

Cox Green & the Walthams

By Justin Burns
email justinb@baylismedia.co.uk tel 01628 678221I say chaps,
it's Biggles!

A GIANT Biggles bear landed at White Waltham Airfield on Wednesday last week on his latest charity adventure.

West London Aero Club have brought the one-metre-high bear, which has goggles and a real leather flying jacket, from Macmillan Cancer Support, raising £115 for the charity.

Biggles now takes pride of place sitting on the bar at the White Waltham club.

Sally Carter, a volunteer at Macmillan, told how Maidenhead resident John Gower donated the bear to them for fundraising.

He had brought it in an auction for a children's charity a few years back but his grandchildren have now grown out of it and so he has passed it on again.

"I took Biggles into the flying club and within seconds someone asked for a picture with him in their Tiger Moth," said Sally.

"The members all clubbed in to buy him and it is the ideal home."

Now anyone who wants a picture with Biggles is asked to make a donation to Macmillan, so the bear continues to be a fantastic fundraiser.

Call Macmillan or visit www.macmillan.org.uk for more information or if you would like to support the charity.



FLYING FUNDRAISER: Biggles bear, Macmillan volunteer Sally Carter, John Gower, clubhouse manager Sandra Booth and airfield manager John Walker. Ref:100678-4

Waiting
room for
families

A FAMILY room is to be set up at a school in Cox Green after cash was secured for the project.

The new room at Wessex Primary School will be funded through the extended services department at the Royal Borough.

The room has been developed so families can relax, play games, complete homework together or wait for siblings finishing after-school club activities.

It will also include tea- and coffee-making facilities and computer access for parents.

Headteacher Nick Stevens said: "We plan to develop this into a practical space where parents can meet informally, and can come for a natter and also make friends."

The school has also outlined a plan to give parents workshops covering a wide range of topics, including how to support their child's education at home.

Work will start on the room before Christmas and be completed by early next year.

Chukk-ing his cash at
worldwide polo plan

City trader puts £1m into new 'formula one' global tournament

A PIONEERING banker from White Waltham is aiming to bring polo to the masses in London next year.

Daniel Fox-Davies, 34, who lives in a cottage at Heywood Farm, has a grand plan to kick-start a global Polo in the Park Series which will see teams from around the world battling it out against each other.

The first polo event will take place from June 4-6 on a pitch in grounds adjacent to the Hurlingham Club in Fulham, and is set to feature between six and 12 polo teams.

Daniel, who runs 30-strong broker and trader business Fox-Davies Capital in London, is putting £1million of his own cash into the event and has three organisers on his trading floor to administer the project.

He said: "I have been thinking of this for a long time, as there has been no television audience or coverage for polo and thought it was a great

opportunity. We will also change the rules a bit. It is exciting to think that we could have an international formula one polo series around the world in the future."

The entrepreneur has been playing polo for around six years and moved to the village last month. He had previously been visiting his horses in the area every weekend for the past three years.

He added: "White Waltham is very pleasant and I love the area. Me and my girlfriend are really enjoying the village."

"We have our six horses, our two dogs love it and we have our plane at White Waltham Airfield."

"My quality of life has improved since leaving the city. The Bell Pub in Waltham St Lawrence is superb."

Daniel is a qualified pilot and regularly flies off from the airfield to the ski slopes of Switzerland, the south of France and has recently returned from Morocco.



POLO BANKER: Daniel Fox-Davies (middle) with teammates at a recent polo event.

Looking
for lead

A LARGE quantity of lead was stolen from a roof in Broadmoor Road, Waltham St Lawrence, on October 31. Police said the owner of the property had recently spent an enormous amount of money on re-leading his roof, with the lead stolen immediately after it was finished.

Police are appealing for anyone with information to call 08458 505505.



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Diary

TODAY (Thursday): Woodlands Park Village Centre, Pilates for Beginners, 9.30-10.30am. SMILE, 1-2.30pm. Age Concern, Lunch and Chat, 10am-2pm.

Cox Green Community Centre, FLAP after-school club, 3-6pm.

Lowbrook Primary School, The Fairway, Cox Green, Weight Watchers, 7pm.

Tomorrow (Friday): Woodlands Park Village Centre, SMILE, 10am. Cash Bingo, 7.30pm. Aikido, 8-10pm.

Cox Green Community Centre, Jo Jingles, 10-11am. Judo, 6.30-7.30pm.

Saturday: Woodlands Park Village Centre, Weight Watchers, 8.45-9.45am.

Sunday: Cox Green Community Centre, Church service 10-11am. Maidenhead Deaf Church, 3pm.

Woodlands Park Village Centre, Karate, 10.30am-12.30pm. Kick Boxing, 3-4pm.

Monday: Woodlands Park Village Centre, Mobile Library, 10am-1pm and 2-5pm. SMILE, 1-3pm. Weight Loss Challenge, 7-8pm.

Tuesday: Cox Green Community Centre, Luncheon Club 1-2.30pm. Get Together Club, 2.30-4.30pm. Maidenhead Camera Club, 7.45pm.

Woodlands Park Village Centre, Louise's Aerobics, 9.30-10.30am.

Wednesday: Cox Green Community Centre, Baby and Toddler group, 1.30-3pm.

Woodlands Park Village Centre, Cox Green Girl Guides, 7-9pm.

Holly Cottage Bridge Club, White Waltham Village Hall, 7.30pm.

Fun for care kids

A KIND-HEARTED paintball firm boss in White Waltham is doing his bit for children in care this Christmas by holding a charity event.

Mark Woolley, who has been running Absolute Airsoft in Pondwood Farm for around a year, is holding the event to give some children a happy Christmas.

He aims to stage the event on December 21 and plans on putting on different paintball games for the youngsters, as well as providing them with gifts, food and other entertainment.

Mark said of the event: "My mum used to be in an orphanage so I want to do something for children in care."

"I also hope businesses can donate some gifts or services to the event."

For more information or to donate contact Mark on 01628 474756.

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