

# The Willoughby Monthly

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**Welcome to the September edition of the WM.** The August weather was mixed some very wet, some very warm but it didn't stop Village Life beginning to get going. There were Garden Parties and BBQs as well as Villagers venturing further afield to visit relatives or take a holiday. All much appreciated after so long under COVID restrictions.

September sees most organisations running a 'normal' program and preparing for the rest of this year and next. The Willoughby Society has its normal meetings arranged for the rest of the year along with a trip and two concerts in the village hall!! Whilst the Village Hall starts the month with the Produce Show. Please support them as much as you can.

**Richard Jackson**



## **Don't forget the Produce Show Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September:**

Entries to Graham Geddes by	9:00pm Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
Staging to be completed between	10:00am and 12:00 noon Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Show opens to the public	15:00:00

Schedule and entry form in:

[https://willoughbyweb.net/wm/images/2021/WM\\_08-21.pdf](https://willoughbyweb.net/wm/images/2021/WM_08-21.pdf)

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
04-Sep-21		Village Hall	Produce Show	Village Hall
09-Sep-21	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Film - 'The Bucket List'	Village Hall
11 Sep 21	11:00:00		Macmillan Coffee Morning	Village Hall
12 Sep 21	11:00 AM	Church	Harvest Service	Church
12-Sep-21	12:30 PM	Church	Harvest Lunch	Village Hall
16-Sep-21	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch - The Admiral Nelson	Braunston
16-Sep-21	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Changes & Dramas in 30years in the Travel Industry - Lucy Morgans	Village Hall
22-Sep-21	7:00 PM	Willoughby Society	Trip: Napton Cidery for a Ploughmans supper & cider tasting.	Napton Cidery
26-Sep-21	11:00 AM	Church	Service	Church
29-Sep-21	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Quiz & Social	Village Hall

## Thursday Club

9 September, 2.30pm Village Hall - Film Show, 'The Bucket List'.  
16 September, 12.30pm Pub Lunch - The Admiral Nelson, Braunston NN11 7HJ

## Willoughby Women's Institute

It was great to be able to get together for our 100+1 garden party last month after so long apart.

This month we have a proper meeting at the Village Hall. This is on the 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm when Lucy Morgans will be telling us about 'The Changes and Dramas of 30 years in the Travel Industry'. The competition is for a 'Holiday Snapshot of Yourself'.

Visitors are welcome to join us!!

## Church

A warm welcome from St Nicholas.

The flower festival was a big success and many thanks to all those who gave their time and expertise. Thanks also to those who helped with putting up marquees, researching information, and helping on the day. We couldn't do this without you all. It was lovely to see our church decorated with such beauty. We hope everyone who came enjoyed the afternoon. Thank you for making the event such a success. Over £800 was raised, the majority put into the roof fund.

Moving forward it is now Harvest time. Our Harvest Service is on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 11am. The church will be decorated for harvest and there will be a related heritage exhibition for people to see. The church will also be open for people to visit during the harvest weekend. Timings will be on the Notice Board and on Facebook. Our Harvest lunch will be in the village hall at 12:30. Tickets £8 adults and £5 for children (under 8s free.) Contact Karen on 07866572209 for details. There will be a sale of produce with proceeds to Children's Society.

Bell ringing has started up again. Practice is Friday afternoons from 2pm. Anyone interested in learning please contact Kim Gibbard 891191.

If anyone has any free time to help with the upkeep in the churchyard weeding etc please feel free to lend a hand. It is a large area to keep tidy. Thank you. We hope you enjoy the quiet solitude the churchyard has to offer. There are plans to also clear the overgrown area at the back and replant. Churchyard tidy up day is Saturday September 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am weather being accommodating. Please bring own tools if possible.

Looking ahead to Christmas there is a tree festival planned in the church see the enclosed flyer.

### Projects

1. Another grant has been promised towards the kitchen/disabled toilet project of £10000. We recognised costs would have gone up and so hopefully we can now cover this. The plans go back to the Diocese after 24<sup>th</sup> August for approval and tenders will then be sought.
2. The roof. Material is being gathered for a Heritage Lottery Fund application. Other grants are also being researched.

Please contact Karen Nichols with any issues or queries concerning the church.  
[kjndon@aol.com](mailto:kjndon@aol.com) or 07866572209. Thank you.

## Willoughby Society

Thank you to everyone who came along to the village festival and especially the evening concert with Jump the Trax.

This month we have a trip to Napton Cidery on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September with transport by DACT bus members have been invited to book for this by email. Numbers are limited by the Cidery's capacity (20) but if you would like to come contact Richard as soon as possible.

Our first proper meeting of the Autumn is on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. This will be a Quiz and Social evening to give everyone a bit of fun and an opportunity to catch up (bring some drinks and nibbles if you would like to). Non-members are welcome to come along and join us.

We have been advised that we have two Live & Local shows for the first half of 2022 and have arranged two ourselves for this autumn/winter. The dates for your diary are:

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November**, 'Moonshine Whiskey', a family folk trio.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December**, 'Jump the Trax', a pre-Christmas concert from the duo that entertained us so well on the festival evening.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022**, 'She'Koyekh in Concert', 'the best klezmer and Balkan music band in the UK' according to the Evening Standard.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2022**, 'Flats and Sharps Live in Concert'. A four-piece bluegrass outfit energetic, enthusiastic and spirited Bluegrass for audiences around the world!

More details soon!!

### **BOOK NOW TO GUARANTEE SOME FUN THIS AUTUMN**

The time will come again when foreign travel is manageable and free from pandemic panics and then how you might wish you'd used all that longing-to-be away time to brush up on your Italian, Spanish, French, German and more.

Staycationers, glorying in the chance to explore the beauty of Wales, might also wish they could bond better with the locals and read those vowel-free road signs – if only they spoke a little Welsh.

Make the most of your getaway planning time by taking one (or more) of the wealth of language courses on offer from this September at The Percival Guildhouse in Rugby, the independent adult education centre serving students from all parts of Warwickshire, Northamptonshire and Leicestershire.

If things creative have more appeal, give expression to that pent-up talent by joining one of the wide variety of art or craft courses; delve into the past via one of the history or art history courses or be kind to mind and body with yoga or mindfulness classes.

At [www.percival-guildhouse.co.uk](http://www.percival-guildhouse.co.uk) you will find more than 80 courses on offer this Autumn, many being held in the Covid safe surroundings of the Guildhouse's St Matthew's Street home (near Rugby Library) and several remaining online. You can view the full course brochure online or search via a topic of interest – it's easier than ever. Bookings open in August.

For those who haven't visited the Guildhouse in a while you will find we now have a lift affording easy access to all floors. The Dove lift has been named in honour of our retiring chairman, David Dove, who has stepped down after 14 years of leading the Executive Committee of Charitable Trustees responsible for running the Guildhouse.

David said: "People may be spoilt for choice these days when looking for new things to do but when they discover The Percival Guildhouse they find more than courses to stimulate lively minds or give creative hands expression. They find a community which recognises them as individuals and creates space for lifelong friendships to flourish." David is succeeded as Chairman of Trustees by Carin Jackson.

## Willoughby Parish Council

Please do not feed the ducks on the pond from the road as it encourages them onto the road and there was another one killed last week. If you want to feed them please do this from the grass bank near the seat.

Warwickshire County Council will soon be starting work on installing street lighting on the A45 at the Longdown Lane junction. This is a project which County Councillor Howard Robert's has put forward.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

I am pleased to announce that we will be holding the Macmillan Coffee Morning on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in Willoughby Village Hall from 11.00 am until 2.00 pm

WORLD'S BIGGEST  
**COFFEE**  
MORNING

There will be a raffle, cake stall, produce stall, Tombola etc and refreshments. Any donations, prizes, cakes, bottles etc would be very much appreciated - please let me know if you would like me to collect anything.

We look forward to seeing you all on the day and thank you for your continued support.

Jane and the team

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

### Police & Neighbourhood Watch

**Crime prevention:** Property marking is a deterrent to burglars and increases the likelihood of stolen items being recovered. Rachel has the Village property marking kit and can mark items. Contact her (see below) to arrange to take smaller items to her or a home visit, in the village, to mark larger items.

**Police Community Support Officers** for the area are PCSO David Banks & PCSO Helena Seal, our Police Constable is PC Chris Knight. 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 890724, by e-mail [rachelsettle@btinternet.com](mailto:rachelsettle@btinternet.com) or [juststoves@btconnect.com](mailto:juststoves@btconnect.com) or by mobile/ WhatsApp etc on 07885501551.

### Dates for Your Diary

Date	Organisation	Event	Venue
16-Oct-21	Village Hall	Jumble Sale	Village Hall
12-Nov-21	Willoughby Society	Moonshine Whiskey in Concert	Village Hall
27-Nov-21	Village Hall	Christmas Fayre	Village Hall
18-Dec-21	Willoughby Society	Jump the Trax in Concert	Village Hall

### Willoughby Monthly

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



St Nicholas Church,  
Willoughby  
Calendar 2022

We are thinking of producing a calendar for 2022, with proceeds going to the church.

We would like to use photos taken by villagers, showing our village through the seasons.

Your photo's can be of any subject, buildings, scenic views, flowers, animals' or people.

We will then ask you the villagers to choose the best 12 (twelve) photos to go into the calendar.

Further information will be given at a later date, but we thought we would give you the chance to start snapping.

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Santa Trail

The event will be held in The Church between 6.30pm and 8.30pm on 10<sup>th</sup> and 5.00pm and 7.30 pm on the 11<sup>th</sup> December.

Decorate your House, Window or Garden.

Christmas Tree Festival

We will also be holding a Christmas Tree Festival in the church at the same time as the Santa Trail.


Families / Organisations within the village are welcome to purchase a tree from the church, (which we are trying to source locally at a reasonable cost) and decorate.

Visitor's will be asked to vote on their favourite house, window, garden or tree

Further event information will be given nearer the time.  
All proceeds to the church.

If you would like to take part either by decorating your house, window, garden or having a Christmas tree please email me using the following email address [cmc@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:cmc@willoughbyweb.net) with your name, address and telephone number

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