



# Willoughby Monthly

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**Welcome to the February edition of the WM.** January saw two new activities taking place in the village hall. Popmobility on Tuesday nights has already expanded to include another session on Monday afternoons and the History Set had a successful first meeting. Like all of our village organisations they would love to see more villagers join them.

The second meeting concerning flooding has resulted in the formation of a Flood Action Group to take forward ideas for reducing the risk of flooding in the village and establish effective working relationships with the various authorities concerned.

The date for this year's Scarecrow Sunday has been set and there is more information inside. There will also be a Big Lunch on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June hopefully accompanied by a nice warm day.

After the highly successful visit of Gabriela the Ukelele Lady the Willoughby Society has two Live and Local Shows lined up this spring. After last year's Zulu Tradition the first has an Italian theme (details inside) and the second is a visit from a mini orchestra playing music from the movies both should be great shows don't miss them.

**Richard Jackson**

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04-Feb-14	07:30 PM	Popmobility	Popmobility Fitness Session	Village Hall
09-Feb-14	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
10-Feb-14	03:00 PM	Popmobility	Popmobility Fitness Session	Village Hall
11-Feb-14	07:30 PM	Popmobility	Popmobility Fitness Session	Village Hall
13-Feb-14	02:30 PM	Thursday Club	My Liife as an Evacuee - Fred Maloney	Village Hall
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20-Feb-14	07:30 PM	Women's Institute	Annual Dinner	Barby Sporting
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24-Feb-14	03:00 PM	Popmobility	Popmobility Fitness Session	Village Hall
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26-Feb-14	07:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Vegetable Growing – Anton Rosenfeld, Garden Organic	Village Hall

## Thursday Club

At our club meeting on Thursday February 13<sup>th</sup> Fred Maloney will be telling us all about his life as an evacuee during World War 2, and I'm sure will be a moving presentation.

The pub lunch on February 20<sup>th</sup> will be at the Rose here in Willoughby and as always there will be a sign up sheet available at the meeting or you can ring Norman on 890623.

March 13<sup>th</sup> will be the AGM. Any Club relies on its committee to organise things and your committee has been doing the job for the last 10 years. Not unnaturally they feel that some new blood would really benefit the Club. Do give some thought to joining the committee, it's really not that onerous and your input would be greatly appreciated.

## Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm for 7. 30pm – Our Annual Dinner at Barby Sporting. Please ensure Joyce has your order if you wish to go. Menus have been distributed. Travel by car.

**Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup> 2.00 pm**

### Grand Jumble Sale

Willoughby Village Hall

Cake & Produce Stall - Refreshments Available

Jumble to the hall from 9.30am onwards

Contact Lyn (891409) or Janet (890427) if you need anything collected.

## Church

We are holding a Benefice Service for Mothers Day at 10.30am on 30<sup>th</sup> March at St Nicholas Church, Willoughby. Flowers will be given out by the children. Please join us.

## Request:

Does anyone have any photographs of the 1967 May Queen ? Pat Marshall (nee Thomas) would love to have a copy if you have, also any related to activities at the village school around that time. If you can help contact Richard Jackson(see back page) who will scan or photograph them and pass them on to Pat.

## WILLOUGHBY SCARECROW SUNDAY



Last year's Scarecrow Sunday raised an invaluable £900 which was split between the Cricket Club (£250), Village Hall (£250), and the Church (£400). This year's event will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April and we hope it will be even more successful.

As well as Scarecrows we will need help to run: Tea and Cake stalls; sell raffle tickets; sell programmes; and manage the car park. Please contact Di Macknight

(891820), Dorothy Ogle (890498) or Rev. Jane Close (899226), if you can help.



Schedules will be delivered next month and the closing date for entries will be 20<sup>th</sup> April 2014.

## Willoughby Society

Our monthly meetings at Willoughby Village Hall are open to everyone - visitors are very welcome !!

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 7.30 pm: **Vegetable Growing** with Anton Rosenfeld of *Garden Organic* – Timed to help you get the most out of your vegetable patch or allotment and maybe tempt you to try something unusual!!

This year the Society has booked two spring shows one on the 29<sup>th</sup> March and the other on the 9<sup>th</sup> May. They are both Live and Local Shows designed to bring quality entertainment to village halls and community venues. Live and Local are supported by Rugby Borough Council, Warwickshire County Council, and Arts Council England, amongst others. Make sure the dates are in your diary and book early!!!

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 pm**

at Willoughby Village Hall

## **The Hungry Heart** – Cat Weatherill

*Seductive Stories from Italy*

A Sultry Song & Storytelling Show for adults  
with songs and tantalising folk tales from the land of passion!!

Tickets £12-50 including supper

from Richard Jackson, Hazeldene, Main Street Willoughby (tel. 01788 891898)

**‘Live and Local’** - *Surprising Shows in Surprising Places*

## Willoughby History Set

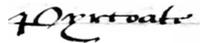
A dozen villagers gathered on the 20<sup>th</sup> January for the inaugural meeting of the WHS which provided some insights into the Village's development and the resources that are now available to further research it. It is clear that researching a family with village connections, or the development of a property or farm, can make a real contribution to understanding our Village's history. The same research tools can be used to further personal family trees too.

Having had an enjoyable afternoon further sessions are planned on the third Monday of the month between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm. The next meeting will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> February. Our time will be split between research into particular areas of interest using the technology now available in the Village Hall and discussion of topics suggested by members.

If you are interested in the history of the village or your family do come along.

### **A puzzle to ponder !!**

In 1606 John Clarke's left his house to a Walter Clarke it is called:



Robert Watson left two tenements and a close of free land at 'Pirate' in 1747.

Anyone any ideas what John Clarke's house was called in modern english and where it was ? Was it the same place as Robert Watson's property ?

These questions arise from recently released images of wills proved in the Perogative Court of Canterbury.

## Willoughby Parish Council

There is a flyer with this edition of the Willoughby Monthly about the forthcoming Housing Needs Survey. The survey will be included with next month's edition. There is an obligation on Rugby Borough Council to carry out a Housing Needs Survey every 5 years. This used to cover just affordable housing but now covers all aspects of housing needs in the Village.

The telephone box in the Village is owned by the Village and is in desperate need of a spruce up. The paintwork needs rubbing down and repainting. If you are interested in helping with this please let Mike Thomas know on 891338 or [mike.anthony.thomas@gmail.com](mailto:mike.anthony.thomas@gmail.com)

The Parish Council have been successful in obtaining a grant of £1,500 from the WCC Dunchurch Division Councillors Fund. This is for getting a Severn Trent water supply connection to the allotments. Further money will be needed to supply and fit pipework to water tanks on the allotments.

The Annual Fete in June is organised as a fun day for the Village and is run on a non-profit making basis just to cover costs. There have been suggestions in the past of things that could be included. If you have any ideas please let us know and they will be considered. Suggestions to Mike Thomas Please.



Unfortunately dog mess continues to be a problem and is getting progressively worse. Please clean up after your dog and if you are aware of anyone who does not, then please let the Parish Council know and they will take the appropriate action. Not cleaning up after your dog can result in a fine of £50 or £1000 if the matter goes to court.

We have also had concerns raised by a local Vet about dogs not on a lead. They are dealing with more & more motor accidents involving dogs that have strayed into the road.

### Police & Neighbourhood Watch

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 articles/notices you have for your fellow villagers. The deadline for the next edition is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

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09/05/14	Willoughby Society	A Night at the Movies & More - Fordante	Village