



Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the September edition of the WM. Last month was not as warm and dry as we might have liked but many events dodged the rain. Eric Palmer's 50 years of service to the Cricket Club was marked by a charity match in support of the Injured Jockeys Fund (IJF) reflecting Eric's other great interest. It was a great afternoon and a phenomenal £1,150 was raised for the IJF and a similar amount for the Cricket Club. Well done Eric!!

As you can see from the diary below all our organisations are back in action after their summer breaks. Do support them as in no small part they are the core of village life.

As you know we have been seeking improved broadband and mobile phone services for the village. A Digital+ Drop In session is being held at the Village Hall so that you can discuss what is being done and also so that we can find out what demand there is for regular computer sessions in the village hall where we have two community computers. We also want to know if there are other facilities or activities you would like to see, e.g. self service computer facilities, evening history sessions. Do drop in, young or old, and share your ideas!!

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
06-Sep-14	4:00 PM	Village Hall	Produce Show	Village Hall
07-Sep-14		Willoughby Society	Leam Valley Novelty Dog Show	Lower St
08-Sep-14	7:00 PM	Village Hall	Digital + Drop In	Village Hall
10-Sep-14	7:00 PM	Village Hall	Dunchurch Division Community Forum	Village Hall
11-Sep-14	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Social Afternoon	Village Hall
14-Sep-14	11:00 AM	Church	Harvest Service followed by Harvest Lunch	Church
16-Sep-14	7:30 PM	Church	Healing Service	Broadwell Church
18/09/14	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch - Admiral Nelson	Braunston
18-Sep-14	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	The Shaping of Southam - Bernard Cadogan	Village Hall
21/09/14	6:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
24-Sep-14	6:00 PM	Women's Institute	Tour of Leamington Law Courts (leave from Village Hall)	
24-Sep-14	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Bee Keeping - Trevor Minnett	Village Hall
28-Sep-14	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church

Thursday Club

Hope you all enjoyed the summer break and the lovely weather.

The next meeting of the Thursday Club is on the 11th September when we are having a Social Afternoon.

The Pub Lunch is on 18th September at the Admiral Nelson.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Our next meeting is on Thursday 18th September at 7.30pm. Bernard Cadogan will be speaking about 'The Shaping of Southam' with slides. The competition will be for a Warwickshire Photograph. Visitors are very welcome.

On Wednesday 24th September we have an evening tour of Leamington Law Courts. The bus leaves from the Village Hall at 6pm.

Popmobility – Exercise to Music

Just to remind everyone classes start again in September – both classes are fun and friendly so please come and join us

Monday afternoon 3pm – 3.45pm gentle exercise to music suitable for all – no floor.

Tuesday evening – 7.30pm-8.30pm – includes floor work so please bring a mat.

Children

I have been asked if I can run a fun exercise/dance class for children which will perform at Village events. If you have children that would be interested please call Lorraine on 890846 or email me at graham.geddes879@btinternet.com . If there is enough interest I hope to start a class in September.

Notices:

The Strawberry Tea afternoon at the Vicarage in July was a great success and very much enjoyed by the 70+ people who came, We raised over £550 towards landscaping the grounds at the back of church and the running costs of the church. Many thanks and appreciation to Jackie and her team, Audrey and her team, and Christine for her plant sale, and of course all those who contributed the scones and jam. It was a lovely atmosphere and the rain held off! Jane

Leam Valley Novelty Dog Show

7th September 2014 - Field off Lower Street Willoughby

Entries on the day

Contact Leonie Tromans for details 01788 890700

Produce Show

Willoughby Village Hall - Saturday 6th September, 4pm

Entries: must reach the Show Secretary, Will Hewitt, Worrall House, Lower Street. Tel 891439, by 9:00pm Friday 5th 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 The usual auction of produce will be at the end of the show (5 pm aprox.)

Willoughby Society

We hope you enjoyed the summer break. Our next meeting is on the 24th September when Trevor Minett will be talking about Bee Keeping. Meetings take place in the Village Hall and start at 7:30pm and everyone is welcome to join us.



Family Show (suitable age 6+) from Live & Local



FRIDAY, 17th OCTOBER 2014

KAKATSITSI – MASTER DRUMMERS FROM GHANA

7:30 pm at Willoughby Village Hall

Tickets (including hot supper) from:

Leonie Tromans 01788 890700 and Roger Atkins 01788 891799



Please bring your own drinks.

A colourful, energetic and entertaining show, bursting with traditional drumming, dancing, and singing from Ghana



Digital Matters

Since the last issue there have been a number of discussions and developments in relation to mobile coverage and Superfast Broadband including with our MP, Jeremy Wright.

Mobile Coverage – Vodafone have introduced Open Sure Signal for rural villages which involves a number of small boxes covering around 500m radius. They look to install 5 or more in a village to give a good connection to anyone on the Vodafone network. So that we can apply for this facility and also put pressure on the other networks to improve their service we need to know which network each mobile phone in the village is on and whether the connection is good, fair, or bad (if different for indoors and outdoors). It would be helpful also to know whether you would switch networks to get better local coverage. The information will only be used in summary form so you won't be plagued with sales calls!! Please send the information to the email address on the back page.

Superfast Broadband – The CSW Superfast Broadband Project has received an additional tranche of funding to deliver better broadband to significantly more properties. The bad news is that Government/EU rules mean that it will take until the end of the year to get to the point of signing a contract and the spring before we know that we have been included. Thankfully the previous responses and information provided to the project confirm that the village is eligible for the project's support and we do not therefore need to respond to the public consultation.

Digital + Drop-In Event – This will be held on Monday 8th September 7:00 pm to 8:30pm. Come along to:

1. find out more or get help on our Mobile Coverage or Superfast Broadband campaigns.
2. register your interest in using the community computers in the Village Hall on a regular basis if you don't have a home computer or broadband (you will be able to use one to do the broadband survey at the event).
3. Tell us about facilities you would like provided e.g. regular community computer sessions, evening History Set meetings, other activities,.....

Willoughby Parish Council

The Village Design Statement questionnaires have been distributed and we hope you have been able to complete one as the views of all the residents are important for the future of our Village.

The brook in Moor Lane has now been cleared by Warwickshire County Council Highways Department and the Parish Council is grateful for the tidying up of the banks which is being carried out by Phil and Wendy Cox.

Unfortunately the Parish Council has received a further complaint of dog fouling, this time in Magdalen Road. Will all owners please ensure they clear up after their dogs as failure to do so may result in a fine or prosecution.

Energy Warwickshire – top up your oil before prices rise!

With colder months just around the corner now is the time to think about topping up your oil tank and taking advantage of the lower oil prices seen recently.

We are delighted that for the fourth month running we have managed to achieve a per litre price below 50p. In August our members paid just 49.99pence per litre, saving 4.51 pence per litre against the average. As a charity that works solely for the benefit of rural communities we are delighted with these results.

If you are reliant on heating oil and would like to join our members in making savings have a look at our dedicated website (www.energywarwickshire.org.uk) or contact us on 01789 472611. The syndicate is open to households, community groups and businesses across Warwickshire.

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 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 Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: willoughby_monthly@willoughbyweb.net

Date	Organisation	Event	Venue
17-Oct-14	Willoughby Society	Kakatsitsi Master drummers from Ghana	Village Hall
31-Oct-14	Willoughby Society	Tricks &/or Treats	
22-Nov-14	Village Hall	Christmas Fayre	Village Hall
27-Nov-14	Thursday Club	Milton Keynes Shopping Trip	