

Willoughby

2012

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Willoughby Monthly

Volume 5: January 2012

Happy New Year!! and Welcome to the January edition of the Willoughby Monthly. Amazingly the WM is entering its 5th year, how time flies!!

2011 has been notable mainly for our battle to stop the crematorium plan. It has been great to see everyone playing their part supporting the VACC team in every way. Let's hope that our voices are heard and the plan is turned down.

In researching the ridge and furrow we found we had a nationally significant landscape and of course an Ancient Monument!! Good reasons to keep our village and its landscape evolving sensitively in their context. Hopefully we will soon have a Parish Plan to help guide that evolution.

The ladies of the WI arranged the annual Christmas Concert with the Dunchurch Silver Band who brought a Dickensian theme to proceedings. It was a great success and raised £185 for the Air Ambulance.

Despite the economic gloom which looks set to continue for a while yet 2012 is due to be a an eventful year with the Queen's Jubilee celebrations and the London Olympics to cheer us up. In addition we will have our own *Willoughby 2012* to make June busy, different, entertaining, and fun!! It will also provide the opportunity for everybody to take part and get involved in organising the various events and activities. The detailed organisation of all the events will start in earnest this month. I will be in touch with all of the people who said they would help on last summer's survey soon.

As the winter weather takes hold do keep an eye out for the older residents if we have extreme cold or we get snowed in.

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8 Jan 12	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
12 Jan 12	02:30 PM	Thursday Club	Social Afternoon	Village Hall
14 Jan 12	02:00 PM	Women's Institute	Grand New year Jumble Sale	Village Hall
15 Jan 12	06:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
19 Jan 12	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch Dun Cow	Dunchurch
19 Jan 12	07:30 PM	Women's Institute	The Wonderful World of Metal Detecting - Alan Standish	Village Hall
22 Jan 12	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
25 Jan 12	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Tales of an Organist - Brian Sunderland	Village Hall

Thursday Club

Happy New Year to you all .

Christmas is over and the Club resumes activities on Thursday January 12th with a social afternoon in the Village Hall. Come along for a cup of tea and a chat with your friends.

Our Pub lunch will be at The Dun Cow in Dunchurch on January 19th. If you would like to come please put your name down on the sign up sheet which will be available at the meeting on the 12th or phone Norman on 890623.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Happy New Year everyone!!

Our first meeting of 2012 is on Thursday 19th at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Alan Standish will be telling us about "The Wonders of Metal Detecting" and what may be underneath our local landscape.....'a Willoughby Hoard'?

The competition is for a small metal object, preferably old – even something dug up in your garden.

It would be nice to see a few new faces – even just for the evening !! You would be very welcome.

Members are reminded that annual subscriptions are due this month.

GRAND JUMBLE SALE

Willoughby Village Hall

Saturday January 14th at 2pm

Entrance 20p

Cake Stall & Refreshments

Jumble may be brought to the Hall from 9.30 am or for collection call:

Janet (890427) or Joyce (890843)

VACC

Natural England have extended the 'Stop Notice', preventing further ploughing, until mid-February. They will then consider whether to issue a remediation notice in the light of the Planning Committee's decision (now expected to be at their meeting at the beginning of February).

The Environment Agency have added an objection to the intention to use a septic tank on the site. This means that a connection would have to be made to the main sewers, if the plans were approved.

A flyer will be issued when the Planning Committee meeting details are known. As many of us as possible should attend the meeting. Although members of the public cannot speak at the meeting their presence concentrates minds!!

Cancer Research UK

Well done to Carol Dunkley who organised the collection for this worthy cause. Thanks to those who gave donations, £85 has been sent to the charity.

Margery Cook

Margery has not sent Christmas Cards in 2011 making a donation to the Air Ambulance instead. She thanks all of her friends for their cards and good wishes and wishes them a very healthy and happy 2012.

Willoughby Society 1962-2012

2012 is our 50th year !! Over the years the Society has made a difference to our village in many ways most recently interpretation signs, Contribution to the village hall lights, planting around the village pond. Perhaps equally valuable are the social events that bring people together. 2011 has been full of gloom and doom so we thought that we should mark the Society's anniversary with something to cheer us all up. Willoughby 2012 is the result !! Do get involved and do help us make the most of this fantastic opportunity.

If you haven't got your Christmas Event tickets yet don't delay Gabriela is the perfect antidote to January blues!! 7th January, Village Hall, 7.30 pm, £12.50 including buffet (bring your own drinks).

Our usual programme of meetings starts at 7.30 pm on 25th January at the Village Hall with Brian Sunderland sharing his 'Tales of an Organist' with us. This is bound to be an entertaining evening. Do come along and join us.

Willoughby 2012

As the December edition went to print we heard that The Central Warwickshire Villages Leader Programme had approved our application for funding to enable us to hold a series of events to celebrate the Queens Jubilee, London 2012, and the Willoughby Society's 50th anniversary, on a scale and variety we couldn't normally hope to do.

The funding will enable us to have a Marquee, with room for nearly everyone to sit down for a meal and have space for a dance floor, on the playing field behind the Village Hall for the Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend (2nd-5th June). A Grand opening event will be held on the 2nd and we shall have a 'Big Jubilee Lunch' on the following Monday.

After the weekend the Marquee will be swapped for a Blue and White Striped Big Top with a stage area. This will be used as an auditorium able to seat 200!! for performances and as a covered space for other activities. The next weekend will have an 'Arts' theme with opportunities to see and try various arts and crafts, listen to different types of music, and much more.

Friday 15th sees us turning the clock back before Ipads, PCs, Radios, newspapers, and even before books, a master Story Teller will be in the Big Top recounting a tale worthy of the most advanced computer game. A percussionist will add to the atmosphere which promises to be spine tingling!! The Heritage theme will continue the following day with displays of local history, traditional country crafts, old machinery, and in respect to our village's Anglo-Saxon/Viking past a visit from a raiding party. In the evening we are planning to have folk music and dance in the Big Top.

This is just a flavour of what is being planned – there will be much more!! The objective is to provide something for everyone and give everyone the opportunity to be involved. The Jubilee weekend events are for villagers and the others for villagers, friends & family, and residents of our neighbouring villages. The Village Fête and Football challenge will take place the following weekend as usual.

Now is the time to share your ideas of events/activities you would like to happen in the village or that you have seen elsewhere and enjoyed. I particularly want to hear from school children and teenagers what would you like to see going on in your village ? Air brush art ? Jam sessions? This is your chance to have something special for you and your friends Call Richard on 891898, e-mail me at richard.jackson@willoughbyweb.net or call at Hazeldene.



Willoughby Parish Council

In the dark mornings and evenings there have been several reports of people walking dogs in dark clothing and car drivers have only seen them at the last minute. One of the areas causing concern is Woolscott Lane past the sewage treatment works. Please wear a high visibility jacket so that you can be seen clearly and keep yourself safe.

The Parish Council wish you a happy and peaceful New Year.

Willoughby Cricket Club

'Thank You' to all those who kindly donated a bottle to the annual Bottle Bingo fund raiser. The evening raised £230 for the cricket club which will be put to good use next year. Congratulations to everyone who won a prize. A good night was had by all and we hope to see you all again next year.

Village Cricket in 2012

Willoughby CC will emerge from hibernation in February to begin preparations for the 2012 season with indoor training sessions on Sunday lunchtimes between February and mid-April for all senior and junior players. Dates and times to be confirmed. See details in the next Newsletter and updates on the club website –

www.willoughbycc.org.uk

WCC are always interested to welcome new players for their senior and junior teams. For 2012, the club will run senior teams on Saturdays (league), Sundays (village friendlies) and Wednesdays (league).

In the junior section, there will be a new Under 11 team, plus teams at Under 13 and Under 15 levels. The club's Kwik Cricket programme (for ages 6 and upwards) is expanding even further, so the club offers cricket for all boys and girls aged 7 to 17!

Watch out for the flyer coming your way in early 2012, visit the website –

www.willoughbycc.org.uk, or contact Karl Quinney on 01788 542441 (e-mail: karl@karlquinney.co.uk)

Police

Care – don't leave valuables in your car and make sure that your home is secure. If you see anything suspicious do let the Police know.

Our Police Community Support Officer is PCSO 6149 Helena Steadman and our Police Constable is PC 1534 Lee Maughan. They can be contacted on 01788 853851 this is the Safer Neighbourhood Team number so will reach a team member on duty quickly.

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Copies of the WM can be sent by e-mail or produced with large print on request.

Do let me have your ideas for improving the WM and, of course, any articles/notices you have for your fellow villagers. The deadline for submission of items for publication in the next edition is the 15th of the month. Send them to:

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Village web site: www.willoughbyweb.net

16 Feb 12	Women's Institute	Annual Dinner	
24 Mar 12	Willoughby Society	Spring Event	Village Hall
2 Jun 12	Willoughby Society	Willoughby 2012 Starts	Village Hall
23 Jun 12	Willoughby PC	Village Fête	Playing Field
24 Jun 12	Willoughby PC	Willoughby Challenge Football	Playing Field
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