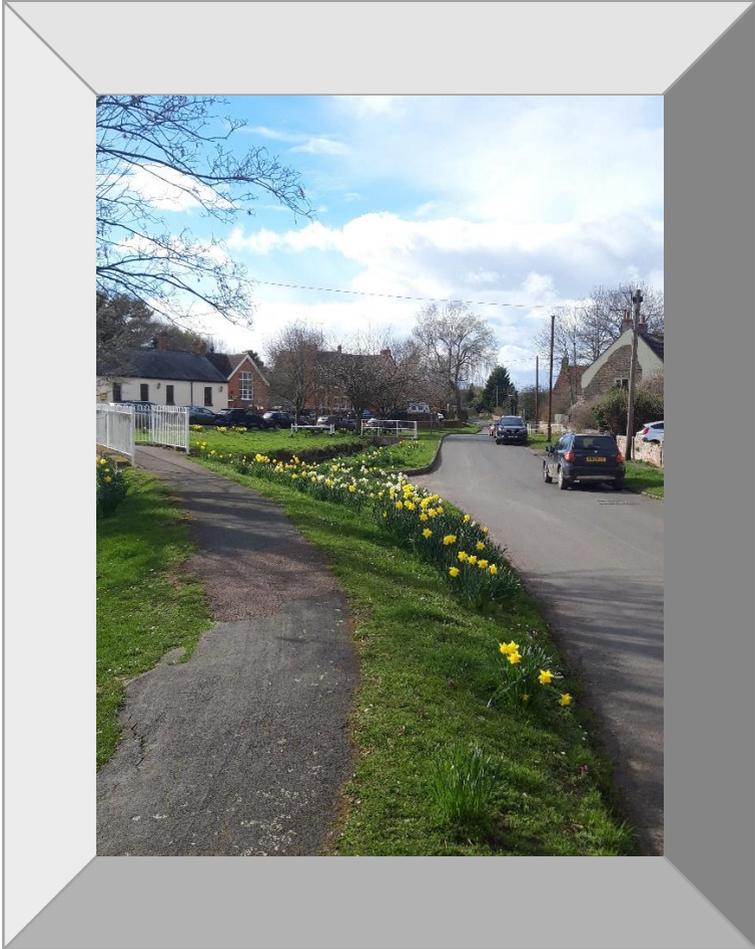


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Run for Ruby by Clare Morton

A huge thank you from me and my family to everyone who came and supported the Run for Ruby bake sale; from baking delicious cakes, washing up to enjoying a slice of cake and a chat! The event was amazingly well supported and it was lovely to see so many people from the village and local family and friends. **We raised just over £700, with more donations still coming in, which is truly amazing.**



The reason for the Bake Sale was to raise money for my niece, Ruby's, new and much needed wheelchair costing over £4,000. Ruby has complex disabilities and has a diagnosis of neuron migration disorder and epilepsy. She is in a wheelchair, tube fed and is non verbal. She does however have a smile that will light up a room as well as a cracking, albeit slightly dark, sense of humour.

Faye Gadd and I will also be running the Milton Keynes half Marathon on the 1st May to further our fundraising efforts. To read more or to donate, please visit our Just Giving Pages. Thank you!

Clare- <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/clare-kennedy-1>.

Faye- <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/faye-gadd>

If, due to people's amazing generosity, I manage to exceed the amount required for the new chair, I will donate the additional funds to Bedford & District Cerebral Palsy Society (BDCPS) who are a fantastic charity who do so much to support Ruby and her family. You may notice Ruby's smiling face on their website too... <https://bdcps.charity/>



YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU TO HELP SHAPE YOUR COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

Thornborough Parish Council (TPC) will host the Annual Parish Assembly (APA). All residents are warmly invited and encouraged to come along to share their views to help shape the village priorities going forward. You will also be able to find out more about TPC's responsibilities, how the precept money is spent and understand more about local government in action. In addition, you will be able to find out more about Buckinghamshire Council. Although Buckinghamshire Council is about to have its third birthday, we know it isn't always easy or obvious which department is responsible for what or how to contact it. The APA is also a platform for the village "community groups" to share their recent highlights and plans.

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE SO YOU CAN COME
ALONG TO SUPPORT AND HELP SHAPE YOUR
VILLAGE**

**WEDNESDAY 24 MAY 2023 at 7pm in the
VILLAGE HALL**

Supporting Local Music Making

The Castaways and the Bucks Ukulele Group are each playing on the Village Hall Green on the Open Garden Weekend:

**The Castaways are on from 1pm on Sat 10th June &
Bucks Ukulele Group are on Sun 11th June also from 1pm.**

Thornborough Village Pond Project



Don't worry we haven't waded in and started with any improvements!

Currently much research is being undertaken and advice is being sought from the experts as well as local folks who have experience of the history and biodiversity of our Village Pond. If you have any historical information, pictures or stories about the pond and its use, its flora and fauna, we would be interesting in hearing from you.

Funding opportunities are also being researched to assist in supporting surveys from Ecologists / Wildlife Biodiversity

Consultants to establish the pond's baseline condition, and to provide advice on options, as well as funding for rehabilitation work and ongoing maintenance.

Any funding application would be strengthened:

- where it can show support for the project from residents
- where it incorporates an educational element; engaging with and getting support from Thornborough Pre-School, Thornborough Infant School, Thornborough Church (for outdoor church) is important
- with a comprehensive survey of the pond's flora and fauna to establish a baseline condition of the pond
- with expert advice on improvement options and best practice for any work to be undertaken on the pond

We need you to have your say.....**The Village Pond Project will be part of the discussions at the Annual Parish Assembly Meeting on 24th May 2023.** In the meantime, any thoughts, idea, offers of help would be appreciated. We could even form a 'Thornborough Conservation Group'?

Lynn.morgan@thornboroughparish.org.uk

Richard.dove@thornboroughparish.org.uk.



**You Are All Invited To The
Kings Coronation Sports Day And Evening Party On
Sunday 7th May 2023**

On The Village Green 12 To 10pm

Please Bring A Picnic

And raise a glass to the King.



This Event is run by the TSSC

For Enquiries Ring Steve 07980 730916



**Blackthorn Chase Benefice
Good Friday Children's Activity, 7th April
from 10 – 11am at All Saints Church, Nash**

Everyone is welcome to an hour of fun, stories, song and craft at
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Reflection from the Rectory by Rev'd Jacqueline Dove

The daffodils are here! Which makes me think of Wordsworth and Wales. They are like trumpets heralding spring and with spring the idea of resurrection, because I would suggest that the concept of resurrection is a good metaphor for spring and its symphony of new life.

I received an email from my chiropractor this week asking what season I am in regarding my health and wellbeing. For example, when all our healthy eating and exercise habits are dead in the ground, we can say we are in the winter season. The email encouraged me to hold onto the hope that winter always comes to an end and the green shoots of spring will come again with renewed hope and rejuvenation.

I have found in my own walk with God that spring always follows winter, I simply wait and pray for the green shoots of faith and hope and love to come again, as I put my trust in God's providential grace.

Easter follows lent in the same way spring follows winter. Lent offers us the opportunity for some honest reflection on our spiritual health as we prepare our hearts to enter into the mystery of Easter. It's such a huge mystery it takes six weeks to get ready. As we walk through lent, we notice the inclination of despair, fear, cynicism and self-absorption to win the day. With Easter we celebrate the good news that Christ came to demonstrate that hope is stronger than despair, love is stronger than fear and faith is stronger than cynicism. It is relatively easy to embrace these concepts of figurative resurrection. We have hopefully all experienced resurrected hope in our lives after a time of despair and resurrected love in our close relationships after a period of 'winter' when love has felt fallow.

At Easter we also celebrate the literal resurrection of Jesus. The great, good news of the Gospel is that *Jesus actually conquered death* — all death, every death, Death itself. So, in response to the news of someone's death, a Christian declares '*may they rest in peace and rise in glory*'. For me, the love and compassion of a just God requires the making right of every death humanity has endured, every death that has left us staggering in shock, rage, bewilderment, and grief. For something deep and instinctive within us understands that we were created for life, and we feel robbed when life is taken away.

Science has taught us that the very existence of life on this planet is a miracle in itself. The vastness of this universe which is still expanding, is personally as incomprehensible to me as the idea of life after death. So let us put our trust in the God who created the heavens and the earth, knowing that not even death can separate us from his love. Happy Easter.

St Mary's Church – Services & Events



April		
2 nd	11am	Palm Sunday Church and Chapel at St Mary's
6 th	7:30 pm	Beachampton: HC & Tenebrae service
7 th	11:30 am	Good Friday Reflection & Hot Cross buns
9 th	11:15 am	Easter: Family communion
16 th	4pm	Messy Church
23 rd		Explore @4
30 th	11am	Benefice HC Beachampton, followed by Bring and Share Lunch at 12:30
May		
7 th	11am	Church and Chapel
14 th	4pm	Messy Church
18 th	7:30pm	Ascension Day: Deanery HC at Buckingham
21 st	9am	BCP Holy Communion
28 th		Explore @4
June		
4 th	11am	Palm Sunday Church and Chapel at St Mary's
11 th	4pm	Messy Church
18 th	9am	BCP Holy Communion
25 th		Explore @4

News and Events

Not much to report, but Spring is on the way.

The next porch sale is on Easter Saturday 8/4 at 10am. Why not pop down for a chat, tea/coffee and purchase locally made produce.

There is also a huge range of books available for free.

STOP PRESS

Save the date **SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER**

OPERAFEST with the Opera Dudes

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Tickets on sale soon, all in aid of the Village Hall Fund.

Thornborough Methodist Chapel



We are nearing the end of the 40 days of Lent which leads up to Good Friday when Jesus was crucified. But why is it called **Good** Friday? It is good because that is when, on the cross, Jesus bore the penalty for the sins of which we are all guilty and, through our trust in Him, set us free. Then, with joy, we celebrate his resurrection on Easter Sunday when Jesus conquered death and rose to eternal life – which He offers us. Please come along to chapel and celebrate with us. Happy Easter!

Our usual activities continue as normal:

Drop-In: Held every Wednesday morning between 10.30am – 12.30pm where anyone can come along for a chat, meet friends and have free refreshments. On the second Wednesday of the month, we hold a Bring & Buy sale.

Messy Church: The Chapel, along with the church, holds a Messy Church for children from babies to 11year olds and their parents on the 2nd Sunday of the month in the chapel room. Please contact Katy Morris on 07904 958033.

Meet & Eat: For £5, this popular monthly event consists of a two-course lunch followed by coffee, mints and a quiz. To book a place, please contact Katy Morris.

Lyrics and Lunch: This monthly event is growing in popularity and is a time for carers to come with their loved ones, who have dementia, to share singing well-known popular songs and some kind of meal/snack and a short thought for the day. Please contact Katy Morris.

Chapel Meeting Room: To hire, please call Louise Springall on 02180 816887.

Chapel Garden: Please feel free to come and see the garden at the back of the chapel. There are a couple of pews and a bench to sit on.

Here are some of our future services:

Sunday 2nd April	11am -United service in Church
Sunday 9th April	11am -Easter Sunday, Preacher Paul Kybird
Sunday 16th April	11am -Preacher Trevor Ray
Sunday 23rd April	11am -Preacher John Boxwell, with Holy Communion
Sunday 30th April	11am -Preacher Steve Mann
Sunday 7th May	11am -United Service. Preacher Alan Peters
Sunday 14th May	11am -Preacher Tim Edworthy, with Holy Communion
Sunday 21st May	11am -Preacher Carina Shergold
Sunday 28th May	11am -Preacher Sarah Smith

Please come along, you'll be most welcome.



Lend a hand. Make a change. 

**MONDAY
8TH MAY**

To mark His Majesty The King's Coronation thousands of organisations across the country are getting together to give us all the chance to help out in our own local communities.

Thornborough Parish Council are taking part, we would like to hold a litter pick and village tidy to include cleaning the street signs and the children's playground.

10am – 12pm on Monday 8th May

Meet at the playground or the village hall.

If you can spare an hour...fantastic. Two hours, amazing! If it becomes a regular thing, so much the better. If we all do a bit, it will really help a lot. If you have suggestions of other activities we could add for a later date please come along to the Annual Parish Assembly on the 24th of May and share your ideas!

 **Thornborough Arts and Crafts group** 

Tuesday afternoons 2.00 - 4.30 pm in the Village Hall. £5 per session.

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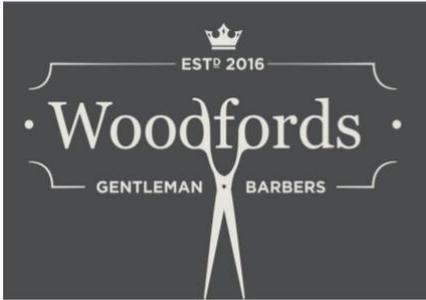
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Thornborough Pre-School update by Jeneen and the Thornborough Pre-School Team



We are having a busy time here at pre-school. We are enjoying sharing experiences of 'New Life' and learning all about 'Spring'. We have been very lucky to have lambs and sheep come and visit us this week, the children got to experience first-hand new life and even had the opportunity to feed the lambs with a bottle of milk. Susan kindly bought in some frogspawn from her pond so we have been watching them change into tadpoles and watching them wiggle and grow. The children have enjoyed looking at the different parts of daffodils and then painting them which we have displayed for everyone to see.

Lastly, we would like to say 'goodbye' to Sophie-our chairperson at preschool. She has been amazing over the last 18 months and we will miss her lots!



Thornborough Infant School Update



by School Staff

It has been a very busy and enjoyable term at **Thornborough Infant School**.



The extension of our outdoor shelter has meant that our children have more opportunities to learn outdoors, in every kind of British weather! Thank you so much for your patience during any disruption that the building work may have caused.



Busy in the classroom, our Reception children have been exploring their very own space rocket and Year 1 and 2 have been busy learning the violin. After Easter, they will begin composing their own music! Our newly appointed School Council have been duly democratically elected and have already had a say on one extremely important feature of their lives – school dinners! They stand alongside our 'Reading Champions' who are helping to raise the profile of reading across the school. If you do have any good quality children's books you no longer need, we would be delighted to give them a new home.

We do hope that you enjoy our Easter Bonnet Parade through the village on the 30th March and we are really looking forward to decorating the school ahead of the Open Gardens event in June. **We are also holding an Open Reading Event on 27th April, 2:40pm**; all current and prospective parents are very welcome. Please contact the school office for more details.

Finally, **we are always on the look out for more school Governors**. It is a rewarding role, which puts you at the heart of the leadership of our wonderful school. No experience in schools is necessary, just a willingness to listen, question and learn. Please do get in touch if you would be interested and we would be delighted to talk you through what is entailed.

Open Gardens Update

Open Gardens will take place on Sat 10th and Sunday 11th June, between 1pm and 5pm.

We have arranged designated parking, to avoid too much congestion in the village, and to maintain easy access through the village.

Plans for refreshments at various points around the village are being coordinated by volunteers - **if you could help with baking or helping on the day, please do let me know.**

It's not too late to get involved - you may not want to open your garden, but there are other worthwhile jobs to be involved in on either day.

What we do need from everyone PLEASE is can you tidy the area around your property, perhaps hedges need a trim, shrubs could do with a tidy up a spot of weeding perhaps?

As visitors walk around the village, everyone's property is on show!

All we need now is wonderful weather!!

Gwynne Grayson

Co ordinator for Open Gardens

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Thornborough Village Hall update

The village hall had its last major facelift 20 + year ago and needs a new one! We are raising funds now to ensure the village hall is something we can all be proud of & that meets the needs of the village for the next 20 years!

We received a grant from the National Lottery of £9,846 which has allowed us to commission the damp works. These start on Saturday 1st April and the village hall will be back in use on Wednesday 12th April. Huge thanks to Lynn Morgan for leading the charge on this grant application.

Next stage is to put together a detailed spec and obtain quotes which we will use to apply for additional grants. These works will include toilets, kitchen, storage area, decoration, heating, artwork and much more...

We are viewing the **Village Hall Heating & Lighting** as a specific project ***and hoping there is someone who would like to be involved in this?*** With the rising energy costs & the desire to find a green and energy efficient heating & lighting solution it would be wonderful if someone could invest time in looking at our options and develop a business plan. We can then use the business plan to source grant funding. This could be solar panels, air source heat pumps or would a more traditional solution work best given the constraints of the Village Hall being within the village conservation area? **If you think you could help** on this distinct element of the Refurb Project or would like more information, please *contact Liz Julier 07788 872717.*

The fundraising is going very well and there is a detailed report in Thornborough News from the fundraising committee – a huge thanks to everyone involved in the amazing Mad March Mix, a sell-out on both nights and the next event **Promises Auction on Saturday May 20th** looks likely to sell out too so get your tickets early to avoid disappointment!

The 59 Club is welcoming new members all the time and provides the village hall with much needed supplementary income AND it gives members the chance to win £150 on a monthly basis. **If you would like to join either the Wednesday or Saturday (or both) clubs please send an email thejuliers@btinternet.com** or forms can be found on the Village Hall website under FUNDRAISING. Congratulations to Caroline Moore who is our February winner.

Village Hall bookings are now online: <https://thornborough.lemonbooking.com>
Please use this link to make a new booking & to see what on going on in the village hall.

Thank you for everyone's continued support for this really important village project.

Thornborough & Thornton Fundraisers

Mad March Mix:

Undeniably a little mad – who would have thought to put into the same cooking pot – an opera singer and classical violinist with a sound-alike Adele; traditional folk songs with a medley of big hit musicals; a scene with slobbish Turkish Bath attendants with readings of poems and letters from famous poets and actors and a Victorian Melodrama followed by a synchronised swimming team – but that’s what we did! All held together with an MC of remarkable talent and a fine voice. A mix indeed of madness and, as it turned out, fabulous fun.



All the many people who took part in this event (on stage and behind the scenes) were committed, industrious and totally willing to put themselves on the line in order to help raise funds for our slightly needy village hall. I hope they all feel properly thanked and appreciated, as should our marvellously boisterous audiences! They (you) made it all worth the effort. The Fundraising and TVH committees were fully behind and part of this project, so that hopefully, we can ask for further support for all our future events with the certain knowledge that you’ll have a good time! Final reckoning still to happen but we think around £2,500 was raised. **Catherine Sayer**

Grand Promises Auction in St Mary’s Church @ 7.00pm: Saturday 20th May heralds our next event, a grand auction of promises. We cannot tell you how excited we are at the amazing promises on offer, the generosity of so many people will ensure the most wonderful evening. To whet your appetite here are a few samples from the catalogue:

- **One hour session with Miles Nottage, a world class jazz pianist**
- **A wine tasting for up to 15 people with a minimum of 8 wines**
- **Week at holiday cottage in Mudeford, Dorset**
- **Vintage car day out in Kenilworth**
- **A private chef for a dinner party for up to eight people**

In addition, there are a further 70 Promises to bid for, as you can see you really

don't want to miss out on this fabulous occasion. Tickets are already selling fast so please get yours as soon as possible. Entry is only £5 and this also includes a pork roll or vegetarian alternative and a bar will be available. Tickets available from rkavery@icloud.com.

- **Dates for your Diary:**
- **Open Gardens: 10th & 11th June**
- **Opera Dudes: 16th September, Early bird tickets available**
- **Quiz Evening on Saturday 25th November in the Village Hall**
- **The Annual Christmas Quiz, November/December**

We also have some great future events coming your way in 2024, so thank you one and all for your continued support.

Ann Payne

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Thornborough Fun Runs are back!!

You will no doubt remember that in a previous edition of Thornborough News we put out a plea for volunteers to take on the challenge of organising the annual village fun run. **We are pleased to share that the challenge has been accepted by us, a gaggle of village running mums** and the annual village fun runs will be returning later in the year.

At the moment we are working hard behind the scenes to get all the formalities in place for the event to run safely and smoothly but for now please save the date:

Sunday 10th September 2023

As ever with any village event we will be dependent on your help and support before, during and after the event. *If you feel you could help in any way then please do let one of us know if you see us or by dropping a line to:*

rkavery@me.com or Mary.j.davis6@gmail.com

More details coming soon and we look forward to seeing you on the start line!

Mary, Sarah, Clare, Faye and Rach

Thornborough Parish Council (TPC) Report

Since the previous edition of the newsletter, TPC has met twice. The draft minutes are published on the TPC noticeboard and website (see link below) about a week after a meeting has taken place and are then approved at the next meeting. The minutes provide the formal record of the business. The reports for the newsletter focus on the meeting topics that are likely to be of greatest interest or relevance to residents.

https://www.thornboroughparish.org.uk/Agendas_and_Minutes_36577.aspx

Potholes and road repairs – an important message from our ward councillor Buckinghamshire Council continues to prioritise roads and has approved the release of an extra £5million, in addition to an already approved £100million investment over the four years, to support the Highways teams intensify and extend road repairs and improvements. The council commits to carrying out emergency repairs classed as 'category 1' defects where the road is unsafe, within two hours of being reported. It is essential residents continue to **report any defects to FixMyStreet (buckscc.gov.uk)** to ensure alongside their regular inspection, officers are alerted of any issues as quickly as possible.

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And here's the Clerk's reinforcement of that important message



<https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk>

Could you fill the current TPC councillor vacancy?

To find out more please phone or email the Clerk – see below.

2023/4 TPC meeting timetable

- TPC Annual Meeting 17 May 2023
- TPC Meeting 21 June 2023
- TPC Meeting 19 July 2023
- August NO Meeting
- TPC Meeting 20 September 2023
- TPC Meeting 18 October 2023
- TPC Meeting 15 November 2023
- December No Meeting
- TPC Meeting 17 January 2024
- TPC Meeting 21 February 2024
- TPC Meeting 20 March 2024
- April No Meeting

All TPC meetings start promptly at 7pm in Thornborough Village Hall.

And finally don't miss elsewhere in this edition of Thornborough News...

Annual Parish Assembly 24 May 2023, 7pm,

Coronation Big Help Out Monday 8 May 2023, 10am – 12 noon

Thornborough Village Pond Project.

Alison Robinson

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Editor's Corner

New Contributors & Advertisers always welcome - please get in touch via tnewseditor2018@gmail.com. Please keep articles to a max of two A5 pages, otherwise I will likely have to edit without warning...!

Please send copy in word and Ads in jpeg formats wherever possible to tnewseditor2018@gmail.com. We try to include everything sent to us but sometimes there is simply not room – apologies in advance.

Thornborough Cricket Club Update



With the nights now starting to draw out and the clocks changing at the end of this month the club will be coming out of its winter slumbers ready for a new season ahead.

Now that the leagues AGM was held we have the release of the fixtures for all divisions and both the first team (competing in Division 1) and the A team (competing in Division 3).

The first team under the leadership of Ben Horton gets underway with a “local derby” home match against Wicken whilst the A team under Andy Checketts guile start the following week 6th May with a home match against Evenley “A”, we feel sure that both will be evenly contested.

We are trying to arrange the Memorial match which never got played v Gt Horwood last year for Sunday 30th April although that is yet to be confirmed.

The indoor nets which ran for 6 weeks from 21st February at the Latin school was well attended to get everybody back into the cricket mindset and blow the cobwebs off; once the clocks alter the outdoor net sessions will then start.

Our successful 100-1 club draw took place in February where Paul Chapman with ball 35 scooped the £100 prize, the last one held in the “old” draw year. Our next draw in April where 2 numbers will be drawn. If you would like to support the club in taking a number for £30 for the year we have a small number available which is drawn monthly for £100; see any club committee member for details.

We are pleased to announce also that one of the younger members of the club Sam Horton has stepped forward to take over the running of the Allstars cricket from the legendary Chris Cox who will still be around but cannot commit the time regularly this year.

The Allstars has become an integral part of the club and village over the past 4 years since Chris started it up; **the first session will be Friday June 2nd as a taster** with the coaching getting underway on **Friday 9th June for 8 weeks**, so if interested in your son/ daughter having fun and learning about cricket for ages 5 to 11 please view the Allstars website to register your child, we have a good number already.

The **annual pool competition has been pencilled in for Sunday 23d April at the Two Brewers** - look out for signs regarding this event.

We are always on the lookout for new players so if you fancy playing and dusting down your whites please contact any club member who will make you welcome.

Yours in sport. John Osborn (Secretary)

WI Report by Pam King, Secretary



Our January meeting saw more than half of our WI members enjoying a delicious afternoon tea in Stony Stratford, with the option of a walk around the historic town, which has been there since Anglo Saxon times, as a major crossing of the Great Ouse.

February saw us taken on a Grand Tour of Europe in the company of some notable ladies mainly from the 18th century. Jean Yates gave us the low down on their often-troubled lives, married off young by their families to older rich and titled gentlemen. They then became determined to make a more interesting life for themselves, with varying outcomes.

In March Maria Greenhill talked and showed us slides on garden design for interest throughout the year, plants for different styles of garden, the use of focal points to draw our eye, and many other useful tips.

Speakers for the forthcoming months at our meetings are:

5th April Writing your novel, what would your handbag say? Cali Bird, who used to be a career girl working as an investment banker decided to honour her creative side and started writing. Handbags were an important starting point for her creativity.

3rd May Resolutions Each year, the WI which as well as fun, is educational and campaigning, chooses “this year’s Resolution” from suggestions put forward by members. The resolution going forward is “Clean rivers for people and wildlife.” Members will learn more about the campaign and decide whether or not we wish to support the resolution.

7th June Jedidiah, a local charity Cynthia Tooley will talk about the Jedidiah pantry, in Buckingham, where out of date fresh food is collected from local supermarkets at the end of each day and then distributed to local people, to avoid food waste, and help our community be fed.

Thornborough and Thornton WI meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome. Most meetings are also broadcast via Zoom for WI members who cannot attend in person.

You can contact us via email at: thornboroughandthorntonwi@gmail.com or visit our website for further information about our Women’s Institute (WI): www.thornboroughandthorntonwi.org

Additionally for any other enquiries, including our local catering provision, you can phone Teresa on 07824 618579.

LOCAL EVENTS DIARY – KEEP THE DATES

EVENT	WHERE?	WHEN?
Community Café	Infant School	Weds 3rd April - 2-4pm
WI monthly meeting	Village Hall	Weds 5th Apr - 7.30pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 6th April - 5-8pm
Good Friday Reflections & Hot Cross Buns	St Mary's	Fri 7th April - 11.30am
St Mary's Church Porch Sale	St Mary's	Sat 8th April - 10am
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 20th April - 5-8pm
PACE - The Big Walk	Ridgeway	Sat 22nd April
TCC Annual Pool Competition	Two Brewers	Sun 23rd April
T'boro Cricket Club 1st 1st Team Home Game	Cricket Ground	Sat 29th April 2pm
T'boro Cricket Club Annual Memorial Game	Cricket Ground	Sun 30th April 2pm
Community Café	Infant School	Weds 3rd May - 2-4pm
WI monthly meeting	Village Hall	Weds 3rd May - 7.30pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 4th May - 5-8pm
<i>T'boro Cricket Club 1st A Team Home Game</i>	<i>Cricket Ground</i>	<i>Sat 6th May 2pm</i>
Shared Church Service	Chapel	Sun 7th May - 11am
King's Coronation Sports Day & Evening Party	Village Green	Sun 7th May - Noon till 10pm
"Coronation" Big Help Out Litter Pick & Tidy	Village Hall & Playground	Mon 8th May - 10-Noon
TPC Annual Meeting	Village Hall	Wed 17th May - 7pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 18th May - 5-8pm
T'boro Grand Promises Auction	St Mary's	Sat May 20th - 7pm
<i>Final copy date for next Thornborough News</i>		<i>Sun 21st May</i>
<i>Annual Parish Assembly</i>	<i>Village Hall</i>	<i>Wed 24th May - 7pm</i>
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 1st June - 5-8pm
T'boro Cricket Club Allstars Start	Cricket Ground	Fri June 2nd
Shared Church Service	St Mary's	Sun 4th Jun - 11am
Community Café	Infant School	Weds 7th June - 2-4pm
WI monthly meeting	Village Hall	Weds 7th June - 7.30pm
Thornborough Open Gardens	St Mary's	Sat 10th & Sun 11th June - 1-5pm
The Castaways	Village Hall Green	Sat 10th June - 1pm
Buckingham Ukulele Group	Village Hall Green	Sun 11th June - 1pm
Thornborough Fun Runs Day	Village Green	10th September
Operafest with the Opera Dudes	Village Hall	Sat 16th September
Tboro Fund Raisers Quiz Night	Village Hall	Sat 25th November

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