



Thank you for the excellent response to our PROFILER QUESTIONNAIRE. We have forwarded all the responses to Ravensburger's PR Company and look forward to publishing the results of the FREE PRIZE DRAWER winner.

## THE OFFICIAL UK PUZZLE CLUB

### Thomas Kinkade



Thomas Kinkade is America's most collected living artist. Coming from a modest background, Thom emphasizes simple pleasures and inspirational messages through his paintings. As a devout Christian, he also uses his gift as a vehicle to communicate and spread what he believes to be inherent life-affirming values. 2007 sees the launch of over eight new jigsaws from Gibsons, from his exceptional nostalgic art collection

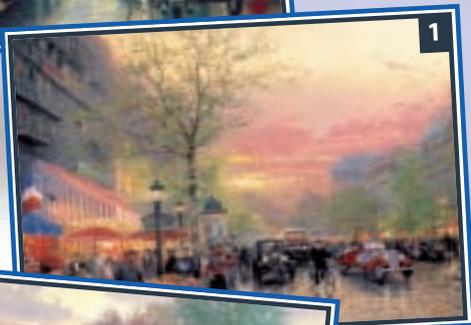
A devoted husband and doting father to their four daughters, Thomas Kinkade strives to lead a balanced life, committed to family values. Thom creatively fills his paintings with "love notes" by hiding the letter "N" in his paintings as tribute to his wife, Nanette. His daughters also find their own messages of love from their father as their names and images often appear in many of his paintings.

Thomas Kinkade credits the Lord for both the ability and the inspiration to create his paintings. His goal as an artist is to touch people of all faiths, to bring peace, and joy into their lives through the images he creates. The letters he receives every day testify to the fact that he is achieving this goal.

Thomas Kinkade has supported non-profit organizations focusing on children, humanitarian relief, and the arts, including the Make-A-Wish Foundation®, World Vision, Art for Children Charities, and the Salvation Army. Most recently in 2005, the Points of Light Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to engaging more people more effectively in volunteer service to help solve serious social problems, named Thom as Ambassador of Light.

Thomas Kinkade has received many awards for his works, including multiple National Association of Limited Edition Dealers (NALED) awards for Artist of the Year and Graphic Artist of the Year, and his art has been named Lithograph of the Year nine times. Most recently in 2005, he was named the Graphic Artist of the Year. He was also recognized for his philanthropic efforts by NALED with the Eugene Freedman Humanitarian Award. Thom has met with the Pope, U.S. Presidents, celebrities, and other well-known dignitaries to convey his hope-filled, life-affirming message. His life-affirming message continues to inspire people every day.

1) G868 Paris & San Francisco 2) G960 Lamplight Bridge & Mountain Chapel 3) G419 London 4) G415 Cobblestone Christmas



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# NEWS & VIEWS

## Best of the Bunch!

Two years ago, in the summer, I completed a beautiful puzzle whilst sitting in the garden, under the sun broolly. As is my usual practice, I passed the puzzle to a friend knowing she would enjoy it as much as I had. Imagine my dismay and disbelief when she told me that two pieces were missing. She had searched everywhere and I in turn raked the lawn but to no avail! The mystery could not be resolved.

This year when it came time to sort out the winter/summer clothes, I shook out a pair of shorts (with turn ups) and what fell out? Two pieces of cardboard jigsaw shapes that had been laundered at least five times. Mystery solved!

Moral of the story-Never wear turn ups whilst jiggling. Thank you for providing such a wealth of puzzles for me to indulge my favourite pastime (my husband calls it my waste time but who cares).

Angela Overton - Luton.

*I think this may be a first. You have earned your WASTE TIME free jigsaw. I'm sure your fellow members will enjoy reading this and will be able to furnish us with other 'missing piece' stories.*

I have just received my newsletter issue 20 with a piece in it about Mike Jupp which I found very interesting. It stated that Mike Jupp was born in Tonbridge, Kent in 1948. I then purchased a puzzle called the Millennium which stated that Mike was born in Erith, Kent in 1948. I am now very confused! Please could you tell me who is right about where he was born?

Mrs L J Kimber - Tunbridge Wells.

*Well, since Mike was kind enough to write this article himself, I'm sure he would know where in the world he was born, however, he did originally believe he was born in Erith, until he met his real mother, who confirmed his birthplace as Tonbridge.*

When I'm sorting out pieces to start a new puzzle I find that nine times out of ten that I have managed to leave an outside piece in the box and have to sort through all the pieces a second time. I usually begin with the outside edges first. I very much enjoy puzzling, especially any of Graham Thompson's and 'Wasgij's. I also like receiving the newsletters each month. I did not realise that there was so much to know about puzzles, or the puzzle club until I joined almost two years ago. I get many hours of pleasure doing puzzles and then they go to the charity shop. I hope the club goes from strength to strength in the future.

Mrs Jean Senior - Huddersfield.

*Most people start a puzzle this way, but we have had a few unusual ones. For instance the lady who starts by separating the colours and puts her puzzles together in colour mass. One of our members starts with the sky and works top to bottom. Another unusual and quite challenging method is to select a piece from the box and build the puzzle from that starting point. Whichever way you complete your puzzles, the end result is always the most rewarding part.*

I enjoy all sorts of puzzles, but have recently started buying a few double sided! I usually complete these on a glass table with a mirror underneath, so I can be sure that the pieces I'm fitting into the picture make sense top and bottom.

Mrs Smith - Chelmsford.

*Gosh, that's a feat in itself-Haven't tried one yet, but will have to have a go!*

I am 91 and really enjoying being a member of the club. I like puzzles with lots of colour as my eyesight is not as sharp as it used to be. My old puzzles go to our mobile library man who gives them to the homes for elderly people. Doing your word game have proved fun and taught me the meaning of lots of words that I had never come across. All the best to you all.

Mrs Hodgkinson - Antrim.

*That was a great contribution-1562 words and all hand written. Have a look at the 'Winning Ways' spot and many thanks for participating.*

## JIG'S CORNER QUESTIONS & INFORMATION & MORE

*I am very interested in the National Jigsaw Championships organised and run by Mike Jupp. Can anyone attend?*

The Competition is open to all. If you want to participate, the cost is £5.00 per head. You can be a team of one, but two people will probably stand a better chance. You need to register with Tom at Manor Nurseries, Pagham Road, Runcton, Chichester PO20 6LJ-Tel: 01243 788971 or email tom@manornursery.com. However, if you just wish to observe then just turn up...There is a morning and an afternoon session-Saturday 21st July...Our lady boss will be attending, so take your camera! You might be luckier than me at getting a picture of her.

**Can anyone help Mrs Hughes, who is looking for a 1500pc Waddington jigsaw 'The Departure of the Mail by H Hardy?**

### BAD NEWS DAY!

We're still waiting for 'Crown & Andrews' product (marked new in their catalogue) we now have an ETA of July (not end of May as previously stated). We will be sending refunds out in the next week, but will keep orders on the system and let you know when they arrive. If you're happy to wait just let me know-otherwise could get writers cramp.

### GOOD NEWS!

Just a bit late, but \*\*\*as a Newt & Drunk as a Skunk are being made as we speak and will be sent out second/third week of June.

*Calling all collectors of Wasgij-No. 14 is due in during July.*

Great to get my corner back, but I think you all thought I'd gone!!! Lots of surveys but very few letters for me. Keep me busy or I'll be out on my ear.

**Just a quick one. Want to thank the lady who asked for a brooch or pin of me. I know madam's looking into it so perhaps I'm here for a while!**

Keep on Puzzling - Jig



# WINNING WAYS

Wow! You've all been tremendously busy. Well done to everyone who found over 1000 words. Our winners are Miss G C Morgan from Carmel who sent her list of 2688 words and Mrs F Hodgkinson from Antrim who contributed 1562 words. Your framed/signed prints will be despatched mid June.

AND OUR WINNING WAYS COMPETITION FOR ISSUE 21!

**Southend-on-Sea Pier is the longest pleasure pier in the world is it: 1,080ft long, 7,080 ft long or 13,080 ft long?**

Thanks to Mr Ray Spiller who has contributed one of his 'Southend Pier' Limited edition jigsaws to the winner of our competition spot in issue 21. Answers by 21st June please.

# PREVIEWS

We like to support our members' projects, so we are delighted to preview a special limited edition 520 piece jigsaw featuring Southend Pier. Only 500 have been produced (£14.99 + £2.p.p) and each is accompanied by a numbered certificate. If you would like to purchase please contact Ray Spiller on 01702 203167 or email(rayspiller@aol.com). Ray will be producing more in this series so do check out his web site [www.jigsawpuzzlespecialedition.co.uk](http://www.jigsawpuzzlespecialedition.co.uk).

*Southend Pier*



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