

WHILTON WINTER NEWSLETTER



WORK PARTY IN ROUGHMOOR SPINNEY
NOVEMBER 2018

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FEBRUARY 2019

Letter from the Editors

It is beginning to look a lot like Christmas and for a small village there is a lot going on!

We start with the Warblers Concert, follow this with the Christmas Tree Festival and Carol Service and then there is the big day itself! Watch out also for Carol Singers travelling through the village in a sheep trailer - possibly a unique sight



All this makes me wonder what our forefathers would have thought about Christmas in the 21st century!

At the beginning of the 19th century Christmas was hardly celebrated and many businesses did not even consider it to be a holiday. Walls would be decked with sprigs and twigs and gift giving was traditionally at New Year. It was The Victorians who introduced Christmas Trees, Cards and Crackers.

A hundred years ago in a rural community like this Christmas would not have started until much closer to the day itself with many decorating the tree on Christmas Eve. The trees would have been decorated with sweets and home made decorations and with no electricity possibly lit by candles. Christmas Dinner would have been a formal family affair with people dressed in their best clothes. The Victorians also introduced the roast turkey, although I am not sure that every family in Whilton would have been able to afford this luxury.

In "A Christmas Carol", Dickens helped to popularise some of the traditions which we recognise today and its themes of family, charity and goodwill are very much part of the Christmas we celebrate today. We wish you all peace and happiness this Christmas.

The Editors

NEWS AND ISSUES FROM YOUR WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL.

- **The Spinney Management Group (SMG).**

The Roughmoor Spinney in Whilton Village has been open to the public since 2000, and has been developed, maintained and managed by a Spinney Management Group of volunteers from the Parish. However, the group now urgently require a new Chair and Secretary in order to keep it running. The Group meet around 4 times a year, and co-ordinate effort to maintain the Spinney for all to use. If anyone is interested in taking on these key positions, please contact the Parish Council Clerk at clerk@whiltonpc.co.uk.
- **Whilton and Whilton Locks E-Mail Distribution List.**

The Parish e-mail distribution list continues to grow apace, with more and more people asking to be included so that they can be kept informed of the latest issues and information concerning the Parish. If you are interested in being added to the list for the Parish to find out what is going on in the Parish, please send your e-mail address to clerk@whiltonpc.co.uk.
- **Broadband.**

Just when we thought we could see a light at the end of the tunnel, it looks like the 'broadband gremlins' have been up to mischief again.

 - **Northamptonshire Superfast Broadband Project.** In short, the project has now been delayed for at least a year. Their website with the latest details is here: www.superfastnorthamptonshire.net which will give the latest news on the venture, but the Project Team has informed us that the delays have been caused by:
 - Access to skilled civil engineering resources – these are in high demand nationally.
 - Confirming solution designs for a number of more challenging and costly structures.
 - Issues encountered with a number of unsafe and historic bridges.
 - Delays for other utility providers to complete works on the highway where shared utility works cannot be agreed.
 - Complex wayleave agreements over private land.

So the new timelines for the introduction of the superfast broadband into the Parish are:

 - Whilton Locks – Q1 2020
 - Whilton village – Q4 2019
 - **Gigaclear.** Gigaclear will (eventually) be coming to the Parish to provide superfast broadband to the community as part of the Northamptonshire Superfast Broadband Project.

The plan is that they will install a fibre network through the Parish, and each resident can then opt to be connected directly to that network (fibre to the home) to provide a much faster broadband speed. They provide a variety of packages and speeds of 50Mbps up to 1000Mbps. Full details are at www.gigaclear.com. We are looking to invite Gigaclear to come to the Parish early in the New Year to do a presentation to outline the work they will do to install the system, and the options available. So look out for notifications coming out shortly.

- **Other Broadband Options Being Considered.**
 - **BT.** We are looking to try and have a BT fibre enabled cabinet installed on the green in Whilton, which will hopefully provide an alternative to Gigaclear. However, BT have placed this as a low priority since we are seen as already being connected to a fibre broadband network (albeit only to the exchange in Long Buckby), and hence satisfy their, and the Government's initiative to have everyone connected to fibre broadband. That all said, if enough interest is gathered from the Parish by BT, it will push the initiative towards the top of their list. Hence, anyone in the Parish interested should register their details on their website here: www.communityfibre.openreach.co.uk/northamptonshire
- **Coffee Morning with Chris Heaton-Harris MP – 11 January 2019.**

Chris is our Member of Parliament for Daventry, and he will be holding a joint coffee morning from 0900 to 1100 on 11 January 2019 with the Parishes of Whilton, Norton and Brington in the Reading Rooms, Main Street, Brington NN7 4JA. He is keen to meet the Parishioners and to hear any issues or concerns that we may have that he may be able to help with. So maximum attendance for each of the villages is encouraged.
- **Daventry Area Community Transport (DACT) Service.**

A DACT bus service was established to run from Norton to Northampton, and was available to Whilton and Whilton Locks parishioners who needed to travel for medical appointments, shopping trips etc at cost. However, the contract with the last operator has now ended, and no replacement service has been sourced by the Northamptonshire County Council. The Parish Council did apply for grant funding from the Daventry District Council for the service to continue to support the villages of Whilton, Brington and Norton, but this was unsuccessful. Options of self-funding have also been reviewed, but this would be a large cost to the Parish Council for a low demand on the service.
- **Community Speed Watch Campaign.**

The Parish have participated in the scheme for the last 2 years, and will now take the next year off from the scheme as the lowering of vehicle speeds through the village has been achieved. The drive is still to try to officially reduce it to 20mph, and shortly you will see '20 is plenty' signs going up through the village to continue to remind drivers through the village.

- **Defibrillators.**

You will have hopefully noticed that the Parish Council have successfully installed 2 defibrillators in the Parish - in Whilton (by the Village Hall) and Whilton Locks (next to the BT phone box on the canal bridge). Each cabinet is locked with a code, which can be obtained from the emergency services when you dial 999. The Council have also distributed an 'aide memoir' card to each home in the Parish to provide details of the defibrillators, and what to do when, and if required.

- **Whilton Parish Council Website.**

The Whilton Parish Council also do have a website at <http://www.parish-council.com/whilton/> which details all the work that they are doing for the community, together with any notices of interest for the Parish. There are also details of who your councillors are, and how to contact them about any matters relating to the Parish. Of note, the e-mail address is councillors@whiltonpc.co.uk. The Council also hold a regular meeting in the Whilton Village Hall every 2 months, which is open to the public to attend and raise any issues.

Randal Smith
Rose Briar
Chair of the Whilton Parish Council

SOME COMING EVENTS:

Pot Luck Suppers

Around fifteen ladies gathered at Helen Brierley's house at the end of October for a Pot Luck Supper. As usual we were spoiled for choices on starters, main courses and puddings and as usual we all tried a little of everything (four puddings - now that's my kind of supper!).

The date for the Christmas Pot Luck Supper is yet to be decided but will be in January and the menfolk will be invited to join us. If you would like to be included in the PLS updates please email me on teresaleadbetter@gmail.com.



Whilton Carol Singers

Be ready to listen out for the Carol Singers who will be going round the village on Tuesday, 18th December.

ROUGHMOOR SPINNEY

It is now 20 years since the ownership of Roughmoor Spinney passed to the Parish of Whilton. The transfer of the freehold is dated 28th September 1998, although at that point the Spinney was not safe or accessible for the public.

Over the autumn members of the Spinney Management Group working in partnership with the Parish Council have been able to organise three work parties, with volunteers from the village too. The pond has been cleared and the overgrowth removed. Trees have been pruned, and work has begun on clearing out the stream with the aim of preventing blockages, especially if there is heavy rain this winter. Some work has been done on weekdays as well as weekends, according to the times offered by volunteers.

We would like to thank all who have given their time and energy. The front cover shows the members of the most recent working party as they gathered to arrange their tasks.

These photos of the later November work party give some idea of the undertaking.



The cleared pond.



Clearing the stream bank



Pruning



Larger scale pruning

The next work party will be on Tuesday, 11th December, and volunteers will be meeting at 1.30 p.m. at the Manor Lane gate leading to the Spinney.



Whilton Local History Society



The society met on 14th September 2018, when the speaker was Juris Trede. He introduced us to the Northamptonshire airfields used or created by the US Air Force in the Second World War, and the variety of monuments erected in their memory.

Our speaker on 16th November was Helen Frost, who entertained and educated us with her evening introducing the Women's Land Army in Northamptonshire in the ^{1st} Second World War. This form of women's national service was not officially formed until 1917, when Britain was in extreme danger of starvation, as the bulk of our food imports were being sunk en route by the Germans. The figures were stark and helped to emphasize how vital home food production became. Helen provided a wide variety of photographs and a reproduction of a Land Army uniform which she has had made.

We heard about varying attitudes and expectations of women working in agriculture, and saw how much they were able to achieve, despite some opposition from men who had to see women in a new light. The evening was very much enjoyed by a good number of Society members.

The next Local History Society meeting will be the AGM, preceded by a meal. This will take place on Friday 18th January 2019, and will be a Victorian meal, such as was eaten in Whilton Schoolroom in January 1869, 150 years ago.

This meal will be for members only. Information about this will be sent to members after Christmas.

If you are not a member and would like to join for 2019, the cost will be membership of £10 plus £5 for the meal. Existing members will not have an extra charge for the meal.

If you wish to join the Whilton Local History Society before this meeting please contact:

Secretary, Marian Seal: marian.seal70@gmail.com

or

Treasurer, Brian Melling: brianmelling47@gmail.com

NEWS FROM ST ANDREWS

Christmas will be a busy time for us. We will be holding our Christmas Tree Festival again this year. This has built up in recent years and we invite the many groups and societies of the village to help decorate the church with their own themed trees. It helps to get more people involved in church activities in the lead up to Christmas. Some of the displays in the past have shown really inventive and skilful tree dressing and we are sure that Christmas 2018 will live up to this!



The trees will be on display on Saturday 15 December. We are a bit tight on time this year as we have a service for Pre-School on the Friday. We will be providing tea in the afternoon to give everyone a chance to admire their efforts. The trees have become a central feature in our annual Carol Service which will be at 6.00 on Sunday 16 December. This will be a good opportunity to get Christmas off to a good start with a traditional service of carols and readings accessible to all. We will be serving fizz and mince pies after the service which is always a lively and sociable occasion. It creates a feeling of the Christmas spirit and is a great opportunity to meet village neighbours and friends so we do hope you will be able to join us. Everyone whether a regular or occasional churchgoer will be most welcome

On Christmas Day our main Christmas service this year will be a Communion at 11.00 and again we look forward to welcoming you to our church.

For many years we have arranged for the church to be lit in the evenings in the lead up to Christmas. A number of people comment each year how much they enjoy seeing this and we give you the opportunity to sponsor the lights to mark a special occasion, birthday, anniversary or in memory of a loved one. More information is on a separate sheet.

If you would like the church to be lit to mark a special event or anniversary, this can be arranged at any time if you let me know. I can be contacted on 843380 or by email Jbrierley1@aol.com.

Jon Brierley and Linda Treacy Churchwardens

ST ANDREWS 2018 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS



This year we are once again giving you the opportunity to illuminate the Church and make it a focal point of the village during the Christmas period. Cost is just £10 a night.

To reserve your special day or to select a date, please contact Jon Brierley (843380) or Jbrierley1@aol.com

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Social Lunches



On one of the first autumnal days we met for the September Lunch. There was cottage pie with vegetables followed by a choice of four desserts, including chocolate roulade, autumn fruits crumble, nectarine bake and a compote of Whilton fruit. Whilton appetites are very capacious! This was followed by coffee and tea. Thank you to the many willing guests who help to wash up and clear away afterwards.

The most recent Social Lunch was held on Tuesday 27th November, when despite the heavy rain outside we were able to enjoy a delicious meal. The main course was a pork casserole. Eating pork in late November is a Whilton tradition. In bygone days this was the main meat for the Whilton St Andrew's Day Festival at the end of November, and we remember this in our Social Lunches. Having demolished the first course, villagers made surprising inroads into the desserts offered, including lemon fudge cake, Eve's pudding, mince tart and white chocolate roulade.

The next Social Lunch will be on Tuesday 12th February 2019.

Each of the Social Lunches was followed by the **200 Club draw**, and the results were as follows:

WHILTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB 2018 - 2019

AUGUST 2018

1 ST PRIZE	M Kane	70
2 ND PRIZE	T Hebb	142

SEPT 2018

1 ST PRIZE	S Brown	94
2 ND PRIZE	S Davies	136

OCTOBER

1 ST PRIZE	G, Manning	174
2 ND PRIZE	T Price	080

NOV 2018

1 ST PRIZE	J James	127
2 ND PRIZE	T Treacy	145

DEC 2018

1 ST PRIZE	M Edkins	121
2 ND PRIZE	J Bunce	057

Congratulations to the winners



WHILTON GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION



The speaker for our October meeting should have been Craig Rudman, Head Gardener at Cottesbrooke Hall. Unfortunately, Craig had to pull out at the last minute due to illness.

By a stroke of good fortune, I happened to have a presentation on 'The Life Cycle of the Honey Bee' which I had prepared for an unrelated event and was able to adapt for the WGA audience and fill in the evening. Craig has offered to come back another time and talk to us. We may be able to fit him in to next year's programme.

We are currently looking forward to our members' Christmas social on 5th December, which is always an enjoyable evening and is the last event in this year's programme.

Next year we are going to try having our Whilton garden visits and buffet at the June meeting rather than the August meeting. Members have been suggesting this change for several years on the grounds that the gardens tend to be past their best in August. It should also give us another half an hour of daylight. We shall be looking for volunteers to open their gardens on 5th June next year.

The first event of 2019 will be our AGM and quiz on Wednesday 6th February, which is an ideal time to join WGA and benefit from the full years' programme. Membership costs £15 per year.

Roy Haynes

Chairman

A thought for gardeners in winter:

*"From December to March, there are for many of us three gardens:
the garden outdoors,
the garden of pots and bowls in the house,
and the garden of the mind's eye."*

Katherine S White

Aperture Photography Group

- Approximately 3.5 trillion photos have been taken since Daguerre's first photograph 174 years ago.
- Today, more pictures are taken every two minutes than were taken throughout the 1800s.
- It is estimated that ten percent of all photos ever taken were taken in the last twelve months.

There is a downside to these figures if you in fact call them an upside at all, and that is that we are printing photos less and less. Most of us now keep most of our photos online or on our phones and so there is a great danger that we will not be able to pass on this visual legacy of our life and times to our children and grand children.

Over the last couple of months the APG has been emphasising the need to print photos so that they can be more easily shared with family and friends. For my part, I have just printed three large images to hang on the walls of our house and created two hardback books containing images taken on recent visits to Iceland and the U.S.A. Next year, the group will be focusing its attention on the methods we can use to share our work more widely through prints, books, slideshows and websites.

All of which brings me on to our new exhibition of prints that are now on show at The Saracen's Head in Little Brinton. We were asked by the new managers, Emma and Matt, to create a set of black and white photos of the Brintons, Nobottle and Althorpe. This gave our members a challenge to create images that gave a feel of place and time and some of the people and buildings that make the villages unique. Why not go along, take a look and perhaps have a meal and drink at the same time.



The Aperture Photography Group offers a range of activities, including regular meetings, training workshops and outings. If you have a camera and would like to learn how to use it, or if you are a more experienced photographer and would like to share your interest with others, please get in touch.

Meetings are held in the back room at The Saracen's Head in Little Brinton at 8pm. The dates of our forthcoming meetings are:

December 6th and 20th

January 3rd, 17th and 31st

February 14th and 28th

March 28th

For more information, contact Neil Phillips on 01327 844182 or via email - neil.apg@gmail.com



The Whilton Warblers

present their Christmas concert

A festive collection of songs



Friday 7th December

At 7.30pm

St Andrew's Church, Whilton

Tickets: Adults £7.50, Children £2.00

Tickets can be booked in advance by calling:

07891 907116



POETRY PAGE

In the last edition we asked for your contribution of poems for the Winter Newsletter. We are pleased to say that one or two have been inspired, as below.

The Editors are always pleased to receive copy from our readers, so do send in more poems for the spring.

GREAT BRINGTON

*His regal antlers pierce the chilly mist
Which banner-like lies 'twixt cold earth
and sky
Glimpsed between the gnarled oak trees
Which standing many years ago
Saw Charles' head fall beneath his knees.*

Anon of Whilton



HILL TOP

*Ssh! Keep still !
Lie with me in the short , stiff grass
And wait in the cold until
The pale clear light of the December
moon
Shows up his snowy, fluffy tail,
His grey skin and pointed ears,
His thumping feet, his friends to tell
That danger's here; no place for them*

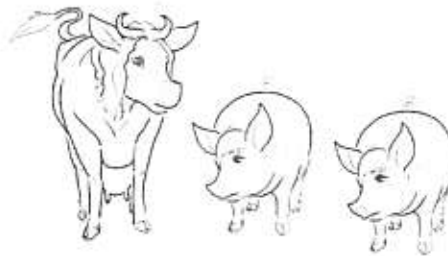
*Bang! My kill!
See the deep red blood flow away
Feel him, warm to take the chill
From our frozen hands while we gut
him,
And tie his legs with rapid skill
To take him home to the well lit fire.*

Anon of Whilton

The following contribution comes from Shirley Brown. Some years ago she and her husband Derek were neighbours of Beryl Williams, who lived in the house now called "Birches." They had a light-hearted correspondence in doggerel, in which Derek was the Lord of the Manor, Shirley his steward and Beryl the peasant:

*To Peasant Beryl
Humble Cottage
Whilton*

*Received with thanks the rent now due
Sir Derek's grateful it is true
But the Manor's Tithe should now be
here
Two pigs, one cow, and barley beer
Your cottage's safe for just one moon
Unless you pay the balance soon.*



Shirley (Bailiff)

To Peasant Beryl
Humble Cottage
Whilton



*Sir Derek liked the barley beer as we all here are quite sure
He drank of it deeply and with a sigh just collapsed upon the floor.*

*I feel your home is safe at least
Until the November Whilton Feast.
When piglet should be large and
tender'ish'
All ready for the supper dish.*

*The calf can grow another year
To make much better meat
But watch for thieves who have no fear
From nearby Watling Street*



*Shirley Steward
On behalf of Sir Derek of Whilton*

To Peasant Beryl
Humble Cottage
Whilton

*Sir Derek was told the other week
By Nosey Smith (that well-known
sneak)
That you have bought a new grey mare
And he would like his proper share
Of any breeding from your horse
The usual 10% of course!*



Steward Shirley

The Whilton Marina Cafe

The café has been run by Annette, who will be leaving on 9th December 2018 for her new life in sunny Spain. The café will then be taken over by Betty, who is local and who will carry on making home-made food sourced locally.

Winter opening hours:

Monday – Friday: 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday: 9 am – 4 pm

Sunday: 10 am - 4 pm

Notes from parishioners

From Theresa Baker:

Did you know?

Around 20 families, including couple and singles of all ages from the Long Buckby area, are twinned with families in the Damville area in Normandy. More French families are waiting for new English families to join the group. We are particularly looking for couples or families to host 3 new French families with young children and a couple in their mid-40s.

One year, we host the families in our own homes for a weekend of fun activities. The next year, they host us in their homes.

The Long Buckby group also enjoys social events all year round!

You don't have to speak French to enjoy the twinning experience!

On our 2018 visit to Normandy, we enjoyed cheese, cider and lots of laughs!

In 2019, we are hosting our French friends from Friday April 12th to Monday April 15th.

Interested? Want to know more?

Give us a call or drop us an e-mail to find out more and how you could take part.

Fiona White 01327 842832 Chris Myers 01327 843892,
sueandchris@chrismyers.plus.com

We have taken part in the twinning for a couple of years and it was great fun.

Theresa Baker

Letter from a villager

'There is a driver in the village (he knows who he is) that feels he can bully lone lady drivers, may I remind him that here in the UK we drive on the left hand side of the road and with that in mind, if he is overtaking the cars along South View he should give way, back up and find a space and not keep driving in an aggressive manner towards the oncoming vehicle, (who are on the left hand side of the road and have the right of way), to back up out of their way as they (lady passenger) have no intention of following the Highway Code, how very rude. They cannot deny this, as to their shame, there is dash cam footage.'

Dog Mess

Once again concerns have been raised about dog mess on the village pavements, both near Holly House and in the Spinney, where all dogs should be kept on the lead. Please remember that you are responsible for your dog and for the health and safety of others if you own a dog.

Polite Notice

There will be the usual **private family** firework party at midnight on New Years Eve 2018/2019 in Brington Lane, the Police will be made aware.

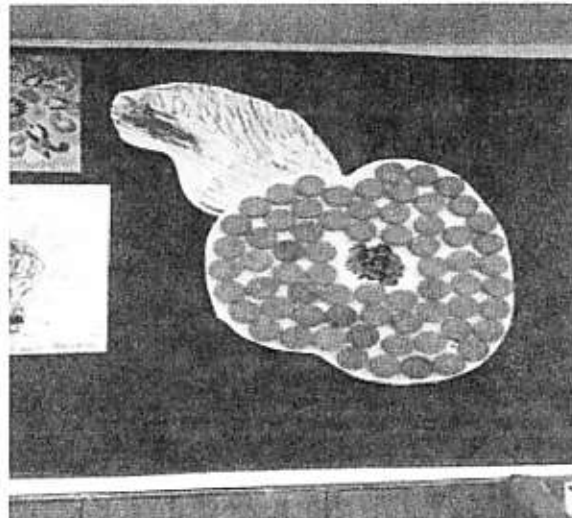
BRINGTON AND WHILTON PRE SCHOOL



The children have had a busy start to the new pre-school year.

They have been learning about Autumn Festivals- Halloween and Bonfire Night. They have carved pumpkins and made some amazing firework pictures. The children have been enjoying the Autumn weather at the spinney, looking at the changing colours of the leaves and collecting objects on our nature walks.

The children made Diya lamps and cards for Diwali and made a large poppy out of milk bottle tops and handprints for Remembrance Day.



We are continuing the theme of Autumn and Winter and we will be learning about hibernation, migration, weather and doing lots of Christmas activities.



If you would like to know more about our pre-school please look at our Facebook page-
Brington and Whilton pre-school/
website-
www.bringtonandwhiltonpreschool.org.uk
or contact Trisha on 07546 440572.

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and a wonderful new year.

WHILTON LOCKS

Our undercover rink is open every day now right through to Christmas and New Year. Thrills (and sometimes spills) with 45 fun-packed minutes on the ice, with each skating session starting promptly on the hour.

It is recommended you book online to ensure your skating time slot. Skate hire is included in the price and parking is FREE.



Whilton family party at the Locks in January 2018.

Peak and Off Peak prices are available for skating sessions.

Off Peak: Children (14 and under) £4

Off Peak: Adults £6

Peak: Children (14 and under) £8

Peak: Adults £12

Online booking is advised, with some complete popular days sold out last year. You can book online here: <http://www.wlqv.co.uk/booking/index.php/wlqvbooking>

Skate Aids - Push-a-longs are available to hire separately.

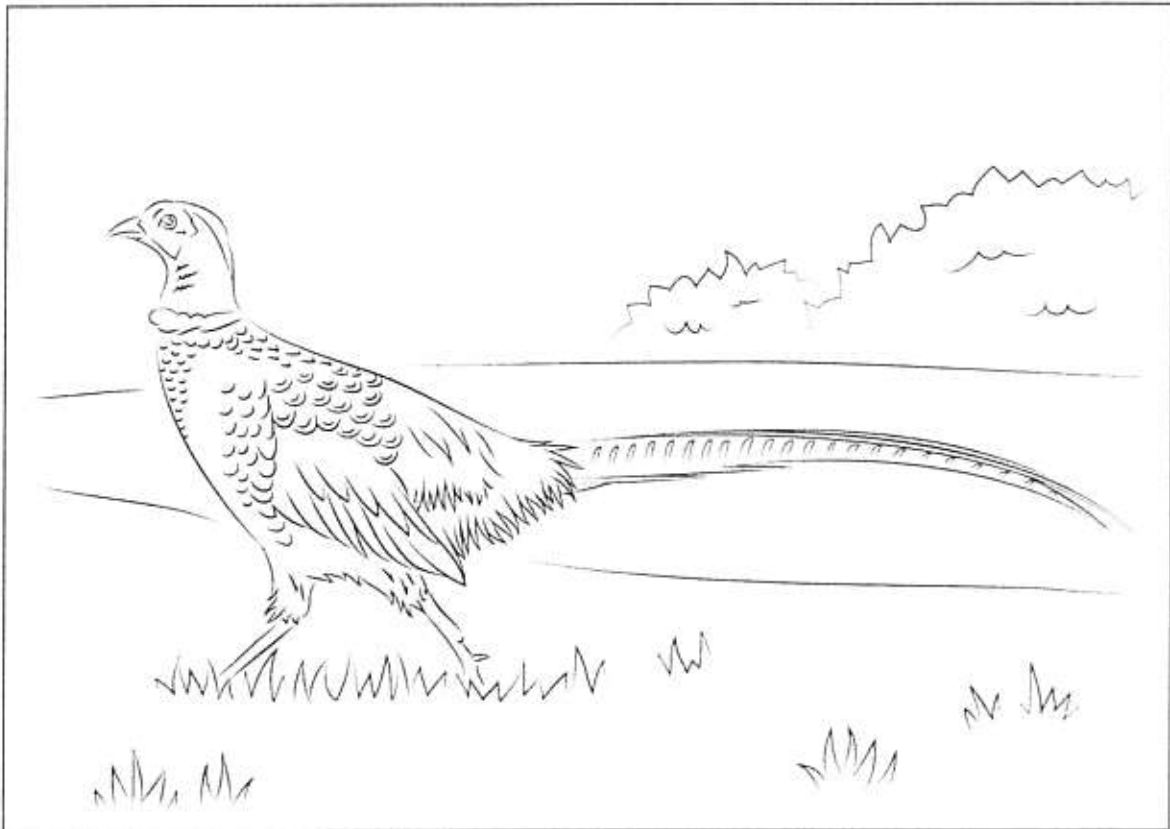
Skate late and hire the rink after dark for your festive party or group event. With lights and disco music - contact Events@wlqv.co.uk for more.

WINTER BIRDS



If we have snow this winter, see if you can find which birds have left tracks and where they went.

It is often possible to spot cock pheasants in and around Whilton. Note their colours and complete this picture to record their full glory.



Christmas cracker bird jokes:

Q: What do you get when you cross a cat with a parrot?

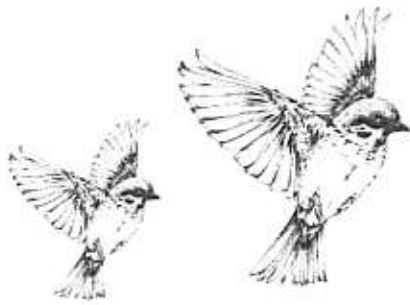
A: A carrot.

Q: Which bird is at every meal?

A: The swallow.

Q: What type of bird can pick up the most weight?

A: The crane.



MAKE YOUR OWN BIRD CAKES THIS WINTER

Birds love fat cakes and at this time of year they're just what they need to give them energy and keep warm. You can use all sorts of kitchen scraps such as cheese and dry porridge oats. Just mix with melted lard or suet and set in the fridge overnight.

Use any mixture of the following:

- ✓ Currants
- ✓ Sultanas
- ✓ Oats
- ✓ Breadcrumbs
- ✓ Cake crumbs
- ✓ Grated cheese
- ✓ Peanuts
- ✓
- The best ratio for this recipe is one part fat to two parts dry mixture. Mix all your dry ingredients together in a bowl.
- Melt some lard or suet in a pan and add the dry mix. Stir well until the fat has all been absorbed and the mixture sticks together.
- Make a hole in the bottom of a yoghurt pot and thread through a length of twine or string, then pack the pot with your warm fat mixture.
- Place in the fridge overnight to set, then cut through and peel away the pot. Tie a big knot at one end of the twine to secure the cake.
- Hang the cake in a tree or shrub and wait for the birds to come and feast.

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❖ The Editors welcome material for the Newsletter. If possible, please send your contribution by e-mail. If you do not have a computer, the editors will be happy to type handwritten articles for you.

❖ The next issue will be the Spring Edition, covering March – May 2019. The last date for contributions will be 20th February 2019.

The Newsletter is published quarterly, but Whilton also has a website: www.whilton-village.net. This contains details of the organizations in the parish, previous Parish Council Minutes and Newsletters and a Picture Gallery. It also has latest news and updates on parish events.

WHAT'S ON IN WHILTON WINTER 2018 -2019

Regular weekly events include:

- BRINGTON AND WHILTON PRE-SCHOOL in the Village Hall:
Term time: Mon, Wed, Fri: 9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Mon, Wed 1 – 3 p.m. for over 3's.
- BELL RINGING at the Church: Mon: 7.30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
For further information please contact Justin Baker 844263 or Janet Bowers 842851
- WHILTON WARBLERS CHOIR in the Church: Term time: 7.15 for 7.30 p.m.
- THE APERTURE PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP usually meets fortnightly in the Saracen's Head, Little Brington at 8 p.m. For details contact Neil Phillips on 844182 or neil.apg@gmail.com

For other events, see following page.

**WHAT'S ON IN WHILTON
WINTER 2018 -2019 (cont from previous page)**

DAY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	EVENT
Sun	2 Dec	11 a.m.	Brampton Church	United Benefice Service
Wed	5 Dec	7.30 p.m.	Village Hall	Gardeners Association Christmas Social
Fri	7 Dec	7.30 p.m.	Church	Whilton Warblers Christmas Concert.
Sun	9 Dec	11 a.m.	Church	Worship for All
Tues	11 Dec	1.30 p.m.	Spinney	Work Party
Fri	14 Dec	Morning	Church	Pre School Christmas Service
Sat	15 Dec	Afternoon	Church	Afternoon tea and viewing of Christmas Trees.
Sun	16 Dec	6 p.m.	Church	Carol Service
Tues	18 Dec	Evening	Village	Whilton Carol Singers
Tues	25 Dec	11 a.m.	Church	Christmas Eucharist
Sun	30 Dec	11 a.m.	Harlestone Church	Benefice Service of Dedication for New Year
Sun	6 Jan	11 a.m.	Brington Church	United Benefice Service
Wed	9 Jan	7.30 p.m.	Village Hall	Parish Council
Fri	11 Jan	9 - 11 a.m.	Brington Reading Room	Coffee Morning for parishioners with Chris Heaton-Harris MP
Sun	13 Jan	11 a.m.	Church	Worship for All
Fri	18 Jan	7.30 p.m.	Village Hall	Local History Society Victorian Meal and AGM
Sun	27 Jan	6 p.m.	Church	Evening Communion
Sun	3 Feb	11 a.m.	East Haddon Church	United Benefice Service
Wed	6 Feb	7.30 p.m.	Village Hall	Gardeners Association AGM
Tues	12 Feb	12.30 for 1 p.m.	Village Hall	Social Lunch