

## NOTES FROM THORNHAM

Here are three pictures of the post box on Gislingham Road, opposite the Red House.

The first shows Bob Ward on a re-creation of the post bus run on 26th March 1992. The post box is covered in ivy, carefully manicured by Bob on his daily visits.

The second, from May 2009, shows the box and my bike surrounded by lush vegetation.

My third shows the box as I found it on the morning of Thursday 22nd March this year. Minutes later, the box was efficiently removed, leaving the stump as a sad reminder.

You would be forgiven for assuming that this picturesque and useful asset would be rapidly rebuilt and normal service resumed. Indeed this is what happened on a previous occasion, before my time in Thornham.

Now, however there is no question of the box being rebuilt and it is quite possible that Royal Mail plc won't see fit even to replace it with a slightly relocated box on a post.

If you used this box and feel strongly about its replacement please email [customer.service@royalmail.com](mailto:customer.service@royalmail.com) quoting reference 180326-003701.



**MAY EVENTS IN THE THORNHAMS** ● **Wednesday 9th:** Magna Village Meeting, 7.30, Parish Hall ● **Friday 11th:** Village Gathering, 7.30, Parish Hall, drinks and nibbles, free ● **Sunday 13th:** Blossom Day at Beyond the Wall, 12-3.30 ● **Friday 18th:** Parish Hall film, *Life on the Deben*, 7.30, £5, booking essential 01379 672903