

The Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the November edition of the WM. October was a varied month weather-wise warm days, cold, days, and wet days, but nothing too extreme thankfully.

October was a much more normal month for the village organisations with meetings taking place in the village hall with a little more spacing and a bit more ventilation.

As the weather gets colder and it is darker keep an eye out for friends and neighbours especially those who are in some way vulnerable.

Both the Willoughby Society and Women's Institute have their Annual General Meetings this month. The opportunity for their members to take stock and elect officers and committee. These meetings are also a good opportunity for other villagers to find out what the organisation does.

Inside there are details of two Willoughby Society concerts and the Village Hall Christmas Fair....yes its that time of year already!! It will be good to have live music back in the Village Hall again.

The levels of COVID cases are worrying so do use a face covering, if you can, when amongst large groups or with people who live elsewhere. This and using hand sanitizer will help reduce the risks to us all.

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
11-Nov-21	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	My life as a vicars wife' - Margaret Burgon	Village Hall
12-Nov-21	7:30 AM	Willoughby Society	Moonshine Whiskey in Concert	Village Hall
18-Nov-21	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch - New Inn	Long Buckby Wharf
18-Nov-21	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	A.G.M. & Ploughman's Supper	Village Hall
20-Nov-21	12:00 PM	Church	Soup & Social	Village Hall
24-Nov-21	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	AGM	Village Hall
27-Nov-21	02:00 PM	Village Hall	Christmas Fayre	Village Hall
28-Nov-21	11:00 AM	Church	Service	Church

Thursday Club

We are back to near normal!!! here are our November dates:

- 11 November, 2.30pm Village Hall - Margaret Burgon - 'My life as a vicar's wife'.
- 18 November, 12.30pm Pub Lunch - New Inn, Long Buckby Wharf NN6 7PW.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The final figure raised for the coffee morning is £1,223. Thank you to everybody for all your help and support – truly amazing.

From Jane and her fantastic team

New Years Eve Party

We will be holding a New Years Eve Party again this year in the Village Hall commencing at 7:30pm.

Music will be provided by 'Rustic Roots' who will play in conjunction with our own disco music until the early hours.

As previously there will be an American Buffet and you will need to bring your own drinks.

Tickets again priced at £10.00 can be obtained from Brian Hall tel. 890134, Bert Ogle tel. 890498, or Leonie Tromans tel. 890700.



Church

Soup and Socials are starting again. The next one is November 20th in the Village Hall. Many thanks to the volunteers who make soup and puddings. We look forward to welcoming you. Suggested donation of £5 for soup and a pudding.

Our Christingle Service on December 6th at 4pm is slightly different in that we are going to make the Christingle Oranges during the service, enjoyment for all.

There is a lot going on in December and a rumour going round that St Nicholas will play host to a plethora of decorated Christmas trees.

The new look Family Service was very popular with those who attended. More to follow in the New Year.

A reminder that we are collecting for Tools With A Mission again the first Saturday of November between 10 and 12. Please contact for details. Thank you to those who have already donated.

A small exhibition to commemorate our brave soldiers will be in the church through November and we will open the church at times for people to visit.

Projects:

1. We are planning to make the area at the back of the churchyard a Community garden Volunteers are needed, please, to clear the area and help with planning.
 2. We are waiting for the kitchen tenders and hope work will start in the New Year.
- Finally, we would like to thank everyone who helps out and supports the church. It is really appreciated.

Contact Karen Nichols 07866572209 or kjndon@aol.com

Willoughby Society

October was a welcome return to normal – a meeting with a speaker on the last Wednesday of the month with refreshments too! On the 20th the Society again arranged for the Warwickshire Conservation Volunteers to spend a day tidying up Hayward Lodge before winter.

November will be busy with our Annual General Meeting on the 24th at 7:30pm. The format will be as usual with a quiz and cheese and wine after the formal proceedings.

Earlier in the month we have:

Friday, 12th November, 7:30pm

Folk & Bluegrass Band

Moonshine Whiskey in Concert

an evening of foot tapping singalong music

Willoughby Village Hall

Seats £12.50 including a selection of nibbles, please bring your own drinks.

Book with Richard Jackson, Hazeldene, Main Street Tel. 891898

and just before Christmas:

Saturday, 18th December, 7:30pm

Jump the Trax in Concert

Willoughby Village Hall

music from the 60s, 70s, + with a seasonal flavour!!

Seats £12.50 including mulled wine and mince pies

(bring your own drinks if you wish)

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Village Hall

Willoughby Christmas Fayre

Saturday 27th November - 2pm

Free entry, Traditional Christmas stalls, Tombola, Refreshments, cakes, bottle stall, produce stall, raffle

We look forward to seeing you! Bring friends and family.

Please wear a face covering if possible – thank you



Willoughby Parish Council

Due to other commitments Mrs Rachel Settle has decided to step down from her role as a Parish Councillor. The Parish Council would like to place on record their thanks for all her excellent work whilst being on the Parish Council which has included assistance in producing the Village Design Statement, the Emergency Plan and the Flood Action Plan amongst many other projects. We wish her well for the future.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Our November meeting is our Annual General Meeting which will be followed by a Ploughman's Supper. We would love to see some new people, who can bring some fresh ideas, on the Committee, if you would like to find out more please contact our Secretary, Lorraine Geddes, tel 890846.



If you have been thinking about a new activity and are interested in what the WI does then this is a great night to come along and find out -it isn't just 'Jam and Jerusalem' as you can see.



Police & Neighbourhood Watch

Please take care driving through the village and keep speed down, especially where there are parked cars, at least one pet has been killed.

Watch out for scammers trying to take advantage of energy market turmoil!!

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 .

Neighbourhood Watch: Rachel Settle (Co-ordinator) can be contacted by telephone on 01788 890724, by e-mail rachelsettle@btinternet.com or juststoves@btconnect.com or by mobile/ WhatsApp etc on 07885501551.

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10-Dec-21	Church	Santa Trail & Christmas Tree Festival	Church
11-Dec-21	Church		Church
18-Dec-21	Willoughby Society	Jump the Trax in Concert	Village Hall
31-Dec-21		New Year's Eve Party	Village Hall

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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 15th of the month. Send them to Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street, e-mail: wm@willoughbyweb.net .