THE RUDD

Will Mark sweep up the medals at the **Winter World Transplant Games?**

Kidney transplant recipient and Ruddington resident, Mark Brown, has been selected to represent Great Britain at the 10th Winter World Transplant Games (WWTG) in Anzere. Switzerland.



The Games will take place from 7th to 12th January 2018. with Team GR comprising 12 adults and one junior, plus six children competing in the Nicholas Cup (see page 2). The team will be supported by more than 30 relatives, friends and nurses.

50 year old Mark, who received his donor kidney in 1994, is hoping to build on his success at previous Games. He said: "For a team that doesn't have a great opportunity to practice winter sports, we've been relatively successful."

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Mark continues: "This will be the sixth WWTG I've attended. After bringing back medals in slalom and snowboarding, I returned from the 2014 games in France with a silver in the team slalom and a gold in curling. In fact, I've now got three gold medals in curling – the British team literally sweep up the medals on the ice rink!"



The WWTG encourages people who've received a transplant to lead active and healthy lives, whilst showcasing the benefits of transplantation.

The aim is to raise awareness of the need for more people to sign on to the Organ Donor Register.

In the UK alone, 6,500 people are waiting for a life-saving transplant and every day, three people on the waiting list die.

A big part of the WWTG is the Nicholas Cup. Mark explains "A seven year old boy from California, Nicholas Green, was killed by highway robbers in 1994 while vacationing in Italy with his family.

"His parents agreed to donate his organs and corneas, which went to seven Italians waiting for transplants. Reg and Maggie Green spoke openly to the media, with no bitterness, about their loss and decision.

"The world took the story – and the Greens – to its heart. Organ donations in Italy have quadrupled since Nicholas was killed and thousands of people are now alive who would otherwise have died."

In memory of Nicholas, the Nicholas Green Camp takes place during the Winter World Transplant Games, culminating in a slalom race at the end of the week where the children compete for the Nicholas Cup.

Adds Mark: "The Games provide the dual opportunity to give thanks to the donor families – without which none of the athletes would be here to compete – and encourage everyone to discuss their wishes about organ donation with their families."

To join the NHS Organ Donor Register and help save lives, call 0300 123 2323 or visit www.organdonation.nhs.uk.

Are you a Quality Street eater?

With tins of festive chocolates now available everywhere, you can purchase Quality Street ones guilt-free! In fact, you'll actually be recycling and supporting creative activities!



So if you have any Quality Street over the next few weeks, be sure to keep the cellophane wrappers as they're great for craft activities. You can either keep them to use at home or donate them to "Ruddington Fun" in the New Year.

ENJOY!

Barbara Breakwell

Christmas wreath workshop

The Framework Knitters Museum is holding a Christmas wreath workshop in the Chapel Art Gallery on Saturday 9th December, from 2pm to 4pm. Run by Vanessa from Flowers on Main Street in Keyworth,

the workshop costs £25 per person, with all materials provided and tea and cake also on offer.

Participants just need to bring along a pair of secateurs, as Vanessa will provide a step by step guide to creating a beautiful, fresh 12 inch wreath to adorn your front door.

If you'd like to attend, please book in advance by contacting Helen Brownett at the museum on 0115 984 6914. You can also email office@frameworkknittersmuseum. org.uk or pop in during opening hours.

We will remember them WW1 Casualties this month 100 years ago

23rd NOVEMBER 1917

Private Bertie Widdowson Hopkinson, aged 20,B. Battn. Tank
Corps. No. 5 Coy.

Son of Mrs Hopkinson, Easthorpe Farm, Ruddington

Buried: Anneux British Cemetery, Nord, France

2nd DECEMBER 1917

Private Arthur Page, aged 28, 2/6th Sherwood Foresters

Son of John and Elizabeth Page, Church Street, Ruddington

Remembered on: Cambrai Memorial, Louveral, Nord, France

Love on the Rocks

A visit to a friend in Pinchbeck, Lincolnshire, introduced me to Love on the Rocks – the national craze of decorating small rocks or pebbles, hiding them and then inviting others in a community to hunt for them.

On my return to Ruddington, I wanted to get adults and children alike to have fun decorating rocks and enjoy spending time in the fresh air hiding, hunting and then rehiding them.



With the help of Rachel and Chandler Wilson, a "Love on the Rocks, Ruddington" Facebook page was set up on the 31st October 2017. This explains the idea and how to get involved. 179 people have signed up so far

It's fantastic how quickly people and families have got involved. Everyone is enjoying decorating rocks and children are even enjoying the walk to school as they search for rocks en route.

"Ruddington Fun" has also supported this new fun village activity by providing decorating boxes complete with rocks, markers and varnish, so anyone who wants to can join in the fun.

So if you spot a decorated rock around the village, feel free to move it to another location to continue this new outdoor fun activity in our community.

Liz Flatters

Girlguiding in Ruddington NEEDS YOU!

We're very lucky to have several active Girl Guide units in the village, from Rainbows right the way through to Senior Section. All units are run through the hard work and dedication of volunteers.

However, due to a retirement and changing team commitments, the Rainbow units are now under threat of closure!

Could you spare a few hours each week or on a rota basis to help?

If so, please get in touch as we urgently need your help to keep supporting this important part of our community. To find out more, please contact Sally at Phoenix Flowers on the High Street.

Sally Pickard

Library refurbishment

Ruddington Library is closing for a refurbishment. Your library will close at 1pm on Saturday 23rd December and re-open at 9am on Saturday 17th February 2018.

We'll be developing an inviting and modern space for reading, learning, and cultural and community activities. Changes to the library will include an inviting modern layout and extensive re-decoration, new shelving, essential electrical work, new flooring and a new automatic door.

During the closure, you can use your membership card at any library across the county. You can renew your books online at www.inspireculture.org.uk/library-catalogue or by calling 0300 500 80 80.

If you'd like more information about our refurbishment, please call 0115 804 4363 or visit www.inspire culture.org.uk. We apologise for any inconvenience the closure may cause and look forward to welcoming you to your new library space.

Ruddington Library

Spring flowers

St Mary's Community Park was officially opened in February 2015. It was the culmination of a lot of hard

work by a small but dedicated group of local volunteers.

Led by Nikki Herbison (who sadly suddenly passed away in 2014) and with the support of local businesses, organisations and individuals, the group managed to raise the funds to turn this neglected piece of land into the fantastic play facility it is now.

During the October 2017 half-term holiday, several local children helped me plant some bulbs and perennials, provided by "Ruddington Fun", in a small area of garden next to the footpath leading to Lings Crescent.



This will hopefully develop into a "splash" of natural colour to complement this area. I'd like to thank Ruddington Parish Council for enabling us to create a garden area in the park, and to the children who came along to help.

Barbara Breakwell, Ruddington Fun

Remembrance Weekend in Ruddington

As always, the Remembrance events in Ruddington were well-supported by local residents, with crowds flocking to the War Memorial on both days.

The first event was the dedication of the new Roll of Honour board on Saturday 11th November (pictured below), as part of the Armistice Day service.



Then on Sunday 12th November, Reverend Andrew Buchanan led the Service of Remembrance at the War Memorial, followed by Morning Service at St. Peter's Church.

The weekend also saw reciprocal visits to our twin town of Grenay in France. Twinning committee members Peter McGowan and Ernie and Doreen Gadsby visited Grenay, together with Peter's son, Michael.

They laid Ruddington wreaths at the British Cemetery, the memorial to the French Resistance and the Grenay War Memorial.



The Mayor of Grenay, Christian Champiré, then accompanied the Ruddington contingent back to our village with Alain Deyrolle, Guardian of the enormous French National War Cemetery at Lorette. They're pictured above laying French wreaths at the Ruddington War Memorial.

Obituary – Richard Cumberland

The Parish Council was saddened to hear of the death of former Parish Chairman, Richard John Cumberland.

As well as serving on the Parish Council for 15 years, Richard was also a former Churchwarden of St Peter's Church

Richard passed away on Monday 30th October. He is survived by his widow, Rae, his brother and family, sons, step-children and seven grandchildren.

A minute's silence was held at the start of the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 14th November in remembrance.

Christmas at St Peter's Church

St Peter's Church is holding a range of Christmas events and services, everyone at the church would love you to come along and celebrate Christmas with us.

Our "Carols by Candlelight" service is at 7pm on Sunday 17th December, when we'll be singing a mix of traditional and modern carols together.

On Monday 18th December, the Salvation Army Band will play carols for us outside the church at 7.30pm. Do come and sing along with us.

On Christmas Eve, we have our family-friendly Christingle services (see picture) at 4pm and 6pm.



These events are incredibly popular and we're expecting at least 500 people this year, so come early to get a seat.

At 11pm on Christmas Eve, we have a reflective communion service where

we'll celebrate the birth of Jesus as the Light of the World.

On Christmas Day, we have the now-famous Chocolate Nativity service at 10am. If you've not been before, it's a fun event with chocolate literally thrown in... For those who'd like to stay on, this is followed by a short communion service.

The church is also proud and pleased to be involved in village Christmas events such as the Ruddington Christmas Fayre. As we enter the Christmas season, we'd love you to join us in celebration and reflection.

The team at St Peter's Church

Did you know?

Here in Ruddington, we're very lucky to have a wide range of businesses and shops.

If you're looking for anything from accommodation to web design, Lotto ticket outlets to dog walkers, check out our web pages at www.ruddington.parishcouncil.gov.uk/community/local-businesses. You'll find comprehensive listings, sorted A to Z by trade (note that food and drink outlets are listed separately).

If you own a local business and wish to be added to our listings free of charge, please contact us at office@

<u>ruddingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> with your details.

Ruddington Diary

Friday 1st December

Christmas Fair at St Peter's Junior School

- 6pm to 8pm. Chocolate tombola, Santa's Grotto, festive raffle, stalls, school choir, mulled wine & mince pies, crafts & activities, Tinsel Pull game, face painting, Hook a Reindeer and much more! Entry £1 adults, 50p children.

Saturday 2nd December

Ruddington Christmas Fayre – 12pm to 5pm. Stalls, kids' activities, food and drink and Santa Claus.

A Dickensian Christmas at the Framework Knitters Museum – 11am to 5pm, to run alongside Ruddington Christmas Fayre. Free entry. Plus a Christmas card competition for the kids.

Sunday 3rd December

Ruddington Footpaths Preservation Group – Cropwell Bishop to Cropwell Butler circular. Meet on the Green at 2.15 pm.

Monday 4th December

Ruddington Craft Group – Christmas. 10am to 12 noon, St Peter's Rooms (Main Hall). £3 cost to cover tuition, materials and refreshments. Newcomers welcome – contact Christine Gibson on 07967 245 308 if you'd like to come along.

Tuesday 5th December

Ruddington Methodist Church Women's Fellowship – 2.30pm 'Behind The Scenes' by David Johnson. All are welcome.

Wednesday 6th December

Neighbourhood Plan Project Team Sub Committee Meeting – 7.30pm Elms Park. All meetings are open to the public where you can raise your views on any agenda items.

Friday 8th December

East Midlands Western Front Association – "Great War Logistics" – Rob
Thompson. 7.30pm at St Peter's Rooms.

Saturday 9th December

Rushcliffe Country Park Wildlife Watch Group – End of Year Party, 11am to 1pm at Education Room, Rushcliffe Country Park. Under 8s to be accompanied by an adult. Suggested donation £2 per session. Contact Geoff East on 07804 297041/ geoff.east@virginmedia.com.

Christmas Wreath Workshop – 2pm to 4pm in the Chapel Art Gallery at the Framework Knitters Museum. Create a beautiful, fresh 12 inch Christmas wreath to adorn your front door. £25 per person. See article for further details.

Ruddington & District Choral Society and Ruddington Chamber Ensemble – 7.30pm at St Peter's Church. Concert featuring baroque choral & orchestral Christmas music. Tickets £10 (inc. refreshments) from Perkins Hardware, choir members or on the door. Further details available from www.ruddington.choral.com.

Monday 11th December

Ruddington Craft Group – Stepper Cards/Party. 10am to 12 noon, St Peter's Rooms (Main Hall). £3 cost to cover tuition, materials and refreshments. Newcomers welcome – contact Christine Gibson on 07967 245 308 if you'd like to come along.

Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Rattle, Rhyme and Roll – Join us for a special Christmas session of rhymes and songs for under-fives. 11am to 11.30am at Ruddington library. FOC.

Scrabble – In Ruddington library 2pm to 4pm. All players welcomed.

Environment & Policy Committee Meeting — at St Peter's Rooms, commencing at 7.30 pm. All meetings are open to the public where you can raise your views on any agenda items. To be held if needed, please check before you come.

A large print copy of the Village Newsletter is available to read in the library.

Wednesday 13th December

W.I. Meeting – 'Christmas Party' at St Peter's Rooms, commencing 7.15pm.

Amenities Committee Meeting – at St Peter's Rooms, commencing at 7.30 pm. All meetings are open to the public where you can raise your views on any agenda items. To be held if needed, please check before you come.

Friday 15th December

Ruddington Business Partnership – FREE networking today and every 3rd Friday of the month, at The Ruddington Arms, 8am to 9am. Come along and meet other local businesses. No booking required.

Sunday 17th December

Carol Service at St Peter's Church – 7pm, all welcome.

Tuesday 19th December

Ruddington Methodist Church Women's Fellowship – 2.30pm. Entertainment by Heather Hawthorne with Christmas Tea. All are welcome to join us.

Thursday 21st December

The Ear Foundation – Do you wear an NHS hearing aid? Come to our FREE walk-in hearing aid clinic. In St. Peter's Rooms between 11.30am to 12.30pm. No appointment required.

Ruddington Folk & Blues Night — 8pm at The Country Cottage Hotel. 11 acts entertained an audience of 30 in October making it a great night of music and fun!

Saturday 23rd December

Royal British Legion Film Night — "The Polar Express" at St Peter's Rooms. Doors open 7:15pm. Tickets cost £10 and include themed pre-show nibbles and a drink. Available from Perkins Hardware on the High Street or call Louise on 07821 909 008. Proceeds go to the British Legion.

Sunday 24th December

Christmas Eve services at St Peter's Church – Holy Communion at 10:45am, Christingle at 4pm and 6pm, and Midnight Communion at 11pm.

Monday 25th December

Christmas Day service at St Peter's Church – Chocolate Nativity at 10am.

If you'd like something included in The Rudd, please contact the Parish Council office.

The copy deadline for the next edition is 15th of the month.

Rotary Santa returns

Santa Claus will be visiting our village again this year, thanks to the Rotary Club of Keyworth and Ruddington.

Santa and his sleigh have become popular annual fixtures in Ruddington, touring our streets and estates each December to get everyone in the spirit and raise money for good causes.



As always, Santa will be joined by his little helpers, with volunteers from Ruddington Colts FC and the Friends of James Peacock helping to spread festive cheer around the village.

With seasonal tunes aplenty, Santa's visits are great fun for the children, so please show our local Rotary Club your support and give generously if you can.

Here are this year's dates and places:

Tuesday 12th December

Churchill Drive estate, Old Station Road and Pasture Lane estate

Wednesday 13th December

Camelot Street, Clifton Road, Packman Drive and Rufford Road

Tuesday 19th December

Musters Road, Barleylands and Elms Park

All visits will take place in the evening between 6pm and 9pm. For more information about the Rotary Club, please visit www.keyrudrotary.org.

Get on the Santa express!

Christmas is coming and that means it's Santa time at the Great Central Railway – Nottingham (GCRN).

Join us for a steam-train trip through the beautiful Nottinghamshire countryside, with a very special passenger on board – Santa himself!

All children will get a special gift on the journey, and there are delicious seasonal refreshments for all as you enjoy your trip.



It's always a hugely popular event so we recommend you book as soon as possible. Visit www.gcrn.co.uk/events/2017-santa-specials to download a booking form.

Santa Special services run every Saturday and Sunday from Saturday 26th November through to Sunday 24th December, with all trains departing from and returning to Ruddington.

Kay Garrett

Mustard Seed goes from strength to strength

The Mustard Seed Project, led by Sally Squires, is celebrating a successful fundraising year which has seen a school and health centre built on the island of Tisai in Uganda. The children on the island now have access to fresh water and porridge, and underwear for the women and girls has been sent, along with hundreds of pairs of shoes.

The Mustard Seed team has hosted a fashion show at St Peter's Junior School and the 50th birthday celebrations at James Peacock School. The team has also run marathons and jumped from planes, sold handmade teddy bears, and enabled Ruddington primary school children to make a music CD which celebrates diversity.

We're currently collecting items to be sent in a container to Uganda next spring, and are looking for donations of bikes, cotton bedding, spectacles, crutches, manual sewing machines, children's clothes and toys, school equipment etc.

If you have items to donate, please contact the team at info@mustard seeduganda.com and we'll arrange for collection and storage.

Charlene Robinson

PS. If you're stuck for Christmas present ideas...see below!



Parking update

The October 2017 traffic patrol stats for the village were:

- 240 visits
- 462 observations
- 21 penalty charge notices

We didn't report September's figures last month due to lack of space, but here they are:

- 286 visits
- 846 observations
- 33 penalty charge notices

Co-op shoppers raise £3k for museum history project

The Framework Knitters Museum is delighted and astonished to be receiving an amazing donation of almost £3,000 from the Co-op Local Community Fund.

The museum's "Hidden Histories" exhibition project was chosen as one of the nominated causes to receive funds from Co-op members who shop at local stores. Funding for the project ended in April 2017 and the museum has just found out they'll be receiving a cheque for an impressive £2,998.06.

Nicola Wood, Museum Manager & Curator, comments: "This is the second time the Framework Knitters Museum has been lucky enough to receive donations from the Co-op Local Community Fund. Once again, we're astounded by the support and generosity of Co-op members in Ruddington and the surrounding area. We really can't thank you enough as it's down to you that the 'Hidden exhibition project Histories' will become a reality."

"Hidden Histories" will involve a series of workshops to explore and capture the oral memories of Ruddington people, with a particular reference to working life past and present within the village. The project will also seek to uncover any new information on

past residents and employees of the framework knitters' cottages at the museum site.

Supported by volunteers and student researchers, the museum will work alongside local community groups and individuals to capture these stories for future generations.



Explains Nicola: "We'll the use findings and outcome from the workshops to create an exciting new temporary exhibition in the Chapel Art Gallery, which will tell these multi-generational stories to a audience. The 'Hidden Histories' project will give our local community a fantastic opportunity to archive and share their heritage with present and future generations.'

The staff, trustees and volunteers at the Framework Knitters Museum would like to thank every Co-op member who's chosen to support this project, as well as the manager and staff at the Ruddington Co-op, and the Co-op Local Community Fund team for their continued support.

Look out for the launch of "Hidden Histories" coming soon!

Bloomin' Dementia teams up with local football stars

On Friday 3rd November, Nottingham Forest players Chris Cohen and Danny Fox attended the Bloomin' Dementia hub at 4 Easthorpe Street to help raise funds for both the Ruddington-based charity and the Just for Stan initiative.

The latter exists to raise awareness and support for former Forest, QPR and England legend, Stanley Bowles, and his battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Reds captain and midfielder, Chris Cohen, who lives in Ruddington, spoke wonderfully about his own journey of awareness about dementia.



Chris' grandparents both live with the condition, and he explained to BBC reporters and other media present how profoundly this has affected his parents and wider family.

The next day, Nottingham Forest included a piece encouraging

donations to the two charities in their match day programme, when the Reds played QPR in The Championship. Further fundraising activities will follow when the reverse fixture takes place in London next year.

Bloomin' Dementia got a lot of "air time" over the weekend, resulting in many requests for advice and information. Pleasingly, the charity also received numerous offers of help and support.

Fundraiser Andy Hallam said "It's amazing how many people have come forward and shared their experiences of trying to cope with someone with dementia. The need for the charity is there for all to see – but so is the goodwill".

This is great news for Ruddington and we look forward to further news from this go-ahead group.

Nick Tegerdine

Pasta shop on Easthorpe Street

We have now found out where the owner of the Pasta Shop on Easthorpe Street is.

He has a business in Carter Gate Newark called "Pastability," which also caters for take away meals.

We thoroughly recommend a visit as the meals are excellent.

Harry and Kathy Hayward

Another Three Spices award!

Ruddington STILL has the "Best Indian Chef in Nottinghamshire" – for the second year running! Monaim Choudhury of The Three Spices on Easthorpe Street received the accolade AGAIN at the "Curry Life Awards 2017," organised by Curry Life Magazine.



He learned the good news during a glittering ceremony at The Royal Lancaster Hotel in London on Sunday 22nd October when he received his second, special plate. Three Spices owner Mahbu Noor was also there to hear the announcement and collect the prestigious award.

Monaim says: "This is my sixth year working here as Head Chef. The quality of the food and the quality of the service that we provide – this is the reason we keep getting customers coming back."

Mahbu adds: "What a night! We would like to take a moment to say

thank you for all the ongoing and overwhelming support we have received!"

This year, the ceremony was hosted by veteran TV presenter and journalist Michael Buerk, who presented Monaim with his award.

Graham Wright at RUDDINGTON.info

Patients wanted

Did you know there are various groups that exist to encourage anyone interested in health services and health conditions to air their views?

Rushcliffe Patient Forums cover various health aspects, including diabetes and mental health. The Forums enable you to meet new people, share patient experiences and provide your views on current and future services. Both patients and carers can volunteer to join.

To find out more, contact Sue Knowles at Rushcliffe CVS on 0115 969 9060 or email sknowles@ rushcliffecvs.org.uk.

Patient Participation Groups (PPGs) consist of volunteers who work in partnership with practice staff and GPs to have their say.

They're also active advocates for the services the practice provides. Ideally, a PPG is made up of a representative sample of the

surgery's patient base, i.e. young people, workers, retirees, people with long-term health conditions and so on.

For further details, contact Ruddington Medical Centre or Church House Surgery.

Barbara Breakwell

Asher Lane appeal - have your say

Space Foods Ltd are appealing against Rushcliffe Borough Council's decision to refuse planning permission for 175 dwellings to be build on Asher Lane.

The Parish Council submitted a representation objecting to the original application, based on the adverse impact that increased traffic in the Asher Lane area would have on Ruddington as a whole.

The Borough Council then rejected the application on 3 grounds:

- 1) **Noise.** The developers didn't indicate how they would deal with the noise coming from the Premier Pets Hotel kennels and the impact this would have on residents.
- 2) **Location.** The site is located within the Green Belt, where development of the size proposed is felt to be inappropriate.
- 3) **Traffic.** The Borough Council objected on the same grounds as the Parish Council. It was felt that the

developers hadn't provided enough detail to effectively mitigate the potential traffic problems that the development would cause.

If you commented on the original planning application, then your representation will automatically be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate, to be considered as part of the appeal process.



If you didn't comment, or would like to amend or elaborate on your original comments, you can submit further information until Thursday 7 December 2017.

Visit www.gov.uk/
appeal-planning-inspectorate or write to:

The Planning Inspectorate, Room 30 Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

You'll need to quote reference APP/P3040/W/17/ 3185493.

Esmie Winwood – a name to watch

14 year local girl, Esmie Winwood, has enjoyed playing football from an early age, starting out in the boys' team at Ruddington Colts. As a young child, she was identified as having potential by Sarah Richardson, who ran the afterschool clubs that Esmie attended. Sarah is now a coach with Nottingham Forest.

Esmie eventually moved to a girls' team at West Bridgford Colts and then got a place on the Nottingham Forest Regional Talent Club (RTC) programme.

Her determination has now resulted in her being selected to join the elite section of the FA Girls' National Performance Camps. The next stage is to play

for the England U16 and above age groups, with her ultimate goal being to play for the England Women's Senior Team.

Currently, Esmie has to combine her studies as a Year 10 pupil at Rushcliffe School with attending residential training camps, where she's trained by qualified FA coaches.



Esmie's talents aren't limited to football. She's also a budding musician, doubtless influenced by her mother, Jude Winwood, who runs the "BeatFeet" drumming workshops and activities.

Having known Esmie for several years, I'm sure her determination and dedication to her sport will pay dividends and make Ruddington proud of her.

Well done, Esmie.

Barbara Breakwell

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