The Willoughby Monthly

Village Web Site: www.willoughbyweb.net facebook Group: Willoughby Monthly

Volume 15 May 2022

Welcome to the May edition of the WM. April brought some better weather and lots of blossom but also some very sharp frosts. Easter was fine and sunny too. It also brought good news for the Church with the promise of a large grant from the Lottery Heritage Fund to fund the repair of the fabric of the building and other plans. Work also started on renovating the Amenity/Memorial Garden on Main Street one of the Platinum Planting Projects.

Just as the April Willoughby Monthly went to press I was told that the date of the Festival had had to be changed and added a note to that effect. Since then other difficulties have come to light resulting in the Festival date reverting to the $\mathbf{2}^{nd}$ **July**. As well as the original date being confirmed the Willoughby Society have been able to book a group called 'Eclectic mix' for a concert in the evening. There is a 'save the date' for the Festival with some details inside, more next month.

There is a lot going on connected with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the beginning of June and you will find a special supplement with this WM which includes information about Jubilee weekend events including your Jubilee Big Lunch Invitation. This one will be our tenth Big Lunch as the first was part of Willoughby 2012.

As ever what we achieve is in no small part down to the efforts of everyone who volunteers to do something be it organising, helping setup, run, clear away, an event, applying for a grant, being on a Committee formulating plans. **Thank you to everyone who gives their time – you make a real difference!**

If you don't yet get involved and would like to, however little time you can spare, contact me (rj@willoughbyweb.net or tel 891898) and I will put you in touch with a project or organisation that can make good use of your efforts.

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
7 May 22	10:00:00	Church	APCM	Church
08-May-22	11:00 AM	Church	Service for All	Church
10-May-22	7:30 PM	Parish Council	Annual & Ordinary Meeting	Village Hall
12-May-22	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Keeping Faith at the Front in WW1' - Helen Frost	Village Hall
14-May-22	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Flats and Sharps Live in Concert	Village Hall
19-May-22	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch	
19-May-22	7:30 PM	Womens Institute	Resolutions Meeting	Village Hall
22-May-22	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
25-May-22	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Film Screening	Village Hall

Thursday Club

12 May 2.30pm Village Hall: Helen Frost 'Keeping Faith at the Front in WW1'
19 May 12.30pm Pub Lunch - to be decided. Sign up sheet at meeting on 12 May.
New members always welcome - enquiries to our Sec, Jim Rowley 01788 891 805
Still collecting old stamps for RNIB - they like them to have approx 1cm of paper left around the edge of the stamp.

Willoughby Women's Institute

We had a most enjoyable evening for our April Open Meeting, when we welcomed many visitors. Our May meeting is the annual Resolutions Meeting.

Advance Notice: June will be Willoughby WI's answer to the Antiques Roadshow!!



Willoughby Parish Council

Resignation of a Councillor - Ben Hallam has resigned as a councillor. The Parish Council would like to thank him for all his good work over many years on behalf of Willoughby residents. As a result of Ben's resignation, a Notice of Vacancy was posted on the website and the Parish Council noticeboard on Main Street on 13 April 2022. For more information, please go to willoughbyparishcouncil.org or see the noticeboard.

New Parish Clerk - The Parish Council is delighted to announce the appointment of Joanne (Jo) Jarman as the new Parish Clerk. She takes up her post on 1 May 2022.

Thank you - Ed Beech, Alan Belgrove, Jane Edgar, Brian Hall, and Jim and Janet Rowley for helping to deliver leaflets, and, Alan Hughes for laminating the lamppost posters about Jubilee mugs.

Annual Council Meeting and Ordinary Meeting - The Annual Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10 May 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This is a short business meeting and the main item on the agenda will be to elect a new chair. An Ordinary Council Meeting will follow immediately afterwards. The agendas for both meetings will be posted one week beforehand. Please join us either to raise issues or to ask questions during the Public Participation session or just to find out what happens at a meeting.

Willoughby Jubilee Art Competition

Don't forget to spend some time on your entry(ies). Closing date for entries is the 29th May. An entry form which may be copied is enclosed. All entries will be displayed in the Village Hall over the Jubilee weekend.

Here are a selection of pictures of the Queen from a 2012 national competition:













Willoughby Society

After a busy April with meetings, garden renovation and planning for later in the year and next, this months meeting is a screening of the acclaimed film 'Belfast' details on the right (members free and others with a donation).

The arrangements for the Festival have now been confirmed and as in the past few years we will have a concert in the evening. This year Eclectic Mix are coming to play for us. A Save the Date item has details below.

The Amenity/Memorial Garden project has made good progress already, but still needs more suitable plants, please let Leonie Tromans know (tel. 890700) if you have some spare that you could donate. More details about this project and other Jubilee related activities can be found in the Supplement accompanying this issue of the Willoughby Monthly.

THE WILLOUGHBY SOCIETY PRESENTS

THE FILM BELFAST

Written and directed by Academy Award" nominee Branagh, BELFAST is a poignant story of love, laughter and loss in one boy's childhood, amid the music and social tumult of the late 1960s.

The east stars Golden Globe nominee Caltriona Balfe, Academy Award* winner Judi Dench, Janjie Doman, Clann Hinds, and introduces 10 year old Jude Hill. Doman and Balfe July a passionate working-class couple caught up in the mayhem, with Dench and Hinds as sharp-witted grandparents.



7.30PM - WILLOUGBHY VILLAGE HALL ALL WELCOME

WILLOUGHBY SOCIETY MEMBERS FREE - OTHERS WELCOME WITH A DONATION BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS, GLASSES AND POPCORN

Save The Date
Willoughby Festival
2nd July 2022

Races - Games - Tug of War - Obstacle race - Tombola - Raffle Music in the Evening by Eclectic Mix - playing a mix of Classic Rock n Roll, Tamla Motown, Folk and much much more



Enjoy Quizzing?

Would you be interested in a quiz night at the Village Hall, and want to come? perhaps, a monthly quiz on a Thursday or Friday evening for a couple of hours. 7.30-9.30pm. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. There would be a flat charge per team to enter and this would be given to the winning team as prize money after costs taken out. So the more teams the merrier! I would welcome any thoughts, ideas and ultimately help if it gets up and running. My email is nickyasutton@hotmail.co.uk or text me on 07972 634713.

Church

We have finally hit our servery/toilet target. Just waiting for the builder now.

Great News!! we have the promise of a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund. There are various conditions and information that has to be given before we get permission to start which is proving very time consuming. Many thanks to everyone who has helped so far. We need more volunteers to come forward to help make this enormous project a success, Contact Karen kjndon@aol.com or 07866 572209 if you are able to give any time please. As soon as we secure permission to start then life will get exciting and interesting with Heritage Activities and a Community Garden planned in addition to the repairs to the fabric of the church.

Our soup and socials will in the summer months become Summer Soups and Cake Socials. If anyone would like to make soup or cakes it would be marvellous. The first one is on May 28^{th} 12-2 in the village hall. Suggested donation £5 for church funds.

Our church services are 'Service for all' May 8^{th} at 11am and 'Holy Communion' May 22^{nd} at 11am. Also it's our APCM in the church Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 am.

Wednesday 1st June is a Jubilee Craft Afternoon at the church for children. 2-30 to 5-30pm. Making bunting and Queens Jubilee related items. Donations for craft items and church funds.

July 9/10 we have a Heritage Craft Weekend. There is to be a Wool and Wood stall selling homemade wooden toys and other items as well as knitted and crochet items. Volunteers are busy making items but if anyone else feels they could help by knitting, crocheting making wooden toys etc we will welcome them. Thank you.

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 & our Police Constable is PC Ashleigh Baker. 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 890724, by e-mail rachelsettle@btinternet.com or juststoves@btconnect.com or by mobile/ WhatsApp etc on 07885501551.

Date	Organisation	Event	Venue
01-Jun-22	Church	Children's Craft afternoon (Queen's Jubilee)	Church
04-Jun-22	Thursday Club	Jubilee Cream Tea	Village Hall
05-Jun-22		Queen's Platinum Jubilee Big Lunch	Village Hall
02-Jul-22		Willoughby Festival	Playing Field
02-Jul-22	Willoughby Society	Willoughby Festival Concert with Eclectic-Mix	Playing Field

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



Willoughby Monthly Supplement Jubilee Initiatives & Events

Platinum Projects

Queens Green Canopy Tree Planting

Over 80 Woodland Trust trees were planted at the end of March either side of the Shrubbery footpath. The weather has been kind and happily all of the trees have come into leaf. A combination of rain and warmth over the coming months should see them well established by the Autumn when a further batch of trees will be planted. Our planting has been added to the National map and the number of trees to the Queens Green Canopy total.

Refresh of the Amenity/Memorial Garden

Volunteers led by Leonie Tromans have been spending a couple of hours each Saturday morning preparing the garden for new planting. The vision is to transform the area into a sensory garden with a central pine 'Christmas' tree that can be decorated each year. A replacement fence is planned and the benches are being refurbished/replaced so you will be able to sit for a few minutes and enjoy the garden as it develops. Thanks to everyone who has donated surplus plants and The Village Charities and The Arnold Clark Community Fund for their grants towards the cost of plants and materials.

New Planters to brighten our village up.

There are plans to place planters around the Village to add some colour, bulbs in the spring and bedding plants later in the year. Locations are being agreed with the Parish Council and you will see some appearing later in the year when the Amenity/Memorial Garden work is done. If you would like to be involved or adopt a planter please let Leonie know.

Art Competition

This was launched earlier in the year with a closing date of the 29th May. More details on the back page.

Events for the Jubilee long Weekend overleaf.

Willoughby Jubilee Weekend 1st June to 5th June

Wednesday, 1st **June,** 2:30 to 5:30pm - Jubilee Craft Afternoon at the church for children. Making bunting and Queens Jubilee related items. Donations for craft items and church funds.

Saturday 4th June, 2pm onwards Cream Tea at the Village Hall provided by the

Thursday Club. Strawberries, scones, jam, cream and tea or coffee at £4 per person or cupcake and juice for £3 per person for children(or others) who don't like scones/cream etc.

There will also be plants, produce and bric-a-brac to buy.



Art Competition Exhibition

All of the entries to the Art Competition will be on display in the Hall for you to enjoy over the weekend.

The Platinum Party at the Palace on the Big Screen. Exact timing to be announced but described as mid-evening for 2-3 hours.

"With state-of-the-art technology and a stunning stage design, the event will feature an incredible range of highlights from global music stars with a full, live orchestra — to actors from film, TV and the stage telling the story and celebrating some of the most significant cultural moments from The Queen's seven decade reign"

Although the line up of performers hasn't been announced yet previous jubilee concerts have been quite something. Come along and share the experience with your friends and neighbours (bring your own drinks and nibbles).

HELP!!!

There will be a good deal of preparation needed before the weekend e.g. putting up a marquee and bunting, installing a flag pole, setting tables out, blowing up balloons, etc. Please let us know if you can spare some time to help (ri@willoughbyweb.net tel. 891898).

Sunday 5th June Jubilee Big Lunch



This year we will not only will we be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we will also be celebrating our tenth Big Lunch. Come along and make this year one to remember.

Bring your picnic (or get together and have a shared one) and join friends and neighbours for a leisurely lunch in the Hall or garden.

As, at, previous Jubilee Big Lunches there will be a prize for the best crown worn to our lunch!



There will be sideshow games around the garden and perhaps impromptu games on the playing field during the afternoon.

There will be a 'Regal' Raffle to cover the costs of this and future years Big Lunch, please bring your purse/wallet so that you can be in the running for a prize and help fund future Big Lunches.

In Central London there will be a Pageant on the streets and the Mall. It is being filmed and will be broadcast live online. No need to miss it as we will be streaming it onto the Big Screen in the Village Hall and maybe also onto an outdoor screen if the weather permits.

nextdoor Iceland Williams

The entries to the Art Competition will also be on display in the Hall.



Please let us know if you plan to come to give us an idea of numbers especially if you would like to be in a particular place, inside or out.

Willoughby Jubilee Art Competition 2022

Organised and Sponsored by the Willoughby Society

Two themes:

- 1.A Picture of the Queen
- 2.A Picture of Something Owned by the Queen

You may use any media type including digitally produced images, except film and photographs.

All Entries will be displayed in the Village Hall over the Jubilee Weekend 4th & 5th June 2022

Details:

- •Open to all residents of Willoughby, Warwickshire
- •Entry an original art work using any media including digitally produced images but excluding film and photographs
- •One entry per theme i.e. entrants may enter both themes with one picture in each.
- •Entries will be divided and judged as follows:
 - a. Age 7 and under*
 - b. Age 8-12*
 - c. Age 13-18*
 - d. Over 18

*relatives of residents may enter these classes

•Completed Pictures:

- write the entrants name and address in legible pencil on the reverse or attach a label to the reverse and accompanied by a completed entry form and deliver to Mrs. J. Lewis, 5, White Barn Close, Willoughby.
 - •Digital images: email a completed entry form to rj@willoughbyweb.net with the pdf/jpg file or link to the entered file if too large to attach.
- •Closing date 29th May 2022 no entries will be accepted after this date.





A couple of pictures from a 2012 competition and a modern photograph for inspriartion?



Willoughby Jubilee Art Competition Entry Form

Closing Date 29th May 2022

Full Name:	
Address:	
A (10 d d)-	
Age (18 and under):	
The Title of Your Picture(s)	
Of the Queen:	
Of something she Owns:	
Village Resident relative if 18 or under:	

This form must accompany your picture(s) and you must:

- write the entrants name and address in legible pencil on the reverse or attach a label to the reverse
- deliver the completed form and picture(s) to Mrs. J. Lewis, 5, White Barn Close, Willoughby.

Digital images: email a completed entry form to rj@willoughbyweb.net with the pdf/jpg file or link to the entered file if too large to attach.

All entries will be displayed in the village Hall 4/5 June 2022

Willoughby Jubilee Art Competition Entry Form

Closing Date 29th May 2022

Full Name:	
Address:	
Age (18 and under):	
Age (16 and under).	
The Title of Your Picture(s)	
Of the Queen:	
Of something she Owns:	
Village Resident relative if 18 or under:	

This form must accompany your picture(s) and you must:

- write the entrants name and address in legible pencil on the reverse or attach a label to the reverse
- deliver the completed form and picture(s) to Mrs. J. Lewis, 5, White Barn Close, Willoughby.

Digital images: email a completed entry form to rj@willoughbyweb.net with the pdf/jpg file or link to the entered file if too large to attach.

All entries will be displayed in the village Hall 4/5 June 2022