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Public Consultation

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) has launched a public consultation regarding proposals for the governance of Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service to transfer from the Fire Authority which currently sits in Northamptonshire County Council, to the Police and Crime Commissioner, who would therefore become the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner.

They have said: "The government wants our emergency services to work much more collaboratively and has recently changed the law to allow this to happen. We already do this really well in Northamptonshire but there is scope for this to increase and for our fire and police services to work more closely together to keep our communities safe."

"We want to ensure as many people who live and work in Northamptonshire have their say."

Please go to <http://www.northantspcc.org.uk/northants-fire-proposals/> for details.

The survey closes on Tuesday 1st August 2017.

Thrapston's Nene Centre gets new children's climbing facility

The Nene Centre, which has seen operations recently move to leisure operators Freedom Leisure on behalf of East Northamptonshire Council, is to undergo the first phase of refurbishment works with the installation of a six-metre high children's climbing wall.



Freedom Leisure is kicking off a schedule of improvements across all three centres in the district, with £32k invested in this new indoor climbing facility.

Installation work will take around a week to complete, with staff training to commence immediately after. Opening of the wall for customer use is planned for the end of June/beginning of July.

The wall will be available for casual climbing sessions, group and party bookings and for school use, and will be the only climbing wall in East Northamptonshire. The facility is being installed by Hangfast Adventure

Engineering, who will also be training centre staff. Hangfast are experienced engineers who say they "have been creating adventure since 2001".

This climbing wall will be a top-rope climbing wall with eight top-rope lines and four auto belays. It can have 16 or more different climbing routes at any one time, with the option to reset the routes at regular intervals to keep the experience fresh and challenge climbers. It features: slab, vertical and overhanging surfaces to test all abilities, with classic top-rope anchors allowing the teaching of the fundamental climbing skills, belaying and rope techniques.

Chris Tye, Freedom Leisure Area Manager, says: "This wall is the first brand new facility being added

by Freedom Leisure since it commenced its contract on 1st April. Freedom Leisure is more than just a leisure centre operator; it prioritises engendering active communities and targeting groups who are currently less active. This wall will be a wonderful facility for local children, giving them the opportunity to try indoor climbing as a sport – who knows, we may even help to find and nurture the country's next generation of climbing stars."

Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, added: "We're very excited to see the improvements to our centres being rolled out and are confident that this climbing wall will be enjoyed by many children who have perhaps never tried this sport before."

To find out more about all facilities at The Nene Centre visit www.freedom-leisure.co.uk or call 01832 734090.

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Letters to the editor

If you would like to submit a letter to the editor please send it to news@nenevalleynews.co.uk for consideration. The maximum word count is 200 words.

Dear Editor,
I would imagine that most people from Rushden have heard of, or driven past Kingsmead Park at the far end of Bedford Road. It looks very picturesque from the main road but what's going on behind the facade?

It is described as a 'retirement estate for those 50 years of age and over'. I bought a home on the site twelve months ago after suffering two heart attacks, and I was looking for somewhere that offered peace and tranquillity in my retirement. I was obviously asking too much as for the last two months I have had to suffer the noise and dirt from

plant machinery as they bulldozed the property right next to my own without any prior warning. Then came the tarmac men, more noise and smell as they laid a small car park to hold only three cars. This car park is right outside my front door and lounge window. The rest of the plot was like a 'tip' and remains like that today.

Does anyone want to buy a lovely retirement home with spectacular views of a car park and tip?



Genealogy jottings

There you are, sitting happily at your desk/table/computer, going through your notes, when you stumble upon the trail of a really interesting load of facts for one of your ancestors. Suddenly, you realise that you can no longer see as the room has gone dark, the dog is tapping you on the knee, his food bowl in his mouth, and four hours have disappeared from your life that you will never see again.

Yes, family history can be fascinating, absorbing and downright addictive! But don't forget that you also have a life outside of dead people. Not only that, it can be bad for you, sitting at a desk for prolonged spells. Make sure that you get up and move around from time to time - every 20 minutes is good - or you could end up with aches and pains in places that you did not know existed! It is easy to fall into the trap of, "I'll just look at this one thing..." And then find that it is only the rumbling tummy that makes you realise that hours have passed! Having a break is also good for concentration. How many times have you been looking up one name, get caught up in another and,

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before you know where you are, you have drifted off into a different county and surname completely! Keep to the matter in hand.

On your travels through history, one side-track that you might really want to follow is finding out more about where your ancestors lived. It may well be a place of which you had never heard. With Google Maps available on the internet, it is much easier to get a feel for a place and its environs than it used to be. However, there is nothing like seeing the place in the flesh, so to speak. I know of some people who go for day trips to places that they have discovered, lunching in a pub that their ancestors used to frequent. I have done this - there is a pub in Essex that does a very nice lunch and where my great grandfather and his brothers used to share a pitcher of ale on their way home from the fields. Summer's coming...

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Editor's notes

The piece in this edition on the transfer of responsibility for the Fire Service from NCC to the Police and Crime Commissioner might at face value seem to be tinkering around the edges of a subject which has enjoyed stability and reasonable success for several years. If it's not broken why bother trying to fix it? However, there seems to be potential for improvement in two areas: first, there should be an improvement in the quality of services being delivered because of a closer working relationship; second, it should be possible to make financial savings. The latter might not be obvious, or desirable, in terms of reducing staff numbers but it should be possible to trim the property portfolio and the infrastructure as a consequence of this proposed change. You have until 1st August to find out more and make your views known.

Emergency services were called to the A605 near Elton again on 25th June at about 5.40pm after a collision involving a white Suzuki Vitara, a white Peugeot Partner and a black Peugeot 208. Sadly, the driver of the Peugeot van, a man in his 50s, suffered fatal injuries. Anyone who witnessed the collision, or saw any of the vehicles in the moments leading up to it, should contact the Road Policing Unit on 101, or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555111. This is the fourth death on this stretch of road in just

two months; two people were killed in a crash in early May, with a third death on the road just five days later. While this section of the A605 is just outside our District boundary, the proliferation of accidents will be a concern to residents who use the road. It will be for Cambridgeshire County Council and Cambridgeshire Police to take forward any recommendations arising from their investigations and the outcome of the inquest by HM Coroner.

The postponed opening of the Rushden Lakes development is due in July with M&S confirming its new store will be opening on the 28th of the month. LXB, the developer behind Rushden Lakes, has said that 92 per cent of the first phase of the scheme has now been let. Recent lettings for units at the former Skew Bridge site just off the A45 include Zizzi, Patisserie Valerie and Robert Goddard. And the Crown Estate, which owns Rushden Lakes, has confirmed another restaurant for the scheme. A spokesman said: "The Crown Estate can confirm that Wagamama will be coming to Rushden Lakes". Another two retailers' names have just been added to the list of stores - AJ Cycles and Cotswold Outdoor - who will be part of phase three of the scheme. AJ Cycles, an independent bicycle retailer, and Cotswold Outdoor, the outdoor leisure retailer, are to take 4,000 sq ft and 6,000 sq ft respectively within Phase 3.

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Spire Homes teams up with firefighters to help save lives

Spire Homes is helping to save lives by providing realistic training environments for firefighters in Northamptonshire, Rutland and Leicestershire.

The housing association, which manages over 5,000 homes across the area, has granted the use of two semi-detached properties on Brooke Road in Oakham to help local crews replicate emergency scenarios.

Andy Wright, Spire Homes' Housing Services Team Manager, explained: "These are homes that we're not going to be re-letting because they need too much money spending on them and we'd much rather divert that money into new affordable housing.

"This site has been earmarked to be redeveloped and so these houses are standing empty. We can't use them for anything else and so we wanted to give them a different purpose that would benefit the local community.

"We have a good relationship with our fire and rescue services and decided to make these homes available to local crews, so that they can practice their drills in a more realistic environment and ultimately, help keep communities safe.

"Hopefully, by enhancing the training of our firefighters, there will be benefits for residents across Rutland and beyond and we're very

proud to have played our part in that."

The crew from the nearby Oakham Fire and Rescue Station regularly use the site for training exercises, with firefighters from surrounding stations also making use of the facility.

Recently, they were joined by their counterparts from Melton Mowbray Fire and Rescue Station for an exercise, in which one of the three-bedroomed homes was filled with realistic, yet harmless smoke with crew members tasked with rescuing a dummy that had been hidden inside.

Nearby residents were made fully aware of the plans beforehand so as not to cause concern and the cosmetic smoke that was used for the drill was quickly dispersed following what was hailed by the crews as another invaluable exercise.

Oakham Watch Manager, Wayne Cotton, said: "We're very, very grateful to Spire Homes and Longhurst Group for making these vacant homes available to us.

"It's a fabulous training facility and it really is as realistic as our training can be. Everything that our crews face at a real fire, they also encounter when we hold exercises in these properties, so it really is as good as it gets.

"These kind of opportunities don't come along often, so when they do, we snap them up. I have to take my hat off to Spire and

Longhurst Group for making this happen; it's helping us to save lives."

Part of Longhurst Group, one of the largest housing associations in the Midlands, Spire Homes works closely with both LFERS and Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue services to promote fire safety across its operational area.

In conjunction with the neighbouring services, Spire recently produced and distributed hundreds of leaflets for its customers to ensure that they stay safe in their homes.

The housing provider is also currently exploring the possibility of donating furniture

which is no longer fit-for-purpose to make future training exercises at the Brooke Road properties even more true-to-life.



Methodist Church service

The Methodist Church on Market Street in Thrapston will be holding its final act of public worship on 9th July at 3pm. This service will be an opportunity to give thanks for the witness, worship and community service that has taken place in Thrapston over the last 132 years, with

Rev Steve Mann preaching. The word 'church' is best understood as local people who are said to be 'the body of Christ', his hands, voice and mind in their community. The church hopes that Methodism and its members will still continue to witness and work within the community joining Methodist

congregations worshipping at Raunds, Oundle and Irthlingborough. They also pray that the building will continue to be a witness for God in the community. All are invited to attend worship on Sunday July 9th at 3pm with a time of sharing tea, cake and memories after the service.

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Rushden Academy named Champion School by NCS and praised by Education Secretary, Justine Greening

Rushden Academy has been awarded Champion School status by the National Citizen Service (NCS), the UK's flagship youth programme for 16 and 17 year olds, alongside 345 schools across England. The status has been given to those institutions which, like Rushden Academy, have excelled in promoting the programme and recruiting young people to take part over the last academic year.

Mark Stenton, Rushden Academy's Principal, says: "At Rushden Academy, we recognise the markedly positive effect that participation in NCS programmes has

had on both our students and the school. We have seen a notable change in pupil wellbeing and engagement with academic work.

"For young people, NCS provides a host of practical and emotional benefits, among them a positive contribution to UCAS personal statements and wider social and personal development. Nationwide nearly three-quarters of those who have taken part in NCS feel more confident about getting a job, and 9 in 10 feel that it has helped them develop useful skills for the future. They also demonstrate high levels of confidence and

resilience, something that we have noted amongst our students who have graduated from the programme."

NCS is a two to four week programme for 16 & 17 year olds which takes place during school holidays. The programme involves teenagers meeting other local young people from a range of backgrounds, living independently, and developing new skills whilst learning more about their communities and how they can make a difference through social action projects. There are a number of ways in which schools can work with their local NCS provider to raise the profile of the

programme to students and parents, ranging from delivering an assembly to students to attending careers events, parents' evenings and delivering sessions to tutor groups. All are free of charge.

In order to assist schools in tracking and understanding their success in promoting and recruiting for NCS, the organisation has created a tool that enables schools to quickly and easily check uptake amongst their pupils. The tool can be used to view data for an individual school and those across the country, and is being supported by the Department for Education (DfE).



Oundle's "Party of the Year"

On Saturday 15th July there will be a fantastic and memorable evening of music and family entertainment under the stars at the Wharf in Oundle. This year, star billing goes to Absolute Bowie, supported by The Houndogs. Other support bands include ever-popular local band Disarray and talented youngsters 'Title Not Included', who will get the Party started at 5pm.

Absolute Bowie, Europe's finest David Bowie tribute

band, continues to celebrate the life and much-loved music of the Starman with a spectacular show. The five-piece has toured all over Europe, faithfully performing Bowie's music with theatricality to match the man himself. The Houndogs are one of the best rock 'n' roll bands in the UK. Formed nearly 15 years ago by the three Wilson brothers, the band has built up a wide reputation for its exhilarating live performances of rockabilly and rock 'n' roll

music, which include covers of hits by Elvis, Buddy Holly and The Stray Cats.

So, whether you just want to relax with friends, enjoy your own picnic, visit one of the food stalls, sample one of the many drinks on sale at the Nene Valley Brewery bar or let the kids enjoy some of the extra entertainments, the Wharf is the place to be. Gates open at 4pm and the show ends at around 10.45pm. For more information visit www.oundlefestival.org.uk



Lawnmower injuries

Is it just me, or are lawnmowers evil creatures designed to hurt you? First you have to start them, which seems to involve pulling a string. A string? In the age of iPhones and tablets? A string? When toilets are inside the house and baths are no longer made of tin? What is wrong with us that we still have lawnmowers that are started by bits of string?

And if the string doesn't break it appears to cause the lawnmower to cough. Or maybe splutter a little. The sort of noise that suggests it would prefer to snuggle up with the blunt garden shears in the shed rather than do any work.

If you ignore the hints to return the machine to the shed, several yanks on the piece of string will leave you panting, fuming and with a strained shoulder. Or if you've put your foot on the lawnmower to stabilise yourself while pulling the piece of string your back will be aching.

Then, if you're really lucky, the lawnmower starts. And off you go – backwards and forwards across the grass, occasionally over a stone that flips up and stings you in the face, hands slightly sore from gripping the handle as you push, head aching from the noise and neck grumbling because of

pushing such a weight – but nothing too serious.

And then the bag is full. Following the health and safety recommendations, and the memory of your mother yelling 'Turn that thing off!' you switch the mower off to empty the bag. 'Empty the bag' sounds like such a simple task, doesn't it. But no, this simple procedure actually involves wrestling with the lawnmower, breaking three fingernails, cutting one finger and getting a mouthful of grass. After which you have to carry the bag, which you do in anger, which means you don't pay attention to how you lift it, and you hurt your back again.

After emptying the bag you return to the mower, and, guess what, start the whole wretched procedure again.

Top Tip: I have no top tips on this subject. Feel free to send me some.

Have a great grassy week!

Claire

Claire Short is a Registered Osteopath, and runs The Ashgrove Clinic in Higham Ferrers. Send your questions to claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk or Tweet to @AshgroveClinic

Tercentenary of Freemasonry

This year marks the Tercentenary of Freemasonry or 300 years since the formation of the United Grand Lodge of England. Freemasonry encourages men of all ages over 21 years to join an organisation that has as its core aim charitable intentions.

Our 200,000 UK members come from all walks of life and meet as equals whatever their faith, ethnic group or position in society. For many, this spirit of fellowship is what is valued most, making new friends and helping others. Freemasons contribute over



£33million a year as one of the UK's largest charitable givers. Raising funds largely through voluntary donations, the Freemasons support individual members, local

communities and global emergencies.

Chicheley Lodge in Thrapston is hosting an 'Open Evening' on Monday 10th July 7pm-9pm at the Thrapston Bowls Club. This will provide the opportunity for men who would like to know more about Freemasonry, to learn how it could benefit them socially and how they could assist with charitable causes.

If you would like to know more and discuss any relevant issues with members of the Lodge you are invited to attend by visiting the Lodge website initially and booking in on www.thrapstonfreemasons.org.uk



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Notice of planning applications received

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Ashton

17/01130/VAR (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Variation of condition pursuant to application 14/00366/ FUL Condition 10 - plans - parking at The Estate Office The Green Ashton PE8 5LD

Brigstock

17/01042/LBC (22/07/2017) (LBRegs) (LB/CA) Alterations and improvements to ground floor to include creation of a new opening between front and back rooms, relocation of kitchen, creation of bedroom and shower room (previously pantry and kitchen), replacement of pantry windows, replacement of temporary timber wall between hallway and adjacent room, closing up of secondary staircase at ceiling level, stairs retained within cupboard. Alterations to first floor to include creation of new access corridor from landing through existing bedroom, closing up of old doorway between bedrooms, closing up of secondary staircase at floor level to facilitate safer access to existing shower room. Replacement of rear courtyard window and ancillary works at 1 Church Street Brigstock NN14 3EX

17/01059/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) First storey extension to the rear of the property on existing footprint. Minor change to the porch at 27 Stanion Rd Brigstock NN14 1DZ

17/01075/FUL (22/07/2017) (Info) (LB/CA) Single storey rear conservatory at 1 Braybrooks Brigstock NN14 3HX

Deenethorpe

17/01073/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Extensions and alterations to existing dwelling, including rear extension, side extension, one and a half storey cart-lodge outbuilding and extended parking area at 34 Deenethorpe NN17 3EP

17/01074/LBC (22/07/2017) (LBRegs) Remove partition wall and downstairs WC. Blocking forward doorway to the staircase from the hall. Partial opening of staircase partition wall. Block the side window to the kitchen area. Remove existing bathroom and partition wall. Install new bathroom within what is currently 2nd bedroom with upstairs WC. Block side access door to the boiler room, and create new door opening on the rear elevation of the boiler room. Remove oil fired central heating boiler and replace with sustainable multi-fuel boiler at 34 Deenethorpe NN17 3EP

Denford

17/01205/VAR (15/07/2017) (Info) Variation of condition 13 amended drawings for plot 1 pursuant to planning permission 16/00759/FUL at Hill House Chapel Lane Denford NN14 4EA

Easton-on-the-Hill

17/01178/FUL and 17/01179/LBC (22/07/2017)

(LB/CA)(LBRegs) Alterations, renovation and extensions to the main house (listed asset). Renovation, extension and conversion of 2 existing barns. Sub division of existing large plot into 3 smaller plots by means of park rail fencing and stone walls at 37 West St Easton On The Hill

Glaphthorn

17/01067/FUL and 17/01068/LBC (22/07/2017) (LB/CA)(LBRegs) Replace windows standardising on a single type of cottage window, 3 lights per casement created by 2 horizontal bars. They are in keeping with the traditional / original style of the cottage. Replace patio doors in rear extension from 4 doors to 3 doors making them more wheelchair accessible. Also changing the style to match that of the windows. i.e. 3 lights per door at Melton Cottage Main St Glaphthorn PE8 5BE

17/01086/REM (15/07/2017) (Info) Reserved matters: Access - New vehicular/pedestrian access from Southwick Rd, including visibility splays, footpath. Appearance - External appearance of each of the 4 houses including garages and surroundings. Landscaping - Boundary treatments, garden areas. Layout - Position of each dwelling, space between dwellings and movement of cars within site. Scale - Amount of development, size of buildings in relation to their surroundings pursuant to planning permission 16/01734/OUT dated 21.12.16 at land rear of 3 Main St Glaphthorn

Hargrave

17/01180/REM (15/07/2017) (Info) Reserved matters: Access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to planning permission 15/00472/OUT - Outline: Erection of a single detached residential dwelling (all matters reserved) at land between The Gables and Church Rd Hargrave

Harringworth

17/01032/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) First floor extension to rear of property at Welland House 7 Shotley Harringworth NN17 3AG

Higham Ferrers

17/01025/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) New 1.5m high wall to front of dwelling with timber sections at 44A North End Higham Ferrers NN10 8JB

17/01181/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Proposed offices and associated parking including demolition part remaining building at The Carriage House 13 Market Square Higham Ferrers NN10 8DJ

17/01242/VAR (15/07/2017) (Info) Variation of condition to allow single storey rear projections and alteration of siting within the plots pursuant to 15/01045/FUL - Demolition of commercial buildings and erection of two semi-detached residential houses at 24 Saffron Rd Higham Ferrers NN10 8ED

Irthlingborough

17/00969/OUT (22/07/2017) (Art8) Residential development with public open space and associated infrastructure. Means of access from Nicholas Rd with other matters (relating to appearance, landscaping, scale and layout) reserved at land rear of Nicholas Rd Irthlingborough

17/01102/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) To erect a replacement conservatory to the rear of the property at 49 Drayton Rd Irthlingborough NN9 5TA

17/01188/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of a single storey side and rear extension at 18 William Trigg Close Irthlingborough NN9 5LD

Nassington

17/00653/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Change of use from agricultural land to permanent residential boat moor, river access and domestic land use (retrospective) at OP0617 TL0796 Fotheringhay Rd Nassington

17/01118/VAR (15/07/2017) (Info) Variation of condition 3, Parking 6, Access and 7 Plans pursuant to planning permission 16/00966/FUL dated 15.7.16 - Single storey tourism lodge. Proposal to retain vehicle access post construction and addition of solar panels to roof. Allow access post-construction by vehicles, including emergency vehicles, along the existing trackway beyond the existing builders' yard at agricultural building rear of Lilypad Northfield Lane Nassington

Oundle

17/00848/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Convert garage to habitable room at 112 Creed Rd Oundle PE8

17/00987/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA)

Replacement of windows to the front elevation on first and second floors at 21 - 23 West St Oundle PE8 4EJ

17/01070/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) New detached two bedroom dwelling with off road parking and garden amenity at land between The Ship Inn and 90 South Rd Oundle

17/01079/LBC (22/07/2017) (LBRegs) Internal alterations to Admissions department of Oundle School. Ground floor of north wing of the Great Hall at The Great Hall New St Oundle PE8 4EA

17/01117/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Single storey extension to enlarge kitchen and to add a changing room adjacent to the dance studio at Fletton House Glaphthorn Rd Oundle PE8 4JA

17/01175/LBC (22/07/2017) (LBRegs) Internal alterations to increase two existing wall openings, install steelwork support and reinstate finishes at 32 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BE

17/01203/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Part single storey, part two storey extensions to rear of property at 58 Benefield Road Oundle PE8 4EZ

Raunds

17/01080/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of a two storey side extension at 20A Rotton Row Raunds NN9 6HU

Ringstead

17/01021/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of agricultural workers dwelling at Tithe Farm 5 Ham Lane Ringstead

Rushden

17/00350/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Single storey extension to the rear of property at 134 Hall Avenue Rushden

17/00985/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) To build a 6ft fenced area on driveway at 12 Regency Court Rushden

17/01018/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Change of use from public house (Class A4) to convenience store (Class A1), with associated works to facilitate parking and delivery area. New shopfront entrance and formation of rear plant compound at The Viking Public House Grangeway Rushden NN10 9JE

17/01089/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) To replace the existing cladding with new Gull Grey cladding and replace the existing guttering and roof trim with new Sapphire Blue guttering and roof trim at Plot 17 Sanders Lodge Industrial Estate Rushden NN10 6BQ

17/01107/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) Face illuminated signage at Unit 12 South Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden

17/01114/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) 2no. Illuminated Fascia Sign at Unit 16 South Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FS

17/01115/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) New main shopfront sign and rear high level sign at Unit 13 South Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FS

17/01133/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) Store front fascia incl projecting sign Boots lozenge to rear at Unit 5 Southwalk Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FH

17/01148/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Demolition of garage and erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 99 Spencer Road Rushden NN10 6AD

17/01193/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) 2no. illuminated fascia signs at Unit 2B South Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FS

17/01217/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) 2no. Fascia signage to front and rear of building. Sign to be internally illuminated 50mm acrylic 'FATFACE' letters to be fitted to a steel bar at Unit 1 Southwalk Rushden Lakes Rushden

17/01218/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) New Driveway including access at 105 Wellingborough Rd Rushden NN10

17/01218/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) New Driveway including access at 105 Wellingborough Rd Rushden NN10

Tansor

17/01055/FUL (22/07/2017) (Art8) Construction of a two storey detached dwelling house and garage at Lornel Main St Tansor PE8 5HS

Thorpe Achurch

17/01077/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Erection of single dwelling and carport at land opposite Thorpe Cottage Aldwinckle Rd Thorpe Waterville

Thrapston

17/01069/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of a single storey dwelling, parking and new access at 13 Highfield Rd Thrapston NN14 4NL

17/01116/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of a single storey modular building for storage use at Plot 3 Haldens Parkway Thrapston

17/01119/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Change of use from 2 vacant retail shops (A1) and an office (B1), to a mixed use coffee shop (A1/A3 use) at 71-75 High Street Thrapston

17/01120/LBC (22/07/2017) (LBRegs) Internal alterations to include new partition walls. Creation of food and beverage preparation and serving area. Installation of new disabled access ramp and changes to existing fenestration with associated works at 71-75 High Street Thrapston

17/01121/ADV (15/07/2017) (Info) 2no. external illuminated fascia 1no. externally illuminated projecting sign at 71-75 High St Thrapston

Wakerley

17/01146/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Erection of single storey rear extension (Resubmission of 17/00117/FUL) at 4 Wakerley Court Wakerley LE15 8NZ

Warmington

17/01142/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension at 12 School Lane Warmington PE8 6TA

Woodford

17/00984/FUL (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Construction of detached two storey dwelling and detached garage, construction of footpath to Club Lane and reconstruction of stone wall behind footpath. Renewal submission of 15/00988/VAR and 08/01228/FUL at 3A De Capel Close Woodford NN14 4HR

17/00994/FUL (15/07/2017) (Info) Proposed rear extension at 21 Paddock Rd Woodford NN14 4FL

17/01026/REM (22/07/2017) (LB/CA) Reserved matters: Landscaping, Scale, Siting, External Appearance, condition numbers 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 pursuant to planning application 15/01776/OUT dated 13.11.15 at 7 High St Woodford NN14 4HE

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

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Paul Bland, Head Of Planning Services
Dated 1 July 2017

Consultation deadlines will differ for each application. Please go to www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications for details.

From the Chairman

I've enjoyed a busy first month as Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council with a visit to Buckingham Palace for the Queen's Garden Party, a lovely community event at Brigstock, a mayor-making and a celebration of church bells.

The Queen's Garden Party was a real treat with lots of colourful outfits and excitement at the prospect of seeing Her Majesty. I was proud to represent the district at such a prestigious event.

Equally fun was the Brigstock WI Bake-off Day, a community event to celebrate the refurbishment of the WI hall. It was lovely to be part of such a warm community and I thoroughly enjoyed meeting residents in this beautiful village.

The installation of the new Mayor of Peterborough at Peterborough Cathedral was impressive to see, as are the bells at the Parochial Church of St Andrews in Cotterstock where I attended the re-dedication of the new Memorial Bell and a dedication of the Rita Bond Bell. The church was full to

celebrate this occasion with the Bishop of Peterborough, the Right Reverend Donald Allister and the Reverend Anne Hindle, vicar of Cotterstock, who provided a warm welcome and a fitting service.

My fundraising exploits continue with planning for events at The Swivel Club in Rushden and with the Dogs Trust. I've been sent some photos of East Northants doggies – see my twitter account @ENCChairman – and am looking forward to compiling an album of your best friends. Keep tweeting your photos and do let me know of any community events that you would like me to attend.

In my last column, I asked you to identify the location in my photo. It was of Denford Church, just outside Thrapston. Did you guess correctly? Denford is a charming village with a local pub and great community spirit. Did you know that in 1870, the village boasted a population of 429 people and 91 houses and Denford Lodge, the vicarage at that time, was valued at £230?



As part of my bid to promote the hidden gems of East Northamptonshire, can you guess where I am in this photo? Tweet me the answer @ENCChairman or email chairman@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk or write to Chairman, East Northants Council, Cedar Drive, Thrapston NN14 4LZ.

Clr Colin Wright
Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council

Explore the secret side of Stanwick Lakes

This summer, Stanwick Lakes is revealing its secret side with adventures along quiet paths, woven willow tunnels and to the hidden gems of this popular countryside attraction.

Rockingham Forest Trust, which manages Stanwick Lakes, is launching a new 'Secret Stanwick' pack to encourage visitors to have exciting new adventures on the site all year round. The pack has lots of ideas for how families can make the most of their visit to Stanwick Lakes and explore parts of the site they have never been to before. Have you played Pooh Sticks on Kingfisher Bridge, discovered creepy crawlies or made a brass rubbing of a bronze age skeleton? And the exploring does not stop once the summer holidays are over as there are activities for all seasons and all weathers!

You can buy the “Secret Stanwick” pack from the Visitor Centre reception for £1.50, but once you have

it, all the activities are free to do and can be done at Stanwick Lakes. As you complete each section of the pack, visit the staff and Rangers to collect a 'Secret Stanwick' stamp. If you manage to complete all of the 30 activities listed and collect all the stamps, you can claim a small prize from the Visitor Centre.

To get your adventure started, visit Stanwick Lakes on Saturday 15th July, between 11am and 4pm for the launch event for 'Secret Stanwick'. Special guests will help you to explore and take part in fun family activities such as den building, pond dipping and birdspotting.

This summer is jam-packed full of exciting events for all ages and interests. Throughout the school summer holidays, families can enjoy pond dipping and minibeast hunting with the Stanwick Lakes Rangers, and on Saturday 5th August join butterfly and dragonfly expert Doug Goddard to spot the nature

reserve's winged wonders. The popular Otters Holiday Club also returns for the summer. Are you a working parent looking for childcare, a fun holiday club, or would

you just like your child to be able to get out and be adventurous? If so, book your child's place today through the Stanwick Lakes website.

To find out about these, and all the other activities taking place at Stanwick Lakes, please ring 01933 625522, visit the Stanwick Lakes website www.stanwicklakes.org.uk or pop into the Visitor Centre to pick up the 2017/18 Events Programme.



Launch Day to showcase Laura Ashley Kitchen Collection

Peter Crisp Design Studio in Rushden has been appointed an exclusive retailer of the Laura Ashley Kitchen Collection. The newly launched collection, in partnership with the Symphony Group, features exquisitely designed ranges presenting the very best of British kitchen design.

On Saturday 15th July, the studio will be officially launching the collection with a live cooking demonstration by Peter Sidwell, judge from ITV's Britain's Best Bakery and owner of Simply Good

Food TV. Peter will be cooking from 11am-2pm.

There are many prizes to be won including a chance to win cookery school tickets for Simply Good Cookery School, a Kitchen Aid food blender, plus many more on the day.

The Laura Ashley Kitchen Collection features a mix of traditional and contemporary styles which have

been designed for 'the way you live today'. Kitchens within the collection will suit every type of home from urban apartment to country cottage. Each of six stunning ranges is available in a variety of hand-painted or oak finishes all designed in the Laura Ashley tradition and Peter Crisp Design Studio have Bedale and Harwood on show at their studio.

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Oundle International Festival celebrates the region's musical, horticultural and artistic talent

As many readers are aware, the Oundle International Festival brings performers of international repute to a local stage – this July's programme includes the Ronnie Scott's All Stars; the wonderful European Union Chamber Orchestra with finalist of the BBC's Young Musician of the Year 2016, horn soloist Ben Goldscheider; the award winning Ruisi Quartet and the Budapest Cafe Orchestra (featuring the violinist who plays the Poldark soundtrack) to name a few.

However, this Festival programme includes Oundle On Show on 8th & 9th July – a celebration of the wealth of performing and creative talent in

the area, many of whom participate in local groups for the love of playing, growing, singing, showing and making itself. Most events are free to attend, though donations will be welcomed.

Saturday morning starts with the popular Farmers' Market in the Market Place, the Nene Valley Artists 'Open Studios' in the beautiful Yarrow Gallery on Glapthorn Road and works by local artist Robert Hunter will be on view in The Dolby Gallery from 10am. Oundle Museum's display of 'Oundle in the 1940s', on Mill Road, is open from 11am and Oundle Horticultural Society's Summer Show can be visited in Laxton House Cloisters from

2.30pm.

In the afternoon, the excellent Oundle Cluster Primary Schools Orchestra will play music by the great composers in the Oundle School Chapel at 2pm; the popular Oundle Gilbert & Sullivan Players will perform a selection of their favourites in the Queen Victoria Hall, West St at 3.15pm and the afternoon will be rounded off by the very successful Corby based Deep Roots Tall Trees Choir singing songs written by Barb Jungr, George Reilly and others in St Peter's Church at 4.30pm.

On Sunday, many of the town's private gardens will be open to the public for Transition Oundle's Open Gardens – maps (£5) will

be available from Fletton House from 11am.

The music continues from 11am with two performances by the sonorous Northampton Male Voice Choir in the Oundle School Chapel, followed by the (all female!) choir Just Friends, who perform their Desert Island Discs in the Town Library at 1.30pm. Toes will be tapping in St Peter's Church at 2.45pm when the Corby Academy Senior Concert Band play a selection of big band tunes and the weekend draws to a close with the town's legendary orchestra – the Rusty Players of Oundle, who will perform Elgar's Serenade for Strings and other well-known pieces in the Oundle School Chapel at 4pm.

Oundle On Show is supported by Northamptonshire Community Foundation's First for Wellbeing Fund. The weekend is as much

about audience members enjoying the events on offer as it is about encouraging participation in something similar and enjoying the benefits that spring from it – so come with an open mind!

The Festival continues throughout the week, with daily Lunchtime Recitals (from Mon 10th–Fri 14th July) from some of the country's most gifted young musicians and evening performances. More informal outdoor entertainment includes a play at Barnwell Country Park, The Emperor's New Clothes, by the amazingly dynamic Illyria Family Theatre; Disney's 2017 blockbuster hit Beauty and The Beast* at the Outdoor Cinema down at Oundle Wharf and The Bach Walk – an evening of music, walking and sumptuous dining in the beautiful villages of Sudborough and Lowick.

The Festival closes

with the hugely popular Party at the Wharf which is headlined by Absolute Bowie – a fitting tribute to the Starman himself – and supported by Lincolnshire rockabilies The Houndogs with popular local band Disarray and the impressive young Stamford school and Oundle school lads, George Dann and Ben Smith who are Title Not Included. With great food, local brews from Nene Valley Brewery, children's entertainment in abundance and a friendly atmosphere, this is a party for everyone to enjoy.

*STOP PRESS!

Disney's glorious retelling of Beauty and The Beast replaces the previously advertised Back to the Future on Saturday 8th July at Oundle Wharf. Gates open at 8pm, the screening starts at 9.50pm. Join us for this fabulous film under the stars.

Manor School raises over £500 for victims of Manchester bombing



Students and staff from Manor School Sports College have raised £548 for the British Red Cross 'We Love Manchester' emergency fund.

The school was awash with red and blue shirts on Thursday 25th May as students and staff wore the two colours associated with the city's football clubs. Tutor groups discussed the horrific events that took place at the Manchester Arena on Monday 22nd May, with students deeply saddened by the tragic loss of children the same age as themselves.

The day's fundraising efforts join the £10 million that has been donated across the country since the bombing last month.

Principal Linda Brooks commented: "I am immensely proud of the Manor School community, who always think of others in times of adversity. In my letter of condolence to the Mayor of Manchester I was able to endorse the Manor School community's respect and support for all the families of those who had sadly died or were seriously injured in the atrocity."



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Live at Chichele College

The first of the season of live musical events at the Chichele College in Higham Ferrers was on Friday 16th June and was a huge success. The organisers invite you to enjoy what else is on offer.

Everyone was singing along to the hits of the 60s and 70s with Fynnius Fogg, four guys from Bedford who played Pop and Rock numbers. After a reunion party in 1991 they reformed with the original band members deciding to play for free to raise money for charities. When we booked Fynnius Fogg, we had heard that they were good but nothing prepared us for just how good they were! This bunch of guys who started out the early 70s were not only excellent musicians and singers but also full of life and fun. Their song list from the 60s and 70s was fabulous: the Rolling Stones, Procol Harum and Roy Orbison were in the building! The audience was engaged from the start, clapping,

waving, singing and a few even took to the tiny dancefloor. Feedback from everyone was very positive – we will definitely book them again!

We are now full of anticipation for Cold, Cold Heart who come to the college on Friday 7th July playing a mix of original songs and covers rooted in the American story song tradition and partnered with a little RnB, blues and alt-roots music. The night starts at 7.30pm, entry is free and there is a licensed bar.

For something more traditional why not come and enjoy the Raunds Temperance Band at our 'Brass on the Grass' event on Sunday 16th July? The band will be playing from 3-5pm. Entry is free so why not bring a picnic and enjoy

a relaxing afternoon listening to the brass band playing?

Award-winning musicians Richard Exall and Amy

Roberts complete the Live at the College season on Friday 1st September. Together they perform an exciting selection of instrumental features, ballads and swinging vocals that will have you singing, dancing and clapping along. Featuring the sounds

of Frank Sinatra, Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Louis Jordan and many more favourites

from the 1940s, 50s and 60s. Again, the night starts at 7.30pm, entry is free and there is a licensed bar.

For more information about events brought to you by Higham Ferrers Tourism, see the Facebook page or go to their website at www.highamferrerstourism.org.uk to find out more about the organisation.

Woofstock 2017

The 9th annual Woofstock festival is taking place at The Angel Inn Yarwell on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th July.

Woofstock was created in 2009 by pub owners Nick and Diane Lander as a fundraising event for The Greyhound Trust (formerly known as The Retired Greyhound Trust - registered charity 269668). This now highly established village event is once again taking its 'slot' of 'the last weekend of July' where at last year's event, over £2,700 was raised for the charity.

Approximately 10,000 greyhounds retire from racing in Britain every year

at an average age of just 3 years, so with an average lifespan of 12 years, the Greyhound Trust is dedicated to finding loving homes for greyhounds when their racing days are over.

Having given a forever home to five retirees so far, the Greyhound Trust is an obvious choice of charity for Nick and Diane. And to date the festival has raised over £17.1k for the charity.

Over the two days, local musicians and bands will be playing live in the pub's beer garden, accompanied by a

real ale and cider festival and barbecue. Once again, the fun atmosphere will be instigated and compered by DJ Jim Boulton, who is joined this year by his PCRFM colleagues Kristy Read and Garry Overend from The Random Radio Show.

Bands and musicians set to play include The Expletives, The Rocket Dogs, C.U.R.E, Demoniser, Gone to the Dogs, The Steradents, Y&N Britannia Brass, UKE'atotic, Half Price Drinks and Desperate Measures.

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East Northants Snooker League

The Windmill Weapons delivered an inspired performance to beat Coopers A in a 6-0 whitewash, despite being the away team. Coopers A's Martin Dalton appeared to be in good form, knocking in a quickfire 31 break against Ben Pacan. But Ben played well to win both frames.

Sean Britchford and Steve Neighbour had a close game with Sean prevailing again, winning both frames on the colours. Weapons' Captain Neil Darling beat Steve Biggs comfortably with the help of some lucky shots. This win was crucial for the Weapons, who have jumped from bottom place up to joint second.

Players certainly seemed to struggle with the playing conditions caused by the recent heatwave. From a snooker perspective we hope for cooler weather in the coming weeks. ENSL debutant Ricky Ellis helped the Windmill Underdogs to their first win of the season so far. Ricky knocked in breaks of 39 and 30 against Roger Hayes-Roome. Neal Vaughan and Frank Perkins both played well to win all of their frames. This 5-1 victory now puts them just one point off second spot.

Islip WMC played the Coopers Ball Bashers away. Despite a valiant effort from Lee Bunker who grabbed a point for Coopers, the result finished 5-1 in Islip's favour, giving them their first win of the season. It was a very low scoring match with no high breaks, but James Docherty and Warren Sanger won both of their games respectively and will see

their handicaps reduced next week to reflect that. The new handicap system appears to be working very well.

Windmill Warriors continued their winning streak, beating Windmill Mecca 4-2 in a very close match to remain undefeated. Mecca had also been undefeated up to this point. Michael Dicks and Wayne Gardner shared the first two frames, as did Richard Wright and Matt Barcock in the next. Tony Jupp then stepped up to play last against Darren Fenner. Darren failed to produce his usual standard and Tony Jupp was able to win both frames quite comfortably. This win now puts Warriors six points clear of the other teams. The standings are very tight now after some surprise results. Three teams sit in shared 2nd place, and there's only three points between second place and bottom place.

In the player statistics, sponsored by Gardiner Motors, Tony Jupp jumps from 21st to 4th thanks to his recent performances. And Frank Perkins also rises from 15th to 3rd following his 2-0 win this week. Wayne Gardner is sitting provisionally 1st in the rankings based on his impressive 80% win rate and the fact that Paul Lewis is no longer able to compete.

Results for Week 5:

Windmill Warriors 4-2 Windmill Mecca
Coopers A 0-6 Windmill Weapons
Windmill Underdogs 5-1 Coopers C
Coopers Ball Bashers 1-5 Islip WMC

East Northants Snooker League - Sponsored by Expense Reduction Analysts

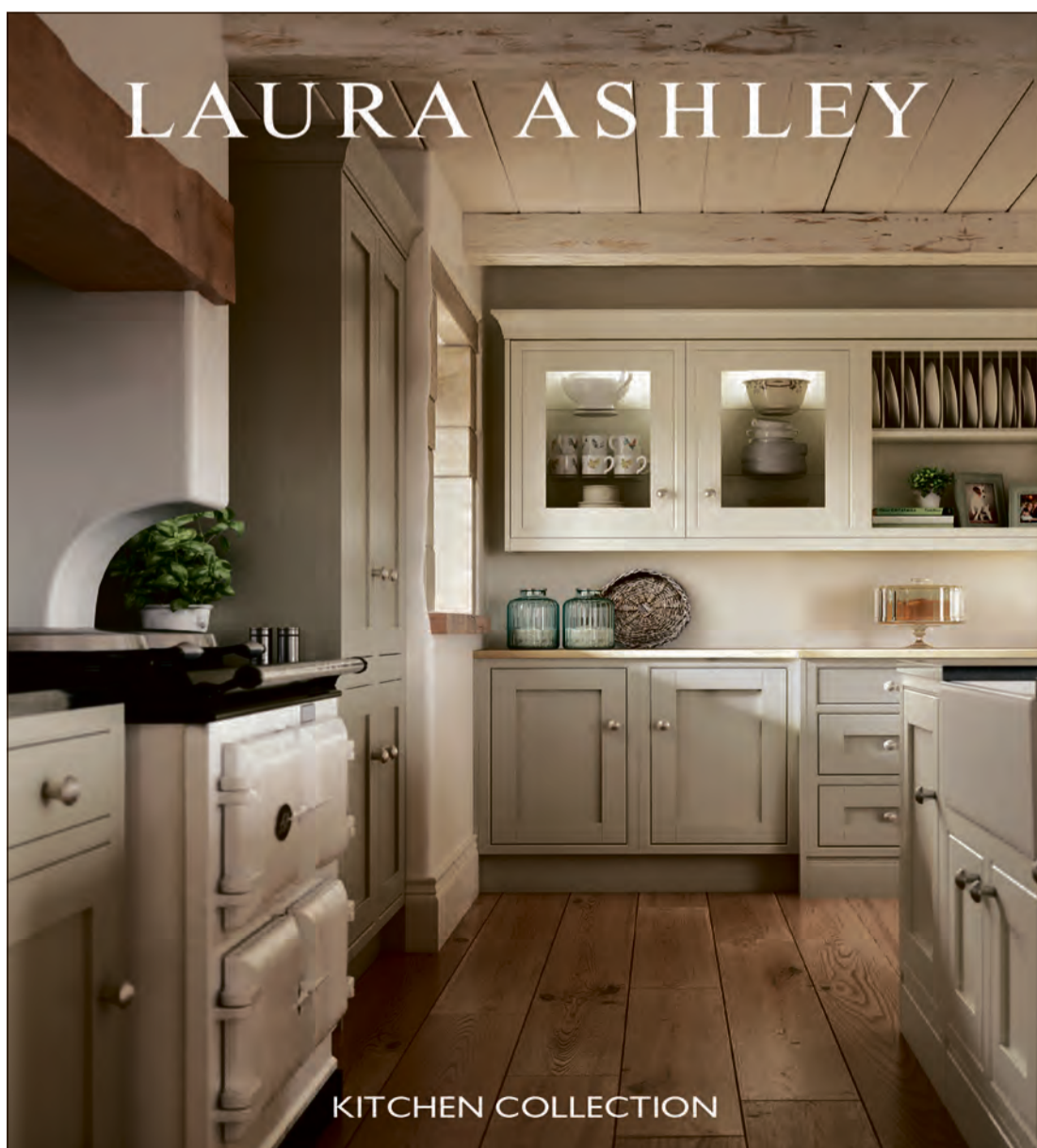
Position	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1	Windmill Warriors	5	5	0	0	21
2	Coopers C	5	2	1	2	15
3	Windmill Mecca	5	1	3	1	15
4	Windmill Weapons	5	2	1	2	15
5	Windmill Underdogs	5	1	2	2	14
6	Islip WMC	5	1	1	3	14
7	Coopers A	5	2	0	3	13
8	Coopers Ball Bashers	5	2	0	3	13

High Breaks 2016/17 - Sponsored by Mr Justin Gaggini

Position	Player Name	Team	High Breaks (30+)
1	Wayne Gardner	Windmill Mecca	53, 34, 30
2	Steve Biggs	Coopers A	40
3	Ricky Ellis	Windmill Underdogs	39, 30
4	Matt Barcock	Windmill Mecca	32
5	Martin Dalton	Coopers A	31
6	Michael Dicks	Windmill Warriors	30



If you are interested in joining the League, you can find us via Facebook – East Northants Snooker League. We would welcome more teams.



Launch Day

Live Cooking Demonstration with TV Chef
Peter Sidwell

Saturday 15th July 2017

10am - 2pm

Prize Draw to win Cookery Course with Peter Sidwell
worth over £200

**The Laura Ashley Kitchen Collection
is now available to view at:**

PeterCrisp
Design Studio

**Appointed Stockist for the
Laura Ashley Kitchen Collection**

Visit our showroom:
Monday to Saturday 9:00am to 4:30pm,
25-27 Church Street, Rushden, NN10 9YU
01933 356 424
www.petercrisp.co.uk

Tuesday 4th July

Arts & Crafts: Paint a Tropical Landscape in Easy Acrylics
Ringstead Village Social Club
12.30pm-4pm, £17 booking essential
01933 460676

Relive those balmy tropical sunsets by painting this dramatic palm fringed beach scene in easy acrylics.

Thursday 6th July

Arts & Crafts: Paint a Seaside Ted in Easy Acrylics
Ringstead Village Social Club
10am-3pm, £23 booking essential
01933 460676
Come and paint in acrylics this lovely Seaside Ted enjoying himself on the beach.

Higham Ferrers

Footpath Group
Saffron Road car park, Higham Ferrers for car sharing
6.30pm, admission free
01933 359237
3.5 mile evening walk from Riseley.

Friday 7th July

Arts & Crafts: Painted Greeting Cards
Ringstead Village Social Club
10am-4pm, £28 includes pack of cards
Booking essential 01933 460676
Come and paint your own greeting cards using easy acrylics a fun day with pleasing results.

Saturday 8th July

European Union Chamber Orchestra
Oundle School Chapel,
Milton Road, Oundle PE8 4AB
7.30pm, £15 Adult/£5 under 18s
Oundle Festival, 4 West Street,
Oundle, PE8 4ED
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
European professional musicians and solo horn Benjamin Goldscheider perform Mozart, Elgar, Haydn, Bartok, D Burrell.

Woodford Summer Fete & Flower Festival

Woodford NN14 4EX
2pm-4pm
07582 868424
Fun for all ages, live music, Bouncy Castle, craft stalls, plants, bric-a-brac, teas and cake.

Summer Show – Oundle Horticultural Society

Laxton Cloisters, Oundle
2.40pm-6pm, £1.50, children and patrons free
dewilkinson9@gmail.com
Exhibition of flowers, vegetables, fruit, decoratives, cookery handicraft art, photography, children's, refreshments available.

Barn Dance

Newton Bromswold
7pm, adults £10/children £5
June 07703476689
Includes food, and band Kelly's Eye.

Talk by Mathew Morris: Revealing Greyfriars

Bede House, Higham Ferrers
7.30pm, £3 members/£2 non-members/£1.50 students
Olwen Mayes 07904 014750
The archaeologist who uncovered Richard III's remains talks about the discovery of Leicester's Greyfriars Friary.

Baby and Kids Nearly New Sale

Glamis Hall, Goldsmith Rd,
Wellingborough NN8 3RU
10am-12noon, entrance £1, kids free

Lots of preloved items (Toys, Clothes, DVDs, Maternity clothes and equipment) at a fraction of the high street cost! Refreshments available. To book a stall £10 please call 07577 701161 or email karen_aves@hotmail.co.uk

Shabby Chic Painted Furniture Workshop

Ringstead Village Hall
9.30am-4.30pm,
£55 booking essential
01933 460676
Upcycle that item of brown furniture you inherited and take home a new chic piece of furniture.

Film: Back to the Future (PG)

Oundle Wharf, Station Road,
Oundle, PE8 4DE
9.50pm, gates open 8pm, film starts, advance £10/£17.50 U18, on gate £12.50/£9 U18, canopy site £10
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
When teenager Marty McFly is blasted to 1955 in DeLorean Mchine he finds himself mixed up in a time altering chain reaction that could vaporize his future. It is an univalled adventure that stands the test of time!

Sunday 9th July

Day Trip to Great Yarmouth
£16
Pickups: Kettering, Islip, Thrapston
To book call Peter Saddington on 01832 735170 or 07784737705.

Seed Swap Stall – part of Oundle Open Gardens

Oundle Library, Glapthorn Road
PE8 4AJ
11am-5pm, free admission
hilary.woyle@gamil.com
Bring along your spare seeds and swap them for something new or surprising!

Transition Oundle Open Gardens

Around the lovely town of Oundle
11am-5pm, maps and guide £5 from The Hub, Fletton House,
Glapthorn Road, PE8 4JA
Be inspired by the 'Beautiful and Edible' theme of The Transition Oundle Open Gardens.

Summer Show – Oundle Horticultural Society

Laxton Cloisters, Oundle
2pm-5pm, £1.50, children and patrons free
dewilkinson9@gmail.com
Exhibition of flowers, vegetables, fruit, decoratives, cookery handicraft art, photography, children's, refreshments available.

Monday 10th July

Lunchtime Recital – Robert Burton, saxophone and Stephen Ostler, piano
St Peter's Church, Church Street,
Oundle PE8 4EE
1pm, £6 (3 or more lunchtime recitals for £5 each)
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Winner of Oundle Young Musician of the Year 2016, Robert Burton performs music by 19th and 20th century composers including Rudy Wiedhoft, Paule Maurice and Paul Creston.

Oundle U3A Monthly Meeting

Queen Victoria Hall,
West Street, Oundle
Doors open 2pm, members £1, non-members £2
01832 275933
Photography for Big Cats with Barbara Meyer.

Tuesday 11th July

Lunchtime Recital, Guy Cutting, tenor and Hannah Ely, piano
St Peter's Church Oundle PE8 4EE
1pm, £6 (3 or more lunch time recitals for £5 each)
01832 274734, www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Talented young tenor Guy Cutting accompanied by Hannah Ely. Impressive programme celebrates English song first half of 20th century features G Butterworth, G Finzi, I Gurney, H Howells.

The Bach Walk – Luba Tunncliffe, viola and Oliver Wass, harp

Sudborough/Lowick, All Saints Church, Sudborough Road,
Sudborough NN14 3BX
5.45pm-10.30pm, £30 supper walk and concerts/ £20 walk and concerts / £15 only two concerts
01832 274734, www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Gentle stroll, two course meal and two concerts performed by outstanding young musicians Oliver Wass winner of Guildhall gold Medal and 1st Prize St Martin-in-the-Fields Chamber music Competition Winner Luba Tunncliffe. Music by Bach, Bax, Britten and Tchaikovsky.

Wednesday 12th July

Lunchtime Recital – Christian Lane, organ
Oundle School Chapel, Milton Road, Oundle PE8 4AB
1pm, £6 (3 or more lunch time recitals for £5 each)
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Winner of 2011 Canadian International Organ Competition will play music by Buxtehude, JS Bach, Mendelssohn, Ned Rorem, Percy Whitlock, James MacMillan, G Bovet and T Escaich.

Walk

Walk starts Fotheringhay at 6.30pm
Leader Dave Park 07855 828251
Grid ref 037/933 map Explorer 227
Distance 4 miles.

Giuseppe Verdi, Il Trovatore (encore screening)

Stahl Theatre, West Street,
Oundle PE8 4EJ
7pm, £15 adults/£5 U18
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Verdi's masterpiece. The production was recorded at Berlin's Staatsoper Unter den Linden features most celebrated opera singers Anna Netrebko, Plácido Domingo, Marina Prudenskaya, Gaston Rivera, directed by Daniel Barenboim.

Thursday 13th July

Lunchtime Recital – Francisco Vilar, piano
St Peter's Church, Church Street,
Oundle PE8 4EE
1pm, £6 (3 or more lunch time recitals for £5 each)
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Franciso has won many international prizes including Alexander Criabin Competition, Paris (2nd prize) and Fundao International Piano Competition Portugal (1st prize). Programme includes Schumann's Fantasie in C and Debussy's Préludes.

Illyria Children's Theatre – The Emperor's New Clothes

Barnwell Country Park,
Barnwell Road PE8 5PB
5pm, £35 family (2 adults + 2 children)/£15 adult / £5 U18
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Illyria's cheekiest show ever! 2000 Edinburgh's Fringe festival. Family friendly open-air theatre. Bring your picnic and low backed chairs or rugs, no seating provided. Food and drink available from Kingfisher Café.

Friday 14th July

Lunchtime Recital – Minerva Piano Trio
St Peter's Church, Church Street,
Oundle PE8 4EE
1pm, £6 (3 or more lunch time recitals for £5 each)
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Selected by St John's Smith Square as Young Artists 2016/17. The trio create beautiful, energetic and technically immaculate music. Programme includes Mozart, Ravel, D Knotts and C Frances-Hoad.

Village Evening

Stanwick Primary School
From 6pm, free admission
Fun for all the family – and help raise funds for new school facilities.

Ruisi Quartet: Haydn's Legacy

Stahl Theatre, West Street,
Oundle PE8 4EJ
7.30pm, £15 adults/£5 U18
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Winners of Royal Philharmonic Society award for Young British String Players 2015 perform pieces by Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert – rare opportunity to hear Hayden's musical influence running through these masterpieces.

Saturday 15th July

Party at the Wharf starring Absolute Bowie and The Houndogs
Oundle Wharf, Station Road,
Oundle PE8 4DE
Canopy setup 2pm, gates open 4pm, fun begins 5pm, £20 adults/£10 U18/U12 free on the gate £25 adults/£15 U18/free U12
01832 274734,
www.oundlefestival.org.uk,
information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Oundle's 'party of the year' headliners Absolute Bowie (Europe's Finest David Bowie Act. Joining them will be The Houndogs, three-piece Rockabilly and R'n'R band playing the likes of Elvis, Buddy Holly, The Stray Cats and local band the Disarray.

Sunday 16th July

T S Eliot Festival
Ferrar House, Little Gidding
PE28 5RJ
11am-6pm, £40 including morning coffee, 2 course buffet lunch, afternoon tea
www.eliotssociety.org.uk
An informal day of talks in a tranquil setting, with special guest Ali Smith.

Higham Ferrers Footpath Group

Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing
9.30am, free
01933 314831
6 mile walk from Ringstead.

By Appointment

Counselling & Listening Service
No 1 St Osyth's Lane,
Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG
These services are free
Marilyn 07936015965



Housing, benefits and employment advice
No 1 St Osyth's Lane,
Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG
01832 770010/
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk

Half-Term

All-age Touch Typing Club
Mon-Fri, 9.30am-10.30am
Diane Gifford 07432 123 438
Learn or Refresh your skill £15 course intro with coffee.

Every Monday

Baggy pants Yoga Class
Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden
8.30am-9.30am, £5 per class perfect for all ages/abilities
07873743256/
carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com

Islip Ladies Choir

Thrapston Church Hall
2pm-3.30pm
Barbara 01536 394431

Yoga Classes

Denford Village Hall
9am-10am, £4 per session
Anita Hackney 01832 733274

Titchmarsh Folk Dance Club

The Club Room, High Street,
Titchmarsh NN14 3DF
8pm-10pm, £1 inc tea/coffee
Kev Prigmore 01536 514023/
titchmarshfdc@gmail.com

Oundle Ladies Running Group

Oundle pool car park
6.45pm
Jane Walker 01832 272898/
janewalkercakes@icloud.com

Baggy pants Yoga

Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden
10am-11am, £5 per session
01933 382837/07873 743256/
carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com

Spanish Tuition

The Old Town Hall,
Market Place, Oundle
9am-8pm, £25 per class
01832 776336/
info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

Every Monday (term time)

Praise and Play
St James' Church Thrapston
1.30pm-2.45pm,
refreshments available
Anita 735443

Aqua Aerobic Classes

Oundle School Swimming Pool,
Milton Road, Oundle
8.45-9.30am, £25 for 5 sessions
01832 277208/277195

Every Monday, Friday & Saturday (term time)

Otters Swim School Lessons
Oundle School Swimming Pool,
Milton Road, Oundle
Mon 3.55pm-6.10pm,

Fri 3.55pm-6.10pm, Sat 8.30am-12noon, booked in advance as a block (£5.50 per lesson)
01832 277208/277195

1st Monday of the month

Oundle Wives
Methodist Church, Oundle
7.45pm, £3 refreshments/raffle
01832 272178

Oundle & District Royal British Legion Meeting

The Talbot Hotel, Oundle
7pm
Les Starks 01832 270073

Finedon Irthingborough & District Branch Royal British Legion Branch Meeting

Finedon Bowls Club
7.30pm
Peter Eames 07434328237

Every 2nd Monday (except January & August)

Thrapston & District Royal British Legion Branch Meeting
The Thrapston Centre,
High Street, Thrapston
7.30pm
Veronica McCurdy 01832 735206

2nd Monday of the month

Royal British Legion Rushden Branch Monthly Meeting
Rushden Football & Social Club,
Hayden Road, Rushden
7.15pm, annual fee £17
Jake Baker 07525 441267

2nd & 4th Mondays of the month

StitChat
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle
1.30pm-3.30pm
01832 770010/
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk

Monday once a month

Woodturning Club
Hardwick Village, Near
Wellingborough NN9 5AL
7pm-10pm
Paul Lawman 01933 674260

Every Monday & Thursday

Oundle Bridge Club
Fletton House, Fletton Way,
Oundle PE8 4JA
7pm start
01832 273044

Every Tuesday

Short Mat Bowls
Islip Village Hall
10am-12noon, £3
Barbara Finch 01832 733154

Phoenix Gaming Club (Age 12+)

The Rushden Scouts Hall,
Brooke Close behind Orbit Tyres (Skinners Lane, Rushden NN10 0XH)
7pm-11pm, membership £5 pa
Aron 07739563657/
aron.phoenix@virginmedia.com

Art Classes (10 weeks)

Knuston Hall, Knuston

7-9pm, 10 Lessons £100
Jamie 07899 676769

East Northants Classic Motorcycle Club

New Inn Public House,
Wymington
Meet around 7.30pm

Sling Walk

11am
First Tuesday of the month there will be Sling Library at 10am prior to the walk. Second Tuesday meet at Rushden CC Hayway instead of Higham Ferrers. 01933 410112

Rushden Mission Training Band

Mission Church, Wellingborough Road, Rushden
7.30pm-8.45pm
Alan Richardson 01933 355302

Short Mat Bowls

Saxon Hall, Raunds
1.45pm-4pm, £3
01933 624545

Yoga Class

Whitefriars Infant School,
Boughton Drive, Rushden
7.15pm-8.15pm, £5 per session
Carole 07873743256/
carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com

Ringstead's Jolly Good Company

Ringstead Shared Church
10am-11am, £4
Music & Movement for over-55s.

Every Tuesday (term time) Toddlers' Drop In

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle
9.15am-11.30am, free
01832 770010/
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk

1st Tuesday of every month Great Companions (singles 55+)

Rushden Bowls Club,
Northampton Road
7-9pm, yearly membership £6
Pat Bazeley 07931 964360

2nd Tuesday of the month

Woodford WI Meeting
Woodford Sports and Social Club
7.30pm
Lynn Sortwell 01832 732740

Tea Dance

Pemberton Centre, Rushden
Dancing to 'Music Box'
2pm-4pm, £3 per person including tea/coffee & cake

Higham Ferrers Guided Tour

Groups of 6 minimum.
Trained guides. Tea & cakes, optional.
01933 411191

Wildlife Trust Little Bugs Club

10am-11.30am,
£1 per child (adults are free)
Louise Tuffin 01604 774043/
louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org

50+ Adventure Club

For further information
01536 505548/www.fiftyplus
northantsadventureclub.org.uk

Every Tuesday & Thursday

Health Walks Stanwick Lakes
10am-11am, free, car park charges
01933 625522/
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk

Every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday Whist Drive

Rushden Bowls Club
Northampton Road, Rushden
7.30pm, £2
01933 313714

Every Tuesday & Saturday Coffee Mornings

St James Church, Thrapston
10am-12noon
01832 730019

Every Wednesday

Ladies Archery Pemberton Maid Marions

The Pemberton Centre,
H E Bates Way NN10 9YP
Diane 01933 314032 or
Nicki 01933 395913

Tai Chi

Chelveston Village Hall
2pm-3pm, £5

Dog Training and Socialisation and Ringcraft

Halefield, Woodnewton, nr Oundle
Classes from 6.45pm
01832 293432/oundledogs@aol.com/www.oundledogs.co.uk

Rainbow Cafe for Tots

Stanwick Lakes
10.30am-12noon and 1.30pm
(term time only), £2.50 per child
– car park charges apply.
01933 625522/
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk

Club Night

Apethorpe Tennis Club
From 6pm

Returners to Work

No.1 St. Osyth's Lane
10am-12noon
01832 770011

Art & Craft Class

Oundle Rural Mind, 1 Herne Park,
East Road, Oundle PE8 4BZ
Irene Issitt 01832 275020

Inflatable Fun Session

Oundle School Swimming Pool,
Milton Road Oundle
5-6pm (May vary during school holidays), £3 adult & £2.25 child
01832 277208/277195

Cambridge First Certificate in English

The Old Town Hall,
Market Place, Oundle
9.30am-12.30pm, £25 per week

01832 776336/
info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

French Tuition

The Old Town Hall,
Market Place, Oundle
From 6pm, £25 per week
01832 776336/
info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

Ringstead's Beat Bugs

Ringstead Shared Church
NN14 4DA
2pm-2.45pm, £21/6-week session
(£3.50 per week)
Angela 01933 622316/
rbc-rsc@angeladavis.net

Jelly Babes Toddler Group

Rushden Independent
Wesleyan Church
9.15am

Every Wednesday (term time) Community ICT Classes

Needham Building,
Oundle School SciTec,
Glaphorn Road, Oundle
2.30pm-4pm
01832 277267 to enrol

Tiny Tots

Oundle Cof E Primary School,
Glaphorn Road
1.45pm

660 Club (Age 60+)

Two Acre Club, off Milton Road
2.15pm-3.45pm
Afternoon tea and entertainment
hosted by Oundle pupils.

Allegra Singers –

Three-part ladies choir
Music room, Sports Pavilion, Islip
7.30-9.30pm, £3 per session
Veronica 01832 732611/
07753 472225

Every alternate Wednesday Psychic & Spiritual Awareness Development Group

Rushden
1pm-3pm or 7.30pm-9.30pm,
£7 per session
Renalta Hall 07712 740495

1st Wednesday of the month Raunds Ladies Group

The Saxon Hall, Raunds
8pm-10pm, Visitors £3.50

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month

Thrapston Country Dancers
St Johns Ambulance Hall
2pm-3.30pm
G Hearnden 01933 622827/
ghearnden@tiscali.co.uk

2nd Wednesday of the month

Coffee Morning
Raunds Methodist Church
10am-12noon
01933 383378

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month

Northants Model Makers

Windmill Primary School,
Raunds NN9 6LA
Main meeting starts 7.30ish
First couple of meetings free
Bob Humpage 07960 054405/
modelmaker@tiscali.co.uk

NWR – linking lively minded women

Dovedale, 1 Herne Park,
East Road, Oundle
7.30pm-7.45pm
Carol 01832 270061

3rd Wednesday of the month Wellingborough Flower Arrangement Society

St Mary's Church Hall, Knox Road,
Wellingborough NN8 1HU
7.30pm, £5
Chairman 01933 222326/
Secretary 01604 870275

Higham and Rushden U3A

Pemberton Centre, Rushden
2pm, visitors always welcome to
attend (£3 charge)
www.highamandrushdenu3a.org.uk

British Korean Veterans

The Old Grammarians Club
Oxford Street, Wellingborough
11.45am
Mary Morby 01933 312476 or
e.m.m@btinternet.com

Raunds & Dist' British Legion

Conservative Club, Raunds
8pm
01933 625333 for more details
All welcome, you do NOT have to
be ex-services.

4th Wednesday of the month Rushden Pensioners Forum

St Peters Church Hall,
Midland Road, Rushden
2pm-4pm
Mary Morby 01933 312476/
e.m.m@btinternet.com

Wednesday & Thursday Free Counselling

No.1 St. Osyth's Lane Oundle
By appointment 0793 6015965

Wednesday & Saturday East Northants Athletics Club – 'Getting Kids Into Athletics'

The Ferrers School,
Higham Ferrers
Wed 6-7pm, Sat 9-10am,
£4 per session or Wed & Sat £7
Graham Bufton 07788 698883/
grahambufton.ena@gmail.com

Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings

Ferrers & Rushden Tennis Club
Higham Ferrers Recreation
Ground, off Wharf Road
10am-12noon (Sun); 6.30pm-
8.30pm (Wed). Per club session
£2 adults/£1 junior (youngest
aged 10)
Steve Roberts 01933 461028/
07960 846092

Every Thursday

Rushden Folk Dance Club

St Mary's Church Hall, Rushden
8-10pm, first visit free, £2 thereafter
Val 01933 387327

The Silver Fox Woodturning Club

Dale End Scout Headquarters,
Croyland Road, Wellingborough
10am-1pm, £2 all members
Mick Webb 01933 682517

Move to Health

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle
2.15pm-3pm
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk/
01832 770010

Thursday Drop-In

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle
10am-2pm
01832 770010/
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk

Little Ducklings Pre-School Stay & Play 'Tea & Tots' Sessions

1.30pm-3pm, £1.50 per family.
01832 358085

Short Mat Bowls

Wymington Memorial Hall
1.45pm-4pm, £2 admission
Mrs Smith 01933 355960

Olde and Sequence Dancing

Woodford Sports and Social Club
7.30pm-9.30pm, £2
Dorothy 01832 732534 or
Keith 01832 731896

Every Thursday (term time)

Music Makers

Titchmarsh Pavilion

9.30am-10.15am, £4 per child,
£2 for siblings
Naomi Cooper on
musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com

Music Makers

Joan Strong Centre, Oundle
11.15am-12noon, £4 per child,
£2 for siblings
Naomi Cooper on
musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com

Little Treasures Tots Group

St Laurence's Church, Stanwick
9.30am-11am,
donations to cover costs
Nicki 01933 625658

Music Makers

Stanwick Village Hall
2pm-2.45pm, £4 per child,
£2 for siblings
Naomi Cooper on
musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com

Community Art Classes

Oundle School Art Department
7.30pm-8.30pm, free classes for
people with a disability.

Coffee/tea and biscuits in the Bede House

St Mary's Church, Higham Ferrers
10am-12noon, no charge just a
donation to cover costs.

Adult & Child Swim Sessions

Oundle School Swimming Pool,
Milton Road Oundle
9.15-9.45am, booked in advance
as a block (£4.75 per lesson)
01832 277208/277195

1st Thursday of the month

Raunds District History Society

Saxon Hall, Raunds
7.30pm-9.30pm, £3 each,
includes refreshments
Secretary 01933 461480

3rd Thursday of the month

Painting Class with Nick Baldwin

Chelveston Village Hall,
10am-4pm, £17 per session
Janet Lowe 01933 389647.

Ise & Nene Valley Turners

Counties Community Centre,
Hertford Rd, Kettering NN15 6LG
7pm, members free, visitors £7
Peter Bond 01933 741835/
peterjbond@btinternet.com

Thursday Market Day

No.1 Cafe - Free Drop-In

No.1 St, Osyth's Lane
10am-2pm
01832 770011

Every Friday

Walk and Chat

Rushden Hall Park, under flag pole
10am
Sue Mckay 07739 327022/
sue.mckay@groundwork.org.uk

Music Makers

Nene Centre, Thrapston
12.45-1.30pm & 1.45-2.30pm,
£4 per child, £2 for siblings
Naomi Cooper 07815 293893/
musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com

French Beginners

The Old Town Hall,
Market Place, Oundle
6pm-7.30pm, £25 per class
01832 776336/
info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

Every Friday (term time) Over 60s FREE swim

Oundle School Swimming Pool,
Milton Road, Oundle
3pm-3.45pm
01832 277208/277195

Pre-School Swimming Lessons

Oundle School Swimming Pool,

Milton Road, Oundle
1.55-2.25pm & 2.30-3pm
Booked in advance as a block
(£6.75 per lesson)
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, HIGHAM FERRERS)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of the various roads in Higham Ferrers as specified in the Schedule below.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway repairs and associated works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 3rd July 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that Wykeham Road will be restricted until 7th July; York Road from 6th to 13th July; Kings Avenue will be restricted from 19th to 26th July 2017 and Phillip Way will be restricted from 24th July to 28th July 2017.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:
Wykeham Road – use Phillip Way, Simpson Avenue, Newman Street, Kings Avenue and Lancaster Street.
York Road – use Lancaster Street, Kimbolton Road and North End.
Kings Avenue – use Upper Kings Avenue, Simpson Avenue and George Street.
Phillip Way – use Wykeham Road, Lancaster Street and Upper Kings Avenue.

Dated this 1st day of July 2017
QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T17/239

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 883400.

SCHEDULE (Lengths of roads to be closed)

Wykeham Road – Phillip Way to Lancaster Street.
York Road – Lancaster Street to North End.
Kings Avenue – George Street to Lancaster Street.
Phillip Way – Wykeham Road to Simpson Avenue.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (A605, THRAPSTON, TITCHMARSH, THORPE WATERVILLE, THORPE ACHURCH, LILFORD, BARNWELL, OUNDLE, ASHTON, TANSOR & WARMINGTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of the A605 in Thrapston, Titchmarsh, Thorpe Waterville, Thorpe Achurch, Lilford, Barnwell, Oundle, Ashton, Tansor and Warmington as set out below.

LENGTHS OF ROADS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of A605 in Thrapston, Titchmarsh, Thorpe Waterville, Thorpe Achurch, Lilford, Barnwell, Oundle, Ashton, Tansor and Warmington from A14 to County boundary.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during patching, surface dressing and associated works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 31st July 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 25th August 2017 when signed.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use A14, A6116, A43, A47 and A1.

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (ADDINGTON ROAD, IRLTHLINGBOROUGH)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Addington Road, Irlthlingborough as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Addington Road, Irlthlingborough from Eastfield Road to Archfield Terrace.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during new water connection.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 24th July 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to three days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use A6 and Station Road.

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (WEST STREET, KING'S CLIFFE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of West Street, King's Cliffe as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length West Street, King's Cliffe from Forest Approach to outside 21 West Street.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during installation of new water connection.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 10th July 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to three days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Wood Road, Station Road and Park Street.

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (HIGH STREET, BRIGSTOCK)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of High Street, Brigstock as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of High Street, Brigstock from Bridge Street to Back Lane.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during replacement of electricity pole.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 19th July 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for one day.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Stanion Road, A6116, Sudborough Road, Church Street and Hall Hill.

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Those readers who have been following the various fortunes of the Club in the Silver King League may be aware of the name Chris Ross. Chris plays for Chess Mates who are based in Northampton and is their top player. In fact Chris is so good that he qualifies as a Master of chess. Readers

may be familiar with the Grandmaster title that is used to describe players such as Magnus Carlsen and Viswanathan Anand who are currently ranked among the best chess players in the world. There are in fact four master levels starting with Candidate Master for players with grades higher than

2200. A grade higher than 2300 is required to become a FIDE Master (FIDE is the controlling body in world chess). The next level is International Master for players rated over 2400. For the prestigious title of Grandmaster a grade of 2500 or higher is required. Chris is currently a Candidate Master and naturally is looking to progress to the FIDE Master title.

Chris has twice represented England in the chess equivalent of the Olympics. In 2012 he went to Chennai in India to compete in the 14th International Blind Chess Olympiad where he was awarded a Silver Medal. He also competed in the 2016 Olympiad held in Baku. Chris has been blind since the age of 8 and recently talked about his life in an interview for Inspiration FM in Northamptonshire.

He was born in Thornaby on Tees in the North East and is a keen supporter of Middlesborough FC. He describes his sight loss as a "challenge" which pretty much sums up Chris' attitude to life. Despite his blindness he has taken part in parachute jumps, rock climbing, abseiling and white water rafting. As a youngster he trained as a sprinter and at 15 years of age he was able to cover 100 metres in 11.8 seconds. A time that would have been good enough to qualify him for the 1996 Paralympic Games in Atlanta if he hadn't suffered an injury.

Chris took up chess at the age of 14 and



By Derrick Sims

says that he got into chess from snooker. As a child he played this a lot and was a particular fan of Steve Davis who was also a chess player. Snooker, like chess, relies on calculation, tactics, planning and psychology so after losing his sight chess seemed to be an obvious alternative to snooker. As a blind player Chris has to hold an entire game within his visual memory and in 2016 he played a Simul against 29 players. To be able to visualise 29 games at the same time is an incredible feat, the world record is 47 games in blindfold chess. If you get a chance to listen to the Inspiration FM interview then I would certainly recommend it as a fascinating insight into his life. You may be able to find the interview on YouTube.

Chess is a game for people of all abilities, disabilities, and lifestyles. Rushden Chess Club loves welcoming new members, so do come along to a meeting if you're interested in playing chess in a very friendly environment. The club opens most Monday's from 6pm for Junior players – for details please call the Club Secretary on 01933 625767, or visit the club website <http://rushdenchessclub.com>.



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