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# 'Perfect' setting for Classic Summer Evening

Grounds of David Gold's house, 'The Chalet', in full bloom ready for next week's open air concert.

The groundsman and gardeners at 'The Chalet' in Tupwood Lane, Caterham, have been working hard to ensure the lawns and flowerbeds are in tip-top condition ready for the open-air classical concert taking place there on Saturday 2nd July.

The concert, the first of its kind in Caterham, is being held to raise funds for the Tandridge Community Fund local charity, that was set up in 2008 to help local causes. Jeremy Webster from the Tan-

dridge Community Fund first had the idea for a concert when Mr Gold hosted an 'Open Garden' event for the Fund last year.

Jeremy said: "Mr Gold really liked the idea because he said it will give the public the chance to see his garden in high summer, instead of in the spring when he normally opens the garden for charity. He agreed that the sweeping lawns by the terrace will be perfect for sitting with a picnic and listening to the

classical musicians. It will look amazing when the stage has been erected against the backdrop of the Victorian house."

Songwriter and founder of the Orpheus Centre in Godstone, Richard Stilgoe will be the compere for the evening. The concert will feature talented musicians playing music by Elgar, Ravel, Chopin, Gershwin, Beethoven and more. The gates will open at 2pm with the music starting at 4pm. Tickets cost from £12-£20 and are available from Vivace Pianos in the High Street, Caterham-on-the-Hill or by calling 01483 444334.



David Gold and his fiancée Lesley Manning in the grounds of 'The Chalet' in Tupwood Lane last spring.

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## Muslim peace campaign to visit Chaldon

An exhibition of Islam is being held in Chaldon on Saturday 2nd July as part of a nationwide campaign organised by one of Britain's oldest Muslim communities, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association (AMA). The aim of the campaign is to drive home the message of peace and counter extremists who hijack the faith for political ends. Dr. Maqbool Sethi of the AMA said: "We want to promote the true meaning of Islam both as a religion and culture to the general public through various awareness programmes. The AMA condemns all forms of terrorism and totally disagrees with the violent response of some Muslims to various recent events." Hundreds of 'Peace Buses' have been travelling across the UK with banners asserting



the essence of Muslim belief - 'Love for All, Hatred for None'. The exhibition and informal get-together in Chaldon Village Hall is part of the nationwide awareness programme. From 10.30am-4.30pm there will be a display of books, leaflets and posters on Islam and the AMA, including topical issues such as women in Islam. Refreshments will be available. For more information about the campaign go to [www.loveforallhatredfornone.org](http://www.loveforallhatredfornone.org) or the official website of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, [www.alislam.org](http://www.alislam.org)

## No Pay and Display for Tandridge

Tandridge District Council is delighted Surrey County Council has decided not to introduce on-street pay and display to the district. This follows the district council's strong objection to the proposals, supported by MP Sam Gyimah, local traders and residents. Earlier this year, Tandridge District Council passed a motion to oppose the proposals by Surrey County Council to introduce parking charges on the district's roads. The motion was unanimously agreed by all councillors. Surrey County Council has decided not to introduce on-street pay and display, but will review commuter

parking in the area. A public consultation will be carried out later this year. Leader of Tandridge District Council, Councillor Gordon Keymer, said: "We are pleased Surrey has listened to the community and to the council and realised that pay and display would not work in this area, particularly as our own car parks are free. The district led the wave of opposition across the county to these proposals and this is an excellent example of the council, MP, local traders and residents pulling together on an issue of great local importance."

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## Girl Guides lose camping equipment in burglary

1st Chaldon Guides have been counting the cost of a break-in to their equipment shed when thieves stole items valued at approximately £3,500. The thieves visited the premises twice, first during the night of Saturday 11th June when they broke into the hut by using bolt-cutters to break the lock. Nothing was taken, but the contents were disturbed and the shed left in disarray. On discovering the break-in on Sunday, the mess was cleaned up by the Guide Leaders and Guides and the lock replaced, only for the thieves to return the following night to steal valuable equipment. Anne-Marie Smith has been the Guider in Charge at the Unit for the last ten years and is devastated at the theft after all the fundraising her girls have done to purchase the camping and cooking equipment.



1st Chaldon Guide Leaders Michaela Pearce (left) and Claire Styles by the ransacked equipment shed.

Helen Curran, District Commissioner for Caterham and Chaldon Guides said: "The shed is where the Guides keep their tents, camping equipment and outdoor play things and the thieves took anything of any value at all, especially metal things like the marquee poles and pots and pans. The thieves stole our cooking tent and first aid tent and without the poles, our marquee is useless. It will cost £1,500 to replace. "The contents of the shed was insured but some of the equipment, like the ash

buckets for putting out fires, date back over 50 years and are irreplaceable because of their sentimental value. The Chaldon Guides are one of the most active groups in the district – they are always out in the community raising money by bag-packing in supermarkets, for example, to raise money for their summer camp. Luckily, thanks to the kindness of other Guide and Scout groups lending us their equipment, we can still go and enjoy the camp."



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## Fun day raises thousands for 'Help for Heroes'

The Chelsham and Farleigh Help For Heroes Fun Weekend on 28-29 May was a resounding success with thousands turning out to support 'our boys'. A whopping £16,474 was raised with money still trickling in. Fundraising has been going on throughout the year with a Golf Day and events at Warlingham School, Warlingham Rugby Club, Whyteleafe Under 12s Football Team, Surrey Masonic Sports Association and many other generous pillars of the local community. It is hoped the total will rise to over £25,000. The organisers would like to say a big "thank you" to everyone involved with the event and to all those who attended.



(Top) A Zumba class at the Chelsham and Farleigh Fun Weekend.  
(Bottom) TS Zephyr Sea Cadets.

## Founder member of Lions Talking Newspaper, Tom Bannister, dies.



Tom Bannister

Tom Bannister, a long-standing member of Caterham, Oxted & Godstone Lions Club (COGS) died on Sunday 5th June at St Helier's Hospital after a long illness.

Tom was born in 1941 in Godstone and together with his sister Norma went to South Godstone School. On leaving school he joined Seeboard but due to a hereditary eye disease Tom went blind in 1973 and had to train for another profession. He went to the London College of Furniture where he trained as a piano tuner. With the help of his wife Marie he carved out a business tuning pianos both privately and in schools. Accompanied by a succession of trusty guide dogs, he was a familiar and well loved figure for the schoolchildren. Tom pursued many hobbies and joined COGS in 1986 becoming President of the Club in 2004. Every year until 2009 he was Father Christmas on the Club's Christmas float, listening to the children as they expressed their wishes for gifts. He was the inspiration behind the very successful "Dinner in the

Dark" events, organising and waiting at tables and running a similar event for the Surrey Association for Visual Impairment (SAVI).

Tom was a founder member of the Lions Talking Newspaper and was Chairman for 15 years.

A brush with cancer in the nineties encouraged Tom to abseil in aid of SAVI and although he decided on semi-retirement five years ago he continued to teach Braille at a SAVI class.

The last four years saw Tom's health deteriorate but he never lost his sense of humour, his quick and often wicked wit and his uncomplaining determination to live life to the full. He was an inspiration to all who knew him and he will be greatly missed. He is survived by his wife Marie, his two children from his first marriage, Paula and Garry and his sister Norma.

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'Ride the Hill' - one of the many attractions lined up for the Whyteleafe Grand Summer Fête.

A small but very active group of residents from Whyteleafe have been putting the final touches to plans for the village's first Grand Summer Fête being held on Sunday, 3rd July. The organisers are expecting an excellent turnout on the day, judging by the sense of anticipation surrounding the event! Tandridge District Councillor for Whyteleafe, Sakina Bradbury, said: "This is something I have dreamed of for years for Whyteleafe, a special day to be enjoyed

by the whole community. I am so pleased that we now have a great team of people here in Whyteleafe who are willing to put in some time and effort to make it happen." Whyteleafe Village Council has worked with the local community, including St. Luke's Church and the Whyteleafe Tavern, to plan a fun-packed programme of events throughout the day to appeal to all tastes. The fun will start at 11am with a parade from St. Luke's Church to the Recreation Ground of uniformed groups

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and marching bands. The parade will be opened by Lucy Speed (Natalie from EastEnders). Activities taking place in the Recreation Ground will include children's sports, a Punch and Judy Show, a magic show and demonstrations by the Battersea Boxing Boys. Refreshments will include a hog roast and beer tent, as well as international food. Lucky Programmes with more information are on sale in local shops in Whyteleafe and are also available in The Whyteleafe Tavern.

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## Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

Runner-up in the BBC Gardener's World competition finals, Sue Baines, has been opening her beautiful Caterham garden to the public during the Caterham Festival for the last two years.

Sue will be sharing her thoughts and expertise with us each month in her new column.

As I write, it is raining buckets and quite windy too. I try to prioritise my jobs according to the weather. One of my jobs this week has been to tie in any large plants. They do have a chickenwire cage put over them in early spring, but always need a bit more support. I cut the grass, which since the garden opening, has been growing madly as have all the hedges. The grass still looks very patchy though, so in places it has had grass seed sown. It has also had a liquid feed of Evergreen, which greens it up very quickly. It lasts for six weeks and fits on the end of a hose. I dig the weeds up, rather than using the Weed and Feed, which always seems a bit hit and miss. Although said to be animal safe, I'm never really happy with them walking over it, or the birds pulling up worms from it.



Sue Baines

In the morning, or after heavy rain I take a cane round and gently shake the plants to rid them of the water. However, if it is raining a lot, then I deadhead as much as possible, so that the next batch of flowers start forming as soon as the next sunny spell arrives. Another job this week has been to nematode the (hopefully) whole garden. I used the Miracle Grow feeder, but it will be several weeks yet before they become effective. This is to eradicate vine weevil which I have disappointingly found three of already. They eat notches in the leaves and can lay up to 800 eggs at a time, which turn into fat white grubs, which are partial to anything of a succulent nature, such as begonia, heuchera and aeonium. Laurel, bay and eleagnus all seem to be on the menu, too. So, if a plant is just not thriving, and is surrounded by shrubs with lots of notches then check the soil. Provado is another good and quick option if only a few plants are affected, but rather expensive.

Finally, my compost bins, which have been so dry, have had the lids left off so that they are nicely damp. Soon they will go back on, as we have now had quite a drop of rain.

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**Hawaiian Special** Ham - pineapple - mushrooms

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**FAVOURITES**

**All the Meats** Ham - pepperoni - sausage - bacon - spicy beef

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## Well done to the St. Francis' School singers

On Thursday 26th May St. Francis' Catholic Primary School in Caterham-on-the-Hill held their annual Talent Show as part of their very popular Arts Week. An act from each class performed in front of the judges that included East Surrey MP, Sam Gyimah.

On the same day, Derek Jones, Teaching and Learning Manager for Surrey Arts South West presented the school with the prestigious Platinum Award from the National Singing Programme as part of the Sing Up awards. The awards recognise, celebrate and promote schools that put singing at the heart of school life.

Mr Jones praised the school's commitment to singing, saying: "I am delighted to endorse this Platinum Award for St. Francis'. Time and again they have shown that singing is a vitally important part of school life, and they are a wonderful advert for the positive effects brought



The Platinum Award-winning choir from St. Francis' Catholic Primary School.

about by this musical activity."

St Francis' is the first school in Surrey to receive this award, and one of only 80 schools in England, due to its outstanding dedication to singing. This Platinum Award will allow the school to spread their enthusiasm and commitment even further and become an ambassador school.

## Inspirational Leader receives Laural Award

Local Guide Leader Julie Woodland has been presented with the Laurel Award for her outstanding contribution to Girl Guiding in Surrey. The award was presented to Julie by Margaret Frosztega, County Commissioner for Surrey. Julie has held several appointments within Guiding and currently runs 7th Caterham Guides, a unit she attended herself as a Girl Guide.

Julie was nominated and given the award as a national recognition of all the work she has done and continues to do within the movement. Her girls and leaders



Margaret Frosztega presenting Julie Woodland with the Laurel Award.

Photograph by Sue Crawford.

organised a special celebration where friends and fellow colleagues within Guiding were invited to attend her unit to see Julie be presented with this rare award.

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Customers can also choose to have a Dance Party led by a trained dancer or for the more creative, a Deluxe Themed Party based around Princesses, Pirates, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory or Toy Story



The Soft Play area in The Arc.

where the children are led through an interactive drama party by two actors with a host of costumes and props. These start from £20 a head and are suitable for children aged five years and over.

The Arc parties are not just for kids; The Arc offers a Teen Disco party in Soft Play with a DJ, buffet and exclusive use of the Soft Play facilities. The Arc has hosted 18th, 21st and 50th birthday parties as well as christenings, anniversaries and even wedding receptions!

Parties at The Arc are custom-made to your requirements, so email your idea to [parties@the-arc-caterham.co.uk](mailto:parties@the-arc-caterham.co.uk) and let the friendly team at The Arc make your party a special one to remember!

More details can be found online at [www.the-arc-caterham.co.uk](http://www.the-arc-caterham.co.uk), visit [twitter.com/thearcrcaterham](https://twitter.com/thearcrcaterham) or call 01883 330380.

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FRIDAY	10.00 - 11.30 Kickers and Crawlers £1.00 per session.	

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The stunning Lazlo vase from the LSA collection.



## Your friendly, local, non-league club needs your support!

by Leafe fan, Adam Willmott, age 16.

Whyteleaf F.C. unfortunately struggled for attendances last season. On several occasions the Ryman Division One South outfit suffered attendances of fewer than 100. For a club who used to average over 200 a game not so long ago, this is a very disheartening statistic for Leafe fans.

I have been a Whyteleaf fan for three years and have followed the club home and away. Watching Whyteleaf is a very enjoyable part of my life; I have gained many friends and met lots of new people.

The fans of Whyteleaf play a huge role in keeping the club ticking over. Leafe fans voluntarily write the programme, control car parking, make matchday announcements on the tannoy and work on the turnstile to help the club. The

amount of effort the fans put into the club would be even more worthwhile if attendances were to improve. Whyteleaf have been an inconsistent side all season and Leafe games nearly always guarantee goals. There is always a friendly and positive atmosphere at the matches and enthusiastic chanting. Leafe fans are a unique bunch of people and can often be heard at home and away games singing a variety of songs. Whyteleaf F.C. play in one of the most attractive settings in non-league football. Entry is just £8 for adults and £5 for concessions. You can also buy an extremely unique and humorous programme for just £1, written by the fans, for the fans.

The new season starts in August, so why not come and help your local club and watch a game one Saturday afternoon? Watching Whyteleaf is a great way to get involved with the local community and meet new people.

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Jostling for the lead in the Boat Race.



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## Waller Pain - 12 June



Round Table member, Scott Georgiades with Men's Winner, Matthew Pilkington.



Scott with fastest 'Fit Mum', Lizzie Elliott.

Matthew Pilkington set a new course record for the second Waller Pain Hill Climb on Sunday 12th June, cycling to the top in just one minute, 14 seconds. The steep gradient, in Caterham Town Centre, attracted cyclists of all ages and abilities. Winner of the 'Fit Mums', Lizzie Elliott, completed the ride in six minutes, 28 seconds.

## Open Caterham 4-5 June

During the weekend of 4-5 June many local places of interest were conducting guided tours as part of the 'Open Caterham' weekend. The venues included places not normally open to public view such as Godstone Caves and Kenley Observatory.

For the second year running, local resident, Sue Baines, opened her award-winning garden in Burntwood Lane to the public, raising £600 for the League of Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital (see photos far right). Sue will be sharing her gardening expertise in her new column, 'Diary of a Plantaholic' each month (see page 6).



Beth Woods explains the history of the Arc to a visitor.



Youngsters at Skaterham in Caterham-on-the-Hill.



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The DeFest Music Festival took place at de Stafford School in Burntwood Lane on 18-19 June. A new addition to DeFest this year was the Caterham Cruise on Day 2, with around 20 military and classic vehicles taking part. Mark and Julie of 'No Name Jive' who organised the Caterham Cruise are looking forward to even more vehicles taking part next year!



'Mandelson' - one of the line-up of bands on Day 1.



Tandridge has Talent winner, Elena Vinal from Limpsfield School, who enchanted the judges with her rendition of 'Castle on a Cloud' from Les Miserables..



The classic and military vehicles parked up at DeFest after their cruise around the streets of Caterham.



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The Swing Jive class on Day 2 of DeFest.

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## 'Body Gossip' Wednesday 1st June

One of the new additions to the Festival programme this year was the 'Body Gossip' exhibition and presentation evening.

Speakers from various body image and health charities along with youth actors and volunteers from The Arc performed monologues about body image and eating disorders. Speakers included TV presenter Natasha Devon, Nick Watts from 'Men Get Eating Disorders Too', Rob Dawson from the National Osteoporosis Society and Ruth Rogers, the founder of Body Gossip. The event was organised by Susy Payne, the Arc's education and outreach director. Susy said: "Our first Body Gossip event at The Arc was a fantastic success, with a great turn-out. The Body Gossip campaign is about celebrating real beauty through giving a voice to anyone with an opinion on their body. When I was 11 years old, I developed anorexia which affected me



TV presenter, *Natasha Devon*, was one of the speakers at the *Body Gossip* evening.

throughout my teenage years, and if I had been given a voice, I would not have had to suffer in silence. We will now build on



The Arc's administrator, *Sandra*, poses for the camera on the *Body Gossip* sofa.

this momentum to create a bigger Body Gossip event in the run-up to the Olympic Games. Big Brother's Nicky Grahame will be attending, which is fantastic as she has done so much to highlight the issues surrounding eating disorders, and make it acceptable to talk about. Sandra, our administrator has become a pin-up around Caterham, and now you can see why!" For more information go to [www.bodygossip.org](http://www.bodygossip.org)

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## Readers' letters

### Housing development in Caterham

I would like to take issue with several statements made in a letter from Mr. Bob Evans last month in connection with housing developments on the Hill.

Mr. Nigel Greenhalgh has rightly commented that Caterham has taken the lion's share of development and that Oxted has got off lightly. This is particularly true of the Hill.

In response, Mr. Evans comments that Caterham has had the closure of St. Lawrence's Hospital and two defence installations have become redundant (Caterham Barracks and Kenley Aerodrome). This is precisely why Caterham-on-the-Hill has taken more development than other more southerly parts of Tandridge.

Mr. Evans refers to development-related gains including road improvements. Any improvements have only been to those roads built to service new developments on the Hill. There have been no significant improvements to the Hill's highways. Indeed, major roads such as Whyteleafe

Road, Buxton Lane, Coulsdon Road and Ninehams Road are deteriorating in part due to new developments that have simply increased the amount of traffic that they carry.

There is also mention by Mr. Evans of a development gain in the shape of new shops. There has been only one major new shop, in recent years, Tesco.

Mr. Evans refers to school improvements. I have lived on the Hill since 1983 and can think of no significant new developments at schools on the Hill. The only major change has been the loss of de Stafford School's sixth form - hardly an improvement and I understand that de Stafford is now oversubscribed.

Despite the huge increase in incomers to the Hill the area is still served by the same number of medical practices.

As for the gain of 'large areas of open space', the only new open space on the Hill is the cricket square by Tesco.

Mr. Evans says that releasing Green Belt land in Oxted in order to balance development in Caterham would set one community against another. He is clearly totally ignorant of

the huge level of resentment on the Hill over the amount of infilling which has been pushed through during his time as Head of Planning at Tandridge District Council.

The character of the Hill has been changed by planning applications approved under Mr Evans' regime. For example, in the immediate area bordered by Whyteleafe Road and Salmons Lane West, there used to be just five houses. Very soon there will be 21 houses with the concomitant increase in traffic, and the loss of back garden wildlife habitat and a network of badgers' setts. I agree with Marc Hansen when he questions why Oxted's 'nimbys', aided and abetted by Oxted-based councillors, continue to hold Caterham to ransom by forcing increasing development onto the area without creation of the necessary additional infrastructure.

It is hoped that Mr. Evans' successor will be more aware of the effect of planning decisions on Caterham-on-the-Hill and will accept that the area has taken more than its fair share of new housing.

*Peter Brent, Caterham.*

## Caterham BEA helps St. Catherine's Hospice

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*Glen O'Dwyer from Caterham BEA presents the cheque to Matthew Cornish.*

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### Grand Summer Fête

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### Beechwood Women's Group

'The Humorous Side of being an Actor', an entertaining anecdotal talk by Jonathan Fryer is being held at the Beechwood Women's

Club on Tuesday, 5th July. The meeting starts at 8pm at St. Mary's Church Hall, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Visitors and new members welcome.

### Horticultural Show

Caterham and District Horticultural Society are holding their Summer Show on Saturday 9th July, at Hillcroft School, Chaldon Road, Caterham. The doors for the show will open at 2.30pm, with the presentation of the cups and awards at 4.30pm. There will follow an auction of produce donated by exhibitors. Light refreshments will be available. New members welcome. Enquiries to the Trading Hut, located behind the allotments in Westway from 9.30am-12.00pm on Saturday mornings.

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## Quick Quiz

by Alec Herbert

This month's Quick Quiz features questions on 'Composers'.

1. Who composed 'Rhapsody in Blue'?
2. Which English King is generally credited with composing the traditional piece 'Greensleeves'?
3. Who was the composer of the music - Gilbert or Sullivan?
4. Which Italian composed many Western film themes including 'The Good, the Bad and the Ugly'?
5. Which Lennon & McCartney song had the working title "Scrambled Eggs"?

Answers:

1. George Gershwin;
2. Henry VIII;
3. Sir Arthur Sullivan;
4. Ennio Morricone;
5. Yesterday.

## Who wants to be a Volunteer?

by Marion Piggott



Tandridge volunteers gathered for our annual Cream Tea recently, held this year in St. Peter's Hall, Limpsfield. Looking across the room I wondered, is there a commonly accepted mass noun for volunteers? A 'generosity' perhaps, or an 'altruism' - my neighbour ventured a 'collaboration' of volunteers. Volunteers' week, in June each year, is an opportunity to thank all those in our community whose gift of time and skills make a huge difference to the lives of others. From my seat I could see a Befriender, Driver, IT Trainer, Bookings Clerk, Trustee, Cook, Mentor, Theatre Steward, Database Designer, Treasurer, Home Visitor, Helpline Support and an Events Planner - an amazing, eclectic group. June of this year also marks five years since I came to the Volunteer Centre in Caterham.

"How many volunteers have you been involved with in that time?" asked someone recently. Truthfully, I have no

idea. At the last count nearly 1,400 people had made enquiries and at least 450 have been appointed as volunteers. I thought it felt busy.

There are the volunteers at our Centre too, and those running and supporting the charities we help promote. My job means I have the privilege of spending time with the finest of people from our community.

For information about volunteering opportunities please ring me, Marion Piggott, at Volunteer Centre Caterham, 01883 344444, email: [caterhamvc@owen29.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:caterhamvc@owen29.wanadoo.co.uk), or visit our website: [www.surreycommunity.info/tvsc/](http://www.surreycommunity.info/tvsc/). Alternatively, meet me every first Friday of the month in Warlingham Library, 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

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