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Welcome to all our readers

Thruxton Parish Newsletter - June 2024

Welcome to our June edition of the village newsletter. With school half term now finished it seems that summer should be in full flush – let's hope the Weather Gods have been told and that we can look forward to a few weeks of warm and dry weather! At least it's been a little drier recently which means that ground-water levels are falling (albeit slowly) and the road-side puddles have disappeared.

This month, along with the newsletter, we have delivered a Housing Needs Survey, a short (1 page) survey on speed controls and a flier for the Auction of Promises. Big thanks to the team of residents that have delivered all of this to you – we promise not to do it again! The Housing Needs Survey is really important – it's your opportunity to tell us of the type of housing that you (and your family) may need in the coming years and will inform how we approach the thorny issue of future housing development within Thruxton Parish. Once completed, you can drop it off in the special box on the railings of the Memorial Hall or wait for it to be collected from your home over the weekend of 22nd / 23rd June. The last page of the Housing Needs Survey to you – we promise not to do it again! 30th June page of the Housing Needs Survey contains 2 questions about speed controls in the village – this too is important information for the Parish Council and will determine whether or not we apply for a 20mph speed limit through the village and what other speed controls we look to implement.

As you can see from the Dates for Your Diary, there is much going on in the coming weeks – from racing events at the Circuit, fund raisers for the Hall and Gardening Club, Church services to the Village Fete in August. As you will see elsewhere in the newsletter, the Fete

Dates for the Diary

Every Wednesday Thruxton Loves Cake 10am-12pm, Memorial Hal

7th - 9th lune Touring Car Testing & Racing

Thruxton Circuit

22nd&23rd June Thruxton Historic Race Meeting

Thruxton Circuit

Morning Worship 9am, Thruxton Church 23rd lune

26th June Gardening Club 7pm, Memorial Hall

29th June Auction of Promises

7pm, Memorial Hall

Benefice Holy Communion 11am, Fyfield Church

Truck Race Meeting

Thruxton Circuit

organisers are wanting volunteers to help run stalls and events at the Fete please contact Baz Myers if you can assist (bgmassessments@gmail.com). Without wanting to run foul of the gender police or offend the more senior the community, of especially want / need younger men to help out on the day – so step forward all those strapping males that are under pension age!!

Whatever your plans are, we wish you an enjoyable and rewarding month ahead and we look forward to seeing you at one or other of the village events over the coming months.

Peter Christie – on behalf of Thruxton Parish Council.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council met in the evening of Monday 3rd June. As usual, full minutes will appear on notice-boards and the website in due course, but the key points discussed were as follows:

- A Housing Needs Survey has been developed and will be sent to all homes in the Parish along with this month's newsletter. We hope it will provide robust and valid data on the needs of Thruxton residents and will enable us to challenge data presented by housing developers such as Orchard Homes. We encourage all households to complete the survey.
- Cllr. Susie Cotterill, the Clerk and 2 village residents (Janet Graham and Joan Jackson) have been working on tidying up the Village Green. Several benches and tables have been removed as they had seriously deteriorated and Mandy's Garden has been neatened and weeded. Thank were expressed to all.
- Cllr. Odling reported on the state of the play equipment on the Sports Field. He will look at the work required on the shackles on the swings and the deteriorating wooden pillars of the slide.
- The speed camera has been moved from Village Street to the bottom end of Stanbury Road so that we can measure the speed of traffic approaching the sharp bend by the Village Green. Thanks to Geoff Bourner, Graham Harris and Gregory Langfield.
- A request to purchase a new mirror for the entrance / exit from the Sports Field car park was considered and approved. Quotes for the materials will be obtained and presented back to the Council.
- Cllr. Susie Cotterill reported on her work to register the land on Lambourne Way next to the electricity sub-station as a Village Green. She has had confirmation that the land has been maintained by the residents for at least 20 years.
- Community thanks were passed for Roger Oliver and Janet Graham for their work on tidying up the Village Green and to Louisa Chamberlain for drafting the

Housing Needs Survey.

The next meeting will be on Monday 1st July at 7:30pm in the Machin Room at the Memorial Hall.

Clerk to the Parish Council

I am sorry to report that Heather Bourner – "Clerkie" to many – has decided to step down from the role that she has occupied for many years so that she can spend more time with the family, in the garden, travelling with Geoff and singing with the Andover Ladies Choir.

As a result, we are looking for candidates to become Clerk to the Parish Council. You don't need to have had previous experience in local government but do need to be well organised, financially aware, computer literate, trustworthy and dependable. The work is normally around a day a week for which you will be paid according to Local Government pay scales. You are expected to attend 10 Parish Council meetings each year, prepare papers for each meeting and publish the minutes.

If you are interested in learning more about the role, please contact Richard Munday at rmunday@thruxtonparishcouncil.com

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Thruxton Open Gardens 2024

Sunday July 21st.
2 till 5pm

A fund raising event for Thruxton Memorial Hall and Thruxton Gardening Club.

Could you open your Garden for this event?...

Please contact Louise Cushine 07944 746849 or Gill Odling 07789145817 **Thruxton Memorial Hall**

Notice of Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of
Thruxton Memorial Hall
will be held on Tuesday 25th June at
7.30 in Thruxton Memorial Hall.
All are welcome.



ONE LIFE

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delighted to be
showing 'One Life',
as their last
showing of the
season

To be screened on Friday 28 June, this films tells the extraordinary true story of Sir Nicholas 'Nicky' Winton, who, as a young broker in the months leading up to World War II, rescued 669 children from Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia.

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm showing Tickets £6 on the door

Bar and ices available to purchase.

Our next season will start on Friday September 27





From the Hall

The list of items for **Auction** of Promises and Things is growing all the time, it is being advertised on facebook and will be on the Hall website before the end of May. People have been very generous and some there are amazing items. Experiences, offers of work, vouchers, physical items, large and small they are all there waiting for your bids! All we need now are people to come to the event on the 29th June.

The **Hall AGM** will be held on 25th June at 7.30. Please let me know if you have any items to add to the agenda.

As always if you would like further information or a look around the hall do give me a call.

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