support or emotional support, please come along to our carers' support meeting on **1 July** at the Wilford Furlong Centre, where we will be holding a drop-in session from 2 to 4 pm. Please come along and receive support from other people in the local community. Refreshments are provided, there is no need to pre-book and it is completely free. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month. For more information, please contact alaine.bunce@nhs.net

Willingham Medical Practice

Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

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Friday: 10 am – 1 pm

Saturday: 10 am – 1 pm

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National Year of Reading

2026 is a National Year of Reading, supported by libraries across the country. The aim is to encourage people of all ages to read for pleasure.

Summer Reading Challenge

'Read to the Beat' in the library this summer! For the 2026 Summer Reading Challenge, 'Read to the Beat', The Reading Agency has partnered with Universal Music Group to help reach even more young people and show them that stories and songs share the same power to inspire. To complete the challenge, children simply need to read six library books over the summer holidays and collect a sticker for each one. Everyone who completes the challenge will be awarded their own 'Read to the Beat' medal and certificate. Families can sign up at the library free of charge from **4 July** and start collecting special 'Read to the Beat' stickers from **18 July**. Everything really does change when you read! www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/visit-a-library/children-and-young-people-in-libraries/summer-reading-challenge

Multi-Media Workshop in Conjunction with 'Read to the Beat'

3 August, 10 am start

£3 per family. Join us for a fun, beginner-friendly introduction to yarn craft. All materials will be provided. Create colourful musical notes and help us build the first line of a song in our community artwork or make some notes to take home. Parents and guardians must remain on site. Please reserve your place by visiting the library or emailing BarHill.Library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

An Exciting New Activity for Young Children

Fridays (term time only), 10 15 to 11 15 am

Under 5s 'Stay and Play'. Free drop-in session. Bring your child along for a chance to play with others and for you to meet parents and carers in a safe and welcoming environment. All toys have been purchased by the Friends of the Library.

Digital Buddy Drop-in Session

14 July, 10 30 am to 12 noon

Struggling to access the web? Need help with an online application? Drop into the library on the second Tuesday of

the month to get free assistance from our Digital Buddy.

After School Lego Session

9 July, 4 to 5 pm

Second Thursday of the month (term time only). Children aged four and over, accompanied by an adult.

Family Lego Club

11 July only this month, 10 15 to 11 45 am

Second and fourth Saturdays of the month (term time only). If you love Lego, come to the library and enjoy some time building with Duplo or Lego. Children aged four and over must be accompanied by an adult.

Meet Roxy, a Pets as Therapy Dog

Sorry, Roxy is on holiday until September.

Postage Stamps

The library now has a used stamp collection box.

Friends of Willingham Library Events

Contact willinghamlibraryfriends@gmail.com for further information

Second-hand Book Sale

5 July, at the WAG Fete in the Ploughman Hall, 11 30 am to 3 pm

Change of day and venue for this month only. We have a good variety of quality second-hand books for adults and children. Great value at 50p each or three for £1.

Family History Session

3 July, 10 30 am to 12 noon

The library computers will be available for research using Ancestry (free of charge in the library), as well as other genealogy websites. A volunteer will be available to offer advice if needed. If you would like to know more, contact us using the email address above.

Games and Social Afternoon

8 July, 2 to 4 pm

Come and join us for a relaxing game of Scrabble or one of the other games available at the library. You may even wish to bring a favourite game from home to share. You are also welcome to simply sit, chat and enjoy some company and refreshments.

Knit and Natter

15 July, 2 to 4 pm

Join us for an informal and friendly get-together at the library. Bring your knitting or any other needlework or handicraft. We will be sitting and chatting while working on our projects and perhaps sharing help and advice with others. Refreshments available. Donations welcome.

Cambridgeshire Libraries

Sign up for the Library Service's monthly email newsletter to find out the latest news from your local libraries: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/news-and-events/library-news

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Then and Now: A George Street Division



This historic view of George Street features the Rose and Crown public house, serving Tolly Ales. However, it is the imposing brick building just beyond the pub that holds a dramatic slice of village history: the original Willingham Baptist Chapel (later known as the Strict Baptist Church).

Built in 1833, the chapel was the thriving heart of the village's Non-conformist community until 1860, when a 'gigantic quarrel' shattered the congregation. The bitter theological split divided the worshippers clean down the middle. The breakaway group walked out and eventually built the grand rival Baptist Tabernacle almost directly across the road in 1874.

While the old Rose and Crown building survives today as modern housing, the original 1833 chapel pictured here eventually closed and was demolished in the 1980s.

Next time: we look across the road at the Tabernacle and its modern-day legacy.

Steve Moore

Come and Give Green Bowls a Go!

Willingham Bowls Club is on the village recreation ground, and anyone aged 16 and over can come and try it out. You don't have to be a superstar like this little chap; all you need is a pair of flat shoes and we can provide the rest.

Sunday mornings, usually from 10.30 am, and Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 pm are our practice times, so why wait? Come and give it a go!

Valerie McKee



Nature's Names

Anyone who has visited our local fens and heard a bittern booming or, even better, seen one of these extremely secretive herons in the reed beds, will have rejoiced at the experience. They are very difficult to see but are the loudest bird in Britain.

The name bittern was borrowed from Old French, *botor* and *bitoure*, with the ending 'n' appearing in the sixteenth century, possibly influenced by the word *heron*. Before then, the Latin was *būtiō* or, sometimes, *būtitauros*, on the basis of the bird's loud booming sound resembling a bull.

There are many folk names for the bittern – butter bump, mire dumber, bog-bull, barrel-maker, thunder-pumper and water belcher being amongst the many. The collective noun for bitterns is a sedge or, less common, a siege – although, let's face it, they are extremely solitary birds and it feels like a complete waste of a collective noun.

Apparently, the bittern is a bit of a weather forecaster on the side, as in a Yorkshire proverb from the nineteenth century:

There'll either be rain or else summut waur,
When Butter Bumps sing upon Potteric Carr.

Hmm, it all sounds a little uncertain. Make up your own mind about taking an umbrella with you.

In the late 1300s, the literary scamp Geoffrey Chaucer mentions the booming bird in *The Wife of Bath's Tale*:

She ran down to a marsh close by,
Until she came there her heart was afire,
And as a bittern bumbleth in the mire
She laid her mouth low to the water down...

Bitterns are also mentioned in the Bible, for example in Isaiah – 'I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction...'

Call me easily confused, but it appears that a few scholars disagree with that translation from Hebrew, saying that it's not supposed to be a bittern, but a hedgehog. (Pause to scratch head.) I'm guessing that a bittern could dodge the dreaded besom of destruction easier than a hedgehog would. Therefore, on balance, I'm sticking with the butter bump, thank you very much!

John Lawrence

Mystery Photo

Too easy! That was the reaction from some readers when confronted with last issue's Mystery Photo. Others admitted, 'No idea!' In fact, it was the barber's sign in the window on our High Street.

This month's photograph has once again been warped and manipulated by our devious photographer, but there is a good chance you will know exactly where the original was taken.

John Lawrence



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Thought for the Month

We live in an age, as we are so often told, that is very 'polarised.' People are quick to jump to the judgment and condemnation of others, and quick to cast blame onto the nearest, most convenient person for any and all grievances. Like so many of our problems, Jesus tells a parable about this. It's known as 'The Parable of the Wheat and the Tares.' A tare is a type of weed, better known as dandelion, which looks a lot like wheat while it's growing, so that it is difficult to tell them apart until it's too late. In this parable, Jesus highlights the very human eagerness that we may all have to root out the bad now, according to our own judgment. But no, he tells us, let the weeds grow with the wheat and they can be separated at harvest time, otherwise the whole crop might get damaged.

It is such a great burden to be responsible for judging others, but the great thing is that it's a burden we don't have to carry. That judgment belongs to God alone, who doesn't hastily rip up the weeds while they're growing, risking harm to the good wheat. If we are the wheat, then of course we don't want to be competing for soil and moisture with a bunch of weeds. But even the wheat in

the field doesn't know which of its neighbours is dandelion. The reason it would be so damaging to rip them early is because, inevitably, we would rip up our own roots in the process, not to mention quite a lot of perfectly innocent stalks of wheat.

We humans are a discerning species. We make judgments and decisions all the time. And it's natural that we may try to discern whether the people around us are 'good' or 'bad.' Or, whether they are 'wheat' or 'dandelion.' But we are encouraged always to remember that making that decision for ourselves isn't actually in our best interests, because we might end up harming the whole field – our community – and ultimately ourselves in the process. Instead, ours is simply to receive the sunlight, the water and the nourishment which flows from the Lord, so that by the time his harvest comes, we may grow into good wheat.

Ed Green

St Mary & All Saints Church

Answers



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Young Readers' Corner

Spot the Difference

- 1 The sun has been added in the sky.
- 2 A flag has been added to the right-hand finish line pole.
- 3 The winning boy's hairstyle is different.
- 4 The girl runner has pigtails instead of a ponytail.
- 5 The girl's race number has changed from 84 to 85.
- 6 The girl runner has glasses.
- 7 The sign on the left has changed from GO RUNNERS! to a heart symbol and RUNNERS!
- 8 The spectator boy on the left is wearing his cap backwards.
- 9 The winning boy's eyebrows are lower.
- 10 The tree on the right is a different shape.



Name the Song

- 1 Don't Stop Believin'
- 2 Eye of the Tiger
- 3 We Are the Champions
- 4 Roar
- 5 Walking on Sunshine
- 6 The Best

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WHAT'S ON

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Wed 1 July	Carers' Meeting	Medical Practice	Wilford Furlong Centre	2 – 4 pm, see p14
Wed 1 July	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p 10
Thurs 2 July	Community Lunch Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri 3 July	Family History Session	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	10 30 – 12 noon, see p15
Sat 4 July	<i>Willingham News</i> deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Sat 4 & Sun 5 July	Open Garden	National Garden Scheme	Little Oak, 66 Station Road	12 noon – 5 pm, see p5
Sun 5 July	Fen Gallop	Fen Gallop	Recreation Ground	See www.fengallop.co.uk
Sun 5 July	Second-hand Book Sale	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Ploughman Hall	11 30 am – 3 pm, see p15
Sun 5 July	Village Fete	Willingham Action Group	Ploughman Hall	11 30 am – 4 pm, see p13
Sun 5 July	Jazz Club	Jazz Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm Rosie-Val 01954 789670
Mon 6 July	Talk: <i>How Good Is the Good Life?</i> with Liz Wright	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p6
Wed 8 July	Games and Social Afternoon	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Thurs 9 July	After School Lego Session	Library	Library	4 – 5 pm, see p15
Fri 10 July	Old Time Music Hall	Over Players	Over Community Centre	7 30 pm, see p6
Sat 11 July	Family Lego Club	Library	Library	10 15 – 11 45, see p15
Sat 11 July	Memory Box Café	Parish Church	Octagon	10 am – 12 noon, see p7 & p12
Mon 13 July	WI Members' Garden Party	Women's Institute		7 30 pm, see p9
Tues 14 July	Digital Buddy Drop-in Session	Library	Library	10 30 am – 12 noon, see p15
Wed 15 July	Knit and Natter	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Thurs 16 July	Community Lunch Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri 17 & Sat 18 July	Beer Festival	Social Club	Social Club	See p6 & p9
Sat 18 July	Talk: <i>Capability Brown</i> with Mike Day	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 – 9 15 am, see p12
Mon 20 July	Photo Club Meeting	Photo Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p6
Mon 27 July	Talk: <i>The Cambridgeshire Witch Trials: Fear on the Fen Edge</i>	Old Willingham	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5
Thurs 30 July	Community Lunch Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12

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