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## Council draws up plans to relocate Warlingham Village School

A proposal is being drawn up by Surrey County Council to expand and relocate high-performing Warlingham Village Primary School to create 210 more school places.

The school, which has an Ofsted "outstanding" rating, would be rebuilt nearby at Greenacres on the Limpsfield Road at a reduced cost to tax payers, under plans to help meet growing demand for school places in the Warlingham area. Greenacres is identified in Tandridge District Council's Draft Local Plan as a potential site for

development. However, as the Local Plan is only at draft stage, any planning application for a school on the site would need to demonstrate very special circumstances as it is on Green Belt land.

This proposal, being drawn up in conjunction with local developer Asprey Homes, would also involve providing new homes near the planned new school, which would help fund the school development. The school's existing site would be retained by the County Council, which would work with Tandridge

District Council to ascertain the best use of it for the local area.

Mary Lewis, Surrey County Council's Cabinet Member for Education, said: "Thousands more school places will be needed across Surrey over the coming years to meet demand from a growing population and this proposal offers the potential to help us create the places we need in Warlingham. The plans are at an early stage, but could mean a brand new school with plenty of outside space for Warlingham Village Primary pupils, enabling more children to go there - all at significantly reduced cost to Surrey taxpayers."

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Warlingham Village School.

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## Council proposes relocation of Warlingham Village School

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Stuart Mitchenall, chair of the school strategy board for Warlingham Village School, said: "The governors of the school and representatives from the GLF Schools Multi-Academy Trust are in dialogue with officers from Surrey County Council regarding the additional demand for places in the Tandridge area. We are keen to explore the options available and would ensure any solution maintains the quality of provision we currently offer at Warlingham Village. We place a high value on the role our school plays within the local village community and are committed to retaining this. We would aim to work together to ensure the enhanced facilities retain the existing advantages the school offers."

Local Parish Councillor for Warlingham East and Tandridge District Councillor for Warlingham East and Chelsham & Farleigh, Jeremy

Pursehouse, said: "I can understand why those protesting at the move would do so. The communication from Surrey County Council on this scheme has been nothing short of pathetic. The residents of Warlingham have been bounced by this plan. I can also understand their affection for the building and I would like to see it preserved in some way. However, while there are still a lot more details to be revealed and agreed, I have to say that I support the plan in principle. If we must lose Green Belt land, I would rather it went to a new school building than anything else. The existing school is too small and badly laid out for modern needs and has no adjacent playing fields. The new school will provide places for more Warlingham children. My heart is with the protesters, but my head supports the move."

A planning application is expected to be made to Tandridge District Council later this year. There would need to be a public consultation and approval from the Secretary of State for Education before any move to expand or relocate the school could go ahead.

## Warlingham residents raise £450 for Macmillan Cancer

by Perry Chotai

On Saturday 23rd September, Naina Chotai, of Eglise Road in Warlingham, held a coffee afternoon at the Mission Rooms in Warlingham and raised £450.00 for Macmillan Cancer. The event was supported by Warlingham residents and friends. Despite a rainy afternoon, around 40 people joined in to make the event a success. Naina would like to thank all the people who supported the event by baking cakes and helping with the set-up and all the people who donated generously to a very worthy organisation.



Naina Chotai.



Naina (second from right) and her friends at the coffee afternoon.

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Tandridge District Council's Housing Committee is inviting everyone to have their say about the three main priorities of their draft Housing Strategy that will set out how the council will consider the different housing needs in the district for the next five years. It will also set out the council's plans to address the shortage of affordable housing in the area.

The focus of the strategy is to provide a range of different housing products, including self-build, shared ownership, rent to buy and affordable rent where it is viable. The strategy sets out how the Council will work to make the best use of the existing housing stock in the district by tackling disrepair

and energy efficiency issues, as well as bringing empty properties back into use. The strategy also makes sure there is help and advice for those threatened with homelessness, along with the right type of supported housing for the district's most vulnerable households.

The three main priorities of the Housing Strategy are:

- Creating sustainable communities and meeting needs.
- Improving the quality and the use of existing housing stock.
- Meeting the specific needs of vulnerable households and those on lower incomes.

The public consultation about these priorities is taking place from Friday 28th September until Friday 26th October. Full

details are available at [www.tandridge.gov.uk](http://www.tandridge.gov.uk).

Councillor Nick Childs, Chair of the Housing Committee, said: "Many people in our area cannot afford to buy their own home or rent a property. Our housing vision is to improve the quality of our residents' lives and wellbeing by delivering more high quality homes and maximising our ability to help those who need it. We are already building council homes and provide information and support to prevent homelessness, but this is not enough. We know we can't overcome all the challenges we face on our own, so we will work with our partners across all sectors to deliver the homes, including affordable homes, to give all our residents an opportunity to achieve a good quality of life in our district."

## Readers' Letters

### Remembrance Sunday RAF Kenley

This year's wreath-laying ceremony at our historic and famous fighter airfield will be held at the RAF Kenley Tribute on Sunday 11th November at 1.30pm.

The ceremony will be led by the Mayor of Croydon and the Chairman of Tandridge District Council.

Representatives from other organisations will include the City of London, the RAF Kenley Tribute Committee, Croydon South MP, the Metropolitan Police, Kenley & District Residents Association, local councillors, All Saints Church Kenley, St. Luke's Church Whyteleafe, Kenley Memorial Hall, Kenley Airfield Friends Group, 615 Volunteer



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### 1st Warlingham celebrates opening of new Cub Pack

Following on from the opening of 1st Warlingham's second Beaver Colony a few years ago, on Thursday 13th September a second Cub Pack was opened at the Scout HQ in Mint Walk.

Chairman of the Executive Committee, Cllr. Robin Bloore, welcomed the new club, their parents, the District and Leadership teams and special guests, Cllrs. Jeremy Pursehouse and Nathan Williams, saying: "I should like to record a tremendous "Thank You" to this team for all the very hard work, planning and effort in making tonight a reality - well done indeed. I should also thank Karen Yorke, who has stepped up to take on part of the vacant role of Group Scout Leader. Karen is designated as our Group Administrator, but she does do so much more!" Karen said: "1st Warlingham are the first group in the Caterham District to open a second Cub Pack and credit for this goes to the Cub Leader team of Charlene Palmer, Luke Palmer, Alexia Dupuis, Jack Palmer, Phill Govett, Kerry Wade and our newest member, Kyle Lyward."



From back left: Alexia Dupuis, Luke Palmer, Jack Palmer, Robin Bloore, Kyle Lyward and Charlene Palmer with members of the new 1st Warlingham Cub Pack.

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Cllr. Robin Bloore and Karen Yorke at the launch of the new Cub Pack.

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The service was attended by members of the Royal Air Forces Association, the British Legion, families and friends of those involved in the Battle and local dignitaries including the Chairman of Tandridge District Council, Cllr. David Cooley and his consort, Mrs Pam Cooley.

Following the service inside the church, the congregation processed round to Airmen's Corner to continue the service by the graves of the many airmen from across the

world who are buried there. After the dignitaries had laid their wreaths, there was a two minute silence followed by The Lord's Prayer and the blessing.

Later in the afternoon the parade and salute took place at the Tribute on Kenley Aerodrome.



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# In the Spotlight

This month we feature Warlingham resident, **Tony Roberts**. Tony is a Fellow of The Royal Astronomical Society and Chairman of Croydon Astronomical Society (who own the Observatory at Kenley). He is also Church Warden at St. Mary's Church, Farleigh and Chairman of Chelsham & Farleigh Parish Council.



Tony Roberts.

**Birthplace:** Mayday Hospital, Croydon.

**Marital Status:** Happily married to Laura.

**Children:** Just one son.

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**Pastimes:** Err, astronomy! But I also enjoy riding my motorcycle and winding down later in the evening reading a book.

**Favourite Food and Drink:** Roast dinners, beef if possible. I do like a good malt whisky.

**Likes:** Spending time with family and friends.

**Dislikes:** People who believe the world ought to work like they want and blow everyone else and their needs.

**Favourite TV Show:** Last of the Summer Wine.

**Favourite book:** The Book of Common Prayer. It contains some of the most beautiful prose in the English language.

**Who would you most like to throw a custard pie at:** Currently, Boris Johnson. Why? See "Dislikes".

**Favourite holiday destination:** The British Isles - such diversity of landscape, history and culture in one place.

**Biggest influence on your life:** There's two, my faith and my family.

**Proudest Moment:** The birth of our son.

**Where would you most like to live:** I think I'm here already in Warlingham. As a community and geographically, there's either everything you need here or easy to get to.

**If you won the Lottery Jackpot, how would you spend it:** First I would secure the financial future of my family. But if it was one of the crazy £100 million plus jackpots much of it would have to go to help others. I have no desire to live like a king when there are others struggling to cope.

## Tea and entertainment at the Soper Hall for Contact the Elderly

On Sunday 9th September, the Soper Hall in Caterham was decorated with bunting to welcome elderly guests to a tea party for "Contact the Elderly".

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### Film launched to raise awareness of online grooming

On Monday 17th September, a major new film entitled: "Breck's Last Game" was launched at Roseberry School in Epsom. A collaborative effort between Essex Police, Leicester Police, Surrey Police and Northamptonshire Police, the film is based on the tragic murder of 14-year-old Breck Bednar from Caterham, who was groomed online before being murdered by 18-year-old Lewis Daynes in February 2014. The film was made with the active support of Breck's mother Lorin LaFave, who appears in the film as herself, and will be rolled out to secondary schools across Surrey and each of the other force areas. Speaking at the launch of the film, Lorin said: "At the time, I believed the offender was older than he was because he was so controlling and manipulative, even with me, so it's important for young people to realise



Assistant Chief Constable James Andronov of Northants Police, speaking at the launch of Breck's Last Game.

not only can predators lie about their age, where they live or who they are online, they can also be a similar age to the victim. They are not always the stereotypical 'creepy old guy'.

"It's so important for us to raise awareness of the fact that boys can be groomed too. Breck's came after international media surrounding the Rochdale and Rotherham cases, where the victims were all girls. His version wasn't the 'typical' type of grooming people had heard about in the news. His story shows even regular school boys can make mistakes if they aren't educated to recognise the signs of grooming and exploitation.

"I hope through the Breck's Last Game campaign, young people will take on the real life lessons from Breck's story so they are able to look after each other, keep safe, and reach their full potentials. Our intention is to educate young people so they are empowered to make safer choices for themselves online". Daynes, who was 18 at the time of the offence, was convicted of Breck's murder and sentenced in 2015 to a minimum of 25 years in prison.

The film has been funded by Leicestershire's Police and Crime Commissioner, Lord Willy Bach, with additional contributions from Surrey Police.



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## Oasis Academy Students Celebrate GCSE Success

Oasis Academy Coulsdon will begin its tenth year celebrating another set of excellent results.

Stealing all the headlines was their top achieving student – Laura Chisholm. Laura attained eight Grade 9s, an A\* and a Grade 8, and has a scholarship to attend Caterham High Sixth Form. Just behind Laura was Lucy Heather with seven top Grade 9s and an A Grade. On receiving her results, Laura said: "I am shocked and thrilled. It is better than I could have hoped for and I am so grateful to all of my teachers. The Academy has always pushed us to be the best that we can, and although at times we may not have appreciated staying behind for extra revision, I am now so pleased that they did!" The race for top achieving boy was won by Gus Farndon, who earned himself four Grade 9s and three Grade 8s.

44 top Grade 9s were awarded to students at the Academy, with 15 of these in English Language or Literature. 62% of students secured Grades 4-9 in both their English and Maths examinations, with



Delighted GCSE students, from left: Gus Farndon, Katheryn Ambrose, Natania Jackson, Jesse-James Ahlijah.

47% of students achieving Grades 5 or higher. Having cause for double celebration this year was Natania Jackson, who collected her results on her 16th birthday. She was overjoyed to achieve four Grade 8s, three Grade 7s and five Grade 6s.

Mr Booth, Principal, was delighted with the results. He said: "I am yet again extremely proud of our students and what they have achieved this year. To have so many high achieving students securing the top grades is credit to the dedicated and talented body of staff I have the privilege of leading."



Laura Chisholm in shock as she opens her results.

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Stuart Johnston and Steven Glandfield, who both have years of experience in the glazing industry, opened the showroom last May to give their customers the opportunity to have a "look and feel" of the quality products and meet Shard representatives. Stuart said: "Our showroom has generated a great deal of interest and it is lovely to see lots of locals popping in to see our great variety of bi-folds, windows and composite doors. It is really important to us that our customers are satisfied - whether the project is big or small, we always use the utmost care throughout the whole duration of the work."



Keeping it in the family - the Shard Solutions team: Steven, Amy and one-year-old Teddy (left), Stuart, Josie and Joey, also age one (right) and Stuart's mum, Sadie (centre).

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The team of representatives assisting customers in the showroom are Steven's wife Amy, Stuart's wife Josie and his mum Sadie, making it a truly family-run enterprise.

Amy said: "The opening of the showroom coincided with the end of Josie's and my maternity leave, so it was perfect timing for us to join the team. It works really well, with Sadie also helping out, and we are all very happy here, supporting Stuart and Steven."

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Caterham Valley will be hosting a pop-up local produce market every Saturday for four weeks starting Saturday 29th September.

Church Walk Shopping Centre will be turned into a mouth-watering hub of delicious artisan food and drink, hand-picked from across Surrey and Sussex.

Shoppers can meet the producers, all members of food and drink network Local Food Britain, and try before they buy.

Each Saturday will showcase a selection of local products from handmade fudge and Surrey's own gin to speciality preserves, local cheeses, artisan breads, freshly roasted coffee, craft beer and much more. The market will have a changing selection of six to eight producers each week offering tasty treats for the weekend, gifts for the food lover and even early edible goodies for Christmas.

Kicking off the first market on Saturday 29th September

will be perfect food partners High Weald Dairy with its award-winning cheeses and West Fisher Winery. Briscoes Jellies will be bringing its inspiring condiments, including the two which have recently won Great Taste Award Stars. Cake lovers will be spoilt for choice at the Ridiculously Rich stall, and Hill House Farm's rare breed pork joints, homemade sausages, bacon and sausage rolls will have cooked breakfast and the Sunday roast sorted. Sample Bubble & Twist's innovative cordials - children will love trying the new bubble gum trial flavour - and perk up with Surrey-based roastery, Chimney Fire Coffee.

Organised by the Caterham Business Improvement District (known as Caterham Valley for You) the markets will be hosted on Saturdays September 29th, and October 6th, 13th, and 20th between 10am and 4pm.

"The markets will give Caterham Valley shoppers a



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unique chance to savour produce made right on their doorstep, try new taste sensations and pick up inspirational food ideas," said Chairman of Caterham Valley for You, Andrew Browne. The local produce market is the first of two initiatives this Autumn from Caterham Valley for You. On Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27th October, young witches and wizards are being invited to swoop into the town for some free trick or treating fun. To find out more, visit [www.CaterhamValley.co.uk](http://www.CaterhamValley.co.uk).

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## Olympic star celebrates Kenley Hockey Club's 50 years

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The celebrations continued with "Furthest Flick" and "Beat the Goalie" competitions, as well as a "Human Table Football" game, Sumo suit wrestling and a bouncy castle. Inside the clubhouse was a "Bake-off" cake competition and a display of club



Susannah (second from left) joins in the action on the grass pitch.

shirts and photos from the past 50 years. The event finished with Susannah Townsend answering questions from members, and a barbeque.

Past Chairman, Crispin Williams, said: "Susannah could not have thrown herself into the event better: she was a great sport and was happy to chat to everyone who wanted to meet her."

Kenley Hockey Club runs five men's and three ladies' teams and has a thriving colts section. New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome. For more information call Robin Hunt on 07740 717671.



Susannah with Chairman Robin Hunt, who has borrowed her gold medal!

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- 3 Canterbury on Market Day
- 6 Weald & Downland Museum Autumn Countryside Show
- 10 Autumnal Essex with a visit to the Chocolate Lady
- 11 Knitting & Stitching Show, Alexandra Palace
- 17 Winter in Windsor
- 18 Eastbourne
- 20 A Night in Provence, Sonning Mill
- 24 Strictly Tea Dance
- 25 Autumn Tints Tour with visit to Tudeley Church & cream tea at Teapot Island
- 31 Ghosts of the Romney Marsh Pub Tour



### NOVEMBER

- 1 Autumn Colours Boat Cruise
- 3 North Weald Market
- 5 Autumn Tints Tour with cream tea at Heaven Farm
- 7 Winkworth Arboretum & Godalming
- 12 Weeping Window Poppies at IWM, London
- 15 Waddesdon Manor Christmas Fair
- 17 Living Crafts for Christmas at Blenheim Palace
- 22 Greyhound Racing
- 24 Eurotunnel to Jules Destrooper Biscuit Factory & Ypres Christmas Market
- 27 Winchester Christmas Market
- 29 Christmas at Kew



### DECEMBER

- 1 Guys & Dolls at The Mill, Sonning
- 2 Rochester Dickensian Christmas & Christmas Market
- 4 Polesden Lacey
- 6 Bluewater Shopping Centre
- 13 Polhill Garden Centre
- 18 Santa Special Boat Cruise with Christmas Lunch
- 22 Christmas Illuminations Tour



### 2019

#### JANUARY

- 2 Christmas Glow, Wisley
- 15 Phantom of the Opera, Her Majesty's Theatre, London



#### FEBRUARY

- 5 Marathon by Coach
- 9 Eastbourne



#### MARCH

- 2 The Spring Knitting & Stitching Show, Olympia
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| <b>26 - 30 July</b>      | <b>North Wales</b>                                 |
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| <b>15 - 21 September</b> | <b>Fort William &amp; the Jacobite Steam Train</b> |
| <b>5 - 14 October</b>    | <b>Danube Cruise</b>                               |
| <b>22 - 25 November</b>  | <b>Harrogate Christmas Market</b>                  |
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# QUICK QUIZ

by Alec Herbert

October is time for a little work in the garden – five questions which include a garden tool in the question or answer.

1. Where was Francis Drake supposedly playing bowls when the Spanish Armada was first spotted?
2. Jake Shears is the lead male singer with which hit making group?
3. Voted the UK's favourite comedy sketch of all time in 2016, which garden tool is central to that sketch?
4. Created by Dashell Hammett, which private detective made his first appearance in "The Maltese Falcon"?
5. What name did artist William Hogarth give to a series of paintings which he painted between 1732 and 1734?

**Answers:**

1. Plymouth Hoe; 2. Scissor Ronnies; 3. Fork (Four Candles/Fork Handles); 4. Sam Spade; 5. The Rake's Progress.

## Announcing the launch of Tim Fisher's exciting new book - "Biscuits & Cookies"!

Tim Fisher, who runs the successful Tim's Pastry Club pastry classes at Oasis Academy Coulsdon, will soon be adding a book to his list of accomplishments. The book entitled Biscuits & Cookies will be available on Amazon very soon, having just been submitted for publishing. The 32 recipes include Rolls Royce versions of well-known classics such as jammie dodgers, custard creams and chocolate Hob Nobs, as well as gorgeous new creations like his American style Snickers bar cookie and coconut crumble biscuits. So why write a book? Tim says that having won all the competitions he set out to win plus the successful setting up of the classes left him just one unfulfilled ambition, which was to get a book of his work out for sale. Tim says: "These 32 recipes have been thoroughly tested so that they can be replicated by anyone. There are two kinds of cook books - ones

that look nice on a coffee table and ones that live in kitchens and are a bit tatty due to use because the recipes are good. I definitely want this to be received as that kind of book." Tim says that he has hundreds of recipes and is keen to get them into print, so expect many more books in the future. The books and pastry club aprons will be on sale at his classes, which are now in full swing. Check out his classes at [www.timspastryclub.com](http://www.timspastryclub.com). Biscuits & Cookies sounds like an ideal Christmas present for keen cooks!



Tim with pages from his book, "Biscuits & Cookies".

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# Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

September saw Geoff finishing the paving around the top pond, as it was too hot to do heavy work during the summer. Initially it looked very stark, but so much safer. The paving doesn't disturb the existing clematis or lovely pink rose that drapes itself over the fence, flowering profusely next door!

Already there were a couple of evergreen Harts Tongue ferns underneath, so I will plant another couple to soften the edge of the paving. I was debating whether to plant a few bulbs, originally thinking of my favourite Tête-à-tête daffodils and Little Red Riding Hood tulips. However, I'll plant the lovely blue Anemone Blanda instead. They don't like to be disturbed and should look wonderful against the reasonably fresh foliage of the ferns in spring. I can always cut off winter ravaged foliage. Also the ferns don't have leaves to blow into the pond (although it will be netted).

Instead I'll plant a few bulbs in ordinary garden pots which



Sue Baines.

I can drop into pot covers as they come into flower, meaning they won't need to go on "feet". The pots will be tucked in next to a few evergreen plants of varying heights like the dark Pittasporum, Tom Thumb and various Heuchera/Heucherellas, plus a few spiky grasses. Currently the starkness is being filled by Begonias, which have been absolutely fabulous. They have had their vine weevil nematodes, as have the Heuchera (vine weevil favourites as they supply plenty of winter food for the grubs).

Dahlias are being planted out from their 30 litre pots, although not the main borders which are so floriferous they haven't been dismantled yet. I can't quite say goodbye to this summer....

## Time for tea at The Salvation Army in Caterham-on-the-Hill

On Saturday 8th September, The Salvation Army in Caterham hosted a tea party for friends and neighbours at their new community base and church house at 92 Banstead Road, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Visitors were treated to tea, cake and sandwiches whilst enjoying each other's company. Special guest Barney, a three-month-old Westie Poo was quite a star attraction! Event organiser, Judy Baker, said: "We would love to extend a hand of friendship to all our neighbours and other local people. All are very welcome." For more information about the church services, or their popular "Knit and Natter Group", call Judy on 07719 800812.



Salvation Army members, Barbara (left) and Joan, the oldest and longest serving member of the Corps.

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### Rotary Satellite group rockets to support Air Ambulance charity

Following a successful evening of rock music provided by local band Randy and the Rockets a few months ago, three members of the recently-established Satellite Group of Caterham Rotary visited the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance at their new facilities at Redhill Aerodrome to present the charity with a cheque for £2,000.

They were then taken on a tour by paramedic Ben Macauley, which included the new AW169 helicopter that enables the medical team to reach, treat and deliver critically ill and injured patients to hospital even faster than before. Although it is similar in size to the existing aircraft externally, the AW169 has a significantly larger cabin, improving in-flight access to patients. This allows for delivery of more life-saving interventions which can be carried out inside the aircraft rather than outside in all weather conditions.

Current chair of the Rotary group, Glen O'Dwyer, said:



Ben Macauley explains the working of the new Air Ambulance.

"It's great for this new, dynamic Rotary group to be able to contribute to such a great cause. As working people, we often find it hard to find time to give back to the community, but this new group allows everyone to get involved, and for local charities and good causes to benefit.

Dora Szekfi, Community Fundraising Officer at the charity, thanked the Rotary group, saying: "We are incredibly grateful to Caterham Rotary Satellite Group for raising such a fantastic amount of money for our charity. It is always great to see the community coming

together to support our work. When you think that £2,000 could buy aircraft fuel for 20 potentially life-saving missions, it really does show what a difference these funds will make."

The Satellite Group meet every month in the evening and have been established in order to appeal to working men and women who want to get involved in supporting local and international community needs.

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 The Caterham Beer Festival, organised by Caterham Round Table, is being held on Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November at the Soper Hall, Harestone Valley Road, Caterham. There will be over 50 different real ales and cider and a Prosecco bar. Tickets cost £3 plus 83p booking fee per day or £6 for both days. For more information and to book tickets visit [www.caterhambeerfestival.co.uk](http://www.caterhambeerfestival.co.uk).

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 Cor Y Gyrlais male voice choir from the Swansea Valley, supported by Whyteleafe School Choir and Caterham Community Choir and local harpist, Saskia Roberts, will be performing at St. Mary's Church, Church Hill, Caterham at 7pm on Saturday

20th October. The concert is being held in aid of "C.H.E.C.K." (Community Health and Education for the Children of Kimilili). Tickets cost £11 each and are available from Geraint Jenkins MBE on 01883 819531 or 07835 303522 or at the door on the night.

**Caterham Art Group**  
 At 7.30pm on Wednesday 24th October, Caterham Art Group is hosting an oils demonstration by Stephen Hawkins at the United Reformed Church, Harestone Hill, Caterham CR3 6SX. Visitors are welcome - a £4 fee applies. Details at [www.caterhamartgroup.org.uk](http://www.caterhamartgroup.org.uk).

**Munch with Music**  
 The next Munch with Music is taking place at St. John's Church, Clareville Road, Caterham on Wednesday 3rd October, featuring "Double Duos" - repertoire from the golden age of shows from the '20s to '50s.

Tea and coffee will be served from 12.15pm and the performance takes place between 12.45pm and 1.30pm. Admission is free, donations welcome. Please bring your own "munch".

**RSPB Talk**  
 On Wednesday 10th October at 8pm, East Surrey RSPB are holding a talk at the White Hart Barn in Godstone entitled: "A Falkland Islands Odyssey" by Brian Pettit. Entry is £3 for adults and £1 for children. For more information visit [www.east-surreyrspsb.co.uk](http://www.east-surreyrspsb.co.uk).

**Conker Competition**  
 Caterham's Fourth Conker Competition is taking place on Sunday 7th October at The Fox, Fox Lane, Caterham CR3 5QS from 2pm-5pm. Registration is 1pm. For more information or to register in advance, visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/caterhams-fourth-conker-competi-](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/caterhams-fourth-conker-competi-)

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