



# THRINGSTONE BAUBLE

## The newsletter of the FRIENDS OF THRINGSTONE

Produced & delivered free of charge to all residents of Thringstone and parts of Whitwick.

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### Winners:

**2009** NWLDC Partnership & Community Awards Footprint Challenge

**2010** RCC (Leics & Rutland) Village Achievement Awards Gold for Cleaner/Greener & Silver for Community



**2011** Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

**2015** Keep Britain Tidy Jubilee Awards

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### Thringstone Live Music Festival

Despite a thunder storm and torrential rain in the early afternoon, spirits were not dampened at Thringstone House Community Centre's Music Festival, with many people coming along to enjoy the music and the event as a whole. Whilst profits from the event will probably be lower than anticipated, the centre will still have raised vital funds. They would like to thank all volunteers for their help and support and the following local businesses and groups for their sponsorship -, ADN Construction, Barney's Play Barn, Baxter Bethel, Chapel Fitness Centre, George and Dragon, Glebe Von Wood Kennels, Grace Dieu Park Cricket Club, Gracedieu Grooming, Hermitage Leisure Centre, I Clean, , JP Cook Construction and Groundwork, Leicestershire Luthier. Mansfield and Stretton, PA Roofing and Building Ltd, .Paws Go Walking, Reddington Homes, Ruby's Fish and Chip Shop, St Andrew's Church, SAW Gardening and Maintenance and Friends of Thringstone.

### Coming to Thringstone Community Centre soon

**9 Sept - Heritage Open Day** – The community centre will be open for people to look round between 12 noon and 3pm and learn more about the first ever community centre in the country. Yes – Thringstone's community centre was gifted to the village by Charles Booth before any other town, city or village in the country had such a facility. There will also be an exhibition on the work of Charles Booth .

**9 Sept - Thringstone's Got Talent** – lots of acts all trying to win the top spot at the community centre. This event starts at 7.30pm and is to raise money for the British Kidney Transplant Support Association.

**7 Oct - Prominent Women of NW Leicestershire** - an exhibition at the community centre detailing many of the lives of prominent women of the area. Starts at 12 noon and goes on until 5pm. There will be lots of interesting information on women of the past and present. This event is kindly being opened by Whitwick runner Gemma Steel.

**14 Oct – Craft fayre** at the community centre from 12 noon until 5pm. All welcome.

**20 Oct - Lesley Smith as Nell Gwynne** - at the community centre. This wonderful historian presents the life of this interesting woman. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets £8 from the centre or from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone)

**25 Nov – Moonshiners** at the community centre – a 50s tribute duo. Tickets £6 from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone) or from the centre office.

**9 Dec – Abba Tribute** at the community centre. Tickets £8 from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone) or from the centre office.

**Are you from a Thringstone family?** - We are still able to help people with searches from the 1939 register, the banns lists from St Andrew's, and with some of the burial records from St Andrew's. Copies of anything supplied will cost £1. Please contact us if you need our help. **Have you any photos** you want to share of your family, or the village in days

gone by. These can be really old photos or things from the 20<sup>th</sup> century. They can be sent to us via facebook message or email, or we can collect them, scan them and return them to you. If you have **house deeds** for your home and don't mind us scanning those, please let us know, especially if you live in one of the older houses in the village. **Want to join our group?** - Membership continues, for the 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

- 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:

- **Thrinksun 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** – 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** – 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](http://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](mailto:webmaster.thringstone@ntlworld.com)

## **Tai Chi in Thringstone.**

11 Sept - T'ai Chi taster class from 6.30pm – 7.15pm at Thringstone Methodist Hall. A short talk and demo followed by the opportunity to try it out for your-self.

T'ai Chi is a gentle, slow-motion, exercise and relaxation system that is suitable for all ages and abilities. T'ai Chi improves balance and co-ordination, breathing, circulation, strength and flexibility. The ongoing class for beginners, will start back on Monday 18 February at 6.50pm. Cost £6. For more details please phone Stephanie on 01509 218043.

**Message from Dr Hepplewhite and Virman's surgery** – The surgery now has a new quarterly newsletter and patient information sheet. You can see it on [www.whitwickhealthcentre.co.uk](http://www.whitwickhealthcentre.co.uk) On the left, click on news, then in red on the right it will say 'read our newsletter'. Clicking on that will

make issue 1 appear. There are articles about staff changes, why the receptionist asks what's wrong with you and several other things. Printed copies are also available from the surgery.