

Thornton Rust

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When I go . . .

I hope to continue producing the *Thornton Rust Bulletin* as long as I have life and breath, and as long as I have the support of the village for doing so. However, the time will come when I am no longer able to do this. What will happen then?

In the past I have tried to find another editor for the Bulletin, but with no success. The village has a continuing need for information. The way this can be given a future is for the continuing provision of Bulletin Notes (sent to those on email) and Bulletin Extras (taken also on paper to those not on email).

What is needed is for someone to hold a copy of all the email addresses within the village. Penny Noake has agreed to do this. Penny and I will both keep such addresses confidential, using BCC for copies of emails.

Please note that Penny will only be called into action when I am no longer acting. At that time you can send her items to be circulated through the village, but do not bother her before then.

Penny's email address is: penny_noake@yahoo.co.uk and her phone number is: 663 902.

I am very grateful to Penny for this public-spirited service to the community. Colin Day

Remembrance Day

A short service of Remembrance will be held at the Village Institute on Saturday 11th November at 10.45 a.m. Jackie Cook

North Yorkshire

Community Messaging

The police have set up a new system for informing the public of problems, scams, alerts etc. within the local area. If you are on email you can sign up to this system. I am appending here a message from Martin Metcalfe, a local police officer:

Are you aware of anyone else living in Richmondshire that may benefit from this service, such as neighbours, family or friends? If so, I would really appreciate it if you would pass the following details to them, so I can register them on the Community Messenger System.

E mail me at: martin.metcalfe@northyorkshire.police.uk with your:

Full name

Address with post code

Email Address

Mobile Phone Number

Landline Number (Ideally, but not necessary).

It is clear to me that the more people we have signed up in Richmondshire, the better this service will be, so please do your best to pass this on to others. They are also welcome to let me know of any issues in the local area so we can record them on our system with a view to taking some action.

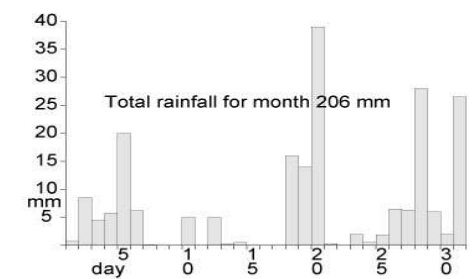
Thank you very much for your time. Martin Metcalfe

Inspector 583

Richmondshire Community Policing Team

[Some people have received this email with the name of Don Watson on it. Both versions are equally valid.]

Rainfall for October



October last year: 90 mm;

October 2021: 43 mm;

October 2020: 92 mm.

Refuse collection dates

Grey bin Mon. 6 Nov.

Green bin etc. Mon. 13 Nov.

(Last green bin collection)

Grey bin Mon. 20 Nov.

Box & bag Mon. 27 Nov.

Grey bin Mon. 4 Dec.

Mission Room

An Evensong service will be held in the Mission Room on Sunday 26th November at 4 p.m. All welcome.

Jackie Cook

When life gives you lemons . . .

I have been thinking about a lemon meringue sale day, half the proceeds to go to charity. So here goes!

On Sunday 19th November there will be a Lemon Meringue Pie Day! For Thornton Rust residents and friends I'd like to offer a Sunday dessert! Half the proceeds will go to the Prostate Cancer Research Charity.

My Lemon Meringue pies will come in a 6 inch tray, not too big, for £3. I will be around the Institute at 11 a.m. See you there! Jane Mudd

Two pages this time . . .

See also *Thornton Rust News* at <https://aysgarthanddistrict.co.uk/thornton-rust-news>

Please send news, comments etc. for the next *Bulletin*: Colin Day tel. 663034, email cj@colinday.co.uk

Power cut

Did you have a power cut when storm Babet came, around the 19th and 20th of August? We did, but we were at the centre of the problem and we did not realise that the rest of the village could be cut.

A pole in our garden carries the 11,000 volt supply for Thornton Lodge, which goes via another pole way up in the field behind us.

The storm brought down one line of this, which lay strewn across our trees and bushes, mercifully without incinerating any sheep. We had not realised that our supply was associated with that high voltage. Engineers came in the afternoon to make things safe, and our power was restored around 2 a.m.

The same men who had worked in rain and wind through the darkness came back to replace the cable. With the sheep removed to another field, they worked with several large vehicles and a cherry-picker. So later that day our power came back.

If you thought it was inconvenient preparing for bed by the light of a candle, spare a thought for the cows at East Scartop farm, where the milking machines did not function!

Colin Day

Artificial intelligence?

The AI program ChatGPT was requested to write a story after the fashion of Agatha Christie. After several pages of vivid and convincing text, the final conclusion was ‘The gardener did it’. The only problem was that until that point no gardener had been mentioned!