The newsletter of The Friends of Thringstone Winner of the Partnership and Community Group Awards Footprints Challenge 2009

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elcome to our third newsletter of 2009, produced and delivered free of charge to residents of Thringstone, by Friends of Thringstone.

As you may have read, Friends of Thringstone won the recent Partnership and Community Group category of the Footprint Challenge Awards 2009. We were delighted to win and thank everybody who has worked with us, including sponsors and partner agencies, over the last 4 years.

What are we up to right now?

- We have continued our planting improvements around the village and have also provided the labour to re-stain the 4 benches on The Green. Thanks to NWLDC for providing the equipment and wood stain.
- As a result of a successful collaboration with Thringstone Primary School over the CSV Action Earth project, a junior arm of our group has been proposed. We are hopeful of continuing to work with the school on environmental issues in the future.
- We have continued with our litter picks, and have concentrated our efforts more recently on the village itself. It is gratifying to see that we aren't coming across as much litter to pick up as we have in the past on the streets of Thringstone.
- As part of the National Forest Walk Festival period, we held 2 walks in Thringstone, one of which attracted 35 people some of whom came from as far away as Matlock and Belper to learn about our history and discover our woodland areas. We are joining in with the Leicestershire Walking Festival in September to put on another walk to help promote our village to outside visitors.
- We entered our planting schemes into the East Midlands in Bloom competition and the judging took place on 8th July. We are awaiting the result of this, and thank all those who helped us with the planting.

COME AND JOIN US

What can you get for £2.50? You can get something really worthwhile. By becoming a member of Friends of Thringstone, for the sum of just £2.50, you can learn more about what is happening in the village and join in our events and activities. For more information, call any of our committee below. Our next meeting is 10th September at 6.45pm at Thringstone House Community Centre. All welcome.

EVENTS IN THRINGSTONE

FRIENDS OF THRINGSTONE HERITAGE ROAD SHOWS

As a result of continuing interest in our archive material and photographs, we are putting on a special history display at Thringstone House Community Centre on Saturday 22nd August from 12.30pm til 5pm. The theme of this display will be The Community Centre at the heart of the village. All welcome.

Litter Picks

Keeping our village clear of litter is important to our group. As a result, we regularly carry out litter picks throughout the year. All litter picks start at The Green at 10am.

Our litter picks for the rest of the year are 12th September, and 22nd November 2009. All welcome. Bags and gloves provided.

Village Hayrake

Come along to Thringstone House Community Centre on 22nd August and help with the annual hay rake. For more details on times etc., please contact Lorraine on 222337.

Housing inspection

The Housing Department will be holding their quarterly inspection in the village on 5th August. Starting at 10am at the Community Centre, this is an opportunity for housing to look at areas that need addressing. All welcome to come along or contact Michaela Cort on 01530 454809



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Friends of Thringstone Guided Walks 2009

Our historical walks during the summer/early Autumn are listed below. Meet at The Green at 2pm if you want to come along.

August 9th – Grace Dieu Woods, the viaduct, railway and priory

September 6th – Blue Plaque history walk September 27th – Cademan and Swannymote woods

Oct 4th – Cademan woods

Donations of £2 per walk are accepted. Walks brochures will also be available on the day. If you are a local group and want to have a guided walk, please contact the Chairman on the number below.

Want to go walking with an accredited Walking For Health Initiative walk leader as part of a healthy lifestyle?

Health walks are available in Hugglescote and Whitwick starting at 10am.

First Friday of every month: -

Hugglescote Surgery, Grange Road, Hugglescote

Second Friday of every month: -

Hermitage Leisure Centre, Whitwick All welcome and there is no charge.

A health questionnaire needs to be completed by all new walkers.

Events coming up at the George and Dragon include:

July 18th – The Pheromones

July 25th – Ricky Diamond

Ist August – Sounds of the 50s and 60s

15th August - Mojo Hand

22nd August – Morgan Perkins is Frank Sinatra

August 29th – Charity Music Festival ALL DAY.

Police Beat Surgeries in Thringstone

will be held between 10.15 and 11am on the following dates at The Green:

5th August, 23rd September, 14th October, 19th November and 3rd December.

If you want to talk to a member of the local beat team, go along and have a chat.

OUR CONTACT NAMES & NUMBERS

For further information on how to join the Friends of Thringstone, or to be part of any of our planned events, please contact any of the members listed below:

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For the latest local information, full details of what we have achieved since our inception in 2005, details of our constitution, health and safety and equal opportunities policies, etc. check out our web space at www.friends-of-thringstone.org.uk

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Publications listed below are available from Thringstone Community Centre, The George and Dragon, or at our meetings.

- Thrinksun Born an' Bred Part I and Part 2 by Joan Brotherhood Blackey.
- Thringstone Village Trails 1, 2 and 3
- Memories of Thringstone Parts I and 2

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