

WHILTON NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2010

Living in the Gap

The story of Whilton and its 1000 acres
1000–2000 AD

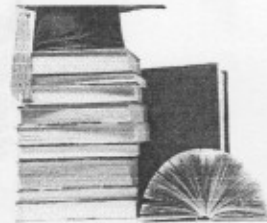


Anthea Hiscock

The new history of Whilton ,
“Living in the Gap”

Is expected to be available
from

21st October 2010



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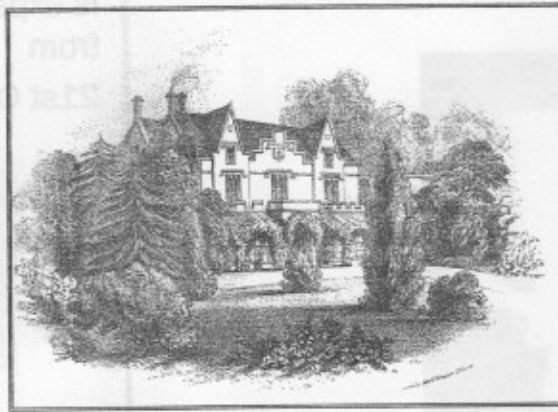
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Whilton Local History Society

**Thursday 21st October 2010
7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall**

RIVALRY IN WHILTON 1853

*"I should wish my enemy no greater harm than to build
a mansion on Freeman's site and live in it."*



Come and hear the voices of:

Beriah Botfield of Norton

Sir George Jenkinson of Weedon

Edward Burton of Daventry.

A dramatic reading from part of:

"Living in the Gap.

The story of Whilton and its thousand acres.

1000 – 2000 A.D."

**It is expected that this new book will be available for
the first time at this meeting at £12.99.**

**Please bring £1.50 to cover the costs of the meeting.
All are welcome.**

Whilton Local History Society

The November meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall on Thursday 18th November. The subject will be:

Christmas parties at Whilton Lodge in the 1930s, with some tasting of foods enjoyed by Whilton children there.

Over the last twelve months the society has had meetings based on the canal at Whilton, William Langton and his farm in Stuart times, Whilton place names, clothing worn in Whilton, the story of the Plough and a session called "Guess or remember", looking at photos, sketches and paintings.

This meeting will also include finalising the programme for the coming year.

Please bring £1.50 to cover expenses.

All are welcome.

"Living in the Gap. The story of Whilton and its thousand acres. 1000 – 2000 A.D."

This book will be available from Anthea Hiscock (843319) after 21st October. Price: £12.99.

The Origin of Sayings and Expressions

A **KANGAROO COURT** is an irregular or illegal tribunal that is conducted with disregard for due legal process and originated in America. Kangaroo Courts have clear links with the Gold Rush of 1849 during which time informal courts were set up to deal with illegal prospectors known as claim jumpers, many of whom were Australian. This phrase became widely used in Britain in relation to the dubious tribunals set up by trade unions to deal with members who were regarded as strike breakers.



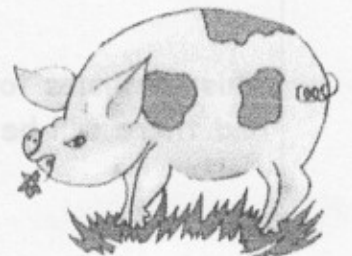
If you **LET THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG** you reveal a secret carelessly or by mistake. This saying originates from medieval markets when a buyer would be shown a piglet and while the haggling over the price was taking place, the piglet would be substituted for a cat and bagged up ready to be taken home. The deception would only be discovered when the buyer reached home and the cat was found.



BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE is the phrase used when we are pursuing the wrong course of action. In the 1800s raccoon hunting in America had to be done at night as these animals are nocturnal and hunting dogs were used to pick up their scent. The dogs would bark at the trees where they thought the raccoon was hiding but they made frequent mistakes and the phrase originates from this.



To make a **PIG'S EAR** out of something is to attempt a task and get it so wrong the effort is useless. This phrase dates from the Middle Ages when it was said that the only part of a pig that was unusable was the ear. Any craftsman or apprentice who made something that was ineffective or unusable was considered to have produced a 'pig's ear'.



WHILTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB 2010/2011

Aug 2010

1 st Prize	053	D Day	£45
2 nd Prize	208	G Clements	£25

SEPT 2010

1 st Prize	070	M Kane	£45
2 nd Prize	007	S Spicer	£25

Congratulations to All

WHILTON VILLAGE HALL

We would remind hirers that if they do use the village hall drying-up cloths that they take these away launder and return to the key-holder as soon as possible. It has been reported that cloths have been left un-washed and we would point out that we do not have an appointed caretaker to deal with matters of this nature. The hall is serviced by an independent firm of commercial cleaners monthly and this not part of the contract.

Under the Health and Safety Policy the hall is suitable for seating approximately 45 persons at tables: otherwise the capacity is between 65 and 70 persons non-seated. It is important to ensure that in the event of an evacuation, the fire exits are readily accessible

Whilton Village Hall Management Committee.



Roughmoor Spinney



The terrific growth in the spinney continues, especially since the wet August.

As no volunteers have come forward to varnish the noticeboard, we will include this in our next Working Party which will be Sunday, 14th November at 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm, weather permitting.

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 20th October in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Whilton Spinney Management Committee

TUESDAY CHAT

This continues to be very popular. The next one will be Tuesday, 19th October and there will be a Christmas Chat on Tuesday, 21st December.

WHILTON SOCIAL LUNCH

There will be an Autumn Social Lunch on Thursday, 25th November. Details to follow



WHILTON GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION



August 4th - A big thank you to Gill and Steve Martin, Kath Wright, Jo and Phil Grant for opening their gardens on a lovely summer evening. Members and friends from Woodford Halse met at the Village Green where they divided into two groups to tour the gardens. The refreshments were absolutely first class and the Committee would like to thank Jo and Phil for allowing about 40 plus people to trample around their kitchen.

Thanks also go to Sue Kipling, our new Rector, who judged and presented prizes to the winners:- Mr & Mrs Eyton-Jones (best front of house display) and Mr & Mrs P Grant (best hanging basket).

August 11th - The evening visit to Julie Connolly's garden at Clipston was well attended and after a drink accompanied by fresh scones, cream and strawberry jam, we all enjoyed the garden which was packed with some interesting planting

October 6th - Meeting at village Hall 7.30 pm
Subject- **Ponds Design and Planting by Linda Smith**
Plants available for sale.

December 1st Christmas Supper for Members 7.00pm. **Details to follow**

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Contacts - Ann Gilbert, Chair - 01327 843169, mob 07710225846
Olive Bardill-Tillett, Membership Sec. - mob 07921429228

Neighbourhood Watch Report

Over the past two weeks we have received three reports of a white flat back van or lorry in the village with occupants asking if anyone had scrap metal to sell. Can I please ask residents if anyone is at all suspicious to make a note of the vehicle registration number and a description of the occupants and immediately contact the police at one of the numbers given below. The police need as much detail as quickly as possible in order to check out these people. Once this information has been reported to the police, you should then contact either myself or Derek Brown so that we can take any further action.

Unfortunately, our PSCO Sarah Gray has been on sick leave and our area has been covered by another member of the team. Although she is now back at work, the surgery dates for October and November have still to be arranged. Dates will be posted on the notice boards when they are available.

The usual numbers to contact is you see or hear anything suspicious are Northamptonshire Police Switchboard 03000 111 222 or the dedicated Neighbourhood Watch 01604 432436 or 999 in case of an emergency. Alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

Ros Gardner NHW Co-ordinator

ST ANDREWS CHURCH SERVICES

OCTOBER 2010

3 rd	10.00 AM	BENEFICE SUNG EUCHARIST AT <u>BRINGTON</u>
3 rd	2.30 PM	PET BLESSING SERVICE AT WHILTON
10 th	11.00 AM	FAMILY SERVICE
17 th	9.15 AM	HOLY COMMUNION
24 th	11.00 AM	FAMILY SERVICE
31 st	11.00 AM	SUNG EUCHARIST AT <u>NORTON</u>

NOVEMBER 2010

7 th	10.00 AM	BENEFICE SUNG EUCHARIST AT <u>WHILTON</u>
14 th	6.00 PM	REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
21 st	9.15 AM	HOLY COMMUNION
28 th	3.00 PM	THREE O'CLOCK CLUB

PARISH NOTES

The last Parish Council Meeting was held on Wednesday 8th September at 7.30pm when five councillors and five parishioners were present. Mike Lewis sent his apologies as he was on holiday and Ken Bowers was elected chair for the meeting.

After further enquiries it was clarified that District Councillor Wendy Amos and County Councillor Steve Osborne are very seldom available on a Wednesday evening because of other meetings.

The question was raised as to whether sheds are allowed on the allotments. This is not allowed as it is stated in the conditions of tenure between Whilton Parish Council and Daventry District Council that no structures are allowed. It was suggested that a joint, open, meeting is held between the Parish Council and the allotment holders to discuss various issues.

Progress that has occurred since the last meeting –

- The adoption of the village green is proceeding.
- The Clerk has been in further contact with Daventry District Council about the ownership of Rose Cottage and they are following this up.
- The overhanging shrubbery between Wadd Lane and Holly House has been cut back.
- The list of village assets has been updated.
- Yet another letter has been sent to Highways re the drainage in Brington Lane.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th November 2010 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Alison Nicoll
Clerk to Whilton Parish Council

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

VISITS WHILTON EVERY THIRD TUESDAY AND STOPS OUTSIDE THE OLD PLOUGH, MAIN STREET AT 9.15 AM UNTIL 9.30 AM.

THE DATES FOR OCTOBER IS 12TH AND FOR NOVEMBER ARE 2ND AND 23RD

From the Rev Sue Kipling

Dear Everyone,

The days are now feeling autumnal. We are gathering the apples in our gardens, the hedgerows are heavy with berries and the trees are shedding their seeds, to the delight of the squirrels. This is the time of our Harvest Festivals in church, when we sing our traditional hymns of praise for all the good things God gives us.

As we look at all the fruits around us, we can pause and think of the fruits of our own lives. It is a time to question the quality of the love, the compassion, the sincerity of our lives. Are these all good enough? – or do we need to work extra hard to be more loving and compassionate and sincere, so God can be thankful for the people we are, the fruits of his creation.

Wishing you God's blessing

Sue

... Winter seems to begin with Remembrance It will soon be the time to remember those who have died in war or where death has been caused by terrorism or other forms of aggression.

It is fitting that around this time of the year we also remember those who are still dear to us, personally who have died. To help us remember before God all our loved ones we are holding a special service

**“In Loving Memory”
on 31st October in St. Andrew's Church, Harlestone
At 3 pm.**

At that service we will read out the names of those whom we still love but see no more and a candle will be lit for each one. It will be a quiet, reflective service and if you have someone you would like remembered, please leave a message on the Reverend Sue Kipling's phone (01604 770402) or e-mail her on suekipling@btconnect.com or write a short note to The Rectory, Great Brington, NN7 4JB, if possible by Thursday 28th October 2010 .

Whether you give in a name or not, if you would like to remember someone, then do come to the service.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE AND SUPPER

This took place on Sunday 26th September 2010 at 4.30 pm and was well attended including an enthusiastic band of children who had a good input into the service. As usual the church was tastefully decorated for the occasion with flowers and produce.

At 6.00 pm the Harvest Supper took place in the Village Hall and was well attended. After a delicious meal the Auction of Produce took place and raised the magnificent sum of £170. Our auctioneer for the evening was Teresa Leadbetter assisted by Hannah and Miles Baker. An excellent performance which resulted in many generous bids being obtained.

This was a very happy and lively part of the evening with plenty of humorous competition and a record of £9 for a cabbage in 2009 was beaten by a jar of beetroot, grown and bottled in Whilton, which fetched £10. There were obviously bidders who were determined to beat the record!!

An event of this nature involves a great deal of planning and hard work and thanks must go to Janet Bowers and Mary Emery and all those who participated in many different ways.

S & D B - Parishioners

Christingle

40 years of shining
light into darkness



The
Children's
Society



Christingle - welcoming the whole community Join our special celebration

On 12th DECEMBER 2010

At 4.00 PM

Proceeds will go to The Children's Society, a leading children's charity committed to making childhood better for all children. A good world needs happy children. Happy children need a good childhood.

visit www.christingle.org
call 0845 300 1128

LOCAL SERVICES OF WHICH YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE

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- Bacon, eggs, Northamptonshire ham
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1.30pm to 5.30pm Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
Weds 8.00am to 12.30pm
Sat 8.00am to 1.00pm
Sun 8.00am to 11.00am

Please note the Post Office counter is open from
9.00am Mon – Sat, and closes at the same time
as the shop.

Michael White

WHILTON LOCKS CHANDLERY

The Chandlery supports our Village Hall
200 Club and if you find you have run out
of any items, this is our equivalent of the
corner shop and could save you travelling
a greater distance.

BRINGTON & WHILTON PRE-SCHOOL

This successful Pre-School meets
three mornings a week in Whilton
Village Hall.

If you have or know of any child
aged 2yrs 6mths to rising 5yrs who
would benefit from attending a caring
setting, please do not hesitate to
contact **Jenny Holman 01604
770083 or 07948724415.**

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beautiful secluded rural setting.

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priority and the light and spacious heated
chalets promote relaxation and well-being.

Call Christine or David on **01327 341475**
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disappointment!

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Northants, NN11 4BQ**

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POSTAGE STAMPS

*Used postage stamps are still being collected in the village by Trudy Haynes (please leave
on the windowsill by the back door of the Old Plough). The charity supported is the
Leprosy Mission.*

Teresa Leadbetter, Wood View, also collects stamps for charity

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

Sun	3 rd	Oct	2.30 pm	Pet Blessing Service in St Andrew's Church
Weds	6 th	Oct	7.30 pm	WGA Meeting in village hall
Tues	12 th	Oct	9.15 am	Library van in village outside the Old Plough
Tues	19 th	Oct	2.30 pm	Tuesday Chat in village hall
Weds	20 th	Oct	7.30 pm	AGM Whilton Spinney in village hall
Thurs	21 st	Oct	7.30 pm	Whilton Local History Society in village hall
Tues	2 nd	Nov	9.15 am	Library van in village outside the Old Plough
Weds	10 th	Nov	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting in Village Hall
Sun	14 th	Nov	2.00 pm	Spinney Working Party
Thurs	18 th	Nov	7.30 pm	Whilton Local History Society in village hall
Tues	23 rd	Nov	9.15 am	Library van in village outside the Old Plough
Thurs	25 th	Nov	12.30 pm for 1.00 pm	Social Lunch in village hall

Mon 22nd Nov

DEADLINE FOR DEC/JAN2010 NEWSLETTER

Please hand in your contribution before this date or otherwise we cannot guarantee it will be included in the next edition.

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Please supply a disk or memory card with your contribution if not email us so that we can manipulate the text to fit as necessary. If you do not have a PC or typewriter the editors will type the articles as they have always done in the past. Articles of local interest, poems, recipes puzzles or drawings will always be considered for inclusion in the Newsletter.

NOTE FROM EDITORS

We would point out that we only include flyers in the Newsletter where it will be of interest and use to our readers. It has come to our notice that sometimes these flyers have just been thrown away without being read as one does with large publications and this could be of loss to our readers.

Inserting these is extra work for the editors but we are endeavouring to provide a service.