



Willoughby Monthly

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Welcome to the last edition of the WM for 2013. Lots of people been busy around the church and the 'carillon' has been awakened!! If you heard random ringing of the bells early in November it was from the testing of the 12 bell hammers that our giant musical box plays after many years out of action. More about that in the New year!!

Last month saw the new allotment site fenced and an Allotment Association established to manage the site. The land for the allotments was secured by the Parish Council providing another asset for the Village – well done them!! We look forward to seeing some of the results at next year's produce show.

This year has been a busy one with a Family Activity Day and View from the Top as well as a visit from the Zulus, in addition to regular meetings and events. What would you like to see happen next year ? Let me know and I will pass ideas to the relevant organisations.

Do all have a very happy Christmas

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05-Dec-13	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	The Last Wooden Working Boat built at Braunston - Mrs. Seymour	Village Hall
7 Dec 13	12:30 PM	W.P.C	Over 60s Lunch	The Rose Inn
09-Dec-13	7:30 PM	W.C.C.	Bottle Bingo Night	The Pavilion
12-Dec-13	12:30 PM	Thursday Club	Christmas Lunch - The George	Kilsby
12-Dec-13	7:30 PM	Women's Institute	Dunchurch Silver Band	Village Hall
13-Dec-13	10:00 AM	Police	Mobile Police Station in Village until 11:30am	Village Hall
14-Dec-13	4:00 PM	Church	Candal lit Carol Service	Wolfampcote Church
15-Dec-13	11:30 AM	Church	Children's Christmas Party	Village Hall
15-Dec-13	5:30 PM	Church	Carol Service	Church
22-Dec-13	10:30 AM	Church	Benefice Communion	Leamington Hastings Church
24-Dec-13	11:00 PM	Church	Holy Communion/Carols	Church
29-Dec-13	10:30 AM	Church	Benefice Service	Church
31-Dec-13	07:30 PM		New Year's Eve Party	Village Hall

Thursday Club

Many thanks to all those who supported our Club stall at the Christmas Fair.

Another year is drawing to an end and on December 12th we will be enjoying our annual Christmas Lunch. This year we are re-visiting The George at Kilsby where we are assured of a warm welcome. The DACT buses will leave the Village Hall at 12.15 and will return people later in the afternoon.

May your committee take this opportunity to wish you , and all villagers a very merry Christmas.

Willoughby Women's Institute

5th December - Our meeting, one week earlier than usual, starts at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Mr. Chris Jones will be talking about "The Last Wooden Boat Built in Braunston and 100 years of Life on the Canal". Everyone is welcome to join us.

The competition is for a small gift to go to Danetre Hospital. To be judged on presentation. Please mark if it is suitable for a lady or gent.



An Event for Everyone Young or Old
12th December at 7.30 pm
Willoughby Village Hall
Dunchurch Silver Band



Annual Free Christmas Concert

Seasonal Music, Carols, and Handbells
Including Light Refreshments

There will be a collection for Motor Neurone Research
get into the Christmas spirit & support a worthy cause too.



Church

Willoughby Children's Christmas Party - Sunday 15th December 11.30am - 1.30pm @ The Village Hall. The party is aimed at children between the ages of 2-13 years of age and entrance will be by ticket only - on sale **until Monday 2nd December** (to allow for planning). **There will be lots of fun - party games, entertainment, disco, crafts and prizes to be won** and not forgetting an early visit from Father Christmas!

Tickets £3 from Karen Duggan at 3 White Barn Close or call 890049, offers of help and contributions for the tea party to Karen 890049 please.

our unique
carols & readings

st peter's church
wolfhampcote

saturday
14th december

4 p.m.



bring a candle
and
dress warmly !

WILLOUGHBY BONFIRE - Thanks to all who contributed to make the Willoughby bonfire a great night with the donations for fireworks from the New Year's Eve Party Committee and Willoughby Charity. Many thanks to all who donated the food, we raised £333 for the church and it was an evening enjoyed by all. Richard and Elaine you have a great team and we look forward to next year.

CHRISTINGLE
CAROL
SERVICE



On Sunday 1st December 4.00pm
St Nicholas' Church, Willoughby
Shine a light in the darkness for children this
Christmas. Join us for this joyful and moving service.

Willoughby Society

The Society wishes everyone a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year. Our next event is our:

Christmas Party

With

Gabriela the Ukelele Lady

Returning for another hilarious evening

Willoughby Village Hall

Saturday, 11th January 2013 at 7.30 pm

Licensed Bar by Willoughby Cricket Club

Tickets £12.50 including Buffet Supper

from Richard Jackson, Hazeldene, Main Street, Tel. 891898 & Committee Members

St Nicholas's Church – A huge thank you to the volunteer teams that have been busy working in the Churchyard and within the Church and its Tower recently.

At the rear of the churchyard the leylandii and surrounding area has been cleared and the shed moved and renovated by Keith Skinner (and his machine), Eric Palmer, Les Kemp, Roger Atkins, Steve Burta, Kim Gibbard, Nick Hodges, Dave Howkins, Bert Ogle, Bob O'Donnell, Steve Tromans, and others.

Inside the Church Ant Ray has refurbished hinges to pew doors and the main door and in the tower the bell clappers and rope pulleys have been renovated with help from Kim Gibbard, Steve Burta, Roger Atkins, Brian Close, Richard Heckford, Nick Hodges, Bert Ogle, Bob O'Donnell, Steve Tromans, Russell Vesey and members of the Guild of Bell Ringers.

The carillon has been repaired, cleaned, and lubricated and enabling it to be played, by the 'bell team' who were joined by Malcolm Lewis, Andrew Rae, and Richard Jackson, with advice from Norman Bartholomew and Brian Sunderland.

Warwickshire Community Oil Syndicate

The November order negotiated with local suppliers resulted in members saving a huge 7.49pence per litre against the average market price. What a result! Our members paid only 53.8pence per litre – what did your supplier charge?

In addition our LPG cylinder prices haven't risen for seven consecutive months. Our bulk LPG is still 43p per litre despite rises across the industry.

As a charity that works exclusively in Warwickshire's rural communities we hope you will join us. Email oil@wrcrural.org.uk or call Sarah on 01789 472611.



Willoughby 2013



There are tickets still available for this year's party

If you are interested in having tickets please let us know

telephone: **01788 890613** or email: **dave.r.waddington@btopenworld.com**.

Tickets **£12.50** each including beer and wine.

An American supper will be provided

We look forward to hearing from you. **Sue and Dave Waddington**

Willoughby Parish Council

A meeting was held in the Village Hall on the 22nd October for all those interested in having an allotment. It was explained that the allotments would be run by an Allotment Association consisting of the allotment holders. This would require a Committee and volunteers put their names forward. The Committee have elected Graham Geddes as Chairman, Leonie Tromans as Secretary and Susan Hume as Treasurer.

The Parish Council had applied to 'Get Growing' which is part of Gardens Organic at Ryton for a grant to fence the allotment site and are pleased to have been awarded a grant of £4,176 inc VAT. This was for post and rail fencing together with access gates and rabbit fencing. This work has now been completed.

The Parish Council have been continuing to press Warwickshire County Council Highways department to replace the timber fence alongside the brook in Moor Lane which had rotted and collapsed. A new fence has now been erected. We continue to press them to clean out the brook and understand this is on their priority list.

Unfortunately dog mess has become a serious problem around the Village again. Would all dog owners please ensure they clean up after their dogs whether it is in the Village or the surrounding countryside. Failure to do so can result in a heavy fine and offenders can be reported direct to the Dog Warden or through the Parish Council.

Not only is speeding a problem in the Village, but also in the surrounding roads and lanes. There are dog walkers and horse riders which may be just around the next corner. Please drive at a sensible speed to suit the road conditions.

Your Parish Council wish you all a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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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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:

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11-Jan-14	Willoughby Society	Christmas Event with Gabriela	Village Hall
29-Mar-14	Willoughby Society	A Hungry Heart - Cat Weatherill	Village Hall
09-May-14	Willoughby Society	A Night at the Movies & More - Fordante	Village Hall