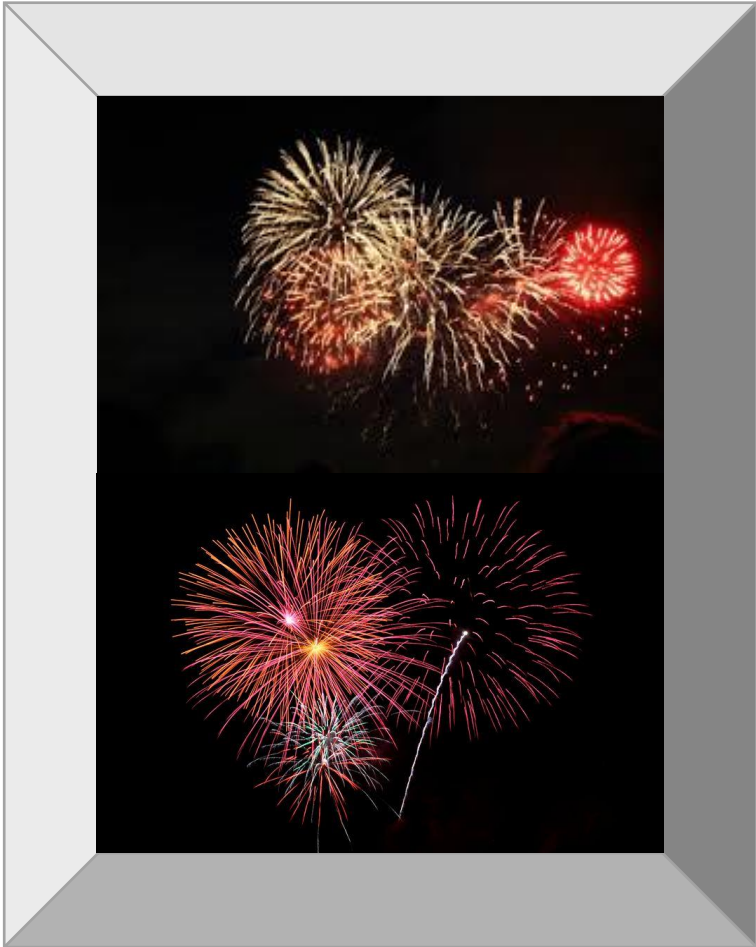


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## Thornborough Village Hall update

Firstly, a HUGE thanks to Sue Kenyon who after many years as the Village Hall 'go to person' for bookings, maintenance, cleaning and many other things has decided to step down. Sue will be sorely missed and we are very appreciative of all that she has done - **THANK YOU**. In the short-term Sue has kindly said she will continue taking bookings whilst we research an on-line booking system.

### Current Village Hall hire rates

Commercial & Non-residents	£15.00 per hour
Thornborough & Thornton Residents	£12.00 per hour

This does mean we have a **vacancy for a cleaner**, approx. 2 hours per week, timings can be flexible to suit the individual and good rates of pay. If you would like to know more, please get in touch – Liz 07788 872717

Things are progressing well on the Village Hall refurbishment front; quotes are being obtained, plans drawn up and we are looking at making our first grant applications shortly. Initially we will be focusing on the basics; damp proofing, energy efficient heating and lighting and window glazing. The damp proofing needs time to take effect before structural work can start, which means the next round of grant applications will focus on the toilets and kitchen in the new year.

The Fundraising Committee held their first event for the Village Hall – a **Quiz Night which raised £815**. Thanks to everyone involved and all those supporting this amazing village effort to raise money for the Village Hall. **THANK YOU**

Regular Village Hall users are now receiving email updates as works progress and things change. **If you are not receiving an update & would like to be added to the email distribution list, please let me know.**

As part of the on-going funding for the Village Hall we run a **59 Club** where for a £5 monthly payment you are entered into a prize drawer to win £150. It has been since a while since we updated on winners, and over June through October the winners were Jo Bonney, Derek Thomas, Kate Ward, Caroline Moore, Maggie Beach and Debbie Chapman. Congratulations to all our winners. It's a great way to help the Village Hall on a regular basis and of course your chance to win £150! **To sign up, contact our treasurer at [david@davidtelford.com](mailto:david@davidtelford.com) or 07709 354 621.**

And finally **notification of an EGM on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 6.45pm in the Village Hall** - all welcome.

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## Reflection from the Rectory by Rev'd Jacqueline Dove

I can't believe we're hurtling towards Christmas already. In the Blackthorn Chase Benefice there is a Christmas Fair at Beachampton Church on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November and one at Whaddon Village Hall on 26<sup>th</sup> November. Dates have also been set for four Carol Services across the benefice. The pre-school and infant school have booked the church for their nativity plays. It's obvious to see the value of having a Parish Church at Christmas time.

As a young child church took place in my parent's home and I was taught that church meant the people who gathered together and not a particular building. There is a lot of truth to this and when I pray for the different churches in the benefice, it is the faces of those who are beginning to feel like family who come to mind, rather than the four distinctive beautiful listed buildings.

However, since I last wrote a reflection, I have seen two of the Churches packed full with standing room only as people came to pay their respects to someone in their respective village who had died. We also had close to hundred people in Thornborough Church commemorating the Queen. There was the Remembrance Sunday Service and the Harvest Supper and Harvest Festival Service in the church. There was the baptism (christening) of a 9-month-old who gave a stunning smile as we clapped to welcome her as part of the church. Every week children from the Infant School visit for WOW (Wonder on Wednesday) as studies have shown that awe and wonder and experiencing 'magical moments' can help children thrive in the world around them. We also have Porch Sales on the second Saturday of each month, where I got to meet two new families who had recently moved into the village, and share a laugh with the regulars. What I don't know is how many people go to sit in the church to pray or swap a book or simply soak in the deep peace. Clearly, I'm biased but I wonder how many of you also think having an ancient beautiful church building within walking distance is really, rather special.

If this is you, perhaps you would be willing to consider joining the Parochial Church Council which is responsible for ensuring the church stays open and active - if so please speak to me. Another way you could show your appreciation is by supporting the '*keep your church alive, support the big five*' initiative. We hope to have the church full with all ages as we gather together to build faith, hope and love at least five times a year. Why not start by attending the Carol Service on 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Hope to see you there.

# St Mary's Church – Services & Events



November	20 <sup>th</sup>	9am	BCP Holy Communion
	27 <sup>th</sup>	4pm	Advent Sunday. Explore@4
		6pm	Advent Carol Service
December	4 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Church and Chapel
	11 <sup>th</sup>		No service
	18 <sup>th</sup>	9am	BCP Holy Communion
		6pm	Carol service
	24 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	Christingle Carol service
	10pm	Christmas Eve Communion at Nash	
2023			
January	1 <sup>st</sup>	11am	Church and Chapel
	8 <sup>th</sup>		No service
	15 <sup>th</sup>	9am	BCP Holy Communion
	22 <sup>nd</sup>		No service
	29 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Benefice service in Thornborough, followed by Benefice lunch and friends from Buckingham

## News and Events

Commemorative Service for our late Queen. It was good to see so many people attending. Thank you to those who produced beautiful arrangements in the church, and those who laid floral tributes, including the Parish Council, WI and Gardening Society.

Harvest Supper The church was warm and cosy, with a delicious buffet, all produced by Charlotte. Such a lovely atmosphere and enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who helped to make this event so successful. The monies raised (£464) have been donated to the Village Hall upgrade fund.

Harvest Festival Another wonderful display of tractors - thanks to those who provided them. Again, a beautifully decorated church, thank you to all those who produced the floral arrangements. Church and Chapel came together for this well attended service.

The baptism of Rose Richmond Watson took place on 6<sup>th</sup> November, who we welcome into the Church family.

# Thornborough Methodist Chapel



## Did you know: The Methodist Circuit

The Methodist Church is organised into circuits and Thornborough Chapel is part of a circuit that covers the towns of Buckingham (which includes Lace Hill, Wells St, Gawcott, Steeple Claydon & Thornborough), Bicester and Brackley. Worship in the local church may be led by the minister who has pastoral charge of the church, but will frequently be conducted by a local preacher, who is a trained lay person, i.e. not ordained. Most of the preachers who come to Thornborough are lay preachers and with a different preacher each week, we get a variety of styles and approaches to biblical preaching. See below for who is preaching in Thornborough in the coming weeks.

**Drop-In:** Held weekly on Wednesday mornings at 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 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 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 01280 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 but you may want to wait until the weather improves!

Here are our future services:

<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	11am -Preacher David Teckoe
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>	11am -Preacher Alan Peters
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	11am -United service at Chapel
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	11am -Preacher Tim Edworthy
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	11am -Preacher John Boxwell
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9.30am -provisional time - own service
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January</b>	11am -Preacher Steve Mann. U'td service at Chapel
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January</b>	11am -Preacher Andrew Shergold
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	11am -Own service
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	11am -Preacher Tim Edworthy
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	11am -Preacher Jenny Boxwell

**Please come along, you'll be most welcome.**

# Thornborough Paws

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## Opening for Christmas

*Thornborough Paws – two-acre dog walking field, hard core parking,  
fully fenced to 6' and available to hire.*

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fencing is starting soon!

Updates via **Thornborough Paws** on Facebook and  
[thornborough\\_paws](#) on Instagram.

Please like & follow to keep up to date with all the latest news.

Please join us for a

## A Memorial Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

*Remembering loved ones who have died*



On 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

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**1ST DECEMBER**

**15TH DECEMBER**

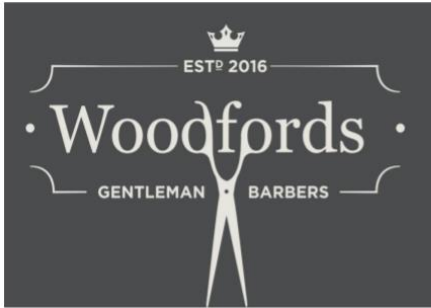


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# Padbury Christmas Nativities Weekend



**2 December - 6 pm**

Outdoor Carols accompanied by a live music ensemble at St Mary's when the children will bring the figures representing the Holy Family, to the Stable.

**To start the Weekend, join us for a lovely half an hour**

**3 December - 10 am - 4 pm**

**4 December - 1 pm - 4 pm**

There is so much going on this weekend, including a Christmas Market at the Village Hall, Tree Dressing, activities at the School, Garage Sale Trail, a Live Advent Calendar, Art at the Old Chapel, Live Music, Displays and Nativities and an 'Open all Hours' Coffee Shop at our lovely village church.

**Get in touch if you would like more details to help you to plan your weekend.**

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## WI Report October– December 2022

Teresa Connolly, President



Our October meeting introduced us to the world of Animal Computer Interaction (ACI) the research that underpins the work of charities such as the locally based Medical Detection Dogs. Clara Mancini (plus Zena and Cara her own two dogs) gave us an insight into this area of her research. An interesting, engaging, and enlightening talk for us.

November is always the time for our Annual General Meeting (AGM). This year we were joined by Linda Nicholls, one of the WI Advisers, who oversaw the election process for the President. Afterwards we had a highly entertaining Beetle drive organised by Pam King. A good time was had by all.

I placed flowers, on behalf of Thornborough and Thornton WI, at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday.

Do join us for some festive enjoyment in December. **Our local Capella group, Gracenotes, will be entertaining us on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm.** They joined us in June at our Jubilee cream tea event.

At the December meeting we also collect unwrapped toiletries for the Mums in the Milton Keynes Refuge. If you would like to donate any items, please bring them along on the night or leave them in the marked box in the church porch. This year the refuge has also requested supermarket gift cards (Morrisons, Sainsburys, Tesco's) which will enable some of their supported families to buy Christmas dinner.

MKACT (the charity who run the refuge) support 28 families in emergency accommodation along with specialist counselling services but it also provides follow up services and support to many more families across Milton Keynes. In addition, their crisis intervention service offers access to health, housing, and legal advice. Full details can be found at [www.mkact.com](http://www.mkact.com)

Thank you to all who came along to the recent Tingewick Patchers Quilt show. We had more than 250 visitors over the weekend and raised an amazing £2,500. This money will be distributed to Cancer Research UK, The Bone Cancer Research Trust and DEC Ukraine. Your support was much appreciated.

**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 meetings are:

**7<sup>th</sup> December - Festive entertainment by Gracenotes a Capella group**

We do not meet in January

**1<sup>st</sup> February - Ladies of the Grand Tour, Jean Yates.** Tales of intrepid wives, widows, and mistresses.

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.

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### **Situation vacant**

Are you good with accounts and looking for some work? **We have a vacancy for a treasurer (or a bookkeeper) and would love to hear from you.** It is not an onerous task, only requiring a few hours a month.

The annual accounts need to be prepared once a year. All of which is written up on a spreadsheet template provided with very good guidance instructions. Full training and support is available.

If interested, please contact:

Teresa **07824 618579** or email **Teresa\_connolly@icloud.com**

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



A fantastic busy Autumn start to this term!

We have been enjoying those Autumn walks, collecting items and looking at the natural changes in our surroundings.



All being very creative using these resources to create hedgehogs, autumn tree pictures and using conkers to roll through paint creating lovely colourful pictures.

Thank you to all who baked cakes and came along (despite the rain) to our 'Pumpkin Hunt' this Halloween weekend. We hope you enjoyed hunting for the pumpkin letters around the village, finding the 'Book Title' and finishing with a warm drink and cake! The staff had fun helping you all to get creative making Witch broomsticks and giving glitter tattoos.

If you would like to join us at our next village event, please see our 'Merry Market' flyer and our 'Christmas Tree' collection.

**We are looking for stall holders for our Merry Market , if you are interested, please contact Sophie at [chairpreschool@outlook.com](mailto:chairpreschool@outlook.com).**



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## Thornborough's Community cafe

Thornborough village hall

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2-4pm**



## Thornborough Sports & Social Club



After two years of no village bonfire and fireworks TSSC were delighted to put on a display for the village on 5th November this year. The village supported this event very well and a big crowd processed with the flaming torches from the Two Brewers to the new venue off High Street.

There was a brilliant display of fireworks and the bonfire consisted of recycled straw from old thatched roofs. The food and drinks were very popular - in fact sold out! The result of this was to add to the coffers of the club by several hundred pounds.

The funds raised by the club are used to fund other village events, **the next one being the under-5s party on 11th December.**

Regrettably we are not able to organise a pantomime trip for the 6-15 year olds this year, due to a lack of personnel on the committee. **We are desperate for new committee members, particularly parents of young children. Just join for one event in the year - we just need a small organising team for each event.**

**The next AGM and committee meeting is in the Two Brewers on Tuesday 10th January at 8pm.** Please show your support to avoid more event cancellations. **Even if you don't want to join the committee, perhaps you can help at a particular event?**

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## **- POPPY APPEAL -**

The Buckingham Royal British Legion team, who count the monies collected, advise that a fantastic

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was collected in the village for the 2022 appeal.

Thanks to all for giving so generously, and to the team of collectors: Marjorie, Sue, Richard, Henry and Andy Spur at the Two Brewers, for their help in covering the village.

Janet Glew

## Thornborough & Thornton Fundraisers

Following the meeting in the church to discuss the future of the Village Hall I am delighted that several people from the village offered to join the fundraisers. We felt that we could not manage to fundraise at the level needed unless we had new blood and so were delighted with the response. To start matters off on a good footing we held a social night on 26 October to get to know one another and gird our loins for the coming months! This is a fun committee to be involved with so please do let me know if you would like to join our small but merry band.

**On Saturday 12 November we held a very successful quiz evening in the Village Hall raising £815.** It was wonderful for us all to be together again at such a lovely social occasion. Our super quizmaster, Sue Percival, challenged us with some exacting questions but also managed to make it fun and entertaining as well. Not an easy task, **so thank you so much Sue. The food was delightful with the best ever cheese straws prepared by Cath Sayer, delicious homemade Paté as well as a spectacular display of cheeses.** Of course, there had to be a winner and this year the honour went to Team Thornton.

**The annual Christmas Quiz has arrived** from the printers and at the time of writing over 350 of the 500 copies have been sold. **If you haven't ordered yours yet, then please email [allan.fred.payne@sky.com](mailto:allan.fred.payne@sky.com)** to make sure you are not the only household in the village not to have one. All monies raised are going towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall and so it is even more vital this year that we sell out. We have held the price at an inflation busting £2, so please consider buying more than one copy to pop into Christmas cards or take into your workplace to sell.

We were very grateful to the Parochial Church Council for donating the profits from this year's Harvest Supper to our funds towards the Village Hall. It was a very generous gesture as I know they have to work very hard to raise funds to keep the church in good repair and it was much appreciated.

### Forthcoming Events

**On March 17 & 18 2023 we plan to hold a Springtime Spectacular in the Village Hall.** Plans are already afoot, and rehearsals will start in earnest in the New Year. I can already promise a Victorian Melodrama, Dance Routines, Music and Comedy. **If you have always had a longing to tread the boards or can help**

behind the scenes, please let Cath Sayer know on 01280 812053 or email her [cfsayer46@gmail.com](mailto:cfsayer46@gmail.com).

**Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> will see a Grand Promises Auction.** It is never too early to start receiving promises and nothing is too small or too big. Last time we had everything from a holiday home rental to babysitting. Please do let me know if you have a promise you can make.

**As you know all our current efforts are going towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall** and there are other people who are working tirelessly behind the scenes looking at grant applications, obtaining estimates and being proactive in ensuring we soon will have a hall to be proud of. **If you can help in any way either by joining the fundraising committee or offering expertise in other ways, please do let us know.**

Ann Payne

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**Christmas craft fair and tree extravaganza**

**SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER**  
**Beachampton Church 11:00 to 16:00**

**Come and browse the stalls hosted by local small businesses and wonder at the trees decorating the historic church.**

## Thornborough Parish Council (TPC) Report

TPC has met twice since the previous edition of Thornborough News. The first meeting was in late-September after the period of national mourning following the death of the late Queen. The October meeting was held as scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month. The minutes of meetings (published on the TPC noticeboard and website) 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.

### TPC back to full strength

Richard Dove was unanimously co-opted to the office of councillor at the September meeting. TPC has a full team of seven councillors again:

ClIr Mary Taylor (Chair)

ClIr Carol Laurence (Deputy Chair)

ClIr Richard Dove

ClIr Ray Goodger

ClIr Lynn Morgan

ClIr Charlotte Moore

ClIr Mark Woodstock

### The playground clean up

A BIG thank you to the residents who joined some of the councillors for the much needed playground clean up at the end of October.



The play equipment was pressure washed, the pesky weeds that insist on self-seeding in the surface were blasted out of existence and lots of leaves were removed from playground and surrounding area. **TPC hopes to arrange more volunteer events to help with maintenance of the playground and the sports field – so please watch this space and Thornborough eNews.**

Volunteer events are vital for all local council because they help contain the cost of maintaining the parish assets. Employing contractors is costly and understandably generally not eligible for grant funding. As a village we need to work together to curb expenditure particularly in the current cost of living crisis.

### **Trees on parish land**

TPC has now appointed a contractor to undertake the high priority work. The first of which is scheduled for 6 and 7 December at the sports field. Further work will be undertaken by the pond just before Christmas.

### **Buckingham and Villages Community Board (B&VCB)**

TPC was delighted to welcome Alice Williams, Manager of B&VCB, who recently visited the parish. Coincidentally, Alice's visit fell on the afternoon of the November Community Café. In addition to enjoying a superb piece of cake, Alice was able to experience an important vibrant community event. The visit was an opportunity for the TPC team to showcase the village, plus we were able to talk about B&VCB, TPC's current agenda and some of the challenges small rural local councils routinely face.

The community boards, which were set-up when the unitary authority came into being in 2020, operate under the banner 'Working together, local voices, local choices, local action'.

Last year TPC successfully bid for four B&VCB grants for the new pavilion floor, LED streetlight lanterns and dredging the pond. The fourth grant is the most significant in terms of funding and is yet to be delivered. This grant is for the Buckinghamshire Council highways provider to instal parking facilities on the verge outside of the pavilion for the preschool parents and children. TPC has been told the work won't be undertaken before April 2023 and unfortunately there is no guarantee it will be undertaken in the 2023/4 financial year. There is at least one exciting TPC project at the early-planning stage which may be eligible for funding from B&VCB in financial year 2023/4.

### **££££££££££s**

The annual budget and precept setting is now upon us. The TPC Finance Group met recently to discuss the initial draft budget-build. TPC will discuss the draft budget at its November meeting and provide advice to the Finance Group so that the budget can be finalised for approval. In addition to approving the 2023/4 budget TPC will also set the precept when it next meets in January.

Alison Robinson [clerk@thornboroughparish.org.uk](mailto:clerk@thornboroughparish.org.uk) 07756247186

## Thornborough Cricket Club Update by John Osborn



With the 2022 season confined now to the scorebooks for future generations a number of players / helpers, under the supervision of Andy Checkett, helped to prepare and put the square to bed in mid-September with applying loam and seed in preparation for the 2023 season. Another small work party helped clear out the shed, dismantle the sightscreens and a general tidy up later in September. **Many thanks to all who took part.**

Our thoughts now turned to the annual presentation evening on the 15<sup>th</sup> October at Buckingham Golf Club. However in an event on that morning, a number of golfers in Chris Coxs troupe turned up for a golfing morning at Silverstone Golf Club and played different competitions within the main event and the overall winner was Chris Howard so well done to the regular pilot!!

We had 57 guests at the presentation evening including **2 of our main sponsors which was good to see, being Bernard Garbe of Vitalograph and Dejon Terry from Palmers Butchers.** As a thanks to their support each was presented with a framed club shirt.

The meal for many was of a high standard and we had a new last minute DJ who stepped in to support the event so thanks go to all involved.

Once the speeches were completed by club chairman Derek Davis, first team captain Ben Horton and A team captain Andrew Checkett, the presenting of the awards got underway. The lucky, and in one case unlucky, recipients were:

- Clubman of the Year: Andrew Checkett
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team Player and 1<sup>st</sup> Team bowler of the year: Ian "Macca" McStraw
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team Batsman and Highest Individual Score of the season (116 not out) James "Monty" Montgomery
- A Team Player and A team Batsman of the year: Nathan "Tank" Avery
- A Team Bowler and Best bowling figures of the year (7 for 30): Steven Bell
- Most number of sixes (10): Cameron Davies
- Most Ducks (3): Euan "Eudog" Davies
- Most Catches (7): Nick Chapman
- Young Player of the Year: Oliver Cox
- Most Improved Player: James Crawford
- Presidents Award: John Osborn

Well done to all above!!

**The club's AGM is set for the Village Hall at 7pm on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November. If you want to see what is going on within the club and feel you would like to get involved, we are always looking for people to help and assist.**

# THORNBOROUGH OPEN GARDENS 2023

We have approximately **6 gardens that are planning to open next year**, but it would be **great to have more!** Big or small, mature or new. Perhaps the allotments might like to join in as well??

**All funds raised will be to support the Village Hall Fund.**

The likely date will be in **June** - to be decided by the gardeners in the new year.

**If anyone can help with promoting the event and secure some sponsorship it would be appreciated.**

Open Gardens has been going on around the country for years and can raise a lot of money; **please think about joining in; it's for a very good cause!**

**If you would like to join in please contact Gwynne on 01296 715550.**



## Thornborough Arts and Crafts group is back



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



**Drawing, painting, sewing, knitting,  
anything easily portable, whatever is preferred**



Tea, coffee and biscuits

## Editor's Corner

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## LOCAL EVENTS DIARY – KEEP THE DATES

EVENT	WHERE?	WHEN?
Beachampton Xmas Craft Fair	Beachampton Church	Sat 19th Nov - 11-4pm
Thanksgiving & Remembrance Memorial Service	St Mary's	Sun 20th Nov - 4pm
T'boro Village Hall EGM	Village Hall	Tues 22nd Nov - 6.45pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 23rd Nov - 2-4pm
Cricket Club AGM	Village Hall	Fri 25th Nov - 7pm
Explore @ 4	St Mary's	Sun 27th Nov - 4pm
Candlelit Advent Service	St Mary's	Sun 27th Nov - 6pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Wed 30th Nov - 2-4pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 1st Dec - 5.30-7.30pm
Padbury Xmas Nativity Weekend	Padbury	Fri 2nd - Sun 4th Dec
Woodlands Volunteers	The Old Depot, Coombs	Sat 3rd Dec - 9am
Infant School Annual Christmas "Merry Market"	Infant School	Sat 3rd Dec - Noon-3pm
Shared Church Service	Chapel	Sun 4th Dec - 11am
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 7th Dec - 2-4pm
Messy Church	Chapel	Sun 11th Dec - 4pm
"Chapel Drop-in" with Bring & Buy Sale	Chapel	Weds 14th Dec - 10.30-12.30pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 14th Dec - 2-4pm
Farm Slice Pizza	Outside Village Hall	Thurs 15th Dec - 5.30-7.30pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 21st Dec - 2-4pm
Christingle Carol Service	St Mary's	Sat 24th Dec - 5pm
Xmas Day Service	Chapel	Sun 25th Dec - 9.30am
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 28th Dec - 2-4pm
Shared Church Service	Chapel	Sun 1st Jan - 11am
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 4th Jan - 2-4pm
Woodlands Volunteers	The Old Depot, Coombs	Sat 7th Jan -9am
Messy Church	Chapel	Sun 8th Jan - 4pm
TSSC AGM etc	Two Brewers	Tues 10th Jan - 8pm
"Chapel Drop-in" with Bring & Buy Sale	Chapel	Weds 11th Jan - 10.30-12.30pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 11th Jan - 2-4pm
Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 18th Jan - 2-4pm
TPC Meeting	Village Hall	Wed 18th Jan - 7pm
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Post Office	Village Hall	Weds 25th Jan - 2-4pm
Benefice Service & lunch	St Mary's	Sun 29th Jan - 11am
T'boro "Springtime Spectacular"	T'boro	Fri 17th - Sat 18th March
T'boro Grand Promises Auction	Village Hall?	Sat May 13th

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