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Raunds Big Spring Clean

The sun was shining and the gloves were on! The residents of Raunds came out to volunteer their time for this year's annual Big Spring Clean. Nearly 40 volunteers including Guides, Cubs, Raunds Community Church and local residents joined Raunds Mayor, Cllr Richard Levell, Councillors and staff in an effort to clean up the town.

Although the reports back from the volunteers said that most areas were not as bad as they have been in previous years, an amazing 40 bags of rubbish were collected. The council thanks everyone who took part and hope to see volunteers again in September. For details: www.raunds-tc.gov.uk



Prestige Homes supports English Tourism Week

During the recent English Tourism Week, Prestige Homeseeker Park & Leisure Homes invited local MPs and Councillors to their showground in Rushden for Afternoon Tea.

The company, which employs over 450 local people across the county and many more through their supply chain, is the largest manufacturer of holiday lodges in the country, including both rental units and holiday homes for sale, so their

contribution to the tourism sector is significant, both locally and from a wider UK perspective.

The Afternoon Tea event was designed to showcase how, as a company, they are supporting the industry and to further inform local councils how planning permission

for new developments can benefit their local communities through expenditure, local community engagement, environmental activities, and health and wellbeing.

According to a new report by 'Frontline' published in February 2019, the UK holiday park and campsite sector makes a substantial contribution to the UK tourism economy, generating £9.3bn in visitor expenditure and supporting the equivalent of 171,448 full-time jobs. With Brexit uncertainty changing the way holidaymakers plan their breaks, the park and holiday home sector has recognised that both challenges and opportunities lie ahead.

Founder director Silvano Geranio said: "The demand for luxury holiday accommodation in the UK is stronger than ever and we support

that through our manufacturing process, contributing clearly to the local and national economy. It's also an essential part of our work to support parks we supply in helping to bring new developments to fruition. That requires a collaborative multi-agency process, and in the current climate it's important to keep the conversation going and find new ways of supporting that great potential for growth."

It's also the case that the homes built by Prestige offer a solution to the urgent and widespread need for additional housing across the UK. The company's homes can be built quickly at a reasonable cost with only UK based supply lines; they are also well suited to a variety of low-cost siting options. All round, a potential value-for-money solution to a national requirement.



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Wildlife news

Seasons often show splashes of particular colour in wildlife, and in spring that is often yellow – think of daffodils, or primroses, or the forsythias in our gardens, and even the dandelions which are starting to show in gardens (trouble looming!) as well as hedges and fields.

Animal life is less brilliantly adorned, but one insect which keeps the colour theme is the brimstone butterfly.

The brimstone butterfly might be seen as early as February (when they could be thought of as 'bringers of spring') or as late as November, though those are exceptional examples. Buckthorn is an important main food for their caterpillars, which rely on them to such an extent that they become green-bodied, giving them an extra advantage by camouflaging their presence among other low-growing plants.

The adult insect, however, has an important link with primroses, and not just in its colour. Its long tongue can reach inside the flowers, and the stretching puts pollen onto the butterfly which can transfer to another bloom; this makes the brimstone a main pollinator of primroses and explains why they are often seen lower on bushes and grasses than other species. They are strong fliers, and can cover several miles to find suitable habitat.

The brimstone is one of the first butterflies seen at this time of year because it does not die off in autumn but finds suitable shelter for hibernation; this then means that it is ready to lay the year's clutch of eggs but the overwintering insects, having done their job, will die before the summer is out. There is a limit even for this longest-lived (less than a year) British butterfly.

By Roy Burrell

Genealogy jottings

Do you get copies of death certificates for your ancestors? I do hope so. They can tell you so much – especially if the death took place where you least expected it! Sometimes it can be rather difficult to nail down the specific ancestor's death, more so if they have a fairly common name. But this is where newspaper reports and other websites might come in handy.

My great uncle Harry, born in St Albans, Hertfordshire and living there all of his 21 years, had his death registered in Maidstone, Kent. Why? He was killed in a motorbike accident and died in Maidstone Hospital. However, the local 'Herts Ad' newspaper had a full description of his funeral and details of his accident, which then led me to more local newspapers for Kent. These reported on the inquest and gave details of what happened and how. Sad reading.

If you have an ancestor whom you discover died in a railway accident, the following website could help you: <http://www.railwaysarchive.co.uk/index.php> This website is searchable and the document archive is a database

By Jan Pearson
Genealogy Specialists, Tracing Our Past, Discovering Our Genes (TOP DOG) www.genealogy-specialists.com

of documents from the earliest days of the railways right up to the present day. As well as listing accidents, the archive has a map view to help you to identify specific locations.

If your ancestor was killed in a mining accident in the northern coalfields, it is always worth taking a peek at the Durham Mining Museum website: <http://www.dmm.org.uk/index.htm>

They cover the counties of Northumberland, Westmorland, Cumberland and County Durham but if your mining ancestor came from elsewhere, their mine may be listed on the website's 'links' page.

It is always worth having a google to see if there are any websites as well as newspaper reports that are specific to the circumstances of the death of your ancestor. You never know what you might discover!

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Editor's notes

You may recall that the date for the change to a 2 Unitary Authority structure at the County Council is April 2020. However, a confirmatory decision on this subject by the Secretary of State James Brokenshire, which was expected before Parliament's Easter break, did not happen. It's difficult to see how the making of such a parochial decision can be blamed on the Commons' Brexit woes but certainly something is slowing down the whole process and a lot of work is being done, and money is being spent, "at risk" because of the lack of a decision. Perhaps, as we suggested a short while ago, the Secretary of State has concerns about the cost of the change, with a recent estimate suggesting it could be as much as £50m. Apparently, the latest from central government is that there will be a decision by the end of this month but the reaction to that from at least one current District Councillor was "We have had those sort of promises before."

One activity being undertaken in order to meet the expected change at County level is the completion of a revised East Northants Council (ENC) Local Plan. However, the development of this Plan has also been delayed; a statement from ENC says: "The Draft Local Plan was subject to public consultation during November to December 2018. A revision to the timetable to submit the Plan for examination was approved at the meeting

of the Planning Policy Committee on 1st April. The revised submission date is October 2019. Submission to the Secretary of State is preceded by 6 weeks of statutory consultation, which will take place in August/September 2019." There seems little doubt that the postponement is associated with concerns about the development of housing in Oundle and the variation between what the townsfolk want and what the District Council is seeking to impose. We believe that independent specialist planning consultants have been appointed to review potential development sites in the town. At least this delay will provide the opportunity for Oundle Town Council to get their Neighbourhood Plan finished before the Local Plan comes into force.

The mention of consultants above provokes a random thought about their role in the implementation of government policies. It seems that each decision at whatever level of government requires the intervention of an army of specialist consultants in order to assess the impact of those decisions. Perhaps this represents sound management but it certainly engenders an aura of 'analysis paralysis', not to mention exploding the costs associated with any activity and expanding the time taken to complete a project.

All of us at the Nene Valley News would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and peaceful Easter.

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90-year-old makes a major contribution to the Oundle Museum Exhibition

Jim Hancock came to modelling late in life at the age of 76 after his wife suffered a mini stroke and severe vascular dementia.

As a result he was looking for something to fill his spare time and by chance he became bitten by the modelling bug.

He was so enthralled that he built his first model in his garden office and ultimately extended this office to accommodate his larger models. Jim soon discovered he had a latent ability to design and create appropriate scale models and scenery.

After his wife's death, he moved to Oundle to be nearer his family. Since then he has made several

models of a difficult nature: a Somerset coal mine and village, the embarkation ports used by the 43rd Wessex Division on D-Day in WWII, plus other military models.

He also gives presentations about his models to various groups and clubs.

Now living and established in Oundle he volunteered to make a major contribution to the exhibits of Oundle Museum's new exhibition for 2019.

The nature of the exhibition 'From Horse

to Horsepower' required several exhibits of various modes of transport throughout the ages concerning the Oundle area. Jim made three models throughout the winter in a cold garage from the end of October to end of February, one of which includes Oundle station, the North Bridge, the Wharf and River Nene with a considerable amount of detail to interest the visitor.

Looking at the results of his endeavours, he engenders the energy and enthusiasm of a man 50 years younger.

Please visit Oundle Museum to see the results of his work. Open every weekend Saturday 11-5pm and Sun 2-5pm. Find on Facebook. Website: www.oundlemuseum.org.uk

Fashion Show

The newly refurbished Oundle Golf Club recently hosted a fashion show at which local retailers were able to showcase their wares to 120 attendees. The show was led by Diversity Boutique and North's Shoes and students from Prince William School also modelled their own designs. In addition, there was a raffle in support of the Air Ambulance charity, with prizes donated by a range

of local businesses. The models' hair and makeup was done respectively by Stephanie Henderson and Paul Watts Salons and the Beauty Room. Another attraction at the show was a display of the health benefits to be gained from playing golf and on Saturday 20th April, between 1-4pm, the Club professional, Richard Keys, is offering free golf taster sessions of 20 minutes to small groups.



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On Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th May, Oundle Bowling Club will be holding its annual Open Weekend. Everyone is welcome to come along and try Lawn Bowls. It is completely free, so why not make a note in your diary to bring your family along for a great day out.

This year we are supporting the Air Ambulance charity and will be having a fundraising match on the Sunday afternoon starting at 2pm. Local amateur and visiting teams will be taking part, so please come along and support your team and the Air Ambulance who rely solely on donations to provide this life saving service.

Our doors open at 10am each day and you will find a warm welcome and friendly coach who will introduce you to the sport of bowls. No equipment is required except flat soled shoes or trainers. There is a large car park and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

If you need any further information, or to enter a team please contact David Walker Tel: 01832 272250 Mob: 07907 875737, or visit our website www.oundlebowlingclub.org

Volunteering is good for you!

Liz Holland of Volunteer Action (community car scheme and befriending service) writes:

A recent report from the Royal Voluntary Service found:
over half of the respondents to their survey of 4,000 volunteers felt happier and more:

- useful
 - fulfilled
 - socially aware
 - connected to the local community around a third
 - reported health and wellbeing benefits
- The authors looked at why people volunteer:
- meet people and make friends
 - have fun
 - influenced by cuts to community projects and local services
 - concern for older people and care cuts

Cuts to local bus services are leaving those without cars isolated in villages with few resources. This disproportionately affects older people. Volunteer Action's community car scheme and befriending service directly addresses this need.

At Volunteer Action, we understand that flexibility is key for our volunteers. Our drivers sign up to do what they can, when they can. You can drive as much or as little as you want. Our befrienders are asked to commit to just 2 one-hour visits per month. See our advertisement for how to contact us.

Please do think about how you can help in your community. Here's a quote from one of our drivers to encourage you:

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On another celebratory note we congratulate Samuel Fox, who has completed his final Chartered Tax Adviser examinations adding to the expertise at the Oundle office.

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Oundle Golf Club

Oundle Golf Club is a welcoming Club owned by its members which gives it a truly inclusive feel whether you are a member or visitor. With an attached PGA Golf Professional everyone can get into the game either through 1:1 or group lessons.

Golf is widely recognised as being a sport with wide health benefits. In parts of the country health practices are recommending golf as part of a wellbeing programme. Alongside the physical benefits of the game the social side and the advantages of being outside improve the individual's mental health. The game can be played individually or in groups and whether you are a budding Tiger Woods or Georgia Hall or just wish to play the game for pure relaxation, Oundle Golf Club is ideal.

The game can be adjusted to suit your lifestyle whether it be 9 holes after work

or 18 at the weekend or simply practising your health will benefit in a fun and relaxing manner. For more information please visit www.oundlegolfclub.com

Anyone for tennis?

If you have shots which Roger or Rafa would revere, haven't picked up a racket for a while, have a budding tennis star in your family or are just keen to take more exercise in a social environment, why not come to the Oundle Tennis Club Open Day on Sunday 19th May, 10am-3pm.

Situated on Occupation Road, next to the town's Bowls and Rugby Clubs, the Club has five floodlit hard courts and excellent facilities. With regular club sessions, junior and senior club tournaments, teams in local leagues and a strong coaching

programme for players of all ages and abilities, opportunities to play throughout the year abound. Members can also book courts to play in their own time and are welcome to invite guests to join them for a small fee.

"As well as being great exercise (burning up to 1000 calories per hour!), tennis is an enjoyable sport which is accessible to all," said Jason Atkinson, Club Chairman. "The Open Day is an easy way to find out about the club and meet some current members. If you can't make it, contact us to arrange a trial session."

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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:

Ashton

19/00442/FUL and 19/00423/LBC (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) (LBRegs) Adapt and Extend to form two storey extension at 2 Mill Cottages Oundle Road Ashton PE8 5LB

Brigstock

19/00442/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Elements of white UPVC rainwater goods with black cast iron on dwelling; removal of pre-cast concrete garage; replacement slate roof on small outbuilding; replacement of concrete tile roof with slate roof on ancillary building; Change of use of the redundant village hall to create Annexe ancillary to the main dwelling, and replacement of modern doorway to ancillary building at The Vicarage 12 Church Street Brigstock NN14 3EX

19/00443/LBC (11/05/2019) (LBRegs) Internal works to main dwelling (as per Design and Access Statement) including moving of bathroom, replacing loft ladder in current bathroom with staircase to loft, replacement of white UPVC rainwater goods with black cast iron on dwelling; replacement slate roof on small outbuilding; replacement of concrete tile roof with slate roof on ancillary building; Alterations to redundant village hall to create Annexe at 12 Church Street Brigstock

19/00513/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Re-paint exterior windows and doors, guttering and downpipes and existing wall of rear extension at The Old Post Office 54 High Street Brigstock NN14 3HA

Collyweston

19/00432/ADV (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Installation of replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building at The Collyweston Slater 87 Main Road Collyweston PE9 3PQ

Deene

19/00242/LBC (11/05/2019) (LBRegs) Convert existing dwelling and outbuilding into 6 dwellings as per Schedule of Works dated 4 March 2019 at The Sea Horse Deene NN17 3EJ

Glaphthorn

19/00549/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) The Removal of a modern agricultural building and construction of 1 no. Self-Build residential dwelling to enhance the setting of the adjacent listed Manor House at Manor Farm Cotterstock Road Glaphthorn

Hargrave

19/00454/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Erection of three dwellings at land adjacent Rectory View Church Road Hargrave NN9 6BQ

Harringworth

19/00318/LBC (11/05/2019) (LBRegs) Application for heating and cooling system to be added to building. One (1) unit to the outside with associated cables. 2 no. units to be all mounted inside with cables chased into existing external wall. All above info is noted on the proposed drawings at Welland Barn Wakerley Road Harringworth NN17 3AH

Hemington

19/00512/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) The works are to extend an existing ancillary building to form additional storage and workshop space formerly approved EN/11/01110/FUL (Re-submission of 18/02201/FUL) at Hemington House Luton Road Hemington PE8 5QL

Higham Ferrers

19/00483/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Loft conversion including raising the ridge level of the original dwelling, first floor side extension, three roof lights, three new window openings to front and rear elevations and two solar arrays to side elevation at 44 Saffron Road Higham Ferrers NN10 8ED

Irthlingborough

19/00324/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Erection of a boundary wall at the front of property with gates at 185 Finedon Road Irthlingborough NN9 5TY

Little Addington

19/00456/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Two storey side and rear extension including and replacement of existing garage at River View Woodford Road Little Addington NN14 4BA

Nassington

19/00501/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) (Art8) Replacement of windows and additional window openings; replacement of doors and installation of new bi-fold doors. Single storey side extension; erection of new chimney stack and replacement of existing garage at 24 Woodnewton Road Nassington PE8 6QQ

Oundle

19/00333/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Proposed erection of 3 new dwellings at Pexley Court Oundle

19/00396/FUL and 19/00397/LBC (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) (LBRegs) Change of use from public house to funeral

directors with internal alterations at The Angel Inn 4

St Osyths Lane Oundle PE8 4BG

19/00531/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Proposed alterations, loft extension, rear and side extension to existing three bedroom dwelling at 16 East Road Oundle PE8 4BX

Raunds

19/00429/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Two storey side extension at 50 Mackenzie Road Raunds NN9

Rushden

19/00441/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Two storey building comprising two, 1 bed flats at 18 Fitzwilliam Street Rushden NN10 9YW

19/00447/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Change of use from A1 (retail) to mixed use B1 (office) and D2 (Assembly and Leisure) (no external alterations) at 40A Newton Road Rushden NN10 0HD

19/00497/ADV (04/05/2019) (Info) Installation of 1 no. high level fascia sign and 1 no. fascia sign to side planter at Unit L9 West Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden

19/00500/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) To install a two storey Portakabin building linked into Pharmaron's existing unit to be used as office space at Pharmaron UK Pegasus Way Rushden NN10 6ER

19/00503/ADV (04/05/2019) (Info) Installation of 1 no. High Level Fascia Sign at Unit L9 West Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FT

19/00508/ADV (04/05/2019) (Info) 5 no. Fascia Signs 3 no. Illuminated Graphic panels 1 no. roof mounted sign at Unit GS12 Garden Square Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FL

19/00528/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Consent to build two new build flats at 54 Duck Street Rushden NN10 9SD

19/00540/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Single storey rear extension at 2 Peter Crisp Way Rushden NN10 6FE

19/00541/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Conversion of residential dwelling into two apartments, including converting the garage into a habitable space at 124 Harborough Road Rushden NN10 0LP

19/00546/ADV (04/05/2019) (Info) Fascia lettering applied to glazing; Logo to internal bulkhead panelling; AV screen in shop window; Fascia sign to rear of building at Unit GS08 Garden Square Rushden Lakes Rushden

19/00556/ADV (04/05/2019) (Info) Aluminium backtray with blue painted finish, fret cut lettering with opal frosted acrylic - backlit with internal LEDS illumination. Suspended metal reverse canister letters, white powder coated finish - opal frosted acrylic front face, internally illuminated by LEDS at Unit L2A West Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden NN10 6FT

19/00578/ADV (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Marketing board in

relation to disposal of disused church at Independant Wesleyan Church High Street Rushden NN10 0PJ

Thrapston

19/00460/FUL (04/05/2019) (Info) Two storey rear, single storey side and single storey front extensions at 15 Hortons Lane Thrapston NN14 4LD

Titchmarsh

19/00444/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Demolition of single storey garage and store and removal of single storey "lean to" greenhouse extension together with alterations and extensions to existing dwelling comprising first floor extension and single storey rear extension together with alterations to elevations at 58 High Street Titchmarsh NN14 3DF

Warmington

19/00534/LBC (11/05/2019) (LBRegs) Proposed replacement of windows and stable door to rear elevations at 61 Church Street Warmington PE8 6TE

Woodnewton

19/00545/FUL (11/05/2019) (LB/CA) Removal and replacement of single storey extension. Replacement of guttering and 3 existing windows; installation of one new window opening at 67 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.

LBRegs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

Paul Bland, Head Of Planning Services
Dated 20 April 2019

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

News from the Chairman

The past couple of weeks have been all about getting outside and active. David and I were delighted to be invited to the official opening of the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) in Brigstock. Situated in a fabulous spot, the MUGA can be used by all ages and will be especially welcomed by the schoolchildren in the village, who were consulted on the project. The following Saturday, we were equally delighted to be invited to the official opening of the new play area in Barnwell. The play equipment looks fabulous and was being thoroughly enjoyed when we visited. Well done to everyone involved in both projects.

It was great to see the group of enthusiastic pupils from Thrapston Primary school who helped to launch the Beat the Street Challenge. It is good to see people out walking and cycling and players tapping the special sensors called Beat Boxes which are placed in Thrapston,

Raunds, Irthlingborough, Rushden and villages in between. At the time of writing, approximately 6,500 people were participating with 27,000 miles travelled on the challenge. There is still time to get involved by picking up a card from your local leisure centre or library. The game runs until 8th May.

We were pleased to be able to support the Chairman of Northamptonshire County Council at his recent charity ball. There was a good turnout at the event which was held in Daventry. I was also pleased to be able to attend a Service of Dedication at the new Co-operative funeral home in Irthlingborough. The short, moving service was led by ministers of the parish and the official opening was presided over by the Mayor of Irthlingborough.

ENC Chairman,
Cllr Wendy Brackenbury

Neighbourhood planning update: King's Cliffe, Warmington, Brigstock and Barrowden and Wakerley

Progress continues to be made with preparing Neighbourhood Plans throughout the East Northamptonshire.

Neighbourhood Plans allow communities (led by Town and Parish Councils) to set their own (Town/ Parish) level planning policies for determining planning applications, adding local direction and distinctiveness to the East Northamptonshire Local Plan and national planning policies.

The following Neighbourhood Plans have now reached significant milestones:

- Most recently, the submission draft of the King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Development Plan 2018 to 2031 was received 19th March 2019. This is subject to consultation from 18th April to 3rd June 2019.
- Previously, the first draft of the Warmington Neighbourhood Plan was subject to consultation from 25th

January to 8th March 2019.

- In addition, the Brigstock Development Neighbourhood Plan 2011 to 2031 was accepted as 'made' on 21st January 2019. It can now be used in determining planning applications alongside other relevant Development Plan documents.
- Finally, the submission draft of the Barrowden and Wakerley Neighbourhood Development Plan 2016 to 2036 was subject to consultation by Rutland County Council between 14th January and 25th February 2019.

Further information regarding neighbourhood planning is available through East Northamptonshire Council's Planning Policy and Conservation team:

- Tel: 01832 742010
- Email: planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk
- www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning

Join us to “Celebrate Rushden”

Saturday 8th June to Sunday 16th June

Rushden Town Council is pleased to be organising its second “Celebrate Rushden” week and it is certainly shaping up to be a cracking week full of events and activities spreading across the

whole of Rushden. The celebrations start on Saturday 8th June and run through to Sunday 16th June. It is definitely a week in Rushden not to be missed.

We have various events on offer to suit all ages and tastes, and nearly all of the events are free of charge to people who wish to come along. Just a few events are bookable so please look out for the brochure with details of over 40 local events which will be available from May. Copies will be sent out with the Rushden Reporter and will be obtainable from Rushden Town Council at Hall Park.

Activities range from the annual Soap Box Derby, musical evenings with jazz band, swing band, ukuleles, organ and choirs, to a fun Junior Community

Run, Festival days, fetes, open days and a Father's Day Car Rally.

At the Soap Box Derby on Sunday 9th June we would love to see some new karts entering the race. The biggest trophies in the area plus cash prizes are up for grabs by entrants and creators of innovative and crazy kart designs. If you are a local business, community group or a family wanting a bit of fun why not start building your own Soap Box and enter the exciting Rushden Soap Box Derby. Karts run in twos, and there are classes for children and adults. More details and the rules can be found on the website www.rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk/events or telephone Rushden Town Council 01933 316216 for further information.

The deadline for all Kart entries is 3rd June so there is still plenty of time. We are pleased that Kingtools of Rushden are once again our main sponsors, with additional support from Santa Pod and AJ Cycles.

Following the success of the recent YourTown NN10 Community 5K Run held at Rushden Station in March, Celebrate Rushden includes

a second NN10 event which is aimed at children. Anyone up to the age of 18 can enter and children are welcome to run with parents or family members if they wish. The Junior 2K Community Run is taking place at 10am (registration from 9am) on the morning of the Soap Box Derby in Hall Park. The run is free to enter but please register online www.yourtown.community/NN10/. All participants will receive a medal and a goodie bag for taking part. This event has been organised as part of Celebrate Rushden

week by Freedom Leisure, East Northants Council and Rushden Town Council.

We look forward to seeing you at some or all of the events on offer during our Celebrate Rushden week and please jot the dates in your diary, Saturday 8th June to Sunday 16th June and come along to enjoy the fun. And keep a look out for the brochure!

Another great day not to be missed is Rushden's biggest event of the year, Party in the Park which is taking place on Saturday 13th July at Hall Park, 1pm until 10pm.

The Oundle Surgery Patient Participation Group

The Oundle Surgery Patient Participation Group (OPPG) is seeking new members. The Group comprises various local residents, parents, pensioners and volunteers from local community organisations, who work independently but closely with Oundle Surgery.

The OPPG has been in existence since 2010 and acts as the patients' voice within the Surgery. The role of the Group is to develop a positive and constructive relationship between Oundle Surgery and its patients and carers by ensuring that the practice remains accountable and responsive to patients' needs. They endeavour to ensure that patients and carers are involved in decisions about the range and quality of services provided by Oundle Surgery. To achieve this, they liaise with the Surgery's patients and carers, the Surgery doctors staff, other community health workers, NHS Trusts, other local PPGs,

and other organisations concerned with health and social care in the Surgery's catchment area.

The OPPG is not a channel for the resolution of individual complaints, which should be addressed through the Surgery's formal complaints system. However, they will represent the patients' and carers' interests in major issues arising from complaints, if they identify that thematic action is required by the Surgery or another entity. Of course, they are not empowered to deal with confidential medical issues.

All Oundle Surgery registered patients and their carers are encouraged to be members of the OPPG. Applications for membership can be made at any time by filling in the application form available

at the Surgery reception, by approaching committee members or completing the website application form.

The OPPG committee meets quarterly at the Surgery; these meetings are also attended by the Surgery Practice Manager and a GP. As a member, you will be entitled to attend committee meetings, subject to space in the meeting room, and will be notified of issues that arise between meetings.

For further information go to the Oundle Surgery website and click on the Oundle Patient Participation Group tile. There is also an OPPG noticeboard on the left as you enter the Surgery, where details of current group members can be found along with minutes from previous meetings and the latest OPPG newsletter.

You don't need to be a member to raise issues or concerns about the Surgery with the OPPG. You can get in touch with a committee member via the contact details that are online, on the noticeboard, or at the Surgery reception desk and a member of the Group will contact you to take the matter forward.



We hope you are able to join us for some or all of our events, please check our website www.rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk or our facebook page @RushdenCouncil for further information.

Walking football

AFC Rushden & Diamonds walking footballers recently returned from Portugal where they participated in 'Eurocopa Algarve 2019' which drew teams from across Europe and South Africa. The Squad competed in the 50+ category which saw 21 teams play out their games over two days at the Estadio da Nora, home of Portuguese third division side, Ferreiras

FC. Diamonds gave an impressive account of themselves against some

tough opposition and were creditably placed in the final reckoning.



For anyone aged 50+ wishing to get involved in walking football full details can be found on the AFC Rushden & Diamonds official website.

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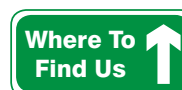
Lindsay Tempest is an artist specialising in acrylic painting & mixed media. Lindsay will be showcasing her work and talking about her forthcoming workshops

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Ferry Meadows, Nene Park PE2 5UU
10am, £5 adults, £2 children
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10K Road Run and 2K Fun Run
Start/finish Stanwick High Street
10K Start 10:30am and 2K Fun Run 10:40am, entry Fee: 10K £13 for affiliated runners £15 for others. 2K Fun Run £5. 10K road race for seniors and 2K fun run for children over 8 and under 15.

Tuesday 23rd April

Coffee Morning
Thrapston Baptist Church
10am-12noon
Friendly time for all to meet, chat, and share tea, coffee and cake.

Thursday 25th April

Guided Walk (4 miles)
Twywell Hills and Dales
Meet in car park Junc 11 of A14
2pm, £1.50. Sue 01780 782747.
No need to book.

RFAC presents Floral Art Designer Linda Seabrook

Full Gospel Church Hall, High Street
South NN10 0QX
7pm for 7.30pm, members £3, visitors £6. See facebook page or call 01933 410280. An evening of demonstrations by Linda's of her floral art designs. The evening will be rounded up with a raffle of the designs and refreshments and a chance to try a slice of Janette's cake

Tiddlers Group for 0 to 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 26th April

Rushden & District History Society
South End Junior School, Wymington Road, Rushden
NN10 9JU
7.30pm, members £1.50, non-members £2.50. 01933 358218 for more information. Steve Dimmer – The Daring Mr Dahl.

Fusion for 7 to 11 year olds

Thrapston Baptist Church
6.30pm-8pm
Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

Film: King of Thieves (15)

Ringstead Village Hall, High Street
Doors 7pm film starts 7.30pm, admission £4. 01933 460373.
Michael Caine heads a group of retired crooks in a major burglary in London's Hatton Garden.

Saturday 27th April

Eileen Wade Duck Dash
Eileen Wade School, High Street, Upper Dean PE28 0ND
11am, free. Corrine 07740450897
Chase 100s of ducks down the stream to win fabulous prizes. Don't forget your wellies!

Thrapston Garage Sale

Thrapston
9am-1pm, £5 01832 730019.
Registration £5. Maps £1 on day from Plaza 8.30am onwards.
People in Thrapston selling goods.

The Swivel Club presents Bye Bye Baby a tribute to Franki Valli, with full supporting disco

Rushden Town Bowls Club
Northampton Road NN10 6AN
Doors 7pm till late, tickets £20 from Rushden Graphics Company, Alfred Street, The Barbers Shop Wharf Road, Higham Ferrers or ring 07738080470. Bye Bye Baby is back by popular demand so early booking recommended to avoid disappointment.

Sunday 28th April

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.

Oundle Cinema – Mission Impossible: Fallout (12A)

Stahl Theatre, West Street, Oundle PE8 4EJ
7.30pm, admission: £6.50/£3 under 18s. Oundle Festival, 4 West Street, Oundle PE8 4EA. Tel. 01832 274734 www.oundlecinema.org.uk, information@oundlefestival.org.uk
Ethan Hunt and his team race against time after a mission goes wrong.

All-Age Family Service

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

Tuesday 30th April

Coffee Morning
Thrapston Baptist Church
10am-12noon. Friendly time for all to meet, chat, and share tea, coffee and cake.

New Series of Alpha starts tonight!

Thrapston Baptist Church
7pm-9pm. See the church website www.thrapstonbaptist.co.uk for more details. Alpha is an 11-week opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a fun, friendly and non-judgmental environment.

Wednesday 1st May

The Addington's Horticultural Society welcomes Mr Andrew Sankey. The Memorial Hall, opposite The Church – only 1 mile from A14 junction 11 or from the A6 Irthlingborough in Great Addington NN14 4BS)
Doors 7.15pm for 7.45pm, visitors always welcome £2 members free (only £12 year). 01832 734750. Come and enjoy our friendly group. Biscuits, tea and coffee. Talk will be on 'The History of the Cottage Garden'.

Afternoon Tea with entertainment by Just Good Friends

St Mary's Church Hall, Rushden
2pm-4pm, admission by ticket £5
Mary 01933 315383 or Chris 418399
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East Northants Community Leaders' Lunch

The Frontier Centre off Addington Road, Irthlingborough NN9 5UH
11.30am for 12noon, £5 donation invited. Andrew Presland 01933 316927. Talks by Rev Helen Cameron (Methodist Chair) and Denise Evans (wellbeing cafes) followed by a buffet.

Heritage Apples

Methodist Hall, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle
7.45pm, £2 patrons, £3 visitors. 01832 272623. An Oundle Horticultural Society illustrated talk by Melanie Wilson, free light refreshments, all welcome.

Thursday 2nd May

AFC Rushden and Diamonds Quiz Night
Rushden Bowls Club, Northampton Road, Rushden NN10 6AN
7.30pm, £3 each – max 6 persons per table. Glenis 07870 332606. Raffle, retiring bucket collection for Cransley Hospice.

Raunds Music Festival Song'n'Tune Session hosted by Taurus Roks and Ock'n'Dough
World Upside Down, Raunds
8pm, free. Bring your voice, instrument or just come along to listen to the songs and tunes.

Tiddlers Group for 0 to 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 3rd May

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

Festival Ceilidh with Ock'n'Roks

Saxon Hall
8pm (Doors 7.30pm)
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www.raundsfestival.com or hotline 07756 015615. Great music to get you dancing at this ceilidh.

Saturday 4th May

Raunds Music Festival Afternoon Concert – Frank Burkett band and Becka Wolfe
Saxon Hall
3.30pm (Doors 3pm), £10 YP £2. www.raundsfestival.com or hotline 07756 015615. Frank Burkett band all the way from New Zealand, supported by Becka Wolfe from Athens.

Raunds Community Choir

Methodist Church Raunds (note new venue for Raunds Music Festival)
2.30pm (Doors 2pm)
Adults £5, YP £1, www.raundsfestival.com or hotline 07756 015615. Raunds Community Choir perform popular songs in the intimate setting of the Methodist Chapel.

Cream Teas in the church and grounds

St Andrews Church, Barnwell
PE8 5PQ
2pm-4.30pm. Charlotte Croser 01832 274139. Enjoy a homemade cream tea in the surroundings of this beautiful church. Monies raised to church funds.

Raunds Community Choir Afternoon Concert

Raunds Methodist Church
Doors 2pm, concert starts 2.30pm
Tickets £5 – available from Raunds Hardware & Pet Supplies and Brook Street Newsagent. Afternoon Concert followed by tea and cake – provided by Raunds Methodist Brownies.

Early Afternoon Community Concert

Saxon Hall, 12.30pm to 2.45pm
Doors 12.15pm, adults £5 YP £2
www.raundsfestival.com or hotline 07756 015615. Raunds Ukulele Orchestra, NMPAT Folk Band and A Different Direction Choir.

Book Signing

Oundle Bookshop
10.30am-12.30pm. Local author Gordon Edwards will be signing copies of his book 'An Oundle Cricketer's Journey'.

Raunds Music Festival Saturday Night Concert: Blair Dunlop and Gilmore and Roberts

Saxon Hall
8pm (Doors 7.30pm), £18 YP £2. Come and see two great acts, both have been nominated at the Radio 2 folk awards.

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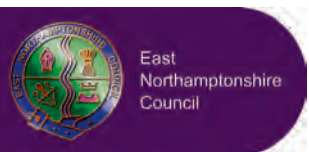
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PUBLIC NOTICES



PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AMENDED BY THE LOCALISM ACT 2011) NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012 (as amended)

SUBMISSION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE PARISH OF KING'S CLIFFE (KING'S CLIFFE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018-2031): CONSULTATION UNDER REGULATION 16 OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012

Notice is given, that on 19 March 2019 King's Cliffe Parish Council submitted a draft neighbourhood development plan (King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Development Plan 2018-2031) to East Northamptonshire Council, under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The 'plan proposal'

In accordance with Regulation 16, East Northamptonshire Council is now consulting upon the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Comments are invited, regarding whether the 'plan proposal', as submitted under Regulation 15 (the draft King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Development Plan and supporting documentation), fulfils the "basic conditions", as required by paragraph 8 (1) (a) (2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (inserted by the Localism Act 2011). The plan proposal, as submitted, comprises the following documents:

- A map identifying the area to which the proposed neighbourhood development plan relates;
- A consultation statement;
- The proposed neighbourhood development plan;
- A statement (the "Basic Conditions Statement") explaining how the proposed neighbourhood development plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The "basic conditions"

Representations received under Regulation 16 regarding the plan proposal will be forwarded to an appointed examiner, who will assess the King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents against the "basic conditions". These require that the plan:

- Has regard to national policy and guidance from the Secretary of State;
- Contributes to sustainable development;
- Is in general conformity with the strategic policy of the development plan for the area or any part of that area;
- Doesn't breach or is otherwise compatible with EU obligations – this includes the SEA Directive of 2001/42/EC; and that
- The making of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010(d), either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.

Submitting representations under Regulation 16

Comments are sought as to whether or not the plan proposal (King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documentation) fulfils the "basic conditions".

Further information can be found on the Council's website under the consultation pages at the following link: <https://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/consultation>

Copies of the plan proposal will be available to view at the following locations, between **Thursday 18th April and Monday 3rd June 2019** inclusive:

- Customer Service Centre, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, NN14 4LZ (8:45am – 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:45am – 5pm Wednesday)
- Customer Service Centre, Newton Road, Rushden, NN10 0PT (9am – 4:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:45am – 5pm Wednesday)
- Customer Service Centre, Oundle Town Council offices, Fletton House, Glapthorn Road, Oundle, PE8 4JA (10am-1pm, Monday to Friday)
- Oundle and Thrapston Libraries (opening times available through Northamptonshire County Council website www.northamptonshire.gov.uk)

Comments should be made, in writing, to: Planning Policy and Conservation, East Northamptonshire Council, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, Kettering, NN14 4LZ, by e-mail to planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk or via the smart survey link in the King's Cliffe Neighbourhood Plan section of East Northamptonshire Council's website www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning, no later than **4pm on Monday 3rd June 2019**.

Paul Bland
Head of Planning Services
East Northamptonshire Council

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (EAST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DISTRICT) (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND ON-STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2009 (AMENDMENT No. 16) ORDER 2019

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

A COPY of the Order may be inspected at Northamptonshire Highways, Brixworth Depot, Old Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX during normal office hours.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or of any provisions contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act, or of any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may, within six weeks from the date of this Notice apply to the High Court for this purpose.

The Order will become effective on the 22nd April 2019.

Dated this 20th day of April 2019

DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES,
Head of Property & Planning Law
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH NM20 (PART) – PARISH OF NASSINGTON)

(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2019

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 pedestrians from proceeding along that length of Public Footpath NM20 in the Parish of Nassington as specified below. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said length of footpath is unaffected.

RIGHTS OF WAYS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: The existing route of NM20 to be closed starts at point A at NGR TL0372 9742. The route travels generally north east for approximately 345 metres to point B at NGR TL0404 9754. The route is shown by a solid black line between points A – B.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required to accommodate construction activities.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The Order will come into effect on 6th May 2019 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.

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Dated this 20th day of April 2019
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East Northants Snooker League

With the winter season now concluded, the ENSL kicked off the Team Knockout competition, sponsored by Wellingborough Cue Sports.

Though this event is run as a traditional knockout competition, the matches are decided by the total points scored on the night, not the number of frames won or lost. This makes things very interesting.

Cue Sports A managed to beat Windmill C in the only preliminary match last week. Mick Tartagliani shone through as the star man on the night as he beat Marc Brett very convincingly, gaining an advantage of almost 100 points. Colin Hinds and Justin Gaggini were able to do enough to maintain the advantage created by Tartagliani and Cue Sports A won quite comfortably. This put them through to the Quarter-Final stages and they faced Windmill D.

Despite his stunning performance in the previous round, Mick Tartagliani came unstuck in his frames against Justin White. He was completely outplayed, and Justin got the D team off to a flying start.

Colin Hinds stepped up and

lost the third frame by some margin, but he clawed it back with a nice 40 break in frame four. After four frames Cue Sports were still trailing. Justin Gaggini was giving a 38-point handicap away to Aaron Whittemore, but he managed to gradually close the gap, only to be undone due to some fine potting from the youngster.

Going into the final frame of the night, Cue Sports were some 100 points behind, and Justin was facing mission impossible. After a few balls were potted the match was no longer retrievable for the home team. A good win by the D team putting out the winter league champions.

Higham SAS hosted Windmill Underdogs in their bout. Higham SAS won the Team Knockout competition in 2018 and they are looking to defend their title. Adam Burns got proceedings off to a good start as he hammered Frank Perkins. Adam Underwood and Neal Vaughan cancelled each other out in terms of points, but Neal did slot in a 31 break. Pete Beerten simply needed to tread water in the last couple of

frames against James Dolby, but he made certain by producing some of his best snooker and managed to beat James with ease. The Higham SAS advance to the next round having made a big statement with the most convincing win of the week.

Windmill B entertained Cue Sports Ball Bashers in the Quarter-Final of the Team Knockout and after two tightly contested frames between Tony Jupp and Steve Ridgewell the home side has a slender 9-point advantage. Roy Barlow led his first frame by 23 points with the colours remaining, but Ian Wiggins potted all of them to reduce the home side's lead before Barlow produced the decisive performance of the evening, winning the second frame by 52 points. This left Alan Jupp with a 57-point lead as he tied the first frame with Lee Bunker. Despite some fine potting and cunning safety play from Bunker, the Windmill B team eventually went through without trouble and now face a trip to Higham SAS in the Semi-Finals.

Still licking their wounds after finishing rock-bottom in the

winter season, the Windmill Warriors squared up to play Cue Sports Troopers this week. Richard Wright struggled in his two frames against Roger Hayes-Roome. Roger prevailed with a 50 point early lead for the Troopers. Michael Dicks took on Sean Britchford in the following two frames. The two players crossed swords, or snooker cues, and Michael was able to win and claw back the entire deficit to level things up. Sadly for Troopers, their last player failed to turn up. This meant that they had to trigger the nominated player rule which put them at a real disadvantage.

Roger Hayes-Roome was elected to play again against Warriors captain Paul Lewis. Paul was able to win both of the concluding frames as Roger, as the nominated player, had to play without his normal handicap head-start. The Warriors won the match and advance to the Semi-Finals.

We now edge towards the Final of the three winter competitions. In the Handicap Singles sponsored by League Chairman Paul Lewis, Mark Douglas was knocked out 3-0 in the Semi-Final by none other than Paul Lewis himself. In the other Semi-Final Darren Fenner eliminated Marc Brett 3-2 in a very close match.

In the Scratch Singles sponsored by Home Outlet Rushden, Marc Brett will play teammate Stewart Brown in their Semi-Final tussle.

The winner will play Richard Wright after he managed to dispatch James Rawlins 3-0. In the Handicap Doubles, father and son partnership Tony Jupp and Alan Jupp will play Pete Beerten and Adam Burns in the Final. All three Finals will take place at the Windmill Club in Rushden. They're all playing for the prestigious silverware as well as some very sizeable cash prizes!

If you are interested in joining the League, you can find us via Facebook or Google – East Northants Snooker League. We would welcome more teams.

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