

Thanks Everyone!!



Thornborough News

July- September 2022

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

Organised jointly by TPC and TSSC

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. It was a fantastic day and there was such a lovely buzz around the village.

The **Memorial Brochure** has been produced and has been delivered to each household in the Parish. It will be a great reminder of such a lovely day. Many thanks in particular to Sue Percival for hand delivering so many of the brochures!



Thornborough Arts and Crafts group is back



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Thornborough Methodist Chapel

The Jubilee Celebrations have come and gone and weren't they a great success? The weather could not have been kinder to us and it was fantastic to see the village come together. Most of you also took up our invitation to purchase tea, coffee and cakes from us and we raised £160 for the chapel so thank you very much.

Lyrics and Lunch: The Chapel has held it's first 'Lyrics and Lunch', a time for carers to come with their loved ones with dementia, to share singing well-known popular songs and some kind of meal/snack and a short thought for the day. It went very well and more are planned. If you are interested, please contact Katy Morris on 07904 958033.

School Holidays. By the time you read this, schools should have broken up for the summer holidays. In the Bible, Proverbs 22:6 says: "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it". So, we obey God when we send our children to school to learn. But we also obey Him when the children (and teachers) follow His example and rest. In Genesis 2, we learn that after creating the world in 6 days, God rested on the seventh. That is the principle so, after all your hard work, obey God and enjoy a time of rest.

Drop-In: The weekly Drop-in is on Wednesday mornings between 10.30am – 12.30pm where anyone can also come and enjoy a time of rest as well as free refreshments.

Meet & Eat and Messy Church

These monthly events continue and for more information, please contact Katy Morris.

Chapel Meeting Room:

To hire this, please contact Louise Springall on 02180 816887

Here are our services for August (future months not yet available).

Sunday 7th August 11am -Preacher Steve Mann – a united service in chapel

Sunday 14th August 11am -Preacher Alan Peters

Sunday 21st August 11am - Preacher John Boxwell

Sunday 28th August 11am - Preacher Tim Edworthy

Please come along, you'll be most welcome.

Steve Tribe stands down from Thornborough Parish Council (TPC)

**THANK YOU, STEVE FROM TPC ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY
YOU HAVE SERVED WITH SUCH DEDICATION.**

The TPC Councillors and Clerk said a fond farewell and thanked Steve as he stepped down. Steve has chaired the Parish Council since May 2019 and will be much missed.

The tributes below are testament to his achievement during his term of office:

“Steve became chair a short time after joining the PC and made a very good job of it. He stepped in at a time of dissension and rancour in the village and worked hard to calm troubled waters. Steve has kept a high profile in the village which has enabled him to create a good working relationship with parishioners and to always be available.”

Cllr Mary Taylor

“Steve has been a very welcoming, supportive and inclusive chair. He’s quick to respond to any concerns in the village and has worked incredibly hard behind the scenes with the neighbourhood watch and flood action groups to name a few to make some positive changes. I appreciate how Steve has spoken up for Thornborough and influenced change amongst the community board groups and we have all benefitted from this.”

Cllr Carol Laurence

“TPC has achieved much to be proud of under Steve’s leadership. Without Steve, the considerable success in securing community board funding would not have been possible. The additional monies enabled a new floor to be fitted in the pavilion and the pond to be dredged ahead of schedule to help prevent a repeat of the flooding in December 2020. Furthermore the project, currently nearing completion, to replace the streetlight lanterns and install the heritage light by the pond could not have been undertaken without grant funding. And still to come is the funding approved for Transport for Bucks to install safer parking for the preschool parents and children. Steve has been a brilliant and exceptionally supportive colleague - I will personally miss him enormously.”

Alison Robinson, Parish Clerk

Thornborough Pre-school update by Donna White and the Thornborough Pre-School Team



Lots of fun has been had this summer term!

We celebrated Father's Day, inviting daddies, uncles and/or grandads in for 'Stay and Play'. Making them lovely hand printed BBQ cards and footprint keepsakes made out of clay.



The children enjoyed having them in to see their preschool and have time to play with them.

Our first Sports Day was loved by all, the children did extremely well in all of their races, cheering on their friends and waiting turns beautifully. Even encouraged their parents and teachers to race too!



We are looking forward to our 'End of Year Picnic' and our 'Leavers Ceremony' to say goodbye to those children leaving us for 'BIG' School.

Now time to prepare us ready for our next term and year ahead, starting with an Open Day on Thursday 21st July, 9am – 1pm. We invite new families and locals to come and take a look!

Reflection from the Rectory by Rev'd Jacqueline Dove

I was licensed as Rector in September 2020 when most social gatherings were on hold, so it has been wonderful in the past months to take part in a number of social and village events. There was a Wedding Blessing and a Wedding, both glorious occasions. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee provided a perfect opportunity to celebrate together. Though celebrating together beyond our immediate family always requires a lot of effort it is very important. Whenever I see people coming together and making the effort to connect, despite the inevitable differences which threaten to keep us apart, I get the feeling I'm getting a glimpse of 'the Kingdom of God'. You might think it's probably because I've had one too many Prosecco's, that I'm seeing through rose-tinted glasses, but I believe it's the Holy Spirit opening my eyes to see the hidden things of God.

One of my favourite things is doing collective worship with the Thornborough Infant School. This week I told a story about someone who lived in a beautiful place. One day everything changed and they needed to leave their country, and they couldn't take all their special things with them. We talked about the Nikolaienkos family from Ukraine who are staying in Thornborough. The children did a prayer activity for Ukraine which involved wrapping blue and yellow wool around a cardboard cut-out of a dove and we listened to the Kiev Chamber Choir sing 'In Thy Kingdom'. It felt like a 'Kingdom of God' moment.

I am very grateful to Miss Quirke and Mrs Willmot for supporting the visit of the Bishop of Oxford to Thornborough. Walking the prayer labyrinth with the children as they followed Bishop Steven with his 'shepherd's crook' also felt like a 'Kingdom of God' moment. The children's joy and delight were contagious. I always say to the children that their super power is being able to fill our hearts with joy. If you would like to experience some of this joy you can either attend or volunteer to help with Messy Church and Explore@4 which are run jointly by the church and chapel.

If attending church is not for you perhaps you could consider supporting the church in other ways such as attending the Music in Quiet Places concert on the 30th July, and the Porch Sales on the second Saturday of every month. The church also provides a cool refuge in this heat; drinking water is available as well as a table with activities for children. If you have any other ideas of how we can make use of our beautiful ancient village church please let me know.

Happy Holidays to all the children.

St Mary's Church – Services & Events



July	31 st	11am	Benefice service in <u>Nash</u> followed by Benefice lunch
August	7 th	11am	Joint service at St. Mary's
	14 th	4pm	Messy church at the Chapel
	21 st	9am	BCP Holy Communion
	28 th	4pm	Explore @4
September	4 th	11am	Joint service at the Chapel
	11 th	4pm	Messy church
	18 th	9am	BCP Holy Communion
	25 th	4pm	Explore @4
October	2 nd	11am	Harvest Festival – Joint service with the Chapel
	9 th	4pm	Messy church
	16 th	9am	BCP Holy Communion
	23 rd	4pm	Explore @4
	30 th	11am	Benefice service in <u>Whaddon</u> followed by Benefice lunch

News and Events

Porch Sales continue on the second Saturday of the month, 10 till 12. Refreshments and chat available.

On 30th July '**Music in Quiet Places**' takes place at St Mary's - see poster.

A special **Songs of Praise was held for the Jubilee** in the church. A very joyful occasion, with the congregation in fine voice, encouraged and supported by the Lenborough Singers. The church was beautifully decorated with floral arrangements and displays.

Thank you to all concerned.

Congratulations to –

- **Ellie and Nick**, whose wedding blessing was given in St Mary's
- **Tasha and Joe**, whose wedding was held in the church.
- **The Baptism of Reuben Parker**, who we welcomed into the church family.

Blessing of the Labyrinth by the Bishop



Thank you to all who attended, including the children of Thornborough School, their enthusiasm was infectious. Thank you too, to those who provided delicious cakes for the refreshments afterwards. Special thanks to Martin Capel who provided a beautiful floral display for the occasion.



*Music in
Quiet Places*

St Mary's Church

7.30 pm, Saturday

30th July

Chris Redgate – Oboe
Celia Redgate – Flute
Gillian Secret – Violin
Robert Secret – Viola
Julian Metzger – Cello

*Vivaldi Trio for flute, oboe and cello, Mozart
flute quartet in A major, Joseph Eybler String
Trio, Franz Krommer Quintet after the
Concertino Op.65 in C*

There will be a village walk from the Church at 6.30. Refreshments will be served with donations going to church funds. Tickets £10 available from Charlotte Moore, 07774 148058 charlotte@moorecorporation.com and on the door. Children are free.

St Mary's Church would greatly appreciate your support of this event.

WI Report May – July 2022

Cath Sayer



Party time throughout the nation for the Queen's platinum Jubilee was certainly - unforgettable! On TV, there was singing and dancing from dawn 'til dusk; post-Covid hordes cheering and celebrating for the love of freedom and indeed our dear Queen and enough lemon Swiss roll and amaretti trifle to sink the capital!

Similarly, the WI gathering at Gwynne Grayson's swish garden in Thornborough mirrored the spirit and mood of parties everywhere. Ours was a little less raucous perhaps – with home-made cakes on cake stands, tea from tea pots and iced Pimms on entry. There were lavish goody-bags for everyone at hometime, special guests, a fantastic raffle (raising £800 for the Ukraine cause) loud singing of our anthem and in every way possible – a brilliant get-together for over one hundred women (many in hats) from roundabout Thornborough and Thornton, all of which was presided over by our esteemed WI President - Teresa Connolly.

One of the special guests was Debbie Brock (no relation to Nora or Debbie), the High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire and one of the very few women who have held this position in one thousand years; quite a coup for her and for women generally.

We heard also from Joycelyn Cull – chair of the Bucks Federation of Women's Institutes who reminded everyone of the advantages of belonging to the W.I. namely: new friends / new ideas / interesting events / influences for possible change to government initiatives / lots of cake and chat.

We were also joined by Cynthia Tooley OBE representing her important local charity the Jedidiah pantry in Buckingham.

The weather at our event was poorish (30 degrees the day before) but we enjoyed lovely tunes from the Gracenotes Capella group and a warm vote of thanks to all concerned from Teresa. Many attendees have since given thanks to our team and all the guests have rightly praised Liz Julier and Gwynne for leading the WI team in this organisational marathon.

OK - there were no TV cameras or celebrity processions at our party, but it was indeed a fitting and most splendid occasion.



Cynthia Tooley, Teresa Connolly, Joycelyn Cull & Debbie Brock

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.

Speakers for the next few months at our WI meetings are:

3rd August Annual Garden meeting (contact us for details)

7th September Milton Keynes: a city in the trees, Andy Lane

5th October Animal Computer Interaction (a look behind the scenes of Medical Detection Dogs & other organisations), Clara Mancini

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

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Thornborough Parish Council (TPC) Report

Since the previous edition of Thornborough News, TPC has met twice on 8 June and 13 July. The minutes of the TPC meetings provide the formal record of the business. The minutes are published on the TPC noticeboard and website. This report focuses on topics that are likely to be of greatest relevance to residents.

New chair and vice-chair

Cllr Mary Taylor has replaced Steve Tribe as Chair of TPC with effect from 14 July and Cllr Carol Laurence is now the new Vice Chair. Both Councillors are committed to ensuring TPC remains a 'can do' parish council dedicated to serving its community.

TPC back to full strength albeit briefly...

Lynn Morgan was unanimously co-opted to the casual vacancy created when Emily Cooke stood down because of increased work pressures. For those of you who don't know Lynn, she moved to Thornborough in 2019. As a former deputy and acting headteacher Lynn joins TPC with the much needed experience and skills required of councillors in the increasingly complex and challenging world of local government. We are all excited to work with her. The Notice of Vacancy created by Steve Tribe standing down will be published shortly.

Draft Section 19 Flood Enquiry Report

The Section 19 Flood Enquiry was set up by Buckinghamshire Council in response to the flooding in December 2020. TPC wants to publicly acknowledge and thank the former resident who took the lead role in preparing the response to the draft report. Thanks too to the residents who were flooded and also contributed.

Future Meetings

Future meetings will now be held the third Wednesday in the month, rather than second Wednesday :

- Wednesday 21 September 2022
- Wednesday 19 October 2022
- Wednesday 16 November 2022
- Wednesday 18 January 2023
- Wednesday 15 February 2023
- Wednesday 15 March 2023.

Alison Robinson

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Thornborough & Thornton Gardening Society

By Gill Bonner

We Are Back!

A small committee met in the village hall recently & we agreed a plan to hold the show in September.

Please make a note of the date....

Saturday 10th September 2022

The classes have been much reduced - however there will be a class to suit everyone.

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Thornborough Infant School Update

by Miss Olivia Quirke

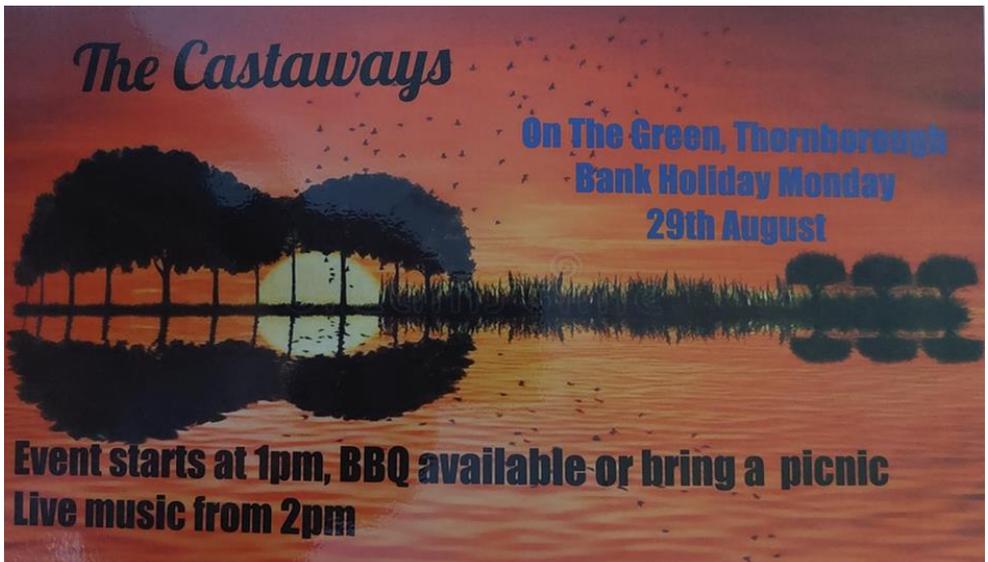


We have had a wonderful year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Volunteers and Staff for working tirelessly to support the children over the year and to our Parents and Community for supporting our events.

We return on Monday 5 September, welcoming 13 families into our Reception class and our new Class Teachers.

Look out for the return of the Community Café and a Harvest Farmers Market in October.

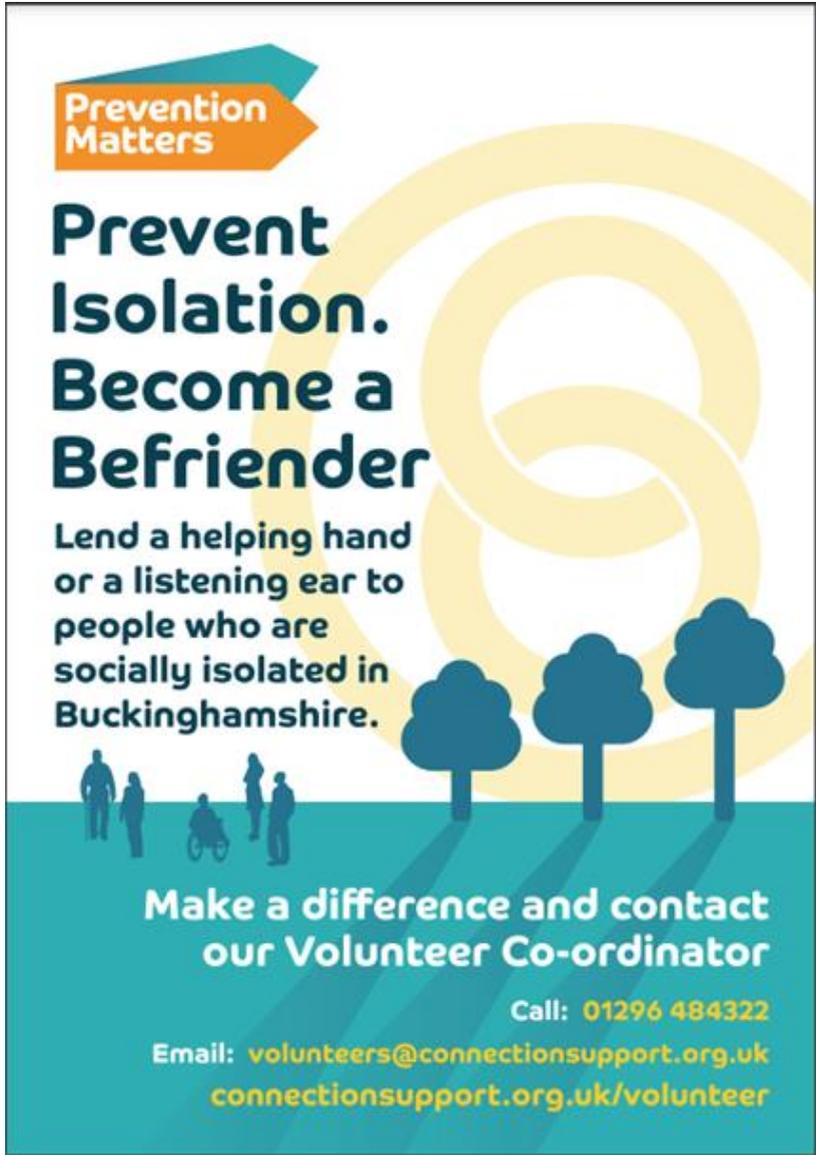
Have a lovely summer.



Thornborough Rocks Again – Starting again Tues 9th August

“Thornborough Rocks Again” will be starting up again from 7-9pm on Tuesday 9th August in the Village Hall. As before we will meet up on the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm. Everyone Welcome!!

Keith, Cole & Richard will be running it.....    



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Thornborough Cricket Club Update



Well would you believe it, we are over half-way through the league season now; the year to date seems to have flown past.

To date the weather gods have been kind to us with no game lost yet through rain, and we have been able to field sides for every fixture so far this season both firsts and the A team although it has been touch and go with last minute players to get registered, so a big well done to both captains and players making themselves available.

The results have been mixed with the firsts not winning their first match until the last Saturday in May but have won a further 2 matches since and there have been some close games where perhaps they should have won.

The A team got off to a flying start to the season winning 2 of their first 3 matches but have not won now since 14th May, not helped by an often changing line up. Despite some encouraging individual performances with Tank consistently amongst the runs and Steve Bell with his deceptive spin bowling actually topping the bowling honours board for Bucks recently taking 7 for 30 - almost Laker esk!!!

Thanks must go to predominantly Andy Checkett for continuing to produce good wickets - one opposition captain was heard to be said he would like to roll the wicket up and take it with him such was the condition of it. And also a welcome back to cricket teas and particularly the tea ladies for providing an excellent tea, the best in the league but then I am biased, but as such there have been a couple of overpayments due to the high standards!

As some of you are aware the Allstars and Dynamos Friday night cricket sessions, under the extremely hard work and supervision of Chris Cox, have started recently with help from the volunteer coaches, and some 80 children are down there understanding the basics of the game and having fun which is important at that age, and also the odd BBQ has been run to feed the parents and children through the evening.

An opportunity also arose in mid June for a number of the Allstars to attend a 20/20 game at Northampton and be flag bearers again, a good experience for the youngsters and adults alike.

Brian Goodger's recent excellent publication "Cricket as it Should be Played" contains some personal anecdotes of Thornborough CC predominantly from the 1960s through to present day, with proceeds going towards the youth cricket programme at Thornborough; thank you Brian

The monthly bonus ball draw continues to happen and since the last publication there have been 2 more winners out of the bag:

May Draw nos 42 Kathryn Geveaux

June Draw nos 38 Chris Howard

Well done to these 2 lucky winners.

If you are at a loose end on a Saturday afternoon there will be cricket match at the field till the last Saturday in August weather permitting, and at least one friendly in September. You will be welcome and there's also an opportunity to savour one of the cricket teas!!!!

Yours in sport.

John Osborn (Hon. Secretary)

Thornborough P WS

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Just about to start the groundworks!

Thornborough Paws – two-acre grass area, hard core parking,
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Thank you to everyone who has been in touch – I am posting updates via our Facebook page [Thornborough Paws](https://www.facebook.com/thornboroughpaws) so please like & follow to keep up to date with all the latest news.

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LOCAL EVENTS DIARY – KEEP THE DATES

EVENT	WHERE?	WHEN?
Music in Quiet Places	St Mary's	Sat 30th July - 7.30pm
Benefice Service & lunch	Nash	Sun 31st July - 11am & lunch
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 3rd Aug - 2-4pm
WI Annual Garden meeting	TBA	Wed 3rd Aug - 7.30pm
Woodlands Volunteers	The Old Depot, Coombs	Sat 6th Aug -9am
Shared Church Service	Chapel	Sun 7th Aug - 11am
Tboro Rocks Again	Village Hall	Tues 9th Aug - 7-9pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 10th Aug - 2-4pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 11th Aug - 5.30-7.30pm
Messy Church	Chapel	Sun 14th Aug - 4pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 17th Aug - 2-4pm
PACE - National 3 Peaks 3-day Challenge	Various	Fri 19th - Mon 22nd Aug
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 24th Aug - 2-4pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 25th Aug - 5.30-7.30pm
Explore @ 4	St Mary's	Sun 28th Aug - 4pm
The Castaways on the Green	Village Green	Mon 29th Aug - 2pm onwards
Woodlands Volunteers	The Old Depot, Coombs	Sat 3rd Sept -9am
WI monthly meeting	Village Hall	Wed 7th Sept - 7.30pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 8th Sept - 5.30-7.30pm
T'boro & Thornton Village Flower & Veg Show	Infant School	Sat 10th Sept
Messy Church	St Mary's	Sun 11th Sept - 4pm
Tboro Rocks Again	Village Hall	Tues 13th Sept - 7-9pm
Final copy date for next Thornborough News		Sun 18th Sept
TPC Meeting	Village Hall	Weds 21st Sept - 7pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 22nd Sept - 5.30-7.30pm
Explore @ 4	St Mary's	Sun 25th Sept - 4pm
Harvest Festival Service - Shared	St Mary's	Sun 2nd October - 11am

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