



## 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 4th 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.**

**Don't forget our Charles Booth and notable people free exhibition and slide show** at the centre from 11am-6pm on 26 November! Learn about your local history! There will also be information on Whitwick, Newbold, Measham, Coalville, Ibstock and Ravenstone.

**Carols On The Green event** – we are putting together a new Christmas sing-song for individuals and 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), then go to the chapel hall for refreshments and entertainment by some of the choir from U3A. Please put this date into your calendar. Families especially welcome.

### **Spring planting**

Once again, we arranged with NWLDC for them to supply us with 2500 spring bulbs, for which we paid half and they paid half. We donated 200 bulbs to Thringstone Methodists and the same to the Community Centre, gave a few for planting near the George and Dragon on the A512 and the rest of the bulbs have been planted around the village. Hopefully, in the Spring, the village will come alive with colour again. Some of the areas of planting have slightly changed from last time and we hope people are pleased with the results.

### **Thringstone Primary School**

Thringstone Primary School's Christmas Fayre takes place on 2 December starting at 3.30pm. Lots of stalls and things to buy.

### **Thringstone Panto and Drama Society**

This Winter's panto will be Beauty and The Beast which is on at the community centre from 20-28 January. Ticket prices are still £8 for adults and £7

for children. OAP concession at £7 is available for the Tuesday evening only. A block booking discount for 15 seats or more purchased at the same time is available. The show is not suitable for the under 3s, and babes in arms cannot be accepted. Tickets can be purchased from [www.tpads.org.uk](http://www.tpads.org.uk) or from the centre office Monday-Friday 9am-12 noon.

### **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 in the village.

**Want to join our group?** Membership continues, for the 6<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. 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](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)

## What's happening at the community centre

**Shoo Shoo Baby's Christmas Party** – 11 December starting at 7.30pm. This is a comedy and musical evening sure to appeal to the whole family. There will be mulled wine and mince pies available with a raffle for Christian Aid. Tickets £9 from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone) or direct from the centre office, open Monday-Friday 9am-12 noon.

**Tim Kliphuis Trio Goes Grappelli** – 17 March 2017 starting at 7.30pm. A classical violinist and his friends perform the music of Stephane Grappelli. Tickets £9 from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thringstone) or direct from the centre office, open Monday-Friday 9am-12noon. Please keep an eye on the centre's website which is [www.thringstonecommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.thringstonecommunitycentre.org.uk) for details of new events as they come up.

## Coming soon to Thringstone.

### Gracedieu Grooming -

Dog Grooming Services – for beautiful dogs. My passion for my own dogs has become my work-life passion and I will be opening a new professional grooming salon, Gracedieu Grooming, for all breeds of dog, large and small. I am City and Guilds trained to a high standard and the welfare and comfort of your beloved pet will be my priority. Gracedieu Grooming will offer a range of services from full groom and trim, hand stripping, bath and dry, puppy grooms, ear cleaning and nail trimming and prices will start from as little as £5. The salon, located on Loughborough Road, is due to be open by the end of November 2016. All grooms will be



on a one to one basis by appointment. For further information, please contact me, Kathy Mardon on 07973 792031 or 01530 452860.

