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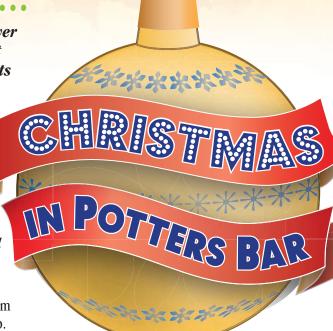
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Let's brighten up Potters Bar for Christmas 2018...

Last year was the first year in over 20 years when Potters Bar didn't have a display of Christmas lights as the town simply didn't have a group or organisation to take on the task. Many of the local community were saddened and their thoughts made clear via social media and local newspaper articles, children were disappointed, and Potters Bar was in the dark.

In February a meeting was called and in response over 40 people attended and from this meeting we set up a community group. The committee is run by residents and local councillors and chaired by Lynette Sullivan, a local mum of two small children. Our group is attended monthly by around 20 members, all with different skills and contacts in the community.

Our aim is to brighten up Potters Bar again for Christmas by fundraising £10,000 a year to ensure our community shines bright. We have the support of two County Councillors and all nine Local Councillors in Potters Bar who have pledged funds to start our project as well as guiding us with logistical help and support where needed. Working together is what will make our project successful and people from all parts of the community are committed to getting lights in the town this year.



We will install Christmas lights in our two main roads of Potters Bar; Darkes Lane and the High Street. These routes are our main community hubs and most school children, workers, commuters, parents and residents will walk or drive these routes in Potters Bar daily to enjoy the lights. Hertsmere Borough Council is kindly donating a Christmas tree which will be planted at the front of Oakmere Park for the community to enjoy every year!

We ask that all the community support us in our efforts. If you can help us raise funds or volunteer your time to help us run events please send Lynette an email

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A message from the Editor

Our summer edition contains the customary mix of articles on a variety of topics, and factual information which will hopefully be found to be both interesting and useful. Opportunities to volunteer your help come from Cuffley Manor knitters, Barnet Hospital Charity Shop, Barracuda and, of course, the Christmas lights appeal.

We are delighted to welcome Chris Cook to our production team. Chris has made a spectacular start, contributing four articles to this issue. We feature the latest endeavours of the Atlantic Discovery team as they build up to the major challenge in December, and also cover local concerns about buses in Potters Bar. Don't forget to check out our 'What's On' section both for local events, also flower and music festivals, outdoor theatre, farmer's markets and other entertainments taking place nearby.

Hopefully there are items of interest for everyone – thank you to all who have contributed articles and to our advertisers.

John Connell

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Some of the delivery team have been on board since the inception of the News nearly 20 years ago and they, in particular, are owed a deep expression of gratitude.

If you do not receive a copy at your home or would like to add your name to the team of deliverers, please contact Peter Silverthorne or Peter Weaver.



Cuffley Manor Care Home residents are knitting baby blankets for premature babies

Every Monday morning at 11am ladies come together for Knit and Natter Club at Cuffley Manor Care Home in Coopers Lane Road. Some days there is more nattering than knitting! Those who cannot knit help in other ways, such as stitching the patches together and this is how beautiful baby blankets are created at Knit and Natter Club.

The club, supported by Daphne, has lovingly created them from day one and has much-welcome support from other relatives of residents, who create knitted patches in their spare time and bring them along for the club members to stitch together. Cuffley Manor Care Home is delighted with the fact that Knit and Natter is so popular that former residents, along with members of the local community, come along and join in.

The ladies have taken it upon themselves to create a personalised blanket for each new baby with a mother working in Cuffley Manor, one of which was presented at their first ever baby shower. Working in collaboration with another team member, they made this blanket extra special by crocheting the blanket edges.

Barnet Hospital's Galaxy Ward, which looks after premature babies, has been chosen as one of the recipients of the club's blankets, with one of the babies receiving a blanket being three and a half months premature. Others have been posted to Lister Hospital Neonatal Unit which also looks after premature babies and more will be sent to the Princess Alexandra Hospital very shortly.

Anyone who has a passion for knitting can join the club. It meets every Monday at 11am. For more information contact Viktorija on **01707 668900** or email **cdm@cuffleymanor.co.uk**.

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Barracuda Swimming Club

The Barracuda Swimming Club was founded 50 years ago this year, and was formed with the intention of providing a service to disabled people in the Potters Bar area. At the time, a young councillor by the name of Roger Philpott proposed to the council that a period of one hour per week should be set aside and dedicated to helping those with any kind of disablement to be trained to swim, and to be confident and safe in water. The proposal was carried and, beginning at 11.30am every Sunday morning, a one-hour session was held, which was specifically for the disabled at the new Furzefield Centre swimming pool. This is still the case today.



The swim sessions are held and run under the Halliwick Association of Swimming Therapy rules.

Instructors are all volunteers and will normally be vetted under the DBS scheme, with the intention of then undergoing training on the Halliwick method of

swimming therapy. The Barracuda Club regularly arranges and runs its own swimming gala, and also attends galas arranged by other clubs which are not too far away. This happens several times per year.

We would welcome the addition of new members, and if you are interested and think that we could help a disabled person you know or care for, then please contact the Club Secretary, Sylvia Borrows, on **01707 643198**. The club is also looking for volunteers to act as instructors.

This is an enjoyable and worthwhile use of spare time in the service of others.

If you think that you can spare the time on a regular basis, then please call Sylvia Borrows on the above number.

The club has a website **www.barracudasc.co.uk** which gives further information.

Barnet Hospital Charity Shop

Barnet Hospital charity shop at 55 Darkes Lane is looking for volunteers from the age of 14 upwards who are able to commit to a minimum of 4 hours (one shift) a week.

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Another World Record for Atlantic Discovery

In the spring edition, we reported on the indoor rowing record established by Atlantic Discovery as part of their preparation for the Taliskar Whisky Challenge in December.



Now two further records have been broken by Brookmans Park resident Isaac Kenyon and colleague Ben Ajayi-Obe, who are both part of the team. Both records involved the world's longest continuous rows on a Concept2 indoor rowing machine, Isaac for the

lightweight male categorty and Ben for the overall record. Isaac improved the first from 81 to 100 hours, with Ben increasing the overall from 81 to 83 hours.

Atlantic Discovery are raising funds for the charities Multiple Sclerosis Society and BMSTC. The challenge in December consists of propelling a rowing boat for 3,000 nautical miles, in two hour shifts, from La Gomera, off Tenerife, to Antigua.

Anyone wishing to support their cause and Atlantic campaign, please get in touch through social media or email $\,$

atlanticdiscovery2018@gmail.com.

Additionally, any support lent to their charities would be greatly appreciated. This can be done through their Just Giving page www.justgiving.com/teams/Atlantic-Discovery-Competition.



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Call 999 when it's an emergency. For example, when a crime is in progress, someone suspected of a crime is nearby, when there is danger to life or when violence is being used or threatened.

101 is for instances when a crime has occurred (such as a burglary) or you see suspicious activity that you feel merits checking. Although, typically calls are handled by the same people, 999 always takes priority and so there may be quite some wait on 101. Locally, we have been advised to use 999 at our discretion. It is also possible to report online to both 999 and 101.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team in Potters Bar may be contacted by email at **SNTpottersbarandshenley@herts.pnn.police.uk**.

Here is a quick quiz from the Avon & Somerset Constabulary. Answer 999, 101 or neither.

a) It's not an emergency but a man's just knocked on my door saying that there has been a problem with the water pressure and he needs to check my pressure. He has no ID and I saw on TV that there have been a lot of distraction burglaries in this area. I have seen him walking towards my neighbours' houses down the street...

Call 101

b) The traffic is not moving, I think that there is a problem with the traffic lights...

Call 101

c) Drunks are fighting outside your home, or even throwing stones at windows, and you feel frightened...

Call 999

d) There is an accident on the motorway... *Call 999*

Someone has stolen my mobile phone...

Call 101

f) There is a car parked on double yellow lines or parked outside my house...

Neither

- g) My husband has not returned from work, he is normally home by now...
- h) You need the number of a local Indian restaurant... *Neither!*

You can find explanations, if required, here:

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/ newsroom/features/101-or-999---which-one-should-you-call



What's happening at the Bus Garage?

A local resident recently contacted the Community News to raise two issues concerning the operation of the bus garage in the High Street:

- 1. The restricted bus service to and from Barnet via route 84.
- 2. The large number of buses using the garage which results in frequent stacking of buses in the High Street, and bus drivers parking their cars in nearby roads.

We thought it sensible to ask Metroline, who run the garage, to respond and were pleased to accept an invitation from Garage Manager Ian McAllister to visit the garage to discuss the situation.

From Potters Bar, Metroline operate two distinct groups of services, ten of which are on contracts from Tfl, including the 34, 125, etc, plus two night bus routes. Routes 298 and 313 are also TfL contracts serving Potters Bar but run by other operators. The second group, routes 84 and 242, runs on a commercial basis, while PB1 is a Herts County Council contract. The view of Metroline is that the service now provided by the 84 bus mirrors the demand for the route, which now operates on a half-hourly basis during the day between Potters Bar and Barnet, and quarter-hourly between Potters Bar and St Albans. The last bus from Barnet leaves at 10pm (11.05pm on Saturdays) and from St Albans at 11.05pm daily. It obviously does not make economic sense, Metroline believes, to run buses at other times when they are virtually empty, which was their experience with the previous, more extensive time table.

In relation to the garage itself, Metroline are in many ways victims of their own success, with new contracts having been won in the last year or so. The garage, the only one available covering North London, employs around 500 people, 450 of whom are drivers, others being involved with engineering, maintenance and service control. Fifty per cent of the fleet is washed each night, and all are fuelled which explains why night-time queues of buses sometimes occur in the High Street. The logistics of housing so many buses overnight, coupled with the need for the drivers to arrive early in the morning to take them out, is complex but Mr McAllister is conscious that this issue has caused concerns to local residents.

The work currently being undertaken to resurface the frontage, including some landscaping to improve the appearance, is welcome and will help to alleviate the problem. You may also have noticed that the roof is currently being replaced, as part of the refurbishment of the building which is almost 90 years old.

Overall Mr McAllister is keen to develop a good relationship with the residents of Potters Bar. An opportunity to visit the garage to see what is happening presents itself on Saturday 28th July for their Annual Open Day. For details see the 'What's On' section.

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Monday 23rd July to Friday 27th July at Elm Court, running each day from 9.30am to 4.30pm*, with a Sunday celebration and BBQ for families of children attending on 29th July at 10.30am at Elm Court.

There will be story-telling, songs, crafts, games, challenges, a few pirates, some great treasure and much, much more. The Holiday Club is for children already attending primary school. The cost of the week is £10.

To ensure the safeguarding of all children and volunteers, children do need to be booked in beforehand. Forms are available from all local churches or via **pbchurchesholidayclub.co.uk**. Please book early as places are limited.

*Children under 8 will need to return home for lunch as we are not able to have them on site all day.

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Onda Solidaria Project supported by Mount Grace **School**

Mr Kingsnorth, citizenship teacher, flew to Brazil over Easter to visit the Onda Solidaria project and open the 'Chibuzo Lucky Omisa Centre' on behalf of the school. Our students have raised several thousands of pounds over the last two years to pay for the construction of the Centre. Mr Kingsnorth took donations of football shirts and letters from our students for the young people of Onda. The centre is dedicated to the memory of Chibuzo Omisa, a student of ours, who very sadly passed away last year. A special celebration assembly was held at the school at the end of April with moving speeches by Ricardo Calcado, Onda's project leader and the Omisa family. Students dressed up in Brazilian colours and succeeded in raising an additional £300 for Onda Solidaria.

Emily Beardmore, Fencer Extraordinaire



Congratulations to Emily from Year 11, who won two fencing medals in two days over the May Bank Holiday weekend! Emily was invited to join the French Team of Cadet Fencers (Under 17s) at the French Nationals, the first time that a British fencer has been invited to take part in a French team – their rules allow one foreign fencer in a team of three. Emily won a Bronze Medal for the team. Emily then competed in the British Under-16s National Fencing Championship at

Sheffield and won the title convincingly, only losing four points over seven matches. The photo shows Emily wearing both medals and holding the winning cup! Well done Emily!

Summer School

Mount Grace School is holding a Summer School for students who are moving up to Mount Grace in September 2018. It will be held from Monday 23 July to Friday 27 July from 9.30am-2.15pm. Activities include meeting Potters Bar firemen, football sessions with a Tottenham Hotspur coach, arts and crafts, drama, dance and business dynamics. There will be a celebration assembly on Friday afternoon. This is an excellent way for students to make new friends and feel at home in their new surroundings before the beginning of a new school year.

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New Head for Cranborne School

It is with pleasure that I write as the new Headteacher of Cranborne Primary School as of September 2018. It is an bonour to have been chosen to lead our wonderful school; a school which I have enjoyed working at for the last seven years. Potters Bar is a fantastic community and as a group of schools, we are lucky to have such great parents and pupils. I am fortunate to have a strong network of excellent colleagues from our local schools and I look forward to working with them closely.

The school has come a long way in recent years. Mr Cocker, my predecessor, has been an absolute pleasure to work with and I personally will miss him very much. I hope to continue the great work he started and see Cranborne through its next chapter. There are exciting times ahead... a new surface for our playground, new staff to welcome on board and new little ones about to join us in Nursery and Reception...

Please come and join us for our upcoming Friends of Cranborne events: Summer Fair, Fireworks, Pamper evenings – they are all open to the public and raise much needed funds for our school.

Thank you to all the Cranborne children, parents and staff. I am very grateful for your encouragement and continued support. We have a bright future ahead of us.

Enjoy the summer!

Mrs Claire Keilty BEd (hons) NPQH



















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Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP visits Dame Alice Owen's

In April our school was once again delighted to receive a visit from the Secretary of State for Education. Mr Hinds spent the afternoon in the company of our students improving his Spanish, discussing the ways in which the curriculum needs to keep up with changes in technology, plans for university tuition fees and the role of education in improving social welfare.

He was entertained by the beautiful music performed by our Senior Strings and admitted regretting giving up the trumpet before he became really good at playing it. Mr Hinds was keen to be kept after school, and enjoyed speaking to our staff; he asked about how the demands of teaching have changed over time and what the purpose of marking really was. Mr Hinds told us that he thoroughly enjoyed his visit and that he would be writing to the students with whom he spoke to further expand on his thoughts on some of the issues they raised.

Stormont touch the Moon and Mars

During Space week in early May the whole school did a variety of fun activities. These included the opportunity to see Moon rocks and other Meteorites (which we did get to hold). This was a great experience as we could practically say we had almost touched the Moon and Mars - one of the meteorites was from Mars! We also did spacethemed lessons for other subjects throughout the week.

Each class also got to see the planets and stars in 3D, when a mobile Planetarium came to the school. Everyone enjoyed this a lot. After that we got to eat astronaut food such as ice cream, which was delicious. We weren't so keen on the strawberries! At the end of the week the whole of upper school received a book and poster about space – a great end to a really fun week. Little Heath Primary School also joined us to visit the Planetarium.

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The game itself started off with the first half being fairly nervy, but as the game moved on we started to enforce our presence and this led to us taking the lead. We continued to be the better side and doubled our lead just before half time with a second great goal. In the second half we were the stronger team and we created many more chances which we were able to convert three times!

We are delighted as a school to have won this shield again as we last won it in 2011. The boys have played so well this year getting to the last 16 of the ESFA national competition and then going on to lift this amazing shield. Well done boys, you are a credit to yourselves and Dame Alice Owens School.

















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The Wroxham School visits Maylair Lodge Care Home



Our PE Coach, Luke
Owers, has set himself
the challenge of walking
a 'coast to coast' route
this half term. His aim is
to raise as much money
as possible to split
between our school and

Mayfair Lodge Care Home. The trip came about as he felt that it would be a great opportunity to introduce the children to the residents, as both groups will be benefiting from his fundraising. The children went up in our new minibus, which was recently donated by our PTA, and took a selection of their books and other items of learning to share with the residents.

The children talked excitedly about what they have been doing in school recently and the residents seemed really happy to listen to the information being shared. As a result of such a positive experience, we have decided to carry on the link between our school and Mayfair Lodge, so we will be making another visit in the next half term.

As the Headteacher of The Wroxham School, I could not have been prouder of our children during their visit to Mayfair Lodge, as they demonstrated excellent behaviour, superb confidence and were exceptionally polite.

If you are interested in supporting Luke with his 'coast to coast' walk, his JustGiving page is www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/coast2coastwalk2018.

It's a dog's life!

Hi! My name is Tess, I'm a threeyear-old Irish Red and White Setter. I've just started working at St Giles' School in South Mimms. As you can see, I've settled in quite quickly and have already been included in

dressing up sessions, heard children read and been a shoulder to lean on when my friends have been sad. I like making them happy, it seems a chat and stroke work wonders when someone is a bit down in the dumps. I love the books the children read, some stories are really exciting and make my tail wag, sometimes I find them very soothing and they send me to sleep. I'm sure someone giggled last time I started snoring! I love going outside at lunchtime, I get so much love and attention and a chance to have a good sniff around the field and go looking for bugs in our wildlife area.

I'm in school most afternoons, always ready to listen or have a cuddle and when I'm tired, I sleep in the school office.

I was hoping to go to Mersea Island in June with Cecil Class, but my mum says she'll miss me too much. Blanche and St Alban Classes wanted to take me to Paradise Wildlife Park last week, but mum spoiled my fun again, because she thought I'd want to move in with the Meerkats! Maybe she'll let me have a go on the bouncy castle at our school fayre on the 7th July... I'll keep you posted!

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'Le Gros' Victory for Little Heath



Our school, Little Heath, was so bappy to win the Le Gros Netball Tournament. We felt ecstatic and proud. Our team has worked extremely hard throughout the season to win the tournament and, as we were quite worried that we

would not be successful, winning the tournament was definitely a dream come true. All of us in the 'A' team truly enjoyed the experience. It was probably one of the best moments of our year and we are very grateful to hold the trophy for 2018.

The experience was surreal. We did not lose a single game. We all did amazing at shooting, passing, marking and staying strong. Winning each game boosted our confidence for the next — although we did draw against Cuffley!

Playing in the Le Gros was really enjoyable and our victory was amazing. We would like to thank Mrs Custis and Mr Mills for helping us to learn skills and tactics. We would also like to thank Mount Grace and the Rotary Club for giving us this amazing opportunity — we could not have done it without them.

Written by all members of the Little Heath 'A' Team

News from Pope Paul

Celebrating the Royal Wedding



Pupils and staff at Pope Paul School celebrated the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle with a fun-filled morning. Everyone dressed up as members of the royal family or in red, white and blue. Pupils were greeted in the playground by many important visitors including Queen Elizabeth

and her husband Prince Philip. A special assembly took place when prayers were said for the happy couple and then pupils enjoyed an ice lolly treat to finish!

Happy Shoesday!

The children of Pope Paul have been taking part in Happy Shoesday! During 'Walk to School Week', children have been encouraged to dust off their magical pumps to bring an extra big smile to the week! As part of the challenge this year, pupils have been encouraged to wear the shoes that make them happiest — whether that is the brightest, jazziest or craziest shoes they own, to celebrate Living Streets' Happy Shoesday.

Our message in school is that walking to school is a brilliant way to get active and healthy. It's also a great opportunity for our children to learn vital road safety skills and make sure they're alert and ready to learn at the start of a new day. 'Walk to School Week' is part of National Walking Month organized by 'Living Streets'.

Over \$100 was raised by the pupils of Pope Paul School for Living Streets, the UK's only charity for everyday walking.

Living Streets says:

- > Parents who walk find the journey to school less stressful
- Petrol bills and pollution go down
- > Fewer traffic queues and parking issues
- Children perform better at school
- Children and parents feel healthier and fitter



Sporting success for Lochinver House

Basketball

Daniel Harris reports that in January the u13 team competed in the national championships at ACS Cobham. In the group stages wins were recorded against Yately Manor and Arnold House, with one defeat against Millfield. A semi-final win against Kings College , Madrid meant a return with Millfield in the final and a chance to get revenge.

Capitilising on every possession and defending resiliently, the boys achieved a magnificent victory 12–11, being crowned champions. The team performed exceptionally well under pressure and should be proud of their achievements, acknowledging at the same time the support given by their teachers.



Football

In April, the U11 sevena-side team travelled to the FA headquarters at St Georges Park to compete in the national championships, as per the following account by William Cowie.

Qualifying as second in their group by winning 3 matches out of 5, the boys

played against Castle Court in an afternoon of torrential rain. The match went to penalties, and Lochinver won 6–5, with Seb Thrussell being the hero, with both a penalty save and scoring himself with the last kick. More penalty successes in the semi-final against a team from Cheshire followed and the team were elated at being through to the final.

Their opponents were Altrincham, whose side contained several sons of Premiership players. A very close game ensued and there was nothing in it until a late goal saw Altrincham crowned as champions.

From 250 teams who entered the competition, the boys had finished second and are all immensely proud of their achievements, with thanks again being expressed to their teachers.



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Take a look at your property from the outside - take your key with you! Now, if the front door shuts and you've left your keys inside, how easily could you get back in. By the way, it doesn't count if someone nearby bas a key!

Here are some things to consider. If you can simply open the door with the handle, then unless you lock the door when inside, you are vulnerable. Criminals have gone around trying exactly that approach. Consider at least fitting a Yale-type lock. If you have a wooden door you are probably more vulnerable to it being jemmied open. Consider replacing it or reinforcing it. Can you walk round the back and enter through the rear door? Two points here – always secure the access to the rear of the property as this is where the majority of break-ins occur. Again it is best to lock your rear door even when in the house.

Whilst on the subject of locks, do you have the best ones available for your budget? It may be prudent to talk to a locksmith or check out websites of major manufacturers. Insurance companies usually specify minimum standards but going to a higher level could prove an effective deterrent and possibly a discount. Typically, they offer extra protection through anti-bump and anti-pick.

Wheelie bins can be a real asset to a burglar as they give the means to climb over a gate or access a flat roof. Either remove the bins to the rear or lash them together to make them noisy and cumbersome and have them well away from the side gate. Secondly, increase the height of the gate by putting up an extra barrier such as trellis or netting.

Assuming the intruder (you in this case) has gained entry then how easily can they get out again? Do you have keys lying around and are they conveniently labelled? Can the side gate be easily opened? Can an intruder escape over a fence in the last resort?

If your home is so secure that you would be left out in the cold without your key then you are very aware!

Home security advice is readily available from the Herts Police website and from the Safer Neighbourhood Team. In Potters Bar they may be contacted on SNTPottersBarandShenley@herts.pnn.police.uk. Stay safe.

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Potters Bar Community Choir

Since the beginning of the year the choir has grown in size under the leadership of our musical director, Luke Saydon. We are enjoying rehearsing a variety of pieces for our summer concert on Sunday 8th July, with items ranging from the very popular 'The Rhythm of Life' to The Military Wives' prayer 'Wherever you are' to a beautiful John Rutter arrangement of 'For the Beauty of the Earth' and many more in between. The concert starts at 7.30pm at the Wyllyotts Theatre and tickets are available from the centre on 01707 645005.



The choir meets every Thursday evening at 7.30pm at the Wyllyotts Centre. We start our sessions with warm up exercises, including tongue twisters, scales and short rhymes and songs (eg The Grand Old Duke of York!) as well as breathing exercises, but nothing

too scary! In fact, Luke makes them into fun exercises. We then focus on our pieces for about 45 minutes before we have a tea break and a further 45 minutes of singing, so that we finish at 9.30pm.

For the second year in a row we will be sharing our concert with Barnet's 'Choirs R Us'. Each choir will showcase its work during the past year and we also present some joint items. Our first joint concert was very well received last year, as the Wyllvotts audience enjoyed singing from two different styles of choir. Do come along to support us – we are hoping for a sell-out concert this year! Maybe you will be enthusiastic enough to join us when our new term of singing starts on Thursday 6th September. Contact Joy on 01707 655464 for more information.



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Hertswise provides support for Alzheimer sufferers

Hertswise is part of a charity which has been set up in the county of Hertfordshire in partnership with 9 other partners such as Age UK, Herts Mind Network and HILS. We took over around July 2017 from the Alzheimer's society who were providing services and support for people living with Alzheimer's/dementia across the county. These services range from weekly support groups (hubs), Carers in Hertfordshire, Admiral nurses, Crossroads, financial assessments and advice and more.

Our weekly group at Elm Court Community Centre in Potters Bar aims to be all inclusive and help build independence and confidence. We bring people together to help them socialize and enjoy many aspects of their lives which may have become less enjoyable. In our group we start by having a cup of tea/coffee and few biscuits which is then followed by either an arts/crafts session, music or singing, healthy living ideas, guest speakers such as PAT (pets as therapy), The Guide Dog Society, security advice from local police or other scam awareness organizations, music quizzes, etc. and much more.

Each week is different and aimed at being fun and challenging but not too difficult or demeaning. Our aim is to have fun more than anything else, which goes a long way in improving the quality of lives of those living with one or more types of the disease.

We also offer one-to-one home support over a 10 week period through one of our other services, Herts Help, again to help build independence and confidence with a view to people then joining weekly groups, again helping improve their quality of life.

There are services to help carers of people living with Alzheimer's/dementia such as Crossroads, and Admiral Nurses and Carers in Hertfordshire. Carers carry out a vital role and are often overlooked and undervalued with very little support themselves. The above services offer them respite when needed and the chance to meet other carers at carers meetings, as well as help financially with discounts via the Carers Passport across the county. We can also help people with a financial assessment to assist them with claiming any benefits they may be entitled to, but are unaware of, and assistance in applying for things like Blue Badges.

Our aims are to help as many people as possible across the county living with Alzheimer's/dementia, helping to improve their quality of life where needed.

Potters Bar Carnival 2018

Carnival day enjoyed bot, sunny weather and the procession was a great success with many organisations taking part. The theme this year was the centenary of the ending of the First World War and the winning floats reflected this. The winning vehicle float was entered by 5th Potters Bar/Tartan Explorer Scouts and was decorated with copies of the poppies first seen at The Tower of London in 2014, and the winning walking float was won jointly by Potters Bar Girl Guides who, dressed up as First World War nurses and land girls, and Oakmere JMI who had a brilliant effigy of the War Horse.

As it was the RAF's 100th Anniversary, the procession was led by the ATC carrying the RAF Flag, together with the Young VIPs Kassie Crow, Emma Brazil and Oscar-Jay Macdonald, who broke years of tradition by being the first boy Young VIP. Alongside them was the Mayor, Councillor Brenda Batten together with her Consort, John Batten. Other VIPs were Squadron Leader Andrew (Tim) Crichton and British Legion representatives Stephen Kelly and Joe Vaughn. The Schools' Art Show was judged by the Mayor and Squadron Leader Crichton, and the winners were Mount Grace from the senior schools with a joint first for junior schools Oakmere JMI and Ladbrooke JMI. We must thank Station Taxis for providing the VIP cars, the gate-sellers and all the stewards who helped with the procession.

The main arena event was the final of the junior inter-schools football competition which was won by The Wroxham School, with Little Heath School winning the girls' trophy. Also performing were the Hertfordshire Show Band, 57 Squadron ATC doing a marching demonstration, Rhythmix Academy and Angela's Dancers. Chris Newman and Tina Ravera entertained on the stage and the afternoon was hosted by Grant Pinney, who did an excellent job. The field was packed and everyone had a great time!

The Carnival Open Evening is on Monday 9th July at St John's Church, Baker Street at 7.30pm, where everyone is welcome to give their views. The Carnival Committee will also present the grants that local organisations have requested.



The National Lottery awards £1.9 million grant to the De Havilland Aircraft Museum

Thanks to money raised by National Lottery players, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has awarded a grant of nearly £2 million to the 'de Havilland Aircraft Museum in the 21st Century Project', a significant investment in Hertfordshire's aviation heritage. The museum, at Salisbury Hall, London Colney, applied for the grant three years ago to enable it to build a large new hangar to provide covered space for its exhibits and a range of community and education facilities.

After learning of the National Lottery funding decision, the museum chairman Alan Brackley said: "The Trustees of the museum are delighted that the HLF has awarded them £1.9 million to build the new hangar. Thanks to the money raised by the National Lottery players, the project will not only safely display several important aircraft exhibits inside the new building away from the rigours of the British weather, including the DH Comet 1a, the world's first passenger jet airliner, and DH Sea Vixen, but it will be able to offer the local community an exciting venue for meetings, conferences, parties, learning and other social events."

The National Lottery funding will enable the museum to move on to the next phase of its development programme, and construction work on the new hangar is expected to begin in July and completed in 2019.

"The Museum needs to fund-raise a further £250,000, before we get the National Lottery's permission to start the building works," added Mr Brackley, "so all support is very welcome and donations can be made through our website or at the Museum."

Planning permission for the project was granted by Hertsmere Council in 2016. The museum, which attracts several thousands of visitors each year, is the oldest aviation museum in Britain and concentrates on the many types of aircraft and engines built by the de Havilland Aircraft Company at its Hatfield factory in Hertfordshire. It is based in the grounds of Salisbury Hall, a Tudor mansion, which during the Second World War was used by de Havilland as its secret design centre for its "Wooden Wonder" Mosquito twin-engine multi-role aircraft.

The prototype Mosquito is one of three examples of the type on display, more than can be seen at any other museum in the world.

"We are a working museum where visitors can watch restoration work being carried out and can get up close to the aircraft. It is run by volunteers, some of whom were among the many the thousands of people who worked for de Havilland", said Mr Brackley.





Working in the Community – Pub Assistant Manager

Claire was working part time at the pub whilst still at school. She wasn't sure what she wanted to do after A Levels, and didn't want to go to university, so she began working full time as a waitress at the pub. She enjoyed it so much that she decided to stay, and after some training became a restaurant supervisor at 21. Then, following an informal interview three years ago, Claire was promoted to duty manager.

There are nearly 40 staff at the pub and Claire's duties include ensuring they are paid appropriately and that their shifts run well. She also orders the beers and wine and helps with organising party bookings. One particularly memorable event she participated in was during the 2012 Olympics, when a gold medallist paralympian visited the pub.

At busy times, Claire may work a 40–50 hour week, with some shifts of 13 hours. This is the worst part of her job as she often has difficulty getting time off for her Brownie meetings on Fridays, where she has been a leader (Wren) since age 12.

Having been born and raised in Potters Bar, Claire likes getting to know the locals and interacting with them and the pub team. She enjoys seeing customers having a good time. The pub became part of the Redcomb Group only 18 months ago, and so far Claire has found everything very satisfactory. She plans to learn all she can about the business with a view to eventually managing her own pub.

Joy Stovell

WHAT'S ON

JULY

SUNDAY 1st

- 'Robin Hood and his Merry Men' Theatre in the Park Hatfield House. 2—4pm, opens 1pm. Tickets 08712 200260.
- ➤ Family Fun Day St John's Methodist Church, Baker Street, from 12.30pm. Bouncy castle, various games and BBQ for everyone. Call Sally on 07941 223102 for info.

TUESDAY 3rd

- Lunchtime Recital Matthew Sear, guitar, 12.30pm. Retiring collection. Buffet lunch (£4) from 12 noon to 1.30pm, St Mary's Church, The Walk.
- > Open Days at Whitewebbs Museum of Transport every Tuesday. £5. Under 12s free.

WEDNESDAY 4th

- > *PB Horticultural Society club outing
- *Wednesday Community Club games, chat and Pam singing.

THURSDAY 5th

- > *Potters Bar Society Town Group meeting, 7.30pm, Tilbury Hall.
- Coach trip RHS Hampton Court Flower Show. £60. 01707 903761.

CATHEDRAY 7+1

- Outdoor Car Boot Sale Elm Court. Sellers £5 per car. No set-up before 11am. No need to book. Buyers 50p. 12 noon.
- Strawberry Fayre Vicarage Garden, Christ Church Little Heath. BBQ 12 noon to 1pm. Cream teas 2—4pm. Free admission.
- Summer Fayre St Giles C of E Primary School, South Mimms.
- ➤ *Barnet Walks Historical High Barnet. Meet outside Barnet College, Wood Street, 11am.

SUNDAY 8th

- ➤ Community Choir Summer Concert Wyllyotts Theatre, 7.30pm. See article.
- > Summer Bonsai Show Capel Manor, 10am—4pm. Gardens close at 5.30pm.
- > Farmers Market Forty Hall Farm, Enfield, EN2 9HA,10am—3pm.

TUESDAY 10th

> *Cuffley Floral Art Club Morag Bennett: 'For Home and Away'.

WEDNESDAY 11th

- *Wednesday Community Club games and chat.
- > 'The Importance of being Earnest' Theatre in the Park, Hatfield House, 6.30—8pm.

THURSDAY 12th

- > *Oakmere WI 'Capel's Show-Winning Gardens', Anne Luder.
- > Michelham Priory, East Sussex Coach Trip. Contact 01707 903761. £45.

SATURDAY 14th

- Potters Bar Beer and Music Festival Pakex Stadium, Parkfield, Watkins Rise, off The Walk. 12 noon to 9pm. Beers, cider, Pimm's, food stalls, kids' entertainment, five bands. Children under 12 free.
- ➤ Battle Proms Hatfield House, 4—10.30pm. Tickets 01432 355416.
- > Coach trip Weymouth Seafood Festival, £36. Depart 8am, return 8pm. 01707 903761.
- Outdoor Car Boot Sale Elm Court. Sellers £5 per car. No set-up before 11am. No need to book. Buyers 50p. 12 noon.
- > Summer Fayre Cranborne School, 12 noon to 3pm.
- ➤ *Barnet Walks Monken Hadley Village. Meet outside The Spires, Barnet High Street, 11am.

SUNDAY 15th

- *Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve conservation work to maintain this reserve. 10am, lay-by, Coopers Lane Road. Tools provided. See article.
- Teddy Bears Picnic at Capel Manor 10am—4pm.
- *Messy Church for all the family at King Charles the Martyr Church. From 3—5pm. Arts/crafts activities, some informal worship and a light tea. Free, no need to book.
- > Church Parade and Pet Service 11am, King Charles the Martyr Church.
- ➤ 'Folk by the Oak' Folk Festival. Hatfield House, 12 noon to 10.30pm. Tickets 01432 355416.
- Family Creative Church at St John's Methodist from 10.30am. Crafts, art and cooking with celebration for everyone.
- > DPL Camera Fair Elm Court, 10.30am—2pm.

WEDNESDAY 18th

- > *PB Horticultural Society 'Refreshing Summer Cordials', Frances Watkins.
- > *Wednesday Community Club Summer quiz and cream tea.

SATURDAY 21st

- Antiques and Collectables Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House, 10am—5pm. Free.
- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 7th July.
- Annual Fuschia Festival Capel Manor, 1—5pm.

SUNDAY 22n

- 'The Importance of being Ernest' The Pantaloons. Shenley Park Walled Garden, 7pm.
- > Farmers Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House, 10am—2pm.
- > Annual Fuschia Festival Capel Manor, 10am—4pm.
 - ➤ *Barnet Walks Hampstead Garden Suburb. Meet outside Golders Green tube station, 11am.

WEDENESDAY 25th

- *Wednesday Community Club outing to Southend.
- Coach trip Midsomer Murder tour, boat trip and afternoon tea, £65. Depart 9am, return 7.30pm. 01707 903761.

THURSDAY 26th

*Cuffley Horticultural Society 'Community Gardening — keeping it local', Carol Kennerley and Jane Brook.

SATURDAY 28th

- ➤ Bus Garage Open Day 10.30am—4pm. All proceeds to charity including Cancer Research and British Heart Foundation. Admission £2.50. Display of buses from 50s and 60s to latest models including new electric bus. Free rides on show buses round local area and refreshments. See article.
- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 7th July.
- *Barnet Walks The Battle of Barnet. Meet at junction of Great North Road and Hadley Green Road, 2.30pm.

SUNDAY 29th

- Open Day and visit from Jaguar Drivers Club. Whitewebbs Museum of Transport. £5, under 12s free.
- 'Music to Watch the Flowers By' Shenley Park Walled Garden. Family picnic concert. Jazz, blues and rock. Bouncy castle and soft play. Bring own picnic and drinks or buy in garden.

AUGUST

THURSDAY 2nd

> *Potters Bar Society Town Group meeting, 7.30pm, Tilbury Hall.

FRIDAY 3rd

Coach trip BBC Countryfile Live, Blenheim Palace, £55. Depart 8.30am, return 8pm. 01707 903761.

SATURDAY 4th

➤ Outdoor Car Boot Sale Elm Court. Sellers £5 per car. No set-up before 11am. No need to book. Buyers 50p. 12 noon.

THESDAY 7th

Lunchtime Recital Leonora de Lamphera, piano. Retiring collection. Buffet lunch (£4) from 12 noon to 1.30pm. St Mary's Church, The Walk.

SATURDAY 11th

> Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 4th August.

SUNDAY 12th

- > Blood Donor Session Elm Court, 9.30am—3pm.
- > 'The Tempest' with The Lord Chamberlain's Men. Hatfield House, 4—6pm.

FRIDAY 17th

> Art in Clay Hatfield House, 10am.

SATURDAY 18th

- ➤ Coach trip Eastbourne Airshow, £36. Depart 8.30am, return 8pm. 01707 903761.
- **Coach trip** York in a Day! £45. Depart 7.30am, return 9pm. 01707 903761.
- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 4th August.
- > Antiques and Collectables Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House, free. 10am—5pm.

SUNDAY 19th

- Classic Car and Bike Show Elm Court, 12 noon to 4pm. Organised by PB Rotary. Cars, bikes, great music and food. For details see article.
- > Farmers Market Stable Yard Hatfield House, 10am—2pm.
- > Art in Clay Hatfield House, 5.30pm.
- *Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve conservation work. 10am, lay-by, Coopers Lane Road. Tools provided.

THURSDAY 23rd

- Coach trip Coton Manor Gardens, Northampton, £46. Depart 10am, return 6.30pm. 01707 903761.
- > 'Peter Pan' Theatre in the Park. Hatfield House, 2-4pm.

SATURDAY 25th

Outdoot Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 4th August.

WHAT'S ON

SUNDAY 26th

- > Custom American Car Event Whitewebbs Museum of Transport. £5, under 12s free.
- > Blood Donor Session Elm Court.

WEDNESDAY 29th

- > Coach trip Cambridge and punting tour, £45. Depart 9.30am, return 6.30pm. 01707 903761.
- ➤ 'Treasure Island' Theatre in the Park. Hatfield House, 2—4pm.

SEPTEMBER

SATURDAY 1st

- Outdoor Car Boot Sale Elm Court. Sellers £5 per car. No set-up before 11am. No need to book. Buyers 50p. 12 noon.
- ➤ 'Classic Ibiza' Urban Soul Orchestra with classic Ibiza anthems. Hatfield House, 5.30—10.15pm.

SHNDAY 2nd

- > Classic and Vintage Car Show Capel Manor, 10am—4pm.
- > Wedding Fair Hatfield House, 11am—3pm.

MONDAY 3rd

> *Barnet Philatelic Society talk and display.

TUESDAY 4+1

- Coach trip Salmon tasting tour and Olympic Park boat trip, £66. Depart 9.30am, return 7.30pm. 01707 903761.
- Lunchtime recital Nicholas Mannoukas, organ. Retiring collection. Buffet lunch (£4) from 12 noon to 1.30pm. St Mary's Church, The Walk.

WEDNESDAY 5th

> *PB Horticultural Society Simon Bradmore will talk about bats.

THURSDAY 6th

> *Potters Bar Society Town Group meeting, 7.30pm, Tilbury Hall.

SATURDAY 8th

- Autumn Quiz Cherry Lodge Cancer Care. £14 including fish'n'chips or vegetarian supper. 7—10.30pm. Teams of 8. Bar and raffle. Venue in New Barnet. Tickets Tina 020 8441 7000.
- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 1st September.

SUNDAY 9tl

- Messy Church King Charles the Martyr Church. See Sunday 15th July.
- Folk and Food Festival folk music, dancing, real ale, cider and food stalls. Shenley Park Walled Garden. Noon till 5pm.

TUESDAY 11th

- Coach trip Horse-drawn canal boat trip and cream tea, £48. Depart 9.30am, return 6.30pm. 01707 903761
- *Cuffley Floral Art Club 'Stepping forward, Glancing back', Patricia Dibben.
- *Cuffley Ind. Heritage Society TBA.

WEDNESDAY 12th

- *RSPB afternoon meeting 'Floral South Africa', Ann Johnson and John Wallington.
- > *Wednesday Community Club games and chat.

THURSDAY 13th

- > Coach trip Sandringham, Norfolk, £50. Depart 8.30am, return 8pm. 01707 903761.
- *Oakmere WI 'Looking at Art', Pam Wright.
- *Enfield National Trust Association 'On the Spot', Bill Hamilton. 7.45pm, Enfield Grammar School. 650969.

SATURDAY 15th

- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 1st September.
- > *PB Horticultural Society Autumn Flower Show. Elm Court.
- Coach trip Chatham Dockyards 'Salute to the Forties!', £50. Depart 9.30am, return 7.30pm. 01707 903761
- > Antiques and Collectables Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House. Free. 10am—5pm.

SUNDAY 16th

- ➤ Family Creative Church St John's Methodist Church from 10.30am. Crafts, art and cooking with celebration for everyone.
- > DPL Train and Toy Fair Elm Court, 10.30am—2.30pm.
- > Farmers' Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House, 10am—2pm.
- *Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve conservation work. 10am, lay-by, Coopers Lane Road. Tools provided.

MONDAY 17th

*Barnet Philatelic Society talk and display.

TUESDAY 18th

*PB Historical Society 'An update on the future of Trent Park', Helen Fry.

WEDNESDAY 19th

- > *PB Horticultural Society 'A Year at Westminster Abbey', Chris Collins.
- > *Wednesday Community Club TBA.

THURSDAY 20th

Chamber Music Festival Hatfield House.

FRIDAY 21st

- *RSPB evening meeting AGM then 'Birds of the Camargue', Johnathan Forgham.
- > Chamber Music Festival Hatfield House.

CATHEDAY 22m

- > Outdoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 1st September.
- > Chamber Music Festival Hatfield House.

CHNDAY 23rd

- > *Barnet Walks Barnet Ghost Walk (Autumn Equinox). Meet at High Barnet tube station, 7.30pm.
- > Chamber Music Festival Hatfield House.

WEDNESDAY 26th

*Wednesday Community Club TBA.

THURSDAY 27th

> *Cuffley Horticultural Society 'Aquatics and Wild Life', Paul Patton.

CATHEDAY 20+k

- ➤ Model Railway Exhibition Whitewebbs Museum of Transport. £5, children over 11 £3.
- > Outdoor Car and Boot Sale at Elm Court. See 1st September.

CHNDAY 30+

- > French Market Cricket Pitch Field, Hatfield House. Traders travel from North France, 10am.
- Coach trip Snape Maltings and Aldburgh, £35. Depart 9.30am, return 7pm. 01707 903761.
- ➤ Blood Donor Session Elm Court, 9.30am—3pm.
- > Stamp Fair Mount Grace School, 10am—4pm. Free. Refreshments.
- Lone Star and Dinky Toy Exhibition and a visit from the Morris Minor Club. Whitewebbs Museum of Transport. \$5, under 12s free.

OCTOBER

MONDAY 1st

*Barnet Philatelic Society talk and display.

TUESDAY 2nd

Lunchtime Recital Cerruleo Ensemble, soprano, viola de gamba, harpsichord. Retiring collection.

Buffet lunch (£4) from 12 noon to 1pm. St Mary's Church, The Walk.

WEDNESDAY 3rd

- > *PB Horticultural Society 'Poisons for Medicines', George Harrison Graham.
- > *Wednesday Community Club games and chat.

THURSDAY 4th

- 'See How They Run' Cheshunt Dramatic Society, Goffs Oak Village Hall. Details Pam on 07721 665187.
- *Potters Bar Society Town Group meeting, Tilbury Hall, 7.30pm.

FRIDAY 5th

'See How They Run' see above.

SATURDAY 6th

- ➤ 6th to 14th Week of special events at Christ Church Little Heath 125th Anniversary.
- ➤ Last Outdoor Car Boot Sale Elm Court. Sellers £5 per car. No set-up before 11am. No need to book. Buyers 50p. 12 noon.
- 'See How They Run' see above.

SUNDAY 7tl

Harvest Festival with church parade 10.30am. Donations to the Whitechapel Mission (for homeless people).

TUESDAY 9th

- > *Cuffley Ind. Heritage Society TBA.
- > *Cuffley Floral Art Club 'Out of Africa', Vijay Bhatia.

WEDNESDAY 10th

- > *RSPB afternoon meeting 'What's in our garden?', Richard Pople.
- *Wednesday Community Club talk and pictures of London, Yvonne and Stan Perry.

THURSDAY 11th

*Enfield National Trust Association 'Volcanoes', Professor Tony Hurford. Enfield Grammar School, 7.45pm. 650969.

WHAT'S ON

> *Oakmere WI 'Wonders of Britain', John Hopkins.

FRIDAY 12th

*RSPB evening meeting 'Pacific coast of the USA — wilderness, woodpeckers and whales'.

SATURDAY 13th

'Don Giovanni' with Felice Opera. Hatfield House, 7—9pm.

SUNDAY 14th

- > Antique, Retro and Vintage Fair Whitwebbs Museum of Transport. £5. Museum closed.
- > Farmers Market Forty Hall Farm, Enfield, EN2 9HA, 10am—3pm.

SUNDAY 14th

Messy Church King Charles the Martyr Church. See Sunday 15th July.

MONDAY 15th

*Barnet Philatelic Society talk and display.

THESDAY 16th

Coach trip Petworth House, Sussex, £46, National Trust members £35. Depart 9.30am, return 6.30pm. 01707 903761.

WEDNESDAY 17th

- > *PB Horticultural Society 'Silk Purse from a Pig's Nose', Robin Webb.
- *Enfield National Trust Association 'Life and Death on the Lawn', Richard Ayres and Steve Williams. Info 650969.
- *Wednesday Community Club games and chat.

THURSDAY 18th

> *PB Historical Society 'The Royal Air Force Museum and History of the RAF', David Keen.

SATURDAY 20th

- First Indoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court 1—3.30pm. Book on 659602 from 17th September. Fortnightly.
- > Antiques and Collectable Market Stable Yard, Haffield House. Free. 10am—5pm.
- Coach trip New Forest Autumn Colour tour with cream tea, £40. Depart 9.30am, return 7.30pm. 01707 903761.

SUNDAY 21s

- **Family Creative Church** St John's Methodist Church, 10.30am. See 16th September.
- *Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve conservation work. 10am, lay-by, Coopers Lane Road. Tools provided.
- > Farmers Market Stable Yard, Hatfield House, 10am—4pm.

TUESDAY 23rd

'The King and I' ELODS. 7.30pm, Wyllyotts Theatre. Tickets 645005.

WEDNESDAY 24th

- 'The King and I' see above.
- Dawn Ledgard Clothes Sale for Cherry Lodge Cancer Care, Hadley Wood Tennis Club, 1—7 Crescent East, Hadley Wood, 10.30am—3.30pm.
- > *Wednesday Community Club Anniversary lunch, 1pm.

THURSDAY 25+h

- 'The King and I' see above.
- > *Cuffley Horticultural Society 'News from the garden centre shelves', Chris Thorne.

FRIDAY 26tl

> 'The King and I' see above.

SATURDAY 27th

- > 'The King and I' see above plus matinee at 2.30pm.
- > *Barnet Walks Halloween Ghost Walk. Meet at High Barnet tube station, 7.30pm.

SUNDAY 28th

- > *Barnet Walks Halloween Ghost Walk. See 27th.
- ➤ Whitewebbs Museum of Transport Open Day. Entry £5, under 12s free.

MONDAY 29th

➤ *Barnet Walks Halloween Ghost Walk. See 27th.

TUESDAY 30th

> *Barnet Walks Halloween Ghost Walk. See 27th.

WEDNESDAY 31st

- > *PB Horticultural Society 'Cyprus' Bruce Bennett'.
- *Barnet Walks Halloween Ghost Walk. See 27th.
- > *Wednesday Community Club games and chat.

NOVEMBER

THURSDAY 1st

*Potters Bar Society Town Group meeting, Tilbury Hall, 7.30pm.

SATURDAY 3rd

➤ Indoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court, 1pm—3.30pm. Book on 659602 from 17th September.

SUNDAY 4th

- > DPL Camera Fair Elm Court, 10.30am—2pm.
- Messy Church King Charles the Martyr Church. See Sunday 15th July.

MONDAY 5th

- > Firework Display Cranborne School, from 6pm.
- *Barnet Philatelic Society Armistice Centenary. Talk and display.

THESDAY 6th

Lunchtime recital Andrew West, organ. Retiring collection. Buffet lunch (£4) from 12 noon to 1.30pm. St Mary's Church, The Walk.

WEDNESDAY 7th

*Wednesday Community Club U3A singers.

THURSDAY 8th

- > *Oakmere WI 'Reach for the stars', former dresser Paul Read.
- *Enfield National Trust Association 'Discovering Hertfordshire plants and landscapes', Neale Holmes-Smith. Enfield Grammar School, 7.45pm. 650969.

SATURDAY 10th

Christmas Bazaar Cats Protection League. 11am—1pm, The Undercroft, St Andrew's Church, Cuffley. Entrance 50p or a fin of cat food.

SUNDAY 11th

> Farmers Market Forty Hall Farm, Enfield, EN2 9HA, 10am—3pm.

TUESDAY 13th

> *Cuffley Ind. Heritage Society TBA.

WEDNESDAY 14th

- > *RSPB afternoon meeting 'Hedgehogs conservation projects', Emily Watson.
- > *PB Horticultural Society 'Mead Making', Ronald Hunter.
- > *Wednesday Community Club Jeff's clothes sale, games and chat.

FRIDAY 16th

> *RSPB evening meeting 'Life behind the lens', Tom Way.

SATURDAY 17th

- ➤ Indoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court, 1.30—3.30pm. Book on 659602.
- Quiz Night Cats Protection League. 7.30—10.30pm, Elm Court. £6 per person, max 10 per table. Bring own food and drink. Tickets Stephanie on 657876.

SUNDAY 18th

- *Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve conservation work. 10am, lay-by, Coopers Lane Road. Tools provided.
- **Family Creative Church** St John's Methodist Church, 10.30am. See 16th September.
- ➤ **DPL Toy and Train Fair** Elm Court, 10.30pm—2.30pm.

WEDNESDAY 21st

*Enfield National Trust Association 'Dabs and DNA catch criminals', Chris Truran. Holtwhites Sports and Social Club, Enfield, 2pm. Info 650969.

THURSDAY 22nd

> *PB Historical Society 'The Memorial of Mymms', William Masterson.

DECEMBER

SATURDAY 1st

➤ Indoor Car Boot Sale at Elm Court, 1—3.30pm. Book on 659602.

SUNDAY 9th

> Farmers Market Forty Hall Farm, Enfield, EN2 9HA, 10am—3pm.

TUESDAY 11th

- *Cuffley Floral Art Club 'Joyous Noel', Kathy Stangaard.
- > *Cuffley Ind. Heritage Society TBA.

THURSDAY 13th

*Oakmere WI visit by the Aston hand bell ringers.

Please check details of these events by telephoning the contact provided. An asterisk * means more details about venues and times included in Clubs and Organisations section.

To include an event contact: susan.weaver4@ntlworld.com

Major success for Local Chess Club

In their seventeenth season, Little Heath, Brookmans Park and Potters Bar Chess Club have achieved the ultimate prize by winning the Hertfordshire League with one match to spare.

To cap a very successful season, the club's second team won Division 4, also with a match to spare.

First Team Captain Jeremy Ward commented "Winning the league was a real team effort, with everyone contributing points across a long season. The club fosters a general improvement in playing standard through training, analysis and competition and the nucleus of our team remains the same as the one that got us promoted to Division 1 three years ago. However, I expect next season will be the toughest yet as others attempt to snatch our crown!"

The club was set up on 6th September 1999, meeting at Little Heath Parish Hall. The following season it entered the league and achieved successive promotions to Division 2. In the meantime, additional teams were created and the club also participated as Potters Bar in the Middlesex League. Club training meetings, principally for juniors, were held at the Brookmans Park URC.

The club consists of four teams offering playing opportunities for a range of abilities from International Master to purely social players. Matches are keenly fought and players have continued to improve at all levels.

Whilst the club enjoyed many years as a proving ground for talented Herts juniors, nowadays there is strong competition from hi-spec computer games. One group is trying to reverse the trend, with the active support of the club. Their Facebook Group is 'children's chess potters bar'. There are plans for further training sessions and a tournament at Christmas.

Chris Cook



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Monday 23rd to Friday 27th July, Monday 30th July to Friday 3rd August, Monday 6th to Friday 10th August and Monday 13th to Friday 17th August — all 5 day courses. Morning sessions age 5—9 years from 9am to 12 noon. Afternoon sessions age 10-15 years from 1 to 4pm.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR FINALS will take place on Saturday 15th September.

Please call in to the club during that day to see the playing talent of our best players.

MUNCHKINS continue on Saturdays at 12 noon through the summer till the end of October.

JUNIOR FRIDAY NIGHTS finishes for the summer on 21st July and recommences on Friday 7th September. This is included in the Junior Membership fee of £85 (1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019).

ADULT PLAY Every Monday evening 'Pay and Play' is available for adults from 7pm to 9pm (Improvers Mixed). Cost for nonmembers is £7.

ADULT COACHING

Beginners Ladies: Tuesdays 9.30 to 11.30am.

Non-members £5 per session.

Improvers Mixed: Thursdays 10 to 11am.

Non-members £6 per session.

These sessions are all taken by Karl Mills, Club Head Coach, **07939 303483** who should be contacted on any coaching enquiries. All membership enquiries should be made to Sue Vallance on **01707 645909** or email

sue.vallance3@btinternet.com.

















2017/18 - A historic season for Potters Bar Town FC

With new players/match officials, changing facilities ready for the new season and the nearing completion of the new club house project at the Pakex Stadium, 'The Scholars' supporters, committee, management and players were boping for a good season with the intention of challenging for the play-off places come the end of the season. It was also the year Club Chairman, Peter Waller, celebrated 50 years of service to the club, having fulfilled many roles.

It was thirteen years since the club had achieved promotion from the non-league level, step five, Spartan South Midland League in 2005, to step four and competing in either the Southern League or the Isthmian League, depending which league the FA allocated the club to each season. This is due to their bordering on the geographical boundary of both leagues.

This season the club had returned to the Isthmian (Bostik sponsored) League North Division. The season was one to remember. Not only did the club reach the second qualifying round of the F.A. Cup, going out against National League South Division Hampton & Richmond (who lost in the National League Play-off Final at the end of the season) in a home replay, but also the second round of the FA Trophy, losing to Southern League Premier Division Hereford United (who won their league this season), again in a home replay.

We ended the season as Bostik North League Division runners-up and broke the following records: Most points...90: most wins...28: most goals...87: least losses...9: least goals conceded...42: goal difference...+45.

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More than a Bowls Club

After a very successful 2017 season, Potters Bar Bowls Club took the covers off their green on Saturday 21st April for the opening day of their 2018 season.

President Susie Thurlow rolled the first wood in the annual President's Day competition. Over 60 members supported Susie and her chosen charity for the year 'Headway Hertfordshire', an organisation set up to help anyone in Hertfordshire who is affected by an acquired brain injury – something close to Susie's

Members enjoyed eighteen ends before joining together for drinks and a superb buffet. Thanks to members' generosity in donating prizes and purchasing raffle tickets, over £300 (including proceeds from the 'Spider' and Baby photograph competition), was raised for the charity. The club held two successful Open Days early in the season and, thanks to the article in the last edition of this magazine, four of the prospective members who did so, came along as a result of reading about us in Community News.

Members have already started playing the early rounds of internal club competitions in addition to District matches. We have also enjoyed friendly games against other clubs including Hatfield, Harperbury, Northaw and Cuffley, and Hemel Hempstead.

The club has a full social programme, and in addition in early May held a plant sale which, together with cream teas for over 40 members, raised £189 for club funds. Cribbage nights during the winter have proved so popular that a number of members asked if they could continue during the summer so Thursday evenings will soon be for a Roll-Up and Cribbage.

The club welcomed a new sponsor for the 2018 season. Wyevale Garden Centre at Bentley Heath has very kindly donated four new 'Box Planters', and supplied suitable plants at a heavily discounted rate. The club hopes that this relationship will continue for many years, and is very grateful to Wyevale.

The club is always looking for new members, so if you would like to join a friendly, local group and also enjoy some gentle exercise, please contact Peter Openshaw, Membership Secretary on **01707 657812**.

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David Arnold

Press Officer



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Rotary's Blast from the Past is a major hit

Wyllyotts Theatre rocked to music from the 50s and 60s at the fundraising concert organised by Potters Bar Rotary Club in May in aid of Noah's Ark Children's Hospice.

The evening kicked off with talented up-and-coming singer Natisse, whose set included songs by Etta James and Dusty Springfield.

Next on were Shades of Midnight, the local band which was formed in the 60s and features Rotary President John Powell on bass guitar. They wowed the audience with a string of hits from the age of rock, including Cliff Richard's 'Move It' and the classic hit 'Not Fade Away'.

Bringing the evening to a rousing finish were Union Gap, performing their chart successes from the 60s, Young Girl and Lady Will Power, along with a number of other memorable tracks from that time.

During the evening two guitars, one acoustic and one electric, signed by Marty Wilde, Shades of Midnight, Union Gap and other rock stars were raffled and auctioned to raise more funds. The evening was a major success with £3,000 raised for the hospice, and a cheque for that amount was presented to Priya Singh.

A repeat next year seems to be a distinct possibility which is great news for both those who attended this year and those who missed out. What a great evening!

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Classic Car and Bike Show

Potters Bar Rotary Club presents the 6th Classic Car & Bike Show at Elm Court on Sunday 19th August from 12 noon to 4pm. Have a great day out with hog roast and hot food, bar, tea, coffee and cakes, with Shades of Midnight providing musical background.

Entry for adults is £4, children under 16 are free. Come along and support Rotary in their fund-raising efforts for local charities. To display a car or bike, please call John on 01707 645955 or email jvg499@hotmail.co.uk.

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Construction at the new Noah's Ark Children's Hospice is progressing at a pace with the central oak atrium being installed. When completed, it will be the first children's hospice building to serve North and Central London and will help over 1,200 babies and children with life-threatening or life-limiting conditions. Potter Bar families will have an invaluable community resource.

Noah's Ark currently offers a hospice-at-home service but does not have a physical building. The Ark is due to open in March 2019 and will serve five London boroughs and Hertsmere.

The new state-of-the-art building will offer a range of children's palliative care services that are not currently available including sensory, music and wet play rooms, overnight stays to help manage a child or young person's symptoms and 24-hour end-of-life-care, including specialised care for new-born babies.

Noah's Ark charity exists to provide care and support for children and young people from birth who have a life-limiting or life-threatening condition. The aim is to enable them to live full lives and to achieve their aspirations and also to ensure that families are able to live life as fully as possible while their child is still alive, and go on to face the future with hope after bereavement.

Nicki Styles, mother of 17 year old Brandon who is supported by Noah's Ark, said: "I see the new Noah's Ark hospice building as a place to come together as a family and know that you will get high quality care and support. To be able to spend time with others in similar situations, supporting and sharing the good and the sad times of our lives, where we all understand the realities and nuances of living with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions."

How you can help us to Build The Ark!

The Noah's Ark Rainbow Run is back for 2018 and it's bigger, bolder and brighter than ever before! Following on from the success of last year, we're going even bigger this year with a new venue and new Rainbow HQ.

This year's Rainbow Run is on Sunday 8th July and is once again sponsored by Martyn Gerrard Estate Agents. It will be held in the beautiful and iconic Trent Park in Enfield.

The event is suitable for all abilities and we are offering two courses — we have the 1.5k Little Loop as well as the 5k Big Loop. Each course will follow a fully sign-posted route with our Rainbow Squad posted at various points ready to shower you in a kaleidoscope of colour as you pass — by the time you reach the finish line, you'll be well and truly rainbowed!



Both courses start and finish at our Rainbow HQ — which is also new for 2018 — and will feature refreshments and entertainment for all the family. Sign up now and join us for what will be an epic technicolour day in the park. Alternatively if you can donate online

Alternatively if you can donate online www.buildingtheark.org.uk/donate-now.

Stop Press: Noah's Ark Children's Hospice has just been shortlisted for the Jewson 'Building Better Communities Award'. The competition received over 2,400 entries this year, so to make it to this stage is amazing — they are down to the last 11! There is now the opportunity for the public to vote, which can be done via www.buildingbetter communities.co.uk.



Are you aware of the nature reserve on Coopers Lane Road (opposite the Oshwal Centre)? Fir and Pond Woods Nature Reserve is managed by Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust, open at all times and has a network of waymarked paths.

It is widely thought to be one of the best remaining parts of the ancient Enfield Chase. The woodland consists of mainly Pendunculate oak (acorns on stalks), Sessile oak (acorns have no stalks) and Hornbeam with an understory of holly. In Pond Wood there is a large ancient acid meadow rich in wild flowers and it is a beautiful area. The meadow has not been ploughed for hundreds of years, creating a valuable habitat for many species including butterflies, grasshoppers and many yellow meadow ant nests. On a warm day look out for gatekeeper, small copper and marbled white butterflies amongst the many wild flowers. In late summer a flock of sheep arrive to control the vegetation, so please keep dogs on a lead and try not to disturb the sheep when in the meadow.

Further downhill across a bridge over the Turkey Brook, which originates in Oakmere Park, is an ancient pond, dating back to the 1300s. The viewing platform there is a good place to spot dragonflies and damselflies with sixteen of Hertfordshire's species having been seen here.

The Trust manages the reserve with a group of dedicated volunteers — but always need an extra pair of hands! Work parties usually take place on the third Sunday of the month and include tasks like clearing areas of holly, scrub clearance and sheep checks. Becoming a volunteer is a great way to meet new people, learn about conservation management and spend an energetic morning outside! Tools are provided — see the 'What's On' pages for dates and times.

Find out more about the reserve, volunteering and what events are coming up at **hertswildlifetrust.org.uk**.

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Golf Club raises money for the Willow Foundation

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The cheque for £11,500 was presented to Katie Fisher of the Willow Foundation (middle) by the Golf Club Captain, Trevor Goodman and the Ladies Captain, Jane Robinson.

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Facebook Groups for Potters Bar and District (South Herts)

The area is well catered for with Facebook groups and pages. Whilst several have 'Potters Bar' in the title they are really for the wider area covered by Community News. Here we look at a few of the more popular, and particularly well-run and friendly sites. All are advert-free with one notable exception.

A good deal of traffic passes through the **Potters Bar Neighbourhood Watch** group which is understandable given recent events. Like many, this is a closed group. A degree of success has been achieved through members exchanging information and offering advice and guidance. OWL alerts are published as are feeds from police FB groups.

Potters Bar Community Group covers general matters. The admin of a linked page, **Potters Bar Residents Page**, set up a successful petition aimed at pressuring the council into dealing with the serious potholes that were developing at a rapid rate. In many ways this is a good landing page for those who wish to find out what is happening.

One site that accepts advertisements is **Potters Bar – Support Local Directory**. Its function is simply to provide local businesses with the opportunity to interact with group members.

Potters Bar Families is very popular with members, mainly mums but not exclusively, providing a mixture of information, discussion, banter, photos, recipes and fun. Advert-free the site is easy to navigate and regularly updated.

A very popular group is **Potters Bar – A Trip Down Memory Lane**. There are sister sites for Little Heath & Brookmans Park, South Mimms, Northaw. Members discuss their memories often accompanied by photos and even videos.

Christmas in Potters Bar is dedicated to the Christmas lights project.

A relatively new group caters for those outside of Potters Bar area. **Villages in South Herts** has a wide remit covering Neighbourhood Watch, sports results, events, news, local history and information. The boundaries are not precise but include Little Heath, Bentley Heath, South Mimms, Brookmans Park, Welham Green and North Mymms.

Smaller niche groups include **Scams and Criminal Activity in Potters Bar, Potters Bar Debate Group** as well as various school and sports related groups.

These groups are all run by dedicated admins who are enthusiastic about the town and area. Four of them are working on an ambitious project entitled **South Herts All In One Place (www.southhertsaiop.co.uk)** that will also embrace the web for those who don't want to use Facebook.

Chris Cook

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- The Community Car Scheme for medical appointments. The drivers are volunteers using their own cars. This service operates Monday to Friday. Please give at least 3 working days' notice to book a trip. A local trip costs around £4 return, a trip to a hospital such as Barnet could cost £10 return.
- The Shopper Scheme uses a low floor accessible minibus which picks people up from their homes and takes them to Tesco or Sainsbury's on a Wednesday and Thursday morning. The cost of a trip is £4 return. There is also a fortnightly trip on Friday to Sainsbury's/M&S at London Colney. This longer trip costs £6 return.
- The 'Ring and Ride' scheme takes people to community activities, classes, libraries, hairdressers and more. Please contact us for more information.

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The Addams Family

Saturday 28th July, 7.30pm, Sunday 29th July, 6pm Tickets £15

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Saturday 4th August, 8pm Tickets £22

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An evening with **Graham Gooch and** Mike Gatting

Thursday 13th September, 8pm

Tickets: Balcony £13.50, Floor £16.50. Raked Stalls £19.50. VIP £49

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Fleetwood Back

Friday 14th September, 8pm Tickets £21

Endorsed by Mick Fleetwood himself, this is the only tribute band to authentically replicate the classic Rumours line up. The show focuses on the Rumours era of the band and also features several songs from the Peter Green days, plus some of Stevie's greatest solo hits.

Magic of Motown

Saturday 15th September, 8pm Tickets £26.50

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The Billy Joel Songbook

Tuesday 18th September, 7.30pm

Tickets £25.50, Concessions £23.50

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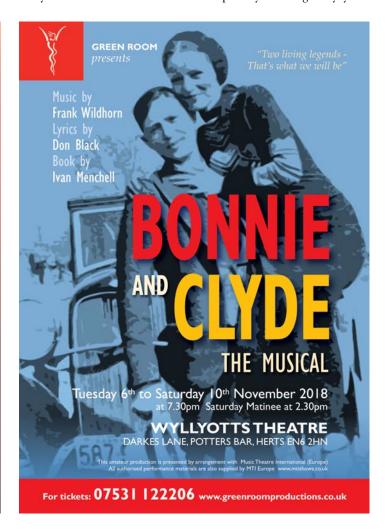
Los Endos -And when there were five

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The Best of Wham

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Big Girls Don't Cry

Saturday 29th September, 8pm

Tickets £25

A 10th anniversary tour celebrating a decade of *Big Girls Don't Cry*, featuring The East Coast Boys. Come and experience the iconic sounds of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons

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A Salute to Sinatra and the Swing Legends

Sunday 30th September, 5pm *Tickets £21*

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Rolling Back the Years

Thursday 4th October, 2pm *Tickets £15*

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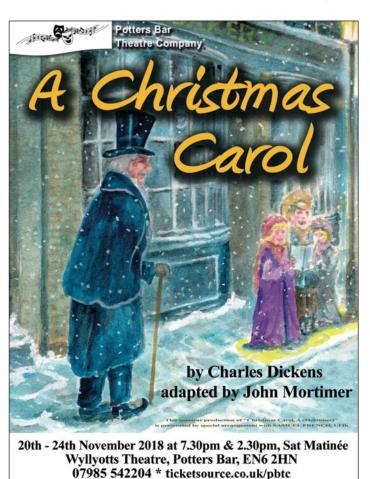
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Endorsed by Lionel Richie, this brand new production features a stellar line up of world class musicians and the awesome talent of Malcolm Pitt as the voice of Lionel Richie.

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Potters Bar, Hertfordshire EN6 2HN
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Potters Bar Society walks to September 2018

If you are interested in furthering your knowledge and understanding of the local environment then these walks should appeal. Non-members are welcome but please make sure you know the protocol and walks rules. In case of emergency please carry contact details (which can easily be found) including details of any medications and allergies that paramedics would need to note. You join all of the walks at your own risk.

In the event of adverse weather conditions, please telephone the walks leader as the walk may have to be cancelled. All walks begin at 1.30pm.

Sunday 8th July

Meet: Salisbury Close car park, High Street Potters Bar (EN6 5AX). Route: The Causeway to Coopers Lane and circular walk around Fir & Pond Woods. About: 4 miles. *Leader:* **07712 932373**.

Sunday 22nd July

Meet: Shenley Park car park off Radlett Lane. *Route:* a circular route through Shenley Park to Radlett with scenic views of the countryside. About: 5 miles. *Leader:* **01707 654993**.

Sunday 5th August

Meet: at bus stop at junction of Church Road and Osborne Road, Potters Bar (TL257021). *Route:* Thornton Road, Leggatts Park to Gobions Wood. Return via Hawkshead Lane, Boltons Farm and Mountway. About: 4 miles. *Leaders:* **01707 655732**.

Sunday 19th August

Meet: public car park Colney Heath High Street (TL201601), next to primary school. *Route:* London Colney via lakes and return via Willows Farm. About: 5 miles. *Leaders:* **01707 643832**.

Sunday 2nd September

Meet: Roestock Lane (Bullens Green) near junction with Bullens Green Lane (AL4 OQW). *Route:* walk to Bunchleys pond Welham Green. Return via Tollgate Farm, Roundhouse Farm and Community Forest. About: 5 miles. *Leader:* **01707 264689**.

Details of later walks may be accessed on the Society's website, www.pbsoc.org.uk. We are still looking for additional walks leaders to ensure the continuation of the programme – please ring 01707 643832 if you can help.



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104-106 HIGH STREET POTTERS BAR HERTS EN6 5AT TEL: 01707 654304 / 01707644012 FAX: 01707 649195 EMAIL: john@johnpowellcarpets.co.uk WEB: www.johnpowellcarpets.co.uk

Showband in Europe!

Potters Bar based Hertfordshire Showband has been hired for interesting events in Europe this year.



In April they travelled to France for the annual Beauvais Tattoo. Along with six other bands from various European countries our band performed in the magnificent town square during the afternoon, and then performed their popular marching show in the evening at the indoor arena.

On the first weekend of September the band has been booked to take part in the world-renowned 'Zundert Flower Parade' in Holland, the largest flower parade in the world! All the huge floats are made from only dahlias and bring crowds from all over. These trips are totally free to band members as the band is paid a fee to take part.

In November the band is appearing in the Lord Mayor's Show in London, then two Christmas Parades, followed by their local Christmas Concert in St Mary's Church at 3pm on Saturday 15th December.

There are two opportunities for people to join the band. Training Band for aged 9 and above who have reached Grade 2 ability on a brass or wind instrument. Senior Band for adults and teenagers who are playing at a minimum of Grade 5 or above.

Contact Terry on **07802 258655** or **terry@hertfordshire-showband.org**.





Elm Court Car Boot Sales raise £1m for good causes

This year will see the £1m mark being passed for the total amount raised by Elm Court's car boot sales. They started in 1981 as indoor attic sales, and outdoor sales started in 1987 as one-off special events, but in 1992 Elm Court got serious, and sales were held fortnightly.

Unable to staff the sales from its own supporters, Elm Court asked other organisations to help in return for a cut of the proceeds. Of that £1m, half has gone to those organisations which have helped, either on the gate, directing traffic or running the snack bars. This year there are 20 organisations benefitting, including scout groups, The Green Room, girl guiding, the canoe club and Cats Protection.

Sales are held every Saturday. Sellers' cars are charged £5 from 11am, and entry for the public is 50p from 12 noon. For more information go to www.elmcourt.org.uk.

Tom Shirley Chair of Trustees



Classic cars are caught on camera

Sixteen members of Potters Bar and District Photographic Society recently had a rare opportunity to photograph a unique collection of cars – a collection that is housed in Potters Bar.

Studio 434 is based in two venues in the Cranborne area of the town and was opened up especially for the Society's members. The event was arranged by Tony Mead, who said that not only were the members shown the main collection but were given access to the new building and the rest of the cars.

Tony said "We are very grateful to Roger Dudding for opening up his magnificent collection of over 300 cars to us". Another photographer on the visit was Ramona Fernandes, who added "What a fantastic and enjoyable opportunity to see a great range of classic cars, motor bikes and other vehicles right on our door step in Potters Bar. I loved it! There was even an old pram and a Dr Who Dalek there! The staff were very helpful and we were allowed to wander freely amongst this collection in two warehouses, which was brilliant. The time passed so quickly. I was too scared to damage anything, even though we were told that we were allowed to sit in them. I did sit in the 1966 Citroen DS: the red leather seats were luxurious. Please pass on my thanks and gratitude to all and to Studio 434." Many of the photographers used the opportunity to photograph the immaculate cars in close-up, allowing them to show the quality of the preservation in great detail. The visit was one of a number of activities being run to mark the Society's 70th anniversary in 2018.

It meets most Monday evenings from 7.30pm at the Wyllyotts Centre. Membership is open to anyone who wishes to improve

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their photography, irrespective of their current standards. Further information can be found at http://pottersbar photosoc.org.uk or by visiting any meeting of the Society. Potential members may visit up to three times as guests before they have to decide whether to join.

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

AR'S STOMPERS LINE DANCING

Weekly, Mon, Tue and Thu. Wroxham School. All levels. 07967 964962.

Weekly. Youth clubs and regular events. 665551 or www.act4.org.uk.

ADULT BALLET, JAZZ and TAP CLASS

Weekly classes, Parkwood Health and Leisure Centre, Darkes Lane, Suzanne 07904 771980.

ADULT NETBALL

Mon 7—8pm. Wroxham School. £2. Any standard welcome. Tel 650902.

AIR TRAINING CORPS - 57 (PB) SQUADRON

Weekly, Mon and Thu. Ingram Cadet Centre (opp Fire Station). 7.15—9.30pm. Ages 13/18. oc.57@aircadets.org.

ALCOHOLICS-ANONYMOUS

Frequent Meetings in Potters Bar and local area. 0845 768 7555 or email help@alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk.

ANGIE'S DANCE ACADEMY

Weekly classes. Children and adults (Disco/Street). Latin American and Line dancing, to exam status and performing in shows. Angie on 07773 341490.

Every Fri 10am-12 noon. Furzefield Court, (next to Elm Court). £2.30. 020 8207 7568.

ART IN HERTS

Weekly, Tue. Furzefield Court, Mutton Lane. 7.30-10pm Painting in informal and social atmosphere with occasional expert tuition. 650694.

ART CLASSES

Art classes in drawing and watercolour painting Tue and Thu 10am-12.30pm. Jane 850356.

ART CLUB

Sixty Plus Centre Wyllyotts. Thu 2-4pm. 654007.

ATTIC ORCHESTRA

For those who wish to resume playing. Mel on melroot@hotmail.com.

BABY SENSORY CLASSESS (Birth — 13 months)

Award winning. Thu. Furzefield Leisure Centre. Lisa 07887 700939 or barnet@babysensory.co.uk.

BADMINTON

Weekly, Fri. Owen's School, 8-10pm. Age 17+ intermediate unwards 264007

BADMINTON CLUB

Little Heath Church Hall. Thu 7.30pm. All abilities welcome.

BADMINTON CLUB (Friern)

Friendly club for intermediate players. Owen's School. Wed 8pm. Contact ann-marie.rowland@fds.co.uk.

BADMINTON LADIES

Weekly, Wed 2–5pm. Christ Church, Little Heath. Friendly, social group. 650040.

BALLROOM and LATIN DANCING

Weekly. Tilbury Hall. Beginners Mon 7pm. Improvers 7.45pm and advanced 8.45pm. Wed Beginners Line Dancing 8.30pm.

BARNET and DISTRICT CANCER LINK

Drop In Centre. Weekly, Wed 1.30–4pm. Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great, Union Street, Barnet. For cancer patients, families and friends. 708022 or

BARNET and DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Mon 8pm. Twice monthly. St John's Church Hall, Mowbray Road, New Barnet. Sep to Jun. Secretary: 020 8449 3971 or www.barnetphilatelic.co.uk.

BARNET PLUS SPORT and SOCIAL CLUB

Weekly, Sun from 8.30pm. Discovery Hall, Netherlands Road, New Barnet. wwwBarnetplus.com.

BARNET YHA (NORTH LONDON OUTDOOR GROUP)

Weskly. Tue 8—10pm. Discovery Hall, Netherlands Road, Barnet. 30—50+. Walking weekends, day walks, social. 07764 559752. www.barnetyha.org.

BARNET WALKS*

Guided walks. £9 (£4 under 12s). Contact Paul for more information on 07506 761294.

RARRACIIDA SWIMMING CHIR

Weekly, Sun. Furzefield Centre, Mutton Lane, 11.30am—12.30pm. Helps all ages with disabilities to be safe in water. Contact lan

BAY JAZZ CLUB

Weekly, Tue, 8.30—11pm. Botany Bay Cricket Club, East Lodge Lane, Enfield. Live Traditional Jazz. Licensed Bar. 020 8367 6660.

BELLRINGING IN SOUTH MIMMS

Bellringers practice St Giles Church, Thu 7pm. Ages 12+. Experience or beginners. 272574.

Weekly, Mon. South Mimms Youth and Community Association, Village Hall 7 20pm 651700/647822

BOTANY BAY PETANQUE CLUB

Weekly, Sun 10.30am—2pm. Botany Bay Cricket Club. Try the French game of boules 653325.

BRIDGE CLUB — LITTLE HEATH (duplicate) Tue 7.30pm in Parish Hall. Aileen 652343 or Peter 658016.

BRIDGE CHIR Thu 10am—1pm. Little Heath Parish Hall. Playing Chicago Bridge.

Mon 7.30pm. Clayton Centre, Barnet Road, Potters Bar. June

BRIDGE CLUB — CHICAGO

Mon 7.30—10pm at Wyllyotts Centre. Robert 658677.

BROOKMANS PARK WI

3rd Mon 8pm. Brookmans Park United Reformed Church. Visitors welcome. 657997.

BROOKMANS PARK TENNIS CLUB

Golf Club Road, Brookmans Park. 6 courts with floodlights. Suit all abilities, 644926.

BROOKMANS PARK WEA

Weekly Tue and Thu mornings. 10 week course at URC Brookmans Park. 650673

BURMA STAR

St Albans branch. Monthly, 2nd Mon, 11am. British Legion Club, Verulam Road, St Albans, For ex-servicemen with Burma Star.

BUSHI SEISHIN RYU (Martial Arts)

Weekly, Fri. Kidston Institute, Northaw Road West, Northaw, 7 30-9 30nm 642354

CAKE DECORATING

Potters Bar Sugar Art Club. Monthly, 1st Mon, 7.30pm. Furzefield Court, Mutton Lane. Jackie 850432.

CARDIAC SUPPORT GROUP

Monthly meetings and weekly cardiac exercise. British Legion, Holtwhites Hill. Enfield. 01992 718155.

CARERS IN HERTFORDSHIRE*
Contact 01992 586969 for information.

CAPITAL ARTS CHILDREN'S CHOIR and YOUTH THEATRE

Sat, Wyllyotts Centre. Age 5—16. Drama and choir. 020 8449 2342.

CHARITY LUNCHES

United Reformed Church, Darkes Lane, 1st and 3rd Fri in month. Soup, full salad buffet, tea or coffee and biscuits, 1pm. £3 per person. Please come and join us. 665482.

CHARLIE'S ANGELS

Weekly on Wed in term-time, 1.30—3pm. For toddlers and their parents, grandparents and carers. King Charles the Martyr Church Hall. No charge. 01707 665579.

CHERRY LODGE CANCER CARE

Contact Tina on 020 8441 7000 for more information.

CHI KIING CLASS

Weekly, Mon 6.30—7.30pm. North Mymms Social Club, Welham Green. Sat 11am—12 noon at PB Health Club. Organised by 'Just Standina', 272255.

CHILDREN'S FINE ART CLASSES

Little Art School of Herts. Small groups. Ages 4-12. Tue 4.15—5.15pm, Potters Bar/South Mymms village. 07907 802206.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN POTTERS BAR

Co-ordination organization for all churches in Potters Bar. Malcolm Golland on 653417.

CIRCLE FOR THE BLIND and PARTIALLY SIGHTED

(PB THEATRE COMPANY) Dress rehearsals for shows and quarterly evening socials at Furzefield Court. Evenings. 657 194.

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Weekly, Tue. Wyllyotts Theatre, 7.30—9.30pm. For info Joy

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Christmas. King Charles the Martyr Church Hall, 9—1.30pm. Coffee and light lunches served. All welcome and all profits to charity, 01707 665579.

COOPERSCROFT

Memory café every Tue at 11am—12.30pm. Contact 01707 644179 for more info.

COUNTRY MANAGEMENT SERVICE

Environment Department, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford. 01923 588433

CRAFT AND CHATTER

Weekly, Mon (except school holidays). PB Baptist Church, CROQUET CLUB

Tue, Thu, Sat and Sun, from 2.30pm. Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

Coaching given. 020 8366 6005. CUFFLEY FLORAL ART CLUB* Monthly, Tue 7 for 8pm. Cuffley Hall, Maynards Place. Jessica

CUFFLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Monthly, last Thu. 10 times per year. 8pm, Cuffley Hall, Maynard Place 875742

CUFFLEY INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE SOCIETY

Monthly, 2nd Tue. Northaw Village Hall, 7.30 for 8pm. £4.

CUFFLEY OPERATIC SOCIETY

Amateur Musical Theatre Rehearsals Tue and Thu. 2 shows a year May/Nov at Cuffley Hall. Jen 01707 872418.

CUFFLEY PLAYERS — Amateur Dramatic Society

Rehearsals Mon and Thu. 2 plays a year Mar and Nov at Cuffley Hall. Fran 872229

CUFFLEY OVER 50'S CLUB

Wed 2—5pm. Cuffley Youth and Community Centre. Art, snooker, table-tennis, Scrabble, etc. Betty 659621.

Lizzie Meeks School of Dance. Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip Hop/Street Dance. Adult's and children's classes Mon—Fri.

DANCING

Ballroom and Latin. Beginners. Weekly, Wed. Little Heath Church Hall, Thornton Road, 8.45—10pm. 662050.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY CAFÉ —

Home Instead Senior Care
Every third Thu, 10am—2pm, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 3TP.
Call 01707 240 650 for info.

DOG TRAINING — HOME FARM

Fri classes 9.30am—12 noon. Obedience and socialisation. All levels welcome. One-one also, 275322.

DOG TRAINING IN POTTERS BARWeekly, Sun 10—11am. 020 8449 5298/651610.

ELIZABETH ALLEN FOOTBALL CLUB

Weekly, Sat afternoon. Old Owen's, Coopers Lane Road and Coopers Road, Little Heath. 16 +. Training Tue 8pm. Owen's School. 652422/646273.

ENFIELD LIGHT OPERATIC and DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Weekly, Tue and Fri 8pm. Drama Group rehearse Winchmore Hill.
Performs Wyllyotts. 2 musicals per year. 07711 316474.

ENFIELD NATIONAL TRUST ASSOCIATION

Contact Pam for more information 650969 ESSENDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mon 8–9pm weight training. Wed 5.30–6.30pm and 7.15–8.15pm circuits. Sat 9–10am circuits. Wed 1.45–3.15pm Mother and Toddler Group, School Hall. EXERCISE and MOVEMENT TO MUSIC
Fun, friendly fitness for all. Wed 2.15—3.45pm, Elm Court Youth

and Community Centre. Call or text 07949 055958 or email exercisewithtracy@amail.com

FENG SHUI SOCIETY OF HERTS Monthly. Elm Court, 7pm. 07951 741128.

FIFTY PLUS*

Wide range of activities, events, trips and courses. Not exclusive to 50 and over. 645005.

FIR and POND WOODS NATURE RESERVE OF HERTS

and MIDDLESEX WILDLIFE TRUST*
Monthly, 3rd Sun, 10am—1am, Meet lay-by, Coopers Lane Road, opposite EN6 4DG. Conservation work to maintain this reserve. Tools provided. Martin 657913.

FIRST CLASS LEARNING MATHS and ENGLISH
Ages 5–16. Weekly, Thu 3.30–5.30pm. King Charles the Martyr

FITNESS CLASSES

Wed 7.15pm. LBPT Fitness Classes and Sat 9am. Essendon Primary School Hall. Adults of all ages and abilities.

FOLK DANCE CLUB IN ST ALBANS
Thu 7.45—9.45pm at St Stephens Church Hall, Watling Street,
AL1 2PX. All dances are called and no partner required. More info contact Brian on 01707 834977.

FOOTBALL

Vets football Sat afternoons. 35+ years. Venues locally in South Herts. Evenings. 852422.

FRIDAY FOLK
Social folk dancing club, Fri 7.45—10pm. In St Albans. www.fridayfolk.org.uk.

FURZEFIELD WI

Monthly, 3rd Thu, 7.30—10pm. Tilbury Hall. 659886.

GOBIONS WOOD NATURE RESERVE OF HERTS and MIDDLESEX WILDLIFE TRUST For information contact 01727 858901.

GOLDEN EAGLE SPIRITUAL GROUP*

Monthly, 1st Tue. Clayton Centre, Barnet Road, 7.30pm. £4. Mediumship and workshops. 658499.

GREEN ROOM PRODUCTIONS

Rehearsals Mon at King Charles the Martyr Church Hall, Wed at Oakmere School. Presents musicals twice a year. New members welcome — acting and behind the scenes. 01727 836938. For siblings and families of children with special needs. Monthly.

2nd Sat, 3.30—6pm. Wayside Centre. £2 per family. Sally

GUIDES, BROWNIES and RAINBOWS

Potters Bar and Brookmans Park areas: www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved or Sue 850147.

GURDJIEFF STUDY AND MEDITATION GROUP

Meets every few weeks. Info. 654896.

HERTS YOUNG HOMELESS

nightstopherts@hyh.org.uk or 03333 202 384. HERTFORDSHIRE CHORUS
Choir based in Hatfield. Weekly. Bishop Hatfield School.

www.hertfordshirechorus.org.uk HERTFORDSHIRE CONCERT BAND Tue evenings at Music Department of Hertfordshire University.

Friendly wind band, rehearses in Hatfield. Contact www.hertsconcertband.co.uk.

HERTS MIND NETWORK Tue fortnightly 11am—1pm, Memory Support Group appointment only £1, Goodacre Court, EN6 5AZ. Tue weekly 9am—5pm, Peer Support appointment only, Maple House, EN6 SBS. Tue weekly 2—4pm, Drop-in £1, Elm Court, EN6 3BP. Contact 020 3727 3600.

HERTFORDSHIRE SHOWBAND

Weekly, Mon. Mount Grace School. Training band and lessons 7pm, Showband 7.45pm. 650209.

HERTFORDSHIRE PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA

Thu eves at Welwyn Garden City, for experienced orchestra players. info@hertsphil.org.uk or 01727 857827.

HERTSMERE SOCIETY OF ART

HERTS VISION LOSS

Weekly, Wed 1.30-4.30pm. Clayton Centre, Barnet Road. Friendly art group. 658336.

The Woodside Centre, The Commons, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 4SE.

Sight Line 01707 324680, Office@hertsvisionloss.org.uk or www.Hertsvisionloss.org.uk.

HOMELESS FOR HERTS YOUNG NIGHTSDTOP

Call 03333202 384 or nightstopherts@hyh.org.uk

HUMANISTS — NORTH LONDON GROUP Monthly, 3rd Thu. Non-religious people meet for discussion meetings. Ruth Winston House, Palmers Green plus social events.

INTERIOR DESIGN COURSES For beginners. Potters Bar/South Mimms. Mon 10am—1pm.

07907 802206. IRISH DANCING Weekly, Wed and Sat. Feeney Miller School of Dancing. Clayton Centre, Barnet Road. Age 4+. 01727 824842.

JAZZ – GOOGLIES JAZZ CLUB

Weekly, Thu 7.30pm. Botany Bay Cricket Club, East Lodge Lane, EN2 8AS. www.googliesjazz.co.uk or John 020 8350 3541. JOB CLUB — POTTERS BAR Wed in term-time, 9.30am—12.30pm, Christ Church Little Heath,

Great North Road. Just come along or call 01707-662460 or churchoffice@CCLH.org.uk.

KARATE, SELF DEFENCE and FITNESS
Weekly, Wed, Furzefield Centre. Juniors 7—8pm. Adults 8—9pm.
Sun adult and kuniors 11am—12 noon. 07534 563456 or

www.karate-masters.co.uk.

KARATE and SELF DEFENCE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN TO ADULT Sat 2—7 years, 10.30—11.15am. 8 years+

KARATE FOR ALL THE FAMILY Weekly, Sat. Oakmere Youth and Community Centre. Children 10.30–11.30am. Adults 11.45am—1pm. Beginners welcome.

KING CHARLES THE MARTYR CHURCH

Further details www.kcm-church.org.uk or ring 01707 665579.

11.20am-12.25pm. 661544.

KUMON MATHS and ENGLISH Ages 4—18. Mon and Thu 3.30—5.30pm at Tilbury Hall, Darkes Lane, Sheena 643588.

LIFE CHURCH — POTTERS BAR

Sun 9.30am Family Service. Oakmere Youth and Community Centre, Fetherstone Close. 876060. LIFE CHURCH — CUFFLEY

Sun 11am Family Service, King James Avenue, Cuffley. 876060. LINE DANCE WITH STEPPIN' TIME

Weekly, Mon and Thu. Welham Green. Improver to Advanced level. 655866

Wed 2—4pm. Beginner and Improver level. Oakmere Youth and Community Centre, Fetherstone Close. 859578.

LINE DANCING

LITTLE HEATH CHESS CLUB Adult league matches home matches usually Wed evenings 7.45pm. All abilities, friendly group. Juniors welcome. Chris.

LOAVES and FISHES CAFÉ

Weekly, Wed. Christchurch, Little Heath, 10.45am—12.30pm. All welcome. 662460. MERLIN MAGICAL SOCIETY

heninners. John Clayton 07931 525399. MIND DROP-IN GROUP

Weekly, Tue 1-4pm. Cricket Club, The Walk. 659455.

Fortnightly, Thu 7.45pm. Little Heath Parish Hall, including

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

MITRE CHIR

Monthly, 1st Tue. For retired professionals and businessmen. Best Western Homestead Court Hotel, Welwyn Garden City. 01707 656912

MOUNTVIEW DANCE SCHOOL
Weekly, Mon and Sat. St John's Church Hall. Classes from age 3 upwards. 01582 461233.

MOVES FITNESS

Weekly, Mon. St Mary's Church Hall, 7.30—8.30pm. Aerobic dance exercise. All fitness levels welcome. Brina mat and towel.

MULTI-SPORT

Weekly, Tue and Thu. Furzefield Centre. For the active generation 50+. Short tennis, table tennis, badminton, swimming, indoor howls 850500

MUSICAL TEAPOTS

Baby/Toddler Group, 10 months to 4. Weekly, Wed 9.30-10.30am and 10.30-11.30am in Brookmans Park.

07800 818444 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED CHILDREN

 - EXPLORERS CLUBS

Monthly, 1st Sun. Borehamwood. For talented children and siblings. www.nagc-herts.org.uk.

NETBALL CLUB

Cheshunt Yout, Thu evenings at Wormley. Various leagues. Adults also. Chloe 873676.

NINTAI KARATE CLUB

Weekly at PB Baptist Church, Barnet Road. Beginners Mon 7—8pm. Intermediate and advanced 8—9pm. All grades Fri 7—8pm. 07956 987100.

NORTH LONDON OUTDOOR GROUP

Weekends away, day and summer evening walks. Also, Tue 8.15pm at Discovery Hall, Stevenson Close, New Barnet. www.northlondonoutdoorgroup.org or 07764 559752.

NORTH LONDON and DISTRICT SOCIAL CLUB FOR THE LINATTACHED

Weekly, Wed 8—11pm. Cheshunt Sports Club. Dancing suitable for over 55s. Richard 01992 639344.

NORTH MYMMS BOWLS CLUB

Bushwood Close, Dellsome Lane, Welham Green. 656238.

NORTH MYMMS MEMORIAL HALL Station Road, Welham Green, AL9 7PG. 07948 310192 or www.northmymmsmemorialhall.co.uk.

NORTH MYMMS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

North Mymms Youth and Community Centre, Station Road, Welham Green, Adrian 885430.

NORTH MYMMS YOUTH and COMMUNITY CENTRE* Station Road, Welham Green. 260198.

NORTH MYMMS YOUTH PROJECT

Activities, trips and weekly meetings for youngsters 9-16 years. D of E for ages 14+. www.nmyouth.org.uk. NORTHAW and CUFFLEY BOWLS CLUB

654883

King George V Playing Fields, Northaw Road East, Cuffley.

NORTHAW GREAT WOOD

Working parties every Fri at 9.30am and first Sun each month.

Meet Wood car park. 07850 233854. NORTHAW TAI CHI GROUP

Weekly, Tue. Northaw Church of England School. Vineyards Road, 7.45-9nm. 642354. NORTHAW WI

Monthly, 2nd Thu, 7.30pm, Northaw Village Hall.

OAKMERE WI

Monthly, 2nd Thu, 7.45pm. Tilbury Hall. 645482 or www.oakmerewi.ora.uk.

OAKLANDS BADMINTON CLUB

Weekly, Tue 8—10pm. Sports Hall, Dame Alice Owen's School. 5 courts. Small, friendly club. Events throughout the year. Experience needed Yvonne 642328

OLD FOLKS WELCOME CLUB
Weekly, Mon 2—4pm. Sixty Plus Centre Wyllyotts. 653650.

OLD OWENS CRICKET CLUB

Coopers Lane, Potters Bar, All abilities welcome Herts Saracen League. 07904 194295/020 8819 6638.

PARENT/TODDLER GROUP

Weekly, term-time, Tue 10-11.30am. Causeway Free Church. 660021

Weekly, term-time, 9.45—10.45am. Cranborne School. 851471.

PILATES

Weekly, classes Tue 7—8pm. Brookmans Park UR Church. Neelam 07891 752906. Weekly United Reformed Church, Brookmans Park. Mon 9.15am

and 10.15am, Fri 9.30am and 10.30am. North Mymms Memorial Hall Tue 9.30am and 10.30am, Wed 9.30am and 6.30nm. Book with Debbie 07717 841338.

POSITIVE MOVEMENT EXERCISE CLASS

Tue 10.30am—12 noon. Clayton Centre, 32 Barnet Road, EN6 2QU. Positive for older people, carers, people at risk of falls. 01462 678804 for more information or to book

PRE-SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Wed at St John's Methodist Church. 10am Happy House: walking confidently to 4 years, 11am sitting confidently to walking. 12.15pm newborn to sitting. Joanna@hartbeeps.com

PB 41 CLUB

Monthly. For ex-Round Tablers. 1st Wed, 7.15pm. 851445.

PB ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Visit Highview Gardens site. Sun 10am-12 noon or call Geoff

PB BOWLS CLUB

The Walk. 660336 or email club@pottersbar-bc.com.

PB CARNIVAL

Contact Peter or Sue on 850147 if you require a stall or more information.

PB CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS GROUP

Monthly, 2nd Wed, 9.15-11am. Furzefield Children's Centre.

PB CHORAL SOCIETY*

Weekly rehearsals, Tue 7.45pm. St Mary's Hall, The Walk, Potters Bar. Experience not essential, 642393.

PR CRICKET CHIR

The Walk, New members welcome, 654801

PB CRUSADERS SPORTS and SOCIAL CLUB Daily, Members club. 5.30—11pm Mon to Sat, 12 noon—3pm on Sun. www.pottersbarcrusaders.com.

PB CRUSADERS YOUTH FOOTBALL

Football for boys and girls aged 4-18. Matthew 07944 492521.

PB and DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY*

Monthly lectures, 8pm. 60+ Centre, £1. Museum Sat 11am—1pm, Tue and Wed 2.30—4.30pm. Both at Wyllyotts. 654179 or guffins@hotmail.co.uk.

PB and DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY*

Alternate Wed 8—10pm. Speakers. Elm Court, Members £2. Visitors £3. 651372.

PB and DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Weekly, Mon 7.30pm for 8pm, Wyllyotts Centre. Any standard welcome. 01438 832504

PB EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sun 10.30—11.30am. Family service, communion and youth service, refreshments. Mon Youth Clubs 5–10 years at 6.15–7.30pm, 11 years upwards 7.30–9pm. 895838

PB FILMMAKERS*

Alternate Thu, 7.45pm. Wyllyotts Centre. 656446/659888.

PB GOLF CLUB

Darkes Lane. New members and societies welcome. Green fees. PB GYMNASTICS CLUB

Recreational (4–12 years). Mon 5.15pm, Furzefield Centre.
Squad training 6–13 years, Tue, Thu, and Fri evenings 5.30pm and Sat 9am Chancellor's School. 01923 855598.

PB HOCKEY CLUB

Ladies, men and junior hockey. Ed 07763 929462.

PB KARATE CLUB

Mon at Dame Alice Owens at 6pm. All ages, special rates for families. Cranborne School Breakfast Club Thu mornings. www.tiskakarate-pottersbar.co.uk.

PB LIFESAVING CLUB

Weekly, Tue Furzefield Centre. Rookie Lifeguards, 11 years and under. 7—8pm Survive and Save, 12 years and above. 8—9pm www.facebook.com/PottersBarLSC PottersBarLSC@rlssherts.org or Carl on 07970 336668.

PB NATIONAL WOMENS REGISTER — TUESDAY GROUP Weekly, 8pm in members' homes. Discussions, quizzes, outings.

PB PETANQUE PLAYERS
Weekly. Oakmere Park. Sun from 10am and Tue from 2pm. New players welcome. Contact Jane on 266517 or www.pottersbarpetanque.co.uk.

PB RAMBLING CLUB

Weekly, Wed and alternate Sun, 10.30am. Meet start of walk.

PB ROTARY CLUB

Meets Tue lunchtime at 1pm, last Tue in month 7–7.30pm at Potters Bar Golf Club. 645955.

PB SHOKOTAN KARATE CLUB

Weekly training, Wed 7.30–8.30pm (ages 7–16). 8.30–9.30pm (adults). Furzefield Centre. www.karate-masters.co.uk.

PB SOCIETY COUNTRY GROUP Contact Alastair 653636.

PB SOCIETY TOWN GROUP

Monthly, 1st Thu. United Reformed Church, 7.30pm. Arnold

PB SOCIETY WALKS*

Fortnightly, Sun afternoon walks along local rights of way.

PR TENNIS CLUB

The Walk, 6 AstroTurfs and floodlights. Enquiries Sue 645909 or sue vallance3@htinternet.com

PB THEATRE COMPANY

Rehearsals Tue and Fri. Chancellors School, Stages 2 musicals and 2 plays per year. Performers, backstage help and front of house.

PB TOWN BAND

Weekly rehearsals, Fri 8—10pm. Goffs Oak Methodist Church, Newgatestreet Road, Goffs Oak, EN7 5SS. Traditional brass band. 07970 448661

PB TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB*

Parkfield. Matches Sat 3pm. Some Sun and midweek. Training Tue and Thu, 7.30pm. 07833 632965.

PB TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD
Monthly, 2nd Wed, 7.30pm. Wayside Hall. 653650.

PB TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION
Visits to and from Franconville and Viernheim. cpd 1 a@yahoo.co.uk PB UNITED SYNAGOGUE

Telephone 656202 or email office@pottersbarshul.org.uk.

PB UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB Training weekly. 5–16 years. Boys and girls. Phone for times and venues. 850377.

PR WFA

Literature Group. Thu mornings 10am-12 noon. United Reform Church. 658915.

PHOENIX CONCERT BAND

Rehearsals weekly, Thu. Fair Field Junior School, Radlett. 8—10pm.

PUPPY CLASSES IN WILD HILL

Weekly, Mo. 7.15—8.15pm. Wild Hill Village Hall Puppy socialisation and basic training classes from 8 weeks old or after first inoculation. 651610.

RADLETT MUSIC CLUB

6 concerts per season, Oct to Apr. Radlett Centre, 8pm. String or Wind Trios and Quartets playing Chamber Music. Solo Pianist once a season. 01923 859291. Online booking

www.radlettcentre.co.uk.

RADLETT PLAYERS
A production each Spring and Autumn at Radlett Centre. www.radlettplayers.org.uk.

ROTARY CLUB OF BROOKMANS PARK

Weekly, Tue 7.30pm for 8pm at Old Owens Sports Club. 645343. ROUND THE CORNER COFFEE MORNING

Weekly, Fri. term-time only, 9am—12 noon. Profits to various charities. Life Church — Cuffley 876060.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION — POTTERS BAR BRANCH Cotton Road. Bingo and raffle. Thu 8pm (bar). Snooker, hall hire social events. Welfare of ex-Service men, women and dependants. Meetings monthly, 2nd Wed. Joan 642080.

Evenings at Tilbury Hall Fri 7.45pm, members £4, non-members £4.50. Afternoons at \$1 Johns URC Hall New Barnet, Wed 2pm, members £3.50, non-members £4. www.rspb.org.uk/groups/pottersbarandbarnet or 01707 652836.

Friends of Southridge Animal Rescue and Re-homing Centre, Packhorse Lane, Ridge. 642819.

RSPCA Potters Bar, Hatfield and Barnet Branch. 07872 902710.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING Monthly, 3rd Sat, Oct to Jul. Tilbury Hall, 7.30pm. £4.50. Mary 020 8367 4201/4835.

SCOUTS, CUBS and BEAVERS

SCRABBLE Weekly, Fri 10am−12 noon. Elm Court. £2.30. 020 8207 7568.

SKATER HOCKEY INLINE

Learn to Skate and Skater hockey for all 5—18 years. All abilities welcome. Thu 6—7.15pm, Sat 12 noon—1pm. Hatfield Leisure Centre. bwcrusaders@hotmail.co.uk.

ST JOHN AMBULANCE - PB DIVISION

Weekly, Wed 8—10pm. The Walk. First aid training, 664260. Room hire 656885.

SHOSHIN KARATE JITSU CLUB
Weekly Wed. DHC Potters Bar Health Club, 8—9.30pm. Beginners and all grades. 07734 294630.

SIGHT LINE

01707 324680 Herts Vision Loss, The Woodside Centre, The Commons, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 4SE.

SIXTY PLUS LUNCHEON CLUB*

Weekdays 12 noon—1.30pm. Plus am and pm social clubs. Minibus transport available. 643602. SIXTY PLUS SENIOR CITIZENS ART GROUP Weekly, Thu 1.30-4pm. 60+ Centre Wyllyotts. Two Exhibitions

each year. £1.30 incliding tea. Pauline 654007.

The Kidston Institute, Northaw. Membership fee £20 per annum. Playing fee £1 per hour. 07725 430244.

SOUTH HERTS HIKERS

New hiking group based in Potters Bar. Day hikes in Herts, Chilterns, etc plus hiking weekends away in England and Wales. www.meetup.com/SouthHertsHikers. See also www.southhertshikers.uk or phone 020 8449 1553.

SPANISH CIRCLE HERTFORDSHIRE*

Monthly, 2nd Fri, Sep to Jun (not Dec) at Red Lion Pub, Hatfield. 7.30pm. Events including wine and sherry tasting, talks on Spanish culture 661722

SPARKLERS

Weekly, Tue, term-time only, 1—2.45pm. Music, craft amd play for babies and children 0-4 years and parent/carer. Life Church Cuffley 876060

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

Hill Rise. Evenings of clairvoyance and healing services. 655147.

STAGECOACH THEATRE ARTS SCHOOL

Weekly, Sat. Chancellor's School. 4-18 years. Dance, drama, singing. 01582 713771.

SWIFTS JUNIOR BADMINTON

Weekly, Fri. Hatfield Leisure Centre, 5—10pm. 7—18 years. Beginners to County Squad. 652061. TABLE TENNIS

The Kidston Institute, Northaw. Membership fees £20 per annum. Playing fees £3 per match. Teams of varying standards. 07725 430244.

In Barnet, Barnet Lane, EN6 2DN, www.bttc.co.uk or 020 8449 7845. Non-members welcome. Hertsmere 50+. Weekly, Tue 10am-12 noon, Thu 2-4pm. Elm

Court. 020 8207 7568. For Seniors, weekly, Fri. Hatfield Leisure Centre. 10am—12 noon.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Weekly, Wed and Th. at Potters Bar Free Church. Barnet and Shaw Leagues. Evening. 852422. TAI TSUNG KUNG FU Self Defence. Weekly, Tue. Oakmere Primary School, 7.30—9pm.

07968 162304 TALENT TIME STAGE COMPANY

Weekly, Mon. Little Heath Parish Hall, 5—10pm. Drama, dance, singing. Up to 25 years. 60442/07930 400647

TOP HAT STAGE SCHOOL
Weekly, Fri. Elm Court. 4–7 years. Dance(tap), drama, singing.
4.30–7.30pm. 01727 812666. TOTS-IN-TOW Weekly, Mon in term-time, 1.30—3pm. PB Baptist Church. Babes

in arms to school age. Pam 665187.

TUMBLE TOTS Weekly, Fri. Elm Court. Book a trial class. Gill 020 8449 4593.

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE — USA
Study and recreation for those not in full time employment. 2nd Mon. Wyllyotts Centre. 10am. £1. Margaret 657199 UNITED REFORMED CHURCH - POTTERS BAR

Family board games and table tennis, Most Sun. 3-6pm, £1. Charity lunches 1st and 3rd Fri. Soup, full buffet, coffee or tea

and biscuits, £3.50, 1pm, 665482.

VOLUNTEER CENTRE Interested in volunteering with various organisations? Contact Community Shop on 020 8386 4006.

WALKS — HERTSMERE HEALTH WALKS

Gentle and moderate walks for all. Further information on www.hertfordshirehealthwalks.co.uk. WAGGONERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB Weekly, Mon 8—10pm at St Josephs in the Park School Hall,

Hertingfordbury. Janet 01992 441083.

WEDNESDAY BREAK CLUB Fortnightly, Wed 2.30-4pm. King Charles the Martyr. Social Club

for over 50s. £1.50. 658540.

WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY CLUB* Wed 2-4pm. PB Baptist Church. June 655599 or Vera 651470. WHIST DRIVE

1st Fri, monthly. Village Hall, Northaw. 7 for 7.45pm. 651682. Monthly, 2nd Thu. South Mimms Village Hall. 7.30pm. 01727 869211.

WHITEWEBBS MUSEUM OF TRANSPORT and MODEL RAILWAY Weekly, Tue. Enfield, EN2 9HW. Admission £5, children under 13

YOGA CLASSES Weekly, Mon 10am, Fri 10am, Sun 10,30am and Thu 7-8pm Core Class and Yoga 8—9pm. Wayside Jubilee Centre. Friendly

classes. All ages and abilities. Contact Jade 07976743189. YOUTH CLUBS

free, 020 8367 1898.

Weekly, Elm Court, 659602. ZUMBA GOLD

Tue 6.30pm, Tilbury Hall. Wed 10.45am Elm Court. Sue

All telephone numbers are Area Code 01707 unless otherwise stated

Tell us about your event, meeting, activity and we will publicise it and give details of your organisation in the Community News.

Contact: susan weaver4@ntlworld.com

1) ANNANDALE MEDICAL CENTRE AT THE ELMS

Tel: 01707 644451

Surgery Hours: 8.30am—6pm Monday to Friday

Test Results/Enquiries: 01707 622979 between 2pm and 5pm Monday to Friday

Monthly newsletter available from surgery or on our website

www.annandalesurgery.co.uk

Extended Hours: Saturday 8.30am—12 noon for routine booked appointments, collecting prescriptions and enquiries.

2) HIGHVIEW MEDICAL CENTRE AT THE ELMS

Tel: 01707 871980

Surgery Hours: 8am-6pm Monday to Friday Appointments: 01707 871980 (8am-6.30pm)

Enquiries: 01707 871982 (9am-12.30pm and 2-4.30pm)

Results: 01707 871982 (2-4.30pm)

Extended Hours: We offer 2 Saturday morning surgeries a month and late evening "after work" clinics every Monday.

For the latest information/updates visit our website www.highviewsurgery.co.uk or

follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

3) PARKFIELD MEDICAL CENTRE

Tel: 01707 291041

Surgery Hours: 8am-6pm Monday to Friday Test Results/Enquiries: 11am—2pm Monday to Friday

Extended Hours: Wednesday to Friday from 7am and Saturday fortnightly for routine booked appointments only from 8-11.15am.

We have a newsletter available from the surgery or via our PPG. Events are also advertised on our Friends of Parkfield Facebook page. Please also visit our website www.parkfieldmedicalcentre.co.uk.

4) POTTERELLS MEDICAL CENTRE

Tel: 01707 273338

Surgery Hours: 8.30am-6.30pm Monday to Friday Test Results/Enquiries: As above after 11am.

Extended Hours: For routine, non-emergency appointments. Every Monday and fourth Tuesday from 6.30—9pm and first and third Saturday 8.30—11am. Nurse-led Fast Track Service: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 9.30am—12 noon.

OUT OF HOURS SERVICE FOR ALL THE ABOVE SURGERIES

NHS 111 SERVICE

If you urgently need medical help or advice but it's not a life threatening situation, call NHS on 111, at any time.

There is now a GP lead clinic at Elstree Way, Borehamwood which is open 8am to 11pm Saturday and Sunday. To book an appointment phone 111.

When you have an urgent dental problem and your dental surgery is closed, call 03000 333 224. Monday to Friday, 5pm—9am. All weekend and Bank Holidays.

Local A&E Services

BARNET: Wellhouse Lane, Barnet, EN5 3DJ Tel 020 8216 5003 LISTER: Coreys Mill Lane, Stevenage, SG1 4AB Tel 01438 314333

URGENT CARE — Minor Injuries and Illnesses

QE2: Howlands, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 4HQ Tel 01438 314333 24 hours CHASE FARM: The Ridgway, Enfield, EN2 8JL Tel 020 8375 1010 8am to 10pm BARNET: Wellhouse Lane, Barnet, EN5 3DJ Tel 020 8216 5003 9am to 11pm

Local Libraries

Oakmere

High Street, Potters Bar

Monday	1pm-6pm
Tuesday	10am–6pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	10am–6pm
Friday	1pm-6pm
Saturday	10am–5pm
Sunday	Closed
Toddler Tales (Mondays)	2.15-2.45pm

Baby Rhyme Time (Tuesdays) 11-11.30am

Brookmans Park

Bradmore Green

Monday	2pm-6pm
Tuesday	2pm–6pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	2pm–6pm
Friday	2pm–6pm
Saturday	9am–1pm
Sunday	Closed

For further information, visit your local library or call 0300 123 4049 and ask for the appropriate library. NB: The Welwyn Garden City library is open on Sunday afternoon.

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Wyllyotts Centre, Darkes Lane, EN6 2HN

Mondays Personal Callers Thursdays Personal Callers 10am-12.30pm and 1pm-3.30pm 10am-12.30pm and 1pm-3.30pm

Hertsmere Borough Council Potters Bar Office

Wyllyotts Centre – **01707 652406.** Open Thursday 9.30am to 2pm.

Useful Numbers

Hertsmere Borough Council	020 8207 2277
Welwyn Hatfield Council	01707 357000
Hertfordshire Police Non-emergency 101 (nat	tional number) or 01707 354000
Herts Domestic Violence Helpline	08088 088088
Hertfordshire County Council	0300 123 4040
National Debt Line	08088 084000
Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline	03454 04 05 06
Highways	
(including potholes, traffic light faults and stree	etlights) 0300 1234 047
Wasteaware	0300 1234 051
Affinity water leaks	0800 376 5325
Childline	0800 1111
Crime Stoppers Anonymous Line	0800 555 111
CAB Advice Line	03444 111 444
Environmental Health	
(1) Hertsmere:	Pest Control 020 8207 2277
	Noise (daytime) 020 8207 7435
	(night) 0845 300 0021
(2) Welwyn Hatfield:	Pest Control 0344 828 334
	Noise 01707 357242
NHS Direct (Nurse advice and health information	on) 111
RSPCA Local Branch (financial help if you	
claim benefits, on low income, OAP's)	07872 902710
www.rspca-pottersbarhatfieldandbarnet.org.uk	
Samaritans (freecall 24 hours)	116 123