



Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the March edition of the WM. As I write this we have been fortunate to avoid the worst of the weather. The experiences of people living on the Somerset Levels and along the Severn and Thames have been dreadful. Certainly shows that the formation of the village Flood Action Group is timely. Hopefully it will be able to reduce the risk and impact of flooding in the village.

There is lots going on this month to keep you busy and provide some fun. Do, though, make some time to read the new Village Plan produced by the Parish Council. It is an important component of the new planning system.

The weekend of 31st May & 1st June will again be a great Family weekend. On Saturday we will have a Family Activity Day and on Sunday the Big Lunch both centred on the Village Hall. Hopefully the weather will be kind and we will be able to enjoy some sun in the Village Hall garden and on the playing field.

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05-Mar-14	7:30 PM	Church	Ash Wednesday Service	Grandborough Church
08-Mar-14	2:00 PM	Women's Institute	Jumble Sale	Village Hall
09-Mar-14	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
13-Mar-14	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	A.G.M.	Village Hall
16-Mar-14	6:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
17-Mar-14	10:00 AM	WHS	Willoughby History Set	Village Hall
18-Mar-14	7:30 PM	Church	Healing Service	Broadwell Church
20 Mar 14	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch – Shoulder of Mutton	Grandborough
20-Mar-14	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Spring Plants - Rimo Growers	Village Hall
23-Mar-14	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
26-Mar-14	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Garden Birds in Spring & Summer Mr. Tideswell	Village Hall
29-Mar-14	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	The Hungry Heart - Cat Weatherill	Village Hall
30-Mar-14	10:30 AM	Church	Mothering Sunday - Benefice Service	Church

Thursday Club

The next Thursday Club meeting, on Thursday, 13th March, is our Annual General Meeting. Come along and support the club and discover what is planned for 2014/15. We are always looking for new members and ideas. There are nominations for the committee but more can still be accepted.

The next pub lunch is on 20th March at The Shoulder of Mutton, Grandborough. A sign up sheet will be available at the A.G.M.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday March 20th 7.30pm at Willoughby Village Hall – Rimo Growers on Spring Plants. The competition is for a spring flower arrangement. Visitors are very welcome.

Saturday March 8th 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.

Willoughby Cricket Club gets set for 2014

With the new cricket season coming up, pre-season training has begun for your village cricket club **and** they invite you to come along, get involved and be part of the action for 2014. Everyone is welcome!

The club will be training indoors until mid-April at the Rugby Campus of Warwickshire College (Technology Drive, Rugby)

The men's/senior team will be training on Wednesday evenings from 8.15 to 9.30pm

The club's junior section have the facilities on Saturday afternoons from 1.15 to 2.30pm

Interested in playing? a host of cricket available for everyone from juniors (boys and girls!), youth, mens and ladies, get in touch to find out more? More details in the flyer.

Murder Mystery Evening - 'Murder at the Moulin'

Saturday 26th April, 7.45pm, Willoughby Village Hall

Don't miss your chance to put your sleuthing skills to the test and solve the crime when the Willoughby stars are back again to entertain you at our very own Moulin Rouge, It will be a night to remember!

Supper will be included, please bring your own drink and glasses.

Tickets: £12.50 are available from Karen Duggan 3 White Barn Close tel: 890049 or Nick Hodges The Rowan, Main St tel: 890791. (in aid of St Nicholas Church).

Willoughby Society

On the 26th March our talk is on *Garden Birds in Spring & Summer* by David Tidswell – Ornithologist and Radio & TV contributor come along and learn about the visitors to your garden.

The first of the Society's two spring events is on the 29th March and the second is on the 9th May. They are both Live and Local Shows designed to bring quality entertainment to village halls and community venues. They 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!!! Tickets are available now for the Hungry Heart – details below.

Following the success of last year's Family Activity Day we are arranging a second, 'FAD2', this will be on Saturday 31st May the day before the Big Lunch. Louise Leakey, Liz Wooldridge, & Di Ellard, will be leading Art and Craft Activities. There will also be a Computer Clinic. As we develop plans for the day we will be looking to link them to Sunday's Big Lunch to make it a great family weekend. If there is an activity you would like to do we will try to include it, or if you would like to share something you enjoy or help with the day in other ways please let Richard Jackson know (contact details on the back).

Saturday 29th 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*



COFFEE MORNING

In aid of Willoughby Church.

Saturday 1st March 10:30-12:30

Jackie & Kim Gibbard's, Little Shaws, Main Street



As well as coffee etc. there will be a 'Bring & Buy' stall and a Raffle



Triangular Flower Bed at the Church



We are planning to re-plant the triangular flower bed in the churchyard, near the Lych Gate entrance, with shrubs and hedging (ones that are not susceptible to rabbits).

Donations of a shrub or toward the cost would be much appreciated. Please contact Jackie Gibbard on 891191, 07531396901, or gibbardj@hotmail.co.uk



Willoughby Parish Council

Following the Village survey in October 2012 the Willoughby Village Plan was formulated based on the results of the survey and has now been approved by Rugby Borough Council. This can be viewed and downloaded from the Rugby Borough Council web site and there is also a copy on the Willoughby web site. A hard copy is being printed and will be delivered to every house in the Village. The Parish Council trust you will find it helpful.

Thanks to Rachel Settle and her daughter Laura Mullan for the design and compilation.

The Parish Council is currently working on a questionnaire for a Village Design Statement which will be delivered to every house in the Village. This will then be compiled and submitted to Rugby Borough Council which together with the Parish Plan will ensure that Villager's wishes are taken into consideration when determining a planning application.

The Flood Action Committee which was recently formed will advise on the work they are doing and this will also appear in updates of the Parish Plan.

Good News. Local farmer Jim Tanser has purchased Big Ground.



Police & Neighbourhood Watch

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 contacted by telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or e-mail neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net.

Popmobility Fitness Sessions – Monday 3:00 pm & Tuesday 7:30 pm - Village Hall

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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

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05-Apr-14	WCC	Willoughby CC does Natwest Cricketforce	The Green
26-Apr-14	Church	Murder at the Moulin	Village Hall
27-Apr-14		Willoughby Scarecrow Sunday	Village Hall
09-May-14	Willoughby Society	A Night at the Movies & More - Fordante	Village Hall