



Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the May edition of the WM. I guess for most of you April was a busy month. The sun eventually came out and our cricket team celebrated with a win!! Behind the scenes a good deal is going on too. The Parish Council has purchased the piece of land behind the Village Pond there is the real possibility of allotments for those who do not have sufficient growing space at home. However, the Parish Council needs to be satisfied that there is sufficient demand to warrant the effort, and expense, of setting them up. Make sure you register interest if you would like one -don't forget many people share allotments when they don't need a whole one for themselves.

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I mentioned last month that there were plans to 'E-Enable' the Village Hall. During the month the final details have been sorted out so there will soon be high definition projection facilities and broadband/Wi-Fi available in the hall. It will take a month or two for these to be installed but the project is a great example of the village organisations working together for the benefit of the community.

You will find information about a new Northamptonshire bus service that also serves the Leam Valley Villages inside.

June will be a busy month so make sure you have the dates in your diary, they are on the back page. Further information about the Big Lunch, Barn Dance, and Fashion show can be found in the flyer enclosed.

Richard Jackson

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
03-May-13	10:00 AM	Police	Mobile Police Station in Village until 11:30am	Village Hall
09-May-13	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	The Work of the Thatcher - Roger Scanlan	Village Hall
11-May-13	10:00 AM	Thursday Club	Coffee Morning	Village Hall
12-May-13	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
16-May-13	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Resolutions & Social	Village Hall
16-May-13	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Pub Lunch - Shoulder of Mutton	Stretton-on-Dunsmore
19-May-13	10:30 AM	Church	Benefice Service	Flecknoe Church
21-May-13	7:30 PM	Church	Healing Service	Broadwell Church
25 May 13	10:00 AM		Coffee Morning & Bring and Buy in aid of St. Nicholas's Church	Rohan, Main St
26-May-13	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
29-May-13	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Wildlife Pastel Drawing - Sarais Crawshaw	Village Hall

Thursday Club

On May 9th we have a treat for both men and women when we will be joined at our meeting by Roger Scanlon, who is going to tell us all about the work of a Thatcher.

Our Coffee Morning on May 11th is open to everyone, whether members or not and will run from 10am until 12 . There will be a cake stall, plant stall and bric a brac stall, and also a raffle .Donations to any of these would be most welcomed, and can be brought along to the Village hall on the morning or given to any committee member. Please do come along and support this event, and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat with other villagers.

On May 16th we are visiting a new venue for our pub lunch, The Shoulder of Mutton in Stretton on Dunsmore. If you wish to join us please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the meeting or phone Norman on 890623.

Just to remind you that summer really is coming and we are planning our June Garden Party. This will be on June 13th and full details will be available in the next issue of The Willoughby Monthly.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Our May meeting is on Thursday 16th May at 7:30 pm, in the village hall. This is our Resolutions Meeting when we will have a short discussion on the resolution for the National Annual General Meeting. The resolution is about the decline of the high street shops. Afterwards we will have a social evening. The competition, optional, is for 3 flower heads on a plate.

Visitors are more than welcome to join us.

Northamptonshire County Connect

This is a ring & ride bus service that provides a service into the heart of Willoughby.

This bus will take you into Daventry to shop or connect with other bus services to Banbury, Leamington and Northampton.

The service is available, subject to other bookings, from 7 am to 7 pm Monday to Friday and 8 am to 6 pm on Saturday, Bank Holidays excepted.

Disabled and Senior bus passes are accepted after the 09.30 national start time.

To register and book your journeys – tel:**0845 456 4474**, text: CountyConnect and your message to **82727** or e-mail address countyconnect@northamptonshire.gov.uk

Further information check out the web-site at www.county-connect.co.uk

Coffee Morning and "Bring & Buy" in aid of St Nicholas Church

Saturday 25th May 2013 at Rohan, Main Street, Willoughby between 10:00 and 12:00 hrs Contact Riet Hodges 01788 890791 e-mail : riethodges281@btinternet.com



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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 15th of the month. Send them to:

Richard Jackson, tel 891898, Hazeldene, Main Street

e-mail: willoughby_monthly@willoughbyweb.net web site: www.willoughbyweb.net

Willoughby Society

What a month April was!! Our Spring Event was something completely new. A show given by a troupe of Zulus. Not an microphone or amplifier in sight but drums, feet, and voices filled the hall with the sounds of Africa. The village hall floor was given an extreme work out too. In addition the audience were treated to extremely good South African food thanks to Bert Ogle and his helpers. Feedback has been fantastic. The show was provided by Live and Local (source of Brassed Up!! and Beowulf last year) and we will be looking at their lists for equally stunning shows for the future.

Our May meeting, on the 29th, is a talk and demonstration on 'Pastel Drawing' by Sarais Crawshaw. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm the usual time at the Village Hall. This should be a fascinating evening. Visitors will be very welcome.



Following on from the successful Family Activity Day in March we have been working with the Village Hall Committee on an E-Enabling programme. This it has now been agreed and funded with additional support from the Parish Council and the Educational Foundation. In the next couple of months you will see the high definition projector permanently installed along with a new wider screen. In addition there will be a broadband connection with a WI-FI network installed. The new facilities will be available to all the village organisations and their members. A real step forward.

The 2nd of June will mark a year on from Willoughby 2012's Grand Opening Event. This year it is the date of Willoughby's Big Lunch which will be held in the Village Hall and its gardens...the latter weather permitting!! The format will be similar to last year's Big Jubilee Lunch - without an enormous marquee. Clare Hewitt is organising the event and you will receive more information and your invitations soon. The Society is sponsoring the hire of the hall & gardens for the day for the event.

On the 9th June the second Leam Valley Novelty Dog Show will be held on the field off Lower Street, thanks to Steve & Natalie Wiltshire. Details will be distributed soon. In the meantime make sure the date is in your diary. Offers of help etc. to Ken Miles at the Red House, Lower St. tel. 899230.

Willoughby Cricket Club

By the time you read this, the new cricket season will be underway at The Green.

Willoughby Cricket Club are always keen to welcome new players to the club:

Kwik Cricket for boys and girls 7 to 11 years - Under 11 and Under 13 teams. There are coaching and game sessions on a Sunday morning, we'd love to see more youngsters from the village coming along.

Senior/adult cricket - Saturday league cricket: 2 teams in the South Northants League; a Sunday friendly XI; & a team in the Rugby and District League on a Wednesday night.

There is also a Club Net/Training Night, plus a host of events and activities off-the-field throughout the season.

Interested? Or perhaps know someone who might be (friends, cousins, classmates)? Please don't hesitate to get in touch.

More information available:

Website: www.willoughbycc.org.uk; also on Facebook, and Twitter: @willoughbycc or contact Karl Quinney: tel. 01788 542441, 07775 883102, email: karl@karlquinney.co.uk

Come and follow us...

Details of all home games can be found on the website and on the club's Notice Board behind the Bus Shelter outside The Rose Inn. See our reports in the local papers too.

Willoughby Parish Council

Allotments.

If you are interested in the possibility of having an allotment and have not yet registered an interest then please do so in writing so that we can decide if this is a project worth pursuing. We will make a decision on whether to proceed and try to get planning permission and obtain grants at the May Parish Council Meeting. Registers of interest should be sent to Mike Thomas, Church View, Lower Street, Willoughby or mike.anthony.thomas@gmail.com



VACC.

Big Ground is up for sale through Vantage Land at an asking price of £320,000.

Church - Two events not to miss:

Ladies and Children's Fashion Show - Monday 10th June 7.30pm, Willoughby Village Hall. Watch the fashion show & buy half price clothes from leading brands including: Monsoon, Per Una, Marks and Spencer, Fat Face and White Stuff. All pre-sold tickets will automatically be entered into a draw for £50 spending money that evening!

Tickets £5 (includes a complementary glass of wine).

Barn Dance - Friday 28th June 7.30pm, Willoughby Village Hall with local live band 'George's Horses', no experience is required, a caller will tell you what to do, if you can't dance enjoy trying, watching everyone else or listening to the fabulous music.

Tickets: **£10 including supper**, please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Tickets from **Karen Duggan, 3 White Barn Close, 890049 & Nick Hodges 890791**

Police & Neighbourhood Watch

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 .

Neighbourhood Watch: Rachel Settle (Co-ordinator) can contacted by telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or e-mail neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net.

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02-Jun-13	Willoughby 2012+	The Big Lunch	Village Hall
09-Jun-13	Willoughby Society	Leam Valley Novelty Dog Show	Lower Street
10-Jun-13	Church	Ladies & Children's Fashion Show	Village Hall
13-Jun-13	Thursday Club	Garden Party	
28-Jun-13	Church	Barn Dance	Village Hall
29-Jun-13		Village Fete	
30-Jun-13		Willoughby Challenge	
15-Aug-13	Women's Institute	Outing	
27-Nov-13	Willoughby Society	A.G.M.	Village Hall
12 Dec 13	Women's Institute	Dunchurch Silver Band	Village Hall