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Tuesday 8th January 2013

Keep Fit Classes

The Keep Fit classes resume at St Francis Church Hall in the afternoons at 3pm. These classes will run weekly at the same time.

Thursday 10th January

Terriers W.I. meeting at Cedar park school 7:45pm with guest speaker from Hearing dogs for the deaf. Guests welcome.

Saturday 12th January & 9th February 2013

Church Working Party

St Francis Church Working Party meets at 9:30am for tidying up of the grounds around the hall, church and car park areas.

Thursday 7th February

Terriers W.I. meeting at Cedar Park School 7:45pm Guest speaker: Nursing Heroines.

Tuesday 12th February

Lent Project & Pancake Night in the Church Hall at St Francis. This is the first Fundraising event for Rosie's Rainbow. Places can be booked on-line through terrierschurch@gmail.com or by telephone on 01494 520676 / 462911

Wednesday 20th February

Deadline for articles and news for the spring 2013 edition of T & T News.

Thursday 7th March

Terriers W.I. meeting at Cedar Park School 7:45pm Guest speaker: Tip on Knitting & Crochet.

Tuesday 16th April 2013

Public Enquiry

Public Enquiry into a footpath between Sheraton Drive and Windsor Drive at the Memorial Pavilion, Hazlemere Recreation Ground starting at 10am.



.....and Finally
 A Merry Christmas
 & Happy New Year to you All
 Happy Holidays! See you in 2013.....

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WELCOME TO T&T NEWS

Hello,

Welcome to the winter 2012 edition of T & T News.

Very nearly another year gone and an interesting one at that. The Jubilee and Olympics may have been national highlights but so has the weather for a very different reason.. Perhaps it's a good time over the next few months to spend a little more time indoors with a good read including of course your community magazine.

In this edition of the magazine we have a round up of local news stories. If we not included yours then its very possible we did not know about it so make sure you send your stories in for our next issue.

We also have news from Thames Valley Police and on the local Neighbourhood action Groups. Our local churches are always busy and especially so at this time of year. You can find out more starting on page 14.

Local groups are the lifeblood of any community and at this time of year we must give a special thanks to all the volunteers involved. That includes our team who deliver the magazine four times a year to around 3,500 homes.

Have a Happy Christmas & prosperous New Year!

David Winterburn, Editor



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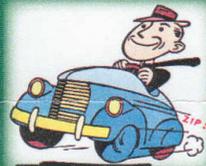
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Totteridge F.C. was founded in 1996 to provide football for the local youth in the community; last season we also introduced a men's team for the first time. For more information on the club visit our web site – totffc.intheteam.com

The club had a very successful day at Totteridge Jubilee Charity Fete back in July where the number of people taking penalty shots kept our small team of volunteers busy the whole afternoon. This event was not only a tremendous boost to the club funds, it also put us in the public eye and a number of potential new players showed a keen interest. (There are quite a few photos of the penalty takers on our Facebook page).

Leading on from this success, we were invited to attend the Hazlemere Fete on Bank Holiday Monday. Due to this event being in the holiday season we could only send a smaller team, but again it was good both financially and in terms of show casing the club. I would like to pass on the thanks of the club for inviting us to the organisers of both these events and this is something we shall look at doing again next summer.

On the field we are running just two teams this season:

The Men's team, playing under the name of Totteridge Community FC, have made a sound start. At the time of writing the team sit 3rd in the High Wycombe Sunday Combination Division 4 and is just 1 point behind the leading teams but with games in hand. Team manager Mick Pearce has recently had to stand down because of work commitments. He has been succeeded by team captain Samuel Ajanlekoko who led the team to a 4-0 win over Penfold Rangers in his first game in charge. Mick, who has had previous spells with the club, is our most successful manager with previous cup wins and league titles to his name. On behalf of the club I would like to thank him for all he has done and achieved over many years.

Our Under 12's are a relatively new team and are still finding their feet. Although they have lost most of their games, their endeavour cannot be faulted and it is encouraging that in their last match against a higher division side they managed to win the 2nd half 2-0 after being 0-4 down at half time. The problem has been scoring goals and the team are on the lookout for a striker, if this should interest you please contact the team manager Richard Porter on 07710 825387.

Looking to the future, the club needs to introduce new teams and this growth has to start with volunteers offering to run teams. Ideally we would start at the younger ages where football is played in a 'mini' format (i.e. 6-a-side) on smaller pitches with smaller goals to encourage better player involvement. The main emphasis of these games is to learn football skills and team ethic, with the results being incidental. If this sounds like something you might like to get involved in, please contact the club secretary or the chairman for more information.



TOTTERIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The community centre is open seven days a week and offers a variety of different activities with something for just about everyone. There is also a fully licensed bar that is open to both members and non-members.

If you are having a private party then subject to availability the hall and bar can be hired to celebrate that special occasion. There is plenty of room for all but the very biggest party so why not use this local facility?

Throughout the year the Community Centre organises some special events with some trips out too. With the festive season now with us where better place to celebrate? If you have not visited the centre recently or perhaps never before now is the time to visit and see what's going on in your local community.

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Local News Round Up (1)

Terriers Evening W.I.

What an amazing County we live in. Bucks has so many hidden stories about activities during the second World War and another one was revealed to us by Neil Rees at our September meeting. Through the story of King Zog of Albania, we learned of the British influence in the founding of the country one hundred years ago and , at our suggestion, the establishment of a monarchy. King Zog acceded to the throne in 1928 and married Geraldine in 1938. The marriage was a grand affair with many presents including a top of the range Mercedes from Hitler. However, the Royal family had to flee at the outbreak of war and used Hitler's present to escape and eventually to arrive in England! They sought asylum in Bucks. They lived at Parmoor, near Frieth, but were unable to return to Albania after the war as it was now a Communist State. They did not want to stay in this Country and lived a fairly nomadic life eventually settling in South Africa. However, when there was a change of government in Albania in 2002, King Zog's heirs were invited to return and help the government build bridges with Europe - a happy ending.

October found us in a merry mood when we tasted wine and cheese brought along by Neil Jeffries from Waitrose. He gave us the low down on the appropriate use of each product.

At our AGM in November we reviewed the year which had been another successful one and elected our new president and committee. We then enjoyed playing pub games with a cup of tea rather than a pint.

Future programme

Jan. 10th Hearing Dogs for the deaf

Feb. 7th Nursing Heroines

Mar. 7th Tips on Knitting and Crochet.

We meet at Cedar Park School, Cedar Avenue, Hazlemere, at 7.45 p.m. and we are always pleased to welcome new members. For further details contact Margaret Rogers Tel 01494 524947

South Bucks Counselling welcomes new Trustee

Owen Hughes has joined the Bucks based charity as a Trustee. He lives and works in Princes Risborough as the Managing Director of Management Consultancy Wide Open. He recently used his experience to design the charities new web site that can be found at www.southbuckscounselling.org

Andrew Wilton, Chairman said “We are delighted to welcome Owen Hughes as a Trustee. Owen brings with him s wealth of commercial and charity experience and was instrumental in creating our new web site earlier this year. His energy and enthusiasm will be of great service to South Bucks Counselling.

The charity provides affordable counselling to adults in the local area.

Local News Round Up (2)

News from Bucks County Council - Val Letheren updates us on her work.....

Traffic Calming for Green Road and Chadwick Street.

Work has commenced on designing an appropriate scheme for traffic calming for Green Road and Chadwick now that the Wellesbourne development is almost complete. Money was set aside by the developers for this as a condition, when the development was granted planning permission.

Residents have complained about the speed of traffic, the state of the pavements and the road surface and the proposed scheme which is currently being worked on covers these issues. The proposal so far looks at having 'pinch points' almost at either end of the road as well as two others spaced out along the road and one at the far end of Chadwick Street. Each build out will feature a red block paved area which will highlight to drivers that they are in a calmed area. There will also be an upgrade in streetlights which will dim after midnight as can be achieved with the new LED technology.

All this will go out to consultation in January at the latest for a month for residents to make comments. The frontages of Chadwick Street and Green Road will have the plans delivered to their door but comment from others will be welcome and will go on the T&T website.

It is hoped that the works will be then carried out during the school holidays next year to cause minimum disruption.

Valerie Letheren [E-mail: VLetheren@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:VLetheren@buckscc.gov.uk)
County Councillor for Terriers and Amersham Hill

New candidate announced for County Council elections

Wycombe District Conservative association has selected Tony Green to be their candidate for the Totteridge and Bowerdean division at next year's County Council election.

Tony lives in Totteridge drive with his wife and two daughters. He is currently a district councillor for the adjoining ward of Terriers and Amersham Hill. He was first elected to Wycombe District Council for the ward of Green Hill and Totteridge in May 1999 and prior to this was a councillor in the London Borough of Lambeth for 15 years.

Tony has held many roles on the District Council including Deputy leader from 2001-03 and 2009-11. He was also Mayor of High Wycombe for the year 2003-04.

Steve Baker MP (Cont).....

I try to complement my constituency activities with visits to projects which show Government policies in action. I spent a morning with the Chairman of the Red Kite Housing Association and visited a sheltered housing project. I was keen to see if bureaucracy had been reduced since my visit just over a year ago. I am sorry to say that it still seems as if there is as much red-tape as ever. I have asked for specific examples of what could be done to reduce this, and intend to take this up with the relevant Ministers.

Recently, I was invited to visit OneCanTrust, a local charity which provides free groceries to those deemed in crisis by organisations in the town. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this scheme please do get in touch. Referrals can be made via a number of different organisations in the town, including my own constituency office, churches, Wycombe Homeless Connection and SureStart. The charity is also pleased to receive donations from individuals or organisations; please see their website if you think you might be able to contribute [onecantrust.org.uk].

Please feel free to let me know your views on national issues; you can contact me either by email steve.baker.mp@parliament.uk or via the House of Commons or my constituency office in the West Wycombe Road. Alternatively, you can ring my office in the House of Commons on 0207 219 5099 or the constituency office on 01494 448408.

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Local News Round Up (3)

Residents await Public Enquiry

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There have been a number of objections raised to the proposed route mainly by the residents of Windsor Drive that will have a public path through their grounds. The path proposal does however have its supporters who both claim to have used the route and would find this a desirable link.

The public enquiry will seek to hear all views and evidence before a final decision is made. Details of the enquiry will be announced locally.

Christmas spirit from IRGH

Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care (IRGH) have lots going on to get you into the Christmas spirit and you will be helping other local families plan for the festive season at home together too.

The charities nurses provide care 365 days a year and with the support of volunteers with 4X4 vehicles aimed to get out to patients whatever the weather. They will be providing over 1,000 hours of care over the 12 days of Christmas.

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News from Wycombe and Westminster Steve Baker MP



As regular readers of Terriers & Totteridge News will know my main focus in the constituency has been on the provision of local health services. I am bitterly disappointed that Bucks PCT has so upset local people during the launch of the new Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) at Wycombe Hospital. The leaflet which was circulated in the town told everyone that the Emergency Medical Centre was closing to be replaced by an MIU on 1 October. As a result, people have interpreted it to mean that they are losing their local A&E Department. In fact, we lost it under the last Government in 2005; for the last seven years Wycombe Hospital has only had an Emergency Medical Centre. We will continue to have specialist units for two of the biggest killers: heart attack and stroke. I should love to be able to deliver a full-featured hospital in Wycombe but it is not possible and any politician who suggests otherwise is misleading you.

I am assured by doctors the change is clinical rather than cost driven, but I will be watching closely the effect on my constituents. I have stated clearly that we cannot go on with public services organised in a way that is not sufficiently accountable to the public. If these changes do not work, I will call again for local mutual ownership of our hospital to make it fully accountable to the people it serves.

My constituency and Parliamentary diaries are always very busy, and I try to support as many local events as I can. During the last few months, these have included the launch of this year's Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal, and the fundraising project for the new bells and stonework at All Saints Parish Church. I also attended the official opening of Made in Wycombe which is a project by local business people to encourage us all to support and buy locally produced goods and services. At this event, I saw a traditional chair arch for the first time, which was a fine echo of a long Wycombe tradition. I was also pleased to visit a number of schools to support them in a variety of ways; I attended an enrichment day at Highcrest Academy, where I saw the extracurricular activities provided for children.

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We have recently returned from a weekend away to Blackpool. Here once again we were lucky with the weather in late October with a very fine and warm day on the last of our three day stay. Other events over the last few months include an evening out at a sing-a-long ABBA concert and an Elvis night. Plus many of our popular regular events continue to take place such as the pub night, lunch club and quiz night.

Our final programme of the year for November and December has just been published and includes our Christmas Party that will be held at The Chiltern Hotel in Saunderton a week ahead of Christmas Day. Around this of course we have a variety of other events including a take-away evening, Quiz Night, a live music event and a coffee morning. We continue to be open to new ideas and encourage all our members to get involved as organisers.

Our pub night on the last Friday of the month is a great place to meet new members and you would be very welcome to come along. We meet from 8pm at a local pub which for November is The Crown, Amersham Road, Hazlemere. There is food available if you wish to eat from a reasonably priced menu. You are of course welcome just to join us for a drink, a chat and to find out more about the group.

Our membership includes a number of local people from Totteridge, Terriers and surrounding areas. If you are single, 30 plus, looking for a social life and new friends then why not give us a try? There are no strangers at Chameleon, just new friends to be made in a social group run by and for its members. To find out more call Joyce on 01494 – 461328, Martin on 07747 - 703663 or e-mail: chameleon_bucks@tiscali.co.uk. Visit us on-line at www.bucksvoice.net/chameleon for more information and an events listing.

Have you got The Bug! See page 11 for more details

Police & NAG News - Terriers & Amersham Hill

News from your local area

Neighbourhood Priorities: Anti-Social Behaviour, Drugs, Flexible/Seasonal

Anti-Social Behaviour: Every year during Fresher's week at the University, ASB has increased around the Temple End, Hughenden Road, Roberts Road and Priory Avenue areas. Police have been doing later shifts to help with this issue and working with the Downley team which has the University Halls on their area.

Police continue to support the operation that was set up across the High Wycombe area to specifically tackle ASB and this is proving successful; complainants are receiving a swifter response which has enabled us to identify the culprits at an earlier stage. Over the Halloween and Bonfire Night period we were engaged in a specific evening operation to target the misuse of fireworks and other associated anti social behaviour.

Drugs: The Neighbourhood Team has been doing work around the use and supply of drugs within the Terriers and Amersham Hill areas, several people and cars have been stopped and searched by police. One male has been charged with Possession of Cannabis. If you see anyone acting suspiciously such as people exchanging packages from cars etc please ring Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number: 101.

Flexible/Seasonal: Speeding/Parking Green Hill: we are still doing increased patrols in this area due to complaints from residents about the parking issues at the top of Green Hill. Members of the public were parking their cars in an inconsiderate manner, making it difficult for people to walk on the pavement and in some circumstances making them walk into the road. We have issued several parking notices and as a result we have seen a great improvement in the parking, we will continue to issue notices to cars parked inconsiderately. The darker evenings and colder weather tends to lead to the majority of us spending as much time in doors as possible and consequently it's easy to lose contact with our neighbours, particularly those who are elderly or in poor health, please keep an eye on them and contact us if you have any concerns.

***** New Neighbourhood Action Group members wanted *****

Your local group needs new NAG members, so if you are interested in becoming a NAG member or would like further information first please contact PCSO Daniel Crisp C6553 or PCSO Charlene Rowbotham C8846 on 101. If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non emergency number 101 but if your call is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact us via email: Terriers&AmershamHillNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk - If wish to remain anonymous then call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

The three weekdays after Christmas Day continue the celebration, with a different focus each day.

Wednesday, 26th December – St Stephen

10.00 a.m. – Holy Communion (*traditional service*) with *Christmas carols*

Thursday, 27th December – St John the Evangelist

8.00 p.m. – Holy Communion with *Christmas carols*

Friday, 28th December – The Holy Innocents

8.00 p.m. – Holy Communion with *Christmas carols*

Tuesday, 1st January – Naming and Circumcision of Christ

10.00 a.m. – Holy Communion

The New Year begins with the Lord's Supper followed by seasonal refreshments

Monthly **working parties** keeping the church grounds tidy take place on the mornings of **Saturday 8th December, 12th January and 9th February**, from around 9.30 a.m.

News from St Augustine's RC Church - www.st-augustineschurch.org.uk

The church has regular services on Sunday's and also throughout the week at various times. Located on Amersham Hill the church serves a wide population including High Wycombe Town Centre as well as local communities. To find out more details including Christmas events visit the web site.

News from Totteridge Baptist Church - www.totteridgebaptist.com

The church has regular services on Sunday's and is home to a wide range of other activities both at the church and in the adjacent hall. Minister is David Hazledine. Local groups who meet at the church and hall include Cubs, Beavers, Art Club and a Coffee morning. To find out more visit the web site or call into the church.

News from St Wulstan's RC Church - www.bjhnparish.org

The church on Hollis Road has regular services on Sunday's and at other times of the week. It also has services in polish as well as English to cater for the local community. The web site has further details of all masses and other events including special services over the Christmas period.

News from St Francis - www.terrierschurch.org.uk

Winter at St Francis

At **8.00 p.m.** on each of the three **Fridays in Advent** there will be a short reflection on the writings of a poet connected with this time of year followed by Night Prayer.

On **7th December** – Ambrose of Milan

On **14th December** – John of the Cross

On **21st December** – R.S. Thomas

Sunday, 9th December – 2nd Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. – Parish Communion

The Parish Communion will be an act of worship for all ages. Gifts will be collected for the annual Christmas party by Wycombe Women's Refuge for children who have been in its care during the year. Music by the church's young musicians, who also play at the Christingle Service (16th December) and the Crib Service (24th December).

Sunday, 16th December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. – Parish Communion

*This service, which includes Holy Baptism, will be followed by the monthly Pub Lunch at "The Terriers". Numbers are limited, so please book early. Places can be booked online through [terrierschurch\[at\]gmail.com](mailto:terrierschurch[at]gmail.com) until **Sunday, 9th December**.*

4.00 p.m. – Christingle Service

A candle-lit service primarily for children. It celebrates the light of Christ coming into the world. Each child in church receives a Christingle. Refreshments afterwards.

Sunday, 23rd December – 4th Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. – Parish Communion

This service will be followed by prayer for healing for those who request

6.30 p.m. – Festival of Lessons and Carols

Monday, 24th December – Christmas Eve

4.00 p.m. – Crib Service

A service for people of all ages, telling the story of the birth of Jesus.

11.30 p.m. – Midnight Mass of the Nativity

Tuesday, 25th December – Christmas Day

10.00 a.m. – Parish Communion

The celebration of Jesus's birth continues with a service for all ages. Children are invited to bring a favourite Christmas present.



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News from your local area

Neighbourhood Priorities: Theft from Motor Vehicles, Anti Social Behaviour, Drugs.

Progress on the Neighbourhood's Priorities

Over the last few months the neighbourhood teams have proactively been pressing on with ASB occurring behind Costcutter on Arnison Avenue. A number of individuals have been stopped and searched under the Misuse of Drugs Act. We ask residents to remain vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour by calling 101.

Anti – Social Behaviour (ASB)

An operation was set up across the High Wycombe area specifically for tackling ASB during the Halloween & Bonfire Night period. The neighbourhood team has been tasked to respond to calls and we are aiming to reduce the number of incidents by attending, identifying and dealing with those causing the problems whenever possible.

Drugs

Reports from members of public suggest that the main area of concern in relation to drugs is Hillview Road. If caught, these people will be dealt with robustly. As a result of these reports, the area has been targeted with regular patrols. We are urging all members of the public and local residents to remain vigilant at all times and if you see anyone acting suspiciously then to call the police on the non emergency number 101 and report it. Please give as much detail as possible.

Offenders brought to Justice

Recent activity has seen 10 males and 2 females brought to justice for a variety of offences including drugs and assault.

Partnership activity

- On going partnership working with the Public Safety Team and Community Safety team from Wycombe District Council in relation to ASB
- On going partnership with social services to help vulnerable people.

Details of future meetings

Coffee Mornings are every Thursday from 10am at Totteridge Community Centre. Please feel free to come and mingle with local residents.

To find out more information on your neighbourhood team or if you have any concerns or comments on how to improve your neighbourhood please contact us at Wycombe Police Station via the non – emergency number 101 or visit www.thamesvalley.police.uk