



The newsletter of The Friends of Thringstone

Winner of The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2011

Winner of the Partnership and Community Group Awards Footprint Challenge 2009

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

Winners of the Big Tidy Award in the Keep Britain Tidy Jubilee Awards 2015

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Welcome to our second newsletter of 2016, 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

us on 01530 223434. **Follow us on twitter. Our twitter address is**

@Thringstone2. We are also on facebook under Friends of Thringstone in the community groups section.

Thringstone Music Festival

Come along on Saturday 6 August to the community centre from 12 noon. Admission is free. Many top bands are playing, there are stalls, things for the kids, food and drink available and a great time guaranteed. The headline act will be MTV nominated Oliver Sean in addition to Sweet Revenge, Dr K's Gastric Band, Fleetwood Jac, Lids, The Bench That Rocked, Dave The Rock Band and Melissa and the Vibe. Melissa was on BBC's The Voice in Tom Jones' team in 2014. There will also be a youth slot and indoor acoustic stage. This is an event not to be missed!

Fallen war heroes to be remembered at Bellway development in Thringstone

Soldiers with links to the local community are to be remembered at a development of new homes in Thringstone.

The roads at The Priory, Bellway's development of 85 new homes on land off Loughborough Road, will be named after soldiers who served in the first world war.

James Gee, Theophilus Jones, Frederick William Lawrence Rennocks and Amos Griffin will all be remembered at the development.

Sales Director for Bellway East Midlands, Ben Smith, said they were honoured to remember the war heroes in this way.

He said: "We were delighted to receive confirmation from the local authority that the new roads forming part of The Priory will be named after WW1 soldiers with links to Thringstone.

"We always look to draw inspiration from the local area and its history when it comes to naming our developments, and to have an opportunity to permanently remember a group of men who protected their country is an honour.

"We've been working closely with the Friends of Thringstone to research the soldiers, and we would like to thank them for their help and support in researching the soldiers' backgrounds and helping us to suggest names to the local authority.

"Work is progressing well at the site, and we are hoping to unveil the new street signs later this year."

Bellway will be making a number of contributions to the local community as part of the planning agreement for the site, which was granted planning permission by North West Leicestershire in February this year.

Almost £340,000 is being invested in education, improvements to bus shelters and bus stops, healthcare, libraries, the local police authority, off site tree planting and civic amenities.

The first homes at The Priory will be released this summer, and a show home and a sales centre will be opened at the development later this year.

For more information and to register your interest, call 0116 282 0408 or visit www.bellway.co.uk.

Did your family live in Thringstone in 1939? Do you live in a house that was built before 1939?

We now have details of Thringstone households from this period from a register drawn up on 29 September 1939 by the government of the time in order to facilitate the issue of identity cards during WW2 and from January 1940 the issue of ration cards. It was also used for conscription and evacuation purposes, and then used after the war in the foundation of the NHS. If you are local and interested in finding out about your family or, just out of an interest, who lived in your house, let us know and for £1 we will run off the



relevant page for you. Contact us on the number above.

Photos of Thringstone folk – We are ___ thankful to say that we are still receiving copies of people's photos from days gone by, but we are not only interested in photos of people years back, but also photos of things that happened in the village in the 1980s and 1990s. Do you have any family or other photos you would be willing to share with us? If you don't want to ring us to collect these to scan, or don't want to email them to us, we are happy to have them sent to us by facebook message. If you have house deeds from one of the older properties in the village and don't mind us scanning those, please let us know, especially if you live in one of the older houses on The Green in which we have a particular interest.

Want to join our group? Membership continues, for the 6th consecutive year, to be £3.50 per person. For that you receive regular details on what is happening in the village, and have the opportunity to come to meetings and join in with our projects if you wish. Please contact us on 223434 if you are interested.

Publications

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 1953

A complete set of photos is available at the discounted price of £24. See our details above regarding discount prices on the purchase of sets of our publications.

Current Friends of Thringstone publications are:

- **Thinksun Born an' Bred Parts 1 & 2** by

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- Joan Brotherhood Blackey (£3 each)
- **Thringstone Born and Bred 3** by local poets (£2.50)
- **Thringstone Village Trails 1, 2 & 3** giving history of the area and a map (£2.50 each)
- **Memories of Thringstone, Parts 1 & 2** (£3.50 each)
- **Memories 3** (£2.50 each).
- **Memories 4** (£2.50 each)
- **St Andrew's Graveyard trail** detailing the lives of some interesting people (£1.50)
- **Scottish in Thringstone**—the story of people coming to the village in the 1960s. (£2.50 each)
- **Thringstone and Its People** – full of information on the history of the village from 1800 to about 1955 and the families who lived here. £6
- **Thringstone Around WW2** – the stories of 4 men. £2.50.
- **Memories of Durham Miners** – the story of miners who came to Thringstone in the 1960s. £2.50
- **Pubs in Thringstone – NEW** – a book telling the life stories of the landlords and landladies who worked and lived in Thringstone from 1840 onwards. A snip at £6.
- **Businesses in Thringstone – NEW** – a book recording the stories of people who owned businesses in the village. Only £6.

Discounts are available to people who wish to purchase a full set of any particular title e.g. Memories booklets and for those who want to buy a pubs book and a businesses book together, there is a £2 discount, so 2 books for £10. Please ask us if this is of interest to you. Most publications are available at Thringstone Members Club and at Thringstone House Community Centre. You can also contact us via our website which is www.friends-of-thringstone.org.uk or ring us on 223434.

For information on our meetings, publications, work in the village or if you are interested in becoming a member, call us on 223434.

You can also tweet us by using @Thringstone2, go to our facebook page, or you can email us via the website webmaster.thringstone@ntlworld.com

Thringstone Bowling Club

The Club is starting a Junior Section this coming season for youngsters aged 9 to 18. Come along on any Tuesday evening from 6.15 pm onwards to see our qualified bowls coaches to discuss further or 'have a go' at outdoor bowls. The only stipulation is that flat bottomed footwear should be worn on the green. The Club will be holding a Fun Gala for Juniors on Sunday 12 June at the Club. All youngsters (and parents) are very welcome to



come along. For further information call David Bamford (Coach & Development Officer) on 222475 or check the Website: www.thringstonebowlingclub.org.uk

