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Welcome to the October edition of the WM. All of the Organisations were back in action last month after their summer breaks. This month will be even busier !! including another evening 'out of Africa' this time featuring Ghanaian music and culture – not to be missed!!

There is an update on broadband and mobile phone progress inside. As space is at a premium the forthcoming events are included below instead of on the back page this month.

Richard Jackson

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Coming up:

Bonfire Party

6.00 pm on Wednesday 5th November 2014.

Come and enjoy the soup, hot dogs and fireworks.

No tickets this year Donations only, so come prepared!

Donations before the night to Bert Ogle at 'The Willows' Main Street 890498

Children must be accompanied & supervised by an adult who ensures that they do not endanger themselves.

Offers of help to Elaine Heckford on 890256

22nd November - Village Hall Christmas Fayre, 27th November - Thursday Club Christmas Shopping Trip, & 7th December – Christingle Service

Date	Time	Organisation	Event	Venue
09-Oct-14	2:30 PM	Thursday Club	Sulgrave Manor & The Washingtons - Martin Sirot-Smith	Village Hall
12-Oct-14	11:00 AM	Church	Family Service	Church
16-Oct-14	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Songs from the Musicals - Rosemary Leonard	Village Hall
17-Oct-14	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Kakatsitsi Master drummers from Ghana	Village Hall
18-Oct-14	2:00 PM	Village Hall	Jumble Sale	Village Hall
19-Oct-14	6:00 PM	Church	Evensong	Church
21-Oct-14	7:30 PM	Church	Healing Service	Broadwell Church
26-Oct-14	11:00 AM	Church	Holy Communion	Church
29-Oct-14	7:30 PM	Willoughby Society	Our Village - Ancient & Modern - Richard Jackson	Village Hall
30-Oct-14	7:30 PM	Neighbourhood Watch	Annual Meeting	Village Hall

Thursday Club

The next meeting of the Thursday Club is on 9th October. Our speaker is Martin Sirotn-Smith who will be telling us more about Sulgrave Manor & The History of the Washingtons, why not come along and join us?

The pub lunch on 16th October at The Royal Oak at Brandon.

Willoughby Women's Institute

Our October meeting is on Thursday 16th October at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Rosemary Leonard (a professional singer) will be entertaining us with 'Songs from the Musicals'. This is a change from the programme as Dave Talbot has had to cancel due to illness.

The competition is for an old record (45/78/33).



The Willoughby Society Presents:

Family Show (suitable age 6+) from Live & Local



FRIDAY, 17th OCTOBER 2014

KAKATSITSI – MASTER DRUMMERS FROM GHANA

7:30 pm at Willoughby Village Hall

Tickets (including hot supper) from:

Leonie Tromans 01788 890700 and Roger Atkins 01788 891799



Please bring your own drinks.

A colourful, energetic and entertaining show, bursting with traditional drumming, dancing, and singing from Ghana



A Live & Local Show

CHURCH - We had an amazing day on Sunday 14th Sept. In our 11.00am Harvest Service, Rev Barbara Clutton preached, the children led some harvest prayers, and we dedicated and blessed the mural 'God's Creation' which Louise Leaky and the children of Willoughby designed and painted on Willoughby's Family Activity Day back in May. In the afternoon we held a Treasure Hunt competition, tea and cake stall, face painting, glitter body art, tombola, hook the duck, lucky dips, a bring and buy and produce stall.



Tower trips and Teddy Parachute drops, where over 40 very brave teddy bears, piglets and rabbits, after a thorough health and safety check - jumped from the tower and parachuted to the ground. William Whittaker's bear 'Daniel' pictured left made his jump in his Army uniform (possibly his army training helped). Thank you so much to everyone involved in making this such a successful day, particularly Karen Duggan and her team and Bert Ogle and his team. We raised £350 for Church funds.

Rev Jane

Church Choir

Choir members needed for St Nicholas Church. If you would like to sing in a church choir please contact Brian Sunderland 01926 633032

Willoughby Society

Our next event is the visit of Kakatsiti, The Master Drummers of Ghana on Friday, 17th October. This is another Live and Local show. Those who came to see the Zulus will remember a fantastic evening's entertainment. Kakatsiti have had excellent reviews wherever they have performed so it should be another great night to remember.....don't miss it!!This is a show that is suitable for the whole family.

Those of you that have enjoyed our Live and Local shows may be interested to know that the Kepow Theatre are performing 'On the Edge' at Boughton on the 29th November. Tickets from Ian & Heather Jones 01926 633593.

Our monthly meeting is on the 29th October at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. After our taste of Africa our talk is much closer to home. Richard will be talking about 'Willoughby Ancient and Modern' come along and learn something new about our village. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings.

Finally a new event for 2014:

HALLOWEEN PARTY



Children of Willoughby, please come and join us for our 'Trick or Treat' party. There will be lots going on, disco, games, face painting, glitter tattoos with snacks and drinks and there will be a prize for the best Halloween costume!

Friday 31st October, Willoughby Village Hall 6.00 - 7.30pm



We need to know numbers for planning so entrance by ticket only £1 available from Karen Duggan, 3 White Barn tel. 890049 or Joanne Lewis 5 White Barn tel. 891986.

High Speed Broadband

The Public Consultation period has ended and the CSW Project will be issuing the tender documents. They should be in a position to negotiate with potential suppliers in a month or so. It is likely to be early in the new year before we know whether and when we will benefit.

Mobile Coverage

Thanks to all those who have provided details of their providers and the quality of their signal indoors and out. If you haven't sent yours in please send an e-mail now to richard.jackson@willoughbyweb.net.

Responses so far indicate an unsatisfactory service in every case. Some Vodafone users have purchased a Home Sure Signal box and get reasonable signals near the box. A few have an 'app' e.g. O2's TU Go which routes calls etc. via a Wi-Fi connection. Both the Sure Signal and app solutions require reasonable broadband speed (3 or 4 mbs) and a stable Wi-Fi connection. However, one of these may improve things for you at home if you are not too far from the top of Main Street where the BT Cabinet is sited.

The survey results so far indicate that around 50% of mobile phones are connected to the Vodafone network. Thus there would be significant benefit from the Open Sure Signal system (a number of small units dotted around the village to which anyone on Vodafone can connect). Four potential sites have been identified and approaches are being made to find a couple more. Once this is complete, hopefully, the Parish Council will be prepared to make an application for the Village.

Some of you may have seen references in the media to £150m of government funds allocated to provide new masts to deliver service to 'mobile not spots'. The contract has been given to Arquiva the firm that runs the transmitters at Sutton Coldfield and Borough Hill. Enquiries have been made to find out how to benefit from this scheme via our MP. However, it appears that the funding has already been committed with no improvements expected in this area.

Willoughby Parish Council

Thank you to all those who have completed the Village Design Statement Questionnaire. If you have not had your questionnaire collected please drop it in to Mike Thomas at Church View, Lower Street or telephone 891338 and we will arrange for it to be collected from you.

At the recent Dunchurch Divisional Forum your Parish Council requested as a police priority speed checks to be carried out on the A45, especially close to the junctions entering the Village. There have been many incidents where vehicles waiting to turn right into the Village and those turning onto the A45 have been involved in near misses.

Tony Thomas has resigned from the Parish Council as he is leaving the Village. The Parish Council are grateful for all his hard work during his many years of service as a Parish Councillor and wish him every success for the future.

Notice

THANK YOU

We have been living in your lovely village for the past 2 months. We would like to say 'Thank You' to you all for making us welcome. From the Vicar, the Pub, the Community Police to the Men's Club & of course the unforgettable cricket match.

We have met so many wonderful people it would be wrong to single any individual but let me say that you have a wonderful sense of community which is outstanding.

Our memories are invaluable & unforgettable. So Thank You very much

Tony & Jenny Harvey

Police & Neighbourhood Watch

The Annual Neighbourhood Watch Meeting will be in the Village Hall on Thursday 30th October at 7.00pm – the meeting will start at 7.30pm. PCSO Helena Steadman will be there. If there is anything you would like included on the agenda or have any concerns about security in the village then please let Rachel Settle know.

It would be nice to see an increase in our membership so please come along and encourage your friends and neighbours to come along to the meeting too.

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 be contacted by telephone on 01788 823823 (daytime) or 01788 890724 (evening & answerphone) or e-mail neighbourhood.watch@willoughbyweb.net.

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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