# Wot's On in Witcham

**March 2011**

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***Services in St Martin's***

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| **6 Mar** | **10:00** | **Open Door Service** |
| **9 Mar** | **19:30** | **Ash Wednesday (Service St Andrew's, Sutton)** |
| **13 Mar** | **09:00** | **Parish Eucharist** |
| **20 Mar** | **09:00** | **Morning Prayer** |
| **27 Mar** | **10:30** | **Parish Eucharist** |

***Witcham Wives***

Thursday 3 March

Visit to Haddenham Craft Galleries 8:00pm

**Please note:** due to the local elections on 5 May, the plant swap will be held at The Brambles, High Street, Witcham on **Thursday May 12**.

**Mrs Sheila Saberton**

Shelia's daughter Alison and her husband Dean would like to thank everyone for attending her funeral. They would also like to thank everyone for the very generous donations they made in her memory.

£190 was raised for the St Martin's Church and £160 was raised for Diabetes UK.

Thank you all so much,

Alison & Dean

***Race Night in the Village Hall***

*Saturday 12th March*

*Doors open at 7:15pm*

*First Race at 7:45pm*

*Tickets : Adults £5; Children £2*

*Food; Bar; Raffle*

*Contact Joy Walker; Nigel Pate (775292); Ian Saberton or Sharon Richardson (777462)*

***In aid of Village Hall Refurbishment Fund***

**Village Hall AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee will be held on Monday 11 April. The meeting will start at 7:30pm. Everyone in the village is welcome to attend. It is your village hall and we should know your views on how it is being run and what you would like to see it being used for.

**To book the Village Hall contact Sharon Richardson on 07880 778278**

## Call in for Coffee

**Tuesday 1st March**
**11am – 12 noon**

Meet up with others in our community of Witcham. Call in for a free cup of coffee/tea in the informal setting of St Martin's Church.

All ages are welcome and anyone requiring a lift please contact June Wells 778945 or Martin Pate 778359.

*We look forward to seeing you.*

**If you have any ideas for website content please e-mail: webmaster@witcham.org.uk or ring 01353 778945. Content for the What's On should be e-mailed to whatson@witcham.org.uk or junew@witcham.org.uk.**

**Veolia Environmental Services will be round on Tuesday 8 and 22 March for all recyclable household and garden waste.**

**Easter Egg Hunt**

**Sunday 17th April**

**In the Village Hall 10:00am til 12:00pm**

**Toddlers : £1:00**

**Older children: £2:00**

**In aid of the Village Hall Refurbishment Fund**

Games Night
Monday 4th April
In the Village Hall at 7:00pm
Tickets £3 for Adults;
£1.50 for children

We have a wheelchair, kept in the Village Hall, available to borrow for a short term.
Please contact Sharon Richardson for more details on 07880 778278

**Type 2 Diabetes**

A local support group is being formed for sufferers of Type 2 diabetes. Meetings would be held in the village hall, if you would be interested in joining such a group please contact June Wells on 778945 for further information.

**Indoor Carpet Bowls**

Club nights for March as follows:
Wednesday 2nd; Wednesday 9th and Thursday 17th.
All new members welcome, meet in the Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

**DOG FOULING IN WITCHAM**

Most dog owners in Witcham act responsibly and clear up after their dogs but the Parish Council is currently receiving an increasing number of complaints about the few dog owners who do not bother. Dog faeces are unpleasant and may contain harmful micro-organisms that can cause severe illness to humans.

We have had complaints about :

Dog fouling along High Street and Silver Street from several residents.

A certain dog owner who was observed covering the dog mess with leaves rather than picking up.

Certain houses where the occupants are known to release their dogs under the cover of darkness, to relieve themselves in the street.

These situations have been reported to the Enforcement Officer at East Cambs who has informed us that any unsupervised dog can be classed as a stray and is liable to be seized. Those who fail to pick up after their dog has performed in a public place are liable to be given a fixed penalty notice. It doesn't matter whether it is on grass or not. East Cambs Officers will be monitoring from now on and action taken. Please help us to keep our streets clean and our children safe.

**Don't let your dog out unsupervised**

**Clean up after your dog**

**Don't take your dog on the green under any circumstances**

If you want to tell us about irresponsible dog owners then contact East Cambs (01353 665555); any member of the Parish Council or the Council Clerk at witchampc@btinternet.com

**Neighbourhood Watch**

**If you see anything suspicious please contact your Neighbourhood Watch representative:**

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| ***The Slade*** | | ***TBA*** | ***Martin's Lane*** | ***Alf Cox*** | ***778523*** |
| ***High St*** | ***Joy Walker*** | ***778657*** | ***Silver St*** | ***Ashley Bamforth*** | ***777453*** |
| ***Silver St*** | ***Charlie Barker*** | ***778335*** | ***Orchards/Westway Pl*** | | ***TBA*** |