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	9.30am	Parish Communion	
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Sun 17th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	
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For further details please ring Mollie Brooks on 632115.

Services: Sundays at 10.30 am - Please join us.

This month our preachers are:

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ROM BEV MACHIN

As I pen this, it is four days to the Royal Wedding, with all the hustle and bustle, hype and media interest. There is so much hustle, bustle and noise in our lives that we rarely take time out to be still and silent.

I have just spent a day away from all the noise, hustle, bustle and business in my own life. It was time spent beginning to learn to be still and silent. Just being.

Most of us find this hard, yet when we empty ourselves, even if only for a few minutes, we can enter into a space of wholeness, calm and peace, that only the Creator of this world can give.

So turn off the TV, radio, electronic devices and listen to the stillness.

My prayer for you all is that you will make time to be quiet and allow your Creator God to renew your inner peace.



Who would have thought that a small town like Williton would have so many talented people in its midst?

When the invitation was issued back in February for people to display their talents at St Peter's Church during

the weekend of April $28^{th} - 29^{th}$, the organisers were delighted to receive a large number of offers. Consequently, every available space in the church was taken up with examples of games, children's activities, flower decorations, art displays, a working model of a train set as well as a huge variety of crafts. Workshops and demonstrations were very popular, including sugar craft, wood work, drawing and jewellery making. Musical entertainment was provided during the afternoon and, following the celebration service on Sunday, four girls from Danesfield came along and gave a dynamic gym display.

Competitions were also held for which people were invited to enter their art work, poetry and photographs under the title The Joy of Spring. Among those who entered were pupils from Danesfield and members of the Brownies, as well as adults and children from all over the town.

Refreshments were available on both days, including ploughman's lunches, and we are very grateful to The Co-op, Spar and Williton Service Station for their generous donations of food.

Thank you to all those who made this event such a success. The question was asked if this was to raise money for the church. Not at all. Williton's Got Talent was meant to be a celebration of our talented community and by all the positive comments received it did just that!

Kathryn Flenley

ZARN BOMBING

Many of you will have seen the yarn bombing in Bishops Lydeard and Taunton, so let's yarn bomb Williton! Following on from Williton's Got Talent, I have quite a bit of knitted bunting but would love some help with other bits and pieces. I have been offered a couple of sessions at Williton Library where anyone interested can meet up with me. When and where we do the yarn bombing is supposed to be a surprise! If you are willing to help, most of the items can be knitted at home - I have several pattern books. Please text me on 07427 969892 to let me know you are interested.

Sara Hempshall

FROM YOUR VILLAGE AGENT, IZZY SILVESTER
At long last we have had some lovely weather and been able to take part in lovely outdoors activities such as May Fairs and Open Gardens. (Apologies to hay fever sufferers!) These are brilliant events for the whole community to get together for a casual chat and great day out. Perhaps, if there is an event in your village, you could arrange to take a neighbour who may feel uneasy to go alone. You may give them the confidence to walk the distance or you may need to drive them to the event. Once there, they will already know people or be able to make new friends, which will make both of you feel great and boost your mental health.

Just 10 minutes of brisk walking is considered to give health benefits according to the NHS choices website. They say you should aim for 150 minutes of moderate activity a week, of which brisk walking is one. A brisk walk is about three miles an hour, which is faster than a stroll. One way to tell if you're walking briskly is if you can still talk but can't sing the words to a song.

Look at the walks section in the Williton Window every month to see where local walking groups are meeting. Don't worry that you may be the slowest person there, you will be welcome whatever your ability, but don't forget to wear suitable footwear. And don't forget to hydrate during and after your exercise.

Your body needs water or other fluids to work properly and to avoid dehydration. In climates such as the UK's, we should drink about 1.2 litres (six to eight glasses) of fluid every day to stop us getting dehydrated. In hotter climates, the body needs more.

Recently there has been lots of new research and conflicting advice about what makes up a healthy diet. Instead of getting bogged down in all the detail, it is good to remember that most food experts agree that eating fewer processed foods with lower sugar and drinking fresh water is the key to staying healthy. Changing your diet slowly is more beneficial than shocking the body with harsh exercise and detox or excluding a food group.

Enjoy those summer evenings and take the chance to boost your health!

Remember The Talking Café in Williton Library on the second Wednesday of every month (June 13th) between 10.30 am and 1pm if you need help with free advice and support. This month help with your IPad, mobile phone or computer is also available for free.

Not sure who to turn to? Village Agents are a charity that work with individuals and social groups to give confidential support and advice. Please phone me on 07931 018045, leave me your name and number and I will ring you back. Or e mail me on izzy@somersetrcc.org.uk . I do only work parttime so it may take a day or two for me to return your call. Izzy Silvester

TELCOME PACK

Have you recently moved to Williton or do you know someone who has? If so, you may like a free Welcome Pack, which gives details of services, clubs and organisations, and how to obtain more information. Please ring Jenny Gibson on 634899 or go to our website: www.willitonwindow.org.uk/welcome-pack

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Do you have a Facebook page? If so, do check us out. We try to keep our followers posted with our new stock and activities.

Last but by no means least, a big THANK YOU to the ladies who have so kindly knitted such beautiful bunting for us. This has enabled the Post Office to join the Yarn Bombing Festival. It looks so lovely in the window - we couldn't have done it without you! Caroline Tyner

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Most of us need advice and assistance at some point in our lives. Our friendly and experienced advisers offer free advice on a range of issues. West Somerset Advice comes to Williton on Tuesdays between 9.30am and 12.30pm in the Community Employment Hub in the Children's Centre, Killick Way. For all appointments, call **0800 802 1808** or go to www.westsomersetadvice.org.uk

Come and join our friendly team. If you would like to help our charity provide an essential service across West Somerset, please pop along and chat to us over a cup of coffee about what we do and how you could contribute. June 27th 10:30 -12:30 pm - Parish Office, Killick Way, Williton TA4 4PG

If you have a coffee morning or group, we could come along to tell you more about our work. Please contact Sue or Sally on 01643 700240 or 708862.

TALKING NEWSPAPER – Volunteers still needed YY Sadly, we have only had one response to our request last month for more volunteers and this is for the role of Treasurer, which we hope will now be filled.

We are looking for a couple of extra readers and a reserve recording engineer. Experience is not essential for either position, as training will be given. Volunteers should be expected to commit to a few hours on a Thursday evening no more than once a month.

The Talking Newspaper is a local charity which provides fortnightly local news broadcasts to blind and partially sighted persons across West Somerset and large parts of Exmoor. The charity is run entirely by unpaid volunteers and is based at a studio in the Parish Council Offices in Killick Way, Williton.

For more information please contact Roger Hurst on 01984 640060 or Martin Spink on 01984 631827.

OOD NEIGHBOURS

Our outing to the Copper Kettle in Dulverton was much enjoyed by members, despite the weather!

The May meeting was well attended and included one visitor. The speaker was Holly from Somerset Sight. She told us how the organisation was founded and that it is for people with various eye complaints, involving loss of sight, and helping people with various gadgets and glasses to lead more independent lives. This costs around £350,000 each year and is partly funded by Somerset County Council, but largely depends on donations. The various gadgets and glasses were handed round among members, so that they were able to experience various eye conditions.

We followed this by tea, coffee and cake for a special lady with an important birthday. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 5th June at Danesborough View Common Room at 2.30pm and we look forward to meeting anyone wishing to join our lovely club. See you there!

All enquiries about the club to Jenny Berry on 632616.

Joy Elgood

~ LOBAL FRIENDS

Due to members' requests we have reorganised our sessions. Also we have changed our meeting dates to the first Tuesday of the month, meaning the next date will be Tuesday 5th June at 2:00pm.



We have started Ramadan and respect some of our member's wishes for this. We are supporting one of our members whose mother is very ill.

For more information on Global Friends and where we meet, please phone 248392 or 634734.

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If you feel you could help us in this very worthwhile task, please contact **John Carslake** (Chairman) on **01984 639083 or email jjcarslake@tiscali.co.uk.** He can tell you more about the role and arrange for you to meet one of our experienced coordinators to see what exactly is involved before you decide. *JJC*

WASPS - WILLITON AND SURROUNDING AREA PARKINSON'S SUPPORT
Our WASPS meeting this month started with the usual exercise class with
Jenny Manvell. This time we concentrated on coordination but the muscles that
got the most exercise were on our faces because, as usual, there was a lot of
laughter!

We were introduced to Elaine Gardner, who is the newly appointed West Somerset Carers Agent and then split into groups for open discussions before winding up with tea and a natter.

Summer is almost here, so the June and July meetings will be social events, our annual cream tea and barbecue. We don't have a meeting in August as everyone is busy with holidays, so we will be back at Danesborough View in September.

Since starting the WASPS five years ago I have had many people thank me for my efforts. Now it is my turn to thank everyone in the WASPS for their support. These last few months have been very hard ones indeed for me. I have come to realize just how insidious and invasive Parkinson's is. My level of functioning has dropped, sometimes to a snail's pace. Getting through a normal day has become a real challenge and I find myself exhausted at the end of the day. If I do attempt to do anything extra I find that I can't cope.

Without the support of the WASPS and my husband I could not imagine how I will continue to cope. Every one needs support from time to time and that is what the WASPS are all about.

If you need further information please do call me on 01984 631472. You don't have to join the group. I am generally not a joiner, but I will continue as a member of the WASPS for ever.

Maureen Hilditch and Linda Bishop

R BL WOMEN'S SECTION Our next meeting will be

Our next meeting will be on Monday 11 June, 2018, at the Fire Station meeting room, Williton, at 2.30pm. We will be having a fun bingo afternoon with a cream tea and would like to invite all to join us. We look forward to seeing you.

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The market will be held on Friday 15 June between 9 and 11.30 in the Parish Council Rooms, Killick Way. We sell fresh produce, flowers, eggs, preserves, jewellery, crafts, greetings cards and seasonal items.

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MALL PRAYER

Thank you for the sunshine without a cold wind.



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.

from SD

HIS MONTH'S EVENTS

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Sat	2 Williton Library	10.30am Lego Club
Sat	2 Village History	2pm St Audries Bay see page 26
Sat	2 Williton Bowling Club	2-5pm Open Afternoon see page 24
Tues	5 Good Neighbours	2.30pm Danesborough View Common Room,
Tues	5 Global Friends	2.00pm See page 14
Thurs	7 Williton Library	3pm Pins and Needles
Mon	11 RBL Women's Section	2.30pm Fire Station Lecture Room
Tues	12 Williton Pavilion	7.00pm Bingo, Danesfield School
Wed	13 Talking Café	10.30am Williton Library
Thurs	14 Loop the Loop	3.30-4.30pm Williton Library
Sat	16 Williton Walk	2.00pm, The Beacon Memorial Ground
Sat	16 Gardening Club	9-12am Plant Sale at Parish Rooms Killick Way
Sat	23 Williton Wanderers	10.30am Horner Car Park
Sat	23 St Peter's Church	7pm QMTC Summer Concert See page 9
Sat	23 Williton Hospital	2pm Craft Fair See pages 19 and 25
Mon	25 Book Club	2.30pm Williton Library
Tues	26 Williton Pavilion	7.00pm Bingo, Danesfield School
Wed	27 West Somerset Advice	10.30am Meeting Parish Office see page 13
Fri	29 Bake Club	3.30-4.30pm Williton Library
Sat	30 Story & Craft Time	10.30-11.30am for children 4-10years



Chair based exercise class with Shirley Thursdays 10 – 11am at Williton Hospital

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Entry in this diary is free. To have details of your organisation's events included, ring Tony or Jenny on 01984 634899 or email willitonwindow@yahoo.co.uk

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Mon 9.30-10.30 am	Pilates with Eleanor	Maglands Community Room, Watchet
and 10.45-11.45am	Rutter	Booking essential 07342 238 723
Mon 10.30 - 12 noon	UK Online	Williton Library, booking essential
Mon 2 pm	Table Tennis	Watchet Youth Centre
Mon 2 - 3 pm	Age UK - Stay Strong	Danesborough View Common Room
Mon 6-7pm	Pilates with Eleanor	Danesborough View Common Room
And 7.15-8.15pm	Rutter	Booking essential 07342 238 723
Mon 7.30 pm Tues 9.30-10.30am	Badminton	EMN Hall Monksilver (656496)
6.15-7.15pm	Pilates with Nathan Pirt Pilates with Nathan Pirt	Watchet Community Centre West Quantoxhead Village Hall
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Tues 9.30 - 10.30am	Mat and floor based yoga	The Salvation Army Hall Watchet
and 11 - 12 am	Chair-based yoga More info from Julie	(level access and parking)
	Bolton 633665 or email	julieboltonyoga@gmail.com
Tues 10am-12.30pm	Children's Centre	West Somerset Advice Bureau
Tue 5.45 pm	Brownies	Guide HQ
Tues 7-11pm	War-games Club	Info: Williton Gamers 01984 639588
Wed 9-10am	Pilates with Nathan Pirt	Bicknoller Village Hall
and 10.30-11.30am	C-1	Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271
Wed 6-7.30pm Wed 7-10 pm	Cubs Railway Modellers	Guide HQ Rear of Washford Mill, Washford (info:
-	•	07773 892085)
Thur 9-10am	Pilates with Nathan Pirt	West Quantoxhead Village Hall
and 10.15-11.15am Thur 9.30-11.30 am	St Datan's Church	Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271
Thur 9.50-11.50 am	St Peter's Church Free chair based	Drop in for coffee and cake Williton Hospital (please ring
That To-Train	exercise	Shirley on 633529 for information)
Thur 10.30 am	KFA Movement	Danesborough View Common Room
Thur 10.30-noon	Craft and Chat	Drop-in at Williton Library.
Thur 10.30-12 noon	UK Online	Williton Library, Booking essential
Thur 5.15-6.30 pm	Rainbows	Guide HQ
Thur 6-7pm	Williton Youth Club	Memorial Ground See page 25 (Contact Andy 01643 703155)
Fri 9.30-10.30 am	Pilates with Eleanor	Williton Fire Station Community Room
and 10.45-11.45am	Rutter	Booking essential 07342 238 723
Fri 10.30-11am	Rhyme Time 0 - 4 years	Williton Library (term time only)
Fri 12 noon	Colin's "Walk and talk"	Meet Killick Way Car park
Fri	Williton RBL Rifle Club	Bridge St. Range. Info 01984 632650
Fri 7.15-9pm		The Guide HQ, Market Street Car Park in Watchet
Fri 7.30 pm	Bingo	Danesborough View Common Room
Fri 7 - 8.30 pm	Walking football	Danesfield School
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T PETER'S SCHOOL DIARY

We have enjoyed a very busy few weeks, so have earned a restful half term break before starting the last part of the summer term. One of the highlights was the whole school trip to the Brewhouse Theatre in Taunton to see 'What the ladybird heard', a story written by Julia Donaldson. It was a fantastic experience for everyone, especially for those who had never been in a theatre before.

The children in Ash class have really enjoyed innovating their warning tales and are just about to start inventing their own! They have been working hard in maths learning about measurement in all different ways too. The class have also been doing lots of different reading tasks and are getting really good at interpreting texts and answering questions about them.

This half of term Elm Class have been working really hard to improve their descriptive writing in English. Many children demonstrated excellent passages of writing, applying their learning fantastically. It'll be great to read their descriptive stories when they are finally completed. Next month the children have a trip to Bristol as part of their topic work about Isambard Kingdom Brunel, visiting the SS Great Britain.

Fir class children had a visit from Matt, a poet, who introduced the concept of worlds colliding. He read a poem called 'Tell me, tell me, Sarah-Jane' about a girl holding a thimbleful of water because her one true love was the sea. She tells of the things she thinks about, whilst she is in the comfort of her home. The children then had lessons in class to think of something that they love doing to write in their own version of the poem. Their poems will be entered into a competition at the end of June.

Yew class have recently had three great days at a residential in Gloucestershire. The children experienced exciting activities including raft building, archery and kayaking. The residential was part of the transition to year five and the year 4 children from our local schools also attended. It was a great way to get to know each other. At the time of writing, they are all looking forward to the Royal Wedding and the 'Big Day' the school is devoting to it. On that day the class will be learning interesting historical facts about the Royal Family, writing poetry and creating artwork.

Happy Stars, our nurture group, really got into the Royal wedding spirit. They held their own royal wedding on Friday 18 May, with their very own Happy Stars Prince Harry, Meghan Markle, bridesmaids, best man, vicar (Patrick) and wedding guests. They had a competition to design the wedding cake beforehand too. The winner was Bailey Cooper who had his design made into the royal wedding cake which everyone enjoyed eating! There was also a reception for thirty people. Everyone had a lovely day. We hope the real Prince Harry and Meghan enjoy their day as much as Happy Stars all did.

Finally, we were very happy to receive our sponsored read books from Usborne – it's amazing to see what £1000 worth of books looks like (see the photograph on page 19)! Again, many thanks to everyone who made this happen.

Hoping this current sunny weather will continue for all our summer term activities.



Above: This is what a £1,000 worth of books looks like! (See previous page)

WILLITON HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

Do please carry on supporting our book stall by donating your books once you have read them and dropping in to buy others, Monday - Friday afternoons 2-4.30 pm. We are short of children's books, but unable to sell non-fiction books. If you would like to help with the sale of books please let me know. A police check is not needed for this job.

We are holding a craft fair on Saturday 23 June from 2 to 4.30pm. If you would like a stall, do give Barbara a ring on 634725.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Bed makers, visitors, gardeners, people to learn hand massage, etc are always needed to join our team. Come and have a look round the hospital and a chat about what you may be able to offer. Ring 01984 635600 - we will return your call. Shirley and Chris, Volunteer Co-ordinators

RECIPE FOR THE MONTH by Shirley Dee

HERBY POTATOES WITH RED ONION (FOR 4)

900 g (2 lb) waxy potatoes cut into cubes 2 crushed garlic cloves (e.g. Desiree or Red Fir) 1 teaspoon lemon juice

 $125 (4\frac{1}{2} \text{ oz})$ butter 2 tablespoons chopped fresh thyme

Salt and pepper to taste 1 red onion cut into 8 wedges

Boil the cubed potatoes for 10 minutes and drain thoroughly. Melt the butter in a large frying pan and add the onion wedges, garlic and lemon juice. Cook for 2-3 minutes, stirring constantly. Add the potatoes to the pan and mix well to coat them in the butter mix. Reduce the heat and cook for 25-30 minutes or until the potatoes are golden brown and tender. Sprinkle the chopped thyme over the potatoes and season to taste. Transfer to a serving dish and serve immediately.

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OMEN'S INSTITUTE

Williton Women's Institute would like to thank local groups for their best wishes on the occasion of our 100th Birthday.

Chris Rayner, our president, wishes to thank Julie, Mandy and Leigh, members of staff at Morrison's at Minehead for donating the food for our Birthday celebrations! Thanks also to Williton Library for the use of their window. We enjoyed putting the displayed items together.

Severn Sea WI Group Co-ordinator Sue Aysford, WI Adviser Marilyn Symonds, and delegates from Crowcombe, Watchet, St Audries and Kilve and District WIs all helped make our May meeting extra special.

We are now looking forward to our July meeting on Thursday 19th, when our speaker will be Mrs Pam Martin talking about "Somerset in Stitch". We meet at 2pm at Danesborough View Common Room and visitors and new members are always very welcome. Pamela Messenger, Secretary

DOWN AT THE STATIONIt's been noticeable as the weather has improved that the station is coming alive again – that is the flora I am talking about, not the staff! During this month of May Phil and Avril Chapman have been bringing down the hanging fence displays and have been busy tidying up the flower beds, and hopefully by now the hanging baskets will have appeared under the main canopy and outside the Shop and Waiting Room. Work is in hand too on our 'allotment' bed in preparation for the 40s weekend in September when many of the stations will be holding special events and displays. There will also be a couple of trips a day with a special 'Military Goods Train' passing through.

Available on the station now is a good supply of plants for sale, mainly several varieties of tomato as well other vegetables plants. These are already selling well and we had a visit from some holiday makers recently who had bought some last year, and they purposely called in again this year to see what we had. Must be doing something right!

From Monday 27th May through till Sunday 3rd we will be receiving seven trains each way every day then five daily through till the end of July. From June 8th to 10th it will be the annual Diesel Gala, when steam has a rest, and there will be an extensive programme of diesels including some visiting engines. For the younger ones Paw Patrol will be at Minehead Station on Saturday 2nd June to greet them.

At the time of writing we are in the middle of repainting the white lines along the platform edges – quite a long job! Ice creams, tea and home- made cake continue to sell well – why not take a walk down and try some?

John Parsons, Station Master

WILLITON GARDENING CLUB

There is no meeting in June, because we have a club outing. We are also holding a plant sale on Saturday 16 June between 9am and 12 noon in the Parish Rooms, Killick Way. A good opportunity to make up for the poor weather earlier on!

VV Work continues to schedule and ground floor block work is well underway, each of the rooms has now been formed and the gable ends completed. During the month, Robert Street was closed to traffic so that the connection to the main sewer could be completed.

I have been asked about the windows that have appeared in the rear wall of the building which are visible from the Surgery car park, as none are on the drawings. These are in fact openings for air ducts. The building will have an air circulation system that will blow either cold or warm air into the main hall, and this will be used to supplement the under floor heating and provide ventilation when we hold indoor events.

We are now reaching a stage in the project where we are having to consider things such as floor coverings and wall and door colours. One of our principal objectives is to ensure that we address the requirements of those with specific needs, ensuring where possible that we have a user friendly facility. To achieve this, we will be adopting bold contrasting colours, large clear signage including braille and, for the younger generation, there will be dual height hand rails up the stairs, along with other features to meet with their needs.

We mentioned at the parish assembly certain design changes that were being considered. These have now been agreed. One is to develop the rear of the building and provide a service area, which will be secured and allow us to house the waste bins. This change will remove the need for a separate bin store that was to be built on the corner of the access road. Another change is to incorporate a small kitchenette in the main meeting room for making hot drinks and providing for a level of catering. Councillor Bill Vaughan

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

To contact Williton Parish Council telephone the Clerk on 01984 633979 or email willitonpc@btconnect.com

The Annual Meeting was held recently and I am pleased to confirm that Cllr Tony Perrett was voted to continue as Chairman for the coming year. We would also like to welcome a new member Cllr Dawn-Lesley Howes. There is still one vacancy if you are interested, please contact me and I can give further information.

The Duck Race and Car Boot sale was held on Sunday 20th May - a glorious day and enjoyed by many; thank you for everyone's support. The Fete will be held on Saturday 7th July, there will be lots of fun on the day, please make a note in your diary. If you would like to book a stand or would like to become involved, please let me know.

The Flood Group have recently walked the village to inspect the streams and rivers; I would like to thank them for their help in ensuring the waterways are kept clear.

This year will see the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War and we will be organising events to commemorate this important event. It is hoped there will be a film shown on Friday 9th November. The Annual Service will be held on Sunday 11th November, followed by a parade through the village. If you would like to become involved with the planning of these events, please contact the Parish Office. Michelle Francis. Parish Clerk

RIENDS OF WILLITON LIBRARY

The Talking Cafe, a drop-in advice centre, is held at the Library on the second Wednesday of each month, at 10.30.

Our other regular activities include: *Computer courses* (Mondays and Fridays 10.15-11.45) Help with your computer and accessing the internet. *Book Club* (last Monday of each month, 2.30-3.30) *Code Club* (for 9- to 11-year-olds, alternate Mondays 4-4.45. Booking essential). Learn computer programming. *Verse and Worse* (first Wednesday of each month, 10.30-11.30) Sit round a table and listen to or read poetry and prose. *Talking Cafe* (second Wednesday of each month, 10.30-1pm) Multi-agency drop-in advice centre. *Family History* (Wednesdays or Saturdays by appointment) Explore your family roots. *Craft and

Chat* (every Thursday, 10.30 to 12) Drop in for friendly conversation. *Pins and Needles* (first Thursday of every month, 3 to 4) Sewing and embroidery help and advice. *Loop the Loop* (second Thursday of every month, 3.30-4) For children of six and over who would like to learn to knit and crochet. *Rhyme Time* (every Friday, 10.30 to 11) Song and boogie time for children 0yrs to 4yrs. *Baked Bites* (last Friday of every month, 3.30-4.30) Bake at home and bring it along to share over a cup of tea. *Lego

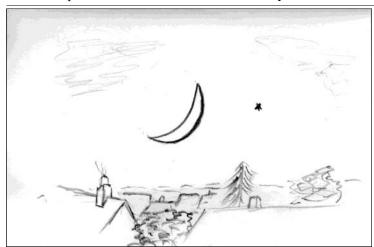


Club* (first Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30, for 6 to 12-year-olds, booking essential) *Story and Craft Time* (last Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30. Booking essential) For four- to ten-year-olds.

The Library is open every day except Tuesday and Sunday in Killick Way. Phone 0300 123 2224. Website: librarieswest.org.uk

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VV is looking for volunteers, aged 13 and over, to help with the Summer Reading Challenge (called Mischief Makers), which starts on 14th July and goes on until 8th September. Please come in to the Library.



Sketch by Pj Rawson of the moon and Venus above Williton on the evening of 18 May 2018.

ORDSEARCH FOR JUNE by Phyllis Chidgey U.S. TOWNS & CITIES

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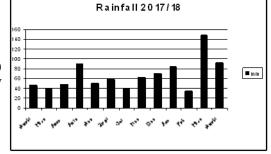
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PRIL WEATHER

This was a very sunny month with one or two frosts. Temperatures were up to

23°C on the 21st. The coldest night with a frost was -1°C on the 1st. The maximum pressure was 30.2 inches on 19th and the minimum was 29.0 on 8th. We had a rain total of 93mm (3.66ins) for the month, but even so we saw the sun on 25 days.



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WILLITON BOWLING CLUB

We are holding an Open Day for new bowlers on Saturday 2nd June between 2 and 5pm. If you are tempted to try your hand, do please come along. All we ask is that you bring a pair of flat shoes with you. Everything else can be provided, including wheelchairs for players with restricted mobility. Refreshments will be available.

On that same date, there will be a members' social night, starting at 5pm and going on till

WILLITON BOWLING CLUB

2nd JUNE 2-5 pm OPEN DAY FOR NEW BOWLERS Refreshments available

Please bring a pair of flat shoes

"late". Activities will included Play Your Cards Right, wii fun, a raffle and a buffet.

If you can't attend the open day but are still interested in trying out bowls, you are very welcome to come along on a Monday or Friday evening at 6pm or Wednesday afternoon from 2pm, when you can have a go and arrange free training sessions with the club coach.

Dave Sully, President, 01984 632564

ONDERFUL RECYCLING NEWS!

Partnership will now recycle plastic food pots, tubs and trays – the rigid plastic containers for yoghurt, margarine, fruit and other foods – as well as all plastic bottles.

What can recycling sites accept?

The plastic bottle and pots, tubs and trays skips will take black plastic food trays, but residents must:

* Remove all foil, film covers,

and cardboard attached to or enclosing the material

- * Discard all lids, flip-caps and trigger-tops from plastic bottles.
- * Rinse out food residues or other contents, and squash items to fit more in each skip.

They must also exclude:

- * Thin plastics, such as cling film, carrier bags, black sacks and bubble wrap.
- * Plastic plant or paint pots, with or without any contents.
- * Other plastics, such as plastic toys, CD cases, garden furniture or car parts.

Plastic food pots, tubs and trays are now being taken in the plastic bottle skips at all 16 recycling sites. Please do not put these items in your kerbside recycling bins.

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WILLITON GARDENING CLUB PLANT SALE

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THE WALKS PAGE

We are always pleased to welcome new walkers on all walks, but please note that you participate in the walks entirely at your own risk. You do not have to live in Williton to join in these walks.

- * Colin's "Walk, talk and pause to regain your breath" walks start every Friday at 12 noon by the Library in Killick Way. Wear suitable clothing and footwear and bring a picnic. For more information, ring Colin Broom on 632721.
- * This month's Williton Walk will be on Saturday 16 June starting at 2pm from the beacon on the Memorial Ground. This is a figure of 8 walk, using parts of the Coleridge Way and Macmillan Way, going twice to Sampford Brett via Sampford Mill, Woolston and Cottiford. If you would like any further information please ring me on 632318.
- * Williton Wanderers will meet at 10.30am on Saturday 23 June at Horner car park TA24 8HY (free to NT members). We shall hope to see butterflies, including the very rare Heath Fritillary, and the site of a mediaeval village. About 7 miles, including some hills. Wear seasonal everything and bring a picnic and binoculars. For more information ring Jenny Gibson 01984 634899 or email willitonwindow@vahoo.co.uk
- * Mineral Line: Friday 22 June, Ruins in the Woods. Meet 9.45 am at Chargot Wood Car Park (GR SS 975355). A one-hour stroll to look at Langham Engine House, then a two-hour walk down the steep miners' track to see Bearland Flue and other features connected with iron mining. We may also visit Burrow Farm Engine House or Kennisham Hill. The walk is free but donations to West Somerset Mineral Line Association are welcome. Booking essential on 01398 323841.
- * West Quantoxhead Walking Group meets monthly on a Thursday for a leisurely local walk of 3 to 4 miles usually over fairly level ground. Optional pub lunch at the end of the walk. All walks are informal and at your own risk. Meet at West Quantoxhead Village Hall car park at 10am. The next walk is on 7th June. For further information please contact Dorothy 01984 248105.

TX / ILLITON WALKS BOOK A book of 9 circular walks around Williton by Jenny Gibson is on sale at Williton Post Office for £2.50. All proceeds from the books go to charity. Since the first edition in 2015 several hundred pounds have been shared between the Williton Window, Macmillan Cancer Support, St Margaret's Hospice and a children's cancer research institute. The current charity is the WASPS.

TATEST SOMERSET VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY

There are no indoor meetings until September. However, at 2pm on 2 June there is an informal Geology Excursion at St Audries Bay led by Heather Wilson. She stresses that you come on this walk at your own risk and wear suitable clothing and stout footwear, and be prepared for steep and uneven steps and pathways, including to the beach. Meet at Home Farm car park, which is accessed from the road between Doniford and West Quantoxhead. The road leading down to Home Farm is next to a black and white, old style house and opposite Rydon Farm. Post code TA4 4DP. £2 parking fee. Non-members are welcome but a donation to the Village History Society is requested. More information on www.westsomersetvillagehistorysociety-wsvhs.com



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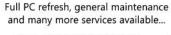
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