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**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**Physicist to discuss space exploration**

Dr Ralph Cordey, a physicist working in the UK space industry will give a lecture entitled 'Solar Orbiter Spacecraft' on Thursday, 4th June at 8pm at Sudborough Village Hall, Main Street, Sudborough, Kettering NN14 3BX.

The Solar Orbiter Spacecraft will observe the sun from an orbit closer than the planet Mercury.

Visitors and Members are welcome. £3 per person including tea/coffee and biscuits.

For further information contact Mrs Peta Jellis on 01933 356914 or email: [pej@petaj26.me.uk](mailto:pej@petaj26.me.uk)

**Glaphorn remembers VE Day on 70th anniversary**

At 11am on Saturday 9th May the bells rang out in Glaphorn Church to mark the 70th Anniversary of VE Day.

Experienced ringers, including Gill Johnston and Pauline Davidson, were on hand to teach people how to chime the bells. Tea, cakes and a glass of fizz added to the enjoyment.

The event was part of the nationwide celebrations to remember Victory in Europe in 1945.

## Walking challenge encourages all residents to boost fitness

**Northamptonshire residents are being challenged to walk 20 million steps over a weekend in September.**

Northamptonshire has the fifth fattest population in the country and Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) is determined to tackle this issue by getting people to go out for a walk. By increasing the amount of physical exercise and activity they do, people in the county can have an increased sense of wellbeing, more self-

confidence and a better life expectancy.

NCC started a walking campaign last September and achieved nearly 25 million steps. In addition, they promoted a Health and Wellbeing Week in January this year through their LibraryPlus scheme. To continue this work, NCC are now challenging everyone who lives or works in the county to join in with one of their planned walks over the weekend of 18th–20th September. Families, couples, individuals, community

groups, businesses, societies and clubs, in fact everyone, is being asked to take a walk and then log the number of miles they covered and how many people completed that distance.

NCC are setting up special event pods at their country parks to give information and advice as well as running guided and educational ranger-led walks at these locations. LibraryPlus will run events for all ages and abilities, including buggy walks, town trails, history walks and many more,

accommodating all interests.

There is also marketing material for venues to use to promote themselves as somewhere people can visit to take part in the drive to 20 million steps and beyond.

And that's where you come in. The county can only succeed in this challenge if all residents work together; the organisers are hoping that as many people in the county as possible will take part. All venues, regardless of whether they are council-owned or not, are being encouraged to see this is as an opportunity to market themselves, to drive up visitor numbers and at the same time help improve the county's health and wellbeing. Community groups and organisations located in the county could see this as a chance to pull people together and take on a walking challenge anywhere they choose; on rights-of-way in their community, at one of the

Libraries or country parks, at other outdoor attractions or indeed simply up and down their road – anywhere they can to help reach the target. The council hopes that local walking groups will also join in and use this event as part of their schedule of walks, or even as a recruiting campaign for themselves.

If this is something you think you could get involved in and make use of, either as part of a desire to help get more people walking or as a new way to market yourselves, then talk to NCC. They have a full range of marketing and promotional materials being prepared as well as 'Event Packs' for those running linked events – contact Project Manager Debbie Foster [dfoster@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:dfoster@northamptonshire.gov.uk).

For more information on Health and Wellbeing in Northamptonshire go to [www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/health/Pages/default.aspx](http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/health/Pages/default.aspx)



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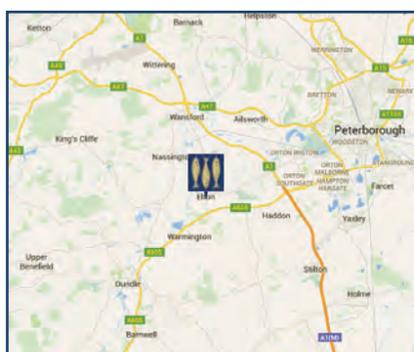


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# Firms invited to launch of new healthy eating award scheme

**Food businesses across Northamptonshire are invited to the launch of a new scheme to reward caterers who make it easier for their customers to make healthy choices when eating out.**

The Eat Out Eat Well award scheme will be unveiled at the Corn Market Hall, London Road, Kettering on Tuesday, 19th May and will be attended by The High Sheriff of Northamptonshire, Dr Ahmed Muhktar. The event will run from 10.30am to midday, with trade stands and speakers from local businesses present.

Accredited by nutrition experts, Eat Out Eat Well encourages food businesses to offer healthier options on their menus. It also aims to show how healthier cooking practices, such as grilling instead of frying, and the use of lower-fat ingredients where possible, can make a big difference.

There are three levels of the award scheme – bronze, silver and gold – based on a scoring system that takes into account the type of food on offer, how it is prepared, and how it is promoted to customers.

Initially developed by Surrey County Council, Eat Out Eat Well is being rolled out across Northamptonshire following successful pilot projects by both Daventry District Council and Kettering Borough Council.

Some of the businesses that signed up to the scheme during the pilot will become the first in the county to receive the new awards at the launch event.

The Eat Out Eat Well scheme is managed by Environmental Health Northamptonshire, through the County Food Liaison Group and co-ordinated by Environmental Health Teams at District and Borough Councils. It is open to any business serving food to the general public, including takeaways, cafes, sandwich shops and restaurants.

Those that sign up will be visited by specially-trained officers, who will look at the menu, the type of food offered, how it is prepared and how healthy options are marketed to customers.

Environmental Health Teams will also work with businesses and offer nutrition training and education. It replaces the Heartbeat scheme, which also rewarded food businesses for providing healthy options on menus.

Cllr Chris Millar, District/Borough Representative on the Northamptonshire Health and Wellbeing Board, said: "We are fortunate in Northamptonshire to have a lot of fantastic cafes and restaurants. We want to work with those businesses to help them improve further by providing healthier options to customers.

"Not only will this make it easier for our

residents to make healthier choices when eating out, but it will also give the businesses involved a competitive edge. Receiving an Eat Out Eat Well award shows you are a responsible business that puts its customers first and I would urge caterers to contact their local Health Protection teams to find out more."

Shirley Plenderleith, Head of Environmental Health at Kettering Borough Council, said: "Kettering has been one of the pilot authorities

for the introduction of the Eat Out Eat Well award. We have been really pleased with the level of enthusiasm that the businesses on the pilot have shown for adopting new approaches to offering healthy food within their menus.

"As a result of those experiences we are looking forward to helping more of our businesses to attain the award and giving the public a range of healthier choices when they eat out."

## Genealogy jottings

**Hello again. Last time, I touched upon newspaper articles other than obituaries and funeral notices. The sort of thing I mean are coroners' inquest reports, accident reports from the journalists of the day as well as bankruptcy announcements and the like.**

I have two great great grandfathers from different branches of my family, who committed suicide. Their death certificates just stated that they had killed themselves "whilst not of sound mind". This told me nothing. However, I did know that there would have been an inquest, so off to the newspapers I went.

The first one told how the chap had walked out in front of a train on the main Ashford to London line. Lots of details were to be had in the newspaper report, concluding that the poor chap had not recovered from the death of his wife 10 months earlier. The other great great grandfather was a house painter. In Victorian times there was a lot of lead in the paint which, if you came into contact with it enough, could

poison you. This chap was suffering from a persecution complex, no doubt brought on by lead poisoning, and so killed himself. Full details were in the newspapers.

It was not just 'the common man' to whom this fate could befall. Back in 1832, one William Balderston, a surgeon who lived in St Osyth's Lane in Oundle, shot himself. In the Stamford News, the report started with the words, "A melancholy act of self-destruction was perpetrated at Oundle last week." Flowery language by today's standards but typical of the day. It went on to report in full, gory detail what a servant boy had found upon entering the room and also mentioned the coroner's inquest, where a verdict that the deceased "destroyed himself in a fit of temporary derangement" was reached.

Not for the faint-hearted, but those newspaper reports can certainly add colour to the bare facts!

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

Dear Editor,  
Marian Foers' garden has been a labour of love – and therapy during a recent illness and recovery. Now she's is set to open the Edwardian style garden, which recently featured in a national magazine, to the public to raise money for charity. Marian will be hosting an Open Garden on 7th June, from 11am to 5pm to give visitors a chance to see her stunning garden which features a kitchen garden, seating areas, beautiful borders and a pristine lawn.

All money raised will be donated to the Thorpe Hall Hospice Appeal, raising money to build a new hospice at Thorpe Hall in Peterborough.

Marian's association with the Sue Ryder hospice is twofold. In the 1970s, Marian fundraised for the charity because her husband, like Lady Ryder's, served in the RAF. Her personal thank you letter from Lady Ryder is a treasured keepsake.

More recently, her young neighbours in the village of Exton have fundraised for Thorpe Hall Hospice, after their mum was cared for at the hospice.

Marian is now looking forward to welcoming friends, neighbours and keen gardeners to her home – Fair View, Stamford Road, Exton, LE15 8QA.

Dear Editor,  
I've long been in agreement with the thoughts expressed by Eric Smith in the previous issue of NVN, regarding the disproportionately expensive fares on the railway line between Wellingborough and London. If any readers/passengers want to do even better than the 'split ticketing' method that Eric uses, my wife and I always drive to either Huntingdon or Northampton, both of whose lines offer considerably cheaper fares than even the 'split ticketing' via Bedford, along with more regular services, a shorter journey time, cheaper car parking and later return times in the event that you don't want to cut your day out short for fear of missing the last train. All aboard!

Mark Sanders

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# Dog warden strikes once again with fine for irresponsible dog owner

**Another dog owner in Rushden is paying the price for not picking up after their pooch.**

On Monday, 11th May the East Northamptonshire Council dog warden spotted a woman on Newton Road, Rushden allowing her dog to foul and not clearing it up. Her explanation of not having any bags with her was not considered a good enough excuse and a Fixed

Penalty Notice has been issued for the offence.

East Northamptonshire Council dog warden, Carezza Black explained: "If you own a dog you are responsible for it, so always be aware of where your dog is and what it is doing at all times. Carry plenty of bags for clearing up its mess and then you and your dog can continue your walk hassle free. Those who continue to ignore the rules

will receive a Fixed Penalty Notice which can mean an expensive dog walk."

Most dog owners are very responsible and do pick up after their pets, but some people choose to ignore the rules. Dog owners are encouraged to bag their dog's mess and get rid of it safely and for those that continue to ignore the rules, a Fixed Penalty Notice may be issued.

## Rushden Museum opens

**On Saturday, 2nd May Rushden Museum was opened for the coming season.**

Mr Charles Denton and Mr David Denton were invited to do the ribbon cutting. The museum features The Denton Family boot and shoe factory, and has one of its new exhibits along with The Royal Welsh Fusiliers plus much more.

The museum attracted over 70 visitors on the day, and many Friends of the museum.

Mr Peter Field, Chairman, said that a lot of hard work had been put in by the committee and that they also wanted to thank everyone who had supplied or donated items for this season.

The Museum is now open every Saturday and Sunday from 2pm to 4pm, and all are welcome.

If you would like to take a group around, then please contact Mrs Gill Hollis on [rushdenmuseum@aol.com](mailto:rushdenmuseum@aol.com) to arrange a day.



## Council checks cabs for safety and cleanliness

**Those using taxis in East Northamptonshire can be sure of a safe and clean ride thanks to spot checks by East Northamptonshire Council (ENC) and partners.**

ENC recently teamed up with Northants Police and the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA), for a joint working exercise, known as a 'taxi op.'

Eighteen taxis were asked

to pull over for a roadside check to make sure the vehicles were clean and carried safety equipment like fire extinguishers and booster seats.

The vehicles were then sent to Rushden's Park Road Motors where DVSA mechanics did an MOT-type roadworthy test.

The op was arranged by a police officer from the East Midlands Operational Support Services and took

place in Rushden at ENC's request.

Rita Groves, Licensing Enforcement Officer at ENC, said: "We take public safety very seriously here at the council and so we're glad to be working proactively with the police and DVSA to ensure our residents and visitors can travel safely around East Northants. I'm pleased the op was so well received by both drivers and operators."

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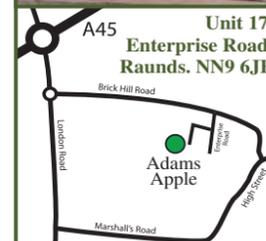
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# From the East Northants Council Chairman

**I am extremely sad to report the sudden death of George Whiting, the Mayor of Higham Ferrers. George was the husband of my predecessor as Chairman of East Northants Council, Pam Whiting. Our condolences go out to Pam and their family.**

It was a pleasure last week to attend the opening of the new assault course equipment at Stanwick Lakes. Rockingham Forest Trust does an excellent job of running Stanwick Lakes on behalf of East Northamptonshire Council.

Their latest addition is a super assault course that has been funded with the help of the Sita Trust. I went there with some young families to open it, but I let the young ones climb on it! It can be used by adults for team building days, etc, but I decided to leave it to younger legs.

Before I finish my year as Chairman, I have a few more events to attend including the opening of the new Pitman Training Centre in Rushden. This will work alongside eVolve your Future to bring opportunities for local people to improve their skills and to help out businesses.

I will also attend the AGM of the Rushden Sea Cadets. This will be very interesting as I have followed their activities in the past and it will be good to see what exciting things they have been up to and what opportunities they have given to young people in the area.

I'm looking forward to the Mayor Making ceremonies at Higham Ferrers Town Council and Rushden Town Council and the opening by Spire Homes of the revamped Alms Houses in Wellingborough Road, Rushden. And finally, with a celebration of the year of the Mayor of Corby, Cllr

Anthony Dady, with local singing groups and bands, it looks set to be a busy two weeks!

Throughout my year as Chairman, I have organised fundraising events for my chosen charity Prostaaid which helps those struggling with prostate cancer. I'm delighted to announce that this year, with your help, I have raised £5,000. This is a wonderful amount and I would like to thank everyone who has supported this charity and my events. Half of the funds

raised have gone to pay for a palliative nurse to care for patients with terminal prostate cancer. The rest will provide funding for recliner chairs for those being cared for at home. This gives them more mobility and independence and also a more comfortable alternative to lying on a bed.

As this is my last report as Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council, I would like to thank you for your support and interest in my role as your

representative. It has been a privilege and an honour to have served you and the council for the past year. It has been a very interesting experience and I have met a lot of incredible people, particularly the volunteers in the district who give up their time so freely to serve the community. I hand over my chain and role at the council's AGM on 27th May and I wish the next Chairman every success in this role.

*ENC Chairman,  
Cllr Gill Mercer*

## Town Councillor and Mayor of Higham Ferrers, George Whiting

**Many local residents will have heard the sad news of the death of Councillor George Whiting on Friday, 8th May.**

George was elected to Higham Ferrers Town Council in 2011 and had represented Chichele Ward since then. He was also mayor of Higham Ferrers for 2014/15.

Councillor Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, said: "This is devastating and unexpected news. We're still trying to take it in. I can only imagine how his family, especially his wife Pam and

his children Tracey and Sharon are feeling. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this sad time.

"George was a highly respected and experienced councillor and mayor. He was also very active with the local church community and enjoyed a lengthy career in the caravan industry. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him."

Councillors and staff extend their sincere condolences to George's family and many friends.



*Alyson Allfree from the Rockingham Forest Trust with ENC Chairman Gill Mercer and some of the children invited to the opening of the new Stanwick Lakes assault course*

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## Notice of planning applications received

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

### Brigstock

**15/00843/VAR (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Variation of condition 2 to change the extension windows from white wood to white PVC, patio doors from wood to wood effect PVC pursuant to planning permission 13/00901/FUL – ‘Single storey rear extension and creation of off-road parking space’ dated 30.08.2013 at 26 Back Lane Brigstock NN14 3ER

### Collyweston

**15/00221/FUL (13/06/2015) (LB/CA)** Installation of a ten panel solar photovoltaic system to west facing garage roof at The Byre Manor Farm 14 Back Lane Collyweston PE9 3PJ  
**15/00222/LBC (13/06/2015) (LBRegs)** Installation of a ten panel solar photovoltaic system to west facing garage roof at The Byre Manor Farm 14 Back Lane Collyweston PE9 3PJ  
**15/00870/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)** Demolish existing rear extension and to erect two and single storey rear extension at 48 Main Road Collyweston PE9 3PQ

### Easton-on-the-Hill

**15/00855/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Erection of steel framed lean to for housing machinery, feed and straw at land at OP0103 TF5858 Cliffe Road Easton-on-the-Hill

### Glaphorn

**15/00848/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Demolition of existing single storey flat roof extension and proposed two storey extension at Provost Lodge Farm House Benefield Road Glaphorn PE8 5BH

### Higham Ferrers

**15/00528/LBC (13/06/2015) (LBRegs)** Works to roof, repairs to chimney render and repairs to guttering at 11 Market Square Higham Ferrers

NN10 8BT  
**15/00818/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Extension to front at 17 Meadow View Higham Ferrers NN10 8EN

### Irthlingborough

**15/00885/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
To remove rear conservatory and replace with extension at 75 Presland Way Irthlingborough NN9 5UL  
**15/00903/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Erection of single storey rear extension with balcony above – minor changes to the approved application 14/02300/FUL at 126 Addington Road Irthlingborough NN9 5UP

### Kings Cliffe

**15/00853/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
To put a hardstanding surface down to place five portable stables and haybarn at OP2045 TL0197 Park Street Kings Cliffe

### Nassington

**15/00894/FUL (13/06/2015) (LB/CA)** First floor rear extension with proposed juliet balcony at Willow Brook House 25 Church Street Nassington PE8 6QG

### Oundle

**15/00787/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Raised decking to rear and side of dwelling house, to increase level by 300mm maximum at 11 Vine Close Oundle PE8 4AZ  
**15/00841/OUT (13/06/2015) (LB/CA)** Outline: Demolition of existing buildings and redevelopment for six town houses (only landscaping matters reserved) at 38 West Street Oundle PE8 4EF  
**15/00842/LBC (13/06/2015) (LBRegs)** Two fascia signs, one projecting sign and one internally illuminated full ATM surround at 9 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BB  
**15/00882/LBC (13/06/2015) (LB/CA) (LBRegs)** Internal alterations to the first floor comprising removal of existing partitions and doors and addition of

new partitions and doors. Removal of staircase from first to second floor at 17–19 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BA

### Polebrook

**15/00830/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Two storey rear extension, extend front porch to two storey, extend two front rooms, apply new render finish on brickwork and install light grey coloured windows and doors at Dalhousie House Lutton Road Polebrook PE8 5LX

### Raunds

**15/00810/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Proposed new boundary treatment at 10 Rotton Row Raunds  
**15/00886/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Proposed external wall mounted condensing unit to the rear of the existing property to serve the convenience store at 91–97 Brook Street Raunds NN9 6LL

### Ringstead

**15/00425/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Infill single storey extension to existing care home to provide four extra bed spaces, kitchen, office and living space. Additional separate single storey extension to accommodate two bedrooms (room no 8 and 9). New single storey laundry room, remove existing conservatory structure next to room R9 and construct new single storey extension to accommodate additional living space. Create a dormer window to existing care home (Lodge Building) to provide a staff bedroom space and create four additional car parking spaces at rear at Five Gables Care Home 32 Denford Road

### Rushden

**15/00779/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
New house at land between 55 and 59 Woodland Road Rushden  
**15/00786/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Change of use from A3 (restaurant/cafe) to A5 (hot food takeaway) ground floor only with no external changes at 31 Church Street Rushden NN10 9YU

**15/00790/FUL (13/06/2015) (LB/CA)**  
Proposed change of use of 57A to shop at 57 High Street South Rushden NN10

### Stanwick

**15/00772/FUL (13/06/2015) (LB/CA)**  
Conversion of barns to two dwellings at Dove House including part of former farm building Higham Road Stanwick  
**15/00877/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Two storey extension to garage and addition of single storey over existing garage to provide granny accommodation at 5 Brookside Stanwick NN9 6PW

### Woodford

**15/00811/FUL (13/06/2015) (Art8)**  
Demolition of existing garages and construction of four affordable two bedroom houses and two affordable one bedroom maisonettes with associated parking at garages adjacent 12 The Leys Woodford  
**15/00847/FUL (06/06/2015) (Info)**  
Two storey rear extension forming extension to kitchen with bedrooms to first floor at 20 Mill Road Woodford NN14 4HH

### Woodnewton

**15/00823/FUL (02/06/2015) (LB/CA)**  
Proposed extension to existing house and alterations to existing garage to form bedroom annexe at Willowbrook Cottage Nassington Road Woodnewton PE8 5EH

**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 23 May 2015**

Consultation deadlines will differ for each application. Please go to [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications) for details.

## Youth Ambition Awards return for third year

The Northamptonshire County Council and Connexions Youth Ambition Awards celebrate the fantastic achievements of the county's young people. Put your organisation on the map by sharing your stories of the inspirational young people you work with. The Youth Ambition Awards want to hear about the young people who inspire others, the projects making a big difference, the apprentice who stands out or the talented young artists on the scene.

Nominations are now open for:

- Young Apprentice of the Year
- The Arts Award

- Project or Campaign of the Year
- Young Role Model of the Year
- The Taking Charge of Your Life Award

Alex Hopkins, County Council Director of Children, Families and Education, said: "The Youth Ambition Awards are a wonderful opportunity for us to recognise some of the fantastic things young people across Northamptonshire do, whether it's setting an excellent example for their peers, leading a community campaign or overcoming adversity to achieve academic success.

"With the Youth Ambition Awards, Northamptonshire County Council in partnership

with Connexions aims to raise the aspirations of young people across the county and encourage them to succeed. Young people can often get a bad press, but it's incredibly heart-warming to read the many nominations we receive each year.

"I would encourage anyone who knows a child or teenager who they think deserves recognition for something they are doing in their school, community, home or working life to get in touch and nominate them for an award."

The deadline for nominations is Friday 5th June at 5pm. Make your nomination and find out more at [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/youthambition](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/youthambition)

# Raunds Music Festival celebrates great success

Four days of roots music, dance and local heritage events

The programme for this local music festival, now in its 14th year, provided another wide variety of musical and dance sessions and this year the organisers worked in conjunction with 'Trading Places' to bring a heritage fringe to it.

Thursday 30th April the Festival got off to a cracking start with over 50 people enjoying the atmosphere in the Snooks Club when Ock 'n' Dough and Tautas Rokos hosted a Open Song 'n' Tune Session. There were plenty of singers wanting to 'voice' their talent including many members of the Raunds Ukelele Orchestra, who wowed everybody with their rendition of 'Teddy Bears Picnic'.

Friday 1st May daytime saw the culmination of nine weeks of tuition at Manor School, when 11 musicians took to the stage and played their melodeons, and 90 children took part in some enthusiastic folk dancing.

Friday evening in the Saxon Hall saw the Northants based band Ock 'n' Dough take to the stage for the sold out Festival Ceilidh. Audience participation was encouraged and many took to the dancefloor immediately to learn the dances and have a go, come what may! Many younger members of families were also very keen to dance in a more traditional style alongside their parents – could this be a change for the better?

During the interval entertainment came from the ever more popular 30-piece Raunds Ukulele Orchestra, which performed an intriguing and beguiling range of musical gems from the past through to the present.

Saturday 2nd May heralded more events including dancing on Raunds Square with the Moulton Morris Men, Cross Key Clog and Tap 'n' Sync alongside community stalls and traditional craft displays. Over lunchtime, at The World Upside Down, Tautas Rokos hosted the Fast and Furious Tune Session whilst at The Saxon Hall, the Raunds Community Choir took to the stage to sing an eclectic mix of folk and popular songs. The afternoon concert featured Northampton's King's Gambit band, playing original folk tunes but

with a banging beat ensuring everyone was tapping their feet. They were supported by The Old Speckled Men, which appears to be a misnomer, when you realise Hilary is not only vocals but also the double bassist as well.

The evening's entertainment started with a set of contemporary songs from the Raunds Manor School band, The Fallen Mavericks, and from their reception this is one local band to follow as they have a lot of talent between them. Then the atmosphere changed into a 'rocked up' folk evening of full blown blasting folk tunes from support band Tautas Rokos, who previously at Raunds have opened for many big name artistes including The Blockheads and The Albion Band. This is a band going great places and they had the audience well and truly bouncing.

Then on came Blackbeard's Tea Party, a contemporary Folk Rock Band who explore more exotic musical genres. Their multi talents in playing a selection of instruments as well as their searing vocals and stage antics brought the audience to fever pitch and so fulfilled another great evening's entertainment.

Slowly Sunday morning saw the lunchtime Festival Folk Club limber up, with Ock 'n' Dough and special guests ensuring everybody had an opportunity to relax and enjoy the ambience of good locally sourced real ales and food to sustain them for the remainder of the sessions.

The afternoon's entertainment was a return visit by the Raunds Temperance Band playing a selection of their prize-winning numbers and their award-winning performance is well deserved.

There were two sessions to round off the festival. Firstly, a concert from the renowned multi-instrumentalist and singer Steve Turner, who has been performing since the late 1960s and has worked alongside many of the greats in British folk roots including Nic Jones, Martin Carthy, Peter Bellamy and Martin Simpson. Steve was ably supported by Northamptonshire's truly unique local singer Kevin Buxton playing guitar and blowing a

very mean and sometimes moody harmonica.

The final evening concert was a true triumph, as the artists were Brooks Williams and The Miranda Sykes Trio. Miranda has one of those 'back of the neck' voices and was joined by her regular musical partner Rex Preston, who has developed an exuberant and flamboyant style of playing his mandolin – and with USA based Grant Gordy on guitar and banjo, the audience were treated to a 'real cracker' of a performance. Miranda is also well known as a regular sideman for Show Of Hands.

Brooks Williams had just completed an eight-day European tour, and had to hotfoot it from Zeebrugge overnight in order to make it in time onto the stage at Raunds. He thrilled the capacity audience with his virtuoso guitar playing, along with his silky smooth singing of heritage blues and original stunning songs. These two acts brought to a close a magnificent four-day festival of folk roots music, dance and heritage culture in the East Northants district.



Tautas Rokos



Blackbeard's Tea Party band

## Portuguese Tomatada / Portuguese tomato sauce

By José Ferdi Tavares – [ferdis.kitchen@gmail.com](mailto:ferdis.kitchen@gmail.com)

**This is the third of five Southern European tomato sauce recipes. Each with its own subtle difference in taste. You can use this on its own or as a base for other recipes. It's a great time-saver if prepared in bulk. You can freeze suitable sized portions for later use and it makes for a quick and easy start to preparing a delicious meal. Halve or double the recipe as desired.**

Grill a thick tuna steak or oily fish, such as mackerel or sardines, and top with a few spoonfuls of this flavoursome sauce. Sprinkle a little fresh chopped parsley, oregano or dill as a garnish. Add chopped fresh chillies and cilantro for a spicy sauce for roasted or barbecued chicken.

### INGREDIENTS

- 4 whole peeled plum tomatoes (400g can – San Marzano are best)
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 2 medium onions, diced
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- 2 fresh chilli peppers, or 1 tsp dried, to taste, finely chopped
- 6 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 2 tsp finely chopped anchovy fillets
- ½ cup black olives, quartered
- ½ cup olive oil
- 1 cup red wine
- 1 tsp red wine vinegar
- 2 tsp sugar
- ½ tsp coarse sea salt
- 1 tsp black pepper
- ½ tsp ground cumin, optional
- 2 tbsp fresh oregano, finely chopped
- 4 fresh bay leaf, bruised
- 4 tbsp fresh flat leaf parsley, finely chopped

### METHOD

- 1 Add the olive oil to a large saucepan on medium heat. Sauté the onions and bell peppers for 3 minutes or until onions are soft. Add the garlic, chilli and anchovies and sauté until the anchovies have dissolved.
- 2 Add the sugar and spices and stir. Add the rest of the ingredients and stir.
- 3 Cook on low heat, semi-covered with the lid, for 1 – 1 ½ hours. Stir every 20 minutes or so. Break up the tomatoes whilst stirring. If the sauce thickens too much, add a little water and continue cooking.
- 4 Remove from heat and taste for seasoning. Adjust with salt, pepper or a pinch of sugar if necessary. Allow to cool. Remove the bay leaves.
- 5 Place in containers of suitable portion size and freeze. If you prefer a smooth sauce process it in batches in a food processor, electric blender or in the pot with an electric stick blender until the desired smoothness is achieved.

Are you interested in cooking lessons/demonstrations? Please email me with your comments, ideas or requests.



Portuguese Tomatada / Portuguese tomato sauce

## Awards for autism charity

Action for Asperger's, an autism-specialist counselling charity first established from an Oundle home, has scooped two major awards at separate ceremonies held at the Oval cricket ground and The Millennium Hotel, Mayfair.

At the Oval, Action for Asperger's was awarded The Mental Health in the Voluntary Sector Award for the best person-centred service; the award was judged by the organisation 'Think Local Act Personal'.



Elaine Nicholson

The second award was from the Engagement and Loyalty Awards and Action for Asperger's won the best engagement project in the not-for-profit sector, for its use of communications technology in assisting mental health care.

Action for Asperger's, which was founded in 2008 and moved to a Barnwell office in 2012, recently moved into larger premises in Corbygate, Corby. The move marks the creation of the world's first autism-specialist counselling organisation. The charity operates on a worldwide level thanks to Skype/Facetime technology with clients stretching from the Polynesian Islands to Western Canada; however, the bulk of the charity's clients are from the UK, with a large percentage of those residing in the Northamptonshire area.

Action for Asperger's CEO and Founder, Elaine Nicholson, said that she was delighted to receive not just one but two top awards in the space of a fortnight. She further added that she was, "pleasantly surprised that the charity received recognition for its work, especially as counselling is a quiet, behind-the-scenes occupation that can go by unnoticed."



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 Elton Methodist Chapel,  
 Chapel Lane, Elton PE8 6RE  
 7pm  
 Admission: £8  
 Tel: Madeline Stewart 01780  
 782155  
 This organ recital is given  
 by Alex Eadon, Organist  
 and Choirmaster at Oundle  
 School.

**Sunday 31st May**  
**Whitefriars Church –**  
**Morning Worship**  
 Whitefriars Church at  
 Whitefriars Junior School,  
 Boughton Drive, Rushden  
 NN10 9HX  
 10.15am  
 Tel: Andrew Presland 01933  
 316927  
 An informal church service  
 open to anyone of any age.

**United Benefice Service of**  
**Holy Communion**  
 Holy Trinity Church, Denford  
 10:30am  
 Tel: 01832 734459  
 Everybody welcome to attend.

**Six-mile Walk**  
 Meet Saffron Road car park,  
 Higham Ferrers  
 9.10am  
 Tel: Marion Darnell 01933  
 387991  
 East Carlton Country Park  
 (Higham Ferrers Footpath  
 Group).

**Tuesday 2nd June**  
**Eastern Angles presents**  
**Oysters**  
 The Stahl Theatre  
 7.45pm  
 Admission: £9.50  
 A tale of sex, boat-building  
 and bivalve molluscs which  
 combines historical fact and  
 contemporary fiction.

**Talk: Richard III and the**  
**Greyfriars Dig**  
 Chichele College, Higham  
 Ferrers  
 7.30pm

Members £3, visitors £4  
 Tel: Olwen Mayes 07904  
 014750  
 Richard III and the Greyfriars  
 Dig by Sally Henshaw,  
 secretary of the Richard III  
 Society.

**Thursday 4th June**  
**Lunchtime Concert:**  
**Mozart's Clarinet Quintet**  
**in A Major**  
 St Peter's Church, Oundle  
 1.15pm  
 Admission free / Lunch can  
 be purchased  
 Concert in this beautiful  
 church setting in Oundle.  
 Lunch is provided for £3.

**Friday 5th June**  
**Whitefriars Church**  
**Retirees' Group**  
 The Bridge Community  
 Office at Whitefriars Junior  
 School, Boughton Drive,  
 Rushden NN10 9HX  
 1.30pm to 3pm  
 Admission free  
 Tel: John & Celia  
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**Film: The Imitation Game**  
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**Saturday 6th June**  
**Sugar – You and Your**  
**Health**  
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 Library, Midland Rd, Higham  
 Ferrers  
 10.30am–12noon  
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 Email: amibehealth@  
 outlook.com.

Tel: Amalie 07740 582336  
 Find out how sugar is  
 affecting your health and  
 what you can do about it.

**Rockabilly/Rock n' Roll**  
**Charity Event**  
 The Barratts Club,  
 Kingsthorpe Road,  
 Northampton NN2 6HT  
 8pm – doors open 7pm  
 Admission: £10 (children  
 under 13 free) obtainable  
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 Tel: 07917 413732  
 Live Band from  
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 Hicksville Bombers. All  
 money raised will go to  
 the Northampton Air  
 Ambulance.

**Sunday 7th June**  
**Alec Hone and Quentin**  
**Thomas – Two Pianos**  
 Oundle School's Great  
 Hall  
 7.45pm  
 Admission: All welcome –  
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 Melodious music for two  
 pianos.

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**Morning Worship**  
 Whitefriars Church at  
 Whitefriars Junior School,  
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 NN10 9HX  
 10.15am  
 Tel: Andrew Presland  
 01933 316927  
 An informal church  
 service open to anyone of  
 any age.

**Holy Communion &**  
**BBQ**  
 Holy Trinity Church,  
 Denford  
 11am  
 No admission, donations  
 welcome for BBQ  
 Tel: 01832 734459 / 01832  
 734606  
 Holy communion with  
 rt. Rvnd. John Holbrook.  
 BBQ after service. Call to  
 confirm BBQ attendance.

**First Sunday Event A**  
**Evening of Drama**  
 The Salvation Army,  
 Church Street, Rushden  
 6pm  
 Admission free  
 Tel: Gill Valentine 01933  
 353528  
 Guests for the evening:  
 Keith Turton/Claire Brine  
 from Drama Ministries  
 London.

**Benefield Church Fete**  
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 Benefield PE8 5AE  
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 Admission free  
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**Thursday 25th June**  
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 652311 E: claire.phillips@  
 headwayeastnorthants.  
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**Club**  
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 Street, Titchmarsh NN14  
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**Coffee Stop**  
**Rushden Mission**  
**Church, Wellingborough**  
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 10am–12.30pm  
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 01933 355302  
 A warm welcome awaits  
 all, for a drink, snack and  
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 play.

**Every Sunday**  
**Morning Worship**  
**Rushden Mission**  
**Church**  
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 10.45am  
 Tel: Alan 01933 355302  
 All age family service  
 with the Music Group and  
 children's activities.

**First Monday of the**  
**month**  
**Oundle Wives Planting**  
**for Spring** – Sam Brown  
 Methodist Church, Oundle  
 7.45pm  
 £3 for refreshments and  
 raffle  
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 New members very



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### Wildlife Trust Little Bugs Club

Irthlingborough Library  
1.30pm–3pm  
Free, donations welcome  
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louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org  
A fun monthly session for Under 5s and their parents to discover local wildlife.

### Second Monday of the month Royal British Legion

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

### 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 in singing modern/show songs. New members welcome.

### First Wednesday of the month

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

### Irthlingborough Townswomen's Guild

The Day Centre College Street  
7.30pm

### 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.

### Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month

**Northants Model Makers**  
Windmill Primary School, Raunds NN9 6LA  
Main meeting starts 7.30ish  
First couple of meetings free  
Tel: Bob Humpage 07960 054405 modelmaker@tiscali.co.uk  
Social based model building club open to all ages and levels of experience.

### Third Wednesday of each month

**Wellingborough Flower Arrangement Society**  
St Mary's Church Hall, Knox Road, Wellingborough NN8 1HU  
7.30pm  
£5  
Tel: Chairman on 01933 222326 or Secretary on 01604 870275  
Car park available.

### Higham and Rushden U3A

Pemberton Centre, Rushden  
2pm–4pm  
£2 for visitors  
Tel: Membership Secretary 01933 314425  
Monthly speaker followed by beverages and mixing for social chat.

### Every 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### First Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

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

### Third Friday of the month

**Raunds Tea Dance**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
2pm–4.15pm

£3 (plus 50p for Raffle)  
Tel: Mrs Wicks 01933 312623  
Tea dance and raffle with music by Dave Hawkes.

### Third Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

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

### First Saturday of the month

**Coffee Morning St Mary's Church,**  
Ringstead  
10am–12noon  
Tel: 01933 624262 for details  
A warm welcome to all, proceeds to church projects and charities.

### 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.

### Second Saturday of the month

**WE Watch and Phoenix Group**  
Stanwick Lakes  
For more information email [wewatchstanwick@hotmail.co.uk](mailto: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.

### Last Saturday of the month except December

**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.

### 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 45 minutes of fun, craft and prayer.

### Third Sunday of the month

**All Age Worship St Laurence's Church,**  
Stanwick  
9.30am  
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### Afternoon Teas

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Open 2pm–4.30pm  
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### 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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**Members' Allowances 2014/15**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) Regulations 2003, the following allowances and expenses were paid to or on behalf of councillors, as well as town or parish councillors who are members of the Joint Standards Complaints Committee and the independent person (and their reserve) appointed to be consulted by the Monitoring Officer

in respect of complaints over councillor conduct, in 2014/15. The members of the Independent Remuneration Panel are entitled to be reimbursed for any travel expenses incurred and these are published in the interests of transparency. The value of the basic and special responsibility allowances and travel and subsistence expenses paid were in line with the adopted Members' Allowances Scheme for East Northamptonshire.

COUNCILLORS	Allowances				Expenses			TOTAL £
	Chairman of the council £	Basic £	Special responsibility £	Travel and subsistence £	IT provision £	Provision of car for civic duties £	Conference fees & expenses £	
Baden P		4,371.16			204.00			4,575.16
Boto T		4,371.16	1,226.54	216.00	387.88			6,201.58
Brackenbury D		4,371.16	3,678.78					8,049.94
Brackenbury W		4,371.16						4,371.16
Bradberry P		4,371.16	3,678.78	1,304.10	215.88			9,569.92
Capp D		4,371.16			538.00			4,909.16
Farrar J		4,371.16			407.20			4,778.36
Gell R		4,371.16		132.30	266.40			4,769.86
Glithero M		4,371.16	1,226.54	840.15	215.16			6,653.01
Greenwood-Smith G		4,371.16	1,226.54	381.25	457.60			6,635.55
Harwood G		4,371.16	3,678.78	842.52	499.24		1,009.50	10,401.20
Hillson M	850.00	4,371.16						5,221.16
Hobbs S		4,371.16		230.40	144.00			4,745.56
Hollomon M		4,371.16			119.88			4,491.04
Homer S		4,371.16	-2,335.98		288.00			2,323.18
Hughes D		4,371.16		85.50				4,456.66
Hughes SJ		4,371.16		45.00				4,416.16
Jenney B		4,371.16	1,082.72		250.00			5,703.88
Jenney JD		4,371.16		354.15	250.00			4,975.31
Lewis R		4,371.16	3,678.78	581.10	370.00			9,001.04
Lucille E		4,371.16			538.00			4,909.16
Mercer A		4,371.16		408.60	183.72			4,963.48
Mercer G	5,100.00	4,371.16	143.82	1,424.55				11,039.53
Nightingale R		4,371.16		391.95	244.52			5,007.63
North S J		4,371.16	7,574.17	168.85	250.00		1,009.50	13,373.68
Northall B		4,371.16		57.60	202.80			4,631.56
Peacock S		4,371.16	1,081.82	97.20	183.72			5,733.90
Pinnock R		4,371.16			490.00			4,861.16
Read D H		4,371.16	3,678.78		288.00			8,337.94
Reichhold CR		4,371.16		189.10				4,560.26
Sauntson A		4,371.16			258.00			4,629.16
Smith A		4,371.16						4,371.16
Stearn P		4,371.16	3,246.19	175.50	159.72			7,952.57
Taylor C		4,371.16						4,371.16
Underwood R		4,371.16		332.10	247.44			4,950.70
Vowles J		4,371.16			288.00			4,659.16
Wathen P		4,371.16	1,104.90	216.45	252.00			5,944.51
Whiting P		4,371.16		612.45	90.00			5,073.61
Wood C		4,371.16						4,371.16
Wright C		4,371.16	3,315.40		216.00			7,902.56
<b>Joint Standards Complaints Committee</b>								
Clements M - Parish Council Representative								0.00
Coleman D - Parish Council Representative								0.00
Cowan F - Parish Council Representative				19.80				19.80
Greig J - Parish Council Representative								0.00
Lawson D - Parish Council Representative								0.00
Whittaker A - Parish Council Representative								0.00
Owen E - (non-elected) Members Remuneration Panel				85.05				85.05
Haynes A - (non-elected) Members Remuneration Panel				315.00				315.00
Barnard V - Independent (non-elected) Person			1,091.56					1,091.56
Sortwell A - Independent (non-elected) Reserve			524.26					524.26
	5,950.00	174,846.40	38,902.38	9,506.67	8,505.16	0.00	2,218.00	239,928.61

Glenn Hammons, Chief Finance Officer, East Northamptonshire Council, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, Northamptonshire NN14 4LZ

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(PUBLIC FOOTPATHS NX15 (PART) & NX16 (PART) - PARISH OF THRAPSTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) 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 is to prohibit all pedestrians from proceeding along those lengths of Public Footpaths NX15 (part) and NX16 (part) in the Parish of Thrapston as set out below. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said length of footpath is unaffected.  
**RIGHT OF WAY TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** The existing route to be closed begins at point A at National Grid Reference ("NGR") SP9968 7872. The route travels generally north east along footpaths NX16 (part) and NX15 (part) for a total distance of approximately 75 metres to point B at NGR SP9975 7874. The route is shown by a solid black line between points A - B.  
**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required to allow electric cable to be installed.  
**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The Order will come into effect on 8th June 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:** The alternative route starts at point A at NGR SP9968 7872. The alternative route travels generally south east along footpath NX16 (part) for approximately 90 metres to point C at NGR SP9974 7866. The route then travels generally north along the highway footway of Oundle Road for approximately 79 metres to point B at NGR SP9975 7874. The alternative route is shown by a broken black line between points A - C - B.  
Dated this 23rd day of May 2015.  
QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of LGSS Law  
JCM/ROW/217  
If you require any further information please call Nigel Childs on 07715 759320.

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(CLUB LANE, WOODFORD)**  
**(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 Club Lane, Woodford as set out below.  
**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** The length of Club Lane, Woodford from High Street to Church Street.  
**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during installation of services to new development.  
**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 8th June 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 12th June.  
**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** Use Church Street, Church Green, Addington Road, The Green and High Street.  
Dated this 23rd day of May 2015  
QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of LGSS Law  
JCM/T15/168  
If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 364359.

# Chess corner

by Derrick Sims

It now seems a long time since I reported the valiant fight of Rushden A against Chess Mates B in the semi-final of the John Robinson Knockout Cup competition. The outcome, for those with good memories, was a draw with Rushden losing on the tiebreak rule.

I can report that the Final took place at Kingsley Park Working Men's Club in Northampton, home territory for Chess Mates B who were pitted against Kettering A. Kettering have been battling Chess Mates A and B all season for supremacy in the Silver King League I and must have considered this an opportunity to demonstrate their class. Both clubs fielded teams that were less than full strength, although the Northampton team had the marginally stronger team on paper.

As the games progressed it became clear how evenly matched the players were, with the first four games to finish ending in draws. This just left Northampton's James Jackson battling against Chris Jones. Chris made a solid start, managing to get a pawn up early on which he maintained into the endgame. He was unable to make this advantage count and James Jackson's experience came to the fore, leaving Chris in an impossible position. Chess Mates B were understandably cock-a-hoop with this excellent result.

The final puts into perspective just how well Rushden A performed in holding Chess Mates B to a draw and shows their potential to compete with the big boys.

## John Robinson Knockout Cup Final

Chess Mates B	3-2	Kettering A
Bd1: James Jackson (224)	1-0	Chris Jones (193)
Bd2: Michael Meadows (179)	½	Chris Gibson (176)
Bd3: Peter Tibbert (158)	½	Peter Jaszkiwskyj (169)
Bd4: David Griggs (147)	½	David Walker (146)

Bd5: Ricky Vaja (150) ½ Graham Arch (143)

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>.



## Hard fought win for Rockingham

In East Northants Tennis Men's Division One, Rockingham began their campaign with a 5-3 win over Desborough. Andy Phippen / Gareth Street were the linchpins for Rockingham beating Tony Kilborn / Jon Brookes 6-2, 6-4 and halving 4-6, 7-6 with Joe Kvatch / Duncan Balcon. Kerry Anderson / Roger Singh secured victory by gaining a half in both ties, 5-7, 7-6 against Kvatch / Balcon and 1-6, 6-1 with Kilborn / Brookes.

With Street / Phippen unavailable for their visit to Corby A, a difficult evening always looked in store for the Rockingham quartet. And so it proved with Dave Johnson / Jamie Wetherell and Paul White / Scott Wetherell all sweeping to straight set victories.

The inter-club clash between the

two Geddington teams left the A side 6-2 winners. Lance Holland / Graham Love were the pick of the B team claiming a half in both rubbers, 1-6, 6-3 with Paul Rowden / Steve Brown and 7-5, 4-6 against Adrian Colwill / John Fuller. Mike Wilson / Brian Burton fought bravely but went down 1-6, 2-6 to Rowden / Brown and 4-6, 4-6 to Colwill / Fuller.

Geddington B's prospects improved a little in their second match when they overcame Desborough 6-2. Holland / Love remained undefeated all evening despatching Tony Kilborn / Dave Henson 6-2, 6-1 and Duncan Balcon / Joe Kvatch 6-2, 6-3. Bill Worswick / John Fuller collected a half in both ties, 5-7, 6-4 against Kilborn / Henson and 2-6, 6-4 with Balcon / Kvatch.



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