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Welcome to all our readers

Thruxton Parish Newsletter - October 2023

Hello and welcome to the October edition of our newsletter. It seems that the season of mists is upon us and I hope you've all been enjoying some mellow fruitfulness.

We're pleased to note that Southern water have completed their operations in the village and that the roads are open again. However, as we shared in last month's newsletter, there are plans to return and continue the sewer re-lining along Village Street and Stanbury Road. We haven't been notified of dates yet but will alert everyone via Facebook and the Thruxton Village website as soon as we know anything.

We have been told that Orchard Homes are preparing a revised planning application to develop affordable homes on the land off Stanbury Close. This will be the fifth application in the short time that I have lived in the village so I guess one has to admire their persistence! Once the application has been received we will, of course, notify everyone and I'm sure we will all mobilise yet again to comment. On the topic of planning, Cllr. Richard Munday and I will be meeting the Head of Planning at TVBC on 5th November to discuss the enforcement of planning permission at Thruxton Down Farm where we believe the owner is in breach of planning laws.

The race circuit have prepared their provisional calendar for race meetings in 2024. Our thanks go to Brian Hamilton for taking on the role of Chair for the Thruxton & District Protection Society - this is the small team of people who represent the residents of Kimpton, Fyfield and Thruxton and ensure the agreement reached over 30 years ago continues to be honoured. The provisional dates for 2024 are:

Dates for the Diary

Every Wednesday	Thruxton Loves Cake 10am-12pm, Memorial Hall
21 st October	Thruxton History Talk 3.30pm, Memorial Hall
21 st October	Safari Supper 7pm, Thruxton
22 nd October	Morning Worship 9am, Thruxton Church
25 th October	Gardening Club 7pm, Memorial Hall
27 th October	Film Night 7pm, Memorial Hall
29 th October	Benefice, Holy Communion 11am, Shipton
31 st October	Halloween Walk 5pm, Memorial Hall
2 nd November	Benefice for all Souls 6pm, Appleshaw
5 th November	Holy Communion 9am, Thruxton Church
12 th November	Remembrance Sunday Service 10.50am, Thruxton Church
12 th November	Remembrance Lunch 12pm, Memorial Hall

Church Bazaar

18th November



Tables available to book to sell your own craft items. Limited tables available, please contact Christine to book.

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- **Sat. May 4th**
 - 750 Motor Club
- **Sat. May 18th**
 - CSCC Race Meeting
- **Fri. June 7th**
 - TOCA Test Day
- **Sat. June 8th/Sun. June 9th**
 - British Touring Cars Race Meeting
- **Sat July 6th/Sun. July 7th**
 - Truck Race Meeting
- **Fri. Aug. 9th**
 - Superbikes Test Day
- **Sat. Aug. 10th/Sun. Aug. 11th**
 - British Superbikes Race Meeting
- **Fri. Sept. 20th**
 - BRSCC Test Day
- **Sat. Sept. 21st/Sun. Sept. 22nd**
 - BRSCC Race Meeting

There will be road closures associated with the race meetings on Sun. June 9th and Sun. August 11th.

Finally, we were concerned to learn that Mayor and TVBC Cllr. Phil Lashbrook has contracted Covid and we wish him a full and speedy recovery. We also send our best wishes to his wife Linda. Please be aware that Covid cases have increased recently so take care and stay well.

Thank you – Peter Christie – on behalf of Thruxton Parish Council.



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Thruxton Parish Council

As usual, the Parish Council met on the first Monday of the month – 2nd October. The full minutes will appear on notice-boards and the Thruxton Village website but the key issues discussed covered the following points:

- It was decided to seek the advice of the Environment Agency, Wessex Rivers

Trust and TVBC regarding the on-going maintenance of the stream and the bank to the stream alongside the Village Green. A working party has cleared away this year's growth but plans for next year will reflect the professional advice that we receive.

- Analyses and reports from the speed camera on Stanbury Road will be posted to the Thruxton Village website so that residents can see what data is being generated.

- Cllr. Cotterill has identified a first-aid training provider that will be more cost-effective than St. John's Ambulance and dates for the training will now be established.

- Planning:

- an application to carry out tree works at Bridge Cottage was approved.

- Cllrs. Christie and Munday will meet the TVBC Head of Planning (Simon Finch) on 5th October to discuss the enforcement of current planning permission at Thruxton Down Farm.

- It was noted that the Northern Area Planning Committee had refused permission for the development of a solar farm at Lains Farm in Quarley.

- Community thanks were noted to the following for their hard work in the working parties to clear the stream: Stella Chandler, Suzie Cotterill, Tricia and Graham Harris, Joan Jackson, Richard Munday, Gill Odling and Beckie and Rob Sherlock. A very special thanks was also noted for Amelie Sherlock for supporting the stream clearance – she's 2½ years old!

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7:30pm on Monday 6th November in the Machin Room of the Memorial Hall – all residents are welcome to attend.

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Kids Halloween Walk



Once again we are arranging a Halloween Walk around the village for the children.

The starting point for the walk is the village hall at 5pm 31st October. The children will walk around a designated route in groups accompanied by at least 2 adults per group. They will be able to stop at allocated houses to hopefully grab some Halloween goodies. At the end of the walk there will be hot dogs, treats and games in the Village hall until around 7pm.

If you would like your children to take part please contact Rick Smart on 07786246291 or email Richard.smart@infor.com or on Thruxton Life. We do have some costs to cover so if any parent is in a position to make a small monetary donation or donation of goodies that would be amazing.

Also for those residents living in the Lambournes, Halcyon, Beech Close, Village Street who would be prepared to have the kids stop by please let Rick know so he can plan the route.

Connie Moss Memorial Service

You may be aware that long-term Thruxton resident Connie Moss passed away in September. We have been advised by Connie's family that there will be a Service of Celebration of Connie's life in the Church on Wednesday 1st November at 2:00pm followed by tea in the Memorial Hall.

"Thruxton 1919 – 1945"

Revd Ann McKenzie

SATURDAY 21st OCTOBER 2023

3.30pm

What was Thruxton like a hundred years ago? What was happening in the aftermath of The Great War? Who was living here? What changes were there in the village between the wars? What happened here during the Second World War?

There will also be displays from the village archives.

Refreshments will be available after the talk.

No ticket needed, but donations, please, to be shared equally between the Hall and the Church.

REMEMBRANCE DAY LUNCH

You are invited to join us for this annual event in aid of the Royal British Legion and Thruxton Memorial Hall

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 12TH
2023

Thruxton Memorial Hall
Doors open 12 Noon
Tickets £18
There will be a bar and a raffle

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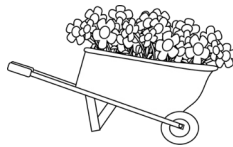
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CAN YOU KNT OR CROCHET?

The Hall is planning for Remembrance Day and want some extra poppies for display. We can supply an easy pattern and wool – what we need is your help. Please call Kate on 07736 804 445 for more information.



Thruxton Gardening Club



A date for your diaries, Wednesday October 25th. Come and join us for a talk

on 'Idyllic Italian Gardens' by Rosemary Legrand. It promises to chase away those winter blues. Everyone is welcome, doors open at 7pm and the talk will start at 7.30pm.

We only have one more meeting after that, our Christmas quiz on Wednesday November 29th.

For any more information please contact Louise at louise.cushine@hotmail.co.uk or on 07944746849

Defibrillator and First Aid Training

As many of you know, we have a defibrillator in the village – it's on the front wall of George House (what used to be The George pub) and is available for anyone to come along and use in the event of someone suffering a heart attack. The password to access the machine is ✓5711✓. Once you have the machine in your hands it will guide you through how to use it.

The Parish Council is arranging first aid training for residents – please contact Heather Bournier for more information.

A team of residents is in the process of raising money for an additional defibrillator to be placed close to the Sports Field. Please contact Richard Earp if you'd like to donate or watch out for fund-raising activities in the coming months.

From Thruxton Memorial Hall



The Hall continues to be used by a wide range of people, in addition to the regulars: Andover Ladies Choir, Thruxton

Loves Cake, Thruxton Treads, Yoga, Thruxton Gardening Club and our Cinema, this month has also seen a large company staff party, and another private party. In October it will be used for a talk on Thruxton Village History, The Safari Supper, and the Children's Halloween evening.

Look elsewhere in this edition for info about The Remembrance Lunch, a brilliant social event with curry!, The Church Bazaar where you can hire tables to sell produce, crafts etc and Ann Mackenzie's Village History Talk on the 21st October.

New to the Committee, Richard Earp, is organising a band night in December so put the 9th December in your diary and come along for a great night out.

As always if you would like to know more about hiring the Hall or would like to come and have a look around give me a call on 07789145817 or have a look on the website www.thruxtonmemorialhall.org



SAVE THE DATE!

9th December

The Rocking Bandits will be performing at The Memorial Hall to raise funds for a new defibrillator - come on down and practice your moves ahead of the festive season!

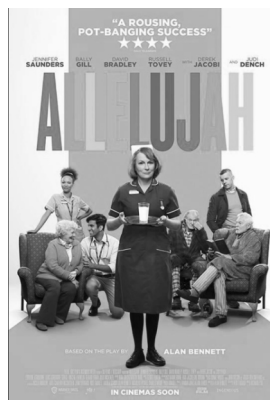
Parish Councillors Needed



Your Parish Council needs you!! We are looking for interested people to join the Parish Council as we remain 2 Councillors short of our full complement. We

meet 10 times a year on the first Monday of each month (not January or August) and each Councillor takes responsibility for a specific "portfolio" – e.g. Planning, Environment, Roads, etc. The commitment is normally no more than 3 – 4 hours each month but can increase if a contentious issue crops up – e.g. housing development.

If you're interested please contact Peter Christie on 07783 000753 or at pchristie@thruxtonparishcouncil.com



Thruxton Memorial Hall are delighted to present 'Allelujah' for our October Cinema Evening

Friday 27th October

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm showing

Tickets £6 on the door

Bar and ices available to purchase

When the geriatric ward in a small Yorkshire hospital is threatened with closure, the hospital decides to fight back by galvanising the local community: they invite a news crew to film their preparations for a concert in honour of the hospital's most distinguished nurse. What could possibly go wrong?!

AUCTION

of Promises & Things

caterers as the more outside events we can host the less pressure there is to raise funds through events like this, for the upkeep of the hall.

Right now, we are asking you to put on your thinking caps, and consider what you might offer? What skills, talents or items for the auction can you donate?

Here are a few examples of Promises

- Baby-sitting
- Gardening Help
- Grocery Shopping

Peter Christie has offered a 'one day only' offer to iron your weekly wash! I'm definitely bidding for this promise.

I'm sure you can think of many more promises and things to make the auction a success.

More details in coming months in the Thruxton Times, and on the Facebook posts on Thruxton, Fyfield & Kimpton Residents and Thruxton Life.

To make a pledge request an e-mail form from pauline520cd@gmail.com

Supporters of the Memorial Hall are planning an **Auction of Promises and Things.**

It's early, we know but, put the evening of 22nd June 2024 in your diary, more details will follow. The aim is to raise funds to refurbish the kitchen, ensuring it's 'fit for purpose' for external

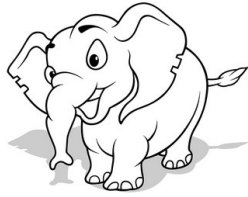
Here are a few examples of Things

- Complimentary Tickets
- Unwanted Christmas Presents
- Meal at a Local Restaurant

Thornbridge Brewery have committed to a box of their amazing craft beers.(check out <https://thornbridgebrewery.co.uk/>).

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If there is anything happening in the village that you want to shout about please send your piece to thruxtontimes@gmail.com



Safari Supper

21st October
7pm

After five years, Thruxton Memorial Hall are delighted to revive this fun, food-orientated, carousel event. It's an opportunity for singles, couples, cooks and non-cooks to meet with other villagers, and for us all to socialise as a community. We have canapes and a glass of wine in the Hall, walk to a village house for the main course, walk again to another house for dessert, then walk back to the Hall for cheese/biscuits/coffee.

The fun element is that you will have no idea in advance who you will be eating with for mains and desserts, or even where!

All will be revealed on the night.

SO:

► Pay nothing - and provide a main course (plus wine) for up to six people in your own home.

► Pay £13 per person - provide either pudding or canapés for six and get dinner cooked for you (you will be serving your canapes in the Hall. If you prefer to provide a pudding, you will be serving this to guests in your own home.)

► Pay £20 per person - all you need to do is turn up, with no cooking or washing up (although we have to ensure we have enough people to cook!)

All profits go to Thruxton Memorial Hall

For a booking form, contact Pat Counsell at Frogis Land, Lambourne Way; phone 01264 773296 or 07787 946016 or email pat4tennis@yahoo.co.uk

What Makes Putin Tick? Friday 1st December 2023 7pm Thruxton Memorial Hall

Why did he invade Ukraine?

A talk by AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR JOHN CHESHIRE

Sir John joined the Royal Air Force in 1961 and completed several flying appointments on the Hercules. He was then seconded to the Royal Brunei Air Force as the Commander of their Air Wing. He has held several staff appointments with the most prominent as the United Kingdom's Air Attache in Moscow in the late 1980s. Subsequently, he kept in touch with events in Russia in senior NATO appointments as the United Kingdom's representative to NATO, and in command of the Allied Forces Northwestern Europe - a Command with several countries bordering on Russia. After retirement from the Royal Air Force in 2000, Sir John was appointed Lieutenant Governor of Jersey from 2001 to 2006.

Donations Please to be shared between The RAF Charitable Trust and the Hall

Thruxton Loves Cake!



This is a coffee morning for the village and surrounding areas held in Thruxton Memorial Hall.

Every Wednesday morning 10 until 12.

Come along and enjoy a warm welcome, lots of tea, coffee, cakes and chat! We also have books and puzzles available to borrow

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