

TENDRING DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY RECORDERS
2020 REPORT - THORRINGTON RECORDERS - RITA & KEN SHARPE
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FEBRUARY

Wettest February since records began. Warmest winter in decades.

MARCH

Coronavirus affecting our lives. No meetings, sports, socialising, self isolate.

Supermarkets under siege as people panic buy.

24 March Government introduced lockdown, no unnecessary journeys, only shopping for necessary goods, no contact with other people.

APRIL

No churches open for Easter services, followed our service on You Tube

13 April, lockdown to continue for another three weeks. Neighbours continue to clap at 8pm every Thursday as a thank you to NHS staff and other workers

The driest April for years

MAY

Friday 8 May VE Day, due to lockdown no local celebrations and no church bells

18 May, was able to play bowls for the first time by myself since lockdown. 22 May was able to play bowls with partner, much better

Hottest May on record

JUNE

Temperatures high, 25/26 June 33 degrees. Very dry month for this area. Lockdown relaxed a little, can visit family friends just one household at a time.

Places of worship can open for private prayer, ST MM opened for one hour 9-10 on Wednesday mornings

JULY

As from 5 July bars, pubs, hairdressers can reopen with restrictions

SEPTEMBER

Church services reopened early September with social distancing. Social Clubs and indoor sports restricted to 6 people

OCTOBER

More detached bungalows built along Station Road.

For the first time four members of the bowls club had a game on 1 October before the rains!

Glebe Farmhouse was razed to the ground, a new house to be built on site. The original Glebe Farmhouse was very small and had been a dame school during the late 1800's, new owners had extended it over the years into a beautiful house.

NOVEMBER

The estate being built in Station Road is to be named Firmin Gardens, after the original owner who had greenhouses there.

DECEMBER

Lockdown after Christmas Day until well into 2021