

# The Willoughby Monthly

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**Welcome to the Platinum Jubilee edition of the WM.** Last month gave us plenty of dry weather with some good wet spells to keep everything growing. Most of the organisations were back to a 'normal' programme.

The impact volunteers can make is easy to see when you look at the Amenity Garden, great strides have been made in its regeneration. One of the new planters will be in front of the village Hall over the Jubilee weekend. In time the aim is to have half a dozen at sites agreed with the Parish Council around the Village.

The focus of the Jubilee is on Communities getting together to celebrate and get to know each other better. Organising events and projects relies upon Volunteers do please give a helping hand if you can and come along!!

**Richard Jackson**



The Post Box in the centre of the village has been Crowned!! You will have noticed that the box has been capped a few times. All beautifully designed and made. The latest one which was put in place on the 16<sup>th</sup> May is fantastic and a testament to Cathy Harrison's enormous talent.

Well done and thank you, Cathy.

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
01-Jun-22	2:30 PM	Church	Children's Craft afternoon (Jubilee bunting/flag making etc.)	Church
02-Jun-22	10:00 AM		Marquee, Bunting, etc. setup	Village Hall
02-Jun-22	12:00 PM		Raising of the Platinum Jubilee Flag	Village Hall Garden
04-Jun-22	2:00 PM	Thursday Club	Jubilee Cream Tea	Village Hall
4 Jun 22	Evening		Party at the Palace Social	Village Hall
05-Jun-22	12:30 PM	Parish Council	Presentation of Commemorative Mugs	Village Hall Garden
05-Jun-22	1:00 PM		Queen's Platinum Jubilee Big Lunch	Village Hall
12 Jun 22	11:00 AM	Church	Pet Service	Church
14-Jun-22	7:30 PM	Parish Council	Meeting	Village Hall
16-Jun-22	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Garden Party	The Willows
16-Jun-22	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Fun with Antiques' with Janet Wroe	Village Hall
23-Jun-22	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch	TBA
26/06/22	11:00:00	Church	Holy Communion	Church

## Thursday Club

4 June: Jubilee Cream Tea at the Village Hall. 2.00pm onwards. Strawberries, scones, jam, cream and tea or coffee at £4 per person or mini-trifle/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.

16 June: from 2.30pm: Garden Party at Bert Ogle's. It will be helpful if members can let Pat Atkins know whether they are going to attend in advance (891799).

New members always welcome - enquiries to our Sec, Jim Rowley 01788 891 805

## Willoughby Women's Institute

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022 'Fun with Antiques' presented by Janet Wroe - a light-hearted team quiz!! Try your hand at valuing a range of items to spend your £400 budget on ..... there is a prize to be won!!

Visitors are most welcome.

Members don't forget to let Joyce know at least a week before if attending the Garden Party on the 18th.

## Willoughby Parish Council

**Election of Chair** - at the Annual Parish Meeting on 17 May, Mike Thomas was elected Chair for 2022/2023.

**New councillor needed** - the Parish Council would like to co-opt a new councillor, someone who cares about their local community, has time or talents to offer and would like to represent local people. This person could be you. The closing date for expressions of interest was 28 May but, if no-one has come forward, we would still like to hear from you.

For more information please go to Latest News at [willoughbyparishcouncil.org](http://willoughbyparishcouncil.org) .

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee** - There will be a short ceremony at 12:30pm on 5th June just before the start of the Big Jubilee Lunch to present commemorative mugs to children in the parish. We do hope to see you there.

**Hedges** - if you are trimming hedges where clippings fall into the road or onto public footpaths, could you please ensure that you remove all the debris. If you do not, the wind and cars move the clippings into the brook and the drains, potentially blocking them and increasing the possibility of flooding during heavy rainfall. In addition, clippings from hedges such as hawthorn mean that thorns may get into dogs' feet as they walk past.

**Thank you** - Joanne Lewis for beautifully gift wrapping all the Jubilee mugs.

## Willoughby Society

Thank you to everyone who came to see Flats & Sharps on the 14<sup>th</sup> May. It was great to have the Village Hall well filled, a good supper, and superb music to boot.

The Society has supplied the materials to install a Village Flagpole in the Village Hall garden, and a Platinum Jubilee flag which will be raised at noon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June – come along and see the flag.

We have a concert on the evening of the Festival by Eclectic Mix. They play Classic Rock n Roll, Tamla Mowtown, Folk, and much more so there should be something for everyone. The cost for adults will be £10 each. Places may be booked in advance from Richard Jackson ( tel. 891898 [rj@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:rj@willoughbyweb.net)) and Willoughby Society committee members.

## **Willoughby Platinum Jubilee Events**

### **1<sup>st</sup> June 2:00pm**

Jubilee Craft Afternoon at the Church

### **2<sup>nd</sup> June 10:00am**

Volunteers put up the Marquee and Bunting (Many hands make light work, please come along and help for a bit if you can.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> June 12:00pm**

Raising of the Platinum Jubilee Flag to inaugurate the new Village Flagpole in the Village Hall Garden.

### **4<sup>th</sup> June 2:00pm**

Jubilee Cream Tea and plant/bric-a-brac sale at the Village Hall. Strawberries, scones, jam, cream and tea or coffee at £4 per person or mini-trifle/cupcake and juice for £3 per person for children (or others) who don't like scones/cream etc..

### **4<sup>th</sup> June evening**

'Party at the Palace' Social, see events in London on the big screen and share the evening with friends and neighbours (bring your own supplies!)

### **5<sup>th</sup> June 12:30pm**

Presentation of Commemorative Jubilee Mugs to each of the Children by the Parish Council in the Village Hall Garden (If your child can't attend please advise the Parish Clerk ([willoughbyparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:willoughbyparishclerk@gmail.com)) who will arrange for it to be delivered)

**5<sup>th</sup> June 01:00pm** – The Big Jubilee Lunch in the Village Hall and Garden. **Everyone** is invited to this special event which is also our tenth Big Lunch!! The pageant in London will be streamed to the big screen in the Hall and weather permitting one in the marquee too. Bring a picnic or get together with others to share. Please R.S.V.P. Richard (89198 or [rj@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:rj@willoughbyweb.net)), Leonie 07527 156920, or Val 07767 205047 -so that there are sufficient tables out etc. There will be a prize for the best crown worn (not mandatory!), sideshow games around the garden, and perhaps impromptu games on the Playing Field.

## **Platinum Planting Projects**

Leonie and her team have made progress on the Amenity Garden as you can see walking past. There is some hard landscaping to be completed soon which will be followed by some new seating and of course more plants!!

The first of the planters, sponsored by the Willoughby Society, will be placed in front of the Village Hall for the Jubilee weekend. A donor has agreed to fund the purchase of another and a family has agreed to plant and look after it. The planters are about £130 each, the aim is to have about half a dozen around the Village. If you would like to contribute towards a planter, the plants, or be involved in looking after a planter please speak to Leonie 07527 156920

## **Willoughby Festival**

The annual Festival will take place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Full details in next months edition.

There will be sideshows, refreshments until the start of the evening concert, and of course the Races. The Races will be run by Brian Hall as usual and follow a similar format with a range of age groups in each category.

There will be live music, arranged by the Willoughby Society, in the evening. The group is called Eclectic Mix who will be playing Classic Rock n' Roll, Tamla Motown, Folk, and much more. Tickets for the evening will be £10 each (16 and under free) and available from Richard Jackson Hazeldene, Main Street, Tel. 891898, or [rj@willoughbyweb.net](mailto:rj@willoughbyweb.net). They can also be obtained via Willoughby Society Committee members.

## Church

We are still waiting to hear from the National Lottery Heritage Fund regarding the start date. The delay is on the Lottery side. If you have volunteered to help, please bear with us we will be in touch once we hear when activities can commence. Contact Karen [kjndon@aol.com](mailto:kjndon@aol.com) or 07866572209 for further information.

Our Soup and Social is on June 25<sup>th</sup> 12-2 in the Village Hall. Lovely home made soups and puddings will be there. Look forward to welcoming friends old and new. Suggested donation £5

Exciting news is that we are having a Pet Service on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 11am. All welcome to our service plus any pets. Pets are important to people especially during the last few years and it will be fun to have our friends with us. Holy Communion on 26<sup>th</sup> June at 11am.

A reminder that on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June a Jubilee Craft Afternoon at the church is to be held for children and adults. 2-30 to 5-30pm. Making bunting and Queens Jubilee related items. To put around the churchyard If anyone has any craft material they can spare it would really be appreciated. Donations for craft items and church funds.

The weekend of July 9/10 we have Heritage Craft at the church. This includes maypole dancing and other activities. Posters and flyers to go round as soon as all is confirmed. Save the date

**Village Hall Produce Show** – The village hall committee are looking for a volunteer or volunteers to organise and run the produce show which is held in the village hall during September. If you think you might enjoy the challenge of organising and running this village event please contact Joss Ray, Secretary ( [joss959@sky.com](mailto:joss959@sky.com) ) or any of the committee members for more information and find out what is involved.

## 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](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.

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02-Jul-22	7:00 PM	Willoughby Society	Willoughby Festival Concert with Eclectic-Mix	Playing Field
02-Jul-22	1:00 PM		Willoughby Festival	Playing Field
09-Jul-22		Church	St. Nicholas Church Heritage Weekend 1	Church
10-Jul-22		Church	St. Nicholas Church Heritage Weekend 2	Church

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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 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) .