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NEWS IN BRIEF

Burglary in Brampton Close, Wellingborough

A burglary took place in Brampton Close, Wellingborough in the early hours of Thursday 22nd January.

Sometime between 2am and 7.30pm offenders forced their way into the house and stole cash.

Police would like to speak to anyone who may have witnessed this incident or who may have any information regarding it.

Witnesses or anyone with information is asked to contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

'Razor' signs for Whitworth

Whitworth have obtained a big name signing in former England centre half Neil 'Razor' Ruddock. The former Tottenham, Southampton, West Ham and Liverpool player has put pen to paper for the Flourmen although at 46 years old he is not expected to appear for the club on a regular basis.

Ruddock, who is a friend of Flourmen reserve team joint manager Ben Thomas, won an England cap against Nigeria in 1994 and was a League Cup winner with Liverpool in 1995.

J.L.Carr's lost painting

A painting by J.L.Carr, who was Headmaster of Ringstead School during 1951/52, has recently come to light.

Irene Smart Hudd, moved into the village in 1983 having purchased 9/11 Spencer Street. Walter Pentelow had been doing house clearance of the property and threw out several paintings. Irene astutely decided they were too good for the rubbish tip and put them away safely and kept hold of them even after she had moved away from Ringstead.

30 years later local born Jon Abbott decided to research the social and business history of the village and last year started a Ringstead Village blog putting on all sorts of old photographs, postcards and newspaper clippings of life in the village during the 20th century.

Irene "blogged" on the site and mentioned this painting she had of children playing in the school play ground with a back drop of the village as it was in

1952. The painting is very reminiscent of the famous artist L.S.Lowry and his iconic matchstick people.

The power of social media soon enabled the more mature residents of the village to confirm that the painting was by J.L.Carr, who probably gave the painting to another teacher at the School, Mrs Petit who likely gave it to her sister, Mrs Pearson, who was the former owner of Irene's home in Spencer Street.

Jon contacted the School's Headmistress who was very pleased to accept the painting where it now hangs in the School foyer for past and present pupils to admire.

Jon Abbott and others within the village have formed a Ringstead Heritage Group in order to now embark on documenting and archiving

the past life and history of the village.

On Saturday February 21st in the Village Hall from 10am to 12noon a Coffee Morning is being held when all residents, including those who may

have moved away, will be welcome to get involved in helping to document their own memories of life in the village.

The painting by J.L.Carr will be on display, courtesy of the current Headmistress, along with a selection of old postcards from the 1880's to 1960's, photographs and clippings from newspapers. The heritage group are hoping that people will bring their own memories and photographs to share at this event.

David Ball will also be selling and signing copies of his well researched book Ringstead People from the 19th Century.

Admission is free but donations welcomed. There will be a raffle as well as coffee, tea and a selection of home made cakes and all are welcome.

Future events are planned for later in the year including a guided walk down what was called Shop Street and a walkabout heritage trail around the village.



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Rotary news

ROTARY DISTRICT QUIZ

A team from Rushden Chichele Club, which consisted of three Davids and a John, proved a tough team to beat in the Final of the Rotary District Quiz in which a total of 78 teams took part. Chichele performed well in winning the semi-finals and won £40 for Samuel, their Langelanga scholar. In the Final they came up against some real eggheads and some quite obscure questions.

Chichele were in the lead up to the final round but were beaten by two points, as their memories eventually let them down and they had to settle for an honourable second place. The winning team was from Oadby RC who received a cheque and trophy from the District Governor.

The Quiz event raised around £880 for charitable causes. On the night the organisers presented a cheque for £500 for the District Governor's 'Burns Aid' charity.



TROLLEY DASH

The Rushden Rotary Club's Annual Trolley Dash Draw which took place recently was a spectacular success thanks to the efforts of all Rotarians who were willing and able to spare the time to participate in helping to sell the tickets both beforehand and on the Waitrose schedule.

A superb total of £5,000 after prizes were paid out was raised, of which at least half will be donated to the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance funds. The remainder will go to the Rotary Club's involvement in Calvert Trust, Kids Out Day at Wicksteed Park and local Young Carers.

The actual 'Dash' took place in January with the winner, Dawn Laliberte

of Raunds, who managed to run around the grocery aisles gathering £350 worth of goodies! Dawn was very pleased with the result of her efforts so much so that

she donated back part of her prize to the charitable causes.

Thanks go to Mandy Keyes of Waitrose for her help in organising the Dash.



Are we safe drivers?

Most of us think we're good drivers, especially the experienced amongst us, who have probably driven thousands of miles without a serious accident. But are we safe?

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For further information www.iam.org.uk

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Explore the history of King's Cliffe

The Heritage Centre in Bridge Street will be open on Sunday 22nd February, from 2pm until 5pm.

Find out about King's Cliffe's past by watching slideshows from our archives, or search the digital archives for traces of your family in the village. The unique collection of turned wood-ware displayed at the Heritage Centre recalls the skill of King's

Cliffe craftsmen from a more than 100 years ago. To explore the village on foot, an audio tour 'Village Voices of King's Cliffe' can be hired for £2.50 per handset. The route guides you round 24 points of interest in the village, and visitors can pause at each one to listen to an associated memory recorded by a long-standing resident. The trail ends just across

the street from the Heritage Centre, where you can return the audio kit at the end of your walk.

The Heritage Centre is on Bridge Street, King's Cliffe, beyond the Willowbrook bridge going uphill towards Apethorpe. Look for the hanging sign during opening hours. There is level access to the Heritage Centre from the rear of the building, where there is a drop-off

point for those coming by car. Roadside parking for all visitors is on Bridge Street, beyond the Heritage Centre.

Visits can be arranged at any time by contacting the Centre through its website www.kingscliffeheritage.org

or by phoning 0843 8869395. Please be aware there are no toilet facilities at the Heritage Centre.



Rushden Round Table thanks you

Rushden Round Table would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their generous donations during last year's Christmas collections.

The kind people of Rushden, Higham Ferrers, Stanwick and Wymington have raised over £6,000 for local causes. Rushden Round Table's Santa was out doing the rounds on his sleigh for 17 nights in the run-up to Christmas, with further assistance provided by many of the groups to whom the money will now be donated.

Santa and his helpers even managed to avoid bad weather, as they worked their way round nearly every street in Rushden, Higham Ferrers, Stanwick and Wymington. In what continues to be a difficult time for many people, it is fantastic to be able to raise so much

money from donations for local causes. Rushden Round Table would also like to thank everyone who helped each night, and the Rolton Group for their support and for the use of their 4x4 to pull the sleigh.

The complete list of local causes who will receive donations from the money raised are: NVCA, 4th Rushden Scouts, Lions, Brownies, Rushden & Higham RFC, Rotaract, Child Contact, Higham Colts FC, Higham Rotary, AFC Rushden & Diamonds, MIND, Rushden & Higham FC, Inline Hockey, 8th Rushden Scouts, Danceybz Street Dance Academy, Rats and Rushden CC

If you would like to know more about Rushden Round Table visit www.facebook.com/rushdenroundtable

Are you a carer? Do you live in the Thrapston or Oundle area?

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Sitting sessions are provided by volunteers. The service runs between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

There is currently limited volunteer availability in the Thrapston and Oundle area and enquiries would be welcomed. If you would like to find out more about the service please contact Adam Wilson, Volunteer Co-ordinator on 01933 677837 or 07538 616387 or email adamw@northamptonshire-carers.org

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Oundle's 'Have a Go Day'

Oundle School's 'Have a Go Day' (HAGD) has been running for over thirty years and has established itself as a favourite date in the calendars of special needs clubs and schools.

On the afternoon of Sunday 26th April 2015, pupils and staff from the School's Community Action Department will host visitors from MENCAP, PHAB and Gateway Clubs as well as families in the region with adults or children with physical disabilities and/or learning difficulties. Visitors will be able to take part in various activities including swimming, badminton,

basketball, archery, football, indoor rowing, crazy golf, face painting, boccia, yoga, music and art activities as well as enjoying traction engine rides around the School's grounds.

The afternoon is free to all (including free refreshments). Participants are invited to bring along their own picnic to enjoy in the School's grounds from 1.30pm onwards. Activities begin at 2pm and will finish at 4pm.

Liz Dillarstone, Head of Community Action at Oundle School commented, "HAGD is a really encouraging environment in which our visitors can try their hand

at new sports and activities in a safe environment. It is lovely to see the faces of our guests light up at the prospect of sampling activities which they may not have tried before and our pupils are privileged to host them."

Any clubs/families wishing to attend please contact Oundle School Community Action department on 01832 277267 or email ca@oundleschool.org.uk for further details.

Sunday 26th April, 2-4pm, Sports Halls/ Swimming Pool/Two Acre Club and pitch at Oundle School (off Milton Road), free.



Oundle's Fairtrade Town status renewed

Oundle has retained its Fairtrade Town status, first granted in 2007 by the Fairtrade Foundation (www.fairtrade.org.uk), and renewed every subsequent two years. This reflects the rising number of Fairtrade goods and products sold in the shops and used by community organisations, schools and churches within the town, bringing tangible benefits to producers in many parts of the developing world.

'This is a gratifying recognition that customers care about paying fair prices for the food they buy, and about the conditions in which it is produced,' said Eleanor Rayden, Chair of the Oundle Fairtrade Town Steering Group. 'The Fairtrade Mark guarantees that products such as tea, cocoa and sugar are grown in

sustainable ways, with fair prices paid to the farmers and a further premium shared by their community.'

Oundle Primary School gained Fairtrade School status in 2013, after a year of working hard to reach the required goals – the first local school to do so. The popular Fairtrade/Eco markets held in November each year in St Peter's Church also promote a wide range of fairly-traded foods, clothes, gifts and crafts.

Fairtrade Fortnight (February 23rd - March 8th) provides another opportunity to stock up on Fairtrade products. Look out for displays and promotions in the Co-op Foodstore, and Traidcraft stalls on Sundays in St Peter's Church and at the Thursday Lent lunches in Oundle Methodist Church.

Heavenly chocolate lovers' mousse

By Catherine Burbage

"Now she and I sit together in her room and eat chocolate, and I tell her that in a very long time when we both to go heaven, we should try to get chairs next to each other, close to the dessert table."

Anne Lamott,
Traveling Mercies:
Some Thoughts on Faith



This is a recipe to grace that dessert table. The addition of ginger will help soothe butterflies in your stomach and quell any headaches.

Ingredients:

100g plain chocolate with ginger
100g plain chocolate (at least 70% cocoa)
60ml strong black coffee
2 large fresh eggs
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 tablespoons ginger wine (or whisky, rum, brandy)
240ml double cream

Method:

Separate the eggs, and whisk the yolks with the sugar until very pale. Whisk in wine or spirit and vanilla. Melt both types of chocolate and add the coffee.

Add the melted chocolate to the egg yolks and gently mix. Whisk the egg whites to stiff peak and very gently stir into the chocolate/ egg yolk mix. Whisk the cream until stiff and fold into the other ingredients. Spoon into serving dishes and chill for a couple of hours until required.

This is a great dessert to make ahead and serve when you get round to it. Replacing the ginger chocolate with dark mint or other flavoured chocolate works well too. You won't really taste the coffee in the final mousse as this is used to intensify the chocolate. The overall flavour is definitely heavenly!



Voices raised at Warmington

The church of St. Mary's, Warmington, is extremely fortunate to have John Miley form a new choir. John has had a distinguished career as an organist/choirmaster, spending 26 years at St Giles' Church, Ickenham, W. London. In 1982 his choir was invited to take part in the Royal British Legion Royal Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall in the presence of the Royal Family and ministers of state.

The new choir's first appearance on 25th January, when they sang part of the Dom Gregory Murray's New People's Mass, drew appreciative remarks: "It lifted the whole service up a notch" was one comment.

24 hour non-stop swim to raise money for Peterborough Special Olympic Swimming Team

This year the Peterborough Special Olympic Swimming Team has been selected as the recipients of the Oundle School 24 hour non-stop charity swim. The swim is due to take place from Saturday 28th February to Sunday 1st March with eight Fifth to Upper Sixth Form (Years 11-13) pupils swimming in relays throughout the day and night. Members of the Special Olympic team will swim alongside the Oundle pupils for the first half hour providing an opportunity for them to thank the pupils who are raising money for them.

William Roberts (15), son of Oundle School Housemaster, Huw Roberts and Dr Joh Sydenham, who works in the School's DT department, started swimming lessons with the Oundle Otters, based at Oundle School's swimming pool, when he was four years old and now swims for the Special Olympic team.

Charity swim organiser and pupil, Alice Poulter (18) commented, "We chose to raise funds for this amazing charity because it is very close to the hearts of the swimming coaches at Oundle who have taught William from a very young age. This charity provides the opportunity for swimmers with disabilities to compete against other swimming teams. We aim as a team to cross the equivalent of the English Channel in the space of the 24 hour period in a continuous relay. We are very excited that a relay team from the Peterborough Special Olympic Swimming team are going to do the first leg of the relay with us."

William's Mum, Joh commented,

"William has Downs Syndrome and needed a little extra help to get him started. Julie Clipstone, Teresa Black and all of the staff at Oundle Otters provided fantastic support and encouragement, but in particular Carine Barron, and Adie Black, who literally taught him hand over hand how to swim."

Over the years William has progressed through his swimming qualifications alongside his peers and now has numerous badges proudly sewn on his swimming towel. He continues to swim every Saturday with the Otters and helps Ed Tate coach one of the younger groups of swimmers.

In March 2014, William joined the Peterborough Special Olympic Swimming Team, affiliated to the City of Peterborough Swimming Club (COPS), training twice a week at the Regional Pool. He has taken part in regional and national galas and has won four gold, three silver and one bronze medal. He will soon take part in his first European competition.

William is one of twenty-five members of the Peterborough Special Olympic Swimming Team, all of whom have a learning difficulty and some with a physical disability as well. The group has four important roles:

- It gives the swimmers a chance to be part of a team, to feel a sense of pride and achievement, to enjoy the success of winning, to learn to support each other in times of disappointment, and have aspirations to improve, develop and succeed
- It helps them to be fit and healthy



- It helps them foster friendships and develop social skills
 - It is a support network for the parents sharing information and problem solving the many issues they have to face.
- All the committee members, coaches and other helpers are volunteers and rely entirely on charitable donations to fund attending galas and to buy equipment for training. The swimmers attend four or five galas a year and every four years they compete in the UK National Special Olympic Games. This year they are saving up to buy the Infinity Start System with auditory and visual start signals to help with competition training, especially for new team members. In January, Waitrose in Oundle

kindly accepted the team as one of their 'Community Matters' charities and the Peterborough Special Olympic Team would like to thank all those in the Oundle and District community, who so generously put in their green tokens on their behalf. Oundle Otters swimming lessons for children are held on a Monday and Friday after School and Saturday mornings. Catering for all ages, including adults the pool provides various lessons and activities during term time and in the holidays. The 43.5 metre pool is open to the public through an annual membership. Full details can be found at www.oundleschoolenterprises.org.uk or contact 01832 277208.

Huxlow Science College students head for County Schools Challenge semi-finals

Students at an Irthlingborough secondary school were the first to take on new challenge that could make a big impact on the way young people use social networking sites.

This year's County Schools Challenge was launched last Wednesday (4th February) at Huxlow Science College and aims to raise awareness and understanding about cyber-bullying and how to prevent it.

Head of careers at the college, Sam Letts, opened the event at morning assembly, welcoming pupils and visitors and outlining the purpose and schedule for the day.

Shaun Johnson from the Northamptonshire Arson Task Force followed with a brief history of the County Schools Challenge and an enthusiastic group of 148 year-eight pupils were introduced to this year's challenge.

The students formed groups to discuss their ideas and explore different ways to highlight this growing social problem. They threw themselves into the task of inventing a product and developing a business plan to help raise awareness and encourage young people to stay safe and report cyber-bullying.

Alan Piggot, managing director of local firm Promote-It, was also there to share his experience and knowledge about marketing and finance, helping students prepare their

business plan and find the best ways to promote their product.

At the end of a long day, the chosen group from each class pitched their ideas to a school judging panel comprising Head of Year, Gaynor Kenyon, Head of Careers Education, Sam Letts and PC Neil Cowley from Northamptonshire Police.

Every group worked hard to meet the criteria, from initial concept to committing their final idea to paper. The panel finally selected Team Cyberworld as overall winner, for their imaginative and unusual idea. They will now represent Huxlow Science College at the semi-finals in June.

Sam Letts, who is leading the project for the school, said: "Another fantastic County Challenge has been and gone and the overall levels of hard work, creativity and innovation have surpassed previous year groups.

"Every student engaged really well and were motivated and enthused to try and create business solutions to online bullying. There was a certain buzz among the students and I hope this can continue to spread across other year groups.

"There were a couple of groups that didn't even make the final but their ideas and videos were so good that I shall be incorporating them in to school assemblies and PSHE schemes.

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Council cracks down on fly tipping

Officers from East Northamptonshire Council are cracking down on fly tippers with several successful court cases resulting in fines for the environmental criminals.

Last week, a Rushden man was prosecuted for dumping several bags of household waste at Skew Bridge access road, Rushden and was ordered to pay £400 by Northampton Magistrates Court.

In January, Corby Magistrates Court found a man from Yaxley guilty of fly tipping in Nassington and received a £830 fine.

At the end of last year, Northampton Magistrates Court fined two more Rushden men £1,500 and £635, also for dumping

waste at Skew Bridge in Rushden.

Not only does fly tipping of waste blight our streets and countryside, it's a criminal offence. According to a recent report by the Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA), local authorities dealt with 852,000 fly tipping incidents in 2013/14 – that's an increase of 20% since 2012/13. Nearly two thirds of rubbish dumped was household waste. It costs thousands of pounds every year for the council to remove and dispose of the waste responsibly, a cost which falls to the tax payers.

Leader of the Council, Steven North, said: "The three offences at Skew Bridge

were captured on surveillance cameras that are positioned around our district to catch fly tippers. This is a joint venture, working in partnership with Northamptonshire Trading Standards. We spend at least £20,000 every year just on clearing the big fly tips alone, so we're very pleased with these successful prosecutions and hope it shows how seriously we take fly tipping in East Northants."

If you see someone fly tipping, report it online by visiting www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/flytipping or

by calling 01832 742026. The more information you can give us, the better chance we have of prosecuting so, if you can, please tell us:

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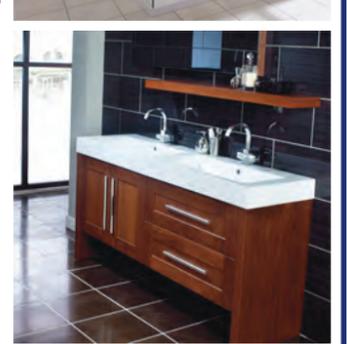
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Visit Stanwick Lakes during the half-term, on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th February between 1pm and 4pm, and you can build a bird box or a bird feeder to take home to your garden. Natural nest sites for birds such as holes in trees or old buildings are disappearing fast as gardens are tidied up and old houses are repaired. Making a bird box and putting it up in your garden will play an important part in bird conservation, whilst also giving you the pleasure of watching the birds that are attracted to your bird box. The bird boxes cost £4.50, feeders £1, and both can be easily made by children and adults without any previous woodworking experience. Friendly volunteers will be on hand to help.

There will also be other fun, bird-themed activities for families at Stanwick Lakes including birdy crafts in the Discovery Zone and

helping to paint a community sculpture as part of an RSPB art project. For more information, contact the Visitor Centre by

telephone 01933 625522 or visit www.stanwicklakes.org.uk or the Stanwick Lakes Facebook page. Normal parking charges apply.

Grants support King's Cliffe Memorial Hall

King's Cliffe Memorial Hall is benefiting from two very substantial grants which will enable the Trustees to improve the facilities offered by the hall.

The Augean Community Fund, administered by Grantscape, has made an award of nearly £40,000 and the Landfill Communities Fund, administered by WREN, has provided a further £72,000.

Grantscape is a charity which specialises in grant management, delivering top quality, cost-effective grant programmes. Through the Augean Community Fund the Augean company contributes to many local projects within a 10-mile radius of its operations at the East Northamptonshire Resource Management Facility and at Thornhaugh.

WREN is a not-for-profit business that helps benefit the

lives of people who live close to landfill sites by awarding grants for community, conservation and heritage projects. WREN's donor landfill operator is FCC Environment, through their landfill site at nearby Weldon.

King's Cliffe Memorial Hall is a registered charity run by a management committee of trustees. Simon Wilson, Chair of Trustees, said: "The Trustees are extremely grateful to Augean and WREN for such substantial funding for this historic village facility. We also want to thank the many people who have supported the regular Sunday Teas served in our Memorial Hall by committee members and friends. This fundraising has ensured that sufficient monies were available for us to make our Third Party Contributions, which unlocked the grants from Augean and WREN."

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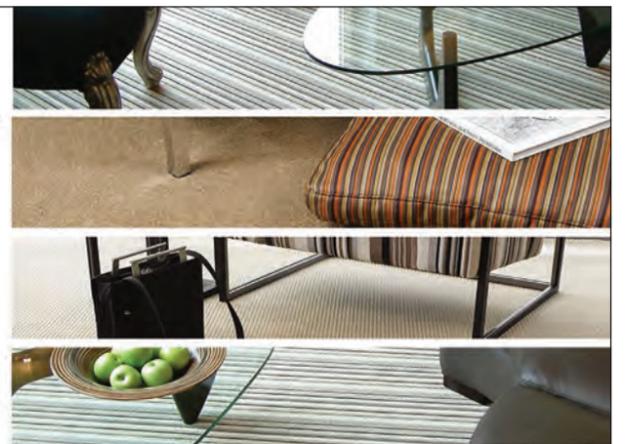
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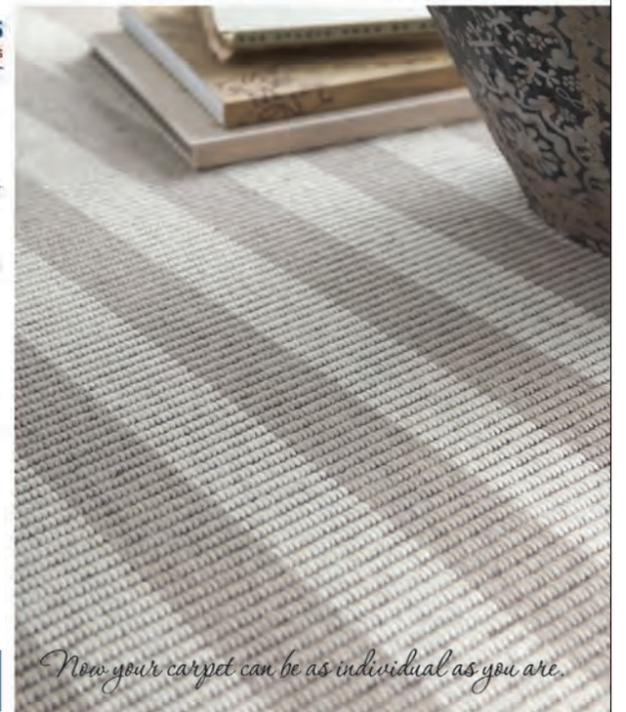
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From the East Northants Chairman

Elections for District, Town and Parish councils and Parliament will be held on 7th May this year. I do hope that you are all registered to vote. If not, please visit <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote> to register. The deadline for registration is 20th April.

One hundred years ago not everyone had a chance to vote. The Suffragettes are famous for having fought for this right for women. As part of International Women's Day, I am organising a lunch where Peter Barratt from Irthlingborough will give a stirring and passionate account about his great grandmother Alice Hawkins who was a Suffragette. I would like to think that women now use this vote that was so hard fought for, though sadly not all do. The lunch will take place on 6th March, 12noon–2pm at Stanwick Lakes. Tickets are £15 and cover fruit juice on arrival, a two-course meal and coffee. Proceeds from this event will go to my charity PROSTaid, which helps sufferers of Prostate cancer in the county. To book call Barbara Wiggins on 01832 742198 or email bwiggins@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk. I do hope you can join me.

As expected, the Rushden Rotary Club Young Music competition was very entertaining. The young people were so talented and most went through to the next round of the competition. Rotary are to be congratulated with all their efforts to support young people. They organise an Inter Junior Schools Quiz, Young Writer, Young Artist and Young Designer competitions as well as a Young Achiever award. If you are interested in finding out more about Rushden Rotary, contact Rotarian Geoff Bolland on 01933 410014.

Since my last column I attended the Memorial service for Lady Juliet Townsend, who was the Lord Lieutenant



Stanwick Lakes, the venue for Cllr Gill Mercer's International Women's Day event.

for Northamptonshire (the Queen's representative in the county) for many years. All Saints' Church in Northampton was full, so many people came to honour Lady Juliet who died at the end of 2014.

I also attended the Holocaust Memorial Day at Kettering. This year was particularly poignant as it was the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the most infamous of all Nazi camps, where over 1.1 million people were murdered. It is important that we remember the people who died and suffered in these camps so that it never happens again.

On a lighter note, the Mayor of Peterborough hosted a charity winter supper this week at a superb all-you-can-eat restaurant. We sampled food from India, China, Italy and the UK. It was a self-service buffet, so you could choose whether to have hot dishes or not. This suited me, as I am not keen on hot spicy food.

ENC Chairman, Cllr Gill Mercer

International Women's Day

The Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council invites you to lunch at Stanwick Lakes to celebrate International Women's Day.

The event, hosted by Councillor Gill Mercer, is on Friday 6th March, 12noon–2pm.

There will be fruit juice on arrival followed by a two course meal with coffee. Special guest, Peter Barratt, will then present a stirring and passionate account of his great-grandmother's campaign for the vote 100

years ago.

Councillor Gill Mercer said: "As it's election year, I thought that International Women's Day would be a good opportunity to reflect on the struggle by women to get the vote. It is also timely as it is 100 years since the actions by the Suffragette movement. Alice Hawkins was a very active Suffragette and it will be very interesting to hear her story told by a local man, Peter Barratt, who is her great grandson." A raffle will be held on

the day and parking is free for those who attend.

Tickets are just £15, with all proceeds going to PROSTaid, Councillor Mercer's chosen charity.

For more information and to book tickets for the event, please call Barbara Wiggins on 01832 742198 or email bwiggins@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

If you would like to support the Chairman's charity but cannot attend the lunch, you can donate online by visiting www.justgiving.com/gill-mercer/

Police and Fire services launch joint rural response vehicle in East Northamptonshire

Police and Fire services in Northamptonshire have launched a new joint response vehicle in the east of the county to provide additional support to rural communities.

The Rural Intervention Vehicle (RIV) is part of the ongoing collaboration between Northamptonshire Police and Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service. A 12-month trial began in October and early results are showing it to be a well-used and valuable resource for policing and fire safety in the community.

The first phase of the trial is taking place in Oundle and surrounding villages, and forms part of the Futures project – a detailed study to find out how policing should work in the future while carrying out intensive work to tackle crime, improve community safety and the quality of life for residents.

The Rural Intervention Vehicle is staffed by a police officer and a fire officer who are working alongside local colleagues to promote community safety, increase visibility in rural areas, develop even closer links with the community and identify and resolve local issues.

As part of their role, the RIV officers carry out a number of tasks in support of day-to-day policing and fire prevention in the area.

These include working with the community to deal with ongoing local issues, gathering intelligence and identifying potential crime and fire risks, assessing and supporting incidents such as minor fires and road traffic collisions, as well as carrying out high-visibility patrols in crime hotspot areas, giving fire and personal safety talks to schools and community groups and visiting farms and local businesses to discuss concerns and offer crime and fire prevention advice.

District Commander Chief Inspector Dennis Murray believes putting police and fire resources into a single vehicle has brought many benefits.

He said: "The introduction of the rural intervention team has been a very practical example of how police and fire services can work together on the ground to the benefit of local people. The jointly crewed vehicle has improved the visibility and accessibility of police and fire services in rural areas, as well as enhancing support to local people in areas such as crime and fire prevention and dealing with ongoing local problems.

"The first phase of the pilot is running alongside our Futures project and will play an important part in demonstrating what policing, working with other emergency services, could look like in the future."

Area Manager Shaun Hallam added: "This has been a very welcome initiative that is helping to improve the service provided to our rural communities.

"Many local issues can involve both fire and police services; having a team working together on a day-to-day basis means we can provide a quicker and more comprehensive response, from providing support and advice at an incident, working with the farming community to improve fire safety and security, to supporting local officers in finding solutions to an ongoing problem with anti-social behaviour."

During the first three months of the trial, the RIV team has attended a variety of incidents and supported several community initiatives. Among other activities, they have:

- Provided initial assistance and assessment and supported colleagues at road traffic collisions; in one incident, where a

car hit a building, they were able to help manage the scene while carrying out an initial assessment without the need to call out a full fire crew.

- Dealt with incidents they have come across while out on patrol, meaning additional resources did not need to be deployed. On one occasion, the team came across a vehicle reported to have been acting suspiciously and found stolen property. After dealing with the offender, they returned the property to its owner and took the opportunity to provide crime prevention advice and carry out a home fire safety check.
- Provided support to crews attending minor fires; after responding to a kitchen fire, the main crew were able to be released early, leaving the RIV team to carry out further checks and provide safety advice to the owner. They also visited neighbouring properties to carry out fire checks, give fire and crime prevention advice, while taking the opportunity to talk to residents about any local policing issues.
- Responded directly to fires and other incidents; following a number of haystack fires, the RIV team visited farms to gather information and take a crime report, and were able to give fire prevention advice without the need for another crew to attend.
- Visited schools and attended community events to promote better engagement with local people; the teams visited schools in Oundle, Glapthorn and Easton-on-the-Hill to talk to pupils about the work of the police and fire services and give advice about how to stay safe, including highlighting safety messages around Halloween and Bonfire Night.

Don't miss out on free health check

Northamptonshire County Council is urging eligible residents to make sure they take the opportunity to get their free NHS health check.

Everyone is at risk of developing heart disease, stroke, diabetes, kidney disease and some forms of dementia – the good news is that these conditions can often be prevented.

Health checks are like a midlife MOT. Even if you are feeling well now, it's a chance to check that some of your body's most important systems are all running smoothly and allows you to be better prepared for the future and to be able to take steps to maintain or improve your health.

Health checks are available to most people

aged between 40 and 74, who don't already have an existing vascular condition that is already being taken care of by their GP.

They only take around 20 to 30 minutes and during this time blood pressure, cholesterol and BMI will all be checked. You will also be asked some simple questions about your family history and any medication you are taking.

After the health check you will be taken through the results and given personalised advice on how to lower any risks and stay healthy.

Councillor Robin Brown, Northamptonshire County Council cabinet member for public health and wellbeing said: "At this time of year, lots of us think about our health and

look to see what lifestyle changes we can make.

"One easy way to really improve your chances of living a healthier life is to make sure that you don't miss out on a free NHS health check if you are entitled to one.

"Even if you're feeling fit and well, it's worth getting checked over to help lower the risk of certain conditions developing in the future. It takes less than half an hour to have the health check, and can make a real difference to your health and wellbeing."

Anyone interested in getting a free health check should visit www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/healthchecks to check if you are eligible and get details of how to book, or contact your GP surgery for more information.

Darsdale Residential Home can help

You might be finding it difficult to cope at home without help, or perhaps you need more help than loved ones and carers are able to provide? Darsdale Home can give you the care and support you need.

Darsdale Home, which has been owned and operated by Northamptonshire Association for the Blind for 65 years, is situated in a quiet residential area on the outskirts of Raunds.

Originally an Edwardian house, Darsdale Home has been extended and refurbished to create a comfortable and welcoming home for up to 30 residents with en-suite facilities. The Home is able to offer short-term stays or long-term care for individuals with a variety of personal needs.

Enjoying the benefits in a 'home away from home' atmosphere, Darsdale is designed and equipped to offer assistance to all when needed. Darsdale's supportive environment will help you maintain your independence, continue with personal pursuits and get the most out of life.

Residents can enjoy the accessible sensory garden, take advantage of a varied activities programme or relax in one of the lounges.

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To request a brochure or arrange a visit contact Darsdale Home: Tel: 01933 622457, Email: info@darsdale.org.uk, www.darsdale.org.uk

Find out about funding for your community group

East Northamptonshire Council will be running another of its hugely popular funding fairs on Thursday 5th March 2015 at the Thrapston offices.

Open to all, this event will give community groups the chance to speak directly to funders and find out what money is available to help with projects.

This year, more funders than ever will be attending the 'Meet the Funders' event, including representatives from the Lottery, Comic Relief and Children in Need. Come along for free and find out how they could help you.

The fair will be open from 12noon to 3.30pm in the Council Chamber on Cedar Drive NN14 4LZ.

For more information please contact Su Davies, External Funding Manager at East Northamptonshire Council on 01832 742191 or email sdavies@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

Charity Proms evening tunes into hospice

For the first time in its fundraising history, Cynthia Spencer Hospice, Northampton, is hosting a magnificent evening of classical music at Northampton's Royal & Derngate.

Featuring international opera and concert soprano Alison Roddy, the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra and well-known guest conductor Michael Lloyd, the charity Proms night will take place on Sunday 10th May at 7.30pm and will include a fabulous array of popular opera and proms favourites with items from French and Italian opera as well as Viennese operetta.

Described as being 'the Last Night of the Proms and a beginner's guide to opera all rolled into one', the event is expected to have wide ranging appeal.

Community Fundraiser for the Hospice, Sue Bownass, explained: "Our Proms night promises to be absolutely wonderful, not only will it appeal to the more seasoned opera enthusiasts, but we believe it will also appeal to a wider audience keen to have their first taste of a classical music extravaganza. The programme will include a number of old favourites including Elgar's much loved Pomp and Circumstance No1 – Land of Hope and Glory and of course Rule Britannia, so there really will be something for everyone.

"The event has the potential of raising in excess of £30,000 which is vital for patient care at the Hospice, so we are so very grateful to Alison, the Birmingham Philharmonic as well as Michael Lloyd for all giving up their time to stage

such a marvellous event; it should be spectacular."

Born in Dublin, but now residing in Northampton, Alison Roddy has established an international reputation, singing over a dozen leading roles as a principal soprano at the English National Opera. She has also sung at other leading opera houses across the globe, from Vienna to Ottawa to New Zealand. Most recently Alison has performed Handel's Messiah with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

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Please submit the name and address of nominees, together with details of the reason for their nomination, to the Town Clerk at Rushden Town Council, Rushden Hall, Hall Park, Rushden, Northants, NN10 9NG. All nominations should be received by **Friday 6th March 2015.**

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Bringing magic to Raunds

Ernie Almond, who has recently moved to Raunds, has been entertaining children with magic, ventriloquism and balloon modelling since our latest Royal Parents were children themselves in houses (and a couple of palaces!), theatres and schools. His act was featured in Andrew Morton's A Royal Christmas for ITV.

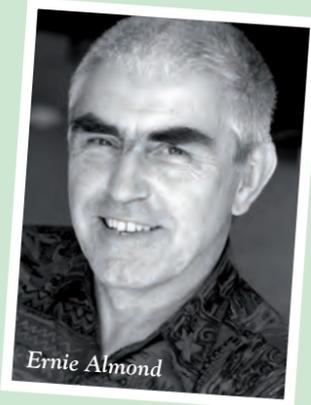
For 25 years Ernie entertained and compered at London's Mansion House for the annual Lord Mayor's Children's Party.

Whilst presenting a late night music and chat programme, The Club, he met Jonathan Vernon-Smith and together they formed an

on-air partnership which produced Ern & Vern, an outrageous comedy show that ran for seven and a half years, much of that time broadcast across the eastern region.

Ernie is currently involved each Saturday morning with BBC Three Counties Radio and BBC Radio Northampton's very popular joint programme Treasure Quest and until recently presented The Entertainment Programme and the Gardening phone-in for Three Counties Radio.

He's just finished pantomime in Hertfordshire and over more years than he's prepared to admit, Ernie has gradually progressed



Ernie Almond

from being a young Buttons to a not-so-young Ugly Sister and King Crumble, and even the Wizard in the Qdos production of The Wizard of Oz. So it's from Snow White to Snooks, in Raunds, which is where he's presenting his magic and laughter show during the half-term holidays as his alter ego P'Nut.



Remembering Ringstead's past

Ringstead Heritage Group welcomes you to a coffee morning at Ringstead Village Hall from 10am to 12noon on Saturday 21st February.

Come along and see a selection of old photographs and newspaper clippings that will get you reminiscing. This will be

your opportunity to get involved in helping to document your memories of Ringstead.

On static display will be some old Ringstead postcards covering 1880 to 1960s. You are invited to help document the family history of Ringstead farms.

David Ball will be selling and signing copies of his

books on Ringstead people from the 19th century.

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Sunday 15th February
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 Whitefriars Church, Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX
 10.15am
 Admission free
 Tel: Andrew Presland 01933 316927
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Monday 16th February
Next meeting of Higham Ferrers WI
 The Adult School, Westfield Terrace, Higham Ferrers
 2.15pm
 Tel: Pat 396647
 There will be a talk about Medical Detection Dogs. Newcomers most welcome.

Tuesday 17th February
Hidden History Bus Walks for all ages
 From Raunds Area to Wellingborough River and Parks
 11.30am–1.45pm
 £2 per person, per unique map
 Tel: Susan 01933 461480 (voicemail option)
 Free bus service. Option to buy and eat pancakes beforehand, from 10am, Raunds Enterprise Centre.

Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, Friday 20th & Saturday* 21st February
Madame Butterfly by Puccini
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Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th February
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 Tel: 01933 625522
 Build a bird box or feeder at this popular family event. Birdy crafts will also be available in the Discovery Zone.

Thursday 19th February
Tea Dance
 St Peter's Church Hall, Midland Road, Rushden
 2pm
 £2 admission
 Refreshments. All welcome.

Oundle Art Group Meeting
 Tansor Village Hall
 1.45pm–3.45pm
 Non-members £6
 Tel: Jane Sanders 01832 226495 or Chris Yates 01832 226345

RSPB Indoor Meeting 40th Anniversary
 Saxon Hall Raunds
 7.30pm
 Tickets £10
 Tel: Penny Elmer 01933 350404
 Illustrated talk by David Lindo, followed by a Cheese and Wine Pointillism with Jane Sanders. Bring oil or acrylic or watercolour /board or paper.

Friday 20th February
Raunds Poetry Group

Raunds Library
 2.30pm–3.30pm
 Donations welcome
 Tel: Mrs S Hall 01933 622151
 Rob Marchment, the local poet and writer, is giving a talk called 'Finding Your Voice'.

AFC Rushden and Diamonds Quiz Night
 7.30pm
 Rushden Town Bowls Club, Northampton Road, Rushden, Northants NN10 6AN
 £2
 Tel: Glenis on 07870 332606.
 An open invitation is extended to all. Raffle, Bucket Collection for Cransley Hospice.

Monthly Group Meeting: Spires, Saints & Martyrs
 Thrapston Plaza
 10am–12noon
 Visitors £2 (includes refreshments) Members £1
 Stories relating to churches in our area. A talk with Susan Copperwheat. Visitors are always welcome and we look forward to meeting you.

Oundle Group of the Wildlife Trust AGM
 The Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle
 7.30pm
 Entry £2 Members, £3 Non-members.
 Tel: Keith Alvey 01832 272666
 AGM and Talk on Beekeeping by Keith Doherty.

Saturday 21st February
Charity Race Night for YoungMinds
 Irthlingborough Town Band Club
 7pm onwards
 £1 (Free draw into champagne raffle)
 Tel: Mandy 07761 548633 or Andy 07598 739594
 Fun Race Night for YoungMinds Charity.

Heartstart Life Saving Skills Course
 Oundle Medical Practice
 9am–11am
 Free
 Tel: John Linford 01832 274269
jlinford@lyveden.freesev.co.uk
 Training in dealing with sudden collapse, cardiac arrest, bleeding, choking, heart attack.

Sunday 22nd February
Rushden Craft Fair
 The Pemberton Centre NN10 9YP
 2pm–4pm
 Entrance £1, kids free
 Lots of stalls to browse, nail & beauty treatments, face painting & refreshments. To book a stall contact annavstanton@yahoo.co.uk.

Whitefriars Church Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX
 10.15am
 Admission free
 Tel: Andrew Presland 01933 316927
 An informal church service open to anyone of any age. Guest preacher Rev Steve Prior.

Monday 23rd to Saturday 28th February
Yeomen of the Guard by Oundle G & S Players
 Queen Victoria Hall, West Street, Oundle
 Curtain Up at 7.30pm
 Tickets: £9 each Monday & Tuesday (and 4 for the price of 3 those nights) £10 each from Wednesday to Saturday
 Tickets from Oundle in Stitches, Market Place, Oundle
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Tuesday 24th February & 3rd March
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 2pm
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managerno.1@oundlebaptist.org.uk
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Tuesday 24th February
Playland by Athol Fugard
 The Stahl
 7.45pm
 Tickets: £9.50
 Set in the heart of rural South Africa, Playland is a gripping, comic and deeply moving account of a country in the grips of an Apartheid regime. Performed by New Perspectives.
 Suitable for 16+ years. Contains strong language and descriptions of a violent and sexual nature.

Wednesday 25th February
Oundle School Musical Recitals
 Cecil Lewis Room, Oundle School Great Hall
 7.45pm
 All welcome – No tickets required
 Four Upper Sixth Form pupils perform their exam pieces.

Thursday 26th February
Lunchtime Concert
 St Peter's Church, Oundle
 1.15pm
 Admission free / Lunch can be purchased
 Concerts in this beautiful church setting in Oundle. Lunch is offered in the form of soup and bread rolls from 1pm for £3 provided by The

Little Soup Kitchen.
Thursday 26th February
Oundle Art Group Meeting
 Tansor Village Hall
 1.45pm–3.45pm
 Non-members £2.50
 Tel: Jane Sanders 01832 226495 or Chris Yates 01832 226345
 'Using Black Paper'. Bring chalk, pastels, acrylics.

Friday 27th February
Rushden & District History Society presents 'Northamptonshire Victorian Inventors & Inventions'
 South End Junior School
 7.30pm
 £1.50 members £2.50 guests
 Tel: 01933 651084
 A talk from Jon Paul Carr, 'Northamptonshire Victorian Inventors & Inventions'

Steve Bingham – Violin and Technology
 Great Hall, Oundle School
 7.45pm
 £5
 Steve Bingham is internationally renowned for his work as leader of the Bingham String Quartet and his solo recitals on violin and electric violin, along with a feast of other musical collaborations.

Film Night: What We Did On Our Holiday (12A)
 Laxton Village Hall
 7.30pm–10pm
 £5
 Tel: Noel Jessop 01780 450273 or email noel@stuartlighting.com
 'What We Did On Our Holiday' explores the meaning of life and suggests how best to live and love. David Tennant, Rosamund Pike and Billy Connolly. Refreshments available.

Saturday 28th February
Quiz Evening & Ploughman's Supper
 St Mary's Church Hall
 Rushden
 7.15pm for 7.30pm
 Tickets: £6
 Tel: Mary 01933 315383
 Proceeds for The Children's Society.
 Sun 28th February – Sat 21st March
 Tinei Mashaya Sculpture Exhibition
 Yarrow Gallery, Glapthorn Road, Oundle PE8 4JF
 10.30am–1pm and 2.30pm–5pm Mon – Sat,
 2.30pm–5pm Sundays
 Admission free
 Zimbabwe-born sculptor, Tinei Mashaya has a growing reputation as a creator of the most cutting-edge Shona sculptures to emerge from the southern African country in the past decade.

Sunday 1st March
Whitefriars Church Morning Worship
 Whitefriars Church at

Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX
 10.15am
 Admission free
 Tel: Andrew Presland 01933 316927
 An informal church service open to anyone of any age.

Sunday 15th March
Afternoon Tea in buffet car
 Buffet Carriage, Rushden Historical Transport Society
 2pm and 3.30pm, 4pm and 5.30pm
 £10pp (by 1st March)
 Tel: Julia Judd 01933 318874
rhtsbuffetcarriage@outlook.com
 Includes Buck's Fizz and flowers for mothers.

First Wednesday Monthly Raunds Ladies Group
 The Saxon Hall, Raunds
 8pm–10pm
 Visitors £3.50
 Guest speaker, refreshments.

First Monday of month Wildlife Trust Little Bugs Club
 Irthlingborough Library
 1.30pm–3pm
 Free, donations welcome
 Tel: Louise Tuffin 01604 405285
louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org
 A fun monthly session for Under 5s and their parents to discover local wildlife.

Every Monday
Oundle Ladies Running Group
 Oundle Pool car park
 6.45pm
 Tel: Jane Walker 01832 272898
janewalkercakes@icloud.com
 All levels welcome. Come and give us a try, it's free.

Every Monday
Wesley Centre Art Class
 Irthlingborough Methodist Church
 2pm–4pm
 Tel: 01933 650195
 Experienced teacher, all abilities welcome.

Every second Monday of the month
Royal British Legion Rushden Branch Monthly Meeting
 Rushden Football & Social Club, Hayden Road, Rushden
 7.15pm
 Annual Fee of £15
 Tel: Jake Baker 07525 441267
 Not necessary to have served in the Armed Forces to be a member.

Every Tuesday and Thursday
Health Walks
 Stanwick Lakes
 10am–11am
 Free – normal car park charges apply.
 Tel: 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
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Every Wednesday evening

Dog Training and Socialisation and Ringcraft

Halefield, Woodnewton, near Oundle
Classes from 6.45pm
Tel: 01832 293432
oundledogs@aol.com or website www.oundledogs.co.uk

Dog training classes following the KC Good Citizen Scheme and Ringcraft. New members always welcome.

Every Wednesday (except school holidays)

Allegra Singers – Three-part ladies choir

Music room at King John School, Thrapston
7.30pm–9.30pm
£3 per session
Tel: Veronica 01832 732611 or 07753 472225
If you enjoy singing, come and join us sing modern/show songs. New members welcome.

Alternate Wednesdays

U3A Country Dancing

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

First Wednesday of the month

Irthlingborough Townswomen's Guild

The Day Centre College Street
7.30pm

Every Thursday

Rushden Folk Dance Club

St Mary's Church Hall, Rushden
8pm–10pm
First visit free, £2 per night thereafter
Tel: Val 01933 387327
Everyone will be made welcome, singles or couples.

Third Wednesday of month

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.

Thursdays in Lent (19th Feb–2nd April incl)

Homemade soup, bread and cheese lunches

Oundle Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane,
12 noon–1.30pm
Tradecraft stall. All welcome. No fixed charge – donations to Christian Aid.

Third Thursday of the month

Painting Class with Nick Baldwin

St John Ambulance Hall, Raunds
10am–4pm
£15 per session
Tel: Kathy Gyngell 01933 389936
Friendly class seeks new members to learn painting with mixed media. All abilities welcome.

Every Wednesday

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.

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
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 Thursday during school term time

Music Makers

Stanwick Village Hall
2pm–2.45pm
£4 per child and £2 per sibling
Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com
Funky music and movement group for 0–5 years with parachute, balls, bubbles and more. FREE taster sessions up for grabs.

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.
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www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Learn new craft skills, share your experience and meet up with crafty friends.

Third Friday of the month

Raunds Tea Dance

Saxon Hall, Raunds
2pm–4.15pm
£3 (plus 50p for Raffle)
Mrs Wicks – 01933 312623
Tea dance and raffle with music by Dave Hawkes.

Third Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

Stanwick Stitches

Stanwick Lakes
10.30am
Free entry – normal car park charges apply.
Tel: 01933 625522 or Pauline on 01933 229817
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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 8–13 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 the 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

Farmers' 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 (recommend checking before travelling)

Local Producers' and Farmers' Market

Stanwick Lakes
10am–2pm
Free entry to market – normal car park charges apply.
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www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Browse through tempting treats and gifts made and farmed by local businesses.

First Sunday of the month

Priceless – for young children and their families

St Laurence's Church Stanwick
9.30am–10.15am
Join Tanya and Nicki for 45mins of fun, craft and prayer.

Third Sunday of the month

All Age Worship
St Laurence's Church Stanwick
9.30am
Join us for our All Age Worship designed for people of all ages. Teas/coffees served after the service.

Third Sunday of the month

Leisurely Sociable Strolls
Pub Start – if not lunching please do not use Pub Car Park.
10am for 10.30am prompt start.

Guests £2 or join for the year £8
Contact: secretary@northamptonshireshamblers.org.uk

Circular walks enjoying our beautiful countryside. A week's notice to secretary please if wanting lunch.

Third Sunday of the month

Afternoon Teas
King's Cliffe Village Hall (Pedestrian access via Eagle Lane off West Street; vehicle access via Orchard Lane and Church Walk at the west end of the village. Parking at rear of hall.)

Open 2pm–4.30pm
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Ongoing

Drawing and Painting Classes

Ecton Village Hall, Chelveston Village Hall, Warkton Village Hall, Kingsthorpe Community Centre
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Tel: Derek Geater 01933 381848
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More events can be found at www.nenevalleynews.co.uk

To submit your event please contact us via our website in the following format: Date, event, place, time, admission fee (if applicable), contact information, 15 word description.



Classifieds

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Please contact the Council Offices on (01933) 650866 for an informal chat or email clerk@irthlingborough-tc.gov.uk for a recruitment pack and an application form. Visits are encouraged prior to interview.

Closing date for applications will be Friday 20th March at 12:00 noon. It is anticipated that interviews will be held week commencing 13th April 2015.

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (SEATON ROAD, HARRINGWORTH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

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

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The length of Seaton Road, Harringworth from White Swan Public House to county boundary.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for drainage, kerbing and associated works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 2nd March 2015 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 road will be restricted until 6th March 2015.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: Use Wakerley Road, Harringworth Road, Barrowden Road, Wakerley Road, Main Street and Seaton Road.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015
QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law JCM/T15/054
If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 364359.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (EAST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DISTRICT) (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND ON-STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2009 (AMENDMENT No. 8) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council propose to make an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 32, 35 to 39 and 45 to 55 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (East Northamptonshire District) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2009" as specified in the schedule below.

A COPY of the proposed Order, together with a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be inspected at Oundle Library, Glaphorn Road, Oundle and Rushden Library, Newton Road, Rushden during normal opening times or at Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road Northampton during normal office hours.

OBJECTIONS to the proposed Order, stating the grounds on which they are made should be sent in writing to the Traffic Orders Section, Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton, NN1 5NX by 7th March 2015.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015
QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law DSW/1509

SCHEDULE
RESIDENTS PARKING PERMIT ALLOWANCES
Proposed introduction of a maximum allowance of 2 residents parking permits (charge applies) per dwelling (unless otherwise specified by the Council).

SHORT-TERM RESIDENTS PARKING PERMIT
Proposed introduction of short-term residents parking permits (charge applies).

CARERS & HEALTHCARE WORKERS PARKING PERMITS
Proposed introduction of parking permits for carers & healthcare workers (charge applies).

GENERIC PARKING PERMITS
All references to "special permits" are proposed to be changed to "generic permits" (charge applies).

INCREASE OF EXISTING CHARGES AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW CHARGES
Permit charges – All on-street permit holders parking bays

| Permit type | Existing charge | Proposed charge |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Annual residents permit | Free | £35 year |
| Short-term residents permit | N/A | £35 year (£17.50 if 6 months or less) |
| Annual visitor permit | Free | £35 year |
| Annual Business permit | Free | £350 year |
| Temporary residents permit | Free | £35 – redeemable for an annual permit if a full application is made within 3 months. |
| Replacement permits | Free | £7.50 |

Permit charges – All on-street parking bays and parking restrictions

| Permit type | Existing charge | Proposed charge |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Annual carer permits & healthcare worker permits | N/A | £10.00 year |
| Annual generic permits | N/A | £10.00 year |
| Replacement permits | N/A | £7.50 |

Parking bay suspensions and waivers

| Type | Existing charge | Proposed charge |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Parking waiver | Free | First Day: £10 (per 5 metre space) Additional Consecutive Days: £5 (per 5 metre space) Full Week (Monday to Saturday inclusive): £25 (per 5 metre space) |
| Parking bay suspension | £10 per vehicle length per day- £50 administration fee | £25 per 5 metre space (one car space) on the first day and £10 per 5 metre space each additional consecutive day. |

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BARNWELL ROAD, THURNING AND THURNING ROAD, BARNWELL)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC, WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding, waiting, loading and unloading along those lengths of Barnwell Road, Thurning and Thurning Road, Barnwell as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: Those lengths of Barnwell Road, Thurning and Thurning Road, Barnwell from junction Hemington Road to junction of Main Street.

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

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 26th February 2015 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 for two days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading east use Hemington Road, Barnwell Road, Hemington Road, Thurning Road, Luddington Road and Main Street. Vice versa for traffic heading west.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015
QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law JCM/T15/042
If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 364359.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (EAST ROAD, OUNDLE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

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

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The length of East Road, Oundle between 24 and 26 East Road.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for installation of foul and surface drainage.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 2nd March 2015 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 road will be restricted until 13th March 2015.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: Use St Osyth's Lane and North Street.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015
QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law JCM/T15/029
If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 364359.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (OUNDELE ROAD, BARNWELL)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

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

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The length of Oundle Road, Barnwell from sliproad from A605 to main Oundle Road.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for installation of new cycleway.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 2nd March 2015 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 road will be restricted until 9th April 2015.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: Use A605.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015
QUENTIN BAKER, Director of LGSS Law JCM/T15/049
If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 364359.

EAST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (REFERENDUMS) (PETITIONS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2011

Publication of Verification Number
In accordance with Regulation 4(1) of the above regulations the number that is equal to 5% of the number of local government electors shown in the revised register of electors having effect on 15 February 2015 is:

3312
This figure will have effect for the purposes of determining the validity of Petitions presented from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

The number equal to 5% of the local government electors for 2016 will be published within 14 days of 15 February 2016. If this number is less than 3312, the number to be used for verification purposes in relation to any petition submitted for the period beginning on the date of publication of the lower number until 31 March 2016 shall also be that lower number.

Mr D. Oliver
Electoral Registration Officer
East Northamptonshire Council
East Northamptonshire House
Cedar Drive
Thrapston
Northamptonshire
NN14 4LZ
Wednesday, 11 February 2015

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 17 LICENSING ACT 2003

Name of applicant: Edan Stuijs
Address of premises: Woodford Mill Teams, Ringstead Road, Ringstead, Northamptonshire, NN14 4DU

It is proposed to licence these premises for Licensable activities sale of alcohol from Tuesday till Saturday 11am to 11pm, Sundays 11am to 4pm, Closed Monday.

The full application can be inspected by contacting East Northamptonshire Council.

Representations can be made Between: 10/02/2015 to 10/03/2015

IN WRITING to The Licensing Department at:
East Northamptonshire Council
Cedar Drive
THRAPSTON
Northamptonshire
NN14 4LZ
E-Mail: environment@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk
Tel: 01832 742066
Fax: 01832 734839

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is not exceeding £5,000.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(EAST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DISTRICT)
(WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS
AND ON-STREET PARKING PLACES)
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2009
(AMENDMENT No. 9) ORDER 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intends to make an Order under Sections 1 to 5 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (East Northamptonshire District) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2009" as specified in the schedule below.

A COPY of the proposed draft Order, together with plans showing the exact lengths of roads to which it relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be inspected at Oundle, Thrapston, Higham Ferrers and Rushden libraries during their normal opening times or at Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton during normal office hours.

OBJECTIONS to the proposed Orders, stating the grounds on which they are made should be sent in writing to the Traffic Orders Section, Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton, NN1 5NX by 7th March 2015.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services JCM/PI513

SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Cotterstock Road, Oundle – both sides – between the zebra crossing and the speed limit signs; **Jericho, Oundle** – both sides – outside property numbers 38 and 40; **Blackpot Lane, Oundle** – both sides – at the entrance to Halfmoon Mews; **Cosy Nook, Thrapston** – both sides – entire length (except outside property numbers 3 and 5 and opposite the fire station / library); **Woodford Road, Great Addington** – east side – outside Great Addington Church of England Primary School – from the existing bus stop to a point opposite Spinney Cottage; **Kings Avenue, Higham Ferrers** – both sides – from the existing bollards for a distance of 15m westwards; **Lancaster Street / York Road, Higham Ferrers** – whole junction (except east side); **Midland Road / William Steele Way, Higham Ferrers** – whole junction; **Midland Road, Higham Ferrers** – east side – from the existing double yellow lines south of the junction with William Steele Way to the access road adjacent to property number 1; **Crown Way, Rushden** – northeast spur – both sides – whole road (except 40m on southeast side); **Park Road / Manton Road, Rushden** – whole junction (except southwest side); **Park Road, Rushden** – southwest side – from the northern building line of property number 28 for a distance of 33m northwest; **Park Road / Crabth Street, Rushden** – whole junction (except northeast side); **High Street South, Rushden** – southwest side – from the existing double yellow lines at the junction with Wymington Road to a point 10m into the junction with Greenacre Drive; **Wymington Road, Rushden** – east side – extension of existing double yellow lines at the junction with High Street South by approximately 26m;

PROPOSED SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR YELLOW MARKINGS
Cotterstock Road, Oundle – northwest side – across the entrance to Oundle and Kings Cliff Middle School

PROPOSED NO WAITING MON-SAT 9AM-6PM
Park Road, Rushden – northeast side – from the proposed double yellow lines at the junction with Manton Road to the existing single yellow line opposite Griffith Street

PROPOSED NO WAITING MON-FRI 8AM-5PM
Glassbrook Road, Rushden – north side – adjacent to the factory near Irchester Road.

EXISTING NO WAITING AT ANY TIME TO BE CHANGED TO DISABLED PARKING BAY 3 HOURS MAXIMUM STAY, NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HOUR
Chancery Lane, Thrapston – northwest side – outside property numbers 1 and 3; **North Street, Oundle** – east side – outside offices (property no. 6)

EXISTING 1 HOUR LIMITED WAITING BAY TO BE CHANGED TO DISABLED PARKING BAY 3 HOURS MAXIMUM STAY, NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HOUR
New Street, Oundle – east side – outside property no. 1 (Market Place)

PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING OF GOODS VEHICLES EXCEEDING 5 TONNES MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT
Haldens Parkway, Thrapston – both sides – entire length of road

EXISTING NO WAITING AT ANY TIME TO BE CHANGED TO LIMITED WAITING MON-SAT, 8AM-6PM, 1 HOUR MAXIMUM STAY, NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HOUR
North Street, Oundle – east side – from a point 7.5m north of Jericho for a distance of 10m

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14**

**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(PUBLIC BYWAY NZ19 –
PARISH OF TITCHMARSH)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit all traffic for the first 10 days, and only motor vehicles thereafter from proceeding along the length of Public Byway NZ19 in the Parish of Titchmarsh as set out below. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said length of byway is unaffected.

RIGHT OF WAY TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The existing route to be closed begins at point A at National Grid Reference ("NGR") TL0654 7804, off Warren Lane. The route travels approximately 484 metres generally south west to point B at NGR TL0630 7762, to the county boundary with Cambridgeshire. The route is shown by a solid black line between points A – B.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required to allow resurfacing works to be carried out and clearance works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The Order will come into effect on 16th February 2015 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 is no suitable alternative.

Dated this 14th day of February 2015.
QUENTIN BAKER Director of LGSS Law JCM/ROW/206

If you require any further information please call James McGrath 01604 883453.



East Northamptonshire Council

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/denotification

Brigstock

15/00115/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Demolition of existing bungalow and garage and replacement by new bungalow and internal Garage at 7 Bells Close Brigstock NN14 3JG

Deene

15/00119/VAR (07/03/2015) (Art8)
Variation of condition 4 to substitute approved Development Framework Plan (ref. BBD001/DFD/01 Rev C) with drawing ref. BBD036-005 Rev P pursuant to application 04/01326/OUT: 'Mixed use: Urban extension to Corby, including residential (up to 5,100 units), Employment (up to 14ha), 1 district centre, 2 neighbourhood centres, schools (1 secondary, 3 primary), hotel, formal and informal open space, together with changes to the operating regime at Rockingham Motor Speedway, at Priors Hall Site, Kirkby Lane, Deene, Corby, dated 10.02.2012 at Priors Hall Site Kirby Lane Deene NN17 3EJ

Glaphorn

15/00091/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) To erect 6 dwellings further to the demolition and clearance of existing dwelling and all other buildings from the site at 153 Glaphorn Rd Oundle PE8 5BA

Hargrave

15/00023/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) Change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian with an outdoor horse manege for private use only (size 25 x 45m) constructed from hardcore and sand surface and surrounded by wood post and rail fence at Bottom Farm Brook St Hargrave NN9 6BP

Higham Ferrers

15/00149/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Replacement kitchen extract system incorporating sound attenuation, carbon and prefiltration systems at The Griffin Inn High St Higham Ferrers NN10 8BN
15/00150/LBC (07/03/2015) (LBRegs)
Replacement kitchen extract system incorporating sound attenuation, carbon and prefiltration systems at The Griffin Inn High St Higham Ferrers NN10 8BN
15/00164/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) Single storey rear and side extension at 28 Blake Walk Higham Ferrers NN10 8DB
15/00165/VAR (07/03/2015) (Art8)
Variation of condition 2 – change of brick

type on development pursuant to planning permission 14/00208/REM – Reserved matters: Details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline application 10/00499/OUT – 'Re-development of land and premises for up to 36 dwellings' dated 10.02.14 at The Midland Business Centre Midland Rd Higham Ferrers

Lutton

15/00038/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) New single timber garage with store at Dandeano Oundle Rd Lutton PE8 5ND

Oundle

15/00141/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Proposed two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 49 Benefield Rd Oundle PE8 4EU
15/00176/FUL and 15/00177/LBC (07/03/2015) (LB/CA) Removal of existing extract and fresh air ventilation outlets from kitchen roof, installation of new extract and fresh air cowlings and fans and reinstatement of roof at School House New St Oundle PE8 4EA
15/00198/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Demolition of existing garages and construction of one affordable two bedroom bungalow with associated parking at garages adjacent 54 Springfield Rd Oundle

Raunds

15/00156/VAR (28/02/2015) (Info)
Variation to condition 3 (Approved Plans) of application 14/01758/FUL Two new dwellings with detached garages dated 20.11.14 at land adj The Willows House Brooks Rd Raunds

Rushden

14/01966/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Installation of two extractor fans (condenser units) on ground floor to side of building (retrospective) at 110 Higham Rd Rushden NN10 6DF
14/01967/VAR (28/02/2015) (Info)
Variation of condition 2 – alternative colour for shutters pursuant to planning permission of 13/01359/FUL dated 4.12.13 – Installation of external shutters (retrospective) at 110 Higham Rd Rushden NN10 6DF
14/02261/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) Siting of 2 portacabins at Sureweld UK Ltd Sanders Lodge Industrial Estate Rushden NN10 6BQ
15/00026/VAR (28/02/2015) (Info)
Removal of condition 4 regarding the operation of home delivery vans and variation of conditions 3 and 5 relating to hours of operation of canopy and audible reversing alarms respectively pursuant to planning permission 13/02199/FUL – 'Alterations to the service yard and construction of a Home Shopping pod within the existing building with external ramps, steps, walkway, walkway canopy and van loading canopy' dated 12.03.2014 at Asda Store 161 High St Rushden
15/00070/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Proposed single storey rear extension and conversion to form a two bedroom dwelling at 1A Brookfield Rd Rushden NN10 9TQ
15/00121/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) New access to highway with dropped kerb at 137 Newton Rd Rushden
15/00155/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Extension to existing garage/ workshop at 31 Irchester Rd Rushden NN10 9XF
15/00175/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) Change of use of existing shop to takeaway/restaurant (A3 and A5 use class), installation of extraction/ ducting with electrostatic system at 180-182 Wellingborough Rd Rushden
15/00179/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Construction of new pitched roof to replace the existing flat roof to the front elevation at 17 Barrington Rd Rushden NN10 0NJ

15/00197/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Demolition of existing garages and construction of four affordable two bedroom bungalows with associated parking at Garage Court to the rear of 16 Slaters Close Rushden
15/00215/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info) Change of use from A2 to A4 (micropub) at 176 Wellingborough Rd Rushden NN10 9SU

Sudborough

15/00185/FUL (07/03/2015) (LB/CA) First floor extension at 29 Main St Sudborough NN14 3BX

Thrapston

13/01466/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Conversion of one half of double garage to two habitable rooms with half brick wall and double glazed window to front elevation (part retrospective) at 2 Cooper Court Thrapston NN14 4UP

15/00086/FUL (07/03/2015) (Art8)

Demolition of ten two bedroom bungalows and four two bedroom flats and replace with fourteen two bedroom houses, nine three bed houses and five two bedroom bungalows with associated parking, access and landscaping at Charles Street Thrapston

15/00132/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)

Enclosure of existing emergency egress route at first floor level and addition of canopy over rear access/ exit doors at ground floor rear at Plaza Centre Cosy Nook Thrapston NN14 4JP

Titchmarsh

15/00184/FUL (07/03/2015) (LB/CA)
Proposed one and two storey side and rear extensions and front canopy at 22 Drydens Close Titchmarsh NN14 3DD

Woodford

15/00161/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Retrospective: Installation of water recycling equipment to serve existing agricultural operation at Glebe Farm Addington Rd Woodford NN14 4ES

Woodnewton

15/00131/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Conversion of existing two storey detached garage with store above, to garage with ancillary studio accommodation over. Single storey rear extension to garage with balcony above and external rear staircase at 30 Orchard Lane Woodnewton PE8 5EE
15/00158/FUL (28/02/2015) (Info)
Change of use and extension to barn to form residential dwelling (resubmission of application 14/02165/FUL) at land and barn Royal Oak Woodnewton Rd Fotheringhay PE8 5HX
15/00166/FUL (07/03/2015) (LB/CA)
Single storey rear studio extension to existing detached garage (revised scheme to 14/00250/FUL) at Dovecote House 63 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 14 February 2015

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

Chess corner *by Derrick Sims*

Rushden A team savoured the home comforts of the Bowls Club to entertain the travellers from Northampton's Chess Mates B. Northampton wheeled out their big gun, James Jackson, against Rushden's giant, Hugh Murphy. Despite a 29 point grade deficit Hugh managed to get a pawn ahead a couple of times in the game.

With both players level on pieces and neither seeming to find a chink in the other's armour an honourable draw was agreed. Sajjan Ganger produced his best performance of the season to overcome an 11 point grade deficit against Stephen Taylor for a well earned victory. His brother Rajan was not so fortunate. Twice turning down the offer of a draw from Chris Gibson, he eventually lost through an endgame blunder. A draw by James Gardner and Alan Lewis's defeat sealed the fate of Rushden in a match that they could have won. Such are the fortunes of war in this exciting game but the spoils went Northampton's way this time.

Silver King Northamptonshire League I Match Mon 26th January, A-Div:

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|--------------------------|-----|----------------------|
| Rushden A | 2-3 | Chess Mates B |
| Bd1: Hugh Murphy (195) | ½ | James Jackson (224) |
| Bd2: Rajan Ganger (179) | 0-1 | Chris Gibson (176) |
| Bd3: James Gardner (153) | ½ | Peter Tibbert (159) |
| Bd4: Alan Lewis (136) | 0-1 | David Griggs (147) |
| Bd5: Sajjan Ganger (121) | 1-0 | Stephen Taylor (132) |

Meanwhile in League II, Rushden B travelled to Oundle School to hopefully avenge the 5-0 thrashing by Oundle in the previous home game. Things started off well when Rushden's draw-meister, Jeff Owen, dished out a Mate in 9 moves against Will Connellan. This was quickly followed by defeat for Tom Murts against James Low. Things started to look up with Keith Bristow's decisive victory over Oundle's Kyle Lo and Nik Puryer agreeing a draw with Tim Herring. Everything now rested on Rushden's Alan Lewis who was playing with a 28 point grade deficit against Sam Herring. An early trading of blows left them level pegging with Sam taking a decisive pawn lead after 21

moves. Alan never managed to pull back from this and Sam's pawn advantage allowed him to regain his Queen and win the game. This left the match drawn and Oundle retaining their position at the top of League II. Rushden are now in joint second with Chess Mates C.

Silver King Northamptonshire League II Match

Tue 3rd February, B-Div:

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|------------------------|-------|------------------|
| Oundle | 2½-2½ | Rushden B |
| Bd1: Sam Herring (164) | ½ | Alan Lewis (136) |
| Bd2: Tim Herring (131) | ½ | Nik Puryer (134) |

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|--------------------------|-----|---------------------|
| Bd3: Kyle Lo (71) | 0-1 | Keith Bristow (120) |
| Bd4: Will Connellan (90) | 0-1 | Jeff Owen (98) |
| Bd5: James Low (U) | 1-0 | Tom Murts (65) |

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 – for details please call the Club Secretary on 07810 474969, or visit the club website <http://rushdenchessclub.com> and for the NCA (County Association) it's <http://www.norchess.lloydbunday.co.uk>.

Rough trip to Rugby St Andrews ends in defeat

by Daniel Sharp, edited by Liz St John

Rushden's lead at the top of the table was cut to five points following defeat to Rugby St Andrews.

An already tough afternoon was made even tougher for Rushden as they failed to show up for the first half.

Missed tackles, poor handling and individual errors from the away side allowed St Andrews to take control of this game and dominate the first half.

Two tries and two penalty tries all within the first half secured a four try bonus point for the hosts, with their full back successful with three conversions.

Rushden's only points of the half came from the boot of Nathan Buckley, as he successfully kicked a penalty after Rugby's first try.

Half-time: Rugby St Andrews 26,

R&H 3

The need to reduce silly errors, retain possession and score those all-important tries were discussed at half-time by Rushden.

The team talk worked – seven minutes into the second half and the referee awarded the third penalty try of the afternoon, this time in Rushden's favour, as Max Sturgess was tackled without the ball, two yards short of the line, as he looked to collect Tony Bright's offload. Buckley converted, 26-10.

Now in control, Rushden had their second try on 57 minutes.

A training ground scrum move created space for Bright to outstrip the covering defence and score. Conversion missed, 26-15.

Three infringements by Rushden saw St Andrews gain ground again.

The final penalty was in the range of the home side's full back and he extended their lead to 14 points, 29-15.

Rushden kicked off and were on the front foot again and their scrum was dominant.

Solid defensive work by their hosts kept Rushden at bay until the final minute, when working their way into the opposition's 22 and after a series of phases, Doug De-St-Aubin scored in the corner.

An excellent touchline conversion by Buckley secured a losing bonus for the away side, possibly vital by season's end.

Next game: away to second place Leicester Vipers. Come along and show your support.

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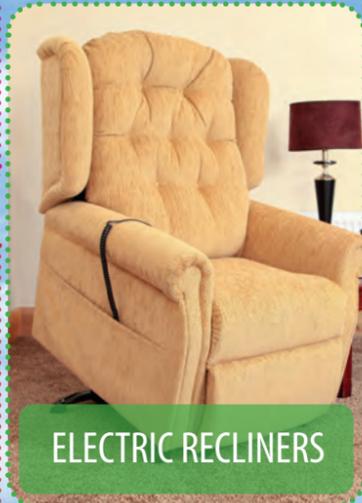


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