



Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the September edition of the WM. August is supposed to be warm and largely dry – a bit of a surprise that it actually was just that!! Just right for those on holiday and for the outdoor events in the village.

How has your garden being doing? The annual Produce Show is on the 14th September lots of classes, including some junior ones, for your exhibits of flowers, produce, and art & craft work. At the end of the show you will be able to bid for some of the excellent local produce in the auction.

The village organisations are all back in action this month after their summer break. They are the backbone of village life so do go along and support them when you can - you will be very welcome, especially those of you who have moved into the village over the last couple of months.

Thanks to those who have contacted me volunteering to help deliver the WM. I will revise the rounds and be in touch ready for the new rounds to be used next month.

It has been suggested that a village e-mail distribution system that would allow anyone in the village to send a message to everyone else on the the list without having, or seeing, everybody's e-mail address. Examples of when it might be used are adverts for sales and wants, offers and requests for help or loan of tools, discussion of local issues, etc.. Let me know if you would e interested such a system.

Richard Jackson

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12-Sep-13	02:30 PM	Thursday Club	Social Afternoon	Village Hall
14 Sep 13	04:00 PM	Village Hall	Produce Show	Village Hall
15-Sep-13	06:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
17-Sep-13	07:30 PM	Church	Healing Service	Broadwell Church
19-Sep-13	07:30 PM	Women's Institute	The Royal Yacht Britannia - Anthony Noble	Village Hall
22-Sep-13	11:00 AM	Church	Harvest Service	Church
23-Sep-13		Church	Harvest Supper	Village Hall
25-Sep-13	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	More History of the Monologue - John Tearne	Village Hall
27-Sep-13	10:00 AM	Police	Mobile Police Station in Village until 11:30am	Village Hall

Thursday Club

Join us on Thursday 12th September at 2.30 in the village hall when our Club activities resume with a social afternoon, giving everyone a chance to catch up on what's been going on during the summer break.

The Pub lunch is on September 19th at The Olive Bush at Flecknoe. There will be a sign up sheet available at the meeting on the 12th for those who wish to put their names down to come to this, or you can phone Norman on 890623.

There will also be available the sign up sheet for the popular Milton Keynes Shopping trip which is on November 28th.

Willoughby Women's Institute

The September meeting is on Thursday 19th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Mr Anthony Noble will be telling us about his experiences in 7 years' service on the Royal Yacht Britannia.

Visitors will be most welcome to join us.



Notices

Free Electric Blanket 'MOTs'

It may still be summer, but Warwickshire Trading Standards Service has already begun taking bookings for their popular and **free** annual electric blanket safety testing scheme. The county-wide scheme, provided by Warwickshire Trading Standards, is open to all Warwickshire residents aged 50 or over **FREE OF CHARGE**. Whether your blanket is **new or old**, why not have it tested before winter sets in?

Don't miss this opportunity! Old or damaged electric blankets cause a number of fires each year, which can result in injury or death. These can be avoided by simply getting your electric blanket checked.

Testing, **by appointment only**, will take place at **Rugby Library on** Wednesday 2nd October 2013. To book an appointment, call the Trading Standards Service on: **01926 414016 (Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm)** or email: ebtesting@warwickshire.gov.uk



Derek & Jean Whitehead

Would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support during Derek's recent stay in hospital.

Willoughby Society

Well done to Jim & Nita Lynch and their 'crew' winning the car treasure hunt the last of the summer break activities. Thanks to the Ken & Sue Miles and Pete & Karen Skipp who organised the event.

Our first meeting of the new season is on the Wednesday 25th September at 7.30 pm. John Tearne will be entertaining us with 'More History of the Monologue'. Those of you who saw his previous talk will recall a very good evening. John tells us that he will be using different monologues on this occasion so don't miss it.

During the summer break we have secured live entertainment for three special events next year. Gabriela the Ukelele Lady is returning for our Christmas Event on the 11th January.

'Live and Local' have confirmed two shows for us for next year):

- 29th March 'The Hungry Heart' with Cat Weatherill
 - seductive stories from Italy !!
- 9th May 'A Night at the Movies and More' with Fordante
 - a five piece 'mini orchestra' playing popular soundtracks and light classics accompanied by photographic projections

The previous Live and Local shows have been excellent culminating in the 'Zulus' this spring. It's great that the Live and Local scheme gives us access to professional shows at affordable prices thanks to local authority and Arts Council grants.

Put the dates in your diary/calendar/schedule they are sure to be memorable events.

Village Hall

The annual produce show will be held on the 14th September. Proceeds go to village hall funds. Details:

Willoughby Village Hall

Produce Show

Saturday 14th September, 4pm

Entries: must reach the Show Secretary, Will Hewitt, Worrall House, Lower Street. Tel 891439, by 9:00pm Friday 13th September accompanied by the fee of **20p** per for each class.

Staging: must be completed by 12 Noon.

Schedules: have been delivered to every house in the village additional copies available from the Show Secretary.

Queries: to the Show Secretary

Auction As usual there will be an auction of produce at the end of the show (5 pm approx.)



Willoughby Parish Council

The Parish Council is pleased to have provided financial support for the broadband connection to the Village Hall and will be providing on-going support.

The speed aware signs are now installed and working and we hope this will help to reduce the speed of vehicles through our Village.

There have been repairs carried out at the Parish Councils request to the sunken drains in Main Street and also to some holes in the pavements. These repairs were carried out by Warwickshire County Council Highways Department.

It was disappointing that no photographs or drawings of the Village were submitted for the competition detailed in last month's edition, as the winner could have presented their entry to the Mayor of Rugby.

Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Helena gave us a good deal of information about crime levels in the area over the last few months at the meeting on the 1st August. While levels are very low it is still distressing if your property is one of the few to be targeted. We are the people most likely to be aware of 'abnormal' activity nearby that may indicate criminal activity. This is why Neighbourhood Watch is effective. Those of you that haven't joined yet please do and help keep our village unattractive to criminals.

There are still instances of problems around the area with scrap metal collectors, door step tricksters, and telephone cold calls. Look out for strangers going up drives and around the back of properties. If you are concerned call the Police 101 number or the Safer Neighbourhood team number below. Should you believe that a crime is actually taking place then call 999.

Crime prevention: Smart water, a means of uniquely marking your property can be obtained via Rachel Settle. It is a deterrent to burglars and increases the likelihood of stolen items being returned.

Police Community Support Officer for the village is PCSO 6149 Helena Steadman and our Police Constable is PC 868 Hazel Busch. They can be contacted on 01788 853851 this is the Safer Neighbourhood Team number so will reach a team member on duty quickly. The team also have an e-mail address : rrs.snt@warwickshire.police.uk .

Neighbourhood Watch: Rachel Settle (Co-ordinator) can be contacted by telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or e-mail neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net.

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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

Date	Organisation	Event	Venue
27-Nov-13	Willoughby Society	A.G.M.	Village Hall
28-Nov-13	Thursday Club	Milton Keynes Shopping Trip	
12-Dec-13	Women's Institute	Dunchurch Silver Band	Village Hall
11-Jan-14	Willoughby Society	Christmas Event with Gabriela	Village Hall