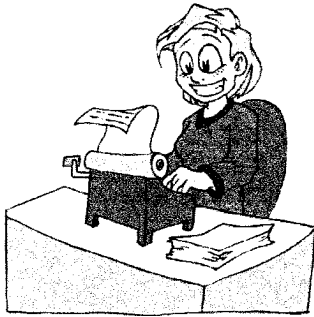


WHILTON NEWSLETTER



SPRING 2013

March - May 2013



*Letter from
the editors.*



As we collate this issue covering the months of March to May, we are hoping the cold, dreary days of winter are nearing their end, and the promises of sunnier, warmer days are just around the corner.

A special thank you goes out to Noah Price, from the Locks who has designed our beautiful front cover. The picture is very apt as we have recently welcomed the season's first new lambs at Hill Top Farm. The spring brings with it an abundance of community activities; our diary of events (on the back page) is full to bursting...we hope these will help to shake off those winter blues.

We are continuing in our search for a new team member; if you are interested please get in touch. In the mean time we thank all those who have provided contributions to this edition; if you have something you would like to be included or feel we should be covering a certain topic then please let us know.

The Editors.



WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

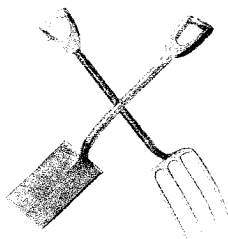
The Parish Council has met on 9th and 17th January, and the next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th March. The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will be on 8th May.

The Annual Parish Meeting, open to all parishioners, will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday 10th April .

Your Parish Councillors are:

Peter Wingrave (Chairman)	Jonathan Hanslip
Ken Bowers (Vice Chairman)	Nora Swinford
Greg Lye	Michael Thomas
	Susan Wingrave

WHILTON ALLOTMENTS – APPLY NOW



**We currently have a half plot available at £10
for the year ending 31 March 2014.**

Call now and start planting right away!

Contact the Parish Clerk:

Erica Fothergill
7 Exeter Close
Daventry
Northants
NN11 4SY

Telephone: 01327 310864

clerk@whiltonpc.co.uk

Gardening advice?

Horace Clements, father of Maurice, was interviewed for an oral history project in 1987. Even as a boy in Whilton he was interested in gardening and loved helping his father.

He remembered and recited an old saying, which he had learnt:

Sow your runner beans on 12th May;

They will grow night and day.

Horace himself said he thought it was better to work with the weather. Will any parishioners be sowing beans on 12th May?



POLICE REPORT

We are pleased to record that the Police Report from PCSO Sarah Gray included no crimes in Whilton in January. She reminds us that we should use the number 101 for non-emergency contacts for Northamptonshire Police and adds:

I have now got a police Twitter account so please follow me #DB7207

Crime this month has decreased even more, so thank you to all my eyes and ears watching for the suspicious people and vehicles and suspicious presence. These calls to 101 to report such circumstances result in a bigger jigsaw being completed to prevent, solve or detect. Thank you and keep calling 101.

Panel Meetings

It has been agreed that I will now set up a Panel Meeting, which will include up-standing members of the community who can represent residents' views and concerns within their neighbourhoods.

These members of the community will be invited by myself in due course, and will attend a meeting to discuss any issues that have been brought to their attention every three months or so in various locations across my beat. Watch this space...

PCSO Sarah Gray 7207 - Daventry Rural Safer Community Teams
Email: sarah.gray@northants.police.uk



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Please note that the number for David Stoddart, our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator is:

842167

FOUND- an item of jewellery in one of the fields in Whilton.

Please call 01327 843988 if you think it might be yours.

FOUL FOOTPATHS IN WHILTON

It has been brought to our attention that there is a real concern in the village about the amount of dog poo on our local footpaths, especially on the footpath towards Buckby from Buckby Lane, and in Wadd Close.

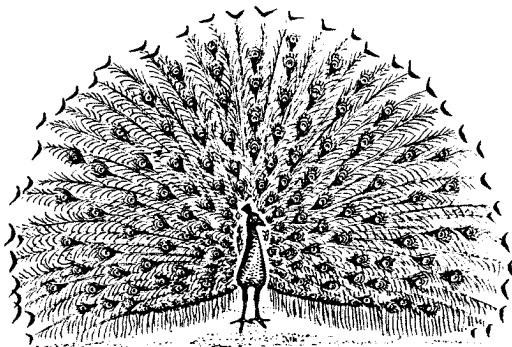


By far the majority of Whilton dog owners are responsible, and pick up the mess, especially when it is on a right of way. However, it only takes one person who does not do this, to create a hazard for others, particularly children, who may fall on or touch the poo. The annoyance of dog mess on adults' shoes is also most unpleasant.

Dog faeces should be picked up using a poop scoop bag and disposed of in a dog or litter bin. If there is no dog bin available it can be taken home and put into a dustbin. Any dog faeces collected at home should be sealed in a strong plastic bag and put in your household waste or it can be buried in a corner in your garden.

Under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, any person who permits a dog that is in their charge to foul any area to which the public has access is committing an offence.

Anyone can report incidents of dog fouling by contacting Daventry District Council on 01327 871100 or email: environmentalimprovement@daventrydc.gov.uk.



We have to report the sad demise of Ashley the Peacock, probably the victim of a local fox. Ashley had lived in the lower end of the village for some years. His beautiful tail and distinctive voice will no longer be a village feature.

Letter from the Rectory

In the Christian religion the season of Lent is an annual time of fasting and penitence in preparation for Easter, beginning on Ash Wednesday and lasting 40 weekdays to Easter. We traditionally give up something and our churches are kept plain with no adornments of flowers. The word Lent comes from the Old English "lencten" or "lengten" referring to the lengthening of daylight hours. This year the course of winter and spring seems to have been in tune with the seasons of the church. The cold bleak days we have been experiencing remind us of the starkness of Lent and the passion of Jesus. As the longer, warmer days erupt into the colour of daffodils and primulas, we remember how Jesus burst forth from the tomb of death to show us there is life eternal.

As we watch spring develop this year, let us look forward not just to the holiday of Easter, but also to the eternal life offered us through the resurrection.

I wish you a meditative and happy Easter.

Sue



Rector: Rev Sue Kipling, The Rectory, Main Street, Great Brington,
Northampton, NN7 4JB
Telephone: 01604 770402 e-mail: suekipling@btinternet.com

The regular church services are included in "What's on?" on the back cover, but please note the following:

- The monthly Sung Eucharist services for the whole benefice include Sunday School for children
- There will be a Good Friday Meditation at Whilton Church at 12 noon.
- The time of the service on Easter Day has been changed to 8 a.m.
- Thursday, 9th May is Ascension Day and there will be an Ascension Day Eucharist at Whilton Church at 7 p.m.

- The following weekday services also take place within the benefice:

Every Wed, Thurs, Fri (except Good Friday)	5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	St Mary's Church, Great Brington
Fri 1 st March Fri 5 th April Fri 3 rd May	9 am-ish	Communion with crèche Morning Prayer with crèche Communion with creche	St Mary's Church, East Haddon
Wed, 13 th March Wed, 10 th April Wed, 8 th May	5.30 p.m.	Communion with Evening Prayer	St Mary's Church, Great Brington
Wed, 20 th March Wed, 17 th April Wed, 15 th May	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	St Andrew's Church, Harlestone
Thurs, 28 th March Thurs, 18 th April Thurs, 23 rd May	10.30 a.m.	Home Communion Service	Chapel Brampton

St. Andrew's Church - Fundraising Events

Spring Quiz

The Spring Quiz will be held on Friday 19th April in the village hall at 7.00 pm.

Tickets are £10 each and are available from Janet (852851). The price includes a fish and chip supper.



Whilton Car Boot



This year the car boot sale will be held on Sunday 28th April from 1.00 - 4.00 pm in the field next to the church by kind permission of Mary and Gordon Emery. The gates will open at 11.30 for setting up and sellers will be charged £6 for cars and £8 for vans. Please, no traders.

Enquiries to Linda on 842034 or Janet on 842851



WHILTON GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION



2013 Programme

Spring has at last arrived with snowdrops, primroses etc. gracing our gardens. This New Year the committee has put together a very interesting and exciting programme. I hope you will all enjoy and be able to attend whenever possible.

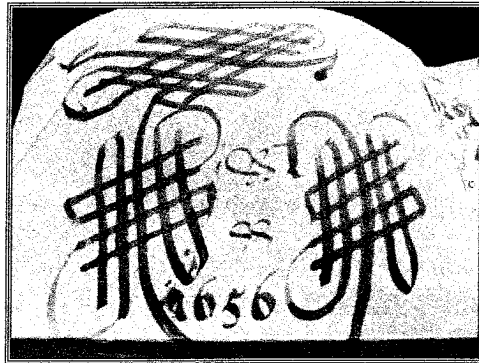
The AGM held on the 6th February in the village hall was attended by 16 members, followed by a fun quiz enjoyed by all. Our purchasing officer, Greg Lye, reminded us all of the 40% discount available with seed orders and 10% now at Nobottle Nursery. Also a discount can be negotiated at Haddenstone with the production of membership card.

April 3rd	Mr Michael Brown will be giving a talk on "Making Garden History"
June 5th	Pauline Pears will be giving a demonstration and a talk on "Pests and Predators in your garden" The Good, The Bad and The Ugly"
July 3rd	An evening visit to Chris Leftley's garden at Nobottle – Details to follow.
Aug 7TH	Open Gardens in Whilton. Three gardens will be open to members, finishing at "Roughmoor Grounds" for wine – refreshments.
Oct 2nd	Celia Davies will give a talk on "The SEX life of plants - (come early to get a seat!)"
Dec 4th	Members Christmas Social New Members always welcome CONTACT: 07921429228 or 01327 842401

Whilton Local History Society

Due to the very cold and slippery conditions on 24th January the Local History meeting was postponed. It will now take place as follows:

“1656 One document’s story”



In the Village Hall, 7.30 p.m. Thursday 7th March 2013

Entrance £1.50

All are also welcome to the following meeting of the Local History Society on Thursday, 2nd May, when the subject will be:

“An introduction to the Brook Project”

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEED CAKE

4 cups flour	2 tablespoons caraway	8 eggs
2 cups sugar	seeds 2 cups butter	1 grated nutmeg

- Separate the egg yolks from the whites.
- Beat the butter to a cream.
- Add the sugar.
- Beat the egg whites and add.
- Beat the egg yolks and add.
- Beat in the flour, nutmeg and seeds.
- Turn into greased cake tin and bake in a hot oven 220 °c/425 °f/gas mark7 for 1 ½ hours or until firm to touch.

Those who attend the Local History Society on 7th March will find who was accustomed to eating this in Whilton.

FAMILY NEWS

Tony Forward

Tony Forward, a former seafarer who became a well-known figure on local canals, died in hospital in Daventry on January 3, aged 66.

For the last 30 years Tony's home was a boat on which he toured Britain's canal network, always returning to Whilton Locks, where he had many friends.

He came from an East London family of haulage contractors, established since horse-and-cart days. Choosing as a boy to go to sea, he became a highly trained Merchant Navy radio operator or "sparks," and was familiar with most major ocean passages and ports. He spent several years ashore, providing radio communications for Nauru, a tiny remote South Pacific island -- then a League of Nations mandate and now the world's smallest republic.



When Morse code operators became redundant, Tony left the sea to live on a canal boat on the Grand Union Canal. A skilled woodworker, he fitted out the "Mooloolaba" himself, and set up a one-man business, Extra Hand, working for other boat owners and canalside residents. His main moorings were at Whilton Locks and the nearby marina.

A founder-member of the Whilton and Buckby Locks Association, he was a friend of the flight's legendary lock-keeper, Henry Grantham, and when Henry died he built a remarkable decorated bench using wood salvaged from the commercial narrowboat "Forget-me-Not" operated by the Grantham family. The memorial bench, a feature alongside the bottom lock since the 1980s, is familiar to thousands of narrow-boat users and towpath walkers.

Tom Price

Bon voyage

We send our best wishes to the **Whyte** family of the Stables, Whilton Lodge, who are moving to Dubai.

If you have family news, which you would like included in the Summer Newsletter, please contact one of the editors.

Lucy Steele of The Locks

We send condolences to the family of **Lucy Steele**, who died at her home, Orchard House in Spotted Cow Lane, on 11th February, aged 79.

Lucy was born at 17 Hillmorton Road in Rugby, although her parents lived in Whilton, as did Lucy. She was baptised Lucy Beatrice in St Andrew's Church in 1933, and her funeral service was held there too on 22nd February 2013.

Lucy grew up in Whilton, as a member of a very large family. Her parents, Ted and Beatrice Poole, ran the Plough pub, and she went to Whilton School, (now the Village Hall) until she was 14. She especially enjoyed writing and singing, and was also a member of the church choir. She survived scarlet fever during the epidemic at Whilton School in 1941, although she had to be transferred to the isolation hospital at Staverton.

On leaving school she worked first for the Cockerill family at Long Buckby, and then for Duponts in Northampton, where she quickly learnt typing and telephone skills to live up to the answers she had given in her interview! In March 1956 she married David Steele, living first at the Dial House near Brockhall and eventually came to 7 South View in Whilton. Lucy was busy with her children, but also carried out the office duties for David's building and civil engineering business. About 1966 the family was able to move into their new house in Whilton Locks, where Lucy remained for the rest of her life.



She is remembered by her six children and nine grandchildren for her love of nature and all living things, particularly of birdsong, for her hospitality and for her support of Manchester United!

It is with great sadness that we record the death of **Katherine Ann Denbigh (Kate)**, aged 28, daughter of Gill and Stephen Denbigh and partner of Joe.

The funeral will take place at St Andrew's Church at 1 p.m. on Monday 4th March.

Shopping with a smile and a song at the Locks

Whilton Marina Chandlery, situated at the bottom lock at Whilton Locks, has now been under new management for a year. And its partnership of four close friends - Karen English, Bim Simcoe and Eunice and Tom Trusler - is delighting customers.

There's always a smile - and sometimes even a song - for those who venture across the lock or through the marina's main entrance.

The shop has kept open during all the recent bad weather, providing essential groceries including bread, milk and free-range eggs, to locals. As Bim explained: 'If I can't get here in my four-wheel drive, then I'll come by tractor!'

An experienced marine engineer, Bim is also an expert beekeeper and he and Karen supply the shop with honey from bees on their smallholding in Barby. Karen is well known to boaters from far and wide from the years when she was official lock-keeper for the flight - only the second woman to hold that position.

The other members of the Chandlery quartet, Tom and Eunice, now commute from their smallholding in Lincolnshire. They both used to work at the marina, where they lived on a narrowboat. 'It's good to be back here,' says Tom.

Tom is the one who occasionally treats customers to some of his favourite folksongs, sometimes accompanying himself on the traditional boatman's instrument, the melodeon.

'After a very long slog and a few hold-ups - no fault of our own - we've finally managed to get an alcohol licence from Daventry District Council. With the New Inn still closed at the top lock, we feel we're now providing boaters and locals with a much-needed facility,' he said.

Tom's wife Eunice has a very useful hobby, knitting the yarn she has had spun from the Alpacas she keeps on their smallholding. She can knit any garment to order - hats, scarves and so on - and also has a good supply of yarn for sale.

Whiltonians are recommended to take a look around the parish's rather special shop, which is open every day (in winter till 4.30 p.m. with Sundays till 4.00 p.m. - and in summer till 6.00 p.m. with Sundays till 4.30 p.m.) and operates on the admirable motto: 'If we haven't got it, then we'll get it for you...'

Penny Price



Rochelle's Update

I have finally found a job, and since September I have been a part time sales assistance at Next in Northampton. It's a great way to meet new people and also to help others as well. Just before Christmas we were given a new manager who I get on really well with and she has noticed how much hard work I have put into the job.

They are currently pushing me to do well and are constantly teaching me new things each day. I also love the fact that I get a discount card so I can go into any Next store and get 25% off everything, as well as that I get £75 worth of uniform allowance. So there are some perks of being pushed to your limit.

My shorthand is going very well. I am really enjoying it. I am over half way through learning the theory and I have now started to use it in everyday life, whether I am writing notes at home or at work, I will write it in full and then in shorthand underneath, so I get used to using it in everyday life.

I am still contemplating whether to go into journalism, as I can use my degree and shorthand for other things too. I am thinking of using it for something business related, I would love to get to the top but then again, who doesn't.

As you know Sasha is losing a lot of weight at the moment and so is the rest of my family. With mum going on a healthy eating diet and losing a stone and me cutting down all the rubbish I eat and with running up and down all the stairs at work have lost almost a stone and a half.

Hopefully I can finally be happy with the way I look by the time I go on holiday in August!

Sasha's Column

I have had an odd sort of start to the New Year. At first I was doing really well with my weight. Everyone was telling me how good I looked and how much weight I had seemed to have lost.

Then everything went a little bit wrong. One morning I decided that I would follow my mum down for breakfast. Only I was so excited, hoping for some food that I got too close to her, which resulted in me having a little bit of a tumble down stairs. It was an accident, and I ended up with a poorly paw.

So dad had to take me to the V.E.T.S, Shell gave me a cuddle to keep me calm.

It wasn't serious, just a little sprain. But I was told that I was not allowed to go up or down the stairs, or jump on the bed or the sofa. Not being the most obedient dog in the world, as soon as I got home I was off here, there and everywhere. Good thing I had some pain killers so I couldn't feel it.

Of course I wasn't allowed to exercise either, but that didn't stop my starving belly, so I ended up putting more weight on. What is it that human's say... something about a vicious circle?

Anyway, the good news is that it is all better now. I am going on longer walks. I also have a new game at home. Shell has this puzzle ball and so using my paw I push it back to her. It seems like a fun game...

I hope the rest of the year is slighter better and I look forward to seeing you all around the village.





TUESDAY CHAT



2.30pm in the Village Hall

These social meetings are still proving very popular. Why not come and join us in our 16th April and 21st May chats?

Homemade cakes and tea and lots of 'chat' available. There is a small charge of £1.50 per person as a contribution to the rent of the hall.

Whilton Social Group



Roughmoor Spinney



The MOT (granite chippings) we are pleased to report, stood up very well to the extremely wet weather.

However our request to Whilton Parish Council for financial help for the year 2013/14 did not receive the consideration we had expected. The amount of £200 has been allocated and this, together with the small amount we have in hand, will just cover the insurance premium.

However GOOD NEWS - one of our Management Group happened to be in conversation with Mr Steve Osborne (Northampton County Councillor) who took an interest in our situation and from a fund he has available, indicated he would endeavour to assist by allocating a small amount to cover the cost of further granite chippings to enable us to continue with the upgrading of the footpaths. An appropriate letter was sent to Mr Osborne setting out our situation. This resulted in a cheque being received for £300 and when the weather is suitable, we will be in a position to continue the work on the footpaths.

Whilton Spinney Project Management Group

Whilton Village Hall 200 Club

1st April -2013 – 31st March 2014

1st April is the start of the new year for the 200 Club and our volunteer collectors will be round in the next two to three weeks to collect your subscriptions. We hope that we shall get continued support as the 200 Club is an essential part of our activities.

For the year 2012/13 we just about held our own but if the numbers fall beyond the present level the amount paid for prizes will need to be considered. The January, February and March draws will take place at the Social Lunch on Tuesday 19th March.

Derek & Shirley Brown

WHILTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB - 2012 /2013

October 2012

1 st Prize	055	A Welch
2 nd Prize	101	A Welch

November 2012

1 st Prize	133	D Brown
2 nd Prize	178	P Webster

December 2012

1 st Prize	208	G Clements
2 nd Prize	025	A Heeley

Congratulations to all the prize winners

Whilton Village Hall Management Committee



WHILTON SOCIAL LUNCH



*Our next Social Lunch will be on TUESDAY 19th March 2013
in the village hall 12.30pm for 1.00 pm.*

This will be our annual Fair-trade meal when we use as many Fair-trade ingredients as we can to provide a tasty and interesting meal.

The charge for this event is still held at £5.00 per person.

DO COME ALONG AND JOIN US

Whilton Social Group



Brington and Whilton Pre-School

During the last term we have looked at the different shapes that are around about us and then looked at Christmas. The children learned some Christmas songs which they performed really well at our Christmas Service in Whilton Church listening intently to Reverend Sue tell the Christmas Story. We then finished the term with a Christmas party and a visit from Father Christmas!

Advanced Notice: Easter Saturday 30th March 10.30am – Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Garden at St Mary's, Great Brington Church.

If you have a child of 2 years and over, we welcome them along, we offer excellent education and care. We are led by very well qualified and caring staff who engage with the children and get to know the children well in our small, but friendly environment.

Our sessions are:

Monday 9.30am – 1.00pm including lunch
Wednesday 9.30am – 1.00pm including lunch
Friday 9.30am – 1.00pm including lunch

If you would like further information or would like to visit the pre-school please contact Jenny Holman 01604 770083.

Latest: Please support your village Pre-school in collecting Sainsbury's vouchers – last year we were able to purchase spades, rakes and forks for our garden in the Spinney. They can either be put in the post box outside the hall or there is a collecting box inside. Thank you.

May Day memories

The Whilton School log book gives us some reminders of special events in Whilton, between the wars. May Day and Ascension Day were celebrated with a holiday.

In 1931 the headmistress wrote:

1 May School closed today for May Day celebrations. After crowning the Queen (Phyllis Essen) posing for photographer, we visited neighbouring farms and were refreshed at Norton Lodge with wine and cake. Mr and Mrs W Emery gave the children a splendid tea – followed by Sports with prizes for all.

14 May Ascension Day. Children attended Divine Service at 10 a.m. and dismissed as School was closed for the day.

NEWS FROM BRINGTON SCHOOL – February 2013

CREATIVE CURRICULUM

This term's topics have got off to a flying start. Key stage 2 were greeted on the first day back by two very stern Victorian teachers from Holdenby House and spent the morning sitting in rows and learning Victorian style! Key stage 1 children had a visit from an 'astronaut' recently returned from the moon who answered all their questions about space.

We have some very exciting trips and activities planned for later in the term.

WINTER WEATHER



The children all enjoyed the snow we had in January and were very creative with the snowmen and igloos that they made!

Unfortunately we did have to close the school due to the bad weather. This is not a decision that we take lightly and all the staff are consulted as to whether they make the journey into school safely before the final decision is made.

READING

We are continuing our focus on reading this year and have just bought a whole set of Project X reading books. The children love these books as they have really exciting stories in them.

Don't forget the Big Read which happens every Wednesday at 3.00pm, just bring your book and join us for 15 minutes of peace!

ARCHERY

We are now the proud owners of a wonderful set of archery equipment thanks to a very kind donation from the Brington Cricket Club. Mr Marriott will be starting an archery club after half term!

COFFEE AFTERNOON

We are holding a charity afternoon on Wednesday 13th March, proceeds going to the Cystic Fibrosis charity (a disease that affects members of the staff team). Final plans have not been made but they are bound to include tea and cake so please keep your eye open for further details!

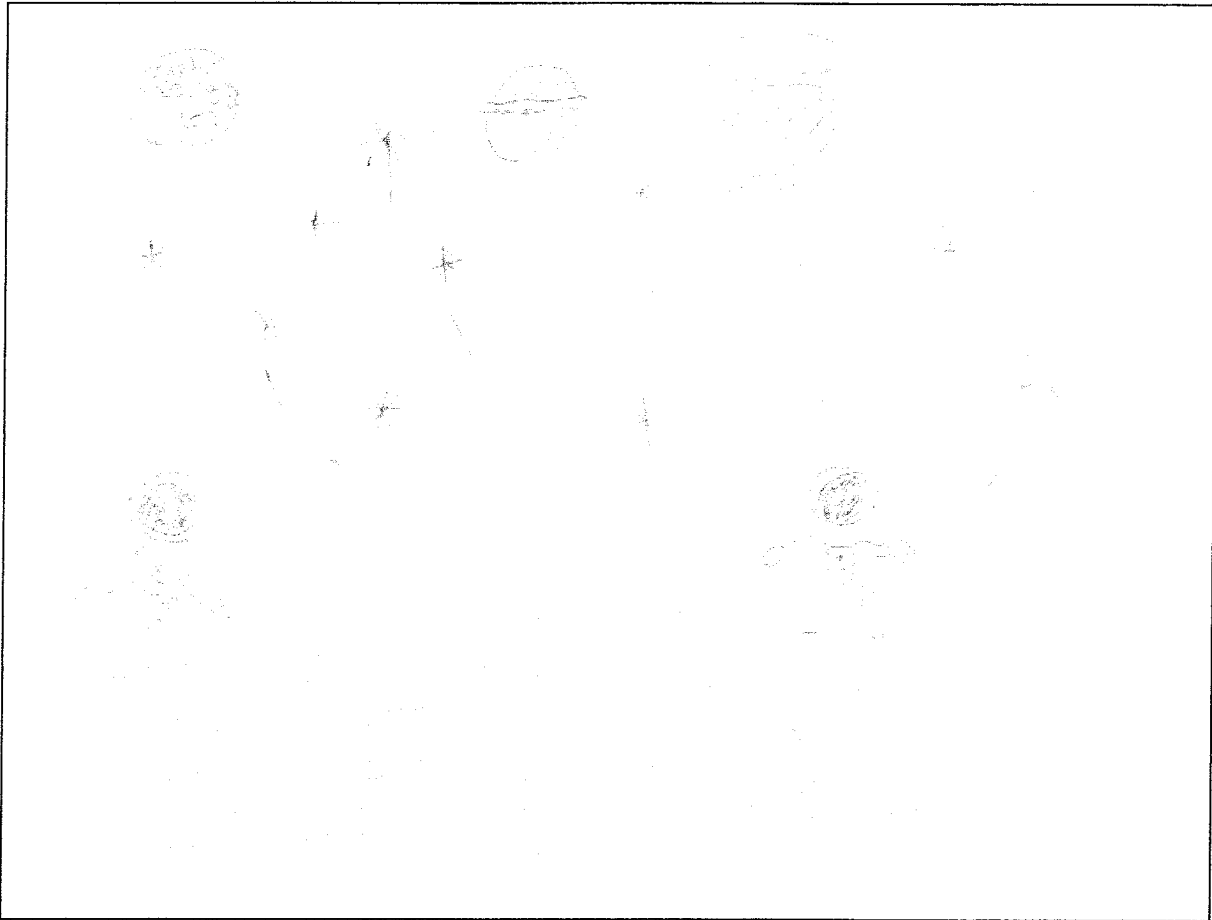
Canons Ashby

National Trust Volunteers

Canons Ashby are offering a wide variety of opportunities for volunteers in 2013, and are very keen to welcome new people to work in lots of different parts of the property.

If you're interested, please contact Sam Gee, Visitor Experience Assistant at Sam.Gee@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Fun Stuff

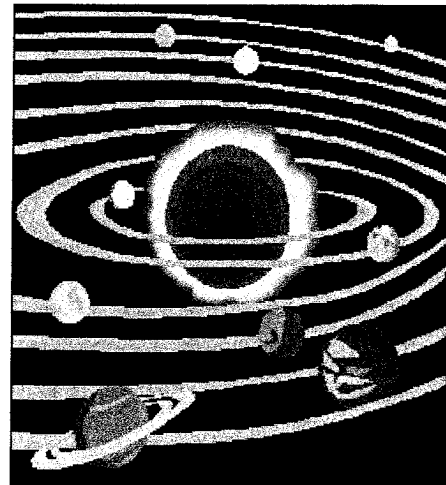


The moon landing picture above was kindly provided by Louise Whitcombe (7), who has been learning all about space at school this term. She made the following comments about the picture:

“Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin are watching the stars, Michael Collins is still in the rocket as he didn’t get out, so you can’t see him here. The marks on the moon are footprints and holes as the moon is bumpy”.

M My
V Very
E Elderly
M Mother
J Just
S Sits
U Upstairs
N Nibbling
P Peanuts

M Mercury
V Venus
E Earth
M Mars
J Jupiter
S Saturn
U Uranus
N Neptune
P Pluto





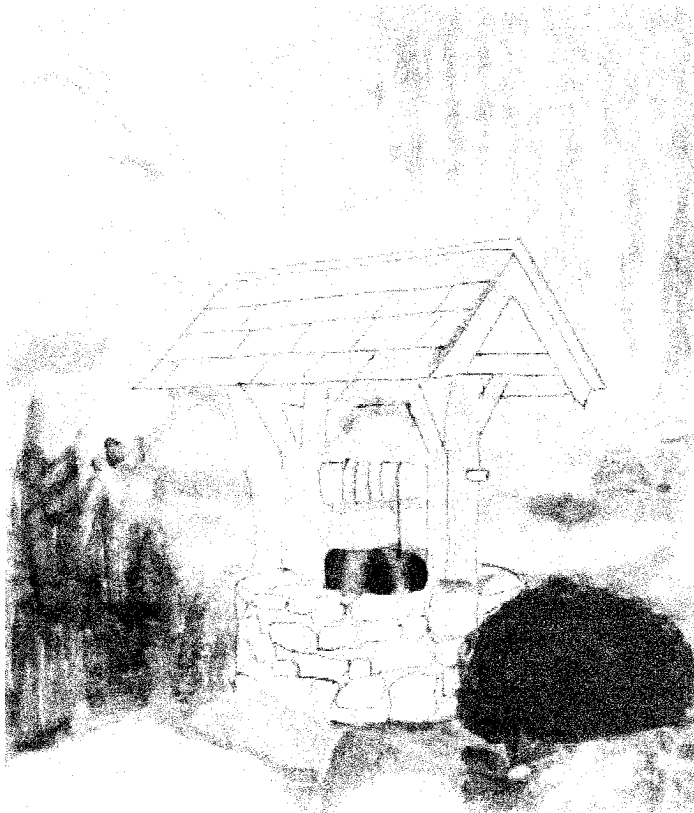
All About Me!



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.....

This issue Georgia Hathaway has told us all about herself; she has also given us a beautiful picture of a wishing well.



Name: Georgia Hathaway
Age: 7

Do you take part in any out of school activities, or school clubs?

Yes, I do a lot; choir, ballet, Brownies, science club, swimming, music, drama and pony riding. I like these activities because I learn a lot.

What have you been learning at school recently?

The Victorians and the British Industrial Revolution. I really enjoyed learning about the Titanic.

Do you like living in Whilton, is there anything you would change about the village?

Yes I do, I would like to have a swimming pool in the village!

Are you looking forward to anything this year, maybe a holiday, or special event?

I am looking forward to my school trip to the Black Country Museum and to my family holiday in Florida. I am looking forward to learning more and spending time with my family and friends.

Where is your favourite place to go?

Horse Riding and school, because I love animals and spending time with my friends.

FUND RAISING AND VOLUNTEERING



Thank you

Whilton Carol Singers would like to thank everyone for supporting them and giving so generously on Monday, 17th December last year.

£120 was donated to St John's Ambulance and £120 to Macmillan Cancer Support.

A note from Harriet Patching of the Thatched Cottage



I am raising funds for the charity Alzheimer's Research UK in memory of my Pap, Don.

The marathon is on **Sunday April 21st 2013** and if people would like to donate they can do so online at www.justgiving.com/harrietpatching or contact Jenni or Richard Patching at the Thatched Cottage.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people live full and independent lives.

Hold a **Great British Fish and Chip Supper** on Friday 17th May 2013 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's information and support services.

For more information or to request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk or visit www.siafishandchips.co.uk

Get involved at the library!

Our dedicated, selfless, and charming volunteers help to provide fun activities for families, local history clubs for research savvy bookworms, homework help for young people, business start up advice for aspiring entrepreneurs, rhyme time singing sessions for toddlers, job clubs for those on the hunt for a new career, and even help to keep the garden tidy.

If you could help your library too, then come on, get involved! Ask at your library or go to:

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/getinvolved

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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 or typewriter, the editors will be happy to type handwritten articles for you.

The next issue will be the Summer Edition, covering June – August 2013. The last date for contributions will be 20th May 2013.

Whilton is also proud of its website – www.whilton-village.net. This contains details of the organizations in the parish, previous Parish Council Minutes and Newsletters, latest news and a very comprehensive Picture Gallery.

NEWSLETTER VACANCY

Whilton Newsletter has a vacancy on its team of editors.

If you are interested in volunteering for this or in finding out more, please contact one of the editors listed above.

WHAT'S ON IN WHILTON: Events take place in the Village Hall unless otherwise stated

Sun	3	March	10 a.m.	Benefice Eucharist at Brampton Church
Thurs	7	March	7.30 p.m.	Local History Society: 1656
Sun	10	March	6 p.m.	Mothering Sunday Evening Service at St Andrew's Church
Wed	13	March	Afternoon 7 p.m.	Coffee Afternoon at Brington School Whilton Parish Council meeting
Sun	17	March	9.15 a.m.	Worship for all at St Andrew's Church
Tues	19	March	12.30 for 1 p.m.	Social Lunch
Sat	23	March	2.20 – 2.40 p.m.	Mobile Library at The Green
Sun	24	March	11 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship for All at St Andrew's Church
Friday	29	March	12 noon	Good Friday Meditation at St Andrew's Church
Sat	30	March	10.30 a.m.	Pre-School Easter Egg Hunt at Brington
Sunday	31	March	8 a.m.	Easter 1662 Holy Communion
Wed	3	April	7.30 p.m.	Gardeners Association
Sun	7	April	10 a.m.	Benefice Sung Eucharist at Brington Church
Wed	10	April	7 p.m.	Annual Parish Meeting
Sun	14	April	6 p.m.	Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church
Tues	16	April	2.30 – 4 p.m.	Tuesday Chat
Fri	19	April	7 p.m.	Spring Quiz
Sun	21	April	9.15 a.m.	Worship for All at St Andrew's Church
Sat	27	April	2.20 – 2.40 p.m.	Mobile Library at The Green
Sun	28	April	11 a.m. 1 – 4 p.m.	Worship for All at St Andrew's Church Car Boot Sale in Wadd Close
Thurs	2	May	7.30 p.m.	Local History Society: The Brook Project
Sun	5	May	10 a.m.	Benefice Sung Eucharist at Norton Church
Wed	8	May	7 p.m.	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council
Thurs	9	May	7 p.m.	Ascension Day Eucharist at St Andrew's
Sun	12	May	6 p.m.	Evening Service at St Andrew's Church
Sun	19	May	9.15 a.m.	Worship for All at St Andrew's Church
Mon	20	May		Last date for Newsletter contributions
Tues	21	May	2.30 – 4 p.m.	Tuesday Chat
Sat	25	May	2.20 – 2.40 p.m.	Mobile Library at The Green
Sun	26	May	11 a.m.	Worship for All at St Andrew's Church