



# Willoughby Monthly



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**Welcome to the December edition of the WM.** The weather has changed over the last month and the broadcasters and retailers are focused on the run up to the festive season so winter must be here!! Hopefully the work done clearing out the culverts and removing vegetation from the brook will help prevent flooding if we get the the very wet weather predicted.

Sadly there hasn't been much progress on getting better broadband although there should be better news in the spring. There are national government moves to improve mobile coverage but they are likely to take quite a time to deliver improvements. Unfortunately the opportunity to bid for improvements to Vodafone coverage was missed partly because a site to cover the Brooks Close/Pye Court/Manor Farm Barns area couldn't be identified.

It has been a busy year in the village with the new allotments cultivated for the first time and lots of truly local produce enjoyed – well done allotmenters !! The various organisations have delivered varied programmes of speakers and events that go to make up village life - meetings, shows, parties, the Big Lunch and more – thank you to all the volunteers who run them for us.

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**Richard Jackson**

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
01-Dec-14	7:00 PM	WCC	Bottle Bingo Night	WCC Pavillion
04-Dec-14	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Making Something from Nothing with a Christmas Theme - Diana Slocombe	Village Hall
07-Dec-14	4:00 PM	Church	Christingle	Church
11-Dec-14		Thursday Club	Christmas Lunch	Barby Sporting
13-Dec-14	11:00 AM		Willoughby Children's Christmas Party	Village Hall
14-Dec-14	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
21-Dec-14	6:00 PM	Church	Carol Service	Church
24-Dec-14	11:00 PM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
28-Dec-14	10:30 AM	Church	Benefice Holy Communion	Church
31-Dec-14	7:30 PM		Willoughby 2014 New Year Party	Village Hall

## Thursday Club

Our next meeting is our annual Christmas Lunch on the 11th December, this year at Barby Sporting Club, the Dact bus will pick up at the village hall at 12 noon, this is for members only.

## Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2014 - Our December meeting is at 7:30 pm at the usual venue (one week earlier than usual). Diana Slocombe will be making something from nothing with a Christmas theme. The competition is for a small gift to be given to a patient at Danetre Hospital to be judged on appearance. Please mark the gift 'lady' or 'gentleman'.

Happy Christmas Everyone.

## Church

### Benefice Christingle Service

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding a Benefice Christingle Service. We hope you will join us for this joyful and moving service at St Nicholas' Church, Willoughby at 4.00 pm - Shine a light in the darkness for children this Christmas.



### Carol Concert Wolfhampcote

Make a note in your diaries for the Carol Concert to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> December at 4.00 pm at Wolfhampcote. Wrap up warm and bring a candle.

### Willoughby

**A BIG THANK YOU** for the £295 raised for the church at the **Willoughby Bonfire** and the donations of fireworks and food. Richard and Elaine, you have great teams and we look forward to next year! It was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Grateful Thanks to The New Years Eve Committee and Willoughby Children's charity for donating the fireworks.



Willoughby 2014

New Year  
Party



Tickets from Dave & Sue Waddington

telephone: **01788 890613** or

email: **dave.r.waddington@btopenworld.com**.

Adults **£13.50** each. Children 11 to 16 years **£6.50** each.

Price includes beer and wine. Soft drinks for Children

An American supper will be provided

## Willoughby Society

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Members are reminded 2015 subscriptions are due.

### 'Christmas' Event

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30 pm. Willoughby Village Hall**

Musical entertainment by Jane Kennaway

Tickets are £12.50 from Richard Jackson, Hazeldene, Main Street  
(891898).

Buffet supper included, please bring your own drinks and glasses.

**We expect this to be another excellent evening get your tickets now!!**

## Willoughby Cricket Club

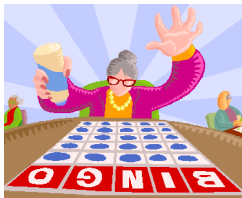


### Bottle Bingo Night

Monday 1st December - 7.00pm for 7.30pm start

at Willoughby Cricket Club

Donations of bottle for prizes most welcome, to  
Glenys Rowe, 35 Main Street, Willoughby.



### Thank you....

to everyone who has supported, followed and been involved in the cricket club in any way this year.

2014 has been a busy and successful season both on and off-the-field (head to the club website [www.willoughbycc.org.uk](http://www.willoughbycc.org.uk) to find a full review)

**From everyone at Willoughby CC, may we extend best wishes to you and your families for a peaceful and happy Christmas, and safe, successful New Year**

### 2015 Dates for your Diary

Monday 16th February – Willoughby Cricket Club AGM

Saturday 28th March – Willoughby CC does Natwest Cricketforce 2015

## Willoughby Parish Council

Now that winter is fast approaching and the evenings are dark with shorter days, please give some thought to those around you. Is there a neighbour who is on their own who would benefit from a chat and a cup of tea. We are all busy rushing round with lots to do, but a few minutes of your time might mean a great deal to someone else.

Your Parish Council would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful, healthy and Happy New Year.

### Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Now the days are drawing and it is darker do make sure that your home/premises are kept secure. There have been some burglaries and also reports of thefts from sheds and outbuildings reported recently from around the area albeit not in Willoughby.

Don't forget to secure your oil and gas tanks/cylinders the villains will be on the lookout for free fuel!!

### Trading Standards have issued three warnings recently:

- 1) Beware rogue traders posting flyers and calling offering to 'remove moss' or 'fix tiles' on roofs. Cases have been reported where a quote for a few hundred pounds was followed by a demand for thousands some people have paid over £2,000!!
- 2) 'Nuisance Call Stopper' unsolicited telephone callers offer a service to stop nuisance calls for £0.60 per week for 3 years £93.60. The supplier often does nothing or might register the number with the genuine free Telephone Preference Service which does help reduce calls.
- 3) A warning has been issued about bogus calls supposedly from the Office of Fair Trading (OFT). In the reported case a 'Steven Maxwell' said there would be a sum of money due. It seems likely this was an attempted advance fee fraud that was thwarted when the recipient refused to give their bank details.

**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](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).

### Willoughby Monthly

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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Send them to Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: [willoughby\\_monthly@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:willoughby_monthly@willoughbyweb.net)

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17-Jan-15	Willoughby Society	Christmas Event with Jane Kennaway	Village Hall
14-Mar-15	Willoughby Society	Mambo Jambo	Village Hall