



The newsletter of The Friends of Thringstone

Winner of The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2011

Winner of the Silver Award for Community and Gold Award for Cleaner/Greener
in the 2010 Rural Community Council (Leics. and Rutland) Village Achievement Awards



Winner of the Partnership and Community Group Awards Footprint Challenge 2009

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Welcome to our second newsletter of 2012, produced and delivered free of charge to residents of Thringstone, and parts of Whitwick, by Friends of Thringstone.

If you wish to contact us to tell us news for the next edition, or just ask questions, please ring 01530 223434.

What else is happening?

• 5 June – TUESDAY BANK HOLIDAY

HERITAGE SHOW- We will be at Thringstone House Community Centre from 2pm-5pm with all our archives and photographic display of events in the past. Please come along

and have a look at what we have available and talk to us about your memories of the village and its characters. There will be Songs From The Shows on at the centre from 5pm-6pm, so stay afterwards and enjoy the music!

• **Thank you** to members of the 1188 Coalville Air Cadets for their work with us in March to clear the village of litter. A staggering 38 bags of litter, plus other items of rubbish, were removed, which is the most we have been able to collect and get taken away since 2008 when we had a full environmental day. Many thanks also to our members who continue to keep the village clean and tidy on a daily basis.

• We have been initially interviewed by a producer from Landmark Films about a documentary they are putting together for the BBC on litter in this country and why other countries do not appear to have similar problems.

• Our project to move the **flowerbed on The Green** away from overhanging trees so that the planting we do stands a better chance of survival was delayed, but is still taking place later in the year. We may start the new flowerbed before moving the old, and still intend changing the bed from a raised one to a flat one. If anybody wants to help us with this, please get in touch.

- We were pleased to be asked to be involved with helping keep the village clean and tidy for the Jubilee celebrations
- We have been asked to take part in the Coalville twenty 12 event at Coalville Park to celebrate the Jubilee and Olympics and have a stall.
- Our graveyard booklet on St Andrew's, which has taken 2 years to get into print, is now available.
- As a result of discussions with people who have shown an interest in our new graveyard booklet, we are looking to form a Reminiscence Group and put on new taping sessions, either at the Community Centre or in people's homes, for people to talk about their memories of the village. If you would like to be part of this reminiscence group, please get in touch.
- We are looking to plant more daffodil bulbs around the village later this year so that next spring all entrances to the village look colourful.
- We are taking part in the St Andrew's Church Flower Festival on 2 and 3 June. The parish church will be decorated with flowers following a theme of hymns. Friends of Thringstone's hymn is For The Beauty Of The Earth. All are welcome. The church will be open for people to view the flowers for an hour from 9.30am on the Saturday morning and between 1pm and 5pm on the Saturday afternoon and from 2pm-5pm on the Sunday. There is also a 10am Thanksgiving Service on 3 June to which all are welcome.
- We are starting to put together a funding bid, through the Heritage Lottery Funding stream, called All Our Stories. We have to get the funding bid in by the end of July, and are working hard to ensure this is done. This could allow us to improve and increase our history work within the village.



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- Members of our group continue to litter pick around the village at every available opportunity. However, the next Friends of Thringstone **environmental clearance day** is Sunday 10th June. Meeting at 10am on The Green, we will have a couple of hours of clearing the village of unwanted rubbish as a group. Everybody is welcome to join us. It is actually quite nice and very rewarding to do this sort of clearance work – honestly!

THRINGSTONE NEWS AND WHAT'S ON

Thringstone House Community Centre

22-26 May – Stepping Out, The Musical. Tickets from 01530 834575.

Jubilee Celebrations. There are various events taking place in the village over the bank holiday period. More details are available from the centre on 01530 222337.

George and Dragon

30 May – Leicester Morris Men

1 June – Beer Festival with Del Sharrons music

2 June – Beer Festival with Keystones from Derby

3 June – Beer Festival with carvery until 5pm

4 and 5 June – open 12 noon-6pm for food.

Closed from 7pm both days

The venue is showing all England's Euro games

17 June – Father's Day

14 July – Danny Fisher's Roy Orbison Tribute Show from 9pm

4 August – Thringstone Live For Charity Music Event.

Grace Dieu Priory

30 June – afternoon picnic, summer concert and stalls with a theme of the reign of Queen Elizabeth 11, in keeping with the Queen's Jubilee celebrations. For further details please contact David Whitt on 223201.

Thringstone Miners' Welfare Centre

Now have their own website. Please see www.pitchero.com/clubs/thringstoneminerswelfare/ or ring them on 07864 651884.

27 May - 16-20 under 10s teams compete for the Jubilee Cup. As part of this event, there will also be stalls, the bar will be open, there will be a bouncy castle, sweet stall and event photos available. Come along and support the youngsters.

Thringstone Members Club

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30 June – Jubilee Dance from 8.30pm-1am. Open to all. Dancing to Gee 'N' Us. Tickets are £3 and are available from Thringstone Members Club. Please ring with any queries to 01530 222737.

Publications currently available

Friends of Thringstone has a **DVD of the village** available at £3.50 per copy. This includes footage of the village and surrounding woodland throughout the year and is something to cherish for the future. If you are interested in a copy, (makes a nice Mother's Day present) please contact us on 01530 223434.

Old photos - We 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

A complete set of photos come at the discounted price of £24.

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
- St Andrew's Graveyard Booklet

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 or ring us on 01530 223434.

For information on our meetings or becoming a member, call us on 01530 223434.

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