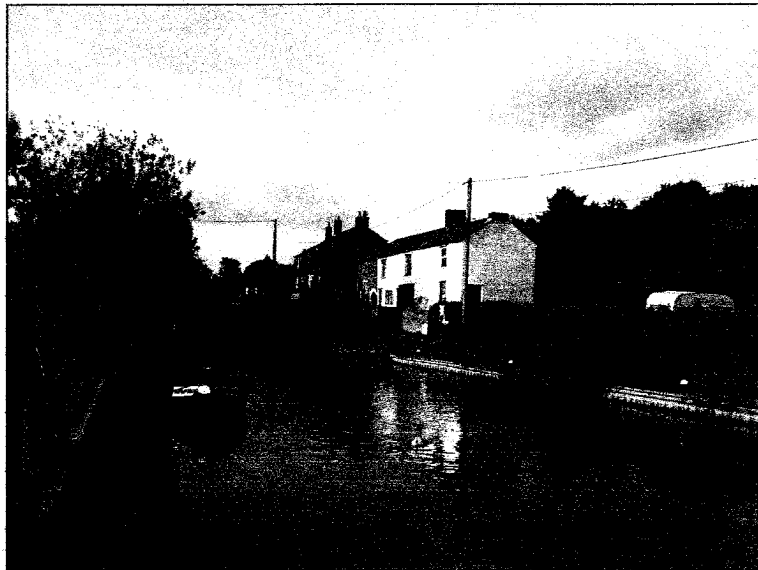


# **AUTUMN 2017**

# **WHILTON NEWSLETTER**



*Autumn reflections at Whilton Locks*

**News and views from around the parish**

LOOKING BACK ...



## LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

...AND LOOKING FORWARDS



Welcome to the Autumn 2011 issue of the Whilton Newsletter.

As the new team embarks on editing the Newsletter, we must express our debt of gratitude to Derek and Shirley Brown, who carried out this task so well and so long. In the edition of December 1992 there was a note that the Newsletter had been going for 5 years, and the editors asked whether or not parishioners wished the Newsletter to continue. 40 questionnaires were returned with a positive response. By August Shirley had joined the editorial team with Harold and Trudy Haynes and Anne Heeley. Shirley has been involved with every Newsletter since then.

When Anne left in April 1998, the editors reported: "We welcome to the committee Derek Brown, who for some time now has been making a considerable input to the Newsletter." This was no understatement. His contributions included notes on Neighbourhood Watch, the Spinney Project, the PCC, Operation Spring Clean and the Village Hall Committee.

After Harold's death in 2000, Trudy retired from the group in 2002. Sara Meadows was part of the team from 2001 to 2005. From that time Shirley and Derek have kept the parish informed with no assistance for another six years. We appreciate all they have done in keeping the Newsletter lively and interesting, encouraging contributions from around the parish, and arranging the distribution every two months.

The new editorial team is: Anthea Hiscock of Langton House, Teresa Leadbetter of Woodview, and Karen Whitcombe of Inglenook

The Newsletter will now be published quarterly, and we shall try to keep up the high standards set by our predecessors. Under Shirley and Derek's leadership the Newsletter has moved from mainly handwritten articles as the villagers have become computer literate. Even so, contributions in any form are still welcome. We shall be very happy to receive news, information, pictures and other material, which is relevant to Whilton.

## WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Following a time of turmoil in the spring I am pleased to report that we now have a full complement of councillors.

They are as follows –

Peter Wingrave – Chairman

Nora Swinford

Ken Bowers – Vice Chairman

Michael Thomas

Jonathan Hanslip

Sue Wingrave

Greg Lye

I personally would like to thank Mike Lewis for his help and support whilst he was Chairman of the Parish Council.

At the Parish Council Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2011 Peter Wingrave and Greg Lye were voted onto the council. Ken Bowers resigned as Chairman and Peter Wingrave was subsequently elected as the new Chairman and Ken Bowers was elected as Vice Chairman.

Over the past 2 months there have been 3 planning applications received by the Parish Council, namely –

- 7 South View, Whilton (renewal of outline planning application)
- Erection of a Motor Control Centre Kiosk, Distribution Kiosk and a Standby Generator at Whilton Sewage Treatment Works
- Proposed altered access and storage of Caravans at Norton Fields Farm, Norton

Work has been carried out do alleviate the flooding along Brington Lane, hopefully the problem has now been alleviated.

New quotes are being sort for a new village sign. It is hoped that a sign will be in the centre of the village again before too long.

There has been a good uptake of the vacant allotments with only one currently unoccupied. The noise level from Whilton Mill is being monitored.

PLEASE NOTE –

The next meeting of Whilton Parish Council is **TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (not Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September, as previously advertised).

Alison Nicoll  
Clerk to Whilton Parish Council

## WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

In April 1996, Jim Gardner was about to retire as Chairman of Whilton Parish Council. More Councillors were needed and he wrote: "Candidates should have a genuine interest and commitment to the whole parish and at times have broad shoulders because *you cannot please all of the people all of the time.*" Mike Lewis was already Vice Chair and these words could be a suitable description of Mike's attitude for the following years during which he was Chairman of the Council, and I believe the first Chairman from the Locks.

Although the work of the Parish Council Chairman sometimes seems repetitive and hum-drum, a great deal has been achieved during Mike's chairmanship. Despite having to cope with a barrage of new regulations, systems and codes of conduct, he was reliable, committed and always acted for what he believed was for the good of the community. Over the years he gained deep experience and knowledge of the planning system and gave innumerable voluntary hours to answering consultations, attending meetings and educating the parishioners about individual planning concerns. These have included opposition to the Rye Hill tip, the proposed Rugby Airport, consultations over Long Buckby station, and giving Whilton a voice particularly over traffic concerns generated by proposals for the growth of Daventry.

Concerns about traffic and highways led to the inauguration of parish walks to note problems and dangers, whether from speeding traffic or blocked drains. During his chairmanship Mike was pleased to see the Parish Council regularizing the mowing of the churchyard and providing a more suitable mower, providing notice boards and seating in the village and Locks, arranging litter picks, and installing a dustbin and a new street lamp at the Locks. The Council supported the production of the Village Design Statement giving the community a say in the development of the parish.

He was in the chair when the Parish Council funded the Millennium Map, the production of a celebratory mug made by our local potter, Peter Ilsley, and refreshments and fireworks on the eve of 2000, despite the rain. As noted at the time: "Mike Lewis, Chairman of the Parish Council and his wife Barbara were not to be beaten and carried on under very difficult circumstances to complete the display...this was a very successful evening." In 2002 celebrations for the Queen's Golden Jubilee were again funded by the Parish Council and organized by a band of enthusiastic volunteers.

Mike retired from both the Village Hall Committee and from the Parish Council in May 2011, having served as Chairman for 15 years, and worked with four Parish Clerks.

We thank Mike for all his commitment and wish him well in his retirement from the grass root level of Local Government.

Anthea Hiscock  
(One of Mike's four Parish Clerks)

*Watch the Newsletter for future profiles of our current Parish Councillors.*

# **NEIGHBOURHOOD** **WATCH REPORT**



Once again we have been targeted with vehicle thefts, both in the village and at the Locks during the last 12 months. This type of crime seems to be on the increase in our immediate area so please if you see anything suspicious, make a note of as much detail as possible and contact the police immediately.

The dates for the next Village Street Surgeries are:

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 6pm.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 1pm.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 6pm.

PCSO Sarah Gray will be around the village at these times, so if you have any issues you would like to raise with her, please look out for her or get in touch with me and I will ask her to call on you.

**Usual numbers to contact if you see or hear anything suspicious are:**

**Northamptonshire Police Switchboard: 03000 111 222**

**The dedicated Neighbourhood Watch number: 01604 432436**

**In case of an emergency: 999.**

**Alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.**

Ros Gardner, Co-Ordinator

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## **POT LUCK SUPPER CLUB FOR THE LADIES IN WHILTON**

Would you like to join the pot luck supper club? You will need to bring a dish (starter, main or pudding) and the recipe to share. Please also feel free to bring a bottle of wine. Everyone takes it in turn to host the supper club. The host does not need to cook.

To kick off the event, Agnes is hosting the first pot luck supper club on: 7<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at 7pm in the Little Rectory

Please ring Agnes (evenings) on 01327 84 3644 so that she can co-ordinate all the food.

## **COOKERY CLASS**

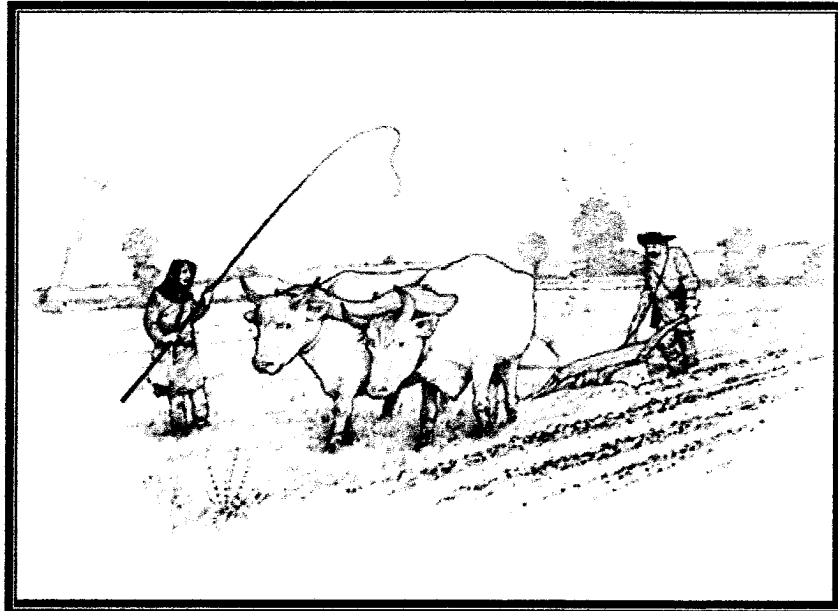
The next fusion cookery class at the Little Rectory will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7pm. As in the previous class, you will eat your efforts and all the left overs can be taken home. Recipes will also be provided. The cost for the evening will be £10.00 including some wine.

Please ring Agnes on 01327 843644 to book a place. Places are limited. If you have a special request for a recipe, please let me know.

**Whilton Local History Society**

# **RIDGE AND FURROW**

An illustrated talk by Barry Smith



**In the Village Hall  
7.30 p.m. Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

**All are welcome.**

**Please bring £1.50 to cover expenses.**

## WHILTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

### APR 2011

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	161	T Price
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	154	S Heard

### MAY 2011

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	185	G Heeley
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	165	R Houghton

### JUNE 2011

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	096	M Seth-Smith
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	070	M Kane

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL



## ROUGHMOOR SPINNEY



A Working Party was held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2011 and was well supported, there being seven adult helpers and two junior assistants all making a valuable contribution to the maintenance work that was necessary. The next Working Party will be in November, please watch the notice board.

One important job to be handled in November is that of the pond which is in need of major work to bring it up to its original standard.

The temperature was extremely high on that June Working Party day and we were very grateful for the people who came along to help the maintenance of this very valuable asset to the parish.

At the beginning of the year we announced a competition for photos of the Spinney taken during the year, with the intention of using the best to make a calendar. If you still have photos to submit, please make sure they are delivered to Shirley and Derek Brown by Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Photos may be delivered to Cherry Orton, Main Street, or sent by e-mail to [d.brown253@btinternet.com](mailto:d.brown253@btinternet.com).

Whilton Spinney Project Management Group

## THE WHILTON PAROCHIAL CHARITIES

The Trustees decided in their Annual Report that a notice would again be published in the August issue of the Village Newsletter reminding residents about to embark on university study or new work training of our existence, or of any age, in difficult circumstances, and continuing to indicate safeguards for confidentiality of applicants. We will discuss any 'What if?' situation before any name is mentioned if you, or an agency, approach one of us. Recipients of grants in previous years are welcome to apply again if circumstances remain the same or indeed if a new need has arisen.

### Annual Report presented to the Annual Parish Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011

This has proved to be a disappointing year in many respects. The value of the Charity's assets has risen slightly mainly due to recovering share prices, but they are still some way from their 2007/08 value. That said, the main disappointment is that only one application for a grant has been made, despite last year's expectation that demands should properly rise as difficulties multiplied for residents. During the year the Trustees have met twice which has allowed our new Rector to acquaint herself with what could be provided. Ideas on how to achieve more applications from residents as well as actual applications are very welcome. Our view remains that if the need is there, it should be met, and if the funds are thereby extinguished then this should be accepted. So once again we would remind residents, young and old, of our criteria permanently displayed on the two village notice boards.

- i) The Trustees are prepared to give up to £900 in grants in sums usually not exceeding £300 and limited to one application per financial year.
- ii) These would be given on receipt of a written application to the trustees, in confidence, given to one of the trustees, explaining the need and difficulty in financially meeting it, or if preferred, an interview with one of the trustees which they would record.
- iii) The need may be for a piece of equipment or experience that anyone with reasonable means could be expected to acquire e.g. a replacement mattress, TV licence, small house repair, musical instrument, evening class/skill giving course, playgroup fee, taxi fare to visit relative/friend in hospital, holiday break or significant school trip/expedition that would fulfill potential. It could be help with fees for, or transport costs including insurance, to further training.
- iv) Eligibility for an older or disabled person is defined as living mainly on a basic state pension or benefit, for a family living on an income half the national average wage, and for young people in their own right in a situation where it would not be expected a parent would fund the expense required. The payment may be requested to avoid consequences of a loan or the incurring of further debt.

This fund remains for anyone normally resident in the Parish Boundaries and we would urge you to mention the possibility to those who should benefit from the forethought of previous wealthier generous parishioners.

The three Charity Trustees to be approached are  
Ann Gilbert at Langton Cottage,  
Keith Hiscock, as the Parish Council nominee, at Langton House  
The Rector, Reverend Sue Kipling at Brington Rectory.



<b>Whilton Charity Accounts</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2008-9</b>	<b>2007-8</b>
Income from Coif Shares	<b>£218.8</b>	£179.37	£173.97	£168.42
Interest from Bank Account	<b>nil</b>	nil	nil	
Payments Made	<b>£300.00</b>	nil	£600.00	£300.00
Total Bank Balance as at 20.04.09	<b>£294.36</b>	£409.62	£230.25	£658.28
Capital Account Share Value	<b>£1529.17</b>	£1483.61	£1188.22	£1748.92
Subsequent Share Purchases	<b>£2724.58</b>	£2643.41	£2099.28	£3116.12
Both at 13.04.11 value				
<b>Total Value of assets</b>	<b>£4548.11</b>	£4536.04	£3508.75	£5521.32

K Hiscock.  
13.04.11

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## **MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE**

The Mobile Library service to Whilton has now been changed. The Library van will visit Whilton on the fourth Saturday of the month, and will stop at the Green.

The scheduled times for this autumn are:  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 14.50 -15.10  
Saturday 22 October, 14.50 – 15.10  
Saturday 26 November, 14.50 – 15.10.

- The mobile libraries have a wide range of books, large print books and audio books.
- It is **free** to join. There are no forms to fill out.
- The mobile libraries have access to the library catalogue so staff can check the availability of titles from the huge range of stock in other Northamptonshire libraries. Reservations cost £1.25.
- Each mobile is fitted with a lift for disabled people.

The County Council will review this new system in January 2012.

## WHILTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

### DON WELCH AND HIS TIMES 11 APRIL 1921 – 11 JULY 2010

The Local History Society met in July to hear the about the life and recorded memories of Don Welch, who died last year.

Don had clear memories of his happy Whilton childhood. His father and grandfather were hand sewing shoemakers from Northampton, but Don was born in 1921 in Holly House, where his family had moved, and he remembered his father as a shoemaker and repairer with his shop in Rugby. When he was still small the family moved into the shop, now the Old Shop, on the corner of Buckby Lane. Don's mother, Flo, kept the shop there until she was over 80. Don was brought up living with the shop, which was curtained off from the front room. He was used to customers arriving at any time of the day or evening; his mother always had time for them.

Downstairs was the living room, curtained off from the shop and a little narrow pantry or larder. Up the winding narrow stairs were two rooms, one leading into another, and after another brother arrived, the three boys all slept in one bed. They went up to bed with a candle. There was no heating, but they kept each other warm. The wash place was by the cobbled yard, with a copper boiler heated by a fire below. Clothes being washed were prodded with a stick. Soft water for washing came from the roof and was caught in a barrel. Water for drinking was fetched from the well across the road behind what we now call the Old Post Office. This well was shared by several households. His mother cooked on a black leaded stove, with a hook over for the pot and a kettle to one side.



*Don with his parents, Bill and Flo Welch, his older brother Lawrence and his younger brother Norman*

He was particularly friendly with the Dunkley children at Martins Farm, now Church Farm. He reckoned that he and Bob Dunkley were the young tearaways of Whilton, riding horses up and down the street, and sometimes sheep too! He loved helping with the farm work, especially shocking up the sheaves to dry at harvest, and haymaking. He was interested in the Dunkleys' animals too, and had his own tortoise and angora rabbits at home.

His mother sold sweets and the Welch children were allowed to help themselves, on condition that they did not give them away – that would undermine mother's profits! Not that Flo made much money. A packet of cigarettes was 11 ½ d, which left Flo with no profit, but Don reckoned she enjoyed the company of the half dozen or so who came in during a day. She had always been used to company, as she was one of 14 children. In his memories Stan Haynes described how the Haynes children liked being sent on an errand to visit the shop, perhaps for a quarter of cheese, adding: "Mrs Welch always seemed glad to see us." She clearly enjoyed children's company. Stan also recalled that sometimes a group of children would go foraging for dandelion leaves and take a bundle to Mrs Welch for their pet rabbits. "Hold out your hands," she would say, and would fill each with half a dozen comfits, which she called "guinea pig mucks"!

We also heard how Don left Whilton School and trained as a carpenter in Daventry, sometimes going far afield for work during the difficult 1930s and receiving no pay when the weather was too bad for work. When war came he was involved in rebuilding the "gun shops" in Coventry by day after bombing by night. Later he was called up and was part of the invasion force, crossing the Channel in very rough weather in a flat bottomed American ship, with tanks which had broken loose. He then went through France, Holland, and Belgium in a Bren carrier, a small tank, coming to Arnhem where he witnessed the chaos a few days after the fighting there. He had to walk across the gliders which had landed there in order to cross a canal. As he said: "We were the support troops which did not make it." After crossing the Siegfried Line, Don could find no words for what he saw at Belsen, and then went on to the River Elbe, to face the Germans fleeing from Russian bombing and revenge.

When at last he came home he took up his work again, and finally returned to Whilton, where he renovated and modernized the house he had lived in as a child. His craftsmanship and carpentry skills meant that he was much in demand, and there are few older houses in Whilton where he did not do any work. Thus we could say that he literally made his mark on our community.

His patience and hard work helped him through a number of difficulties, which included the sudden loss of his first wife, leaving him with four children, and a serious work injury, which he overcame. A good number of his family attended the meeting and were able to meet with old friends, all a sign of the respect in which Don was held all his life.

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The next meeting of the Local History Society will be on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September, when the speaker will be Barry Smith on the subject of "Ridge and Furrow". All are welcome.



# WHILTON GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION



Now that the dry summer has been and gone Autumn is well and truly upon us. Time to tidy the gardens in preparation for the Winter months ahead.

**1<sup>st</sup> June** Members and guests were treated to an excellent talk and demonstration on how to keep bees. Arriving late at the village hall I was greeted by the sound of bees and silence from the attentive members and guests, but not to worry, all was under control in the very capable hands of Alan Sawyer. What an interesting man, he delighted all of us with a hands on demonstration on all aspects of a bee's life.

**1<sup>st</sup> July** The Summer Garden Party at The Little Rectory was a wonderful evening. The slight chill in the wind was overridden by the warmth of the hosts, mouth watering food and a beautiful sunset. A big THANK YOU to all who contributed to a splendid night.



**3<sup>rd</sup> August** Around 20 members and guests enjoyed a visit to Johnnie Amos's garden at Flore. What a delightful and knowledgeable man. After a glass of wine and nibbles he told us the history of the buildings and garden. We were all a bit in shock by the content and variety in such a small garden, from banana, orange and peach trees etc, also around every corner there was a surprise waiting. The winner of the Best Hanging Basket, Kathleen Wright, was presented with a garden voucher by the judge, Jenny Terry (see below) who, in her capacity as a professional gardener, commented on the quality of the winners' exhibits (Max and Nora's garden on South View was judged the winner of the Best Front of House). On the day of judging I was mistaken for a woman selling pegs and lace and almost reported to the police, I must change my disguise next year, perhaps high heels, a tailored suit and a clip board?



l-r Jenny Terry, Johnnie Amos and  
Kathleen Wright

### Forthcoming WGA Events

**5<sup>th</sup> October** Talk by the ever popular Jenny Dicks of Bay Tree Cottage Nursery with ideas for Autumn colours in the garden. Guests welcome (small fee payable on evening).

**7<sup>th</sup> December** Members' Christmas Supper social evening – members only.

**New members are always welcome, contact 01327 844169 or 07921 429228**

**Olive Bardill-Tillet**

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### Rectory News



***Dear Everyone,***

September brings a return to normality after the break of the summer holidays. I hope you have all enjoyed the warmer weather and feel refreshed. Getting back into a routine is often welcome. Perhaps as we start the autumn, we should consider what within our routine is most important. It is so easy for the important things to get squeezed out. We are always encouraged to find time for ourselves.....do we find time for God?

***Sue***

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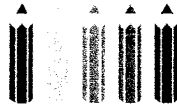
<b>Services at St. Andrews, Whilton</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00	Benefice Eucharist at Norton
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00	Evening Praise
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	09.15	Holy Communion with hymns
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	16.30	Harvest Festival
See the village notice board for details of October and November services		

### **Forthcoming Events**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September** - Supper and auction of produce at 18.00 following the Harvest Festival. Always a lively and fun evening, bring your own drinks. Places to be booked in advance, adults £8 and children £4. Please contact Janet on 842851.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November** - Christmas Bazaar to be held in the church from 14.00 to 16.30. Look out for more details.

**Don't forget** - you can request the church floodlights to be switched on to celebrate a special occasion at any time of the year. As usual, you can also sponsor the floodlights for one of the Christmas and New Year evenings. The cost is just £10 – please contact Janet on 842851.



**Brington and Whilton Pre-School**  
The Village Hall, Whilton, Nr Daventry, Northants

**Spaces available for September.**

**Is your child aged between 2 years and 5 years old?**

Join the local pre-school offering excellent education and care, and led by very well qualified and caring staff.

Children enjoy a variety of activities including small world play, role play, construction, crafts and physical play.

Monday 9.30 am – 1.00 pm,

Wednesday 9.30 am – 1.00 pm

Friday 9.30 am – 12 noon.

For further information – contact Jenny Holman  
01604 770083

### WHILTON SOCIAL LUNCH

We held a Midsummer Lunch on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 and 11 persons attended. Unfortunately due to the change of circumstances for some of our older residents and illness our numbers were depleted.

The menu was light and seasonal:- pea soup, followed by salmon fillets and a quiche with salad and all the trimmings with locally grown new potatoes. This was followed by a choice of three desserts - always very popular. The meal was completed with tea/coffee and homemade chocolates. The price of this meal was only £5 but of course this is subject to adjustment depending on the menu planned by the Social Committee. This is a good social occasion to meet and talk with fellow residents, why not come along to our next luncheon and experience an excellent menu and company.

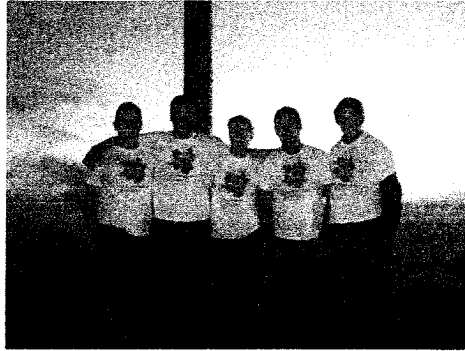
The next Social Lunch is planned for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

### TUESDAY CHAT

Unfortunately there hasn't been a meeting since April 2011 for various reasons but there still seems to be a desire for these to re-start. There will be a Chat on Tuesday 20th September at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall. Please bring £1.50 towards expenses.

# THANK YOU

To everyone who kindly sponsored me for  
the Cystic Fibrosis 5 Peak Challenge.



*(Picture taken at the  
top of Carrantuohill,  
Southern Ireland)*

The conditions were perfect which helped to make the challenge a success.  
Although it was extremely tough, it was very rewarding.

Your donation will be forwarded to the Cystic Fibrosis Association to help  
and support people living with Cystic Fibrosis and their families.

I'm very grateful to you all.

*Jo Grant*

## MARIE CURIE TEA PARTY

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July the Coach House kindly opened its gardens to host a  
wonderful tea party in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care.

The event took place on a sunny, but chilly afternoon, despite which a very  
good turnout was achieved. Many thanks to all those involved in the  
organization and the provision of such a delightful array of home baking and  
refreshments.

Contributions from the afternoon raised a fantastic £450 for the charity.  
Many thanks to everyone who attended.



# All About Me!



This page is for you – the children of Whilton to tell us about you. You can include photos, drawings, games or anything else you want to share. We're looking for lots of ideas so please get in touch with anything you want to include.

## Introducing.....

Hannah and Ethan have very kindly provided the newsletter with its first 'All About Me!' pieces.....thank you very much and I hope everyone else enjoys reading them as much as I did!

Name: Ethan Heard

Age: 8 (just!)

What pets do you have and what are they called?  
A dog called Murphy, he is a brown Labrador.

What do you like best about living in Whilton?  
All my friends and family and playing in the fields.

Is there anything you don't like about living in Whilton?  
The flies in the fields.

What's been the best thing you've done during this school holiday?  
Go to America, we went to Florida, we had a pool, there was 11 of us.

What do you enjoy the most about Brington School?  
Friends. I enjoy learning and playing at play time.

What do you enjoy doing outside of school?  
Basketball, I also do gymnastics and swimming.

What would be your perfect day?  
Go on Moshi Monsters – it's a website where you make your own monsters and send emails.

Has there been a story in the news (in the last year or so) that you remember, and what do you remember about it?  
Earthquake and tsunami in Japan – houses getting crushed and I feel very sorry for them.

Is there anything else you'd like to say about yourself?  
I like making/playing on Moshi Monsters, Lego and basketball.



Name: Hannah Baker

Age: 7

What pets do you have and what are they called?  
Guinea Pigs, Teddy and Sparkles

What do you like best about living in Whilton?  
Playing outside on my bike.

Is there anything you don't like about living in Whilton?  
Not enough kids play out. I wish there was a sweet shop in Whilton!

What's been the best thing you've done during this school holiday?  
Go to Devon and go on a go-kart.

What do you enjoy the most about Brington School?  
To see my friends.

What do you enjoy doing outside of school?  
Basketball, school choir, swimming and Duston music school on a Saturday morning.

What would be your perfect day?  
I'd like to go to either Center Parcs or Aqualand in Tenerife.

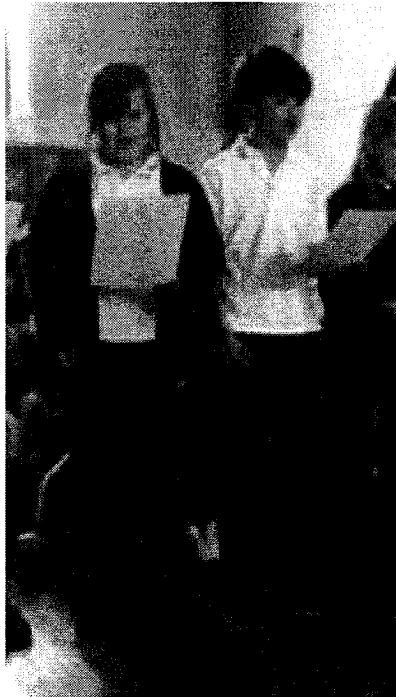
Has there been a story in the news (in the last year or so) that you remember, and what do you remember about it?  
A big earthquake in New Zealand, lots of houses fell down.





# FUN STUFF

Welcome to the new children's pages of Whilton Newsletter — these are designed for children (big or small), to include local quizzes, features on local children and loads and loads of other fun stuff.



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House names to look for.....

Canal Cottage  
Sira  
Langton House  
Holly Cottage  
Whilton Lodge

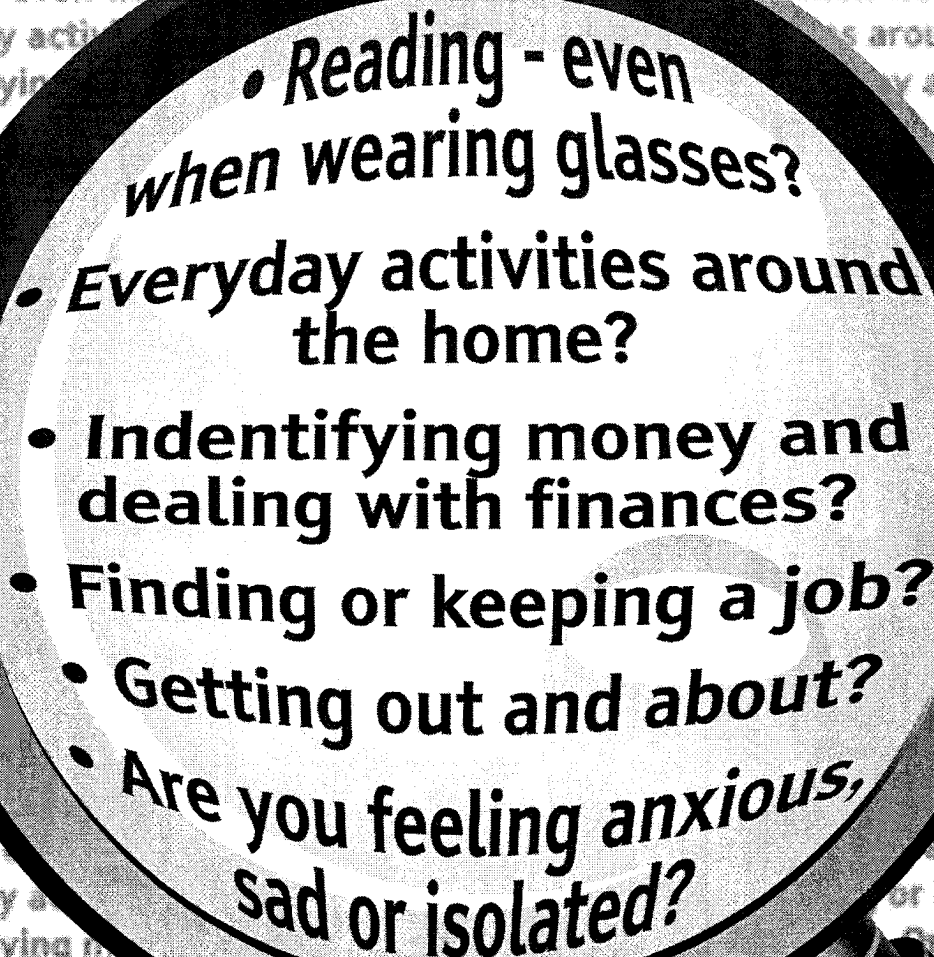
Rose Cottage  
Church Farm  
Meadow View  
Field View

Whilton Newsletter would like to wish the very best of luck to George and Scarlet as they finish their primary education at Brington School. Scarlet is heading off to Campion, whilst George continues his journey at Lawrence Sheriff in Rugby. Good luck to you both!

The things children say!

- My daughter and I were having a cuddle when she said to me "Mummy, I love you" I replied with "That's lovely, thank you, I love you too". To which she said "but I don't love you as much in the morning", confused I asked why, she answered "because you don't wear your glasses and your hair is messy"!!
- After a day of heavy rain, my daughter returned home from school and asked me "Mummy, do you think God is asleep", not quite sure where the conversation was heading I asked why she thought that, she replied "because why would he make it rain so much, unless he was asleep?"

# Does Poor or Failing Eyesight cause you difficulties with:

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- Reading - even when wearing glasses?
  - Everyday activities around the home?
  - Identifying money and dealing with finances?
  - Finding or keeping a job?
  - Getting out and about?
  - Are you feeling anxious, sad or isolated?

Don't struggle on – we're here to help.

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[www.nab.org.uk](http://www.nab.org.uk)

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## **Daventry Area Community Transport**

## **TRANSPORT & VOLUNTEERING FOR YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY**

### **CAR SCHEME**

**HELPING PEOPLE IN YOUR AREA GET TO THEIR  
MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.**

### **MINIBUS SCHEME**

**DRIVING FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS TAKING THEM TO  
PLACES OF INTEREST.**

**YOU GET TO DO SOMETHING USEFUL AND ENJOY THE  
TRIPS**

### **SHOPMOBILITY**

**HELPING PEOPLE WHO USE SHOPMOBILITY**

### **TRAVEL CLUBS**

**Run a Travel Club helping your local area get the  
transport they need. Travel clubs can take groups  
of people shopping or on social trips**

### **Volunteer Car Scheme**

We call upon the services of volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, to take clients to medical appointments. Clients telephone the office approximately a week before their appointment to book their journey. The Car Scheme Co-ordinator then telephones the available volunteer driver to arrange the journey. Volunteers from villages are usually matched with clients from the same village. Volunteers are reimbursed at the rate of 45p/mile.

### **Vehicle**

You must own, or have access to, a reliable vehicle, and your road fund licence and M.O.T. certificate must be kept up to date. Most insurance policies automatically cover "car sharing", which covers DACT's situation. However, "Business Cover" or "Carriage of passengers for hire and reward" will also be sufficient

### **References**

We are required to carry out CRB checks on all volunteers.

### **Minibus Scheme**

DACT own a fleet of 15-passenger seat Coach Built Mercedes minibuses which are available to affiliated groups to hire for social or pleasure journeys. **Travel Clubs** can be set up to do weekly shopping trips or regular outings. If your bus route has been cut we may be able to help you. For insurance purposes, our minibus volunteer drivers must be between the ages of 25 and 70, with a minimum of 2 year's driving experience. We will train you in one of our modern coach built Mercedes Minibuses.

### **DACT Shopmobility**

DACT runs the Shopmobility in Daventry Town Centre. We hire out scooters & Wheelchairs. We also sell a wide range of mobility aids.

**For further information contact: 01327 701665 or 701666 or 701667**

# Kimbell's Field

**Kimbell's Field is open for events!**

See us on our website at [www.kimbellsfield.co.uk](http://www.kimbellsfield.co.uk)

## Pavilion progress

Work on refurbishing the pavilion has been going well. The roof has been repaired and re-felted; one wall has been replaced in entirety, others repaired; the interior has been stripped and exterior treated; and about a third of the floor and other rotten timbers are being replaced. New cushion flooring is being donated by Whilton Carpets, and electrical installation by Northants Electrical to whom we are very grateful.

Next year we'll try for windows that open and a door you don't bang your head on!



Ian Dexter, Sarah Sheehan, Sarah Dexter, Peter McCartney, Lance Taylor, Sue McCartney, Chris Goodwin and Michael Goodwin take a breather. Many thanks also to Dave Green, Peter James, Brent Hulme, James Milne, Ben Thornely and Martin Whiley for all their hard work on the pavilion and field.

Come and celebrate the pavilion's re-opening

## Brington Family Challenge | Sunday 4 September

Whilton residents are very welcome to join in the fun – and choose whether to team up with Great Brington or Little Brington & Nobottle!

Beer tent – jazz band – hog roast – tug-of-war – rounders – archery – bowls – croquet – heave-the-bale – children's races – more ...

Bar open 12.30pm – Pavilion re-opening 1pm followed by hog roast – challenge 2-4.30pm

Entrance £5, £3 for senior citizens and under-18s, under-12s free. Drinks and food as charged. Parking on field.

Proceeds to Kimbell's Field. Thanks and acknowledgment to the Fox & Hounds, Saracen's Head and Whilton Mill for their kind support.

## Brington Cricket Challenge | Sunday 18 September

Support the return of cricket and your village teams and enjoy a last taste of summer with a glass of Pimms

Pimms 1.30pm, 20/20 play starts 2pm, tea & cakes at 4pm.

Parking on field. Bring a seat.

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## What's on in Whilton? Autumn 2011

Wed	7	Sept	9.30 a.m.	Brington and Whilton Pre-School term begins
Thurs	8	Sept	7.30 p.m.	Local History Society: "Ridge and Furrow".
Mon	19	Sept	6 p.m.	Police Street Surgery
Tues	20	Sept	2.30 p.m. 7.30p.m.	Tuesday Chat Parish Council meeting
Sat	24	Sept	2.50 –3.10 p.m.	Mobile Library at the Green
Sun	25	Sept	4.30 p.m. 6 p.m.	Harvest Festival at St Andrew's Church Harvest Supper and auction of produce
	5	Oct		Gardeners' Association: "Autumn gardening"
	7	Oct	7 p.m.	Ladies Pot Luck Supper Club
Mon	17	Oct	1 p.m.	Police Street Surgery
Sat	22	Oct	2.50 –3.10 p.m.	Mobile Library at the Green
Thurs	3	Nov	7.30 p.m.	Local History Society: "Barley, malt and beer in Whilton"
Sun	6	Nov	2- 4.30 p.m.	St Andrew's Church Bazaar
Wed	9	Nov	7.30 p.m.	Parish Council meeting
	11	Nov	7 p.m.	Fusion Cookery Class at Little Rectory
Thurs	17	Nov	12.30 for 1 p.m.	Whilton Social Lunch
Wed	23	Nov	6 p.m.	Police Street Surgery
Sat	26	Nov	2.50 –3.10 p.m.	Mobile Library at the Green
Tues	22	Nov		Deadline for Winter Newsletter, December 2011 – February 2012. Please supply your contribution before this date to be sure it can be included in the next edition.

## FAMILY NEWS

**Congratulations to Rowena, daughter of Mike and Barbara Lewis who was married earlier this summer.**

**August marked the funeral here of Cath Higham, who lived at 4 South View during the 1980s. We send our condolences to her family.**

***If you have news of family events and special achievements, please let us know, so that they can be included in future issues.***

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**The Editors welcome material for the Newsletter. If possible, please supply a memory card with your contribution, or send it by e-mail. If you do not have a computer or typewriter, the editors will be happy to type handwritten articles for you.**

**The next issue will be the Winter Edition, covering December 2011 – February 2012. The last date for contributions will be 22 November.**

**Whilton is very lucky to have its own website too – [www.whilton-village.net](http://www.whilton-village.net). This contains details of the organizations in the parish, previous Parish Council Minutes and Newsletters and a very comprehensive Picture Gallery. If you have the facility, why not take a look at the content?**