

# Nene Valley

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# Male voice choir captivates audiences on recent tour

Forty men from the Northampton Male Voice Choir (NMVC) with Musical Director, Stephen Bell and Piano Accompanist, Andrew Poole plus wives, partners and friends have just returned from a brief, successful tour of St Mary's Church, Horncastle; the Chapter House of Lincoln Cathedral; St Nicholas Church, Lincoln (with members of the Lincoln Orpheus Male Voice Choir) and Southwell Minster.

singers and represented the choir superbly.

NMVC is now looking forward to a busy schedule of autumn engagements including a joint concert with the touring Australian Welsh Male Choir on 9th October in the United Reform Church, Abington Road, Northampton and its Annual Concert on 20th October in The Cripps Theatre, Northampton School for Boys with guests, Junction14 Ladies A Capella Chorus from Milton Keynes.

NMVC is, literally, going from strength to strength and, by its Annual Concert on 20th October, will have fully integrated 35 newly recruited members and will be boasting a complement of over 80 choristers.



**M**usical Director, Stephen Bell, was delighted with the choir's performances, which reached new heights of musicality receiving standing ovations from the audiences in the Lincoln Cathedral Chapter House and the Parish Church of St Nicholas, Newport, Lincoln.

The 40 men travelling on tour comprised just under half of the current full complement of NMVC

Full details of NMVC's forthcoming concerts and how to buy tickets, including online ticket sales, may be found on its website [www.nmvc.co.uk](http://www.nmvc.co.uk) email: [info@nmvc.co.uk](mailto:info@nmvc.co.uk) or on the NMVC Facebook page.

### In Brief

#### Women's Tour 2018 story amendment

In the last edition of Nene Valley News, our story about the success of stage two of the Women's Tour 2018 should have made mention of Rushden Town Council's role in helping to finance the stage coming to the town. Councillors and staff worked extremely hard to deliver a successful programme of events. The town council would like to thank residents and businesses for their support of the tour.

#### Christmas is coming

**T**ickets are now on sale for the ever-popular Santa Steam at the Nene Valley Railway. The Santa Steam experience includes a warm welcome from station staff and a visit to Santa's 'log cabin', where each child receives a special present. Following a short wait families then join the railway's steam hauled, decorated train for a fun-filled ride to Peterborough and return. Advance booking is vital. No tickets will be available on the evening. Visit [www.nvr.org.uk](http://www.nvr.org.uk).



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In a thrilling final, Oundle ladies beat Northants County ladies 4 games to 3 to win the keenly contested NGL Cecil Leitch Trophy recently staged at Northampton Golf Club.

With Pat Silburn, Karen Johnson and Sheila Homer winning their matches, Oundle needed one more win from the last two matches to lift the trophy. Club Chairman, Veronica

Lyon, out last, was all square on the 18th tee, a tricky par 3, and made a great par to win her match and seal the victory. The final was eventually decided by the last putt, on the last green in the last match. Talk about the 'Miracle at Medinah'. Who said ladies golf was boring? An exciting final played in good spirit.

The Cecil Leitch trophy has been held since 1927 and this is the fourth time Oundle ladies have won, the last time being in 2011. Thanks to all the caddies and the spectators for making it a special occasion.



## Genealogy jottings

You find the census with your ancestor's wife and children, but the husband is nowhere to be seen. Why? What has happened to them? Are they still alive? Of course they are, as they show up 10 years later back with the wife! There are many reasons for not being at home on the night of the census as the person in question might be in the workhouse hospital, prison, lunatic asylum or working away. I have seen censuses where a policeman was on duty that night and so has been enumerated at the Police Station rather than at home. Mind you, I have also seen people counted twice – once at home and again with the person who they are visiting!

People sometimes also give false information on census forms, either for personal or political reasons. I know that there was quite a discussion on the television and radio when the last census was taken in 2011 as to whether or not people had the right not to be included, but nothing is new. A hundred years earlier, "If women don't count, neither

By Jan Pearson

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shall they be counted," was the rallying call for suffragettes on the night of the 1911 census in the UK. Therefore, if you cannot find your ancestor in that census, maybe they were one of the suffragettes who went out for the night. The form stated that it should contain the names etc of those who spent the night at that address. If they were not there, then they should not have been counted.

Mind you, names also changed – they could become anglicised if their owner came from abroad and they felt that they could be 'discovered' if they gave their true name. People have gone into hiding for many reasons from their homeland. Emmerich could become Eric, Petrus could become Peter, not to mention Scottish names dropping the Mc or Mac. Quite a minefield, eh?

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## Editor's notes

By the time you are able to read this edition of the Nene Valley News, Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) expects to have appointed a new Chief Finance Officer. The individual who takes the post will be charged with ensuring that the council balances its books this year. As well as reaching the end of 2018/2019 in the black, they will also need to incorporate £60m worth of financial savings with nothing in the reserves and a £35m deficit from the past financial year. A challenging task if ever there was one!

Highways England has started essential maintenance work on the A45 south of Thrapston, kicking off a programme set to last some seven months in all. This first phase, between Junction 13 of the A14 and the A45 Raunds services roundabout, is due for completion by the end of November.

A Highways England spokesman said: "This work involves upgrading some of the lighting columns and road signs along the A45 between the M1 Junction 15 and the A14 Junction 13 at Thrapston. We will also replace some of the safety barriers."

In an attempt to minimise inconvenience and disruption, the work will take place in phases overnight from 8pm to 6am, Monday to Friday. It's hoped that it will be possible to carry out the majority of the work with only slip road and lane closures. A fully signed diversion route, agreed with the

local authority, will be in place. Highways England has said they are maintaining access for residents and businesses. Further information can be found on the Highways England website at [highwaysengland.co.uk/roadworks-search](http://highwaysengland.co.uk/roadworks-search). You may recall that in December 2014, the Government confirmed that dualling of this busy stretch of the A45 would not happen until at least 2020-21.

Those living in the District should be aware that NCC are introducing a residents' waste disposal permit scheme which will be applicable to anyone using a commercial-type vehicle, or a car towing a trailer, to take rubbish to any of their 9 household waste recycling centres (HWRCs). The Council's website explains that HWRCs are provided for householders to dispose of waste from their own home, safely and conveniently for free; unfortunately, some traders use the HWRCs to illegally dispose of their commercial waste, leaving the Northamptonshire taxpayers to foot the bill for its disposal. However, the new scheme will limit users to six visits over a 12-month period.

It seems that a better solution might be to stop the illegal disposal of commercial waste; standby for an increase in fly-tipping! The new scheme starts on Monday 1st October and you can apply now for an e-permit on [selfserve.northamptonshire.gov.uk/HWRC-E-Permits](http://selfserve.northamptonshire.gov.uk/HWRC-E-Permits).

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# Fire shouldn't be the fright on Halloween night

Halloween festivities mean autumn can be a hectic, but fun-filled time for families.

These celebrations can also make it a busy time for Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS), particularly when important safety practices are neglected.

Everyone at NFRS hopes that people across the county have plenty of fun during Halloween parties and organised events, but also would like to remind them to please stay safe.

District Liaison Officer Tina Collett said: "It's so lovely to watch children having fun at Halloween, but families will be able to relax and have more fun if they know everyone has taken the right safety precautions.

"Please be aware of the risk that fire poses to Halloween costumes and be careful how you dress to mark the spooky day. It is very important to keep these costumes, whether handmade or shop

bought, well away from any flames as many materials can be flammable."

To help people stay safe this Halloween, NFRS is providing some important safety messages to remember when enjoying the fun of the season.

Halloween safety tips:

- 1 Stay away from candles, such as in pumpkins. Avoid using real candles in pumpkins. Battery operated lights are the safer option.
- 2 Costumes can be flammable. When buying them, look for labels which say flame retardant.
- 3 Masks can obstruct a child's vision. This is dangerous, especially when they are crossing roads. Consider using face paints instead.
- 4 Plan your trick or treat route beforehand. Only go to houses where you or your friends know the residents. Always go in groups.
- 5 Remember that eggs and flour are for baking. Don't allow children to take these items out and don't throw

them.

- 6 Ask children not to eat any sweets or other treats they are given until they get home. Check their treats before they eat any. Sweets and foods still in their

original wrappers are safest.

- 7 Remind everyone to respect posters displaying 'no trick or treat'.
- 8 If clothes do catch fire, remember to 'stop, drop and roll'. Don't run around

as you could make the flames worse. Lie down and roll around as this then makes it harder for the fire to spread. Smother the flames with a heavy material like a coat or blanket.



## 'Network' Scout Group trek WWI battlefields

Four members of the 'Nene Valley Network', the fifth and final section of The Scout Association, are currently on an expedition to the World War I battlefields in Flanders (France/Belgium). The members – Matt, Steph, Luke and Dan – are all aiming to achieve one of the most prestigious awards in Scouting: the Explorer Belt.

The expedition started at Amiens on Sunday 2nd September. They walked to Corbie following the course of the River Somme. A challenge had been set to compare this Corbie with Corby in Northamptonshire. They visited the Somme 1916 museum which was located in the old town's medieval tunnels. The group have had many incredible experiences including a visit to the Lochnagar Crater, Thiepval Memorial and the Newfoundland Memorial

Park. Travelling to this latter memorial, the group went through No Man's Land, passing several war graves at which they paid their respects. Two of the members, Luke and Matt, have relatives who lost their lives in WW1. They have managed to locate their memorials – Dainville British Military Cemetery and Tyne Cot Memorial – and hope to pay their respects to their lost relatives. The group will also be laying a wreath at the Menin Gate on 8th September and hope to locate Edgar Mobbs' name on the memorial.

It is several years since anyone from the Nene Valley District has achieved the Explorer Belt, so over six months of planning has gone into the trip to ensure its success. The group hope to be able to share their experiences with the local groups on their return.

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Parents and children will be able to view for themselves the reasons why Ofsted has given the secondary school a Good rating and learn why it is the top performing school in the local area.

This summer's GCSE and A level

students gained some of the best results in the school's history with many students heading to Russell Group universities and a high percentage studying science related subjects.

Headteacher Steve Gordon said: "This has been a wonderful exam season for us and is testament to the hard work of students and staff.

"Here at Huxlow we are extremely focused on developing the whole child

as well as celebrating these academic achievements. We are confident that all of our students are prepared to go on and do well in the adult world."

The Open Evening will start at 6pm. Visitors will be able to experience the school in action with engaging activities in each department including science experiments, cookery demonstrations and drama performances. There will also be a tour on the afternoon of Thursday 4th October from 1.30pm.

Booking and details for both the Open Evening and Afternoon events are on the school website at [www.huxlow.northants.sch.uk](http://www.huxlow.northants.sch.uk)

For more information or to request a prospectus please contact the school on 01933 650496 or email [enquiries@huxlow.northants.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@huxlow.northants.sch.uk)

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There is a strong drive to excel in lessons and to behave respectfully towards each other and our community. We are proud of the curriculum that we have on offer, not only does it deliver the content pupils need to excel in today's society, it also develops their imaginations. Academic and vocational subjects are strengths of the school and we regularly showcase excellent performances and coach youngsters from local schools.

Our pupils fully understand the rules, routines and values; the anti-bullying charter is also well understood. We have a highly supportive pastoral system, focused on ensuring our pupils succeed and leave us as confident, articulate and aspirational young adults.

Everyone in Team Rushden has a role and responsibility, we have built a culture where together, students and staff are united in making this an outstanding school. We are proud of our achievements, and produce a weekly bulletin to keep parents/carers informed of what amazing things are happening in Team Rushden.

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St. Peter's School

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If you would like to find out more, please visit [www.laxtonjunior.org.uk/Laxton-Junior-Open-Mornings](http://www.laxtonjunior.org.uk/Laxton-Junior-Open-Mornings)

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For more information and to register your interest in attending please visit [www.manorschool.northants.sch.uk](http://www.manorschool.northants.sch.uk), or if you cannot make the 4th please phone the school on 01933 623921 to make alternative arrangements.

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Chris Farlowe's hits include classics like 'Out Of Time', 'Handbags and Glad Rags', 'Let The Heartaches Begin' and 'Reach Out I'll Be There'.

Herman's Hermits throughout the mid-60's music scene proved to be a dominating force worldwide; their chart breaking hits include 'Mrs Brown You've Got A Lovely Daughter', 'Silhouettes', 'There's A

Kind Of Hush', 'Something Is Happening' and 'I'm Into Something Good'.

The Swinging Blue Jeans have a history that spans back to the 1960's. Over the years their hit singles 'Hippy Hippy Shake', 'You're No Good', 'Good Golly Miss Molly' and 'Don't Make Me Over' have been the bedrock of the band's memorable live performances.

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The Fourmost had their roots steeped in the eclectic 1960's Mersey beat boom enjoyed chart hits such as 'Hello Little Girl', 'A Little Loving', 'I'm In Love', 'Baby I Need Your Lovin' and 'Girls Girls Girls'.

With the definite feel good factor, this is must see 60's show for 2018.

Tickets are priced £28 and can be purchased by calling the Box Office on 01933 270007 and online at [www.castletheatre.co.uk](http://www.castletheatre.co.uk).



# Boats, barbecues and buddies... twin towns connect

In August, 31 members of the Twinning Association from the local area set off for Higham Ferrers and Raunds' twin town of Hachenburg in Germany. The party was a mixture of people who had been several times before and some who were visiting for the first time. We all received the usual warm, friendly welcome from our hosts when we arrived after the journey across Europe.

The highlight of the weekend was a cruise on the Rhine from Bacharach to Rüdersheim with its fairytale castles set among the vineyards on the high, steep hills along the river. The warm sunny weather added to the magic of the experience. In Rüdersheim the more adventurous in the party undertook a cable car ride up to the Niederwald memorial, and were rewarded with

stunning views over the Rhein valley. Back in Rüdersheim there was a Wine Festival to enjoy, complete with traditional band in the market place. The day ended with a meal (and liquid refreshment!) at a traditional brewery in Lahnstein.

Our last day in Hachenburg was spent relaxing with our hosts at a barbecue in woods outside the town, where delicious homemade fare and beer from the local brewery was enjoyed by all.

All too soon we wished our German friends goodbye, and we now look forward to welcoming them to Northamptonshire next year.

If you would like to know more about the Twinning Association, please contact the Secretary, Kay Gillespie (01933-624776, [kayg25@talktalk.net](mailto:kayg25@talktalk.net))

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# Local pupils raise hundreds for charity with Junior Dragons' Apprenticeship Challenge

East Northamptonshire Council in partnership with Community Voluntary Service Broxbourne and East Herts (CVSBEH) invited primary schools across the district to take part in Junior Dragons' Apprentice Challenge, a pilot business competition.

The six-week challenge offered a springboard into the world of business for Year 5 students. Teams were tasked with investing £50 into a new business and to turn the investment into as much profit as possible for their chosen charity.

The challenge saw teams of entrepreneurs from three local schools – Oundle CE Primary School, Titchmarsh CE Primary School and Whitefriars Primary School – develop their business ideas and create a product or service to sell within their school or community.

The competition concluded with the schools presenting their business experience to a panel of

SuperDragons including Councillor Colin Wright, local businessman and Managing Director of the WTY Group Lee Wilkes, and Dawn Cummins, Chief Executive of the local voluntary infrastructure organisation Voluntary Impact Northamptonshire.

A whole host of awards were up for grabs with the 'Overall Winner' being awarded to Titchmarsh CE Primary School and the 'Courageous Owls' business. Youngsters created bags to showcase the village of Titchmarsh, which they sold along with home-made cakes and plants outside the Village Shop, who were their chosen charity.

The success of the group

saw them raise over £400 for the shop and pick up the award for the 'Most Money Raised'. The school scooped a further three awards – 'Most Innovative Business Idea', 'Best Partnership with Dragon' and 'Best Presentation'.

Whitefriars Primary School's 'Business Bees' won the award for the 'Best Partnership with Community Group/Charity'. Pupils sold handmade bookmarks, and carried out a school car wash, helped raise funds for the Rushden Night Shelter and they showcased in their presentation to the judges the importance of their chosen charity. The school also won two more awards for 'Best Poster'

and 'Outstanding Individual Achievement', which was presented to 10-year-old Marty Dangerfield for his hard work throughout the challenge.

'Super Wash' from Oundle CE Primary School picked up the last award for 'Best Teamwork'. Their business held a very successful car

wash raising money for Volunteer Action Oundle and pupils were presented with this award for creating a short video presentation at the last minute, which was a real testament of teamwork for the smallest competing team.

The challenge proved to be very successful with the schools, whose students reported that they loved the experience and gained valuable new skills and confidence. They also learnt an awful lot about

running a business and the importance of teamwork.

Councillor Colin Wright, said: "The Junior Dragons' Apprentice Challenge provided young people from across the district with the opportunity to use their creativity and imagination to create successful businesses and raise money for fantastic local charitable causes. All of the pupils demonstrated innovation and worked together to win a number of brilliant awards."

## Yorkshire artist exhibits in the Yarrow Gallery, Oundle

The Yarrow Gallery, which celebrates its centenary this year, was built in memory of a past student of Oundle School who died during the 2nd Battle of Ypres in 1915.

Using funds donated by his parents after his death, the stunning gallery was built as a space for the appreciation and contemplation of art and science and to this end it hosts around 12 fascinating exhibitions by visiting artists and the students of Oundle School throughout the year. The exhibition space, which is flooded with natural light, is set over two floors – the upper space of which set in a minstrel's gallery.

Readers are encouraged to come to see the forthcoming exhibition, called Coast, Land and Home, by Colleen Vaux,

whose uplifting, vibrant and energetic style captures the essence of the places and the things she paints. She works in charcoal, acrylic, pen, ink and oil and draws coastlines, landscapes and still lifes. She takes her inspiration from the beauty and drama of the English countryside and coastline whilst incorporating some of the colours seen in the art of South Africa (where she grew up). Colleen exhibits in

London, Bristol, Edinburgh and North Yorkshire, where she lives. She also runs courses from her own studio to help others develop their love of drawing.

"I am looking forward to exhibiting in Oundle," said Colleen. "People who buy my work always say it makes them feel cheerful, so please come and take a look, even if you don't have the intention of buying something. I hope it will brighten up your day."

Admission to the exhibition, which runs from Saturday 29th September until Saturday 13th October, is free. The gallery is open Monday-Saturday 10.30am-1pm, 2.30pm-5pm and on Sunday from 2.30pm-5pm and can be found just off the Glaphorn Road between the Oundle School Chapel and the modern Science, Design and Technology Building – look out for the blue feather flags near its entrance.

Further details about the Yarrow Gallery can be found on [www.oundleschool.org.uk/The-Yarrow-Gallery](http://www.oundleschool.org.uk/The-Yarrow-Gallery) and a taste of some of Colleen's work can be found on [www.colleenvauxart.com](http://www.colleenvauxart.com)

## Raunds Library report: progress at last

At long last the efforts of the management group and all our volunteers have started to pay off. NCC finally agreed to meet with the management group and members of the Town Council to discuss how we could help maintain the level of service alongside the librarian who is currently coming from Rushden. NCC agreed to train our volunteers so that we can open even if the librarian is not available. We

will be looking into opening additional hours as a matter of priority.

This is an interim situation whilst NCC considers further their policy on libraries but with access to the building and the training to run the library it stands us well for the time when we take over completely.

NCC have provided a form for our volunteers so if you are keen to help please contact us on [raundslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:raundslibrary@gmail.com).

com or ask at the library. If you feel you can cover a session at the library on a regular or occasional basis we would love to hear from you and training will be provided.

Once we are running the library as an independent group we have plans for a whole range of activities at the library. What seemed a disaster when the news of library closures was first announced could be the start of an exciting new time for our library.

## Choral extravaganza

Northampton Male Voice Choir is staging a not to be missed, male choral extravaganza on Tuesday 9th October at the United Reform Church, Abington Avenue, Northampton featuring the Australian Welsh Male Choir which has been touring the UK prior to its appearance at the Royal Albert Hall for the 26th London Welsh Festival of Male Choirs.

The concert begins at 7.30pm and promises to be a fabulous celebration of

male voice choir singing with each choir performing separate programmes.

As a contrast to the male voices the superb soprano, Ayse Goknur Shanal, who is touring with The Australian Welsh Male Choir, will also be performing.

Tickets are just £8 and will be available on <http://www.nmvc.co.uk>, Concert Secretary, David Walsh Tel: 01604 831455 or from any choir member.

## Thrapston Town Band celebrates its 160th anniversary in 2018!

Records show that Thrapston Town Band was formed in 1858 by Mr Nathaniel Smith, a Director of Smith and Grace, Iron Foundry which was based in Midland Road, Thrapston. It is reported that Mr Smith believed that keeping the workforce occupied would stop them from spending

money in the public houses.

A tea was held on Easter Sunday, 6th April, 1858 in Raunds and the band led a grand procession which paraded the streets. It is likely that this was the first performance given by the newly formed band. It is believed that Thrapston

Town Band is the oldest surviving band in the county.

Today, Thrapston Town Band continues to serve Thrapston and the surrounding area as a community based concert band with an emphasis on teaching new players and bringing brass band music to everyone.

# Higham Ferrers Town Charters to be conserved thanks to Lottery funding

Higham Ferrers Town Council in association with Higham Ferrers Tourism, Business and Community Partnership has received a Heritage Lottery Grant of £29,900 to enable the conservation of the Town Charters. Thanks to money raised by National Lottery players, the project enables the professional conservation of the five Town Charters and Byelaw currently held in the Town Hall.

The essential conservation work commences this month and will take nine months to complete. The conserved Charters will be stored at Northampton Record Office. However, to allow the public to view them, digital images of the Charters will be taken. From the images full size prints of the Charters will be framed, and alongside interpretative material, they will go on a touring exhibition in the town and wider area next summer. A variety of volunteer opportunities will go in hand with the touring

exhibition, with volunteers given training so they can help share the importance of these Charters and their heritage value. The digital images will also be online through a dedicated website charting the progress of the conservation work and essential project information.

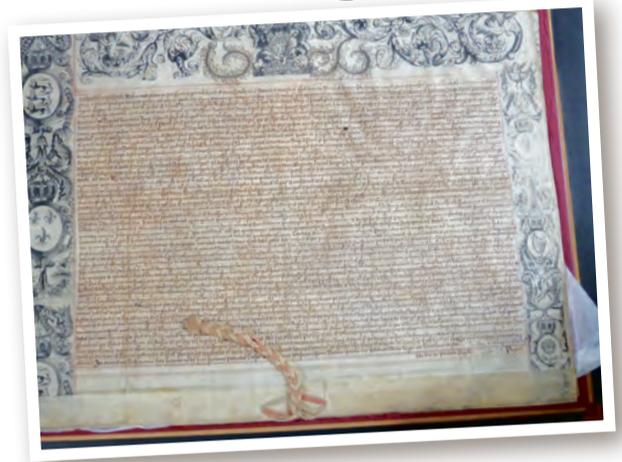
In addition to the conservation work the project incorporates an exciting educational programme being taken to schools, initially Higham Ferrers Junior School. A Charter week is scheduled at the junior school for May 2019 where the children will take part in fun activities to raise their awareness and understanding of the Charters and their historical context within the town. The week will incorporate the children writing a script, storyboarding, filming, directing and starring in their own commemorative Charter film. They will also be developing a commemorative booklet and children's town trail.

The Charters and Byelaw are legal documents which mark phases in the progress of self government of the town. The Charters date from 1556 to 1886, with the Byelaw dated 1616. There were also two earlier Charters and from copies of these we know that freedom was given to 91 people of Higham Ferrers in 1251.

To celebrate these Charters and the town's heritage a historical event day is planned in Higham Ferrers for June 2019 focusing on the medieval charters period. There will be medieval encampment displays featuring living history demonstrations and the public will be able to have a go at medieval trades and entertainments. The day will coincide with the monthly Farmers' Market and the public will experience present day market stall holders joining with medieval period traders for an unforgettable celebration.

Higham Ferrers Town Council and the Tourism Partnership are also providing funding for the project and are supported by a grant from East Northamptonshire District Council.

Commenting on the award, Anna Sauntson, Town and District Councillor and Member of the Tourism Partnership said: "We are delighted to have received this support thanks to National Lottery players. The Charters



have played a pivotal role in the heritage of Higham. It is wonderful to know that we are not only preserving these documents for future generations, but enabling them, through the exhibition and activities in the town and wider community to now be shared with and appreciated by so many."

Jonathan Platt, Head of HLF East Midlands said: "Thanks to National Lottery players we have been able support the conservation and interpretation of these historic Town Charters. As well as preserving these important documents, this project will provide an opportunity to let people know about the important role they have played in the development of rights that local people still enjoy today."

## Council hosts event to help home buyers in the district

Aspiring homeowners from across East Northamptonshire will have an opportunity to find out more about how they can purchase their first home at a tailor-made event this autumn.

The event, which is organised by East Northamptonshire Council (ENC), will provide people with everything they need to know about shared ownership, as well as showcase which homes are available in the local area with partner Housing Associations – Wellingborough Homes, NCHA and the Longhurst Group.

Taking place on Saturday 6th October, 10.30am–1pm at Thrapston Plaza, this event is the ideal opportunity for people to find out more about how they can get their foot on the property ladder.

Mortgage advisors, colleagues from ENC, Wellingborough Homes, Spire Homes and

NCHA will be on hand to offer advice and guidance on shared ownership, including how to apply to buy on a shared ownership basis and what the mortgage and monthly payments could be.

Steven North, Leader of ENC, says: "We are delighted to be working with our housing association partners to deliver an event that will provide people with everything they need to know about shared ownership. I would encourage anyone who is looking to get their foot on the property ladder or thinking about purchasing their first home to come and speak with staff and find out more about the opportunities available to them."

To register for the event or to find out more about shared ownership please email: [housing@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:housing@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk)

## Oundle School wins Tatler Public School of the Year Award 2018

Oundle School was named Public School of the Year in the recent Tatler School Awards 2018 in central London.

Delighted at accepting the award, Head, Sarah Kerr-Dineen, called it "the most wonderful compliment" to the hard work of all concerned

in delivering the world class education that Oundle offers.

Tatler bases the awards on the research conducted for its annual Schools Guide, taking views from fellow schools and parents across the country.

Pictured back at Oundle with Gary Phillips, Registrar, Head Girl, Lily-Rose Tebbutt and Head Boy, Freddie Stewart, Mrs Kerr-Dineen added: "The pupils also deserve this recognition. Their drive to make the most of their time at Oundle guides us every day to ensure we are delivering the best for them."



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If you're looking for something a bit more serious, or if you've forgotten your rehab exercises you need to speak to a professional so that you know you're doing the right things. Don't try to do rehab exercises without some kind of supervision.

Have a snacking week!

Claire

Claire Short, Registered Osteopath, runs The Ashgrove Clinic in Higham Ferrers. Send your questions to [claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk](mailto:claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk) or Tweet to @AshgroveClinic

# Wildlife News

**W**e are coming into the season we know as autumn, though on the other side of the Atlantic the word "fall" is used; this is when plants other than evergreens lose the parts of the plant which have worked through the summer producing the growth but have stopped using the sun's energy in that work. Yet some leaves will not reach the falling-off stage because they themselves are food for other creatures.

Plenty of animals in the fields look for plant leaves to provide their diets. Not the obvious ones like rabbits and hares, nor farm animals like cows and sheep, nor even the traditional enemies of gardeners and farmers, the caterpillars of moths and butterflies for example. There are many much smaller than those already mentioned, and also often dully coloured so they do not catch our eye, but we can see evidence that they have been there in the leaves themselves – or at least what is left of them – and learn something about the creature which has been working, and eating, there. The larger animals may eat the whole leaf (which could even include grass, of course) but these smaller ones

also have smaller mouths, so they choose the parts they can manage. The remains, found more easily at this time of year, might look skeleton-like because the soft material has been eaten leaving just the tougher framework which supported the leaf through the summer (as with some of my raspberry plants this year), or perhaps a network of little tunnels between the top and bottom skins of the leaf, or even the little pieces nibbled away in confetti-sized slices to be taken away for an insect form of 'farming'.

Many species of insects can be responsible for the different methods; cutting the little slices are probably leaf-cutting bees and ants, while some moths (in their caterpillar stage) somehow manage to tunnel through the middle of the leaf. All of them have particular qualities, like strength or ingenuity, suitable for their lifestyles, but for us, we have a chance to see some secrets of the natural world, often at our feet. One last thought – they all have their own preferred foods, so we have plenty to look for.

Roy Burrell



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**Tuesday 25th September**

**Alpha Course**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
12.30pm-2pm. Informal session for people interested in exploring if the Christian faith can be relevant to life today.

**Thursday 27th September**

**Toddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11am. Friendly and welcoming with lots of toys and play equipment for the little ones to enjoy. £1 per carer – as many toddlers as you like!

**Jo Poulter Floral Design Demonstration**

Full Gospel Church Hall, High Street South NN10 0QX  
7pm-7.30pm, members £3, visitors £7.  
See Facebook page or 01933 410280  
Jo Poulter demonstrating her new selection of floral designs, which will be raffled, plus refreshments.

**Friday 28th September**

**Fusion for 7-11 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm. Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Saturday 29th September**

**The Swivel Club charity presents Buddy Holly and the Cricketers with supporting disco**  
Rushden Town Bowls Club NN10 6AN  
Doors 7pm, show 8.30pm  
Tickets £20 available on [www.swivelclub.org.uk](http://www.swivelclub.org.uk) or from Rushden Graphics Alfred Street, The Barbers Shop Wharf Road Higham Ferrers and The Bowls Club or 07738080470.  
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**Sunday 30th September**

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**  
Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing  
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**Whitefriars Church – Morning**

**Worship with Harvest Festival**  
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**Outside Ebbing, Missouri (15)**  
Stahl Theatre, West Street, Oundle PE8 4EJ  
7.30pm, £6.50/£3 under 18s  
Oundle Festival, 4 West Street, Oundle, PE8 4EA. 01832 274734, [www.oundlecinema.org.uk](http://www.oundlecinema.org.uk), [information@oundlefestival.org.uk](mailto:information@oundlefestival.org.uk)  
A mother challenges the local police department.

**All-Age Family Service**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Mat Hussain  
All Age Theme – Character Quest. This month: 'Encouragement'.

**Harvest Festival**

St Peter's Church, Newton Bromswold  
10am. Helen Lines 01933 315864  
Service of Thanksgiving.

**Tuesday 2nd October**

**Alpha Course**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
12.30pm-2pm. Informal session for people interested in exploring if the Christian faith can be relevant to life today.

**Harvest Sale**

St Peter's Church, Newton Bromswold  
7.30pm. Helen Lines 01933 315864.  
Auction of harvest produce.

**Wednesday 3rd October**

**Winter Propagation by Caroline Tait**  
Methodist Hall, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle PE8 4AA  
7.45pm, £2 patrons, £3 visitors, 01832 272623. An informative Oundle Horticultural Society talk, free light refreshments, all welcome.

**The Addingtons' Horticultural Society monthly meeting: 'The Origins of Beekeeping, Folklore and Honey Remedies'**

The Memorial Hall, Great Addington (NN14 4BS) opposite All Saints Church  
7.45pm (open from 7.15pm), members £12 year, visitors £2.  
Why not join this lovely friendly club? Call 01832 734750. The speakers are Wendy and Kevin Potts.

**Thursday 4th October**

**Toddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11am. Friendly and welcoming with lots of toys and play equipment for the little ones to enjoy. £1 per carer – as many toddlers as you like!

**Friday 5th October**

**Fusion for 7-11 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm. Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Author Talk: W.B. Bartlett – Richard the Lionheart: The Crusader King of England**

St Peters Church, Oundle  
7.45pm, £8 (£6 concessions)  
Helen Shair 07743988181  
The first full-length biography of Richard I for over 40 years.

**Film: Darkest Hour (PG)**

Ringstead Village Hall, High Street  
Doors 7pm, film starts 7.30pm, £5, 01933 460373. Gary Oldman's award-winning portrayal of Winston Churchill in his early days as Prime Minister.

**Whitefriars Church Retireds' Group**

The Bridge Community Office at Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX  
1.30pm-3pm, free admission.  
Celia Underwood (01933 676989)  
A friendly group to which all of retirement age are welcome

**Saturday 6th October**

**'Mission Possible'**  
Rushden Full Gospel Church, 60 High Street South, Rushden NN10 0QX  
7pm-9pm, £10 – concessions available. Mark Lees 01933 418002 or <http://buytickets.at/rushdenfullgospelchurch/192645>. With music, short talks and Turkish food.

**Poetry for a Change**

Oundle Library, Glapthorn Road, Oundle  
2.30pm, free – donations welcome  
[hilary.woyle@gmail.com](mailto:hilary.woyle@gmail.com)  
We're celebrating National Poetry Day at Oundle Library with the Oundle U3A Poetry Group. Join us!

**Coffee Morning and Box Opening**

St Mary's Church Hall, Rushden  
10am-12noon. Various Stalls, proceeds to The Children's Society. Everyone Welcome.

**Charity Concert 2018: Raunds Ukulele Orchestra, A Different Direction Choir and Friends**

Rushden Heritage Chapel and Halls, Park Road, Rushden NN10 0RW  
7pm, tickets £7 adults £4 children available from Raunds PO or online at [ticketsource.co.uk/a-different-direction-choir](http://ticketsource.co.uk/a-different-direction-choir)  
Raising money for Cransley Hospice and Headway East Northants, in memory of every lost music lover!

**Sunday 7th October**

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**  
Saffron Road car park, Higham Ferrers for car sharing  
9.35am, free, 01933 387991.  
9-mile walk from Kimbolton.

**Whitefriars Church – Morning**

**Worship**  
Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX  
10.15am  
Chris Youngman 01933 551769  
An informal church service open to all.

**Morning Service**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Mat Hussain  
New Life, New Clothes Col. 3:12-17.

**By Appointment**

**Counselling & Listening Service**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
Free service, Marilyn 07936 015965

**Housing, Benefits and Employment Advice**

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
01832 770010/  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)

**Half-Term**

**All-age Touch Typing Club**  
Mon-Fri, 9.30am-10.30am, learn or refresh skills, £15 course intro with coffee. Diane Gifford 07432 123438

**Every Monday**

**Stanwick Handbell Ringers Group**  
The Stanwick Village Hall  
7pm-9pm, 01933 623855, check out our website for more details.  
Everyone welcome, come and have a go.

**Tai Chi**

Stanwick Village Hall  
7pm-8pm, £6, Robert 07771 333 369  
Learn Tai Chi the ancient Chinese martial and health art for all adults.

**Baggy pants Yoga Class**

Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden  
8.30am-9.30am, £5 per class, 07873 743256/carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com

**Islip Ladies Choir**

Thrapston Church Hall  
2pm-3.30pm, Barbara 01536 394431

**Yoga Classes**

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

**Titchmarsh Folk Dance Club**

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

**Oundle Ladies Running Group**

Oundle pool car park  
6.45pm, Jane Walker 01832 272898/  
[janewalkercakes@icloud.com](mailto:janewalkercakes@icloud.com)

**Baggy pants Yoga**

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

**Spanish Classes**

The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
11am-9pm, £30 per class, 01832 776336/info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

**Every Tuesday Pensioners Club**

Rushden Hall  
2pm-4pm, Secretary David Robinson 01933 313729. Speakers, bingo and whist. All welcome.

**Phoenix Gaming Club (Age 12+)**

The Rushden Scouts Hall, Brooke Close behind Orbit Tyres (Skinners Lane, Rushden NN10 OXH)  
7pm-11pm, membership £5pa, Aron 07739 563657/  
[aron.phoenix@virginmedia.com](mailto:aron.phoenix@virginmedia.com)

**Art Classes (10 weeks)**

Knuston Hall, Knuston  
7pm-9pm, 10 lessons £100, Jamie 07899 676769

**East Northants Classic Motorcycle Club**

New Inn Public House, Wymington  
Meet around 7.30pm

**Sling Walk**

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

**Short Mat Bowls**

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

**Yoga Class**

Whitefriars Infant School, Boughton Drive, Rushden  
7.15pm-8.15pm, £5 per session, Carole 07873 743256/  
[carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com](mailto:carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com)

**Ringstead's Jolly Good Company**

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

**Slimming World**

Oundle Rugby Club, Occupation Rd  
5.30pm and 7.30pm, Nikki 07725 617085. Weekly fee applies. Have fun, make friends and lose weight.

**Squidgelets Baby & Toddler Group**

Islip Pavilion, Toll Bar Road, Islip  
9am-11am, £2 per child, 50p each additional child. Find us on facebook "Squidgelets" or call 07392 756391  
Squidgelets is a stay and play session for under 5's and their parent/carers.

**Every Wednesday**

**Tai Chi**  
Chelveston Village Hall  
2pm-3pm, £5, Robert 07771 333369  
Learn Tai Chi the ancient Chinese martial and health art for all adults.

**New Yoga Class**

Masonic Hall  
11.20am-12.20pm, £5 a class, 07873743256 or [carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com](mailto:carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com) for starting date.

**Yoga Classes**

Masonic Hall, Rushden  
1pm-2.30pm, Daisy 01536 724113/  
[www.awakenwithyoga.co.uk](http://www.awakenwithyoga.co.uk)

**Ladies Archery – Pemberton Maid Marions**

Pemberton Centre, Rushden NN10 9YP  
Diane 01933 314032/  
Nicki 01933 395913

**Dog Training, Socialisation and Ringcraft**

Halefield, Woodnewton, nr Oundle  
Classes from 6.45pm, 01832 293432/oundledogs@aol.com/  
[www.oundledogs.co.uk](http://www.oundledogs.co.uk)

**Rainbow Cafe for Tots**

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

**Club Night Apethorpe Tennis Club**

From 6pm

**Returners to Work**

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

**Art & Craft Class**

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

**Inflatable Fun Session**

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

**Cambridge First Certificate in English**

The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
9.30am-12.30pm, £25pw, 01832 776336/info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

**French Tuition**

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

**Jelly Babes Toddler Group**

Rushden Independent Wesleyan Church  
9.15am

**Playheroes Mixed Heroes 0-4 years**

Highgate Hall, Elton  
9.30am-10.30am, £6 one off session £16 for 3 sessions £29 for 6 sessions (full-term). [playheroesinfo@gmail.com](mailto:playheroesinfo@gmail.com) /07380204029. Weekly themed, learn through play, run by 2 teachers.

**Equanimity Yoga Classes**

Oundle Rugby Club  
5.45pm & 7pm, [vicky@eqyoga.co.uk](mailto:vicky@eqyoga.co.uk) /07921238701. Hatha Yoga Classes, suitable for all, equipment provided.

**Every Thursday**

**Yoga Class**  
Whitefriars Infant School, Rushden  
7pm-8pm, £5 per class, Carole 07873743256. Suitable for beginners.

**Italian Classes**

Antler Languages Ltd. The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
9am-8pm, £25 per class, [info@antlerlanguages.co.uk](mailto:info@antlerlanguages.co.uk)  
Small classes or private tuition. Professionally qualified teacher.

**Tai Chi for Beginners & Improvers**

All Saints Church Hall, Midland Road, Wellingborough  
10am-11am, £6, [dominicrushmore@live.co.uk](mailto:dominicrushmore@live.co.uk). Improve your strength and balance. Suitable for all.

**Rushden Folk Dance Club**

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

**The Silver Fox Woodturning Club**

Dale End Scout Headquarters, Croyland Road, Wellingborough  
10am-1pm, £2 all members  
Debbie 01604 751019

**Move to Health**

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
2.15pm-3pm, 01832 770010/  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)

**Thursday Drop-In**

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
10am-2pm, 01832 770010/  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)

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

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

**Olde and Sequence Dancing**

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

**Equanimity Yoga Classes**

Thrapston Plaza  
6.10pm & 7.15pm, 07921238701/  
[vicky@eqyoga.co.uk](mailto:vicky@eqyoga.co.uk). Hatha Yoga, suitable for all, equipment provided.

**Every Friday**

**Over 60s Club Bingo**  
Working Men's Club, Higham Ferrers  
2-4pm, 01933 741286

**Walk and Chat**

Rushden Hall Park, under flagpole  
10am, Joe Bailey 01832 742195/  
[jebailey@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:jebailey@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk)

**Music Makers**

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

**French/Cambridge English Classes**

The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
9am-7pm (Fr), 9am-4pm (Eng), £25 per class, 01832 776336/info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

**Exercise Circuit Class**

Oundle Library garden  
10am-11am, £5 per session  
Eddie McDonald 07896 524422/  
[mcaldric@aol.com](mailto:mcaldric@aol.com)  
Group exercise in which strength, endurance and cardiovascular exercises are combined in one session.

**Every Saturday**

**Slimming World**  
Oundle Golf Club, Benefield Road  
8.30am, Nikki on 07725 617085. Weekly fee applies. Have fun, make friends and lose weight.

**French Classes**

The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
9am-1pm, £25 per class, 01832 776336/info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

**Every Sunday**

**Short & Sweet**  
St Mary's Church Rushden  
2-3pm, Sue Merrifield 01933 358218. Worship for people with additional needs followed by tea, cake & crafts.

**2 Course Sunday Carvery**

Rushden Bowls Club  
12noon, £12 per head.  
07850 864537 to book.

**Sunday Tea**

Fotheringhay Village Hall  
3pm-5.30pm, £2.50 for tea & cake.  
Alexandra Mitchell 01832 226440

**Morning Worship**

Rushden Mission Church, Wellingborough Road  
10.45am, Alan 01933 355302

**Morning Church Service**

Rushden Heritage Chapel Hall, Park Road, Rushden NN10 0RG  
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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:

### Significant applications

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

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

For more information on "significant" planning applications, visit [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnofication](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnofication)

### Ashton

**18/01684/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Removal of stone outbuilding, removal of timber shed, relocate oil tank, replacement of boundary fence to east boundary with stone wall. Erection of garden shed and associated works in curtilage of Grade II Listed Building (resubmission of 17/02101/FUL) at Vine Cottage 17 The Green Ashton PE8 5LD

### Barnwell

**18/01595/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Construction of new polytunnel canopy structure, cafe building, and associated landscaping works at The Barn Garden Centre Oundle Road Barnwell PE8 5PB

### Benefield

**18/01681/VAR (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Variation of conditions 8 and 16 pursuant to applications (17/01341/CND and 14/02085/FUL) at buildings and land adjacent and rear of 15 Main Street Upper Benefield

### Brigstock

**18/01265/FUL (13/10/2018) (Art8)** Full Planning Application for a rural exception scheme of 10 dwellings with associated infrastructure and landscaping at land between allotments and Number 27 Grafton Road

**18/01666/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Single storey side extension at 11 Mauntley Avenue Brigstock NN14

### Bulwick

**18/01320/FUL (13/10/2018) (Art8)** Application is for the change of use from agricultural to equestrian. In addition to include the erection of a new stable block, small manege and the forming of grazing paddocks at land at Bulwick Glebe Church Lane Bulwick

### Glaphthorn

**18/01672/VAR (06/10/2018) (Info)** Variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) to allow amendments to detached garage/car port pursuant to planning application 17/00929/FUL - Erection of new retirement dormer bungalow within applicants garden for applicant dated 18.09.2017 at Highbury House Main Street Glaphthorn

### Hemington

**18/01645/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Renewal of Approved Planning Permission for extensions to first floor and ground floor of existing dwelling including alterations to ground floor at Hemington House Luton Road Hemington PE8 5QL

### Higham Ferrers

**18/01648/OUT (13/10/2018) (Art8)** Outline Planning Application on land to the west of the A6, Higham Ferrers, with means of vehicular access from the A6 roundabout known as the John Clarke Way Roundabout for consideration, all other matters (layout, appearance, scale and landscaping) reserved for subsequent approval, for the development of up to 300 no. new dwellings (Class C3), of which 30% will be affordable, landscaping, earthworks to facilitate surface water drainage and all other ancillary infrastructure and enabling works at land South East of The Ferrers School A6 Higham

**18/01663/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Loft conversion at 54 Westfields Terrace Higham Ferrers NN10 8BA

**18/01725/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Replacement of flat roof to garage front with a lean-to pitched roof at 32 Wharf Road Higham Ferrers NN10 8BQ

### Irthingborough

**18/01671/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Proposed no. 2 new two storey dwellings with off road parking at land adjacent 42 Jubilee Street Irthingborough

### Kings Cliffe

**18/01615/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/Regs)** Infilling of the 4no. windows and 1no. door opening on the south west façade of Unit C in nom. 10mm recessed close matching random coursed stonework and the adding of a casement window on the east façade of Unit C in close matching random stonework at Huskissons Lodge Farm Buildings, Wansford Road, Kings Cliffe

**18/01644/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/CA) (LB/Regs)** Fitting out of storage attic room and connection to bedroom 4 to include new staircase, ensuite bathroom, insulation and associated works to Grade II Listed Building at 56 Park Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XN

**18/01702/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Insertion of 3no. roof lights to rear extension at 56 Park Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XN

### Nassington

**18/01654/VAR (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Variation of condition to allow double doors to be added to garage 18 pursuant to planning application 15/01377/FUL: Demolish existing double garage and shed and construct detached dwelling. Convert part of existing dwelling into a garage and workshop/store for the new dwelling. Relocate existing summerhouse. Form new vehicle access for existing dwelling with double garage dated 16.09.2015 at 37 Church Street Nassington PE8 6QG

### Oundle

**18/01488/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/Regs)** Replace painted wooden gates in archway of The Courthouse. The gates will be made of the same softwood, painted the same colour and the original ironwork will be used. There will be no alterations to the stonework of the archway at The Courthouse Mill Road

### Oundle

**18/01673/FUL and 18/01674/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/CA) (LB/Regs)** Single storey rear extension at 35 North Street Oundle PE8 4AL

**18/01694/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** New single storey side extension between the existing house and existing garage at 3 St Christophers Drive Oundle PE8 4HU

**18/01717/ADV (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Additional Post Office signage to Oundle Pharmacy at 32 Market Place Oundle

**18/01728/ADV (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Two sets of individual blue stainless steel letters to exterior of building at Ground Floor, The Old Market Hall Market Place Oundle PE8 4BA

**18/01741/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/Regs)** Installation of individual blue stainless steel letters to the south & west elevations at ground floor The Old Market Hall Market Place Oundle PE8 4BA

**18/01754/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/Regs) (LB/CA)** Additional exterior signage to existing Grade II Listed Pharmacy at 32 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BE

### Raunds

**18/01640/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Demolition of existing garage. Construction of new garage with storage above. Increase in ridge height to dwelling house to provide bedroom accommodation at first floor level, demolition of conservatory, replace with single storey side extension at 84 High Street Raunds

### Rushden

**18/01623/FUL (20/09/2018) (Info)** Conversion and part replacement of agricultural buildings to provide two dwellings and car port and part demolition of barns and part of nursery at Manor Lodge Farm 411 Newton Road Rushden NN10 0SX

**18/01630/ADV (06/10/2018) (Info)** Erection of a single fascia sign on the south elevation of the Leisure building at land adjacent Skew Bridge Ski Slope Rushden Lakes Rushden

**18/01656/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Loft conversion to include increase in ridge height and roof lights at 7 Kendal Close Rushden NN10 0QF

**18/01680/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Single storey side extension at 77 Grafton Road Rushden NN10 0HT

**18/01716/OUT (06/10/2018) (Info)** Outline application for residential development for up to eight dwellings and vehicular access - All Matters Reserved at vacant land formerly 10 Higham Road Rushden

**18/01742/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Proposed replacement solid roof and new roof lantern over conservatory area to the rear at 30 Avenue Road Rushden NN10 0SJ

### Thorpe Achurch

**18/01625/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Rear glazed extension to garage to form gym at Thorpe Castle House Aldwinckle Road Thorpe Waterville Kettering NN14 3ED

### Thrapston

**18/01642/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Proposed detached double garage; conversion of loft space to habitable rooms to include rear dormer, new second floor side window, cabrio balcony opening to side elevation and installation of three roof lights at 42 Windsor Drive Thrapston NN14 4XH

**18/01665/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Remove existing ATM, infill opening and render terralene to match existing. Remove all cameras and walls made good to match existing. All existing Barclays signage & lights to be removed and walls made good to match existing. Remove existing night safe, infill opening and render terralene to match existing at 41 High Street Thrapston NN14 4LF

**18/01687/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Conversion of double garage into habitable room at 23 Wainwright Avenue Thrapston NN14 4UH

### Wadenhoe

**18/01621/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** External alterations to Garden Cottages at Wadenhoe House Church Street Wadenhoe PE8 5SR

**18/01622/LBC (13/10/2018) (LB/Regs)** Internal/external alteration and refurbishment works to Garden Cottages at Wadenhoe House Church Street Wadenhoe PE8 5SR

### Warmington

**18/01685/FUL (06/10/2018) (Info)** Single storey rear extension at 26 Stamford Lane Warmington

**18/01707/REM (06/10/2018) (Info)** Reserved matters: Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to planning application

**17/02219/OUT: Outline:** Erection of detached chalet bungalow (All matters reserved except access) dated 06.02.2018 at 21 Broadgate Way Warmington PE8

### Woodnewton

**18/01690/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Erection of single storey garden room/studio extension to south gable end of existing garage building with roof terrace at 25 Main Street Woodnewton PE8

**18/01691/FUL (13/10/2018) (LB/CA)** Conversion of existing outbuilding to office, plus addition of log store to side at 49 Main Street Woodnewton PE8 5EB

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

**Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.**

**Part16 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.**

**Info - Non-statutory - included for information only.**

**LB/CA - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.**

**LB/Regs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.**

Paul Bland, Head Of Planning Services  
Dated 22 September 2018

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.

## W. B. Bartlett: Richard the Lionheart

Friday 5th October, 7.45pm at St Peter's Church, North Street, Oundle

This is the first full-length biography of Richard I in 40 years. He was known to history as 'Richard the Lionheart', after his reputation for bravery exhibited fighting the 'Saracens' whilst crusading in the Holy Land.

Whilst Richard I is one of medieval England's most famous kings he is also the most controversial. He has variously been considered a great warrior but a poor king, a man driven by the quest for fame and glory but also lacking in self-discipline and prone to throwing away the short-term advantages that his military successes brought him. In this reassessment W. B. Bartlett looks at his deeds and achievements in a new light. The result is a re-evaluation of 'The Lionheart' which finds that the King is every bit as remarkable as his medieval contemporaries

found him to be. This includes his Muslim enemies who spoke of him as their most dangerous and gallant opponent. It also shows him to be a man badly let down by some of those around him, especially his brother John and the duplicitous French king Philip. His character foibles are also exposed to the full including his complicated relationships with the key women in his life, especially the huge contemporary figure of his mother Eleanor of Aquitaine and his wife Berengaria with whom he failed to produce an heir leading to later suggestions of homosexuality. This is a new Richard, one for the 21st century, and a recapitulation of the life story of one of the greatest personalities of medieval Europe.

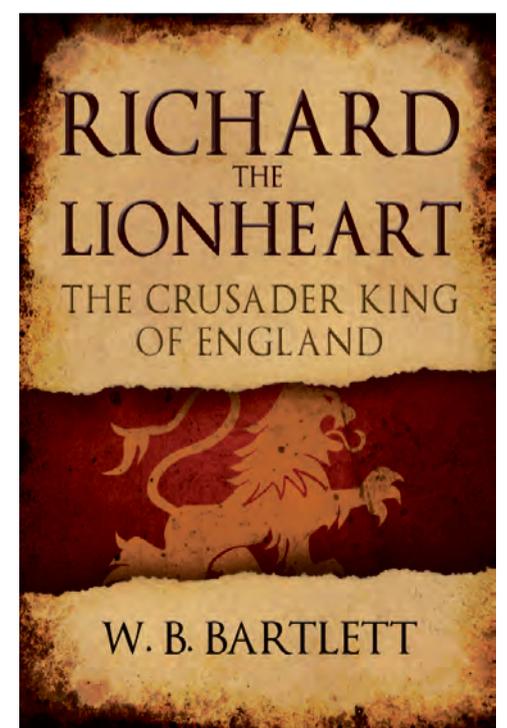
'Enthralling' The Daily Mail

'The best and most level-headed telling

of the whole story I have ever read' The Independent on Sunday.

W. B. Bartlett has worked across the globe in almost 20 countries and has spent time in over 50. He is the author of many history books for Amberley Publishing including titles on the Titanic, Medieval History and the Dam Busters.

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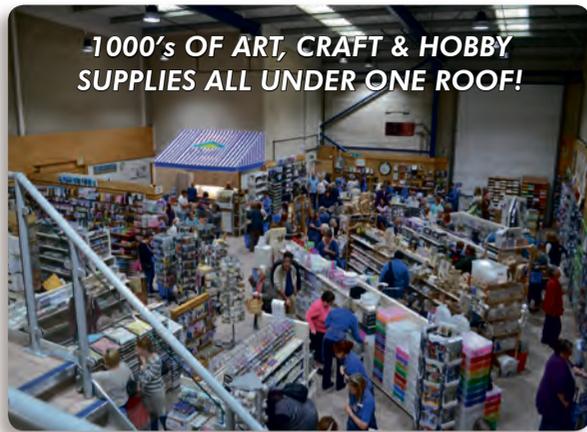




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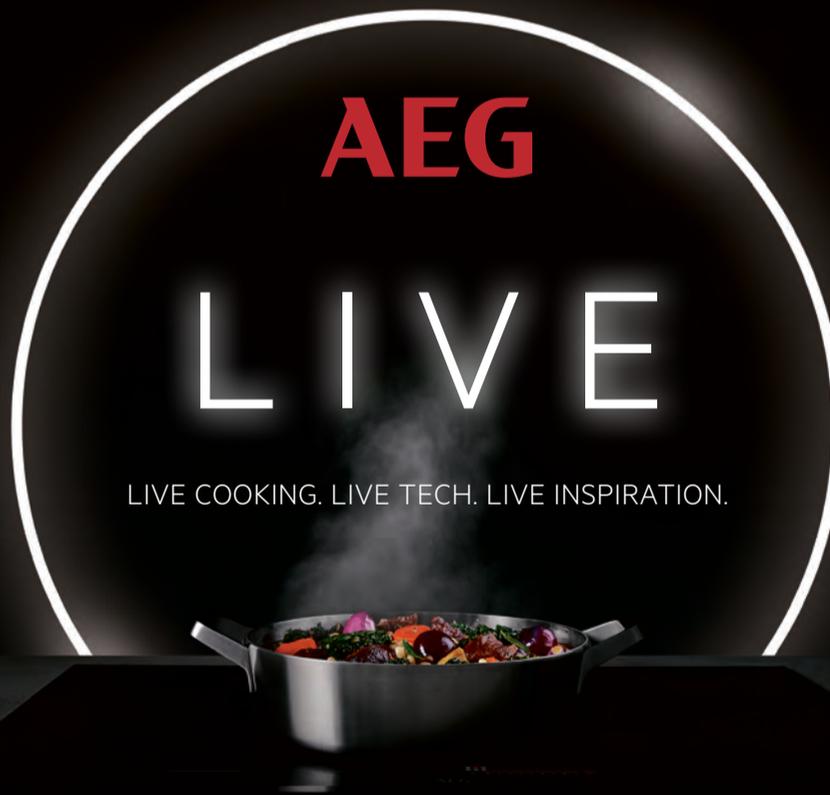
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# East Northants Snooker League

The penultimate week for the ENSL summer league. Our league sponsor Expense Reduction Analysts are preparing to hand over the prestigious winner's trophy to one of the top teams, as Windmill Warriors, Coopers Ball Bashers and Windmill C are all set to battle it out.

Eighth place Coopers D hosted 7th Coopers Troopers and were hoping for a big win to lift them off the bottom of the table. Paul Whyte, affectionately known as Teddy, took on Sean Britchford. Sean won the first and Teddy won the second. Aaron Whittemore was next to play Roger Hayes-Roome, both players matched in terms of their abilities. However, Aaron produced the better pots on the night as he won both of his frames. This meant that the match finished up as a 3-3 draw.

Windmill Underdogs, after consecutive defeats recently, were looking for a win in their match against Higham SAS. James potted well to win the initial frame but Adam came back strong to win the next. At 3-1 in Higham's favour going into the last game, it was up to Kevin Freeman and Colin Buckby to finish the match. Colin Buckby looked determined as he swiftly took both frames with the help of a 36 break. Match result, 5-1 to Higham SAS.

In the clash between Higham Mecca and Coopers Ball Bashers, the team captains had decided that they would be playing

each frame for double points. Due to the fact that they still had an unplayed, postponed match from much earlier in the season, and with time running out, it made sense to play for double points, albeit a little unorthodox. With the stakes as high as possible, the Ball Bashers capitalised and the Mecca team looked very off-colour. This thrusts them straight to the top of the league table with a one point lead over the Warriors and only one week left to go.

Richard Wright now looks favourite to win the Gardiner Motors prize for best player stats, but Martyn Hatton and Adam Burns could cause an upset here.

**This week's results:**

Higham Mecca 0-6 Coopers Ball Bashers  
 Windmill Underdogs 1-5 Higham SAS  
 Coopers D 3-3 Coopers Troopers  
 Windmill Warriors = BYE  
 Windmill C = BYE



**Player Statistics Summer 2018 - Sponsored by Gardiner Motors Wellingborough**

#	Player name	Team	Current H/Cap	New H/Cap	Played	Won	Lost	% Won
1	Kevin Gardiner	Windmill Warriors	48	48	2	2	0	100%
2	Richard Symons	Coopers Ball Bashers	38	34	8	7	1	88%
3	Richard Wright	Windmill Warriors	-4	-4	24	17	7	71%
4	Steven Williams	Coopers Ball Bashers	32	32	6	4	2	67%
5	Paul Lewis	Windmill Warriors	12	12	12	8	4	67%
6	Martyn Hatton	Coopers Ball Bashers	24	24	18	12	6	67%
7	Adam Burns	Higham SAS	12	12	26	17	9	65%
8	Frank Perkins	Windmill Underdogs	36	36	16	10	6	63%
9	James Rawlins	Windmill C	24	24	24	15	9	63%
10	Steven Ridgewell	Coopers Ball Bashers	26	26	10	6	4	60%

**East Northants Snooker League - Sponsored by Expense Reduction Analysts**

Position	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1	Coopers Ball Bashers	13	8	3	2	51
2	Windmill Warriors	13	7	3	3	50
3	Windmill C	13	8	0	5	45
4	Higham SAS	14	5	2	7	42
5	Windmill Underdogs	13	5	2	6	39
6	Higham Mecca	13	7	2	4	38
7	Coopers Troopers	13	2	5	6	29
8	Coopers D	14	1	3	10	24

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