

THRUXTON TIMES

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Dates for your Diary

Sun 17 Oct Circuit BARC car race meeting

Wed 20 Oct W.I. Meeting (see para)

Wed 27 Oct Gardening Club (see para)

Wed 3 Nov. Parish Council, Hall, 7.30pm.

Thu. 11 Nov. **Oua Umplute** (what?..see para)

Sat 13 Nov Prog. Dinner Party (see para.)

The Flower Show revived after a gap of 21 years took place on 12th September. It attracted 218 entries, ranging from fruit and flowers through to baking, brewing, and bottling, via artwork and needlework. Christine & Trevor Barrett took the trophy for the highest number of points gained : "best adult entry" cup went to Anne & Sarah Moore -head for some beautiful needlecraft ; and the cup for the best junior entry went to Jolyon Chamberlain for his model with the flag flying proudly over our stream-bank repairs.

The Village Assocn. who ran the event augmented their committee to draw on additional expertise, both in the staging and the judging. The whole event, including the barbecue and the WI cakes & teas, was simply a great success, and is set to be done again next year (by public demand, Ed.). Particular thanks are due to those who made it possible, especially in the *minefield* of administering such a complicated process from scratch.

Not unrelated to the above :**Allotments**: there are 2 halves, or one whole, available at £10 each p.a. or £15 for the whole rod. If no Thruxtonian wants, the site will be offered to one of the hopefuls in the neighbouring villages. Contact Charles 773546.

Parties Our Hall is great for a **Children's Party**

If you are planning one, do consider the Hall. There is a lot of space for children's games, and perhaps a small bouncy castle. Good kitchen facilities, and a stage area for entertainers or a disco. Contact Margaret 3546, or Margaret 2711.

W.I.Report Due to unforeseen circumstances our speaker for September, Liz Cosgrove from Enham was unable to attend, so we decided to hold a "members' meeting". We enjoyed relaxing with tea or coffee, cake , and lots of chat. We also took the opportunity to discuss future events, and our programme for 2011. In October we have Mr.Fletcher talking on **Butterflies, Flowers, and Wildlife** around Davos. This is on Wed.20th Oct. at 7.30 pm with the talk at 8pm. Visitors are welcome.

Library teas Weds. 13th and 27th October 3-4 pm

Singing for Fun Thurs 14th and 28th Oct. 2-3pm.

Do ring Julia Ward 771625 re any of the above .

Death Terry Thorne, of Groom House, died in hospital on 3rd September. Peggy has specially asked us to convey her gratitude and appreciation for all the messages of kindness and sympathy received from our local community.

Table Tennis Club. (Bill Barton) The Village Association have kindly funded the purchase of a new table, which replaces the original table that we started the Club with in Nov. 2003. This original table, together with some bats and balls, is being passed on to The School.

We have sessions on Thursdays, 7.30 – 9.30 pm in Kimpton Village Hall. Anyone interested in playing, or trying out the sport, should just come along or phone Bill Barton on 772452 for more info.

"Oua Umplute" is the unlikely caption for an evening of "music, theatre and mayhem" at the Hall on Thurs.Nov 11th at 7.30 pm. One of Spain's leading companies invite you to "an unforgettable party" which will include the Ukrainian virtuoso violinist Teresa Polyvka.

The Scotsman said "*a wonderful band of musicians...with gypsy music running in their veins*"

The entry fee (and this is to support Hall funds) is £12.50, and this will include food.

Tickets from Chris Rome 772755 and Ross Mallock 773504. Don't delay, get'em today !

Gardening Club. We held a most successful meeting on Sept. 29th with a talk on Orchids by Mrs.Sue Robinson of Hilliers. Even those who didn't even *have* an orchid got "bitten by the bug" and the streets of Thruxton became a moving carpet of exotic plants on the way home. Our next meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Wed.27th October with our **annual quiz with mulled wine and mince pies** (our usual November meeting will be on Seasonal wreath-making) hence the change of month. See you there -all welcome .

Gill adds; (and please see it as rhyming couplets Ed.) " All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all. But what we never mention, though gardeners know it's true, is when He made the goodies, he made the baddies too. All things spray and swatable, disasters great and small, all things *paraquatable*, the Lord God made them all.

Art Group meetings 14 & 28 Oct. Gill is on 772896

Ride & Stride This annual effort to raise funds to help maintain our Historic Churches was supported ,as far as we can see, to a record extent locally :both in the number of actual bikers/walkers which was **Ten**; and the sum raised , which was £610 enhanced by Gift Aid to a value of **£768**. Great thanks to all donors and participants.

Progressive Dinner Party is on Sat. Nov 13th. and Jeremy Bally needs entrants' names by 30th October, please. **notice continued overleaf**