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Kenley Airfield celebrates National Lottery grant

by James Highsted

Kenley Airfield Friends Group ('KAFG') has been on Cloud Nine after being awarded £881,000 by the National Lottery via the Heritage Lottery Fund.

The Kenley Revival Project, started in 2012, comprising KAFG, City of London and Historic England, was awarded the grant to preserve the airfield.

The Project plans to recruit 40-50 volunteers to help with the work which, with

additional donations from the respective groups, will bring the total value of the Project to f1.1 million.

The grant will also be used to create a virtual on-line museum, mobile exhibition and new information boards, with the work being carried out over the next three years.

The Kenley Revival Project will look to involve members of the community as much as possible and there

are also plans to establish a learning programme for schools.

Work has already begun on recruiting a Project Manager and a Learning and Volunteer Officer, with minor construction work to the site planned for spring 2016.

Kenley Airfield remains the most preserved airfield used during the Battle of Britain in 1940.

KAFG Chairman, Alan Morgan, said: "We really are thrilled. It is the culmination of three years' very hard



Delighted members of Kenley Airfield Friends Group by the Kenley Tribute, from left: KAFG Chairman, Alan Morgan, Carole Streeter, Andy Spencer Jones, Scott Lester, Lesley West and Mike Rodwell. Photo by James Highsted.

Contracts have now been exchanged to provide a 107 bed Premier Inn and a Beefeater restaurant on the old Rose & Young site in Caterham. See page 2 for full story.

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Rose & Young site contracts exchanged

The redevelopment of the former Rose and Young site, in Caterham, has taken a major step forward following the recent exchange of legal contracts between CoPlan Estates Ltd and Premier Inn.

CoPlan Estates Ltd, the preferred developer for the site, is currently preparing the planning application, which should be submitted early in 2016.

If the current owners of the site do not agree to sell the site to CoPlan Estates, an agreement is also in place for Tandridge District Council to use its Compulsory Purchaser Powers, to buy the site.

Colin McQueston, Director of CoPlan Estates, said: "We are delighted to have signed these two key legal agreements, which represent a significant step forward towards the long awaited development of this site. To have these agreements secured within three months of

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The site of the former car showroom in Caterham Valley.

our appointment as development partner for this site, demonstrates the commitment from all parties to deliver this project as quickly as possible."

Councillor Jane Ingham, Chairman of the Rose and Young Working Group, said: "This shows excellent progress on the plan to improve Caterham Town Centre and to return this site and this area of the town to a viable business location.

Louise Woodruff, Acquisition Manager for Premier Inn, said: "We are pleased to be working with CoPlan Estates to bring forward our proposed 107 bedroom Premier Inn Hotel and Beefeater Restaurant in Caterham. A new Premier Inn would deliver £12m in fresh investment, as well as creating 40 new year-round jobs and attracting more visitors to the local area."

Alzheimer's Society and Gatton Trust receives cash support from Art Funday

On Monday 19th October, cheques for £673 each were presented to the Alzheimer's Society and Gatton Trust, representing the proceeds of the first ever Art Funday held at Gatton Park in Reigate in July.

The idea for the Funday came from an art movement that is spreading across the globe - Free Art Friday, Artists leave a piece of art in a public place and let people know its whereabouts by social media. Whoever finds it first gets it! Local artist, Bogdan Zarkowski of Expired Posters and members of Art Matters, a local charity helping people to recover from mental health problems through art, organised a whole day of art treasurehunting following the Free Art Friday model.

Louise Miller from Gatton Park said: "I was really excited by the idea of families taking home their own piece of art, but rather than hiding numerous items of free art around the park, we hid 150 golden jelly babies. Each jelly baby was a token for families to claim their free artwork to take home with them!"

In addition to the art treasure hunt, visitors took part in numerous

other art-related activities including creating works of art using bicycle wheels, mud and spray cans. To help raise funds, Bogdan auctioned off a selection of his colourful posters signed by famous musicians. There was also musical entertainment by a live band and DJ Dave Roberts. For more information about Gatton Park please call Louise Miller on 07908 823183 or visit www.gattonpark.com



From left: David MacKenzie-Dewhirst of Art Matters, Louise Miller of Gatton Trust, Andrew Cornwall of the Alzheimer's Society and Bogdan Zarkowski of Expired Posters at the cheque presentation in the grounds of Gatton House. Photo by Ewa Zarkowska.



A pearl earring was found at Kenley Aerodrome on Wednesday, 21st October. Please call 01883 346641 if you think it may be yours.



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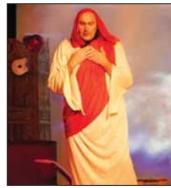
On Friday 25th and Sunday 27th September, audiences were treated to a night to remember when Musical Theatre "The Show" was performed at Warlingham Church Hall. John Lazenby, Chris, Nicky and Rosie Chambers, Louise Harter, and Alfie King performed songs from popular West End musicals including Mamma Mia, Jesus Christ Superstar, Phantom of the Opera, We Will Rock you and Oliver.

The idea for the show was conceived by John Lazenby, who sings at many local events and supports The Lily Foundation charity.

John said: "My interest in musical theatre came about as a result of me hearing Alfie Boe singing Bring him Home. This spurred me on and before I knew it I had included the song in my wedding repertoire. I sing it lots now. But I wanted more. So I put together the show in order to showcase local talent and to entertain the people of Warlingham. The show included sonas from most of the major West End musicals. This was also my very first stab at acting which I have to say I really loved. Thank you to the very talented cast Chris, Nicky, Rosie, Louise and Alfie. We will be doing more in the future so watch this space.'



Chris and Rosie Chambers performing a song from "Annie". Photo by Martin Hesketh.



John Lazenby in "Jesus Christ, Superstar". Photo by Martin Hesketh.





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Youngsters run 5K in aid of disadvantaged children

On Saturday 10th October, a group of ten dedicated young volunteers took part in a 5K Colour Run in Brighton to raise funds to provide local children with creative experiences that they will never forget. The Caterham-based char-

ity, Delight, provides art

experiences, books and toys for children in disadvantaged communities.

In 2014/15 Delight provided 1,000 books and 520 toys to disadvantaged children and funded 358 children going to see a show at a theatre.

So far the 5K run has raised \pounds 450 for the charity. To make a donation visit

https://www.justgiving.com /DelightRunners

Quick Quiz

by Alec Herbert With Autumn well and truly here and the leaves now falling, five questions on trees:

1. In what type of tree did King Charles II hide following the battle of Worcester?

2. Which film saw the first appearance of the horror character Freddie Kruger?

3. The leaf of which tree is the national emblem of Canada?

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Book your tickets for the Caterham Round Table Beer Festival 2015!

This year's Round Table Beer Festival is being held again at the Soper Hall in Harestone Valley Road, Caterham on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st November.

Last year around 1,000 people attended the event, consuming around 5,000 pints of real ale and cider over the course of the two days.

There are three sessions to choose from, 6pm-11pm on the Friday and 12 noon-5pm and 6pm-11pm on the Saturday. Tickets costing £5 (to include a souvenir glass) have gone on sale at JJ Browne Jewellers, 10 Godstone Road, Caterham Valley and Computer Solutions, 5b High Street, Caterham-on-the-Hill. For more information about sponsorship opportunities visit www.caterhambeerfestival.com.



Friends say goodbye to Church Walk manager, Shelley.

Friends and colleagues bid Church Walk Manager, Shelley Filippi, a fond farewell at her leaving do at the Old Surrey Hounds in Caterham Valley on Friday 16th October.

Shelley was inundated with cards, flowers and gifts from the friends she has made during her nine years in Caterham. Under Shelley's management, the centre has won a number of awards over the years including a 'Highly

e Commended' award for Manager of the Year for Shelley last July.

Shelley said: The past nine years have been full of happy memories and I can honestly say that Caterham has been the friendliest shopping centre and town centre I have ever managed. We have achieved many things over the past years such as the recent mall and toilet refurbishment and joint community events, Arts Festival and Christmas lights switch on."

Lyne Boyd takes over as the new Centre Manager on Monday 9th November.

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Alan continued: "It is tremendous for Kenley and we wanted to make sure that the airfield was preserved to remember everybody who served there during the Battle of Britain, which was a crucial battle in this country's history."

Stuart Hobley, Head of the Heritage Lottery Fund in London, said: "Kenley Common is an incredible example of outer London's heritage; an important local story of ordinary lives making an extraordinary contribution for the whole country. Thanks to National Lottery players we were able to invest into the Kenley Revival Project as the whole nation commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. The Project will bring local people together and inspire them to take an active role in the site's future and encourage visitors from further afield to come and learn about Kenley's pivotal role in the Second World War." For more information visit www.kafg.org.uk



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A re-enactment of air defence at Kenley Airfield.



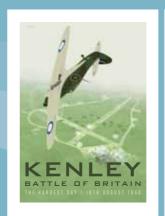
Tending to this neglected blast pen will form part of the work to be carried out by the Kenley Revival Project.



Helen Hammer and Clir. Beverley Connolly at Shelley's leaving do at the Old Surrey Hounds. Photo by Sonia Hunt.



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Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

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With light levels and temperatures rapidly diminishing, the 2015 season is coming to a close. However, there are still plenty of jobs when the weather allows. First, the nets have been put over the big pond. The beech trees are some way away, but rotting leaves make a lot of extra work, and if we get the promised bad winter, and the pond is icy for any time, the leaves soon make the water toxic for the fish.

I try and leave my ceramic pots on bricks or feet all year, as its easy to forget as winter approaches, but if the wet soil freezes, and expands, there is quite a chance the pot will crack. Winter drainage is essential if we get lots of rain, so often it is waterlogging that kills, not the cold.

This year, to protect plants over winter, I have bought a couple of new cold frames. These are made of polycarbonate and look quite



Sue Baines

flimsy. However, I inherited one, which lasted just about ten years. They are very cheap, but the main advantage is how easy they are to move and store away in the summer and vice-versa.

Leaves on the lawn are being mown as quickly as possible, as left, they can seriously impair it. Nearby leaves are also included, as once chopped they compost so much more quickly, making it worth getting the mower out, although the grass no longer needs a cut. Most of the bulbs are planted, and the dahlias protected. Now it is time to look at the photographs of the garden, seed catalogues, and put my feet up until next year.

Plans forge ahead for Anglo-German partnership

On Thursday 8th October, a second meeting took place at the Portcullis Club at Kenley Airfield to discuss the proposed partnership between Kenley/Caterham and Neu-Anspach in Germany.

Having recently returned from a long summer visit, Hartmut and Evelyn Klein were pleased to report that they had made a number of contacts in Germany who were interested in a partnership with Kenley and Caterham, especially the Mayor of Neu-Anspach who recommended it to the Neu-Anspach Council for deliberation. Earlier this month the Neu-Anspach Council contacted their local schools for their opinion on the partnership.

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 9th February at the Portcullis Club, when the feedback from the German schools will be analysed and a direct contact with the International Association in Neu-Anspach will be established to find out their views. For more information e-mail Hartmut at kleihar@web.de.

Old Coulsdon showcases photographic talent

On Saturday 24th and Sun-day 25th October, Old Coulsdon Camera Club held their annual exhibition of photographs in Cameron Hall in Old Coulsdon Congregational Church.

A steady flow of visitors went along to enjoy the large and impressive display of monochrome prints, colour prints and a rolling digital display of images, all produced by members of the club.

The exhibition featured the winners of the Tony Clark Monochrome Award, won this year by Linda Morris who also won the Chairman's Cup



A display of the winners of the Tony Clark Monochrome Print Award.

for the Digital Award. The Millennium Cup for the Colour Award was won by Erica Moser.

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Dr. Helen Czerski opens Woldingham's **Refurbished Science** Centre

On Monday 21st September, Woldingham School's refurbished Science Centre was officially opened by Guest of Honour, the physicist, oceanographer and BBC presenter, Dr. Helen Czerski. A reception in the Science Centre was held to mark the occasion, attended by the Headmistress, Governors, Senior Management Team, past and present Science staff, architects, builders, and furniture suppliers, along with the Head Girl and her Deputies.

Following the reception, Helen gave a fascinating talk to girls, parents and staff in the school's Auditorium on 'Patterns in Science'; her enthusiasm and breadth of knowledge kept the audience captivated, and the evening finished with an entertaining Question and Answer session.

The three year project commenced in summer 2014 with the refurbishment of two laboratories to trial de-



Dr. Helen Czerski with Head Girl, Seun Ibitoye (left) and-Deputy Head Girl, Hannah Baker.

signs. Summer 2015 saw the major refurbishment phase, including four labs, staff room, preparation room, the central hall, external cladding and new windows as well as the roof-top greenhouse.

A different approach had to be given to each of the three separate sciences to ensure maximum space and appropriate usage for each discipline. In Physics, the rooms were orientated through 90 degrees to the original layout to allow for three rows of benching and a demo bench at the back.

The Chemistry lab allows for lots of group practical work. The Biology lab makes use of two sweeping curves with a moveable demo bench at the front for dissections and other demonstrations.

All labs have been upgraded with the latest touch screen whiteboards, much to the excitement of the students, and new lighting has made the spaces bright places in which to learn. The final three labs and the second prep room will be completed in summer 2016.

Dunottar pupil selected to represent Surrey in lacrosse

pupil from Dunottar School in Reigate has been selected to represent Surrey in lacrosse.

Emma Longstaff, 14, has netted a place as an U15 B reserve in the Surrey lacrosse squad. Emma, who also plays for

Reigate Priory's Dragonflies, attended the Surrev lacrosse trials at the recommendation of her team manager.

Elaine Pieters, Head of Girls'



Emma Longstaff.

P.E. at Dunottar School, said: "Emma is one of our dedicated sportsmost women - her success in the U15 Surrey trials is well deserved, and we wish her every success."

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Beechwood Road development boasts brand new replica bell tower thanks to the craftsmen at **Evergreen Joinery**

The new housing development on the site of the old Adult Education Centre in Beechwood Road, Caterham Valley, is boasting a beauti-ful, new, replica bell tower thanks to the skills of the team at Evergreen Joinery. The company, based on the High Street, Caterham-onthe-Hill, was delighted when the developers, Hill Partnerships Ltd. approached them to construct the framework for the tower support section and the bell tower itself.

Richard Colwill, owner of Evergreen Joinery, said: "The developers wanted to use local, traditional joiners and we felt very privileged when they came to us. Tt was a huge job but we felt very excited to be doing something associated with our local heritage. Our number one joiner, Stan Brooker, has about 30 years' worth of knowledge and there is nothing you could not ask him to do.' Evergreen were also asked

to restore the decorative ironmongery on top of the tower's spire, so Richard invited highly skilled ironmon-Richard Hogben, of ger, Hill-Frader in Kenley, to create the new wrought-iron flowers to replace the ones flowers to to that were missing.

Richard would be the right person for the ironmongery part of the job because his workmanship is fantastic. The developers were very complimentary about all the aspects of our level of service. They were blown away!" Richard's partner, Mandy Lee, said: "The bell tower makes us feel very proud. It is lovely to think: "We did that" every time we drive past it. It is especially significant for me because my career started in the old Adult Education Centre because it was there that I bookkeeping went to classes."

Evergreen on 01883 342574.



The Evergreen team, from left: Jason Scoones, Jaidean Bird, Stan Brooker, Mandy Lee and Richard Colwill.



For more information call The replica bell tower constructed by Evergreen Joinery





Essendene Lodge School pupils show their support for St Catherine's Hospice Santa Run!

On Tuesday, 13th October, pupils at Essendene Lodge School in Caterham donned Santa suits, hats and beards in support of the St. Catherine's Hospice Santa Run on Sunday 22nd November at Caterham School.

This is the fourth year Essendene Lodge School pupils have taken part in the Caterham Santa Run and this year, they are working hard on getting some early training in, so why not join them?

The St Catherine's Caterham Santa Run will bring together crowds of lookalike Santas to run 3km and raise money for their local hospice. The festive fun-runners will complete a loop of the grounds of Caterham School in Harestone Valley Road, returning to the start line for a congratulatory medal and mince pie.

Michaela Clements, Events Fundraiser at St Catherine's, said: "Last year saw over 100 runners take part in our Caterham Santa Run. This year, we hope to see even more people coming out to put on a Santa suit and support St Catherine's. Each year, it costs us £180,000 to fund our care during the 12 days of Christmas and your support will help us to continue to be there for



Essendene Lodge pupils get on their marks for this year's Santa Run.

patients and their family and friends throughout the festive season and to make sure their Christmas is as special as possible."

Registration in advance costs £13 for adults, £8 for children under 16 and £30 for a family (two adults, two children under 16) before Wednesday 18th November or £17 for adults, £10 for children and £40 for a family on the day.

To register for this year's Santa Run and help raise money for a great cause please visit:

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Oasis students organise collection for Syrian refugees

Students and staff at Oasis Academy Coulsdon have been moved by the recent news highlighting the plight of Syrian refugees fleeing their homes in fear of their safety. Youth worker, Stacey Clark, said: "We wanted to help by doing something practical and being able to provide them with clothing, shoes and warm blankets seemed like one of the most practical things we could do"

In a bid to help those who have had to flee, the students, with the support of Stacey, began a collection in the local community for donations of clothing and blankets in mid-September

Stacey said: "We started collecting four weeks prior to our drop off date as we were anxious to make sure we had a reasonable amount to take with us to the drop point. However, we actually had to stop taking donations a week prior to this as we have received such a staggering amount of support for this cause and were running out of storage space; we are truly overwhelmed by the generosity of the Coulsdon community".

Year 9 students, George Funnell, Callum Cross, Max Francis, Robert

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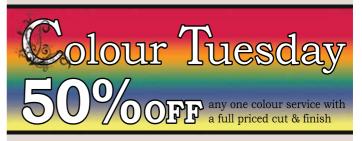


Oasis Academy boys with the huge pile of clothes for Syrian refugees.

Herring, Hazem El Tawil, Dominic Terry, Dominic Munn, Nathan Cook, Jesse-James Ahlijah and Gus Farndon spent hours sorting the dontions into men's, women's and children's garments. The boys took the bagged clothing and blankets, over 40 bin liners full, to West Croydon Baptist Church on Friday 9th October for distribution. Unfortunately it has not proven possible to find an organisation who will be able to take the donations abroad, but instead the items will be passed on to refugees in the South East of England who are in desperate need of items such as these. The boys have said that they are just pleased that after all of the work that has gone into the collection, the donations will all be going to those who are in need.



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Visit Fiona at 4Cs Acupuncture for expert treatment the traditional way

by Julia Church

Having never experienced an acupuncture treatment before, I was curious to know what to expect when I visited Fiona Wallis at her Buxton Lane clinic in Caterham recently.

After completing a detailed medical questionnaire and discussing the procedure with Fiona, I relaxed back onto the couch ready for the treatment. Although I have no specific physical ailments that I was seeking treatment for, Fiona explained that acupuncture can treat a whole variety of conditions (some unexpected to me) of the mind, body and spirit. My busy lifestyle can certainly be stressful at times, so I was interested to see if acupuncture could help me to relax.

To begin with, Fiona took my pulse - one of the subtle, diagnostic methods she uses to sense any disharmony/imbalance in my body. During this time she told me about her fascinating journey from being a medical health pro-



sional qualifications are on display in the corner of her Buxton Lane clinic room.

fessional as a radiographer, to practising as a traditional (not medical) acupuncturist. Fiona started to study Chinese Medicine when she lived in Hong Kong in the '90s. On her return to England, she underwent a four-year course in Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture at the International College of Oriental Medicine in East Grinstead. Fiona said: "The training was taught from classical texts but also included the usual biomedicine and pathology. However, I still do continuous professional development every year as the learning proces is continual.



qualifications, Fiona is also a member of the British Acupuncture Council and has a Tandridge District Council special licence for acupuncture. "It is essential that people undergoing acupuncture treatment check their acupuncturist is registered," said Fiona.

I was impressed by how relaxing and painless the process was and Fiona explained everything fully throughout my treatment.

For more information visit Fiona's website at www.4Cs-Acupuncture.org or call her on 07855 394428.

It is Firework Night and 'Build a Guy' time!

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Caterham Round Table are gearing up for their annual spectacular Firework Display on the Dene Field on Saturday 7th November (see advert on facing page). In advance of the event, tickets can be purchased at the reduced rate of £4 from South Anston and Costcutters in Westway, Caterham-on-the-Hill: Computer Solutions and Butlers in the High Street in Caterham-on-the-Hill and Tax Assist in Croydon Road and JJ Browne Jewellers in Godstone Road, Caterham Valley.

Round Table Firework Officer, Haydn Lamb, said: "We had a great display last year, and we're planning to really wow the crowds this year!' Local children are invited to enter the Build a Guy competition on the Dene Field next to Caterham Dene Hospital on the day of the display. Simply take your Guy along to the field by 1pm to be judged and the winner will win £50. All entrants will receive a free ticket to the display.



Last year's spectacular display. Photo by Jon Harrison.





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Eating Out Enjoy the South American experience at El Rancho

Review by Julia Church

A steak house may not be the first choice of restaurant for a vegetarian, but on a visit to El Rancho in Croydon Road, Caterham Valley with my partner Roger recently, I had a very enjoyable meal.

We received a friendly welcome from our waiter, Miguel, and were soon comfortably seated and enjoying the atmosphere. Roger's first impression was good, saying that it felt very nice in the contemporary surroundings and I especially liked the Latino music in the backaround.

Roger chose a tapas dish of Gambas Al Ajillo (Prawns in Garlic and Fresh Chilli) for his starter and I chose the Provoleta Argentina (Friend Provolone Cheese). I had never easten or even heard of Provolone Cheese before so I was intrigued, being a cheese enthusiast.

The cheese was different from anything I have had before, a really tasty treat that I can

kick. The generous portion was very filling, so Roger shared some of it with me to go with his spicy prawns. He agreed with me that it was a great choice of starter. At present, the menu does not feature any vegetarian main courses, so I simpy selected three vegetable side dishes for my main; the Cream Spinach, the Portobello Mushrooms and the Roasted Vegetables.

The food was presented with a flower painted onto the ,plate with sauces for decoration verv `nouveau cuisine' as a fellow diner put it! An impressive treble clef decorated Roger's steak plate, so we were highly impressed with the beautiful presentation of our food. Roger had ordered the 10oz

Ribeye with French Fries and side order of Portobello а Mushrooms. There was also a choice of an 8oz or 12oz Ribeye, and 8oz, 10oz or 12oz Rump, Sirloin and Fillet steaks on the menu at prices ranging from £12.45-£29.45

In addition to the steaks there are chicken dishes, homemade Hamburger and Beef Escalope on the menu.

Roger's steak was cooked just how he liked it and he said the flavour was very good - he had not wanted to disquise the flavour with any of the best describe as being a bit sauces on offer. I very much like Halloumi but with a spicy enjoyed my vegetarian meal,



The restaurant interior.



The Provoleta Argentina

which was very filling. The owner, Robert, is planning to introduce children's meals in the near future and one or two South American fish dishes for his diners to enjoy.







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A second Five Star Hygiene Award for **Bollywood!**

The team at Bollywood Indian restaurant at 19 Godstone Road, Caterham Valley, are delighted to have been re-awarded the Five Star Food Hygiene rating by Tandridge District Council.

Owner of the restaurant, Amin Miah, said that the inspections are extremely rigorous, with no prior warning, and the inspector made her way directly to the kitchen on her arrival.

"It was nerve-wracking, even though we keep everything scrupulously clean," said Amin.

However, Amin explained that the award is not only for keeping the kitchen clean but also for their food preparation techniques and using fresh ingredients.

Amin said: "Once a cus-tomer has placed their order they have to wait while the chef makes the meal individually to suit that customer's taste - we do not have one big bucket of Chicken Korma in the



From left: Head waiter Khan. chef Shamim Miah and restaurant owner Amin Miah.

kitchen to serve to everyone who orders it.'

The chef is Amin's brother, Shamim, who previously worked at Canary Wharf. His culinary skills and experience earned him a runner-up prize in a recent curry competition held in Kent. On 15th February next year the restaurant will be celebrating 11 years in Caterham.

The restaurant is now starting to take bookings for Christmas parties, so to book a table call the restaurant on 01883 349877.

Rotary Cake Sale raises funds for **Cancer Research**

On Saturday 17th October, Caterham Harestone Rotary Club held a Coffee and Cake Sale and raffle at the Soper Hall in Caterham Valley in aid of Cancer Research. The bustling morning raised £475, which was topped up to £500 with club funds to donate to the charity. Secretary of Caterham Hare-

stone Rotary, Nick Drake, said: "Special thanks should go to the local traders includ-

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Visit www.caterhamharestone-rotary.co.uk for more information about the club.



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the Caterham Harestone ladies.

BOOT SALE de Stafford School PSA Saturday 7th November Saturday 5th December Open for sellers at 7am £8 per stall **Failed Units Faulty Hinges** Open for buyers at 8am £1 entry for buyers before 8.30am 50p entry for buyers after 8.30am Then We Can Almost Certainly Help Refreshments available de Stafford School. Crystal Clear Partnership 01883 342201 07736 907873 Burntwood Lane, Caterham CR3 5YX

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What's On

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On Saturday 21st ,November Caterham, Oxted and Godstone Lions are holding a Spanish Themed Dinner with Flamenco entertainment at the White Hart Barn in Godstone. There will be a cash bar and a raffle. Tickets cost £12.50 each. To book call 01883 742680.

Motown Niaht On Saturday 14th November, a Motown Night is being held from 8pm-11.30pm at the Caterham British Legion in Town End, Caterham. Tickets cost £7 and there will be a raffle in support of Help for Heroes and a licensed bar. For tickets call 01737 551242.

Local History Talk The Bourne Society are holding an Open Meeting at Farleigh Golf Club, Old Farleigh Road, Farleigh CR6 9PE on Friday 13th November at 7.30pm for 8pm. Bethlem Royal Hospital archivist, Colin Gale, will be giving a talk entitled: "This Your Hospital", with memories of Warlingham Park Hospital, featuring

films from the 1950s and photographs. Entry by £5 ticket only from 'Sunstar', 33 Harrow Road, Farleigh or by post (enclosing cheque and SAE) from the Bourne Society, 6 Tupwood Lane, Caterham CR3 6DA. For more information call the Bourne Society on 01883 349745.

de Stafford Boot Sale On Saturday 7th November and Saturday 5th December, a Boot Sale is taking place at de Stafford School in Burntwood Lane, Caterham. Open for sellers at 7am, £8 a stall. Open for buyers at 8am. Entry for buyers £1 before 8.30am and 50p after 8.30am. Refreshments available.

Barbershop Women's Chorus

Caterham Overseas Aid Trust are presenting the award-winning Women's Barbershop Chorus on Saturday 14th November at St. John's Church, Clareville Road, Caterham. Tickets cost £10 to include a glass of wine or a soft drink. To book call 01883 380104 or 07905 718346.

St. John's Xmas Fair

St John's Church are hold-

Nature Notes

by Adele Brand

Minus 16 degrees at dawn and the Alberta prairies are glowing amber - this is Wilderness, this horizon unbroken by human endeavour. Wild meadows and wild lakes, clean and vivid under a sky as clear as glass. There are grizzlies here, and elk that swim glacial rivers, and wolves that wander the arev mountains.

And a kitten. It's huddled on a frigid log beside a dirt track more often used by pumas. It must have been abandoned by a riding stable some miles away. It is cold, scared and in all honestly, just feels odd. Pet cat and wild nature; they don't fit.

Cats don't work well as part of English nature either. When felines meet truly wild animals, it often ends badly. We may not have pumas in Surrey to threaten our cats, but the cats themselves are a real threat to

ing their annual Fair which will have many seasonal stalls including homemade cakes and produce, gifts, Christmas crafts and



Alberta stray kitten. Photo by Adele Brand.

protected reptiles, birds and mammals. The welfare cost of allowing pets to attack wildlife is almost beyond calculation. It hurts people, too, when they're trying to help garden wildlife - giving something back to nature, only to have their efforts undone by the neighbours' pet.

I love cats. I helped save the life of that freezing kitten in Canada, and many others. But their toll on wildlife cannot carry on. Keeping cats inside between dusk and dawn and giving them bright-coloured collars can reduce their impact. Our wild neighbours would ask us to try.

cards. Entrance is 50p which includes tea/coffee and a biscuit. Hot lunches will also be available from 11.30am.



His funeral is taking place at 12.45pm at St. Richard's Chapel, Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Balcombe Road, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 3NQ on Friday 6th November 2015.

The reception afterwards is being held at The Caterham Arms, Coulsdon Road, Caterham on-the-Hill, from approximately 2.30pm.

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