Have you Heard.....?

Thornton Curtis, Burnham and District Bi-Monthly Newsletter

Welcome to the winter edition of Have you Heard...?

Specifically for Thornton Curtis,
Burnham & District compiled with news
and events relevant to our community
and surrounding area.

If you have any news or events which you wish to have publicised, call:

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<u>Deadline for next newsletter:</u> March 15th 2013

It has been reported to the Parish Council that there is still a local dog fouling both the playing field and certain pathways within the village. This matter has now been passed onto the Dog Warden. Please report any dog who is seen fouling the walkways in and around our community as we want to keep our area clean and safe for all to enjoy.

Diary of Events – Winter 2013

St. Lawrence Church Services

9.15am (communion) - 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

Church Open Days - 1st Wed, 3rd Sat, 4th Sun (9-4 pm)

Village Night

1st Tuesday of the Month at Thornton Hunt Inn from 8.30pm A chance to meet your neighbours and members of the community.

Mar 5th Village Quiz Night

At Thornton Hunt Inn to start around 8.30pm. Teams of four, £1 per person.

Mar 11th Parish Council Meeting

At the Thornton Hunt Inn, start at 8pm

This newsletter has been sent electronically for the first time to residents on the village database. If you would like your next issue this way please contact the Thornton Hunt Inn.

The annual village meal held in the Thornton Hunt on village night in December was a fabulous event. Those who attended were served with a delicious meal and shared in a fun-filled evening with a slightly silly Christmas quiz and some excellent communal singing. Our thanks as always to Stephanie and Peter for making us so welcome not just at this event but at every village night, held on the first Tuesday of each month. If you haven't yet joined us then make 2013 the year to do it.

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Ted Curtis just before Christmas. Ted was a much loved member of the community and was always willing to lend a hand to anyone in need.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

We also have to report the death of a former member of the village, Steve Bright, who sadly passed away on Dec 29th. We are sure the community would like to join with us in sending our sincere condolences to Steve's family and his many friends.

The snow warden has new boots and has already been out and about in them, checking on the conditions. With more bad weather forecast, it is an ideal time to remind everyone to look after each other, especially the old and vulnerable within our community. The salt bins in the parish are there to be used on the footpaths outside the homes of the elderly and on road junctions and corners where ice and snow often build up. The deputy snow warden does an excellent job of spreading salt on Roly Pawson's corner.

Remember also to carry warm clothing and suitable footwear in your vehicle and check your tyres for condition and the correct pressure.

The local council gives priority to main routes so it is down to the local communities to ensure that things continue to run as smoothly as possible in the bad weather. Should you have any snow related issues then contact Ian Couch on 531226 and he will report them to the area snow warden on your behalf.

Thornton Curtis Neighbourhood Watch Group

Thornton Curtis Neighbourhood Watch Group needs a Co-ordinator to act as a formal link between the Village Group, North Lincolnshire Council, the local Police and other Safer Neighbourhood Partners. Without a Co-ordinator to provide this important link, communication is difficult and therefore the group may have to close.

If you feel that you would like to put your name forward for the Co-ordinator's role, please contact Chris Tooby, Clerk to the Parish Council on 01469 533971 or email: thornton.curtis@btinternet.com.

Petition - 450 Bus Service

For your information, the letter below was sent to our Parish Council.

Further to the petition panel meeting held on 19th December 2012 to discuss your request for changes to the 450 bus service, I write to inform you of the outcome.

The panel acknowledges your concerns, as supported by your ward members, and appreciates you bringing these matters to its attention.

The panel considered the main issue, which was the short turnaround time of 8-10 minutes on the Barrow service, which left very time to visit the Post Office and local shops in Barrow, in order to catch the bus back to Thornton Curtis.

In conclusion to the discussions, Councillors N Sherwood, Ali and Ogg proposed that a council minibus will provide a return trip from Barrow to Thornton Curtis on Mondays and Fridays. Passengers will be able to get to Barrow on the 450 (arrive 11.43) and depart on the minibus at 12.15 pm. The minibus has only 8-10 seats so it is suggested that take up from Thornton Curtis is monitored before extending it to Wootton.

This service starts 4th February 2013.

Please do not hesitate to contact Dave Hewitt, Public Transport Team Manager (01724 297444), if you require any further assistance with regards to the bus service, and Alex Dawson (01724 296433) if you require any further assistance on the petition service.

Please use this bus service or the council may cancel it!

St Lawrence Church

Unfortunately, WREN and LEEDER rejected our applications for the funding to put the toilet and kitchen in the Church. The process has taken a year and their decision was quite distressing. However, on a more positive note, we do still have £10,000 from the "Awards for All" and we have some other funding which can be made available should the Parochial Church Council agree.

The good news is that LEADER will accept a resubmission for the rest of the money for the project if we fulfil their two objections: 1-demonstrate that match funding is in place, this is done. 2-provide evidence of community support for the Toilet and Kitchen.

This is where we need your help, just a signature, no money is required, this is a free vote. Please see the attached "Signature Sheet" and return to Carole or Marian ASAP.

The Christmas services were enjoyable, especially the carols around the font, and the shared supper brought everyone together. The singings definitely improved by the time everyone had drunk their second glass of warmed mulled wine!

Calling all Budding Artists: Helen Whelpton will soon be looking for artists to exhibit at the now annual art exhibition to be held in the Church this summer. More details in the next newsletter or contact Helen direct on 532940.

Remember to provide some extra food for the garden birds in this very cold weather and it is especially important to provide them with some water.