

NOTES FROM THORNHAM

The local events calendar is getting back into gear with a full programme for September. The 12th will be an unusually eventful and varied day.

As it is the second weekend of this month, there is the sponsored bike ride in aid of local churches. This can be enjoyed throughout the county, and indeed the country, and could be combined with one or both of these other events held on the same day.

Stage 7 of the Tour of Britain cycle race is close by as it passes through Bury St Edmunds, Needham Market, Hadleigh and East Bergholt on its way from Fakenham to Ipswich.

This is also the weekend of the annual Heritage Open Days. Below are pictures of two contrasting buildings, both open for the event, and highly recommended. On the left is Freston Tower, built to impress Elizabeth I as she proceeded up the Orwell to Ipswich, and on the right the familiar curved glass Willis Faber building in Ipswich, which has at least two surprises: an indoor swimming pool and an outdoor roof garden, complete with lawns and hedges.



SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sunday 6th: 4pm, Thornham Magna church, The Revolutionary Drawing Room string quartet, see Music at Thornham website

Saturday 12th: Churches Bike Ride *AND* Tour of Britain crosses Suffolk *AND* Heritage Open Day

Sunday 13th: Thornham's First Fun Dog Show, Village Hall, 2.30pm

Thursday 17th: Thornham Magna Village Meeting, 7.30pm at the Village Hall, Clerk Tina Schwarz 01379 788207

Friday 18th: 7.30pm, Village Hall film, *Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, booking essential, £5 from Priscilla 01379 672903

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