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Reporting dog fouling offences

If you see a dog foul in a public place and the owner does not clean it up, please report them to the dog warden at East Northamptonshire Council.

Information including the time, date and location of the incident and description/breed of dog will help identify the offender. Please use the reporting dog fouling form at www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/reportdogfouling or call 01832 742026.

Force to investigate the future of policing

An intensive study to find out how policing should work across Northamptonshire in the future will run in the north of the county for the next 12 months.

At the beginning of this month, Northamptonshire Police launched its Policing the Future project.

The pilot will focus on two distinct areas of the county and see intensive work carried out to both tackle crime and improve the quality of life for residents.

Chief Constable Adrian Lee said: "We want to show people what the future will look like now. So in one urban area of the county and one rural area we're going to bring forward all our plans for

transformation.

"We're going to knock on doors and talk to people to ask them what their concerns are, what they want from the police and how the police, working with councils and volunteers, can make a better service and how they can contribute."

The pilot project will focus on Oundle and its surrounding villages and the All Saints area of Kettering.

It will see a new style of policing developed, with extensive community engagement used to identify people's concerns and priorities for their area.

With work from Special Constables, volunteers and organisations such as local councils

and health bodies, the police will also work to improve peoples' feeling of safety and satisfaction with their area.

Extensive work will also be carried out to tackle problems such as alcohol misuse and road safety issues and Parish Constables will be introduced in some areas to work directly with the communities they live in.

Mr Lee said: "There will be a lot of changes happening at once. For example, increased numbers of Specials, volunteers and cadets - that will happen now.

"This is a real opportunity to show that by policing differently we can really make our part of the country safer."

The project will be led by County Commander, Superintendent Andy Cox.

He said: "This pilot is a really high priority for the force and a chance for us to deliver something new, which I am sure will be welcomed by the people of Oundle and those living in the All Saints area of Kettering.

"It will also provide a fantastic opportunity for our officers to work extremely closely with the community on a project which should provide a fascinating insight into the way policing will progress in the future, not only in Northamptonshire, but potentially across the whole country."

The Policing the Future project is

also backed by the county's Police and Crime Commissioner, Adam Simmonds.

He hopes the work will produce a national blueprint to show how policing can develop across Britain.

He said: "We want to demonstrate to the community, and to a national audience, what policing needs to look like in the 21st century.

"This to me is all about saying to the public 'we know we need to do things differently'.

"But what's really important is that it's not just the police that need to be part of it, we want groups like the borough council, the health service and land owners to make a contribution too.

"So we want more people to become special constables, more people to join Neighbourhood Watch and we want Streetwatch to be a real focus for people's attention so people can be a real part of the policing solution."

The coming months will see an increased police presence in the two pilot areas as a variety of high-profile operations are carried out to tackle issues such as shoplifting, car crime and street drinking.

Work will also be carried out to improve relationships between young people and the police and look into the creation of community hubs where people could call in to see a police officer.

Visit www.northants.police.uk



(L-R) Northamptonshire's Police and Crime Commissioner, Adam Simmonds, Inspector Richard Tall and Northamptonshire Police Chief Constable Adrian Lee

Youth Action Group to hold AGM

Raunds Youth Action Group's Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th October at The Saxon Hall, Raunds. All are welcome to attend and the meeting will start at 7pm.

Raunds Youth Action Group organises the Raunds Annual Carnival, which is usually held on the second Saturday in September. The group has recently enjoyed the success of its fifth carnival.

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£267k of grants awarded to community projects

East Northamptonshire Council has approved £267,000 worth of grants to help build and improve community facilities across the district.

The Community Facilities Fund was set up by East Northamptonshire Council using money it receives from the government called the New Homes Bonus. This money is based on the number of properties added to the Council Tax base each year, either as new homes occupied or empty homes brought back into use.

Constituted community groups including voluntary organisations, charities and schools, as well as town and parish councils have been bidding for grants of up to £50,000 for capital projects which aim to enhance the local area and benefit the whole community. This includes building and construction work or purchasing large items of equipment. For example, the money

might be used to make improvements to a village hall or community centre, update a museum display or install a children's play area in a local park.

A panel of councillors reviewed the bids and drew up a shortlist of award recipients, which was approved by the Policy and Resources Committee on 15th September. Each project awarded a grant has either secured or is in the process of securing funding from other sources as well.

Some of the groups set to receive grants include Diamonds Gymnastic Club, who are now able to purchase equipment to improve facilities and safety. The sum of £40,000 has been awarded to Rushden Historical Transport Society to go towards purchasing the Victorian Goods Yard and shed and developing the Heritage Centre and car park. Kings Cliffe Community Sports can now build three tennis courts and two netball/basketball

courts at Kings Cliffe Recreation Ground with a grant of £35,000.

Councillor Steven North, Leader of the Council said: "We're delighted to be able to use New Homes Bonus funding to continue to support more community facilities which are essential to those areas where new homes are being built.

"Last year, 13 community groups benefitted from this fund and we're pleased to announce that a further 10 groups will get the financial help they need to improve play areas, refurbish sports pavilions, and build new community meeting places. We're really looking forward to seeing these projects take shape and believe that each and every one will make an important contribution to local people's health and wellbeing."

For more information about the Community Facilities Fund please visit www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/cff



Fish display

Celebration of Biblical creatures at flower festival

More than 200 visitors attended St Mary's Church Flower Festival to enjoy the imaginative and sometimes amusing floral interpretations on show.

The theme for the weekend event was 'Animals of the Bible' and some of the exhibits were made by children from the local school, whose fierce looking snake took pride of place by the altar.

A special service on Sunday afternoon attracted a huge congregation, who

sang enthusiastically when Paul Adams and his group provided the lively accompaniment for a programme of well-known hymns.

Refreshments – including home baked cakes – donated by generous supporters were served throughout the event, and over £300 was raised to go towards the general running costs of the church.

The organisers would like to thank everyone whose efforts helped make this event such a huge success.

Explore the history of the Giddings

The history of the Giddings villages will be the focus of a special event to be held on Saturday 18th October.

Gidding History Day will be held in Great Gidding Village Hall between 11am and 5pm and will offer an opportunity to find out more about Great, Little and Steeple Gidding.

Gidding History Group held a successful History Day three years ago, when many photographs, documents and memories were shared. It is hoped that this year's event will build on that success and anyone who has an interest in past residents of the Giddings or where they lived, worked and socialised is invited.

Stories about the people who lived in

the Giddings over the centuries will be shared. Those residents who fought in the First World War will be remembered, with information about their roles in the war and in village life. The group would also like to hear local anecdotes dating back to the Second World War.

An archaeologist will be on hand during the day to identify historical items found in the area, and plans to carry out a test pit dig in the village during the event.

Gidding History Group members are keen to see any photographs and documents relating to the Giddings, or just come along to see what is on display (Entry is FREE). Further details can be found by visiting www.thegiddings.org.uk.

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Raunds Carnival a great success

The sunshine encouraged a big crowd to line the main streets of Raunds as the carnival procession made its way to the playing fields on the road to Stanwick.

Councillors Helen Howell, Sylvia Hughes and Dudley Hughes carefully watched the prepared floats and the various groups – including dancers, ten minis and even a mobile Tardis – as

they passed the Town Hall, in order to judge the best examples across several different categories. The cup for the best overall winner went to the Red Lion for their Halloween themed float and the Guides won the award for the best float.

The crowd enjoyed stands from various local charities and other organisations including the Police, who provided information

about becoming a Parish Constable.

Burgers, beer and light refreshments were available to the revellers and there was lively commentary from Corby Community Radio.

Musical entertainment during the afternoon came courtesy of local groups, including the Ukulele Band and musicians from Raunds Manor School, who finished off a great day.



Raunds Carnival

Have a wild time at the first ever Nene Valley Festival!

A new festival celebrating the unique world class wildlife, culture and heritage of the Nene Valley will take place from 24th October to 8th November.

The Nene Valley Festival will present an eclectic programme of outdoor events, theatre productions, art workshops, concerts, foodie events and much more! Featuring over 20 organisations at key locations along the Nene Valley, from Northampton to Oundle, the festival is a must for wildlife and culture lovers of all ages looking for inspiration, tranquillity and new experiences.

The festival is being organised through the Destination Nene Valley project, which aims to promote the Nene Valley as a competitive, sustainable destination offering world class wildlife to local, national

and international audiences.

East Northamptonshire Councillor and Board Member for the Destination Nene Valley project, Sarah Peacock, said:

"We're delighted to be working with such a wide variety of partners who have an in-depth knowledge of the vital ingredients for putting on a successful festival. Our partners include the Oundle International Festival, who have recently celebrated 30 successful years, and the Castle in Wellingborough who will be offering an exciting programme of live entertainment."

Graham Callister, Cultural and Policy Manager for Northamptonshire County Council, added:

"The inaugural Nene Valley Festival recognises and celebrates the natural and historic assets of this beautiful part of the

county, through a diverse cultural programme of events, aimed at both residents and visitors to the region. It is the ambition of the partners to create an annual event of regional and national significance."

Mark Bradshaw, from festival partners The National Trust, said:

"The National Trust is delighted to support the Nene Valley Festival, inspiring more people to connect with the wildlife and heritage of the county. Lyveden plays an important part in the history of the Nene Valley and is a major attraction for people to experience the heritage and natural beauty of the area. We hope many visitors will enjoy all the activities on offer this autumn."

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experiences of life at The Ferrers.

The evening will run from 6.15pm to 8pm, with an address by the Headteacher, Jonathan Giles, at 6.30pm, repeated at 7.15pm. No appointments are necessary.

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LAXTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

Laxton Junior School in Oundle has had an exciting start to the new academic year. A brand new uniform has really captured the imagination of the children as the old colours of bright blue and yellow are being replaced with dark navy and silver. The children are so proud of their school and are loving their new look. Smart and traditional, the whole school will soon be sporting a distinctive and classic design which all the children are embracing enthusiastically.

To add to the excitement, many of the children are now doing their preps online and all the Year Groups are working hard

on their weekly blogs. Using iPads in their classrooms or around the school, the children are enjoying communicating with their peers and their teachers using the fabulous technological resources on offer.

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SCHOOL APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Applications can now be made online for Northamptonshire primary and secondary schools allowing parents to apply for their preferred school for their children for September 2015.

Applications are open for children to start primary or infant school or to transfer to junior, middle or secondary school in September 2015.

Parents who have a child starting secondary school in September 2015 should submit their application by 5pm on 31st October 2014.

Parents who have a child who has their fourth birthday between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, or are due to transfer from infant to junior school or from lower to middle school, should submit their application by 5pm on 15th January 2015.

APPLICATIONS ON TIME

As there is pressure on school places throughout the county, the council is reminding parents of the importance of sending in their application on time.

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Laxton Junior School



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Councillor Matthew Golby, cabinet member for learning, skills and education said: "The admissions system gives families the chance to tell us which schools they'd prefer to send their children to."

"While most people are successful at getting a place at their preferred school, there are steps that parents can take to maximise their chances. Submitting an application form in time is the most crucial, followed closely by nominating a second and third preferred school."

"There are no guarantees of getting into a preferred school but the chances of a successful application will be higher if parents tell us before the deadline which three schools they'd prefer."

For all on-time applications, parents will be notified of their offer of a secondary school place on 2nd March 2015. Parents applying on time for primary, infant, junior and middle school places will be notified of their offer on 16th April 2015.

'YES' OR 'NO' – OUNDLE PUPILS HOLD THEIR OWN REFERENDUM ON SCOTTISH INDEPENDENCE

Should Scotland be an independent country? It is the most fundamental question ever asked in Scottish history. So as the people of Scotland went to the polls on Thursday 18th September it seemed only right that pupils at Oundle School, around 40 of whom come from Scotland, should do so too.

Lower Sixth Form pupil, Rupert Warre (16) commented: "To the surprise of many as they walked into the Cloisters at break time, they were greeted with a mock referendum. With three polling stations located around the Cloisters and a Speakers' Corner, Oundle was thrown into the world of Scottish politics."

Oundle's Head of Politics, Matt King, opened the referendum with a short introduction while a member of the school's bagpipe ensemble, Freddie Woodd (15) played a warm welcome. For the 'Yes' side, pupils Ruairaidh Richardson (17) and Ed Willey (17) gave their reasons for Scotland becoming independent. Then, preceded by a verse of the National Anthem, played by Ian Ostojic (16) on the trumpet, the 'No' side, pupils Morgan Ball (17) and Rupert Warre (17), put forward arguments for Scotland remaining part of the United Kingdom.

After hearing the arguments, pupils and staff of Oundle headed to the polls. The result? A 67% win for the 'No' campaign.

Mr King commented: "Having an Oundle version of the Scottish referendum ensured that all pupils were aware of what was happening and the importance of the constitutional consequences."

"I think the Oundle results were as we expected, with the majority of pupils and staff deciding it was best to keep the Union together. Turnout was a little larger in the main event and the result a little closer, but, we reached the same conclusions!"

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More than 60 councillors and officers met on a sunny morning to have a group photo taken, followed by homemade cakes and a cuppa.

My golf day raised around £2,500. Many thanks to all the businesses who sponsored holes and for all those who played or came to the dinner at Collingtree Park. It was a splendid event. Many thanks go to Cllr Glenvil Greenwood-Smith who organised it on my behalf for my charity PROSTaid, a local charity which helps people who have prostate cancer.

I attended the unveiling of the new Northamptonshire flag at County Hall in Northampton. The final design was the result of a competition open to schools, community groups and individuals. The new flag has the English rose at its centre. A yellow cross shows that Northamptonshire is at the centre of England, the black stands for leather (which is an important part of our history) while the colours red and gold are those of several organisations in Northamptonshire, including the County Cricket club.

East Northamptonshire Council was presented with the new Northamptonshire flag. Now we need to work out where and when we can fly this new symbol of our county.

I also attended another flag-raising, this time in Huntingdon organised by Huntingdonshire District Council. This was for Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September. This commemorative day was started in 2000 to remember the many men of the Merchant Navy who perished in the two World Wars and afterwards. Did you

know that over 14,000 merchant seamen lost their lives in the First World War?

The sun shone for two civic services – one in Melton Mowbray and one in St Neots. After the service at St Neots, we enjoyed a cream tea at the nearby Priory Centre next to the river, which is a beautiful setting in which to soak up the sun. Hopefully this was not the last of the season.

ENC Chairman, Cllr Gill Mercer



ENC Chairman, Cllr Gill Mercer at the St Neots civic service

Historical coins unearthed in Raunds

A resident of Raunds might have struck lucky, after he recently found a "hoard of three silver coins".

Dave Jackson discovered the coins, known as sceattas, in a Raunds field recently. Sceattas are the earliest known silver pennies and were common in the seventh and eighth centuries, when the early Anglo-Saxons populated the area, after the Romans had left. The coins were originally struck in the Frisia region of Germany.

Mr Jackson has been active in local digs ever since he assisted with archaeological work at Stanwick Lakes during the 1980s. Many of his

finds from those days are on display in the Visitor Centre at Stanwick Lakes, alongside the Roman villa mosaic.

His discoveries now have to be passed over to the British Museum, which will separate the coins, examine and value them working together with Julie Cassidy, Northamptonshire's Finds Liaison Officer.

Patience is required to find out how rare and valuable these three coins are, as the British Museum could take up to two years to complete the review.

In the meantime, Mr Jackson will continue detecting around the local fields to see what else he can uncover.



New church patron shows support at Raunds Carnival

The new patron of St Peter's Church Raunds Restoration Appeal, Andy Sawford MP, stopped off at the St Peter's stall at the Raunds Carnival for a chat with churchwarden Maureen Windust.

Mr Sawford, accompanied by his wife and daughter, was also lucky enough to buy a winning raffle ticket, and was delighted with the beautiful pot he won. Mrs Sawford said it would look perfect on their doorstep. The proceeds from the St Peter's raffle and teddy bear sales will be added to the Appeal fund, which needs at least £1 million to finance the urgently needed church restoration work.



Andy Sawford MP, with his wife and daughter, and Maureen Windust at the St Peter's Church Stall during the Raunds Carnival



The Rotary Club of Rushden invites you to
A RACE NIGHT



On Friday October 17th 2014
At Irchester Bowls Club 7 Race Card –
First Race at 7.30pm

Proceeds for Support of Rotary Charities
Tickets £10.00 (inc Fish and Chip Supper)
Available from John on 01933 312668
and Sidey Design, Market Square,
Higham Ferrers 01933 317967.

**COME ALONG AND ENJOY
A NIGHT AT THE RACES!**



East Northamptonshire Council

Notice of planning applications received

Notice is given that the following applications have been received together with the last date for making representations:

Significant applications
All “significant” applications are highlighted in green. These are defined in the 2006 Statement of Community Involvement as those for:

- 100 dwellings and over
- residential development of 3ha or over if number of dwellings not known
- 1000 square metres of floor space or over
- commercial/industrial development of 1ha or over if floor area not known
- would, in the council’s opinion, alter the overall character of the locality by means of scale, use or visual appearance
- would, in the council’s opinion, be sensitive due to substantial demolition in a conservation area
- would, in the council’s opinion, be sensitive due to development next to a listed building

For more information on “significant” planning applications, visit www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnotification

Benefield
14/01665/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Erection of a two-storey rear extension at The Long Barn Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN
14/01666/LBC (18/10/2014) (LBRegs) Erection of a two-storey rear extension at The Long Barn Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN
14/01691/FUL (18/10/2014)(Art8) (LB/CA) (Info) Erection of detached dwelling at Middle Farm House Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN

Brigstock
14/01562/FUL (18/10/2014) (LB/CA) Provision of an oak framed carriage house and log store at 16 Park Walk NN14 3HH
14/01594/FUL (18/10/2014) (Art8) Installation of one (1) mid scale wind turbine of maximum height to tip of 77m and including: upgraded and new access track, a hardstanding area, a small substation enclosure, temporary guyed meteorological mast and associated infrastructure at land at Bullymore Farm OP4766 SP9383 Grafton Road Brigstock

Cotterstock
14/01693/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) New first floor extension and internal alterations at Cotterstock House Main St Cotterstock PE8 5HD
14/01694/LBC (18/10/2014) (LBRegs) New first floor extension and internal alterations at Cotterstock House Main St Cotterstock PE8 5HD

Duddington with Fineshade
14/01704/FUL (18/10/2014) (Art8) Erection of 70 cabins and associated buildings and infrastructure and construction of new access road and provision of mitigation and enhancement area (revision to withdrawn application 14/01156/FUL) at Fineshade Wood Top Lodge Fineshade

Easton-on-the-Hill
14/01450/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Proposed garage at 51 West St Easton On The Hill PE9 3LS
14/01610/FUL (18/10/2014) (LB/CA) (Info) Single storey en suite extension at 18 High St Easton On The Hill
14/01616/LBC (18/10/2014) (LB/CA) (LBRegs) Single storey en suite extension, conversion of existing en suite to walk-in wardrobe and cloakroom off corridor and installation of roof lights at 18 High St Easton On The Hill PE9 3LR
14/01703/VAR (18/10/2014) (Info) (LB/CA) Variation of condition 4 – Roof lights of application 13/02044/FUL: Proposed alterations and extension to form dining room, lounge, orangery, bedroom and bathroom. Erection of glass house in garden (Re-submission of application 13/00673/FUL) Roof lights to be relocated at 18 High St Easton On The Hill PE9 3LR

Fotheringhay
14/01617/FUL (18/10/2014) (LB/CA) Removal of thatched porch and erection of conservatory to the rear of the property at The Thatched Cottage Main St Fotheringhay PE8 5HZ
14/01618/LBC (18/10/2014) (LB/CA)(LBRegs)

Removal of thatched porch and erection of conservatory to the rear of the property at The Thatched Cottage Main St Fotheringhay PE8 5HZ

Great Addington
14/01670/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) New single storey hot school meals facility. Relocation of existing timber structure at Great Addington Church Of England Primary School Woodford Rd Great Addington

Irthlingborough
14/01718/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Two storey side and rear extension at 102 Addington Rd Irthlingborough NN9 5UP

Islip
14/01710/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Erect single storey flat roof kitchen extension to the rear at The Woolpack Inn Kettering Rd Islip NN14 3JU

Nassington
14/01640/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Two storey extension at 31 Station Rd Nassington PE8 6QB

Newton Bromswold
14/01667/VAR (18/10/2014) (Art8) Variation of condition 5 – landscaping scheme and condition 8 – access closure, pursuant to application 11/01586/FUL – Two storey detached dwelling and associated access (cross boundary application with Bedford Borough Council) dated 01.03.2012 at 9 Church Lane Newton Bromswold

Oundle
14/01728/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Alterations and extension to existing ancillary store to provide additional storage and home workshop space at 30 Glaphorn Rd Oundle PE8 4JQ

Raunds
14/01692/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) New pitched roof over the existing rear single storey extension and garage at 4 Gardner Close Raunds NN9 6HN

Rushden
14/01518/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Change of use to retail (A1) from industrial (B1) at 2 Francis Court Wellingborough Road Rushden NN10 6AY
14/01602/OUT (11/10/2014) (Info) Outline: Two detached two storey dwellings with garages (all matters reserved except access) at Site 943 Former Quarry Keats Way Rushden
14/01663/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Rear two storey extension at 48 Wellingborough Rd Rushden NN10 9YN
14/01673/FUL (18/10/2014) (LB/CA) Change of use from Serve (charity) shop to a tattoo and body piercing studio at 6 Church St Rushden NN10 9YT
14/01695/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Erect a detached annexe building to front of dwelling at 47 Hay Close Rushden NN10 0TT
14/01714/ADV (11/10/2014) (Info) Two temporary billboard type signs at land adjacent Skew Bridge Ski Slope Northampton Rd Rushden

Tansor
14/01620/FUL (11/10/2014) (Info) Conversion of barns at Tansor Grange into 3 No. dwellings at Tansor Grange Barns Tansor Wold Rd Tansor PE8 6UY

Thrapston
14/01671/FUL (18/10/2014) (Info)(LB/CA) Change of use from A2 to tattoo and piercing studio selling body jewellery and offering laser removal services at 33 High St Thrapston NN14 4JJ

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:
Art8 – Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995.
Info – Non-statutory – included for information only.
LB/CA – Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.
LBRegs – Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

David Reed
Head of Planning Services
Dated 27 September 2014

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

The Friends of St. Mary’s, Higham Ferrers

COFFEE MORNING

Can we just give a reminder to all Friends that we will be pleased to see you at the ‘Market Day’ Coffee Morning in the Bede House on Saturday 25th October. Coffee will be served from 10am to 12 noon and there will be various stalls offering cakes plus other craft items including a ‘Friends’ bottle stall. The emphasis of the morning is on an enjoyable and informative social occasion.

SPRING BULB SALE

Looking forward to a colourful spring? Enhance the beauty of your spring garden by purchasing a variety of spring bulbs (daffodils, tulips etc) from the Friends – available at very reasonable prices. These will be on sale at the Bede House Market Day Coffee Morning on 25th October.

CHEESE AND WINE EVENING

Another date for the diary is Friday 14th November when you are invited to our Waitrose Cheese and Wine Evening, again in the Bede House. Tickets are £10 each and are available from the Trustees, or alternatively from Sidey Design or Higham News, both on the Market Square. The event begins at 7pm. There will be a raffle for a Christmas Food Hamper, a festive plant and a framed map kindly donated by Councillor Celia Ingram.

ANGEL FESTIVAL

Friends will be entering a specially designed Angel in the Church Angel Festival. There will be over 40 Angels in the Church in this third Higham Ferrers Angel Festival which runs for three days from 21st to 23rd November. On 22nd November Higham also holds the Sparkle event, which includes the Christmas lights switch-on, the Continental Market, a funfair, various stalls and games for the children.

WORLD WAR ONE MEMORIAL

Plans are being formulated for the restoration of the War Memorial on the church wall facing the Chantry Chapel, together with the stonework in its proximity. We are also preparing designs for a Memorial Courtyard Garden of Peace surrounding the War

Memorial with a bench seat provided for quiet reflection.

The total cost of these projects is likely to run into several thousands of pounds and the Trustees are investigating part-funding through grant aid from various national organisations.

BULB PLANTING

Spalding Auctions have kindly donated 1,000 purple crocus bulbs to the Friends for planting within the churchyard and with the purchase of 1,000 white crocus bulbs and daffodils it is certain that these will enhance the beauty of the church surroundings in spring 2015 and thereafter. Planting will commence at the Coffee Morning and Friends are invited to come along to be part of the team, help ‘crocus plant’, and be proud of the achievement in next spring’s ‘BLOOM’.

Out particular interest, one of the partners in Spalding Auctions is Richard Stimson, a member of South Holland Rotary Club. Purple is the colour of the crocus symbol of Rotary’s ‘End Polio Now’ Campaign – purple is the colour of the dye that is put on the children’s finger to signify that they have had their inoculation.

THE JOLLEY MEMORIAL

Those observant visitors to the churchyard will have noticed that the Trustees have cleared the ‘foliage’ from the memorial at the Market Square end of the area. Over the years this had become highly overgrown and unworthy of a memorial to the Jolley family, who were prominent residents of the town in the 19th and early 20th Centuries.

Research on the memorial and the Jolley family is ongoing, the results of which will be part of the next newsletter. Further work will be carried out on the memorial and surrounding area.

AND FINALLY...

Visitors to the churchyard should look up from these magnificent historical buildings to see if they can spot the pair of peregrine falcons that have taken up prime position on top of the spire. These birds are rare and birdwatchers from all over the area are visiting the churchyard with their binoculars and cameras!

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Local singers showcase opera classics for a new audience

Alison Charlton-West and Shiona Cormack, both local professional sopranos, will be singing in Peterborough Opera’s forthcoming presentations of ‘Opera Bites’.

For anyone who is daunted by attending a full-length opera production, this programme will serve as a taster (hence the title) and an introduction to some of the most popular and best loved operas. Soloists will also include many well-known local singers from the Oundle area, Liz Williams, Diana Awdry and Colin Pendrill.

This is a diversion from the Company’s normal, fully staged opera as they prepare to move their next annual production of Carmen to May 2015.

These short excerpts from a few popular

operas will give a greater number of soloists a chance to study a major role and a chance for others to direct. Operas to be featured include Puccini’s ‘La Bohème’ and ‘Madama Butterfly’, Mozart’s ‘The Marriage of Figaro’, Offenbach’s ‘The Tales of Hoffman’ and Richard Strauss’ ‘Der Rosenkavalier’.

Performances take place at the Key Theatre Studio, Peterborough on Friday 31st October (7.30pm); Corn Exchange Theatre, Stamford on Saturday 1st November (7.30pm) and The Angles Theatre, Wisbech on Sunday 2nd November (3pm). Tickets at all venues are £12, children £6.

Further details can be obtained from Shirley Burchell, Director of Productions on 01832 272738.

A45 and Chowns Mill 'Listening Campaign' improvement bid goes straight to the top

Local Conservatives have taken a campaign for upgrades to the A45 and the Chowns Mill Roundabout straight to the man with overall responsibility for the country's roads.

The campaign is being jointly run by Tom Pursglove, Conservative Parliamentary Candidate for Corby and East Northamptonshire, and Wellingborough MP, Peter Bone.

Both are lobbying for the A45 between Stanwick and the A14 to be made a dual-carriageway and for improvements to the Chowns Mill Roundabout.

The pair met with Transport Secretary, Patrick McLoughlin MP, at the House of Commons, to press for the much needed changes.

Tom says: "I lobbied for the meeting with the Transport Secretary having received an overwhelming response to my 'Listening

Campaign' on this issue.

"Clearly we need first-class infrastructure to continue our economic recovery and help businesses grow – that's why I am calling for both a better, and safer, A45."

During the meeting, Tom and Peter also presented the Transport Secretary with campaign card responses on the dualling and roundabout bid.

The cards have been distributed throughout North Northamptonshire in order to get public backing from residents for the campaign.

Peter Bone MP added: "The meeting was very productive and the Secretary of State pledged he would go away and look into the issue.

"There is a real appetite for investment in the A45 and the Chowns Mill Roundabout with more and more responses coming in every day."



Tom Pursglove, Patrick McLoughlin MP and Peter Bone MP

Rushden Town Band shines at national championships

On Sunday 21st September, Rushden Town Band took part in the National Brass Band Championships in Cheltenham, having previously won the Third Section of the Midland Area Championships in March.

This was the third time since 2010 that the band has reached the finals but the first in the Third Section. The band was drawn 15th out of the 18 bands which meant a long wait. However, the band performed well and came fifth overall in the country.

The band was also lucky to have been provided with the new Northamptonshire county flag to take with them, to show which county they were representing. In January the band moves up to the Second Section for the first time in the band's history.

In addition to competitions such as this, the band plays at concerts, fetes and, with Christmas coming up, will be extremely busy in the coming months. If you are interested in finding out more about the band, please contact Sal Kneale on 01933 665420.



Rushden Town Band

Answer to thirsty work

By Catherine Burbage

If you have a place in the Perkins Great Eastern Run in Peterborough in a couple of weeks, I hope your training is going well and the weather on the day is better than last year's wind and rain!

Whether you want to run a half marathon or not, there are lots of great running groups and events in East Northamptonshire for all standards and aspirations. A good place to start is the Run England website: www.runengland.org where you can find a regular running group near you – Stanwick, Rushden, Irchester, Wellingborough, Kettering and Oundle all have them.

Take a look at www.parkrun.org.uk for free, timed 5k runs every Saturday morning. Races coming up include the Remembrance 11k at Fineshade Woods on 9th November, with the popular and friendly Stanwick 10k on Easter Monday and Titchmarsh 10k on May bank holiday

great events to aim for next year.

Whether you train for specific events, are a social runner or a complete beginner, running does bring a greater focus on what you eat and drink. If you want to keep costs down and ingredients natural, here's a simple sports drink recipe which will rehydrate you as effectively as shop bought versions – and of course it works for cyclists and any other sport too.

Ingredients:

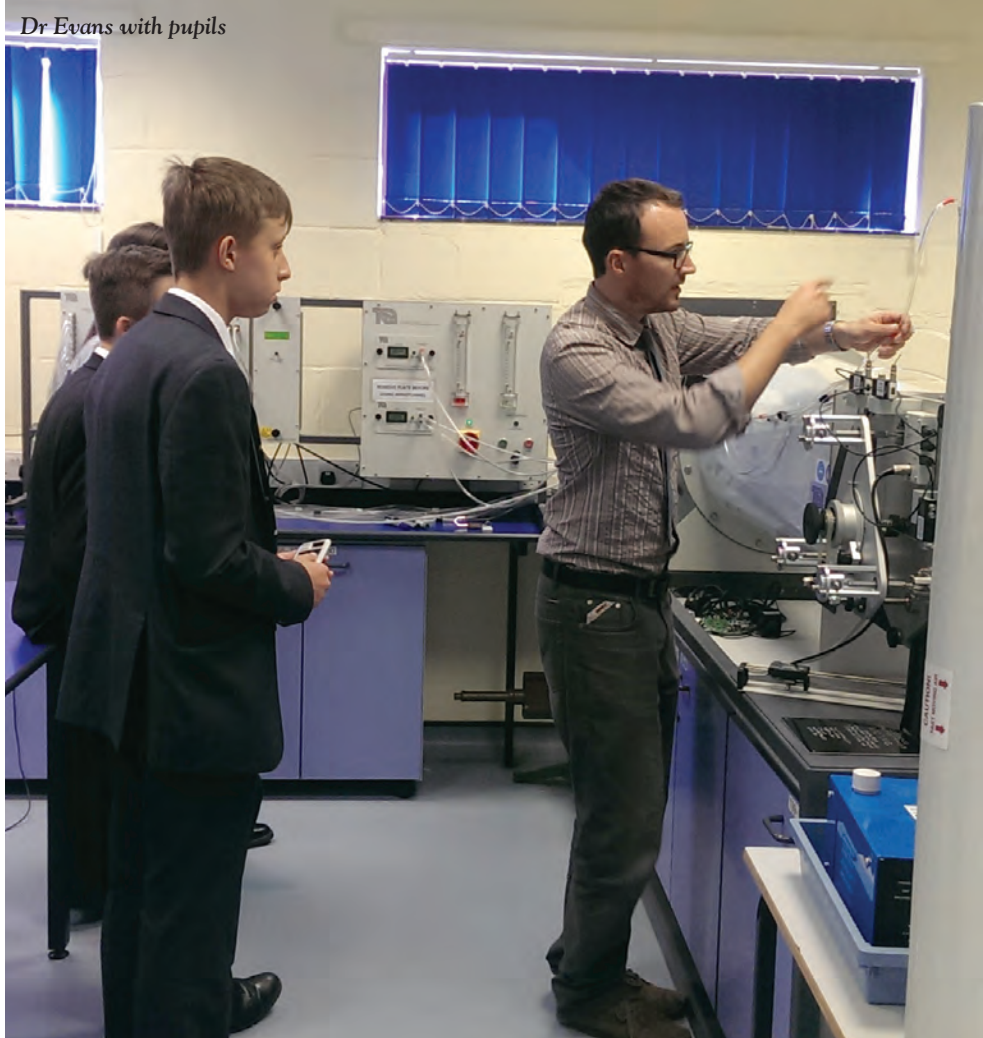
Juice of half a lemon and half a lime
About 500ml of water or coconut water
3 dates – roughly chopped
1 tablespoon agave nectar or honey
1 teaspoon coconut oil or butter
Sea salt to taste

Put all the ingredients in a blender and whizz until smooth. It comes out a pale brown but tastes great! Take a look at my blog for more information on sports hydration www.nenevalleyfood.com



Oundle pupils experience modern engineering hands-on

Dr Evans with pupils



The first day of the new academic year saw Engineer-in-Residence, Dr Ben Evans, return to Oundle School to initiate Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) research using the school's wind tunnel, housed in the Physics Department.

Three Lower Sixth Form pupils, Rafe Trundell (16), Jemima Burgess (16) and William Sly (16), all of whom are working on an EPQ, enjoyed hands-on experience with the wind tunnel, making the most of their time with Dr Evans to discuss the mathematics behind drag, thrust and lift.

Dr Evans will be returning to the school in May for the EPQ presentation evening. In the meantime, he will be advising and guiding the pupils via email or Twitter throughout the year from his base at Swansea University, where he is a lecturer in Aerospace Engineering.

The Engineer-in-Residence scheme, initiated by Sanderson Fellow and Chemistry teacher, Dr James Bessent, is aimed at educating and inspiring the pupils about the role of a modern day engineer.

James commented: "Oundle has a rich

history in engineering and it is hoped that the visits will inspire the next generation of Oundle pupils into considering engineering as a career path.

"Engineering courses have moved well beyond the confines of the manufacturing industry and involve greater blurring of disciplines, especially across the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects.

"One of the aims of the visits is to showcase the range of careers and skill sets within engineering and to open pupils' eyes to the diversity – and the future – of the industry as a whole."

Dr Evans is also a lead aerodynamicist on the Bloodhound SSC car, a supersonic car which Bloodhound hope will exceed 1,000mph come 2016.

For more information about the Bloodhound SSC project visit: www.bloodhoundssc.com, or follow @bloodhound_ssc on Twitter. For more details on Dr Evans's work, visit: <http://www.swansea.ac.uk/staff/academic/engineering/evansben/> Follow @DrBenEvans

Happy ending for lost dog

A lost dog from Rushden was reunited with her family within hours, thanks to the Green Dog Club run by East Northamptonshire Council.

Tess, a Lakeland Terrier and Yorkshire Terrier cross, went missing on a walk in the woods near Blackfriars, Rushden. Owner, Rachel Birch, said she felt 'sick' when she realised she had lost her pet of 13 years.

Luckily, Tess was found safe and well by another family not long after. Rachel had registered Tess with the Green Dog Club, so she was wearing a tag with a unique reference number and the council's contact details on the reverse. The family got in touch with the club and quoted the tag number. Tess was quickly identified through the East Northamptonshire Dog Database and reunited with her owner.

When she got the call to say Tess had been found, Rachel said she felt "happy that the tag worked." When asked what she would say to dog owners who don't

have a Green Dog Club membership, Rachel answered: "Get one! I would please ask everyone to get a tag as it's free and easy to register."

East Northamptonshire Council's Dog Warden, Lisa Blackler, said: "Reuniting a lost dog and its owner is so much quicker and easier when they are a Green Dog Club member. Nearly 700 dog owners in East Northamptonshire have signed up and I'd love to see every dog owner having the peace of mind that membership brings."

Become an ambassador for responsible dog ownership by joining today. You'll receive:

- A numbered tag and registration on the East Northamptonshire Dog Database
- Dog poo bags
- The chance to help with future campaigns to eliminate dog fouling and change attitudes in the district

To join please use the online Green Dog Club form on the council's website www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

Interested in becoming a special in Northamptonshire?

Why not volunteer as a special constable and support the work of your police colleagues in the community?

Specials come from all walks of life and there are many benefits of joining up such as learning new skills, making a real difference to people's lives, meeting new

people, increasing confidence and doing something new and exciting like assisting at large events.

Visit <http://www.northants.police.uk/#!/SpecialConstabulary> or email any questions to the team at SpecialsRecruitment@northants.police.uk

Fans gather for literary favourite

The H E Bates Discussion Group were recently entertained by Paul Marshall, who attended a meeting of the group at Rushden Bowls Club to read 'Lost World of Fancy' a 1954 article written by Bates for the magazine Everybody's.

The article presented Bates's thoughts on the older street games that used to be played in the early part of the 20th century.

Open University Lecturer, Peter Smith followed this with an illustrated talk on 'H E Bates's Great War' – this included Bates's reminiscences of his time at

Kettering Grammar School during the war and his friendship with Johann, a German prisoner of war, who was detailed to help on Bates's grandfather's smallholding. This friendship later formed the basis for Bates' book 'The Hessian Prisoner'.

Next year's meetings will take place in March and September, when Jon-Paul Carr will be speaking about the first book written by Bates, 'The Two Sisters' which is set in the village of Farndish, near Irchester.

Appeal to help Rushden get ready for Big Tidy Up

Are you proud of East Northamptonshire and want to keep the Greenway looking as glorious as possible? Then your help is needed.

East Northamptonshire Council is appealing for volunteers to join officers and Kier (the council's waste contractors) to help clean up the Rushden stretch of the Greenway next month, as part of Keep Britain Tidy's biggest ever tidy up.

The Greenway Big Tidy Up will take place on 11th October from 9am to 12noon. If you can spare a few hours to support this important event please meet at Splash Pool car park, where an officer will provide you with gloves, bags and pickers.

Charlotte Tompkins, Waste Manager at

East Northamptonshire Council, said:

"Our Waste Management team works hard to ensure that the district is kept clean, tidy and safe but we can always do with a helping hand to keep on top of things.

"We're really happy to support Keep Britain Tidy and organise a Big Tidy Up of the Greenway in Rushden, which is well used by residents and visitors. So come along for a fun morning and help to keep the Greenway litter-free for all to enjoy."

If you're planning to attend, please notify the council by email to waste@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk with the subject 'Big Tidy Up' or by calling 01832 742026.

For more information on the Big Tidy Up, visit www.thebigtidyup.org

Friday 26th September to Sunday 28th September Music & Real Ale Festival

Rushden Transport Museum, The Railway Station, Station Approach, Rushden, Northants NN10 0AW
Sat: first train 2pm, last train 7pm Sun: first train 11am, last train 4pm.
Adults £4, Children £2
www.rhts.co.uk
Tel. 01933 353111
A must for real ale connoisseurs and live music fans.

Saturday 27th September Talk by Writer and Actress Katherine Jakeways

St Peter’s Church, Oundle, 7.30pm–8.30pm
Tickets £7 (£5)
Oundle Box Office 01832 274734
www.oundlelitfest.org.uk
Helen 07743 988181
Katherine has written radio plays and appeared in many TV shows. Come and find out what she plans to do next.

Monday 29th September Authors John Boyne and Linda Newbery in Conversation

St Peter’s Church, Oundle
7.30pm–8.30pm
Tickets £7 (£5)
Oundle Box Office 01832 274734
www.oundlelitfest.org.uk
Helen 07743 988181
These award-winning authors will be talking about their new books and the pleasures of writing both for adults and children.

Wednesday 1st October Healing Gardens – An Illustrated Talk by Kim Grove

Methodist Church Hall, Drummingwell Lane Oundle
7.45pm
£2 for patrons, £3 for visitors
Entrance includes light refreshments, all welcome.

Thursday 2nd October Liz Kershaw: The Bird and the Beeb

St Peter’s Church, Oundle, 7.30pm–8.30pm
Tickets £7 (£5)
Oundle Box Office 01832 274734
www.oundlelitfest.org.uk
Helen 07743 988181
Radio presenter Liz Kershaw lifts the lid on her life at the BBC and the real stories behind the headlines.

Saturday 4th October Craft, Gift & Vintage Fayre

Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Rd, Rushden
10am–4pm

Free & free parking
kaytandmick@hotmail.co.uk
Lots of lovely items made by local people at affordable prices.
Refreshments available.

Coffee Morning
St Mary’s Church Ringstead
10am–12noon
Free
Tel. Rosemarie Coles 01933 624262
Coffee morning including book stall, bric-a-brac and raffle. Proceeds towards new church facilities. All welcome.

Baby/Kids Nearly New Sale

The Pemberton Centre H E Bates Way, NN10 9YP Rushden
10am–12noon
£1 (Kids free)
karen_aves@hotmail.co.uk
Lots of stalls with baby and kids’ clothes, toys and equipment. Come and pick up some bargains!

Coffee Morning
Irthlingborough Methodist Church, College Street
10am–12noon
No admission fee
All proceeds to Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance.

RNLI Auction Night,
The Band Club in Higham Ferrers
7pm
Tickets £2.50 per adult
Kids free and welcome,
Tel. Sally 07432 138849 or sallyedgington@live.co.uk
Includes disco, nibbles, auction, raffle & kids’ raffle.

Sunday 5th October First Sunday Event

The Salvation Army Church Street, Rushden
6pm
Refreshments prior to event at 5pm
Free
Tel. Gill Valentine 01933 353528
Special Guest will be Steve Tomson (Christian Juggler). All are welcome.

First World War Exhibition

Titchmarsh Village Hall
12noon–6pm
Voluntary donations to British Legion at door.

Saturday 11 October Woodland Adventure

Lyveden New Bield
11am–12.30pm
Normal property admission charges
Tel. 01832 205158
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lyveden
Join us for a walk to nearby Ladywood (approx 1 mile).

Barn Dance Fundraising for St James’ Church
St James’ Church Hall
7.30pm–10.30pm
Live music with Hit and Miss. Please bring food to share.

Worldwide Photo Walk
Oundle (The Oundle Heritage Trail) <http://kelbyone.com/photowalk/walk/oundle-peterborough-uk-united-kingdom-the-oundle-heritage-trail/>
4.45pm–7pm
No admission fee
inge.skliros@gmail.com

Every Tuesday and Thursday except Christmas and New Year Health Walks

Stanwick Lakes
10am–11am
Free – normal car park charges apply
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Regular walking can help improve your health. Join us in our regular walks.

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Fridays.

Exploring Northamptonshire by Bus (refreshments optional)
Various villages and countryside.
From 10am
£2.50 per map.
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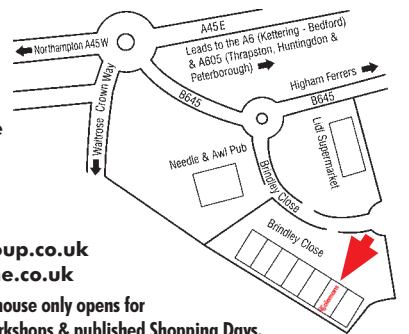
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 This post includes that of Responsible Financial Officer which involves the effective and proper management and control of the Council's financial systems, records and controls. Ideally, candidates will possess suitable accountancy qualifications and experience (or be willing to work towards these). Consideration may, however, be given to candidates who would require further training in order to fulfil these responsibilities.
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Please call 01933 622087 or email raundstowncouncil@fsmail.net for a recruitment pack and an application form. Please contact us if you would like an informal telephone discussion with the Mayor or Deputy Mayor prior to application.
Closing date for applications: 24th October 2014
It is anticipated that interviews will be held on 5th/6th November 2014

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(PUBLIC BYWAYS NK2 - PARISH OF LUDDINGTON,
NY13 - PARISH OF THURNING, MF15 - PARISH OF
BARNWELL & MN8 - PARISH OF CLOPTON)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to temporarily prohibit all motorised vehicles, pedestrians, equestrians and cyclists from proceeding along those lengths of Public Byways NK2, NY13, MF15 and MN8 in the Parishes of Luddington, Thurning, Barnwell and Clopton as specified below. Access to land or premises adjacent to the said lengths of byways is unaffected.
RIGHT OF WAY TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The route to be closed begins at Point A on the map at National Grid Reference (NGR) TL09594 81630 on Winwick Road. The route then heads generally south west for approximately 1780 metres along public byways NK2, NY13, MF15 and MN8 to point B at NGR TL08200 80610 on Gibbet Lane.
 The route is shown by a solid black line between points A - B.
REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required due to surface damage.
PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 26th September 2014 and will continue in force for a period of six 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 notices.
ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: There is no suitable alternative route.
 Dated this 27th day of September 2014
 QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law PKG/ROW/169
 If you require any further information please contact Katie Angel on 01604 883451.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(MAIN STREET, COTTERSTOCK & OUNDLE
ROAD, TANSOR)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2014
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 Main Street, Cotterstock and Oundle Road, Tansor as set out below.
LENGTHS OF ROADS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: Those lengths of Main Street, Cotterstock and Oundle Road, Tansor from the junction of Cotterstock Road to road to St Andrews Church.
REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for bridge repairs and resurfacing works.
PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 29th September 2014 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 2002.
EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the roads will be restricted until 3rd October 2014.
ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: Use Cotterstock Road, Main Street, Fotheringhay Road, Main Street and Woodnewton Road.
 Dated this 27th day of September 2014
 QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law PKG/T14/277
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Chess Corner

By Derrick Sims

I was hoping to report on the results of Rushden Chess Club's first league match of the season. Unfortunately this had to be postponed, as a result of a number of 'A' team players not being available on the evening.

The team was scheduled to play against Corby and in a spirit of true sportsmanship the opposition agreed to the rescheduling to allow Rushden to field a full-strength team.

I'm sure that in many instances the opposition would be delighted to play against a half-strength team. One can imagine the manager of Manchester United phoning Manchester City's manager regarding such an issue. The conversation would undoubtedly go as follows: "Hello Manuel, Louis here, got a bit of a problem for Saturday. Wayne's got a bruised toenail and David de Gea has a paper cut on his index finger! Any chance we can reschedule it for a later date?" "Of course Louis, it would be very unsporting of us to take advantage of you when you're so much

under strength."

I overheard a comment the other night from one of our younger players; he was saying that the term 'checkmate' originated in Persia and translates as 'the King is dead'. This is interesting, as the King is the only piece that can't be 'killed' (captured) in chess. I wondered why this is, as the taking of the King would seem to be the logical end of the game. In over 2,000 years the game has always ended when the King is unable to defend himself from capture by the opposition. The reason he is never actually removed from the board is lost in the mists of time.

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.

Club/County chess info:
rushdenchessclub.com &
<http://www.norchess.lloydbunday.co.uk>.

United Counties League results and fixtures

RESULTS

Saturday 20th September

Premier Division

Wellingborough Town 0 – 5 Holbeach United
Yaxley AFC 2 – 1 Rushden & Diamonds

Division One

Lutterworth Athletic 1 – 3 Raunds Town
Potton United 2 – 0 Irchester United
Rothwell Corinthians 5 – 0 Rushden & Higham United
St Neots Town Youth & Saints 2 – 3 Woodford United

Reserves Division

Bourne Town 2 – 1 Irchester United
Eynesbury Rovers 0 – 2 Thrapston Town
Raunds Town 2 – 0 Bugbrooke St Michaels
Rushden & Higham United 5 – 0 Huntingdon Town

Under 21s Division

M K College 6 – 1 AFC Rushden & Diamonds

Northants Junior Cup Round One

Desborough Town Res 1 – 11 Thrapston Town
Wellingborough Whitworth 7 – 0 Milton

FIXTURES

30th September

KO Cup

Burton Park Wanderers vs AFC Rushden & Diamonds

Wellingborough Town vs Olney Town

4th October

United Counties League Premier

AFC Rushden & Diamonds vs Northampton Sileby Rangers

United Counties League Division One

Raunds Town vs Buckingham Town
Rushden & Higham United vs St Neots Town Y&S
Wellingborough Whitworth vs Thrapston Town

FA Vase 2nd Round Qualifying

Harefield United vs Wellingborough Town
Irchester United vs Crawley Green

7th October

United Counties League Division One

Rushden & Higham United vs Potton United

KO Cup

Wellingborough Whitworth vs Harborough Town
Wellingborough Town vs Northampton Sileby Rangers
Irchester United vs Stewarts & Lloyds Corby
Raunds Town vs Blackstones

Northamptonshire FA Hillier Senior Cup

Wellingborough Town vs Northampton Sileby Rangers



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