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# Countdown time to Caterham Festival 2013!

On Monday 4th February the Caterham Festival AGM launched the countdown to the exciting programme of events lined up for this summer starting on 25th May until the end of June. The AGM took place at the Douglas Brunton Centre in Caterham-on-the-Hill and was attended by Festival volunteers and supporters including the Chairman of Tandridge District Council, Sakina Bradbury. During the course of the AGM Andy Parr was re-elected as Festival Chairman.

During her address, Cllr. Sakina Bradbury thanked Andy and the rest of the volunteers for all their hard work in making the Caterham Festival such a success. Last year, 120 events were held during the Festival, and 70 of them were free, attracting around 25,000 people. Andy said: "Tandridge District Council were fantastic, especially with their help in putting on the performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream in Queen's Park. They even helped

me to do an archaeological dig in the park with no restrictions!" Andy also thanked Mark Jones for organising the deFest Music Festival and all the other members of the Festival Committee. Some of the new attractions this year will be 'poetry plinths' being placed around Caterham and beautiful hand-made crowns appearing in shop windows to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Queen's Coronation. During the meeting Cllr. Sally Marks pleaded for more volunteers to come forward to enable all the events to take place. She said: If the Caterham



From left: Jean Hammond from the Tollers Design Centre with members of the Caterham Festival team - Barbara Brunson, Andy Parr, Gwen Hoare, Peter Dommert, Richard Chapman, Cllr. Jill Caudle, Sue Harris, Simon Edge and Cllr. John Orrick behind the display of Coronation crowns.

community want us to carry on doing this we need people to come forward. This is the fifth festival and in order for it to be sustainable we need more help."

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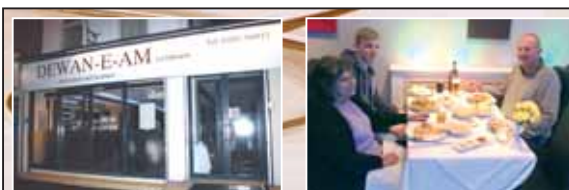
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## 'Harestone', the old Marie Curie Hospice building is demolished

On Saturday 9th February work commenced on the demolition of 'Harestone', the former Marie Curie Hospice building in Harestone Valley Road. The house was one of the last Victorian houses in Harestone Valley, built in 1879 and designated by Tandridge as a Building of Character under its Heritage Policy. Tandridge District Council refused planning permission for a development on the site proposed by Independence Homes Ltd. The Inspector upheld that decision in December. In his decision the Inspector reiterated the preferred option of retaining and converting the existing building. If this was not possible

then the house should be replaced by 'a similar striking building which should be of sympathetic design and similar scale and height'. Mike Smith, member of the Harestone Valley Residents' Group said: "At no stage have Independence Homes produced a viability statement on the costs of conversion and it seems that Independence Homes have from the very start always intended the demolition of Harestone House. If they really wanted to consult properly and constructively, it seems unnecessary to have taken this pre-emptive action." Anna Richardson of Independence Homes said: "I can confirm that the main

building has been marked 'Demolition in progress' for a number of weeks now. Following metal thefts and subsequent flooding, the main building had become dangerous. The advantage of demolition to both ourselves and our neighbours is that, once a suitable planning consent is secured, the building work itself can then start (and end) promptly." On Tuesday 26th February after the March edition of The Caterham Independent went to press, Independence Homes held a public consultation in The Soper Hall in Caterham Valley to showcase their new planning proposals for the site. A report and photos of the open event with information about the new planning



The demolition site in Harestone Valley Road.

proposals and local residents' views can be viewed at [www.caterham-independent.co.uk](http://www.caterham-independent.co.uk) and will be published in the April edition of The Caterham Independent.

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## Join Leila in supporting the WWF 'Earth Hour'

Ten year-old Leila Treacher from Caterham Valley is hoping everyone in Caterham will join her in turning off the lights for Earth Hour at 8.30pm on Saturday 23rd March.

Leila has already leafleted her neighbours and put an article in the newsletter at her school, St. John's CoFE Primary School, but wants to reach even more people.

Leila said: "My grandparents are members of the Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF) and I saw an article about Earth Hour on the back of their WWF magazine. Last year my family and I watched a programme on telly about a village which had switched off every light, electrical item and even the street lights for the hour."

The WWF Earth Hour is an



Leila Treacher.

annual event that happens all over the world with hundreds of millions of people taking part. More information can be found on the Earth Hour website: earthhour.wwf.org.uk/

Leila said: "I think Caterham could make an effort to do something similar for the planet. I hope everyone in Caterham will join me in helping protect our world for the next generation."

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## A magical success for ladies night

A fundraising committee from Caterham have come together to organise a charity ball to raise valuable funds for Great Ormond Street Hospital. The committee managed to raise an impressive £1,000 through hosting the elegant evening at the Reigate Manor Hotel on Saturday 2nd February. Around six months of planning went in to ensuring 'The Magical Ladies Night' went without a hitch. Committee members Andy Smith and Anthony Lockton managed to obtain a huge array of prizes for the raffle which raised the majority of the funds. Prizes included football tickets donated by West Ham Football Club, a signed England cricket bat from the South Africa Test Tour as well as hampers, gift sets and restaurant vouchers. A magician entertained guests before and during the five course sit down dinner, along with photographer Nick Whitaker who spent the evening taking group portraits.



Master of Ceremonies, Keith Harris.

Keith Harris, Fundraising Committee Leader, said: "It was a brilliant night. The raffle was so different and people loved that. I'm pleased everyone had so much fun while raising money for such a worthwhile cause." The money raised from the event will be used to purchase multimedia equipment and a selection of books for the children cared for by the Oncology Outreach and Palliative Care Team. The team work closely with children with life-threatening and life-limiting conditions and provide support to them and their families.

## Quick Quiz

by Alec Herbert

Saints Alive! This month, five questions with a saintly connection.

1. Which Russian city stands on the River Neva?
2. Which fictional school was created by Ronald Serle?
3. Who played Bond girl 'Tiffany Case' in the film 'Diamonds are Forever'?
4. Which saint's day is 17th March?
5. Melanie, Shaznay, Nicole and Nathali comprise which group?

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2. St Trinian's;
3. Jill St John;
4. St Patrick;
5. All Saints.

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## Andy takes on new role as Chairman of Caterham Community Partnership

Caterham resident, Andy Parr, was elected as the new Chairman of the Caterham Community Partnership ('CCP') at the group's AGM on Tuesday 19th February. Andy is taking over from Chris Windridge, who has chaired CCP (previously 'A Better Caterham') for the past seven years. At the meeting Chris said that although he had enjoyed being Chairman he felt it was time to hand over to someone new but he would still remain very much involved in local projects.

During his time as Chairman Chris has overseen the formation of different working groups within CCP such as the Shabby to Smart group that has helped to transform the appearance of Caterham town centre and the Soper Hall group that campaigned for the building to be transferred to community ownership. The idea of the Caterham Festival started with CCP, to help promote Caterham and create awareness of its many organisations through a programme of events each summer. Chris remains fully committed to helping Caterham become a 'fast fibre hub' with super-fast broadband bringing faster internet



Andy Parr (left) and Chris Windridge with the Market Town Award 2009.

connection to the town this summer. In his first speech as Chairman of CCP Andy Parr said: "Thank you Chris for doing a fabulous job for seven years. Although I am already quite busy as Chairman of the Caterham Festival and helping with Cubs on Monday nights, I want to make sure we keep the good work of CCP going, such as the Shop Smart loyalty scheme and the ongoing success of the Soper Hall. At the moment one of the most important things we need to focus on is the CR3 Forum to give greater validity to the Neighbourhood Plan to enable us to have a greater say over local policies like planning, for example."

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**Marital Status:**  
Married to Beth.

**Children:** An 18 year old stepdaughter, Jess.

**Cars:** I borrow one.

**Pets:** None.

**Childhood hero:**  
Peter Sellers.

**Favourite Food & Drink:** Sparkling wine and hot dogs although not at the same time.

**Pastimes:** When I get time off, I sleep – does that count?

**Likes:** Laughter, sugar and all ancient buildings with columns.

**Dislikes:** Cauliflower, Gangnam Style and



John Soffe.

the devil incarnate 'Jeremy Kyle'.

**Favourite TV show:**  
Have I Got News For You.

**Favourite books:**  
A Picture of Dorian Grey, Brave New World, The Beano.

**Who would you most like to throw a custard pie at?**  
Custard pie manufacturers - they can give it but can they take it?

**Favourite song of all time:** 'Sunny Afternoon' by The Kinks.

**Favourite holiday destination:** Egypt – the Nile cruise was heaven.

**Biggest influence on your life:** My younger sister – she's extremely funny.

**Proudest moment:**  
My first Father's Day card.

**Most embarrassing moment:**  
I'm a stand up comedian – nothing embarrasses me – it's all material.

**Where would you most like to live?**  
I like living in Surrey (London close, countryside close, airport close - the best of all worlds).

**Who would you most like to meet?**  
Stephen Fry – I cannot imagine a dull conversation with him.

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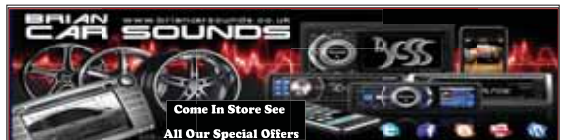
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Sponsors, Marc and Lucie Hansen of Martin & Co (centre) with members of Queen's Park FC U16s and their coach, Maurizio Auletta (left).

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<b>THURSDAY</b>	Maternity Discharge Clinic 1.30 - 3.00 Book via your midwife! We like to use the outside area and get messy as much as possible - so please come prepared! <b>£1.00 DONATION</b> - To cover the cost of refreshments each family will be asked to donate £1.00 per session. Thank you.		<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>Drop In 8.30-9.00</b> Advice and Information at Hillcroft School site	<b>Baby Club 9.30 - 11.30</b> Parents & Carers with babies who are not yet walking (starting from 17th January)
<b>FRIDAY</b>			<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
		All our sessions will be back at The Old Naafi Building Weston Drive Caterham CR3 5XY from Monday 14th January 2013.			
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				<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>2'S COMPANY</b> Fun and learning sessions for families with 2 year olds. Referrals necessary. Call us to find out more.
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				<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>Baby Clinic 12.30 - 1.45</b> Come along weigh your baby and meet the Health Team. Our Team will be here to offer you tips and advice on breastfeeding.
				<b>FRIDAY</b>	
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## An extra special Mother's Day this year for Denise

The Longhurst family are looking forward to celebrating Mother's Day with new twin sisters for their 18 month-old daughter Sophie this year.

Just over a year ago, in January 2012, The Caterham Independent featured an article about a book Denise had written in memory of her daughter Amy who was stillborn at 39 weeks in June 2010. Denise and her husband Warren had since welcomed their daughter Sophie who was six months old when the article was published last year.

In March Denise, who grew up in Caterham-on-the-Hill, found out she was pregnant again, this time with twins!

At 20 weeks Denise and Warren were told that the babies had severe Twin to Twin Transfusion Syndrome (TTTS). Twin 2 (Abigail) was not moving or growing because her blood was being transfused around twin 1 (Hannah) so Abbie was anaemic and did not have enough nutrients to grow and Hannah's heart was failing because it could not cope with the excess blood. Denise and Warren were told that they were going to lose the babies



Denise and Warren Longhurst with their daughters Hannah (left), Sophie and Abigail.

because they were both so ill. The only option was to have immediate laser ablation surgery at Kings Hospital in London. There was a third of a chance of saving both babies, a third of a chance of saving one of them and a third of losing them both. Denise said: "After the surgery we left the hospital that night and I was told to come back in a week. Miraculously both babies were still alive and growing. My consultant called me a 'walking wonder' as the outcome had looked so bleak at one stage. It is a relatively new and cutting-edge procedure so a few years ago they

would not have survived at all." The babies were born early at 30 weeks on 11th August 2012 at the Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton weighing 3lb 2oz (Hannah) and 3lb 1oz (Abigail) and after five weeks in the Special Care Baby Unit, went home weighing around 12lb each. Denise said: "Sophie, who is now 18 months, loves being big sister!" Copies of Denise's book, 'Amy, Our Little Bit of Heaven' can be bought for £8.99 by contacting Denise at [deniselonghurst-books@gmail.com](mailto:deniselonghurst-books@gmail.com). £3 from the sale of each book goes to St. Mary's Church in Caterham.

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## Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

Sunny days are so welcome, but throw a spotlight on all that needs to be done. I have made a good start on pruning back the roses, clematis and apple trees, feeding with long-life feeds as I go. Where possible, I am also putting a thick layer of horse manure around the roses and clematis, avoiding piling it up against the trunks. The snowdrops have been a delight, and the yellow aconites, which are sadly not visible from the house. I did once try and plant some within view, but like snowdrops, are best transplanted in 'the green', meaning just after the flowers are finished, but the plant is still green. Rather than risk my one patch of aconites, I am going to let it set seed and sprinkle them around where I want them. The fox will no doubt have his say. By the time he has



Sue Baines.

dug his holes they may end up in quite a different place, but wherever, they will be appreciated. The first tomato seeds were sown in mid February. They will be indoors until temperatures are a lot warmer. Usually friends and family mop up extra plants but last summer's rain caused blight to any grown outdoors so I may not have many takers. Hopefully this summer will be very different as my grandchildren always love to pick and eat the cherry tomatoes which ripen more quickly given half a chance. I have trialled quite a few types, and one of my favourites is still Gardener's Delight.

## Get your lawn off to a flying start this spring

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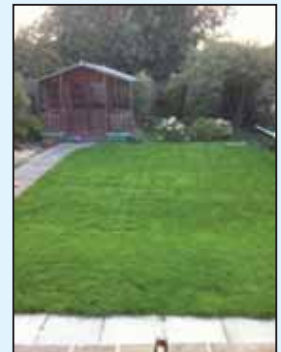
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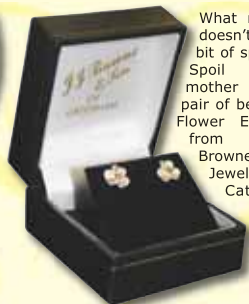
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# The Pic 'n' Mix Mother's Day Gift Guide

by Nicola Shiplee

Are you stuck for ideas of what gift to get this Mother's Day for that special lady who would always do anything for you? It is easy to go online searching for a gift to buy this Mother's Day. However, the local shops have a huge amount to offer and I have picked my favourites to help give you some great options.

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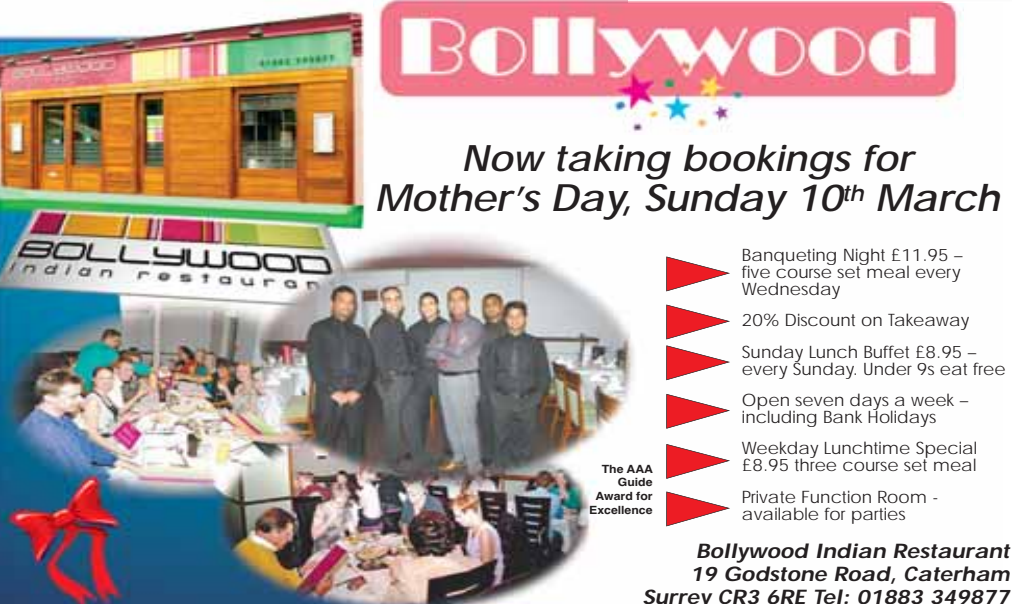
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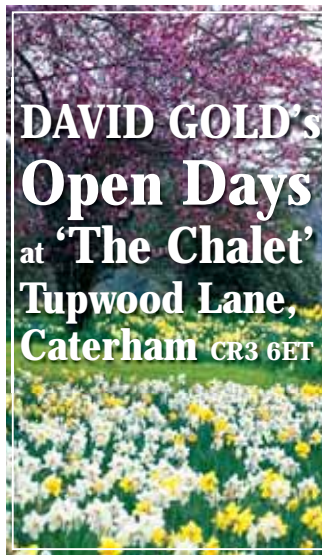
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Review by Julia Church

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Geraint chose the 'Parmigiana' (layers of aubergine oven baked with mozzarella, parmesan and tomato sauce) for his starter, while I chose one of my favourites,



Inside 'Il Carretto'.

'Cozze della Casa', (bowl of mussels cooked with white wine, tomato sauce, garlic and a touch of chilli).

Andrea brought a basket of fresh granary bread to the table for soaking up the wonderful sauce.

For our mains, Geraint chose the 'Agnello al Balsamico' (leg of lamb cooked with rosemary and balsamic jus, served on mashed potato with roast peppers and red onion) and I chose the 'Pollo Principessa' (breast of chicken cooked with ham, cheese and asparagus in a tomato sauce). Both dishes came with perfectly cooked

French beans and potatoes and were served nice and hot. Geraint commented on how attractive the food looked and said his lamb was lovely and tender. I also very much enjoyed my choice. Andrea came to chat to us after we had finished our meal and told us that they will be having a live singer performing at Il Carretto every week, alternating between Elvis Presley and Frank Sinatra tribute acts and an opera singer. What great nights out they will be!

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by Ruth Sear

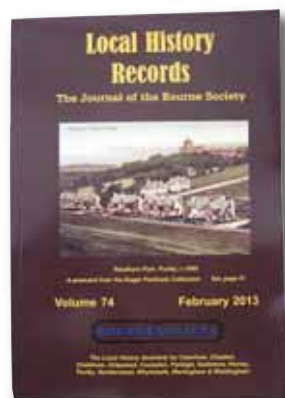
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commemorates the bourn(e)s (small streams) that roughly follow the A22 and A23 to Purley and onwards to the River Wandale.

The Local History Records Journal is published quarterly (free to members) and the Society arranges events, outings, speakers and meetings. There are 'special interest' groups specializing in archaeology, industrial archaeology, photography, landscape history and pub history (which usually involves sampling a pint in the interest of the pub's past).

Among the many publications of the Society is the popular Village Histories series. Go to the Caterham and District Local History Centre in Caterham Valley Library, and the East Surrey Museum, to learn more about this area; both are in Stafford Road. Researching local history is a fascinating pastime! Membership of The Bourne Society costs £10 per year or £150 for Life Membership. For more information or to join go to [www.bourne-society.org.uk](http://www.bourne-society.org.uk) or call 01883 349287.



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