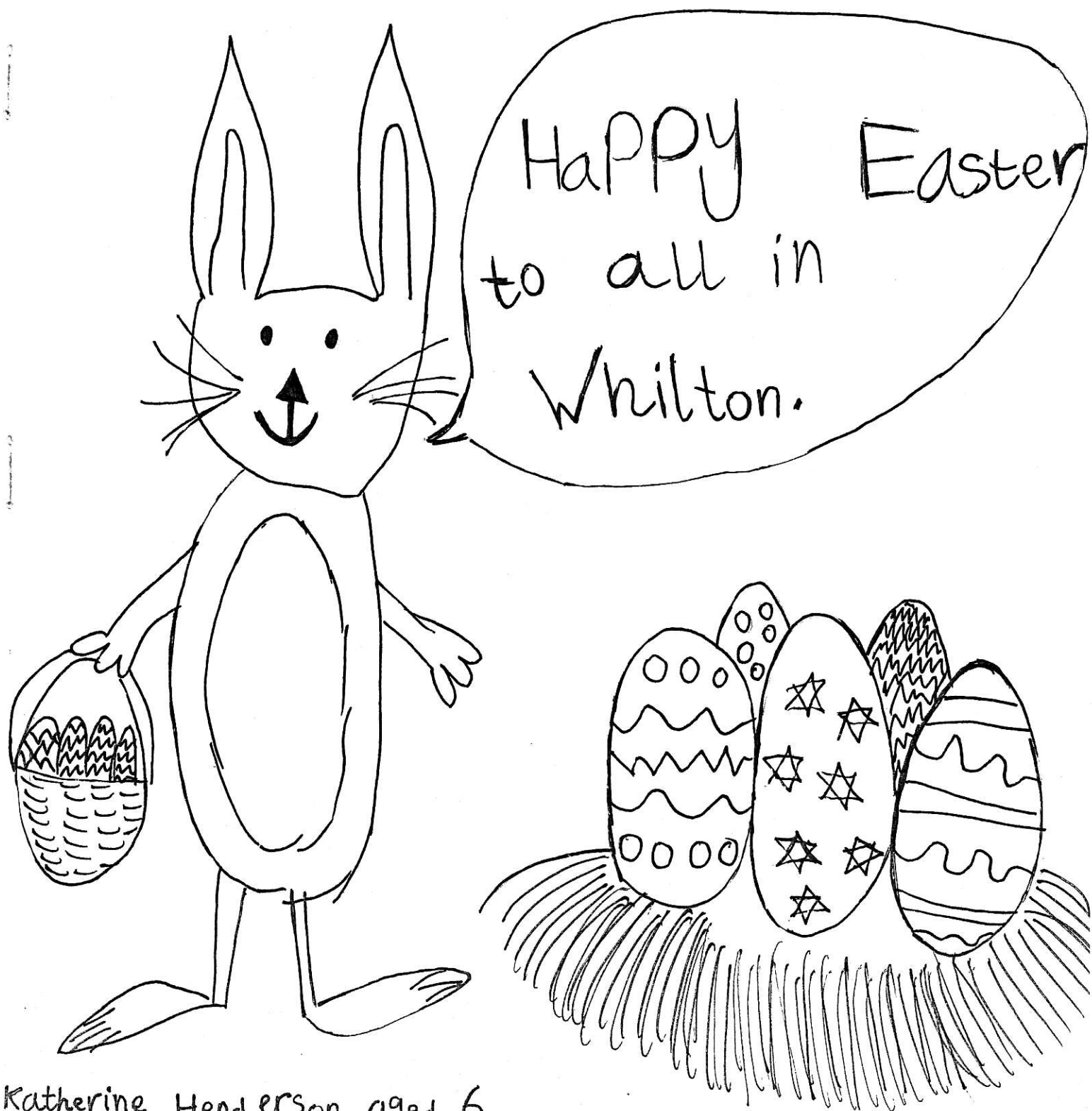


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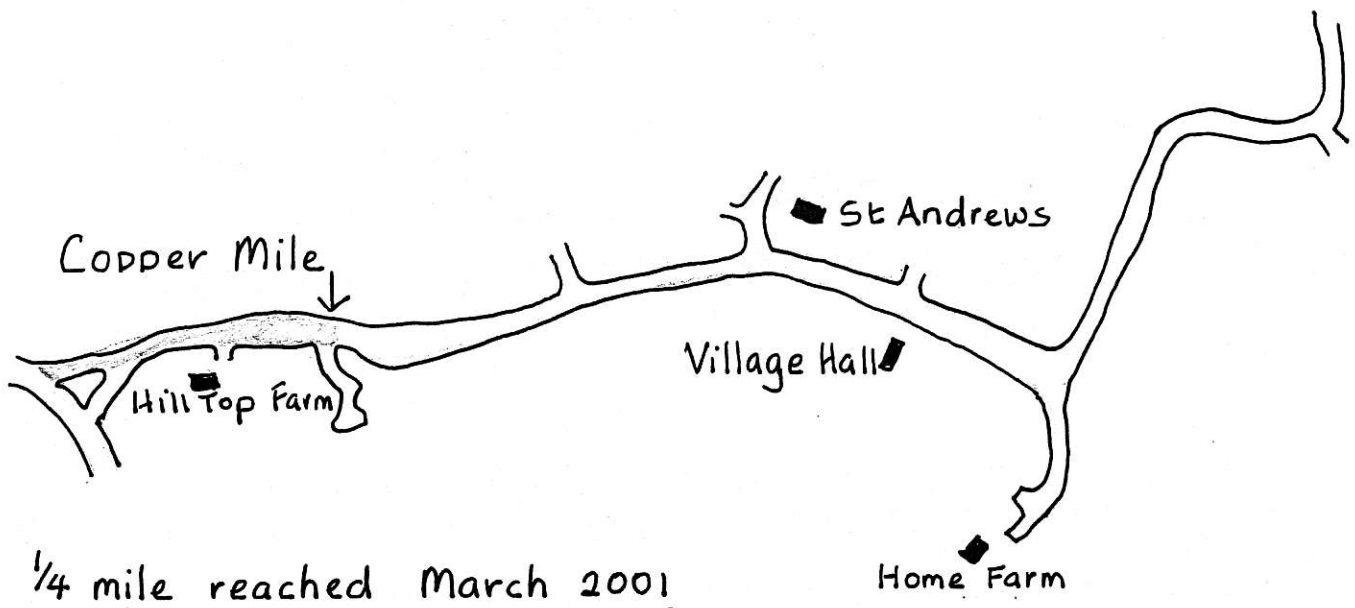
Katherine Henderson aged 6

Copper Mile

Hello to all newsletter readers and especially to all those who have continued to collect and donate their spare coppers over the cold and dark winter months. I apologise for the absence of a copper mile report in the last news letter but life was rather hectic (usually the case as the deadline approaches) and also things have been a little quieter on the donation front. However we have been able to bank another £20 since the last report and inch a little closer to our goal. Still, Spring is here, although as I write this and look out of the window the world has turned white, but hopefully by the time you are reading this we will all be basking in a little sunshine and the icy winter chill will have receded. So don't forget as you dust out those corners and tidy that overflowing drawer WE ARE STILL COLLECTING!! Time for the **COPPER MILE** to get a wriggle on and head down towards the church. All donations large or small are greatly appreciated and can be donated at any time to Janet Bowers or Gill Denbigh or left at the donation point in St Andrews. Please continue to collect and donate any spare coppers you may have. All donations are placed in the St Andrews designated fund. Many thanks in anticipation of your continued support.

GD.

March 2001



We did not realize the power and comfort that cards and good wishes could bring during a period of illness.

Our thanks go out to all the residents of Whilton and area who sent cards and kind wishes when Derek was very ill in Northampton General Hospital.

Derek returned home on Monday 19th March and is now progressing well and hopes to be out and about very soon.

Shirley and Derek Brown

***HELLO! - My name is JENNY PONDER
and I would like to introduce myself and my family to Whilton***

***My husband, CARL, and I bought some garden about a year ago,
and with the help of family and friends, built our home (luckily
Carl is a bricklayer!)***

***We have two children, ELLIE is two and is at home with me and
DANIEL is in year one at Brington School.***

***Carl and I would like to say a special thank you to our neighbours.
especially Howard and Grace, Jim Ros and Rupert for making lots of
cuppas and putting up with all our commotion.***

***JENNY, CARL, DANIEL & ELLIE
STONE GARDEN, WHILTON.***

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There has been no reported crime in Whilton during the past two months.

Bogus Callers

There have been recent warnings of bogus officials working in Daventry and the surrounding area. They offer help from a variety of services e.g the Council, Gas or Water or Electricity.

These callers often wear the appropriate uniform and look convincing.

Remember

- Do not let anyone into your home unless known to you.
- Do not buy from or sell to callers at the door unless previously known to you or have been recommended.
- Genuine officials from the Service Industries will carry identity cards and should always make an appointment before calling. If there is any doubt, refuse entry and ring the appropriate Customer Service Department to verify their identity.
- Alert Police immediately if you are suspicious about any caller or unusual activities near your home.

**TO CONTACT NORTHAMPTONSHIRE POLICE
dial Northampton 01604 700700**

Christine Bilborough (Co-ordinator)

PARISH MATTERS!

The Parish Council met on March 5th in the presence of one member of the public. It was a very full agenda but having to go over a lot of old ground as things had not progressed as hoped.

Highways

Highways was one area in particular where concern was highest. The County Council Highways department had replied to our letter on the broken wire at Southview that it could not be afforded till the new year, and that the legal issue over whether removing the new but loose rail at Southview was allowed would have to be checked. Members of the Parish Council also remarked on the futility of the last recent filling of our potholes with cold tar pushed down by the wheels of the small lorry on which it came, which the weather had soon dislodged. The Clerk was asked to write to them again about this while confirming the expected results of a much more positive visit by two Highways Representatives.

NCC AREA COMMITTEE AWARD

The Area Manager and deputy Maintenance Engineer had walked the village with two Councillors and the clerk to agree what the £1200 award from the NCC Area Committee should be spent on. It was understood this would involve mending the worst of our broken road verges, some potholes, and putting right two very badly vehicle scored verges below the school house and in Brington Lane. The principal improvement, however, was the agreement to kerb the remaining area of the village green, and lower the high kerb at the corner of the Stonehouse, as previously requested. There had also been the decided advantage of the deputy engineer seeing our continual stream down the Main Street, which despite phonecalls and letters had not received attention. A gang arrived the next week to deal with the collapsed drain. The Clerk was requested to ask whether when the award work was done in the village something could be done about the deteriorating conditions on the Z bend going out of there bottom of the village.

Commemoration Plaque

Two other matters were proving difficult to resolve. The District Council had written to say the Commemoration Plaque did not need planning permission, (after the meeting they have now written again to indicate this was a mistake), but Highways required we notify all utilities and have £5m claims cover! The Council decided to seek clarification from our insurers while confirming the siting with neighbours. The new requirement and cost of Planning Permission has now to be met.

Complaints about engine noise

The second matter concerned complaints about the increasing and disturbing noise of the acceleration of go-karts at the new track at the Mill. 5 Complainants have registered concern about this loud "Brands Hatch" noise making enjoyment of their gardens impossible. The Council decided to seek clarifications from the Planning Department about its enforcement responsibilities, the silencers and restrictions on the track confirmed by them to exist when the flood lights were given planning permission last year. Meanwhile if this a concern to parishioners on both sides of the Mill, as wind direction seems crucial, please note date and times and notify the clerk.

Our Environment.

Preserving and improving the environment of the village was the theme of confirmations that the Gardening Club was keen to take on the new award Bulbs shrubs and trees and the WI would organise the Spring Clean in Easter Holidays.

Two Councillors agreed to order and install new seat on verge at bottom of the village. This if possible to obtain would match that placed in the Churchyard and the Locks Pond area. The Council would pay the difference in price. The Council also had it first experience of tendering. An advert had been placed in the Daventry Express for tenders to cut the Churchyard grass and trim the graves as the responsibility had passed to the Parish Council as the Parochial Church Council could no longer fulfil this need. It is the village burial ground. Three tenders had been received. The contract for this year subject to a satisfactory performance after the first two cuts was awarded to Mr Green of Daventry. It involves 7 cuts and trims with the removal of the grass.

Triennial Audit

The Clerk reported on the findings of the Triennial Audit, which had been given to him and the Chairman on 19th. February. The Auditor was in general very satisfied with the presentation but wished the Council to note three things and represent the three annual public statements of Accounts. This was because the clerk not being an accountant had used the figures from the bank statements at the start of each year. These figures included unrepresented cheques from the previous year. This was not correct practice. The Council was asked to accept and note that it should require its bank to present a statement showing interest credited to its deposit account for 31st March not await the normal two month cycle showing position at end of April. It should also retain its list of electors for each year of the Audit even though the Registrar indicated old ones should be destroyed as each new one was issued. Finally a VAT reclaim had been missed and should be claimed at the next refund application made to the Customs and Excise. Once the reformulated account sheets were approved the Auditor would sign them off and a notice would be posted for you the parishioners to see.

Other Business

The usual planning and financial issues were discussed. The new bungalow at Dove Close had been given planning permission. Cheques were approved and signed for allotment water, street lights and maintenance, advert and mower service, and both the base for the plaque and its metal trellis surround. Matters of concern to the Parish were discussed including the creation of a new Standards Committee at DCC which would also oversee the actions of Parish Councils, the new cabinet style of Local Government Consultation and an appeal for volunteers from villages to be on School Admission Appeals Panels. If you are interested in that please see notice board or speak with me. Finally I must remind you:

WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

HALF ALLOTMENT TO RENT

✿ **£6 PER YEAR** ✿

Available immediately

For further information please ring

Keith Hiscock, Clerk to the Parish Council

843319

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

REPORTS and ISSUES

MONDAY 14TH MAY

7.30 pm

Followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council

ALL WELCOME - SEE YOU THERE!

OPERATION SPRING CLEAN 2001

**please watch the noticeboard
for details of this annual litter pick in april**

BRINGTON AND WHILTON PRE-SCHOOL

This term has gone by so quickly, during which we firstly looked at Minibeasts and enjoyed looking at how many legs they have, where they live and what they eat. We are now looking at children in different countries, what they live in, what they do differently to us, and best of all the food they eat, which we have all enjoyed during our snack time. The interest table has proved very successful with items being brought in from home from the countries we have looked at.

We recently have had a Trivial Pursuit evening as a fundraiser, which was enjoyed by all who took part. We raised an approximate total of £280 and thank all those who came along and supported us. As we are a small group we rely on these fundraising events to keep us going.

Our numbers have increased throughout this term, although we still have room for more. We have vacancies for children of 2 years 9 months until school age. We offer a friendly, safe and stimulating environment for children to begin learning through play, interaction with other children their own age and development of social skills in preparation for formal schooling, but most of all to come along and enjoy themselves.

We have sessions available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am until 12 noon at Whilton Village Hall. If you would like more information please contact Jenny Holman on 01604 770083.

WHILTON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The PCC Meeting was held on Tuesday 30th January 2001 and the following may be of interest:-

Memorial for Harold Haynes - this is in hand. A table is being made by his son Roy to accommodate the Memorial Book.

Churchyard Mowing - Contract quotes are being obtained for the Parish Council (two needed) who will help with the costs of upkeep.

Archbishops Council - propose to negotiate an umbrella arrangement with one or more telecommunication operatives regarding the siting of radio masts on church property resulting in rental income for the individual church. St Andrew's details have been submitted but we are under no obligation to take up the scheme.

Rector's Report - The Lay Team has now been commissioned by Bishop Paul and is working well. The Christmas Service attendance was up on the previous year and the Christmas Day Morning Service of Family Eucharist was especially pleasing.

The Secretary / Churchwarden sent a letter to Clifford Ellison thanking him for organising the Christmas Concert and for his angels and holly ball decorations.

Churchwardens Report - the paths to the church have been attended to and the algae cleared on the north side. Gutterings and downpipes also checked and cleared of leaves. It was suggested at the Joint Churchwardens Meeting that a Benefice Website be set up. This received mixed reactions.

Treasurer's Report- The Parish Share for 2001 is £5610, an increase of £608 per annum. Revised terms for insurance cover resulted in our premiums being reduced marginally.

The church path and the gate to the porch is in need of attention and Mr Bowers has agreed to rectify this under the instruction of the architect, the Revd. Maurice Walton. Mr Bowers has offered to renovate the gateposts, again under the direction of the architect.

It was agreed to extend the hymnbook shelf to accommodate the new service booklets.

Derek Brown, PCC

VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Meeting was held on Monday 26th February at 8.00 pm. There was no change in the Officers for 2001:-

Mike Lewis	-	Chairman / Acting Secretary
Maurice Clements	-	Vice - Chairman
Treasurer	-	Derek Brown
Asst. Treasurer	-	Shirley Brown (during Derek's illness)
Committee	-	J Bowers, A Hiscock, S Mitchell. P Waights & R Fuller.

It was agreed that we had had a successful year financially and had maintained our rental income and our membership of the 200 Club. The rents are unchanged for 2001 and are very competitive (£3.75 per hour for residents) so if you wish to arrange a function or a children's birthday party or wish to hire any equipment (separate charges) please contact Mary Kane(Booking Secretary) on 842618.

Socially, the Halloween Beetle drive had been a great success and enjoyed by all. Mark your diaries for 29th April - Treasure Hunt within the village and 26th October (provisional date) for a Beetle Drive. Watch the noticeboard for further details.

Shirley Brown

IN BRIEF.....

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE *Just a reminder that the library van calls in the village every other Tuesday at approximately 9.10 am to 9.30 am. The van generally parks near The Old Plough. Good use needs to be made of this service if it is to be retained, why not make a visit to the van for your reading material? The APRIL dates will be 10TH & 24TH and MAY dates will be 8TH and 22ND*

WHILTON SPINNEY - *No work is possible at the moment due to Foot & Mouth Disease Restrictions.*

JAZZ CONCERT - *Last year's concert in the grounds of The Little Rectory was a great success and made nearly £4,000 for Cancer Charities. Richard & Hilary are arranging a Jazz Concert this year on Saturday 23rd June, hoping to raise even more this year. Details to follow. Any enquiries to 01327 843274.*



CONGRATULATIONS *on the birth of a daughter MADELEINE to SAMANTHA & MATTHEW HEALEY of Langton Rise on Monday 19th March, a sister for JAMES.*

FEBRUARY MEETING OF WHILTON WI

The Meeting was held on February 14th at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. We were pleased to welcome Jenny Ponder, a new resident in the village, who later expressed an interest in joining the WI. The President thanked Janet for dealing with the Christmas gifts to the senior citizens. Two members will be going to the Japanese Culture afternoon.

After obtaining further information from the website, the secretary was asked to write to Tim Boswell (MP) regarding our concern for the loss of an independent voice for patients due to the proposed abolition of Community Health Councils. Anthea Hiscock has agreed to be our delegate for the National AGM to be held in Cardiff.

It was agreed to hold a Fair Trade event on 17th March.

Following the business we had a most interesting talk by Rachel Watson, County Archivist on "Tracing Your Family Tree"

Advice was to start at the nearest relative and work backwards. Information can be obtained from the Records Office, church records and gravestones. Keep old and new photographs - noting on the back names and dates for future generations should they wish. to trace the family tree.

Janet Bowers

WHILTON WI - MARCH

March 7th members met to spend the evening making various crafts to be sold at the Coffee, Cakes and Craft Morning on 17th March. This turned into a very enjoyable get-together and gave members the opportunity for a good chat as well as producing some very imaginative craft items.

The Speaker for our main March Meeting on 14th was Debbie Smith who spoke on "The Work of the Children's Society". She explained how the Society was first set up to provide refuge homes for children, but in the sixties the homes were sold off in favour of going out and working and supporting young people on the streets and in prisons in a variety of different ways.

Ros Gardner

FAIR TRADE COFFEE, CAKES AND CRAFTS

On Saturday 17 March the members of Whilton WI held a coffee, cakes and craft morning, as part of the national Fair Trade Fortnight. Although we are only a small group we raised over £175 for WI funds and sold nearly £100 worth of Fair Trade goods.

There were free samples of Fair Trade tea and coffee, bananas and chocolate, and an interesting variety of Fair Trade goods for sale. The lucky raffle prize winner received a hamper of Fair Trade goods. All of these items are available from the Fair Trade shop in Rugby throughout the year, and some can be bought in local supermarkets.

Ten days beforehand members had met for an informal craft evening, when we enjoyed making things, which were sold on 17 March. Cakes, biscuits and preserves made by members were also available on the cake stall. Fair Trade coffee and tea were served with home made biscuits and visitors had the opportunity to watch a video about women banana farmers in St Vincent.

We would like to thank everyone who came and helped to make this a successful morning, despite the snowy conditions outside.

The next regular meeting of the WI will be at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall on Wednesday 11 April. This will be a slide show and talk on "Wildlife in Northamptonshire" by Mr D Larkin. If you are interested in joining us, please just come along to the Hall. We shall be very happy to see you.

Anthea Hiscock
Secretary, Whilton WI (843319)

Brington Primary School - Bell-cote Appeal

As the final hammer came down at the recent fund-raising 'Promises Auction', Barbara Lomas, the Headteacher, was hopeful that we'd got really close to our target. This would enable her to tell the stonemason to go ahead with the work of building the bell-cote for the old school bell. This was a major millennium project, also celebrating the 150th anniversary of Brington Primary School.

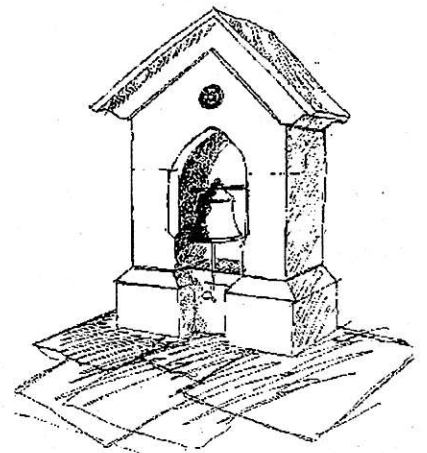
The overall target was one thousand pounds and various private donations had already raised three hundred and fifty pounds towards this, including a large sum from Whitbreads where a trustee of their community budget is a former pupil. We therefore needed to raise the balance from the night's activities, out of 40 or so lots and a room of 25 supporters who had brought their cheque books (we hoped...). Things kicked off well with a cheque presented by the Villages Committee, leaving us to produce a little over five hundred pounds from the auction, still quite a challenge.

The gifts and promises were all generously donated by local people connected with the school. They ranged from exotic flower arrangements, to a death-defying Microlite lesson, to the use of a man for the day.... Children were bidding for homemade cakes and genuine football memorabilia - including Gary Lineker's signed photo - sometimes getting a bargain for just a pound.

The top items were going for up to fifty pounds but everyone had lost count of the running total long before the end and no-one had any idea if we had reached our target. So when Miss Lomas announced that the auction had raised an astonishing eight hundred and fifty pounds, only then did we realise how well we had done - and more importantly, that the project can now go ahead.

So we will soon have a date for everyone's diary: the official opening of the new bell-cote in June as part of the 150th anniversary celebrations. The school is delighted with the outcome and is very grateful both to those who so generously donated their gifts and to our deep-pocketed auction-goers. The commitment shown by the community and the staff who organised the event was very much appreciated.

Richard Bunce
March 2001



The **GENEROSITY** and **ENERGY** of the **CANAL-SIDE** and **BOATING** COMMUNITY at **WHILTON LOCKS**

The following cutting is an extract from a belated report which appeared in the latest edition of THE FLIGHT — the free newsletter of *The Whilton and Buckby Locks Association* produced by Tom Price, a resident of our parish, who lives in a canal-side cottage a short distance below the locks.

The account reports that **'about £2,300 was collected from Whilton Locks alone'** for the Wooden Boat Society and cancer charities — a huge sum from our community there (albeit swelled by the temporary residents of pleasure boats in the marina and boaters locking through at that time).

Also mentioned are **'volunteers from Whilton Locks who legged the boat through Braunston Tunnel'**. This tunnel is 14 ft wide and over a mile long. Because there is no towing path inside, Bonny the horse was walked along the path over the top of the hill, while two volunteers propelled the historic boat through, using their legs — in the same way that the original working boat-men had to. They lay flat on their backs on wing-boards, which had been rigged to jut out from the sides of the bow of the 7ft narrowboat "MARIA", so that their feet could reach the walls of the wide tunnel. In this position, by crossing one leg over the other, they 'walked sideways' along the brickwork lining, causing the boat to move forward. To pass the boat through a tunnel as long as Braunston in this manner, must have been physically demanding — the leg muscles of a pair of leggers did the job normally performed by the horse! Named as one of the volunteer leggers of this ancient former working-boat, is another of our parish residents -- Tony Forward -- a craftsman who lives and works from his narrowboat based at Whilton Locks.

Beryl Williams

The Flight

Whilton and Buckby Locks Association

Winter 2000

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ALL WHO
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Charity mission for ancient boat

A VERY special boat came down the flight on July 3. "Maria," originally built in 1854, is Britain's oldest surviving wooden narrowboat.

When she arrived here she was half-way through a 250-mile trip from Manchester to London to raise money for cancer charities and the Wooden Canal Boat Society.

In charge of horse and boat was Susan Day, who wore the traditional boatwoman's long skirt and white pleated bonnet. She

planned the trip after her husband David Brown died of cancer two years ago.

Accompanied by her eight-year-old mare Bonny and her black dog Jet, Sue collected about £2,300 at Whilton Locks alone.

"We set off from Ashton-under-Lyne on May 4, the second anniversary of David's death, and we are carrying his ashes on board," she said.

"He and I met through boating and did many horsedrawn boat trips together. It

seemed fitting to try to raise money, mainly for cancer patients but also a smaller amount for wooden boats."

At the tiller going down the flight was 73-year-old John Boden. He's an experienced boatman but had never steered a horseboat before. He told the Flight: "The main difference is it hasn't got any brakes! I love the peace and quiet of it all -- it's wonderful!"

Working the locks were Tony Forward and Paul Whiffin, members of Whilton and Buckby

Locks Association. They had helped with finding grazing for Bonny and advance publicity for the trip.

Tony was among volunteers from Whilton Locks who legged the boat through Braunston Tunnel.

He said: "Sue told me that people on this stretch of canal had been the most helpful and friendly she had met so far."

British Red Cross
Northamptonshire Branch

You Can Make a Difference

The British Red Cross aims to be the leading voluntary provider of emergency help to those people in most need, anywhere in the world.

People who are vulnerable often lack the essentials of life, like close family or friends, access to public transport and financial resources. So when these people face a sudden crisis, there is often nowhere they can turn for help. That's where the British Red Cross and its volunteers enter the picture.

Our volunteers work in local communities, helping people to make essential journeys to the doctors or hospital, lending equipment such as wheelchairs following an injury or illness. Providing First Aid treatment at public events, caring for someone in their own home if the usual carer is unavailable or providing support for people whose house has been damaged because of a fire, to name a few.

In order for us to continue this vital work of caring for people in crisis, we must raise the funds ourselves, and it is because of this we are asking for your help and support.

Red Cross Week (6th – 12th May 2001) is the most important fundraising period of each year for us. Events and collections of all kinds take place throughout Britain to support the work of British Red Cross services.

In Northamptonshire we rely on many collectors to help us, but in a number of villages we haven't anyone for this year. We are looking for volunteers to help by organising and co-ordinating the fundraising activities in each area of five or six villages. The aim is to ensure at least one event or collection takes place in Red Cross Week in each village. This could be for example, a house to house collection, coffee morning, barbecue, street collection or putting counter top trays in the local post office, shop or public house.

Each 'Village Area Co-ordinator' will need to make contacts, write or talk with anyone interested, and help with any ordering and delivery of the materials required. Northamptonshire Branch Fundraising Department will help by providing any posters or other publicity materials required by the co-ordinators.

If you would like more information about how you can help, or would be interested in finding out about our services, please contact us on 01604 495010.

With your help we can support thousands of vulnerable people by being "The Certain Sign of Hope in Crisis".

More on Whilton's Bird Life

I was very pleased to read Anthea's documentation of the birds she has seen over the last two years in and around Whilton.

I am a relative novice on the bird watching scene, but in the short time I've lived in the village, I have delighted in the number of birds in and around Whilton and felt that I would like to contribute to Anthea's sightings.

Shortly after moving into the village in the late summer of 1999, I spotted 3 buzzards circling over Roughmoor Grounds and thought at first that they were 'escapees'. I love these beautiful, ethereal raptors and was therefore thrilled to learn that they are breeding, wild 'locals'. No doubt others have also seen the Barn Owl, the Tawny and I am convinced, I saw a Little Owl perched on a post at the top of the village in broad daylight last July.

Everyone will have noticed the many gulls in the fields; I have identified them as Common Gulls and Lesser Blackbacks as well as the odd Black headed Gull..

As for the smaller birds, I can only add those which have presumably been spotted by others – the Bullfinch, Linnets, Long tailed Tits and of course the ubiquitous Yellowhammer. I also think there are Meadow Pipits, as well as the Skylarks, perhaps someone could confirm that one. I didn't notice the House Martin mentioned in the last article, so I'll add that one too as I think the martin family must rank as one of my favourite groupings.

I'm not quite sure of the area covered by the parish, so perhaps the Sedge Warbler near Little Brington and the Common Snipe disturbed on the walk towards Long Buckby, will have to be discounted. Nevertheless, we are clearly blessed by a rich bird life including many varieties which are in decline; one of the nicest things about living here for me, is throwing my window open on a spring morning to hear the yellowhammer calling.

Has anyone seen a Kingfisher locally?

Ann Gilbert

PS Did you know that one of the country names for a Long Tailed Tit is Tumblebum.

BIRD LIFE IN THE GARDEN OF "HERITAGE"

Birds Sighted - Flycatchers and Long-Tailed Tits (several times this winter - eight were seen at one time feeding from peanut holders and perched in an almond tree) and also yellow-hammers have been seen

Janet Bowers

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Dear Sir

I am writing to you as the Daventry and South Northamptonshire journalist for BBC Radio Northampton. We are keen to improve our coverage of your area and are looking for a local person who can act as our correspondent.

I know the newsletter is already involved in collecting information from your area, so, if anyone agrees to become our correspondent, his or her main role would simple be passing this information onto us as well. I'd be interested in anything people are talking about, whether it's an issue of concern or an unusual event. It could simple be a campaign to persuade traffic to slow down on nearby roads, an effort to raise money for a local person in need, or a tale about an eccentric hobby. We would simply need the basic details and some suggestions of local people to talk to.

They would not have to actually appear on the radio themselves unless they wanted to. You have my telephone numbers to speak to me directly (or to my answerphone if I am not around), along with our newsroom number in Northampton and an e-mail address above. I would also be able to take details of items in your area for our *Billboard* which gives listeners a selection of the day's events around the county ever hour.

I would be very grateful for your information about stories as soon as they happen, but I would also contact you roughly once a fortnight to talk about any matters of interest. It would also be good to have a copy of your local newsletter. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer any payment in return for your help, but you would be helping your area to get more out of its local radio station.

Please let me know as soon as possible on 01327 706145 if you can help.

Many thanks



Martin Heath
Daventry and South Northamptonshire Correspondent

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SERVICES FOR ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WHILTON

APRIL 2001

1ST	11.00 AM	FAMILY SERVICE
8TH	10.00 AM	UNITED BENEFICE FAMILY SERVICE FOR PALM SUNDAY AT <u>EAST HADDON</u>
12TH	7.30 PM	HOLY COMMUNION & STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR - (<u>MAUNDY THURSDAY</u>)
15TH	6.00 PM	SUNG EUCHARIST <u>EASTER SUNDAY</u>
22ND	11.00 AM	FAMILY SERVICE
29TH	6.00 PM	SUNG EUCHARIST AT <u>NORTON</u>
<u>6TH MAY</u>	10.00 AM	UNITED BENEFICE SUNG EUCHARIST AT <u>WHILTON</u>

WHILTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

JANUARY 2001

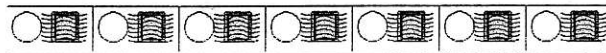
1st Prize	185	G Heeley	£40
2nd Prize	101	D Welch	£20
3rd Prize	117	C Fisher	£10

FEBRUARY 2001

1st Prize	151	J Clements	£40
2nd Prize	014	J Fuller	£20
3rd Prize	070	M Kane	£10

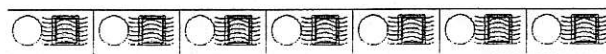
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS

USED POSTAGE STAMPS



Trudy Haynes, the Old Plough, has started collecting used postage stamps again; this time for the Children' Society.

Please save your stamps and pass to Trudy to support this very good cause.



Summary of Events

Mon	2nd	April	7.30 pm	Whilton Gardeners' Association in Village Hall
Tues	10th	April	9.10 am	Library van in village
Weds	11th	April	7.30 pm	WI Meeting in Village Hall - "Wildlife in Northamptonshire"
Sun	15th	April	6.00 pm	Sung Eucharist Service - Easter Sunday
Tues	24th	April	9.10 am	Library van in village
Fri	27th	April	7.30 pm	Whilton Parochial Church Council AGM in Village Hall
Sun	29th	April	p.m.	Village Hall Treasure Hunt
Sun	6th	May	10.00 am	United Benefice Sung Eucharist in St Andrews
Tues	8th	May	9.10 am	Library van in village
Weds	9th	May	7.30 pm	WI Meeting in Village Hall - "Resolutions"
Mon	14th	May	7.30 pm	Annual Parish Meeting in Village Hall
Fri	18th	May		Newsletter Deadline Please hand in your contributions by this date otherwise we cannot guarantee they will be included in the next edition. <u>Printing to be done before school breaks for half-term</u>
Tues	22nd	May	9.10 am	Library van in village

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