

## 40<sup>th</sup> World Pea Shooting Championships

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July the 40<sup>th</sup> WORLD PEA SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS is to be held. If you would like to help please contact Joy Walker, 22 High Street, call 778657 or contact any committee member. Folk are needed to erect targets, tents and stalls from 9a.m. onwards as well as man stalls and side shows between 12a.m. and 5p.m.

This year the Lane Academy will be dancing and there will also be an exhibition of Army vehicles and equipment.



Witcham Village Hall  
Management Committee

News Round  
April 2010

Please come along to  
AGM to be held on Monday May  
10<sup>th</sup> at 8p.m. in Village Hall

**CONGRATULATIONS and great news for  
Witcham Village Hall Committee and the  
residents of our village.**

*CAMBRIDGEHSIRE ACRE PRESS RELEASE.....*

**FIRST IN CAMBRIDGEHSIRE: WITCHAM HITS TARGET**

The small village of Witcham may be internationally renowned for its annual Pea Shooting Championships but it now has something else to be proud of; it's Village Hall has hit all the targets to be the first community building in Cambridgeshire to achieve Level 1 of the HALLMARK\* quality standard.

The HALLMARK\* scheme in Cambridgeshire in 2007 through Cambridgeshire ACRE, assesses the Village Hall Management, looking to reward, establish and share examples of best practice. The assessment is carried out by visitors from other Village Hall Committees in Cambridgeshire. HALLMARK\* is recognised by the Charity Commission as a quality achievement for Community Buildings and Village Hall. There are three levels of achievement.

At Level 1 the HALLMARK\* standard looks at how well the hall complies with the requirements of its Charitable Status. As one of the smallest parishes in East Cambridgeshire this achievement represents a true community effort. The support of the village for their hall and the role it plays in community life contributed to Witcham's success in achieving the first level of this nationally recognised award. Witcham all not work towards Level 2 which focuses on legislative issues before considering Level 3 which examines the role of the building in the community.

**The future of our Village Hall.....**

The village hall committee has been busy finalising the plans for the new extension to update and modernise our facilities. The plans are almost complete and will soon be submitted to the county council. The refurbishment will cost in the region of £250,000. Already over £5000 has been raised, thanks to our merry band of devoted helpers. If you have, however, have any new ideas, would like to help organise an event, or can just give up a few hours to complete a grant form, your commitment to our cause for benefiting all our village residents would be very much appreciated. Please contact one of the committee members if you are able to assist in any way.

Thank you.

**Forth coming dates for your dairy**

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| 25 <sup>th</sup> April | Lazy Sunday, table top and car boot sale<br>12noon to 4p.m. |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June   | Summer ball – All tickets sold                              |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> July  | Pea Shooting Championship<br>Registration 12noon onwards    |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct   | Fashion Show by Catherine Jane of Ely                       |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Annual Dinner Dance   |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | Bingo   |