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## T & T NEWS



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That's about it...Join us again in June 2010. In the meantime you can catch up with all the latest news on our web pages at:

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We are currently looking for new volunteers to help distribute copies of T & T News. The magazine is distributed to nearly 3200 homes at present in Totteridge and Terriers. We are planning to expand this slightly and therefore need new delivery people.

The magazines can be delivered anytime over a 10 day window. If you are able to help then please get in touch through the contact details on this page. We look forward to hearing from you.

**Picture Competition December 2009 - Answers**

1. Adams Park
2. Geoffrey De Havilland
3. Lyde Garden, Bledlow
4. St Francis Church
5. Totteridge Recreation Ground
6. Stoner Park, Henley

**Winner: J Hicks**

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**WELCOME TO T&T NEWS**

Hello,

Welcome to the Spring 2010 edition of your local community magazine. Not only does time fly between each edition but in our summer edition we will be celebrating our 3rd birthday! It was this very time three years ago the idea for a community magazine for Totteridge & Terriers was born. Here we are today still keeping you informed on local issues and events with many thanks to our readers, volunteers and advertisers.

In this edition we have a round-up of community news including some from the Terriers W.I. Thames Valley Police give us a Neighbourhood Policing Update plus with have news on Girlguiding and Chameleon Singles Group.

With Easter not far away we have details of services at our local churches. They do of course all have regular services throughout the year and you can find details on the notice boards outside the churches or on the web.

Finally we are trying to introduce a bit of sports news into the magazine. If you run a club, team or play locally then let us know your news. As with all events we can post updates, including fixtures, on our web pages in between printed editions of the magazine at [www.bucksinfo.net/tandtnews](http://www.bucksinfo.net/tandtnews)

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The season is in its final phase but there are still some good local games to play. The Under 15's have a home match against Flackwell Heath Minors on the 15th March whilst Penn and Tylers Green will be the visitors for the Under 16's on the 28th. April has home matches against Downley Dynamo's for the under 15's and Prestwood Colts for the Under 16's.

Totteridge FC is a voluntary not-profit making community youth football club and plays its matches at either Hillcrest Community School on Hatters Lane or at the Hazlemere Recreation Ground. It was founded in 1996 and is affiliated to the Berks and Bucks Football Association. Currently the club runs three teams U12's, U15's and U16's.

The club is hoping to start a team for a younger age group to play mini-football. As the club relies on voluntary help anyone who would be interested in starting such a team should get in touch. You can find out more about the club by visiting their web pages at <http://tottfc.intheteam.com> or by telephone on 07875 - 066802.

**Do you run a club in Totteridge or Terriers?**

If you do then this space could be yours. We are keen to include more local news from clubs around the area and would welcome your input. In between the printed editions we can include events and news via our web pages at [www.bucksinfo.net/tandtnews](http://www.bucksinfo.net/tandtnews)

Submitting your item is easy and can done by e-mail, post, fax or for short pieces of news you can telephone us. Generally we limit each piece of news to one page maximum but at our smallest font size this can still accommodate up to 450 words. Of course you do not need to write a full page, a line or two would be sufficient!

The Totteridge and Terriers News is published four times a year in March, June, September and December each year. Our deadline for items is the 20th of the month prior to publication. For our next edition this will be 20th May. The magazine has a fairly short turnaround and we aim to deliver the magazine from the first Saturday of the month. Most of the magazines will be delivered over a 10-day window by our team of volunteers.

T&T News contact details are on Page 18.

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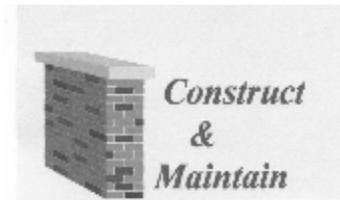
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## COMMUNITY NEWS ROUND—UP (1)

### Terriers W.I.

In company with others we were hit by the severe weather in January and were forced to cancel our meeting. Life got underway in February when we were able to arrange coffee mornings and craft meetings. We are currently making story bags for the school where we meet. The bags contain a book plus various items connected with the story, soft toys etc which the children can take home in order to explore the story with their family.

We are always pleased to welcome new members. We meet at Cedar Park School, Cedar Avenue, Hazlemere on the first Thursday in the month (unless this falls in the school holidays) at 7.45pm.

Our spring programme is...

1st April	Talk on Traidcraft
6th May	Resolutions and sharing useful tips on cooking, gardening and household tasks.
10th June	How plants control animals.

For further information contact Margaret Rodgers on 01494 524947.

### Council Tax represents good value

A recent survey by Thames Valley Police revealed that 58.4% of residents believe the current level of council tax for Police services across the region at £151.27 per for a band D property represents value for money. A further 15.3% responded 'Don't Know' and 26.4% felt it did not represent value for money.

The on-line survey was conducted between 26th January and 3rd February and was e-mailed to over 21,000 residents. Nearly two thousand people responded. Of those prepared to pay an increase 18.5% would pay another 1%, 32.6% would pay 2% and 36.5 would pay 3%. A further 12.4% were prepared to pay more than this.

A summary of the results can be viewed at <http://www.tvpa.police.uk/workingwithyou/consultations.cfm>

## COMMUNITY NEWS ROUND—UP (2)

### T & T News receives funding

Totteridge and Terriers News is pleased to announce we have recently received some additional funding for the community magazine. Councillor Joey Foley has made available £560 from his ward community budget toward the costs of publishing the magazine.

The money will be used so we can increase the number of copies printed enabling us to increase coverage in the Totteridge Ward. Currently T & T News has a print run of 3,250 and from our summer 2010 edition this will increase to 3,500 copies. Some new roads will be introduced with this edition following our increase in copies for the Winter edition.

We would like to thank Joey Foley for his support of your community magazine.

### Visitors to the Town Centre could see rapid change

Consultation has been taking place on a draft Local Development Order (LDO) which aims to stimulate businesses by cutting planning red tape. The planned area is the old medieval centre of the town that includes parts of White Hart Street, Church Street, Bull Lane and a small stretch of Oxford Street.

Local Development Orders are a relatively new planning tool which allow for certain prescribed development to take place without the need for planning permission. Wycombe District Council plans to have its Town Centre LDO in place in the spring making it one of the first local authorities to adopt this innovative approach.

The type of premises the order would apply to include A1 (Shops), A2 (Financial and professional services), A3 (Restaurants and cafes), A4 (Drinking establishments), A5 (Hot food takeaways), C1 (Hotels), D1 (Non residential Institutions) and D2 (Assembly and leisure)

The consultation has now closed but details can be found on the 'Have your Say' section of the Wycombe District Council website at [www.wycombe.gov.uk](http://www.wycombe.gov.uk)

## Sports & Social Club News (1)

### Totteridge Community Centre

The new look community centre re-opened its doors on Totteridge Drive on Friday 4th December 2009. The charity set up by a group of residents and chaired by Councillor Foley has spent the last two years working to gain ownership of the land and transform the building into a new Community Centre open for all.

It began at an open meeting early in 2007 attended by both local district councillors who presented those present with the option of either rallying round to save the community facility or allow the former social club owners to dispose of the land probably for housing development. A group of residents stepped forward to offer their personal time and commitment to save the facility. The councillors meanwhile were key to arranging a grant of £49,500 to cover the costs of refurbishment and to bring the building up to modern standards.

It has taken nearly two years to overcome the logistical hurdles and legal complications. The issues were finally resolved by the end of summer last year enabling Wycombe District Council to begin releasing funds of the arranged grant.

Since the opening of the centre a new floor has been completed this year. This essentially completes the internal renovation work and attention will now focus on the outside. The car park has suffered from the weather during the winter and the club plans to completely re-shingle it. Help is needed with fundraising and at a later date no doubt to do the work.

There are a number of events taking place at centre already and more are planned. This is a guide to What's On....

Monday	Kickboxing—Child Class 6.30pm, Adult Class 7.45pm
Thursday	Coffee and Cakes 10am
Friday	Bingo Night 8pm
Saturday	Misfitz—Children's Drama and Performing Arts 9am to 12.30
Sunday	Public Bar open from 12 noon (Meat raffle at 3pm)

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### Terriers & Totteridge



Both the Terriers & Totteridge Policing teams have seen some changes since the last edition. Sergeant Simon Johnson and PC Richard Hobson have both moved into new roles and been replaced. The current team are below...

Sergeant 737—Carol Horne

PC 586—Colin Bedford

PCSO 9507—Emma Buckle

PCSO 9468—Shaukat Ali-Khan

PC 5776—Michelle Hearne

PC 6413—Steve Van-Niekerk

PCSO 9420—Natasha Blake

PCSO 9294—Nick Steenbergen

### Crime information

There has been a recent spate of burglaries in the area where offenders are *pretending to be police officers*. The offenders appear to be targeting the vulnerable and elderly. These individuals will then produce some kind of identification. If you have any such visitor please *do not let them in*. Ask them to drop their badge/warrant card through the letter box then ring the police straight away on 08458 505 505 number, if you feel threatened ring 999. *Do not ring the number on their identification card as this could be false.*



Our monthly beat surgeries have been re-branded 'Have Your Say Meetings'. They are informal meetings, open to all residents, which will be held at the same time and place, every month. We invite all of you to come along, meet us and share your problems so we can help resolve them on your behalf.

### Totteridge & Bowerdean Residents

The meeting will take place at the new Community Centre in Totteridge Drive, at 4pm on the first Monday of each Month i.e. 1 March, 5 April and so on.

### Terriers & Amersham Hill Residents

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## **Totteridge Baptist Church, Hillary Road**

The Church holds regular services. Details on the web site [www.totteridgebaptist.com](http://www.totteridgebaptist.com)

### **Holy Week and Easter Services....**

#### **Sunday 28th March—Palm Sunday**

10.15am All age family service. Subject is "Fullness of Life. Speaker is David Hazeldine. You are invited to bring along an Easter egg to be given away to those in our area with learning difficulties.

#### **Thursday 1st April—Maundy Thursday**

7.30pm "What does it mean for me? Led by Mike Birmingham. Reflecting on the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ and sharing a basic meal together.

#### **Sunday 4th April—Easter Sunday**

10.15am All age family service. "The price is paid". Speaker is Mike Birmingham

## **St Wulstan's Church, Hollis Road**

The Catholic Church has regular services and also caters for the Polish community. For more details see the web site at [www.stwulstanschurch.org](http://www.stwulstanschurch.org)

### **Holy Week and Easter Services....**

#### **Sunday 28th March—Palm Sunday**

8.45am Blessing of Palms, Procession and Sung Mass .  
12.30—6pm Stations of the Cross, Active Prayer. Drop in session throughout the afternoon organised by the Youth Group.

#### **Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st March—Holy Week**

Monday 9.30am Word and Communion Service

Tuesday 9.30am Mass

Wednesday 9.30am Word and Communion Service

#### **Thursday 1st April—Maundy Thursday**

10am Morning Prayer

8pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### **Friday 2nd April—Good Friday**

3pm Solemn Afternoon Liturgy

#### **Saturday 3rd April—Holy Saturday**

8pm Easter Vigil Service and First Mass of Easter

#### **Sunday 4th April—Easter Sunday**

9am Solemn Sung Mass

## News from your local churches....

### St Francis Church, Amersham Road, Terriers

Shove Tuesday saw the launch of a two year project to return the building to a good state of repair at a cost of £100,000. Pancakes and a quiz at the Church Hall raised over £170 to kick start the fundraising. Further events planned include Canon Tony Dickinson's sponsored slim. At a "Weigh-in " Tony was just over 75Kg and hopes to shed Kilograms to raise pounds. Coffee Mornings are also planned and the first of these took place on Saturday 20th February.

Members of the congregation are also being asked to fill a jar with coins up until the end of Eastertide. On the day of Pentecost on Sunday 23rd May the jar will be emptied hopefully creating a mile of coins. These will be laid out from the entrance of the Church to the Hall and around as many times as needed inside to create the mile.

Further information on the fund raising and other events at St Francis Church, Terriers contact Canon Tony Dickinson on 01494 520676, by e-mail at vicar@terrierschurch.org.uk or via the web site at www.terrierschurch.org.uk

The church has regular services throughout the year and below you will find details of those for Holy Week and Easter....

#### **Sunday 28th March—Palm Sunday**

8am Holy Communion  
10am Procession of Palms and Parish Communion followed by prayer for healing.

#### **Thursday 1st April—Good Friday**

7pm The Lord's Supper  
(This act of worship is set in the framework of a meal. Advance booking through the vicarage is essential.)  
11.45pm Night Prayer

#### **Friday 2nd April—Good Friday**

10am Family Service including the decoration of the Easter Garden.  
2pm The last Hour—A time of meditation at the foot of the cross.

#### **Saturday 3rd April—Holy Saturday**

8pm Easter Vigil (A multimedia presentation in the Church Hall)

#### **Sunday 4th April—Easter Sunday**

6am Easter Liturgy (Sunrise is at 6.30am) followed by breakfast in Church and an Easter Egg hunt for children.  
10am Holy communion (Service for all ages celebrating the resurrection of Jesus)



Our Guiding centenary year is in full swing now, with girls around the country taking full advantage of all the Centenary adventures from a Take Over of Blackpool and sea kayaking along the South Coast, to charity treks across Chile on horseback and a camp for 5000 Guides at Harewood House.

Nearer home, our District too has been celebrating. There was a terrific atmosphere at Wembley Arena when the Guides went to the Big Gig with a line-up including JLS, Scouting for Girls and Pixie Lott, and another unit organised a Brownies Got Talent evening, complete with judges and prizes!

This week saw World Thinking Day, an annual event when we remember our fellow Guiding members around the world - nearly 100 girls and leaders came together for games and activities at Highworth School, culminating in a candle-lit ceremony.

There has been a surge of interest from girls wishing to join the movement during the Centenary year, and to avoid turning them away, we very much need help to run our meetings!

Could you help in any way? No experience is needed and you do not need to have been a Brownie or Guide yourself. If you enjoy working with children or young people, are over 18, and you have the enthusiasm and time to help, we would love to hear from you!

Our units meet weekly during term times, but even if you can only help out occasionally, or could perhaps come in and share a particular skill or interest of yours, this would still be much appreciated! If you think you might be interested and would like to know more, please email Alison at [alisongieler@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:alisongieler@dsl.pipex.com)

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## CHAMELEON SINGLES GROUP



With another year gone we have, as I write this piece, just had our AGM. This is not really a formal gathering but more a chance to hear about last years events and look forward to those in 2010. Already the days are beginning to get longer but I suspect it will be a good couple of months before the chill in the air disappears and outdoor events and day trips fill our programme. With an average of seven events a month there is always plenty going on right throughout the year whatever the season.

Our programme is always evolving based on new ideas from our members. We encourage this through our planning evenings and pub nights so there is almost certainly something in each programme to suit everyone. Meals out, Day trips, Bowling, Skittles, Quiz Nights, an at home DVD evening, Take-Away night, Walk, Pub Nights, Theatre and Cinema visits are just some of the events over the last few months. Over the winter months we have continued to attract a number of new people and we extend a very warm welcome to them. We will be looking forward to their ideas for the future!

We hold our regular monthly pub night on the last Friday of the month at the Red Lion in Penn. This is a great place for new members to come along and meet us for the first time in a friendly informal atmosphere. There is food available too so why not avoid the cooking for one night? Our Lunch Club continues to be a successful daytime event and we have recently tried this on different days of the week. This is currently held in The Beech Tree at Terriers which offers a reasonably priced menu and is easily accessible by car, bus, bike and on foot. Again this is a great informal event to meet and chat with members old and new.

Over the past year we have continued to attract new members to the group and have a growing number from Totteridge, Terriers and the 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](mailto:chameleon_bucks@tiscali.co.uk). You can also visit us on the web at [www.bucksinfo.net/chameleon](http://www.bucksinfo.net/chameleon) where there is further information and an events listing.