



The newsletter of The Friends of Thringstone

Winner of the Partnership and Community Group Awards Footprint Challenge 2009

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Winner of the Silver Award for Community and Gold Award for Cleaner/Greener

at the 2010 Rural Community Council (Leics. and Rutland) Village Achievement Awards

Welcome to our second newsletter of 2011, produced and delivered free of charge to residents of Thringstone and parts of Whitwick, by Friends of Thringstone.

THRINGSTONE HOUSE CENTENARY

CELEBRATIONS 4th June 2011 12 noon – 5pm plus live music in the evening.

Friends of Thringstone are putting on a

SCARECROW EVENT on the same day, and it is not too late to let us know if you want to take part in this and also planning to have a **plant stall** at the centre on 4th June, so if you think you will need extra plants for your garden, please come along on the day and see our stall. We will also have pots and hanging baskets.

If you would like to help sponsor this event, donate raffle prizes, or just want further information, please contact us.

This event is a great opportunity for residents to celebrate the village and its centre.

What else is happening?

- We are holding a **Heritage Event** at The George and Dragon on 23rd July from 12 noon until 5pm. Come along and have a look at all our archive photos of people and events in the village over the years. You may well find photos of yourself and family!
- We reached the final 3 in the **Community and Partnerships Awards** of the Green Footprints Challenge 2011. Congratulations to the Mural Project team for winning the Children and Young People category for the mural on Henson's Lane recreational park.
- We finished filming people who came to this village from Scotland and the North East as part of the East Midlands Oral History Archive Project and are now in the process of editing this down to the required length. Thanks to those people who helped with this, and also Thringstone Members Club for hosting the filming, and helping to spread the word about our need for photographs and stories. We are still interested in any stories about the village, whether you came here from elsewhere or were born here and are especially interested in any photos of events held in

the village. If you want to help us record these for the future, please contact us.

- Our March litter pick was boosted by the help of the local Brownie group. With their help, we collected 26 bags of rubbish from the village. Our next litter pick is 25th June at 10am from The Green. All welcome. We hope to have a free picnic afterwards in Bob's Closs for those who help in this clearance event.
- Our walks programme has already started for this year. All walks cost £3 per person, as there is a comprehensive history element with most. Walks meet at The Green at 10.30am and are :
 - 19th June - pubs of Coleorton (including visiting one or two)
 - 10th July – Thringstone and Whitwick pubs (one visit to a pub),
 - 7th August – Grace Dieu Priory, Railway and Canal,
 - 4th September – Cademan and Swannymote Woods.

Publications currently available

Friends of Thringstone now has a **DVD of the village** available at £3.50 per copy. This includes footage of the village and surrounding woodlands area throughout the year and is something to cherish for the future. If you are interested in a copy, please contact us.

Old photos - We now have a limited edition of mounted, but not framed, old photographs of the village available at £3.50 per photograph. These photos are:

- Carterdale estate as fields, viewed from Talbot Street, Whitwick
- The Grace Dieu Viaduct 1906
- The Old Rose and Crown as a 3 storey public house c 1900
- The Star Inn, Main Street circa 1906 complete with Burton Brewery signage
- Thringstone House Community Centre in the 1950s



- Ruby's fish and chip shop, The Green, 1949 (complete with national bunting and signage for mystery coach trip)
- George and Dragon 1912
- Main Street near Star Inn, complete with horse and cart about 1920

Other Friends of Thringstone publications include:

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

Most publications are available at The George and Dragon, at Thringstone House Community Centre, and from our website which is www.friends-of-thringstone.org.uk

COME AND JOIN US

We all know that time is precious. However, being a member of our group doesn't mean you have to DO anything at all. You don't have to come to meetings, or help with any volunteering projects if you don't wish to, although if you do, that would be great.

Monies from membership go to help provide this newsletter so are very important to the group. For the sum of just £3.50, you can learn more about what is happening in the village and get more involved if you want to by helping with planting schemes, attending litter picks or helping in other areas, like working with us on undiscovered history, but YOU DON'T HAVE TO.

You can follow us on facebook and twitter if you have a computer, and might like to be a facebook or twitter friend.

We regularly take part in events around the area where we have stalls, and we have a lot of fun with everything we do.

Our meetings are always at 6.45pm at Thringstone House Community Centre on the **first Thursday of each month**. Remember, that you really don't have to come to meetings to be a member. This is just an option.

For more information on our meetings or becoming a member, call any of our committee below.

- Chairman – Nita Pearson 01530 223434
- Environment – Pam Porter 01530 469474
- Arts/Community – Pam Clayfield 07914 920442
- Minutes – Janet Stevenson 07815 112475
- Planting – Ray Neal 01530 451204.

Alternatively email our webmaster at:
webmaster.thringstone@ntlworld.com

Thringstone Members Club

28th June- 2.30pm-5.30pm. Well families clinic. Come and talk about improving your health and have a healthy drink. Further details from Julie Summerton on 01530 454541.

The George and Dragon

Now selling vegetables fresh from the farm, as well as home cooked pies, jams, cakes and gifts.

May 28th Mojo Hand

June 25th The Martins

July 23rd 12 noon – 5pm Heritage Event

July 23rd The Cufflinks 60s Night under Marquee
£12.50 per ticket. BBQ. Ticket only

July 24th W2 on the lawn. BBQ - free entry

Thringstone House Community Centre

Want to be kept informed about what is happening at Thringstone House Community Centre? If so please call into the centre, ring on 222337 or send an email to tringstonehouse@btconnect.com with 'mailing list' in the subject line and the following message:

I would like to be kept informed about events and activities at Thringstone House Community Centre. I am willing for my email address to be kept on the Centre's database. My name and address are.....

Want help tracing your family history? Lots of people are interested in tracing their family in England, Wales, Scotland and abroad but don't know how to do this. If you want help, or someone to do this for you, please contact Nita on the number above for further details. References supplied.

**MIDSUMMER PICNIC & CONCERT
GRACE DIEU PRIORY
SATURDAY 2ND JULY
Gates open 3.30pm.**

Bouncy castle, archery, ferrets, model helicopters, demonstrations of dowsing.

Concert 5.30pm-7.30pm

Adults £6, Over 60s £5, children with adults free.

Parking in Priory Field off A512.

Heritage Weekend at Grace Dieu Priory - 23rd and 24th July - 12-5pm

Refreshments and displays available

Visit www.gracedieupriory.org.uk for more details.

