



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 3rd 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

Thank you to the local businesses, organisations and individuals who helped sponsor the music festival. In addition to sponsorship from Friends of Thringstone and St Andrew's church, sponsorship was received from the George and Dragon, Ruby's chip shop, S&J Electrical, Tyre King, Belvoir Carpets, I Clean, Paul Ashton, Thringstone Co-op, Mick Simm and Chapel Fitness Centre. Items to raffle off were given by Ruby's chip shop, Colledge's florist, Belvoir Carpets, NWLDC, Bull's Head, Hermitage Leisure Centre, Halford's, Grace Dieu Park Cricket Club, Kay at the post office and a couple of local individuals. Thanks to everybody. Over £3,000 was raised.

Local flooding – As you know, there was a lot of rain in mid June which affected many houses in Thringstone and Whitwick and also Thringstone's Methodist Chapel. Our chairman was actively involved in working with Leicestershire's Northern Flood Support team in obtaining cleaning products which were donated to those affected, and would like to thank Helen Crouch for all her help in getting together so many donations of these products. Thanks also Ruby's for their help in fund raising. £135 was given in total to the Chapel to help with their redecoration.

Co-op Litter Pick help

As part of the Co-op's Big Clean event, in June a team of staff was sent out to help us litter pick in the local woodland. Many thanks for their help.

New Carols On The Green event – we are putting together a new Christmas sing-song for families to come along and sing carols. This will take place on Friday 9 December. We will meet at St Andrew's church at 6.30pm and walk up to The Green where we will sing carols (outside if OK, inside in the

Methodist Chapel hall if wet), the go to the chapel hall for refreshments and entertainment by some of the choir from U3A. Please put this date into your calendar.

The Bench down by the side of the Co-op

It's nice to see people sitting on the bench we provided, but less nice to see it vandalised, litter left all over the place, and plants damaged. We try so hard to make the village look nice. Please respect what we do.

Are you from a Thringstone family?

We now have copies of the banns records for St Andrew's and also confirmation records for people confirmed there. We can copy records for £1. Please let us know if you have an interest. We also have details of Thringstone households 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. The register 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 your home 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 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 House Community Centre

Various regular events at the centre for you to come along and enjoy:

Film Club

Regular event - **Last Monday of the month, 7pm for 7.30 start, Bar Lounge**

Everyone welcome, licensed bar

Next one Monday 26th September

Folk on the Green

Regular event - **2nd Thursday of the month, 8pm till late, Bar Lounge**

Free admission, everyone welcome, licensed bar

Plug & Play

Regular event - **4th Friday of the month, 8pm till late, Bar Lounge**

Free admission, everyone welcome, licensed bar

Next one Friday 23rd September

Soul Club

Regular event - **2nd Friday of the month, 8pm till late, Hall**

Tickets £3 in advance or £4 on the door

Also coming up at the centre

Thringstone Pantomime and Drama Group

Murder Mystery Friday 30th September and Saturday 1st October at 7.30pm. Tickets £8 available from the



Centre office. For more information see the group's website which is www.tpads.org.uk

Centre Stage Presents

Saturday 12th November 7.30pm

Amadou Diagne Group - Tickets £9

