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# East Surrey Museum's future secured for next five years

On Friday 14th July, East Surrey Museum in Caterham Valley celebrated a positive year, as the lease on its premises was signed for a further five years with Tandridge District Council. Chairman of the Trustees of the Museum, Roger Packham, said: "We are delighted that Tandridge Councillors recognise the value of the Museum to the

whole community and were so supportive in enabling us to stay in this iconic building.

"We are also very fortunate and grateful to have had support from many of the local Parish Councils this year and we look forward to working with them in the future to mutual benefit." At this year's AGM, Councillor Beverley Connolly

stepped down after eight years as Chairman of the Management Committee, and the newly elected Chairman, Councillor Rod Stead, thanked her for her enthusiastic support and commitment over recent years.

Clir. Stead congratulated and thanked all the volunteers who keep the Museum running for the community throughout the year, and also thanked the curator, Chris Taylor, for all his commitment to the success and progress of the Museum.



Cllr. Beverly Connolly congratulates new Chairman, Cllr. Rod Stead with the curator of East Surrey Museum, Chris Taylor.

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# Caterham Rotary Club installs new defibrillator at Waitrose

Caterham Rotary Club and Waitrose Caterham are pleased to announce the installation of a new defibrillator, which has been installed on the main outside wall of the store, which is next to Caterham Station.

Last year brand new defibrillators were purchased for Caterham courtesy of the two Caterham Rotary Clubs, who arranged for one to be installed in High Street, Caterham outside Park & Bailey Estate Agents and the other at The Chaldon Village Hall. Caterham Valley Parish Council also funded a new defibrillator, which is at the Soper Hall in Harestone Valley Road.

Richard Rostill, Manager of Waitrose, said: "Caterham Rotary Club should be applauded for their continued efforts in ensuring these life-saving pieces of equipment are more readily available in the town."

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In response, Roger Easter, Marketing and Communciations, Caterham Rotary Club, said: "We are delighted with this link up with Waitrose Caterham. We have worked closely with the resuscitation unit of the ambulance service for advice and guidance and in the event of an emergency requiring an AED, a person making a 999 call will be directed to the nearest equipment site."

Caterham Rotary are now planning to install a defibrillator in the Whyteleafe area and news of this will



(From left) Richard Rostill, Manager Waitrose; Sarah Jones, Partner Manager Waitrose and Roger Easter, Caterham Rotary Club.

be announced in the next few weeks.

# The Soper Hall - going from strength to strength!

by Cllr. Beverley Connolly

The last few months have been an exciting time for the Soper Hall. The success of our marketing and promotional strategy has resulted in high levels of bookings from both ad hoc and regular hirers. Indeed, classes on offer now at the Soper Hall include Zumba, fencing, Slimming World, Starsteppers dance, Yoga (three classes), aerobics (three classes), maths, guitar, adult education and more. Our increased range of community events, from our popular Makers Markets to the Comedy and Soul Nights, has meant that we are accumulating funds to spend on much needed improvements to the Hall.

The CAB moved from the Soper Hall at the beginning of the year to purpose-built offices at Caterham Valley Library. This change meant that we could knock through the warren of offices in the ex-CAB wing to transform the space into a wonderful new hall, which we have named the Garland Hall.

We have also redecorated the lobby adjacent to the hall and this is now a bright, clean inviting area.

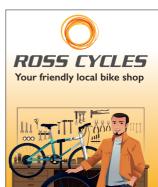
In addition to this, we have made essential repairs to the roof and installed new double-glazed windows to the rear of the building.

To celebrate this success, we are having an official opening ceremony of the new Garland Hall on Friday 8th September to coincide with our AGM. Anybody who is interested to view our beautiful new improvements should email admin@soperhall.org.uk for timings.









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#### Local councillors urge residents to oppose plans to close Bond Road **Recycling Centre**

Warlingham Parish Council is urging local residents to oppose the closure of the Bond Road Recycling Centre, which forms one of Surrey County Council's ("SCC's") proposals to save up to £2million. SCC has launched a consultation on the proposals that include the permanent closure of three further Community Recycling Centres ("CRCs") in Surrey, as well as the closure of other CRCs for two days a week and ending the free daily allowance of construction waste.

Cllr. Simon Morrow, who is the Lib Dem Tandridge District Councillor for Warlingham East and Chairman of Warlingham Parish Council, said: "The Parish Council has written a strong letter of objection to SCC. Everyone here thinks it will be an absolute disaster. If it closes down, everyone will have to go to the Caterham Recycling Centre. We have to pull out all the stops to prevent this happening.

Lib Dem SCC councillor for Caterhamon-the-Hill, Cllr. Chris Botten, said: "The Bond Road CRC was refurbished last year at a cost to the public purse of £103k, which would be completely wasted. The impact on the Chaldon Road CRC in Caterham would be immense, especially with the proposed closure for an extra day, as we saw when the Bond Road tip was being re-furbished. The traffic for Chaldon Road frequently queued back to the High

Street, causing a major traffic hazard. In addition to this, the impact on fly-tipping will be huge - a bill which the District Council has to pick up."

In SCC's statement about the consultation on the proposals, Mike Goodman, SCC's Cabinet Member for Environment and Planning, said: "We face very tough decisions and we very much regret having to make these proposals but we have to save more than £100million this year alone, including £2million from CRCs, to deal with rising demand for things like children's services, adult social care and school places. Despite that, our proposals would mean there would still be a comprehensive network of CRCs across the county and we will also continue our work to tackle fly-tipping, which has dropped by more than 1,000 tonnes over the past year."

In response to SCC's statement, Conservative Tandridge District Councillor for Chaldon, Pat Cannon, said: "Whilst I fully understand the difficult financial position SCC currently faces, to close Bond Road at this time before an alternative site in the local area capable of covering both the Warlingham and Caterham sites is provided would be illconceived. I hope that SCC will postpone any such move until proper provision is made. I urge everyone to get involved and respond to the consultation."

To take part in the consultation visit www.surrey.gov.uk/recyclingcentres by Monday 7th August 2017 or by completing the paper form in Warlingham Library.

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## Local Plan Garden Villages Consultation



#### Have your say between 14 August and 9 October

This consultation identifies possible locations for a garden village. Visit our website and come along to our public exhibition events to find out more.

| Venue  | Date                     | Time                |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Nutfield Village Hall, Mid Street,<br>South Nutfield, <b>RH1 4JJ</b>   | Tuesday<br>22 August     | 3.30pm to 8pm       |
| Douglas Brunton Centre, 25<br>Chaldon Road, Caterham,<br>CR3 5PG   | Wednesday<br>30 August   | 3.30pm to 8pm       |
| South Godstone Sports and<br>Community Association Hall,<br>The Pavilion, Lagham Road,<br>South Godstone, <b>RH9 8HN</b> | Tuesday<br>5 September   | 3.30pm to 8pm       |
| Lingfield Primary School,<br>Vicarage Road, Lingfield,<br>RH7 6HA  | Friday<br>8 September    | 3.30pm to 8pm       |
| St John's Church Hall,<br>Eastbourne Road, Blindley<br>Heath, <b>RH7 6JR</b>   | Thursday<br>14 September | 3.30pm to<br>7.30pm |





www.tandridge.gov.uk/localplan

#### Council removes Chaldon as one of the sites to be considered for Garden Village

On Thursday 20th July, Tandridge District Council issued a statement to say that they will no longer be considering Chaldon as one of the locations being put forward for a garden village development. Recent evidence on the location, which encompassed land at Alderstead and Tollsworth Farm, has now demonstrated this area has a number of issues which cannot be overcome and it will not be included in the Local Plan: Garden Villages Consultation, which starts shortly.

Each location put forward for consideration for a garden village development has been subject to rigorous assessment and evidence gathering. In the Council's view, emerging evidence on the Chaldon location has now demonstrated that because of a number of key considerations, including access issues, negative impact on the landscape and its setting within an area of outstanding natural beauty, the location should no longer be considered. The four locations which will now be

The four locations which will now be consulted on are:

- · Blindley Heath;
- · Edenbridge, land west of Edenbridge;
- · Redhill Aerodrome:
- · South Godstone.

See adjacent advertisement for full details of the consultation.

As part of ongoing work on the preparation of the Local Plan, members of the

Local Plan Working Group have met all developers who submitted plans for the proposed locations. This has given the Council the opportunity to challenge developers on their ability to deliver infrastructure and community benefits. The Council has made it clear they will not proceed with any development unless it will deliver benefits for the local community and district as a whole. Notes from the sessions are available at www.tandridge.gov.uk

Councillor Peter Bond, Chairman of the Planning Policy Committee, said: "The evidence gathering on the locations is a rigorous process. We are now satisfied the Chaldon location is not a viable option and we will therefore no longer be considering it as a location for a garden village. We will continue to update residents regularly and look forward to hearing their views during the upcoming consultation as we decide on the future of our district together."

Chairman of Chaldon Village Council, Bob Milton, said: "I am delighted that TDC has now agreed with Chaldon Village Council that the land to the west of Chaldon is totally unsuitable for development. Apart from the high value of the landscape and ecology any development would face serious infrastructure problems. This site should never have been given serious consideration as the location for a new garden village and I am pleased that TDC have made this decision now prior to the forthcoming regulation 18 Consultation."













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#### Kenley Airfield's **WWII** heritage revealed at Festival of Archeology

Visitors to Kenley Airfield had the opportunity to learn about its fascinating history recently, at the airfield's Festival of Archaeology weekend on 22nd and 23rd July.

The event was the culmination of a week of excavation work carried out by 25 volunteers that revealed evidence of the airfield's association with WWII and the Battle of Britain. Volunteers were trained and supervised by Historic England and Museum of London Archaeology.

Hours of "concrete scraping" by the volunteers had revealed the position of important sites that had become overgrown and concealed over the years. One such site was a "dispersal hut" close to one of the airfield's fighter pens, where pilots would pass the time close to their aircraft ready to leap into action when the calls for action came.

Visitors were also shown the work taking place to restore the fighter pen closest to Hayes Lane, where the RAF Kenley Tribute is situated.

The weekend showcased the work of the Kenley Revival Proiect being undertaken by the



Cara Pfarre, Information Ranger for City of London Corporation and Marie-Rose, Kenley Revival Project Manager, with some of the artefacts found during the excavations.

City of London Corporation, Historic England and Kenley Airfield Friends Group.

Marie Tullev-Rose, Kenlev Revival Project Manager for the City of London Corporation, "The work taking place here demonstrates a fantastic connection between nature and heritage and maintaining the history on our doorstep. We are very grateful to the Heritage Lottery Fund for their grant that has enabled this project to take place."

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Jane Sidell, Inspector of Ancient Monuments for Historic England, showing visitors the base of the dispersal hut revealed by "concrete scraping".

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## Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

With a lovely, but sometimes turbulent summer, the Alstroemerias have absolutely held their own and shone through. I had nine starter plants three years ago and have been lucky enough to supplement them with some fantastic plants from various garden opens. I have had lots of compliments about them, but most people didn't realise that when the flower finishes, it is important to twist and pull the whole stem out, rather than just cutting off the tops, which is what most "dead-heading" entails. This will then hopefully trigger further flowering. A feed with tomato fertiliser will also help to encourage the next flush, which may not be quite as prolific as the first, but a lovely addition to the late garden, along with the Dahlias, Asters, Salvias and Echinacea. Geoff's supports have proved invaluable (although I could still do with more). They are a bit expensive to start with, but they will last forever and are easily stored. Similar supports are available in the garden centre.



Sue Baines.

This is the month I start to take cuttings, although I always have a trough with multi-purpose soil. Any bits that get damaged end up there, though often without a label, which can be interesting. Apart from the troughs, I usually use a mix of multi-purpose and fine grit. This goes into 9cm pots. The cuttings have all their lower leaves taken off, and are put around the side of the pot. I don't use hormone rooting powder, though many do.

It is important to keep an eye on the weather. If it's hot they stay under the greenhouse bench in old plant trays. If it's cold and dull they will go into the propagators (turned on) but without the lids. Any mouldy leaves are taken off quickly.

It is only August, but I'm already thinking of next year!

## QUICK QUIZ

by Alec Herbert

With the warm weather five questions on drink:

- 1. Bourbon is named after Bourbon county, which is in which American state?
- 2. The wines Tokay and Bulls' Blood come from which European country?
- 3. Who wrote the line "I hadn't the heart to touch my breakfast, I told Jeeves to drink it himself"?
- 4. Which Eurovision winning group took their name from that given to a cocktail of champagne and Guinness?
- 5. The first and chief brewery for Foster's lager is in which Australian city?

#### Answers:

1. Kentucky; 2. Hungary; 3. P G Woodhouse (said by Bertie Wooster); 4. Bucks Fizz (won Eurovision 1981); 5. Melbourne.

## Caterham Bowling Club supports East Surrey Dial-a-Ride by David Hodgson

The Caterham Bowling Club held its annual Charity Day at its green in Queen's Park on Sunday 2nd July. The match was in aid of its nominated charity, East Surrey Dial-a-Ride, to support its greatly valued service in providing fully accessible transport for the elderly and infirm.

The event was blessed with perfect weather and, in addition to a relaxed, although quite competitive, completion during the afternoon, there was a magnificent tombola, cake stall and other side shows.

The Charity Day raised over £500 to assist East Surrey Diala-Ride in continuing to offer their service. The presentation took place at the clubhouse on Friday 14th July.

East Surrey Dial-a-Ride greatly appreciate this generous donation and are proud to display a plaque on their vehicles indicating this support, incorporating the Caterham Bowling Club logo.

Both organisations welcome new members and the Bowls Club holds "drop in" taster sessions every Sunday morning



Caterham Bowling Club Gentlemen's Captain, Ray Bishop, presenting the cheque for £500 to the Chairman of East Surrey Dial-a-Ride, David Hodgson.

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## The Lord's Taverners hand over new school minibus to Clifton Hill School.

The official handover of Clifton Hill School's brand new took minibus place Wednesday 21st June. The special event was a big success and highly enjoyed by all that attended. Head Teacher, Lucy Wijsveld, said: "We are delighted to have a new minihus which will be used every day for out of school activities, visits to the community and school trips. We are so

grateful to The Lord's Tayerners for giving us this wonderful bus

The photo below shows a representative of The Lord's Taverners with Lucy Wijsveld (left) and Assistant Head, Jane Allen (right) and two lucky students who had a wonderful time at The Mad Hatter's Tea Party at The Hurlingham Club in London, where the presentation took place.

## **Oasis Academy Coulsdon OZone students celebrate** course completion

Year 8 students from Oasis Academy Coulsdon's OZone unit for autistic students have been reaching new heights, completing a course in Teamwork and Citizenship from CVQO. Students were required to work together, lead a team, support each other and try new experiences. Throughout the course they completed various projects such as creating fundraising activities that

earned over £100 for Battersea Dogs Home, learning lifesaving skills and cooking their own meals over a campfire.

The course culminated in a Graduation Ceremony in front of friends and family on Monday 10th July, where Colonel Ian McRobbie, Representative Deputy Lieutenant for the London Borough of Croydon, presented students with their certificates.

#### Readers' Letters

Caterham Overseas Aid Trust ("C.O.A.T.") held a Street Collection (Flag Day) in Caterham on Saturday 1st July and raised a total of £459.22.

The Trustees would like to thank the general public for their generous support, which will aid poor communities in less developed countries.

If anyone would like to know more about C.O.A.T. and the work that it does, there is a website www.surrevcommunity.info/overseasaid which could be viewed or please contact me, Geraint Jenkins, on 07835 303522 or geraintjenkins01@gmail.com.

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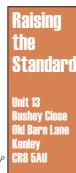


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#### Party time for Keston Year 6 leavers by Yvette Salter

Pupils from Keston Primary School in Old Coulsdon held their Year 6 Leavers' Party on Tuesday 18th July at Surrey National Golf Club.

The evening was arranged by a group of parents to give the children a night to remember to mark the end of their time at

Many of the children arrived at the venue in style ranging from a huge white limousine, a silver Maybach, a retro VW camper van and even a classic red Ferrari. The children also dressed to impress with many of the boys in suits and the girls wearing their best party dresses.

Photographs were taken on the red carpet and once inside, the dance floor was filled with some of the latest pop tunes. There was also the opportunity for dressing up using a prop photo booth and try your luck at 'Guess the Baby' competition. Every child received a gift bag that included a printed Keston Class of 2017 hoody and a pen along with a piece of celebratory cake. A great evening was had by all, creating some lovely memories.



The decorated party venue.



The Keston Year 6 pupils at Surrey National Golf Club.

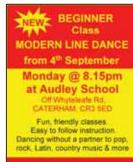






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#### Birds of Prey are the stars of the show at the Whyteleafe Village Fete.

On Saturday 8th July, an estimated 2,000 people attended the Whyteleafe Village Fete in Hillbury Road, Whyteleafe. The highlight of the event was a wonderful show in the main arena by Sky Birds of Prey Display Team from Kent, featuring Bob the Bengal Eagle Owl, Sooren the Barn Owl and Copper the Harris Hawk plus other impressive birds.

Chairman of the Whyteleafe Village Fete Committee, Cllr. Sakina Bradbury, said after the event: "We strongly believe in keeping Whyteleafe as a bustling and lively place to live and we are very grateful to our generous sponsors for enabling us to provide the many sideshows and activities at no cost to the visitors.

"Plans are already afoot for next year's fete and we hope the event will again be supported by the local community and our sponsors."



From left: Natalie and Martin Smith and Helen Denton on the League of Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital cake stall.



A customer tries some of t delicious Caribbean food.



The crowd get a close up view of Copper the Harris Hawk, part of the Birds of Prey display.



An ice-cream treat for Daisy, Daisy and their four-legged friend, Bailey.



Seven-year-old Elsie tests the steadiness of her hand on the



Geraint Jenkins MBE by his stall to raise funds for the children of Kimilili.

# The new season beckons for Whyteleafe FC by Clive Davis

With summer in full swing don't forget the new football season kicks off this month. At their Church Road ground the Whyteleafe FC 1st XI has already played four pre-season friendlies, encouragingly winning all four. And as always the players and management of the Bostik League Division One side have high hopes for 2017-18. 1st Team Manager, Leigh Dynan, said: "We were unbeaten in our last five games last season and have been working hard to ensure we take that momentum into the first game of the new season away at Greenwich Borough on 12th August.

"It's a tough league but of course our ambition is to be promoted and everybody involved at the club is very optimistic. Many of last season's players have stayed at the club and I have brought in further quality players to strengthen the squad."

They will be keen to emulate Whyteleafe Ladies, who won the League and League Cup double in 2016-17 in only



A changing room celebration for Whyteleafe FC ladies.

their first season as a team. Their success has led to promotion to the Greater London Women's Football League Premier Division. The 1st XI's first match at Church Road will be on Tuesday 15th August v VCD Athletic (kickoff 7.45pm), followed by an FA Cup Preliminary Round match on 19th August and a league match v South Park on 26th August. Meanwhile, the club's Foundation is running a series of Summer Soccer Camps for five to 12 year olds from 31st July-4th August, 7th-11th August and 21st-25th August. For details of the Summer Soccer Camps, matches and events at Whyteleafe www.theleafe.co.uk or telephone the club on 0208 660 5491



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#### Over 100 stalls at the Old Coulsdon Village Fair!

by James Highsted

Scores of people were treated to a variety of entertainment for all the family at the Old Coulsdon Village Fair at Grange Park on Saturday 1st July.

The fair, organised by the Coulsdon Manor Rotary Club, boasted 104 stalls ranging from charities such as Cancer Research UK to tombolas.

Visitors also saw classic cars and motorbikes, a dog show, steam railway rides as well as an inflatable slide and crazy coloured sand for children.

Spectators enjoyed a superb variety of entertainment in the arena that included a skilled routine by members of Zodiac Gymnastics Club, a lively steel band and an impressive display by Old Coulsdon Army Cadets.

The fair was opened by Coulsdon South MP, Chris Philp, who said: "I am delighted to open the Coulsdon Manor Rotary fair today. I believe there are over 100 stalls this year!

"Well done to the Coulsdon Manor Rotary Club for all their hard work in organising the fair."



A fine array of classic cars.



Old Coulsdon Army Cadets from Coulsdon TA attachment in military formation. All photos by James Highsted.



Visitors enjoying the Sutton Model Engineering Club's steam train ride.



Members of Cancer Research UK Croydon branch, selling cakes, jams and preserves



A gymnastics display by Zodiac Gymnastics Club.



Members of Theatre Workshop Coulsdon promoting their latest production, "Dick Barton".

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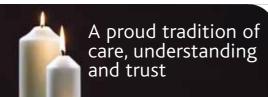
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# Community has their say on the future of Old Coulsdon's Grange Park

by James Highsted

Visitors to Grange Park in Old Coulsdon were given the chance to have their say about which new facilities should be added to the park during the Old Coulsdon Village Fair on Saturday 1st July.

The Friends of Grange Park surveyed members of the community to see what new amenities they would like to see, aimed at people aged 12 and upwards. There was also a display of artists' impressions of what the new equipment would look like.

This follows on from the Friend's fundraising efforts that raised £100,000 to renovate the park's playground in 2016. Cllr. Chris Wright, Chairman of the Friends, said: "There are several things we are looking at; either play equipment for the over 12s, trim trails and also a perimeter path, and perhaps, balls games. To help with our plans we are having a survey, starting today, asking people what they want so we can bid for funding and

increase the money we have already started to raise, and hopefully make the park more amenable for local peonle."

For more information on the survey and future plans, or to make a donation, visit the Friends' website: www.friends ofgrangepark.com.

All photos by James Highsted.



The display of designs of potential new facilities.



Friends of Grange Park survey visitors to the Fair.



Members of the Friends of Grange Park, from left: Ray Haxton, Mairwyn Haxton and Chairman, Cllr. Chris Wright.

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#### Gilbert and Sullivan in St. Lawrence's Church

August 2017

by Helen Moulsley

On the evening of Saturday 15th July, the Ancient Church of St. Lawrence's, Caterhamon-the-Hill, hosted the talented Utopians Unlimited, who performed a selection of Gilbert and Sullivan songs. The packed audience was entertained by soloists and chorus led by musical director Nick Hughes and accompa-Williams. Jonathan nist Well-known songs were performed from The Pirates of Penzance, The Mikado and Yeomen of the Guard. appreciative audience joined in with some of the pieces, "Willow, Tit Willow, Tit Willow" being a popular favourite.

Elaine Williams, secretary of the Guild of Friends of St. Lawrence's, thanked Utopians Unlimited for their generosity in providing such a wonderful and entertaining evening. The proceeds will go to the upkeep of this special Grade 1 listed building, which dates back to around

On Sundays throughout August and September between 3pm-5pm, the church sells afternoon tea and homemade cake to enjoy in the pretty garden of St. Lawrence's. On some afternoons there is the the added bonus of musical entertainment provided by local community groups and performers.

More details can be found on the St. Mary's Church, Caterham Facebook page.

For more information about Utopians Unlimited call Jon Fox on 020 8668 6768 or email him at jon\_utopia@hotmail.com.



The audience packs the Ancient Church of St. Lawrence for the concert by Utopians Unlimited.



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## **Eating Out** Try Antonio's new menu at The Bull

Review by Julia Church

The new landlady of The Bull, Ann Cooper and her husband Tom, have been lovingly restoring the pub at Chelsham Common, and it is now back to its traditional former glory.

As well as a spacious garden, pool table and an excellent range of beers, spirits and wines, The Bull also offers fresh, home-cooked food by local chef, Antonio, previously of The Pergola in Whyteleafe.

When my friend Jill and I popped along there for a meal recently, we had a lovely chat with Antonio and he said that the menu was soon being updated and would feature a bigger choice of vegetarian dishes as well as gluten-free. The young waitress, Nicky, also looked after us very well.

For my starter, Antonio prepared a Veggie Meze dish with my favourite, halloumi cheese, served on pitta bread with olives, courgettes, peppers, pink grapefruit, beetroot, kiwi, pomegranate and hou-mous and tztziki dips. Jill had the Lamb Kofta version with generous, juicy portions of lamb. Antonio brought them to us with relish and they looked amazing! Jill had a portion of ten pieces of scampi with chips and peas for her main course. I had another vegetarian speciality of Antonio's - a Vegetable Stack, consisting of Portobello mushrooms, onion and cheese on a bed of warm couscous served with



Antonio with the Halloumi Meze dish.



The Vegetable Stack.

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Caterham WI member, Lynn Turner, said: "The charity supports children and parents experiencing hardship and our members felt that it would be a charity they could get really involved with to help local families in need.

In addition to fundraising for the charity, some members have been volunteering at 'The Nest' baby bank, helping to sort and collate donations of items ready to distribute to families. Caterham WI meet at the United Reformed Church in Harestone Hill. For more information visit their Facebook page @CaterhamWI.

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Caterham WI members in "get stripey" for Stripey Stork.

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The cadet unit received another generous donation of £6,000 from Cllr. Pat Cannon, who chose Caterham Sea Cadets to be his nominated charity in 2016 when he was Chairman of Tandridge District Council.

Caterham Sea Cadets Commanding Officer, Sergeant John Wood, said: "This has opened up so many more opportunities for cadets from Caterham to attend courses and events all over the country and we are truly grateful for all the hard work put in to raise funds to help us."

The cadets won their heats at the District Competition and



Caterham Sea Cadets' new minibus.

were representing Surrey in two races at Portsmouth, the Senior Boys and Junior Boys. Unluckily, the Seniors snapped two oars in their race but came in third, which was not bad with only three oars! The Junior Boys won their races and the cadets are now going forward to the Na-

tional Championships in London's Excel Centre in September. This is the first time in Caterham Sea Cadets' history that they have attended the finals.

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On 1st April 1918, the Royal Air Force was formed and the airfield subsequently became RAF Kenley. For this special occasion of 100 years of aviation, the BBMF will be making a flypast over the airfield on Sunday 20th August at Times are subject to



The "BBMF".

change, so if you are intending to go, pleae give yourself plenty of time and also keep to the RAF Kenley Tribute side of Kenley Common.

#### What's On

#### **Art Exhibition**

Caterham Art Group are holding an annual exhibition and sale of paintings at the United Reformed Church, Harestone Hill, Caterham CR3 6SX from Friday 4th - Sunday 6th August, from 10am to 5pm on the Friday and Saturday and 11.30am to 4pm on the Sunday. Free admission. Refreshments available. For more information visit www.caterhamartgroup.org.uk.

**Horticultural Society Show** Warlingham and District Horticultural Society are having their Annual Show on Satur-

2.30pm-4.30pm in Warlingham Church Hall. There will be a display of flowers, vegetables and handicrafts.

#### **Horse Show**

On Sunday 6th August 2017 from 9am - 5pm, Annual Charity sion of Mr R. A. Daniell. Ridden and In Hand Show-

day 19th August

Fickleshole Farm is hosting the St. Leonard's Church Horse Show in aid of the Churchyard Fund by kind permisschedule features: Dressage, Working Hunter, ing, Fun Showing Classes plus a Fun Dog Show.

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and refreshments will be available. Fickleshole Farm is located next to the White Bear pub on Fairchildes Lane, Nr Warlingham, Chelsham. Surrey CR6 9PH. For more information call 07729 949430.

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Hill, Caterham, are taking place on Bank Holiday Monday 28th August, Sunday 24th September and Sunday 8th October at 3pm. Entrance is £3 for adults, children free.

#### Chaldon Village Fete

The annual Chaldon Village Fete is taking place on Bank Holiday Monday, August 28th, at Chaldon Village School, Rook Lane, Chaldon from 2pm.

Attractions include a  $\overset{\cdot}{\text{Dog}}$  Show, sideshows, stalls, live singing by Charisma, a Pimms Tent and this year there will also be children's pony rides.

#### **Sky Heroes**

The Sky Heroes heritage event is taking place at Kenley Airfield on Sunday 10th September from 12 noon-5pm. The day will celebrate RAF Kenley's significant Battle of Britain history with activities for the whole family to enjoy. Information about the day will be available nearer the time at www.kenleyrevival.org.

This may well be the last time we experience the sight and sound of these iconic aircraft over our airfield. Next year there will be a charge and sponsorship will be required before the end of August this year to secure next year's event. For information about how to sponsor the return of the BBMF over Kenley Airfield next year, call Mike Street on 020 8660 8492.

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#### Local landlady awarded for outstanding support of SSAFA

On Wednesday 12th July, Tracey Parmee, the land-lady of The Red Lion pub in Bletchingley, received the SSAFA Ian Scloss award for outstanding fundraising. Tracey, accompanied by her husband Chris, attended the Annual Members' Meeting in London and was presented with the award by the National Chairman of SSAFA, Sir Gary Coward.

Tracey has raised over £30,000 for the Caterham and Tandridge division of SSAFA since she started fundraising over ten years ago.

Every year during the week prior to St. George's Day, Tracey and her staff decorate the pub with SSAFA banners and St. George's Day flags. The fundraising campaign lasts all week, culminating with the main event on the Saturday closest to St.



Tracey Parmee being presented with her award by Sir Gary Coward, the National Chairman of SSAFA.

George's Day. During that evening Tracey organises a charity quiz, a raffle and an auction of gifts donated by customers and supporters as well as by Tracey herself.

On presenting the award, Sir Gary Coward said:

"Tracey's efforts have undoubtedly raised the awareness of SSAFA in the local area and the money she has raised has helped her local branch help exservicemen and their families in the village of Bletchingley and beyond."

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