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NEWS IN BRIEF

Rushden Salvation Army hosts weekend of music

The Regent Hall Salvation Army Band, one of the Salvation Army's premier bands, will kick-off a special musical weekend on Saturday 1st November. Admission price £5.

The following evening at 6pm, the guest for the popular First Sunday Event will be David Daws, renowned euphonium player and member of the world famous Gus Band. Admission is free and prior to the event free refreshments will be available at 5pm in the Community Centre.

These are two musical events not to be missed. Rushden Salvation Army, 16–20 Church Street, Rushden. Further details are available from Gill Valentine on 01933 353528.

Santa Clause is coming to town

Rushden Round Table (262) is looking to support even more local charities and community groups with funds raised during this year's Christmas collections.

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Public health advice on flu vaccinations

This winter an extra 22,000 flu vaccinations will need to be issued to under 65s at risk, according to public health experts at Northamptonshire County Council.

Last year 35,000 people aged under 65 and at risk of developing a more severe illness received a vaccination and it's estimated that an extra 22,000

people in this key target group would need to be vaccinated this year in order to achieve population-wide protection – known as herd immunity.

Efforts to increase the number of people who take-up a flu vaccination in Northamptonshire achieved some positive results last year, with an increased take-up in some at risk groups compared to the previous years.

As part of this GPs are urged to do everything they can to encourage people to get a flu vaccination, especially if they are in any of the eligible groups (patients aged 65 or older, patients under 65 and at risk, pregnant women, health care workers, carers, children aged two to four on 1st September 2014).

Cabinet member for public health and wellbeing, Councillor Robin Brown said: "Flu vaccinations are a proven public health intervention that deliver excellent results.

"For most healthy people, flu is unpleasant but usually they will feel better within a week or so. However, older people, the very young, pregnant women and those with underlying disease are at particular risk of severe illness if they catch flu so it's vital that we increase the numbers of people who get vaccinated.

"And if enough people are vaccinated we can achieve herd immunity, which is particularly important in protecting people who can't get vaccinated because they're too ill, or are receiving treatment that damages their immune system.

"We have been working with partners to increase the focus on

vaccinating people in at risk groups and did see some increases in take-up last year but it's vital that more work is done to increase the number of people vaccinated.

"In particular, we need to see an increase in the number of pregnant women, carers and young children who are immunised as currently these groups have the lowest take-up."

NHS Nene Clinical Commissioning Group is also urging those most at risk from flu in Northamptonshire to book an appointment with their GP to have a free flu vaccination.

Dr Darin Seiger, GP Chair of Nene Clinical Commissioning Group said; "Having the flu jab can help to save lives and as winter approaches now is the best time for those in the at risk eligible groups to get the free jab.

"It's important to raise awareness of how important getting the flu jab is. Flu is a lot more serious than having a cold; it can knock you off your feet and leave you bed ridden for days and also lead to having to go to hospital. I would strongly urge those most at risk in Northamptonshire to make sure that they book an appointment with their local GP practice to get the flu vaccine."



To help raise awareness, Dr Darin Seiger, GP Chair of Nene Clinical Commissioning Group has given the flu vaccine to Councillor Judy Shepherd, chair of the health and wellbeing board scrutiny

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Luxury development a success

A development off Chancery Lane has proved a hit following an open day at East Northamptonshire Council's Members' Room on 7th October where interested people could find out more about what the scheme had to offer.

Named Castle Court, the development promises to bring luxury retirement living to Thrapston and represents a significant change to the centre of the picturesque town, by bringing brownfield land on Chancery Lane back to life.

"The scheme seems like an ideal set up for us," said Mr & Mrs Arnett from Oundle. Brian Arnett said: "I'm beginning to find it difficult to get up the stairs and maintain the garden so we've been thinking about moving for a little while. The bus routes near us have changed too so Castle Court seems very appealing – it's only a short walk to the town centre and the apartment features and scheme layout will really suit us. We'd be very happy to move to Thrapston too, it's a lovely place."

Jacqueline, who lives locally and visited the open day with her daughter Angela said: "My daughter pointed the scheme out to me and helped register me a place so I could find out more about it. I've been thinking about moving for a while and Castle Court seems like a good option. I haven't made my mind up yet but today has been really useful."

Angela added: "Today's been really informative. After seeing a piece in the local paper I thought Mum might be interested in finding out more about it. The scheme has a great central location and from the features

you can tell that it will be ideal for people like my mum. As a bonus, it would put Mum only a short walk from me."

The scheme is being developed by retirement housing specialists Keystone Developments, who have partnered with local organisations to ensure the scheme meets local needs in Thrapston.

The site is giving formerly disused land a new purpose and its location means residents will easily be able to play an active role in the town.

"Thrapston has so much to offer and we're delighted to be giving people the opportunity to enjoy their life here in comfort," said Andy Patchitt at Keystone Developments. "The expertise we've developed over the years developing purpose-built, high quality retirement communities means we have a competitive offer for those looking to stay independent in retirement, but with the reassurance that help is available if they need it."

"Looking at local housing needs we know that Castle Court will go a long way to meet demand for suitable housing for older people. We are delighted to have the opportunity to partner with Seagrave Developments, Spire Homes and East Northamptonshire Council so that their local knowledge is put to the best use in ensuring Castle Court becomes a vibrant and integrated part of Thrapston."

Promising residents true luxury in retirement, each of Castle Court's 29 one and two bedroom apartments come with a fully fitted kitchen including a hob, high level oven,

integrated fridge freezer and a washer dryer as well as a bathroom with a large low access shower to make life easy for residents. CCTV and door entry systems along with a discreet 24-hour monitored emergency call system will

offer an added element of security.

The scheme is set for completion in December 2015. Anyone interested in purchasing an apartment should contact Millers New Homes on 01604 638000.

Evening colours inspire photo walkers

On Saturday, 11th October thousands took part in what was billed as 'The Largest Social Photography Event in the World', the Annual Worldwide Photowalk.

Originated seven years ago by the American photographer Scott Kelby, photographers of all skill levels gathered together in cities to shoot, socialise and share. This year, they were each encouraged to donate \$1 to the Springs of Hope Orphanage in Kenya. Sponsors promised generous prizes for the best images.

In our area, Inge Skliros, a retired Master Photographer from Canada and recently settled in Oundle, was approved by Scott as a leader. She took a local group of 18 round the Oundle Heritage Trail, beginning with a look inside Oundle School chapel, by kind permission of headmaster Charles Bush, with

its famous John Piper windows and equally sensational modern glass.

"I've been on four of these," said Jim from Corby, "and this is the best!"

All were intrigued by the start time of 5pm and thrilled to learn how to shoot fascinating

images as dusk fell, without using flash. Nature also helped, by arranging a glorious pale pink and blue sky, cleverly contrasting it with dark rain clouds. The group, comprising Sue West (Stamford), Jim Morrison (Corby), David and Helen Jameson (Stowmarket), Ian Whiting (Bedford), Amanda (Ashton, a USAF servicewoman originally from Colorado, on her third UK tour), as well as Ian Costello, Doreen

Gravestock, Claire Wilson and her mum Carol (Raunds), Becky, Angel, Danielle, Natalie, Julie and Maria, ended up at the Talbot, to complete a memorable experience.



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School celebrates green award

Thrapston Primary School pupils and staff have been awarded the Eco Schools Green Flag for the third time.

They were first awarded this prestigious environmental award in 2008, when only

about 100 schools in the country had the award.

A great deal of hard work goes in to the environmental initiatives undertaken at the school. They have a dedicated Eco-Action Team, supported

by members of staff, which communicates ideas with the rest of the school and community in assemblies and newsletters.

The pupils at the school enjoy their Eco activities, which include Walk to School Week, Big Tidy Up campaigns, Switch-off Fortnight and Slim your Bin campaigns. In the school, there is a vegetable garden, pond, wildlife garden and a wildflower garden, as well as an active Wildlife Club, which makes sure the school grounds have good habitats for wildlife.

Last year, the school PTA was supported by Anglian Water to create a new

Outdoor Classroom, for which they were awarded the Parent & Teacher Association of the Year award for the whole of the UK. They are now funding a new woodland walk pathway, designed by some of the schoolchildren.

The Eco-Action Team has close links with the Eco Club at the neighbouring King John Middle School, which also has a Green Flag, meeting up each year to share ideas. And in the next few weeks, they are hoping to meet up with the Eco Club at Titchmarsh Primary, another Green Flag recipient! Let's hope the Thrapston community keeps up this good work to help the environment.



Green Flag Award for Thrapston Primary

Fun run raises money for Ringstead facilities

Kinewell Lake in Ringstead hosted a family Fun Run with a difference on Sunday 28th September.

The Ringstead Village Community Group has been raising much needed funds to develop the play park in the village, and for the past two years has hosted the Fun Run event to support this cause.

This year there was an added twist to the challenge, with more than 18 obstacles positioned around the course.

Runners found themselves climbing bales and ropes, and crawling under cargo nets.

The day was a huge success, and the organisers thank Colson & Loaring which funded the event and the Axe and Compass, which provided a free BBQ for all entrants.

The day was positively received and it is hoped that it will become an annual event, so if you fancy entering next year, look on the village website www.ringsteadpc.org.uk for more information.



Festive fun at Oundle Christmas Market

Where better to experience a festive and fun-filled Christmas Market this winter than in the beautiful, historic town of Oundle?

Oundle Food Festival will once again be joining Oundle Town Council to fill the market place with over 60 stalls selling a diverse range of Christmas food, gifts and crafts – everything you need from cards and decorations to charcuterie and cakes. Starting at 12noon on Saturday 6th December the fun will last all afternoon until 7pm and the town's Christmas lights will be turned on at 6pm.

Be prepared for a merry experience as Father Christmas will be joined by some of his reindeer in the grotto; there will be a whole host of choirs; a fire-juggling stilt-walker; children's fairground rides; and music from the Yarwell and Nassington Brass Band. Masses of mulled wine and mince pies and other street food delicacies will keep you warm. With a park and ride service running into the market place, and the town's fabulous independent shops and cafes open for late night shopping, there is plenty of opportunity to relax, soak up the atmosphere and find that 'perfect' gift.

Oundle is one of a growing list of towns and cities across the UK that organise an annual Christmas Market for friends and locals to meet up on a cold winter's evening, enjoy traditional entertainment and stock up on delicious Christmas goodies. Often thought of as being predominantly German, Christmas Markets were, in fact, very popular in the UK until Oliver Cromwell banned the celebration of Christmas altogether. Thankfully times have moved on and Oundle Christmas Market is set to be a truly memorable highlight of the Christmas season.

"Last year's market was so popular we've decided to do it all again," said organiser Alison Newcomb. "It was such a wonderful afternoon with so many different stallholders, there's definitely something to appeal to everyone."

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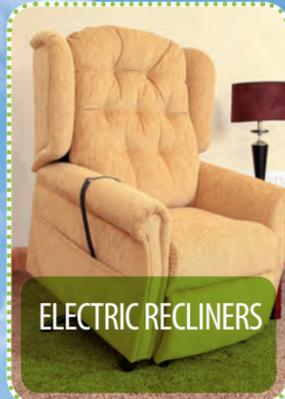
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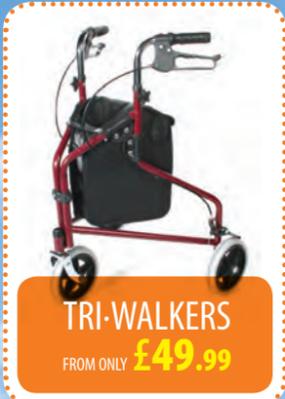
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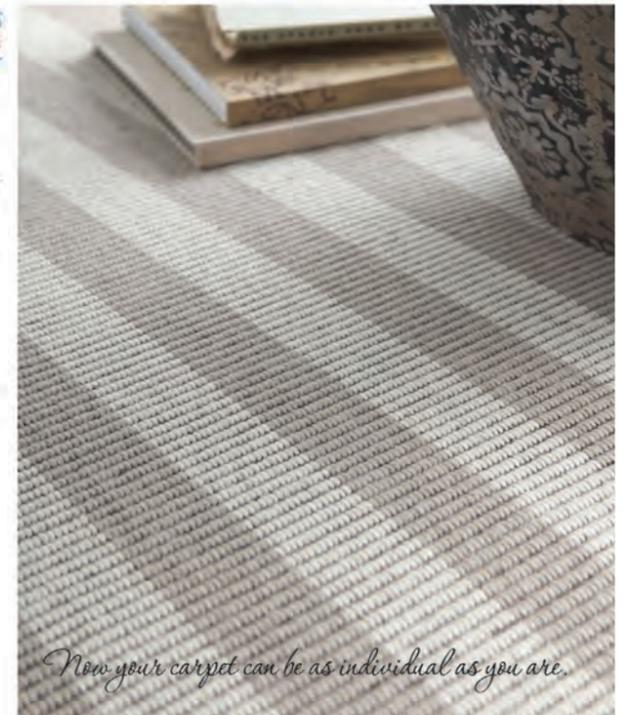
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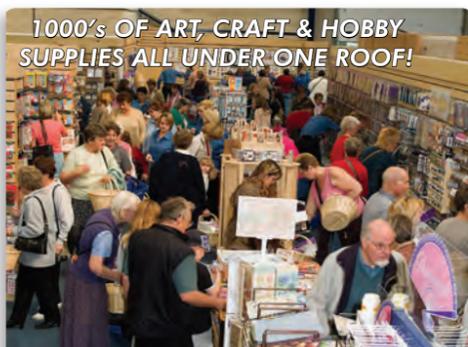
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Rushden Poppy Appeal launched at 1940s Weekend

The Rushden Branch of the Royal British Legion has successfully launched this year's Poppy Appeal.

The launch took place alongside the annual 1940s Weekend held at The Rushden Historical Transport Society's Rushden Station which was built by the Midland Railway in 1894.

The station was only an intermediate facility on the Higham Ferrers branch line and was closed in 1959. The line was finally closed to all rail traffic in 1969 and in 1984 the RHTS obtained a lease on the building

eventually purchasing it in 1996 after many years of campaigning to save the building from demolition.

Today, the building has been beautifully restored acting as a Museum and Club House for the Society, yet again enabling a bigger and better 1940s Weekend with more displays and with the use of the Goods Shed yard for the first time.

After a quiet start due to the weather on Saturday, the rest of the weekend was full on, with people fully participating in their 1940s dress. On Sunday a number of large World

War Two American trucks also joined in. The crowds were entertained by the 'Blitz Sisters' and the Mainline Band. Sunday also saw a Memorial Service held on the platform for the fallen of the world wars and recent conflicts.

RHTS, who hosted the event, also provided train rides and refreshments in their newly restored Buffet Car. The CAMRA awarding winning bar was also serving.

Monies raised at the event will be divided between the Royal British Legion Poppy

Appeal, the Merchant Navy Association and RHTS.

The RBL Poppy Stall was a huge success with scores of people in attendance. A grand sum of £965.39 was raised, which is in excess of £200 more than last year's appeal. This is exclusive of monies raised by RHTS, clearly posting a great success all round and thanks to the generosity of the public and patrons of the RHTS. A huge thank you to the organisers and supporting public.



Thrapston Amateur Dramatic Society next production

Rehearsals are now underway for TADS next production, A Chorus of Disapproval by Alan Ayckbourn. Performances will be for 5 nights commencing Tuesday 11th November 2014, doors open 7.15pm. The performance starts at 7.45pm.

Tickets will be available from 14th October by telephoning TADS dedicated number, 07543 321219 between 10am and 7pm, or at the Plaza Box Office from Tuesday 28th October between 10am and 2pm at £6 (£5 concs).

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NEW BUILD

Staff and the governor working group met with representatives from the Local Authority on Tuesday, 7th October to discuss the most recent proposals for the planned extension to our school.

Options presented to us prior to the summer break had been revised. However, an additional option was also presented. The school working group, being familiar with all the issues raised previously, were able to quickly assess the merits and impacts of the additional option.

It was concluded that the additional option was in fact the best option seen to date and one that we would be happy to accept. Some adjustments need to be made to the drawings. Once this has been done and the school has a copy of the revised plans from the Local Authority, we will put them on our school website for families and friends to view.

This is a very positive step forward and the school can report that the Local Authority has listened to concerns raised and worked really hard to meet our requests.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school website has recently undergone a transformation and we have plans to continue to updating this in the coming weeks, so that parents will have easy access to lots of information regarding classes, school and the wider community. If you've not yet had a chance to visit please take a look, www.henrychichele.northants.sch.uk.

We are delighted to announce that the school has successfully bid for £10,000 lottery funding for a Community Garden with Workshop. Work will start on the development imminently and we very much look forward to sharing the facilities with you all once it is completed. If, in the meantime, you have links to garden centres or clubs and you would like to be involved in this project the School Business Manager, Claire Griffiths, would be very pleased to hear from you. Please contact her via the school office or bursar@henrychichele.northants-ecl.gov.uk.

Great Oundle Taste Off!

At Laxton Junior School in Oundle, the Reception pupils have been learning about their senses and as part of their work on 'taste', Oundle School chef Joel Benedickter and catering manager Jayne Bryers visited to talk about the daily life of a chef.

Joel brought two different types of flapjacks for everyone to taste; one healthier than the other. The children enjoyed both and learned that healthier doesn't mean it's not as tasty.

Joel said: "It's great to be out of the kitchen and meet with the children we provide lunch for every

day. They are so responsive and open to new tastes and ideas."

The Reception class were then set a challenge. They were asked to draw a picture of Joel and all the drawings would be judged by 'important people' from Oundle School. All the pictures have been framed and now decorate the dining hall for the hundreds of pupils who pass through each day to enjoy.

Three lucky winners were chosen and each winner was able to choose the lunch menu for a day. Each child met up with the chefs and discussed their favourite foods. As a result, the children have enjoyed macaroni cheese with peas, sautéed ham with buttered spaghetti and pizza! Maybe not cordon bleu just yet, but the children are only four!

Headmaster, Mr Mark Potter said: "This was such a wonderful way for our children to not only further develop their understanding of their senses but also learn a little more about important people from their school community. The drawings are wonderful and the children have created some super pictures of Joel that are now on display for all to see."



Joel Benedickter and Jayne Bryers with the three lucky winners

Letters to the Editor – Where have all the birds gone?

When I moved to Raunds there were sparrows, blue tits, blackbirds, starlings, chaffinch and pigeons visiting my garden. I have fruit trees, including elderberry

and many more. Looking out to the front I could see magpies, red kites and the occasional heron.

I have nesting boxes, feeders and bird baths. During the last two last

weeks the only visitor I have is the odd pigeon that sits in the bird bath. Have other residents noticed the decline in birds or is it just this area? Are the white lights to blame?

Margaret Fone



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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/dcnofication

Barnwell

14/01930/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Two storey rear extension and internal alterations at The Croft Church Lane Barnwell PE8 5PG

Benefield

14/01751/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Proposed conversion and change of use of The Wheatsheaf Coaching Inn to provide 6 residential units and 2 detached new-build dwellings at The Benefield Wheatsheaf Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN

14/01796/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Conversion and extension of a former existing milking parlour to a single storey dwelling, erection of a detached garage and demolition of barn at Ashley Farm Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN

14/01849/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs) (LB/CA)
Conversion and extension of a former existing milking parlour to a single storey dwelling, erection of a detached garage and demolition of barn at Ashley Farm Main St Upper Benefield PE8 5AN

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott

14/01940/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Extension to existing dwelling and detached garage at East View Raunds Rd Chelveston Wellingborough NN9 6AB

Collyweston

14/01916/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs) (LB/CA)
Demolition of brick pigsty within curtilage of a listed building at 80 – 84 Main Rd Collyweston PE9 3PQ

Duddington with Fineshade

14/01790/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Garden room extension to the rear; installation of dormer windows and conservation roof lights; replacement windows throughout; replacement porch over front entrance and replacement windows in dormer to outbuildings at Corringham High St Duddington PE9

14/01791/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Garden room extension to the rear; installation of dormer windows and conservation roof lights; replacement porch over front entrance; alterations to internal walls to alter existing room layout; formation of new shower room and new en suite and replacement windows in dormer to outbuildings at Corringham High St Duddington

Great Addington

14/01674/VAR (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Removal of Condition 2 (retention of metal casement on first floor front elevation window) of 11/00951/LBC: Replacement of internal structure of casement window to match other windows on front elevation and replacement of modern window with leaded light window to side elevation at Great Addington House Woodford Rd Great Addington NN14 4BS

Harringworth

14/01501/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Improvement works to the single storey kitchen building to the rear of the cottage. To the extent of infilling two existing door openings, inserting half glazed timber French doors in the north facing gable end, replacing the existing modern window with a thermally efficient timber framed window with fenestration to match the historic windows in the existing cottage, lowering the modern concrete floor to allow level access from the existing cottage, removal of the modern red brick chimney stack, replacement of the corrugated roof with new clay pantiles, replacement of UPVC rainwater goods in cast aluminium and grading of external topsoil to create a level threshold (Additional works to those covered by 14/00369/FUL and 14/00371/LBC) at 51 Wakerley Rd

14/01826/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Agricultural sheep shed made of sheet

iron to be used to house livestock at Spanhoe Airfield Laxton Rd Harringworth NN17 3AT

Higham Ferrers

14/01855/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Single storey front extension at 1 Queensway Higham Ferrers NN10

Irthlingborough

14/01829/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Proposed single storey extension to side and rear of existing dwelling at 26 Middle Grass Irthlingborough NN9 5TW

Islip

14/01830/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Erection of a three and a half bay oak framed garage including room in roof space at 2 Toll Bar Rd Islip NN14 3LH

Kings Cliffe

14/01887/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Domestic garage with attic rooms over at 48 Bridge Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XH

Lilford-cum-Wigsthorpe

14/01834/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Proposed new four bedroom cottage at 4 Lilford PE8 5SG

Oundle

14/01453/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Proposed new external staircase, conservation rooflights and alterations to rear wall at 15 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BA

14/01918/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Replace existing advert signage at The Old Town Hall Market Place Oundle PE8 4BA

Raunds

14/01854/FUL (15/11/2014) (Art8)
Unused brownfield site being redeveloped for 29 dwellings including access and parking at Avenue Agricultural Enterprise Rd Raunds NN9 6JE

14/01878/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Remove uPVC panels and install external insulation to all elevations with render finish to upper levels and brick pattern finish to ground floor levels for Nos. 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 Windmill Avenue at Windmill Avenue Raunds

14/01935/OUT (08/11/2014) (Info)
Outline: Demolition of existing pair of semi-detached dwellings and erection of two detached replacement dwellings (all matters reserved) (Resubmission of application 14/00878/OUT) at Ivy Cottages Station Road Raunds

Ringstead

14/01668/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Change of use of existing offices to residential, extension and alterations to building to form an additional flat (total of six residential units), formation of new access and car park at 20 Denford Rd Ringstead NN14 4DF

Rushden

14/01774/FUL (15/11/2014) (Art8)
Demolition of existing buildings and erection of two storey block of 16no supported living apartments (use class C3) with associated access, parking and landscaping at land off Wellingborough Road Rushden

14/01839/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Single storey front extension at 3 Loseby Close Rushden NN10 9HT

14/01840/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Single storey front extension at 1 Loseby Close Rushden NN10 9HT

14/01870/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Alterations to office and revised fenestration to front elevation at Unit 3A Sanders Lodge Industrial Estate Rushden NN10 6BQ

14/01938/VAR (15/11/2014) (Art8)
Variation of conditions 1, 5, 6, 8, 15, 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46 and 47 as per section 2 of the submitted planning statement pursuant to planning permission 12/00010/FUL – 'Rushden Lakes: Hybrid Planning Application comprising: Full application for the erection of a home and garden centre, retail units, drive-thru restaurant, gatehouse, lakeside visitor centre, restaurants and boat house, together with proposals for access. Outline: application for the erection of a hotel, crèche and leisure club with some matters reserved (appearance). Plus removal of ski slope and associated site levelling, landscaping, habitat management and improvement works, vehicular access and servicing proposals together with the provision of car and cycle parking and a bus stop' dated 20.12.2012 at land adjacent to Skew Bridge Ski Slope Northampton Road Rushden

14/01945/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Single storey rear extension at 1 Larkhill Rushden NN10 6BG

Tansor

14/01159/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Move two existing listed gateposts to widen entrance for safer access at Tansor Lodge House Oundle Rd Tansor PE8 5JY

Thrapston

14/01850/FUL (15/11/2014) (LB/CA)
Change of use from letting agent to residential, reinstatement of windows and doors and painting of brick wall at 1 Church Walk Thrapston NN14 4NP

14/01851/LBC (19/12/2014) (LB/CA) (LBRegs)
Change of use from letting agent to residential, general refurbishment including providing a shower room on the first floor, rewiring, renewing of heating system, removal of two 20th century internal walls, changes to windows and door to suit the style of the cottage, installation of a stove and kitchen and internal insulation to extension walls at 1 Church Walk Thrapston

14/01902/FUL (08/11/2014) (Info)
Two storey rear extension at 122 Oundle Rd Thrapston NN14 4PF

Woodnewton

14/01932/FUL (15/11/2014) (Info) (LB/CA)
Conversion of existing open barn on side of main building to additional bedroom, bathroom, lobby and store room and external lobby and extension of existing soil vent pipe to eaves of main building at Manor House 40 Main St Woodnewton PE8 5EB

14/01933/LBC (15/11/2014) (LBRegs)
Conversion of existing open barn on side of main building to additional bedroom, bathroom, lobby and store room and external lobby and extension of existing soil vent pipe to eaves of main building at 40 Main St Woodnewton PE8 5EB

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 25 October 2014

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

10,000 reasons to vote for Peterborough charities

Two Peterborough charities are in with a chance of winning a slice of £150,000 as part of Yorkshire Building Society Group's 150th anniversary celebrations.

The Group – of which Norwich & Peterborough Building Society is part – has pledged £150,000 to leave a lasting impact in the communities it serves.

New Ark Play Association and Action for Asperger's applied for a £10,000 donation from the Society's Lasting Legacy Fund and are two of 30 charities to make the public vote.

If successful, New Ark Play Association would use the £10,000 to rebuild and upgrade all the outdoor children's play equipment including aerial runways, swings and the children's favourite climber.

Action for Asperger's would use the £10,000 to buy a specialised trolley and sensory room items for their sensory

therapy room, and also urgently need a specialist ADOS (Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule) toy box and software to help with the diagnosis of autism.

Elisabeth Buck, spokesperson for New Ark Play Association, said: "We are thrilled that our project has been chosen to be part of the Yorkshire Building Society Lasting Legacy Fund public vote. We are now calling on all our supporters and members of the public to help us make a real difference to our community by voting for our project online."

Elaine Nicholson, spokesperson for Action for Asperger's added: "The aim of the charity is to counsel people whose lives are in distress or are upset as a consequence of their experience with Asperger's Syndrome. We are delighted to be part of the Yorkshire Building Society Lasting Legacy Fund public vote and hope that our supporters and members of the community will help fund our project by voting online."

Customers and members of the public have until Friday 31st October to vote for their favourite three causes online, with the 15 most popular projects each receiving a slice of the £150,000 pot.

Yorkshire Building Society's Corporate Responsibility Manager, Pauline Giroux, said: "We are proud to commemorate our milestone anniversary by helping charities make a positive difference in their communities."

"We were very impressed with both the New Ark and Action for Asperger's projects and placed them on the final shortlist for the benefits it could deliver. It's now down to the public to vote for the three projects which they feel will provide the biggest lasting legacy for local communities."

To vote for your favourite charity please visit www.ybs.co.uk/legacy.

The Society's roots go back to 1864 when the Huddersfield Equitable Permanent Benefit Building Society was founded.

Harvest time

The pupils of Glapthorn School enjoyed the fruits of their labours on Monday 13th October, harvesting produce from their school allotment and spending the day cooking to create a Harvest Feast.

The children, with the help of some parents and staff, cooked pumpkin loaf, rhubarb cake, quiche and vegetable soup and shared the food together as a school at the end of the day.

The children had a great time cooking as well as producing artwork and poetry as part of the Harvest Day.

"The pumpkin loaf was really nice," said Matthew, aged 7.

"I liked writing Harvest poems," said Emily, aged 8. The school is looking forward to celebrating at its Harvest Festival on Friday 24th October, at St Mary's Church, Southwick.



Beya Nacef, Millie Tadman, Poppy Harrison and Luke Durman

Funding secured for new Ringstead village Peace Park

In 2012, Ringstead village formed a new community group with the aim of improving community spirit by organising social events and activities to raise much needed funds to improve the environment and facilities within the village.

Top of the list for improvements was the local park, which was looking rather tired with a couple of old swings installed in the 1960s and a climbing frame. Villagers felt uninspired by the park and were invited to complete a survey to tell the group what they wanted from their play park. A consultation meeting was held

taking into consideration ideas and suggestions from residents, local schools, and village groups.

A plan for developing the Peace Park was then formulated.

Ringstead continued organising events like the Summer Fete, Hog Roast, Fun Run and Tidy-Up days to raise funds towards purchasing new equipment, but the amount needed to buy the new equipment seemed a huge challenge.

In 2013, a couple of members of the group began applying for grants to help raise funds towards the project.

This spring Ringstead Community Group was awarded a staggering £50,000 towards

the cost of the project from WREN, and two months later East Northamptonshire Council Community Facilities Fund awarded the remaining £27,000 of matched funding required to complete the project.

All systems are go... the equipment is on order, so watch this space for the new, exciting play park to be revealed in spring 2015.

Ringstead Community Group would like to say a very big thank you to both WREN and East Northamptonshire Council for their support and funding towards the project, which could not have happened without their help.

Park for free and shop locally in East Northamptonshire

With just over two months to go until Christmas, you might be starting to think about your shopping lists. Those who choose to shop in East Northamptonshire will have more cash for festive gifts and goodies thanks to the free council run car parks in each of the six towns.

East Northamptonshire boasts 14 free car parks with generous time allowances, so shoppers can take their time searching for that perfect present for the big day.

Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, Steven North, said: "Many other councils across the country charge for parking, but by offering free parking all year round we make it even easier for shoppers and visitors to enjoy our towns, which offer a mix of high street and independent shops."

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Water fine place to swim

Councillors and contractors officially reopened the Splash Leisure Pool in Rushden with a paddle in the shallow end of the newly refurbished pool.

The £330k project, funded by East Northamptonshire Council and carried out by Jeakins Weir, has seen new air handling units and ducting installed, re-tiling in the changing rooms, showers and toilets and the installation of new changing cubicles and lockers.

Councillors Steven North and Richard Lewis were joined for a paddle, and a photo to mark the occasion, by David Oliver (East Northamptonshire Council Chief Executive), Alistair Weir (Managing Director, Jeakins Weir), Andy Rich

and Richard Bolton (also of Jeakins Weir) and Chris Tye (Group Operations Manager of Aspirations Wellbeing, who manage the centre).

Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, said:

"The majority of the repair works are hidden from public view as they involved replacing pool plant and equipment. However, the changing rooms have also been re-tiling and have new lockers, cubicles and toilets. The whole centre has been through an extensive cleaning process and I'd like to thank customers for being patient while the work has been carried out."

Mr Weir said: "We were delighted to be awarded this contract using the EMPA

Minor Works framework which meant that our specialist sub-contractors got involved early in the design process. We started work on the pool at the end of July and we're happy to be handing it back to East Northamptonshire Council so that swimmers can once again enjoy this well loved and well used facility."

Mr Tye added: "The centre is looking great with Aspirations Wellbeing staff helping to provide a cleaner, fresher look to the reception and poolside areas.

"We've got some great sessions available for all ages, so if you've never visited Splash before check out our website www.aspirationswellbeing.org.uk or pop down and see for yourself what's on offer."

Service Before Self – That's the Rotary motto

Many people see the word Rotary and think they know what it means. The fact is that the general public have little idea about what Rotary is and what it does in our local communities, nationally and across the world.

People see Rotarians directing traffic at the Dragon Boats event at Wicksteed Park and on the streets collecting for Marie Curie or another worthy cause. They know that some Rotarians will be doing good works at Christmas – but what about the other things Rotarians do?

Rotary has been very active in our community supporting young musicians, chefs and public speakers, looking after disabled men and women through Sailability and Mind, raising awareness of the plight of disadvantaged and disabled people all over the world and playing a leading part in the eradication of that killer disease polio.

While Googling a topic the other day, I came across a project in America that Rotarians had set up: 'The Rotary Club of Tehachapi will hold its 11th Annual Seniors Smoke Alarm Battery Replacement Program from 9am to noon on Saturday,

Nov. 8, 2014.' What a wonderfully down to earth project this will be and very worthwhile for the senior citizens.

Across the world more than one million Rotarians live up to their motto of Service Before Self by giving their time and skills to give something back to communities at home and abroad, learn new skills, expand their social network and enjoy themselves doing it.

If you think Rotary is the kind of organisation you would like to work with, why not get in touch with your local club and find out more? Or contact John Garley by email on john.garley09@my.northampton.ac.uk.

TROLLEY DASH

Another Club to support the Air Ambulance is The Rotary Club of Rushden with its now Annual Christmas Raffle, for a Trolley Dash around their local Waitrose store. Tickets will be on sale in November and December culminating in a weeklong promotion in the store from 7th December. The Club is aiming to do better than last year's total of £4,000 which was distributed to Macmillan and Parkinson's support.

Stanwick Lakes assault course revitalised, thanks to SITA Trust funding

Rockingham Forest Trust is celebrating the news that it has received a £32,992 funding boost from SITA Trust to revitalise the assault course at Stanwick Lakes.

The assault course is a favourite with Stanwick Lakes visitors, including families, fitness fanatics and team challenge participants. The grant will fund the replacement of the now-worn Diamond climbing frame with a new and challenging piece of equipment, and also replace the balance beams.

"The assault course is so popular with adults and children alike that we know this revitalising of the equipment will be greatly appreciated by visitors to Stanwick Lakes," said Alyson Allfree, Director of Rockingham Forest Trust.

Jools Granville of SITA Trust added: "We are delighted to have been able to support this project through the Landfill Communities Fund."

SITA Trust provides grants through the Landfill Communities Fund. This important source of funding has been available since 1997 and has provided such

worthy projects with more than £1.3 billion.

Look out for the improvements to the assault course taking place over the winter, ready for it to be up and running in early 2015.



Stanwick Lakes assault course

Thrapston war memorial to be unveiled

The Thrapston & District Branch of the Royal British Legion has been fundraising to build an external memorial to all those from the town who fell in war.

With generous donations

from individual East Northants Councillors, Thrapston Councillors and Thrapston Town Council the Legion has reached its target. The unveiling of the memorial will take place at St James's Church

on Sunday 9th November with a dedication service at 10.30am. Residents of Thrapston are asked to show their support at this event, to pay tribute to all those members of the armed forces who lost their lives.

Hampers and a hexacopter among the attractions at Harringworth

Harringworth Christmas Bazaar, The Village Church, Saturday 29th November

Harringworth, the pretty conservation village on the border between Rutland and Northamptonshire, is hosting a very special Christmas Bazaar on 29th November, 10.30am-1.30pm.

Taking place in the majestic setting of St John the Baptist Church, the Bazaar will feature a range of local traders selling carefully selected gift ideas alongside the 'Made in Harringworth' local produce, preserves and craft – not forgetting the famous Harringworth Hampers – with tickets available to purchase ahead of the event.

There has been a hexacopter buzzing above Harringworth recently and it has taken some very good quality pictures of the village and viaduct. There will be a chance at the Bazaar to see how a hexacopter works and an opportunity to purchase some of the photographs on display.

Following the popularity of their wreaths and Christmas flowers at last year's Bazaar Florals by Julia Dilworth will be selling seasonal arrangements on the day and taking orders for delivery during Christmas Week.

Among the stallholders the 'Made in Harringworth' theme will be prominent, with potted spring bulbs, notelets from the recent Open Gardens, locally made cakes, jams and chutneys and much more. After browsing the stalls you can relax with a nice cup of tea and mince pie; the cost being included in the entrance ticket price (£1.50). Children under 12 go free.

Proceeds from the Christmas Bazaar will go towards the Harringworth Appeals Fund.

For further information contact Philippa Gasson, Village Correspondent Tel: 01572 747700 or email gasson05@gmail.com

From the East Northamptonshire Council Chairman

It is always interesting to be a party to ancient customs and one that I have attended recently is the Bridge Fair in Peterborough.

This dates back to the time of King Henry VI in 1489. The mayor traditionally leads a procession from the town hall to the fair and a proclamation is read, asking all persons to 'behave soberly and civilly, and to pay their just dues and demands according to the laws of the realm and the rights of the City of Peterborough.'

Members of the chain gang (as the mayors and chairs are affectionately known) took a turn at the fairground, courtesy of John Bugg of Thurston's Fair. You may know John from running the Rushden Feast. I thoroughly enjoyed a ride on the carousel followed by a traditional and delicious sausage supper at the

magnificent Peterborough Town Hall.

Another milestone celebration I attended was the Rushden Sea Cadets dinner to mark the commissioning of TS Diamond as an independent unit rather than a satellite of Northampton. Captain Jonathan Holloway, naval officer and Captain of the Sea Cadet Corps was present to commemorate this momentous occasion.

The unit is also affiliated to HMS Diamond, a new Daring Class 45 destroyer. It was interesting to see the naval traditions with piping ably carried out by Cadet Theodosios. After dinner, the cadet also cut the cake with a traditional sword and we all sampled a piece – so much for the diet!

At the Rushden Mayor's Civic Service, cadets from Rushden Air Training Corps joined a traditional procession from Rushden

Hall to St Mary's Church. This was a splendid occasion which was very well supported and we were very lucky with the weather for October.

I was delighted to show my support for International Older Persons' Day at St Peter's Church in Rushden.

You may have heard that Northamptonshire has a new county flag. It was designed following a competition and as part of Northamptonshire Flag Day celebrations, I will be raising one of these new flags at East Northamptonshire Council in Thrapston on 25th October at 3pm. Look out for the brightly coloured flag when you head up the hill to the council offices or Nene Centre.

This will be a busy weekend, as the night before (24th), I will be attending



Cllr Gill Mercer

the Rushden Mayor's Race Night at the Heritage Chapel Hall in Rushden.

On Sunday 26th October, I will be hosting Afternoon Tea at the Bridge Hotel in Thrapston to raise money to fight prostate cancer. The event will run from 2.30pm to 5pm and tickets are £12. To book, call 07875 337404. If you read this too late to apply, you might like to come to my next event, a concert with Queen B, a Queen Tribute Band on 27th December at Rushden Bowls Club. Put the date in your diaries.

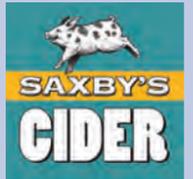
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Food and Drink Column

Our new monthly feature will bring you the culinary delights of the district.

SAXBY'S PORK PIES HAVE MORPHED INTO CIDER

Many of us remember the luscious pork pies from Saxby's but since the firm closed its doors around seven years ago, Phil Saxby, son of John and Zandra, wanted to resurrect the name – but this time producing a locally grown and pressed cider.



The company has planted a cider apple orchard on its farm, just outside Irchester, and Phil's hobby has now matured into making cider on a commercial scale. He has carefully selected the right apple varieties, which are blended together to make a cider which is both refreshing and offers tasteful flavours for the palate.

Next year the aim is to bring out a range of ciders to include dry and medium flavours, and some specials with hints of fruit.

In recognition of Saxby's heritage, every bottle has a picture of a pig on it. Some of the farm barns, where the pigs were reared, have been converted, hence 'Crafty Pig Ciderhouse', to produce and bottle the cider.

It's gratifying to know the Saxby name is back in the local area and its cider will be made with the same love, care and attention as were their famous pork pies.

Your intrepid Nene Valley food and drink investigator, bringing you new tastes and flavours from the local area.



Trick or Treat slime tart

Feeling brave this Halloween? Try this recipe and decide for yourself whether it's an unusual treat or a really nasty trick.

Definitely a treat if you're looking for a gluten-free, dairy-free dessert with loads of monounsaturated fats and more potassium than you can shake a banana at; trick if you think guacamole is the devil's food and best consigned to the bin. Dare you try it?

Base:

100g mixed or macadamia nuts
50g dessicated coconut
Zest of 1 lime
Juice of ½ lime
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Pinch sea salt
1 tablespoon honey/agave nectar

50g dark chocolate
A little nut oil

- Use the nut oil to grease 4 x 10cm tartlet tins with loose bottoms.
 - Put all the remaining ingredients (except the chocolate) in a food processor and process until combined but chunky.
 - Divide evenly between the tins and press down firmly.
 - Melt the chocolate and spread over the nut base. Put in the fridge to set.
- Note: For other recipes, this makes a good substitute for the usual base combo of butter and biscuits.

Topping:

2 large or 3 smaller ripe avocados
Juice of 1 or 2 limes
Zest of 1 lime
3 or 4 generous tablespoons maple syrup or similar
1 tablespoon coconut butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Pinch sea salt
Optional: grated fresh ginger or chilli flakes
Dark chocolate to decorate

Process all the ingredients (except the chocolate) together until smooth. It's very important to test the flavour at this stage and adjust to your taste. Adding more lime juice reduces the flavour of the avocado, but you might need to add more syrup as well. The salt helps to balance the flavours and ginger or chilli adds a real zing if you like them.

Note: This topping has a mousse-like texture which is great served on its own as a dessert or for breakfast.

Divide the mixture evenly between the tartlets and put in the fridge to solidify slightly. Melt the chocolate, allow to cool slightly and either pipe directly onto the tarts or onto greaseproof paper to set and then use to decorate the tarts. Serve with a smile and wait for the screams...



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Ex-pupils from The Alfo Bombing visit again

On Friday 3rd October 2014 (the 74th anniversary of the Alfred Street School bombing), ex-pupils who had been at the school at the time of the bombing visited our school.

That day, the current Year 6 pupils were given the opportunity to talk to our visitors and experience first-hand

accounts of the day. This information helped us with our 'Big Write' in English, where we were writing an account of 3rd October 1940.

Mr Kidney invited the ex-pupils that attended Alfred Street at the time of the bombing to a Coffee Morning, which we, the Year 6 pupils were allowed to attend and ask our

questions.

During this time, pupils took turns in groups to gather details and information about the bombing of Alfred Street, Rushden. We questioned the visitors carefully and sensitively, without upsetting them, and the visitors answered back with full and often fascinating details.

To remember this important anniversary, the visitors came and joined us in our 'special' assembly. We all had a minute of silence to remember those seven children who died. We then had accounts written by former pupils read aloud to the school.

To conclude, we all had a brilliant time and thankfully they did too. Next year's Year 6 will hopefully get

to meet them as well on the 75th anniversary, and they will have a good time, like we all did. To finish, we would like to thank all the ex-pupils, who were kind enough to

share their stories with us. It was a truly memorable day.

Written by Megan, Susanna and Kiera, Year 6 pupils of Alfred Street Junior School



Halloween in East Northamptonshire

East Northamptonshire Council is working with Northamptonshire Police and Nene Valley News to bring you a spooky but safe Halloween this year!

Halloween can be harmless fun, but we appreciate that not everyone celebrates it and sometimes people can become distressed by unexpected callers.

Double-sided posters have been produced to encourage or discourage trick or treaters and you can find yours on pages 9 and 10. On one side it says, 'We've got loads of treats!' allowing you to display this if you don't mind a visit from witches, vampires and ghouls on 31st October. If you don't wish to be disturbed, put up the other side of

the poster which says, 'We're sorry no treats here!' to direct them away.

You can also pick up the posters from your local council offices in Oundle, Rushden and Thrapston as well as print copies from www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/halloween

Just display the poster in a front window or against the glass of a front door which is visible from the boundary of your home.

The behaviour of some trick or treaters may be intimidating and even criminal. In an emergency, call 999. For a non-emergency, call 101. For any other assistance or further information www.northants.police.uk will help.

We wish you a safe and enjoyable Halloween!

Ringstead harvest helps The Prince's Trust

Ringstead celebrated the 2014 Harvest Festival in traditional village family style, when the St Mary's Church congregation filled the front of the church with a vast array of food produce, before raising the roof singing old favourites and new harvest hymns.

Then it was over to the village hall where everyone tucked into delicious home cooked casseroles, followed by creamy desserts. Alex Woodward proved his auctioneering skills yet

again, by selling all the gifted produce for over £100 – which will be donated to the Prince's Trust. The cash raised from the actual lunch will be used

for church expenses. Mrs Sue Harris (church leader) thanked everyone whose efforts had made this event such a successful and happy event.



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Monday 27th to Friday 31st October

Halloween at Lyveden
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10.30am–5pm
Normal property admission charges plus £2 per child for activities.
Tel. 01832 205158
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lyveden
Have some fun at Lyveden this Hallowe'en with crafty art workshops and trails happening every weekday during half term.

Tuesday 28th October
Alan Pack presents: Richard Thomas and Baldwin, Irthlingborough Ironstone Mines
Conservative Club, High Street South, Rushden
8pm
Members £2, Non-members £3 (includes a buffet)
Tel. 01933 353111
www.rhts.co.uk

Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th & Friday 31st October
Halloween Crafts
Stanwick Lakes Discovery Zone
1pm–4pm
Modest charges for some activities – Normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Arts and crafts, face painting and spooky fun.

Thursday 30th October
RSPB Autumn Treasure Hunt
Stanwick Lakes
1pm–4pm
Normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Collect natural materials to make your own artwork and learn about nature.

Halloween Activities
Oundle Market Place
10am and 2pm
Fees apply.
Come along to Oundle Market and make lots of spooky things ready for Halloween.
Suitable for children aged 5+.

Friday 31st October
Halloween Family Party
Stanwick Lakes Visitor Centre and Cafe Solar
6.30pm–9pm
Booking essential. For more information contact Stanwick Lakes. Normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Spooky family fun.

Saturday 1st November
Jumble & Bric-a-Brac Sale
St Peter's Church, Irthlingborough
10am–12noon
Admission free.
Tel. Linda 01933 653192
Refreshments
Donations of clean clothes or bric-a-brac welcome.

Craft, Gift & Vintage Faire
Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Rd, Rushden
10am–4pm
Free & free parking.
kaytandmick@hotmail.co.uk
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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!

Village Hall Tidy Up
Laxton Village Hall
10am
Free tea and coffee for volunteers.
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10am–4pm
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Entrance £1, children admitted free.
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Film: The Lego Movie (PG)
Stahl Theatre, West Street Oundle
Bar and Ticket Office open 9.30am, Programme starts 10am.
£5 adults, £3 under 18s
Tickets from Oundle Festival Office, Tel. 01832 274734 or on the door
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Sunday 2nd November
Bonfire Crafts
Stanwick Lakes Discovery Zone
1pm–4pm
£1 per child – normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Create 'firework' pictures and make your own Guy Fawkes.

Wednesday 5th November
Monthly Meeting Raunds Ladies Group
The Saxon Hall Raunds.
8pm–10pm.
Visitors £3.50 includes raffle & refreshments.
Tel. 01933 622451
Speaker: Joe Chipper, The Street Pastors.

Thursday 6th November
Tai Chi
Stanwick Village Hall
8pm–9.30pm
Taster session £11
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Adam Begley talks about his highly praised biography Updike
St Peter's Church, Oundle PE8 4AL
7.30pm–8.30pm,
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Tel. 01832 274734, more info at www.oundlelitfest.org.uk, Helen 07743 988181
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Oundle Art Group Meeting
Tansor Village Hall
1.45pm–3.45pm
£6 for Non-members
Jane Sanders 01832 226495; Chris Yates 01832 226345
'Further Abstraction' with Roger Hatton. Bring watercolours and papers.

Friday 7th November 2014
Crafts for Christmas
Manor School and Sports College
Mountbatten Way Raunds NN9 6LX
2.30pm–8pm
Free Entry.
The place to buy unusual and unique gifts, handmade by local crafters for Christmas.

The Erklings for Music in Quiet Places Autumn Season
Prince William School hall, Oundle
7.30pm
Tickets £13, £11 concessions; £3 under 18s.
Contact Box Office
Tel. 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Schubert-based folk/rock band, comprising three classically trained multi-instrumentalists.

Fireworks Display
Warmington Fun Field
Gates open 6pm, Fire Lit 6.30pm, Fireworks display 7pm.
Family tickets from Glebe stores (2 adults, 2 children) £10 on the gate. Adults £5 Children £2. Event held in the field behind the Red Lion. Burgers, hot dogs, cakes, hot and cold drinks served. Enquiries to D Rowell, Tel. 01832 280473.

Quiz Night
The Working Men's Club, Westfield Terrace, Higham Ferrers
7.30pm
Jilly Carter, Cando Care
Tel. 07741 651170
£2 per person including light buffet, max 6 per team. Raffle, licensed bar. All proceeds go to the Xmas Entertainment for the Ladies and Gentlemen that attend the Cando Care Day Centre.

Saturday 8th November
Fairtrade/Eco Christmas Market
St Peter's Church, Oundle
9am–2pm
Free
Tel. Eleanor Rayden 01832 205287
The chance to do some ethical Christmas shopping (crafts, gifts, cards, food

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Charity Christmas cards also on sale. Fairtrade refreshments.

Thrapston and District Royal British Legion presents an Evening with Thrapston Town Band
St James Church, Thrapston
7.30pm.
Tickets £5, under 12s £3.
Tickets are available from Nicola Compton Marriott on 01832 735371 and Veronica McCurdy on 01832 735206
The Thrapston Primary School Choir. All Proceeds will go to the new memorial in Thrapston.

Monthly Coffee Morning and Community Shop (every second Saturday)
Laxton Village Hall
10.30am–12noon
Free, all welcome.
Tel. Tim 01780 450005
Your hosts welcome you for coffee, tea and bakes alongside the 'community shop' with newspapers, local bread, eggs, preserves, honey and seasonal produce.

Warmington Royal British Legion Coffee Morning
Warmington Village Hall
10am
In aid of the Poppy Appeal, Warmington Royal British Legion will host a coffee morning with stalls. Entry fee £1 (includes coffee and biscuits). All are welcome. Please support the Legion, which supports servicemen and women.
Tel. D Rowell, Secretary 01832 280473.

Sunday 9th November
Film: Belle (12A)
Stahl Theatre, West Street Oundle
Bar and Ticket Office open 7.15pm, Programme starts 7.45pm.
£5 adults, £3 under 18s
Tickets from Oundle Festival Office, Tel. 01832 274734 or on the door.
The true story of Britain's first black aristocrat whose life helped end slavery in England.

United Service of Remembrance and Dedication
Raunds War Memorial, St Peter's Church
3pm
Followed by the unveiling of the WW1 Commemorative plaque at the Millennium Gates. If wet, the service will be held in the Parish Church. Private wreaths may be placed on the memorial and crosses placed in the Field of Remembrance before the service or during the singing of the Second Hymn. A Procession will assemble at the Town Hall at 2.30pm.

Every Tuesday and Thursday (except Christmas and New Year) Health Walks
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10am–11am
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oundledogs@aol.com or website www.oundledogs.co.uk
Dog training classes following the KC Good Citizen Scheme and Ringcraft. New members always welcome.

Alternate Wednesdays
U3A Country Dancing
St James' Church hall Thrapston
2pm–3.30pm
ghearnden@tiscali.co.uk
Tel. 01933 622827
The U3A Country Dance Group meets on alternate Wednesdays. All are welcome. Non U3A members are welcome for a taster.

Third Wednesday of month except December (different date)
Higham and Rushden U3A
Pemberton Centre, Rushden
2pm–4pm
£2 for visitors
Tel. Membership Secretary 01933 314425
Monthly speaker followed by beverages and mixing for social chat.

Every Wednesday (except December)
Rainbow Cafe for Tots (aimed at up to age 5 and their adults)
Stanwick Lakes
10.30am–12noon
£2 per child – normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Make new and exciting crafts then join Lisa from Music and Movement to play, sing and dance.

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Every Thursday

Folk Dancing
St Mary's Church Hall
8pm-10pm
First visit free, £2 per night thereafter.
If you enjoy folk dancing come and join us.

Every Thursday

The Silverfox Turners Club
Dale End Scout Headquarters, Croyland Road, Wellingborough
Bet 10am-1pm
£2 all members
Secretary Trevor Rhodes
Tel. 01933 382790
Newly formed wood turning club. Open to all levels of wood turners. Warm welcome guaranteed.

Every Thursday during school term time

Music Makers
Titchmarsh Pavilion
9.30am-10.15am
£4 per child and £2 per sibling.
Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com
Funky music and movement group for 0-5 years with parachute, puppets, balls, bubbles and more.

Music Makers

Joan Strong Centre, Oundle
11.15am-12noon
£4 per child and £2 per sibling.
Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com
Funky music and movement group for 0-5 years with parachute, puppets, balls, bubbles and more.

Little Treasures Tots Group

St Laurence's Church, Stanwick
9.30am-11am
Donations to cover costs
Tel. Nicki 01933 625658
For pre-schoolchildren and their adult carer - Bible story, song, craft and fun. All welcome.

Every Friday

Raunds Racqueteers Badminton Club
Raunds Manor School
7.30pm-10pm

1st Visit Free, £5 thereafter. Casual or Full membership discounted rates available.
Tel. Andrea 01933 624777
New members required for friendly club. Min age 16. Coaching not available. Call for details.

First Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

Craft Cafe
Stanwick Lakes
10.30am-1pm
Modest charges for some materials - normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Learn new craft skills, share your experience and meet up with crafty friends.

Third Friday of the month

The Poetry Group
Raunds Library
2.30pm
Free
Tel. 01933 622151
How World War One changed poetry.

Third Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

Stanwick Stitchers
Stanwick Lakes
10.30am
Free entry - normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522 or Pauline on 01933 229817
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Come and join this informal friendly group of stitchers to chat, stitch and eat cake!

Second Saturday of the month

WE Watch and Phoenix Group
Stanwick Lakes
For more information email wewatchstanwick@hotmail.co.uk
Tel. 01933 625522
Two clubs for keen young nature lovers. WE Watch for ages 8-3 and Phoenix for ages 13-18. Supported by RSPB and Wildlife Trust.

First Saturday of the month

Thrapston Farmers' Market
Thrapston High Street
9am-1pm
Free
www.thrapstonfarmersmarket.moonfruit.com
Every first Saturday of the

month. Local meat, beer, cider, cheese, eggs, deli, preserves etc.

Second Saturday of every month (Same Saturday as Oundle Farmers' Market)

Coffee 'n' Cakes
Oundle Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane (behind the Talbot Hotel)
10am-12noon
Tel. John Hewitson 01832 272209
Filter coffee, tea, squash. (free refills) homemade cakes. Warm welcome. Proceeds to various charities.

Last Saturday of the month except December

Farmer's Market
Market Square, Higham Ferrers
9am-1pm
danielle@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk
Aberdeen Angus beef, organic eggs, vegetables, Italian peppers, organic pork and lamb, free range poultry, beer, pork in all its forms in addition to pickles, pies, herbs, fresh fish, fruit and honey, preserves, traditional bread, plants & cheese.

Last Sunday of the month (except December) (recommend checking before travelling)

Local Producers' and Farmers' Market
Stanwick Lakes
10am-2pm
Free entry to market - normal car park charges apply.
Tel. 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Browse through tempting treats and gifts made and farmed by local businesses.

Ongoing

Drawing and Painting Classes
Ecton Village Hall, Chelveston Village Hall, Warkton Village Hall, Kingsthorpe Community Centre
Various (see my website) dgartweb.sharepoint.com
£65 per Term
Tel. Derek Geater 01933 381848
Drawing and painting, mainly working in watercolour with some soft pastels.

Transition Oundle seeks to boost local solar energy take up

To encourage more homeowners in and near Oundle to install solar panels on their homes Transition Oundle, a voluntary environmental organisation, has negotiated a group discount from a respected photo voltaic (PV) panel installer with a proven local track record.

Currently, PV systems cost approximately £7,000 for a 4kW system - which is usually suitable for a four-bedroom house. Homes with PV panels can use the free electricity they generate whilst also benefiting from the government's subsidy payment for renewable energy generation (the Feed-In Tariff, or FIT). If homes are eligible for the higher rate FIT (which depends on whether other energy efficiency measures have been installed), the payback on the panels period is usually around 10 years.

Over 75 houses in and near Oundle have installed such systems during the last five years - Transition Oundle would like to see this

number double over the next two years. The size of the group discount will depend on the number of households installing panels - but could be as much as 10% if 10 households or more complete the process.

This is just one of several ways in which Transition Oundle tries to help local residents increase their home energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy. Other offers include:

- Free Home Energy Surveys: to provide homeowners with no or low cost tips about how to reduce energy bills.
- Infra-Red Image Surveys: showing homeowners where their house is losing heat with accompanying suggested measures to reduce heat loss.
- Matching Service: Putting homeowners in touch with other local residents who have installed PV or solar thermal panels, air or ground source heat pumps, wood fuelled boilers, insulation etc.
- Free Advice: Giving experience based feedback on local

suppliers of renewable and energy saving technologies, funding schemes and what those cold callers are offering (and whether to trust any of them!)

The government has recently announced that it is to release more money for the Green Deal Home Improvement Fund, to subsidise the installation costs of some home energy efficiency measures.

Transition Oundle can help people get ready for the Fund's launch in late November. As the last fund was drained dry in six weeks, it will be advantageous to be prepared.

Transition Oundle helps local residents take small, practical steps towards lower carbon living, by running projects which focus on transport, energy, food, work and lifestyle. Membership is free and participation is liberating (from carbon, at least!) Anyone interested in finding out more about the aforementioned energy initiatives should email info@transitionoundle.org.uk, call Alan on 01832 205287 or visit www.transitionoundle.org.uk

County Council flood roadshow visits Thrapston

People in the Thrapston area will be able to find out about the risk of surface water flooding when a roadshow comes to town later this month.

Northamptonshire County Council's Flood Awareness team will be at Thrapston Market on Tuesday, 28th October between 9.30am and 3pm to answer any questions on the subject.

The team has been funded through Defra's Pathfinder project, which aims at identifying communities at risk of surface water flooding and drawing up possible solutions to problems faced.

Cllr Michael Clarke, County Council Cabinet Member for Transport, Highways and Environment said: "Many people in Thrapston could be at risk of surface water flooding and just not know it.

"The Environment Agency published surface water flood risk maps last winter and we are keen to raise the awareness of this kind of flooding in Northamptonshire.

It's often difficult to understand that if you don't have a river running near to your house that you still may be at risk.

"Surface water flooding is caused when large volumes of rain falls very quickly on localised areas, often on to hard ground and the drains are not designed to take this amount of water.

"I am keen that individuals should know their flood risk and plan in advance what they might do to reduce and plan for the impacts of flooding."

Mary Dhonau OBE who has been flooded herself and is leading the community engagement on the Pathfinder project, said: "Being flooded is an appalling experience but being aware, planning in advance and protecting your home against flooding can really reduce the misery that being flooded brings.

"We will have flood maps and lots of advice with us and we are really looking forward to meeting the community of Thrapston."



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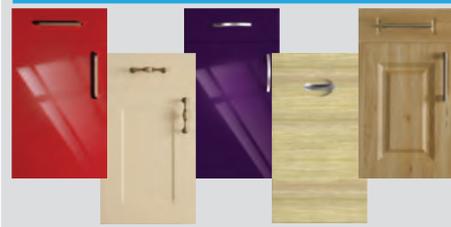
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
- SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(PUBLIC BYWAY NV9 - PARISH OF TANSOR &
PUBLIC BYWAY ME9 - PARISH OF ASHTON)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council
 have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit all motor vehicles
 except motorcycles from proceeding along those lengths of Public Byway
 NV9 in the Parish of Tansor and Public Byway ME9 in the Parish of Ashton
 as set out below. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said
 lengths of byways is unaffected.
RIGHT OF WAY TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The
 existing route of NV9 to be closed begins on Luton Road at point A on
 the map at National Grid Reference (NGR) TL06894 89841. The route
 travels approximately 489 metres generally west of south to point B at
 NGR TL06669 89422, at the parish boundary with Ashton and the start
 of byway ME9.
 The route is shown by a solid black line between points A - B.
 The existing route of ME9 to be closed to all motor vehicles begins
 at point B on the map at NGR TL06669 89422, at the parish boundary
 with Tansor and byway NV9. The route travels approximately 506 metres
 generally west of south to point C at NGR TL06461 88900, at the junction
 with Ashton Wood.
 The route is shown by a solid black line between points B - C.
REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required to prevent
 surface damage to the byway during the winter.
PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The Order will come into effect on 1st
 November 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 this Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However,
 the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such
 extent as is indicated by the display of notices.
ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: There are no suitable alternative routes.
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Season of success for Oundle Town Cricket Club

Oundle Town may be the oldest club in the Northamptonshire Cricket League – started up by a group of local ‘gentlemen and tradesmen’ way back in 1826 – but ‘The Badgers’ certainly haven’t spent the season just finished basking in past glories.

Oundle’s Saturday First XI secured fourth place in the NCL Premier Division – in only their second season at that level – while the club’s second and third teams were both promoted, in each case for the sixth year in a row.

On Sundays OTCC won the Rutland and District League’s Twenty20 competition and were runners-up in the John Wilcox Cup.

And there was plenty to celebrate at Milton Road for the club’s five junior age group sides, plus some excellent performances from Oundle’s women and girls.

“It’s been a great season on the pitch – and the weather was kind to us too,” said Chairman, Guy Bolsover at the club’s recent dinner and presentation

evening at the Chequered Skipper in Ashton.

“That meant we were able to play more cricket and bring in more revenue too.

“The bar at Milton Road has seen a great number of local people come in to watch high quality cricket whilst enjoying their favourite tipple in the sun!”

The club – which numbers W G Grace junior, son of possibly the greatest

cricketer of them all, among its ‘old boys’ – has a close and long-standing relationship with Oundle School, and recently agreed an arrangement with the town’s hockey club to share clubhouse facilities.

It has deals in place with Kuchen Kraft and Oradi Dental as principal sponsors of the senior and junior sections respectively, but is also well-supported by other

businesses and individuals in the Oundle area.

On the pitch, Bashrat Hussain was named OTCC’s Saturday First XI player of the season and also received a special award for

his tally of 112 wickets in all competitions.

Although the 2014 season is now done and dusted, thoughts are already turning to next summer.

Winter training will be

available for all ages, new members are always more than welcome and full details of dates and contacts are available on the club’s website www.oundletown.play-cricket.com

Chromasport & Trophies United Counties League results

Saturday 18th October Premier Division

AFC Rushden & Diamonds 4 – 1 Thurnby Nirvana
Wisbech Town 3 – 1 Wellingborough Town

Division One

Bugbrooke St Michaels 3 – 1 Rushden & Higham United
O N Chenecks 1 – 0 Irchester United
Raunds Town 1 – 1 Burton Park Wanderers
Thrapston Town 2 – 1 Olney Town

Reserves Division

Cogenhoe United 1 – 2 Thrapston Town
Irchester United 1 – 1 Bugbrooke St Michaels
Rothwell Corinthians 2 – 2 Raunds Town
Rushden & Higham United 1 – 2 Harborough Town

Under 21s Division

Kettering Town 4 – 0 AFC Rushden & Diamonds

Chess corner

By Derrick Sims

Rushden Chess Club finally played its first game in the Silver King Northamptonshire League when Rushden A played Chess Mates B over at Northampton in Division One.

Despite the superior grading of the Northamptonshire team it was gratifying to see that James Gardner and Saj Ganger managed draws against their opponents. The final results were:

| Chess Mates B | Rushden A |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1) J. Jackson (223) 1 | 0 H. Murphy (195) |
| 2) C. Gibson (175) ½ | ½ J. Gardner (150) |
| 3) P. Tibbert (159) 1 | 0 A. Lewis (140) |
| 4) P. Smith (131) ½ | ½ S. Ganger (114) |
| 5) R. Reed (123) 1 | 0 B. Ellam (106) |

Rushden B also played its first game at home against Oundle School in Division Two. Yours truly was persuaded to play on board five by our silver-tongued captain who implied that I should stand a good chance against a school kid! I should have known better, I was a pawn

down in fairly short order, with the final nail in the coffin occurring when I forgot about en-passant and found my opponent’s pawn in a very uncomfortable position.

The School showed its class by completing a well-deserved whitewash. The students are a credit to their school and I’m not looking forward to the return match at Oundle.

| Rushden B | Oundle School |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1) J. Owen (100) 0 | 1 S. Herring (158) |
| 2) B. Ellam (106) 0 | 1 G. Crook (142) |
| 3) J. Wicks (63) 0 | 1 W. Connellan (77) |
| 4) T. Murts (64) 0 | 1 J. Meisner (93) |
| 5) D. Sims (52) 0 | 1 J. Low (U) |

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>

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