

# East Anton Resident Newsletter



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## Housing occupations

Latest official figures obtained from Taylor Wimpey show that 749 properties are now occupied at Augusta Park. This figure includes private homes, MOD and Sentinel Housing Association properties.

## Community Centre

Call in to find out about the development, local facilities, services and community activities in and around Andover. There is also a book sharing library. The community centre is situated on East Anton Farm Road at the corner of Sunflower Way.

## Augusta Park Community Association (APCA)



You can keep up to date with APCA events and activities on the Augusta Park community website [www.myaugustapark.org.uk](http://www.myaugustapark.org.uk)



by following on Twitter  
**@myaugustapark**



or by joining the Facebook group  
**"Augusta Park Community Association"**.

If you have any queries, are interested in joining APCA, or feel able to volunteer please email:  
[contact@myaugustapark.org.uk](mailto:contact@myaugustapark.org.uk)

## Summer community BBQ

Over 150 residents joined in the fun at the APCA community BBQ event.

The event was held on

the open space area at Hedgerow

Walk and featured a bouncy castle, assault course, water stocks, face-painting, raffle and a community game of rounders. The event was a great way to meet neighbours and strengthen our community.



## 'Have your say' funding

**A big thank you** to everyone who voted for Augusta Park in the 'Have your say' funding application. We are very pleased to announce that **APCA have been awarded £1400** to spend on setting up a young people's group at the permanent community centre.

## Augusta Park joggers

If you would like to join other residents for fitness it would be great to see you. Leaving from outside the community centre.

**Tuesday at 7.30pm**

- beginners particularly welcome

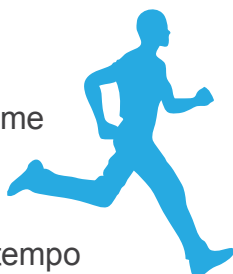
**Thursday at 7.30pm**

- including some hills/sprints/tempo

**Sunday at 8.30am** - 5km+ routes

Also a 'seat to feet' session for beginners on Tuesday morning at 9.30 am

It is important to run within your capability.



## Youth clubs

Weekly young people's activities were held at Augusta Park over the summer which included sport, art and craft, dance and team challenges. Local residents helped with the organisation and delivery of these sessions.

Once the permanent community centre is built we hope to offer weekly youth provision.

Other youth groups:

- St Pauls, Smannell Road for 12 – 17 year olds, Saturday evening 7.30 – 9pm
- King Arthurs Hall every Monday to support two age groups in a variety of fun and educational activities. For ages 7 – 11 years the club runs from 4 – 5:30pm; they enjoy playing a variety of activities including arts and crafts, board games, the Wii and biscuit decorating. The second club is for 12 – 16 years and incorporates two sessions: 6 – 7pm is our life skills hour and covers subjects like drugs, alcohol and healthy eating. We then have an open access session from 7 – 8:30pm where young people can socialise with friends, and offer activities such as table tennis, bracelet making and curling.

## Andover Sports and District Awards

**The Andover Sports and District Awards are now open for nominations.** To view the award categories and submit a nomination, please visit [www.valleyleisure.com](http://www.valleyleisure.com)

The closing date for submissions is **Friday 25 October 2013** and short listing will take place the following week. An evening award ceremony will be held on 9 November, 2013.

## What's on?



All residents at Augusta Park are invited to join in community activities. For information about any events/activities or if you have any suggestions for community activities please contact:

Sharon Goodridge, Community Development Worker

**01264 368622 / 07990 755104 / 01264 310921 [sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk)**

## Diary dates...

The APCA Halloween event will be held on 31 October and the Christmas event will be held at the community centre on 14 December - look out for details nearer the time.

## October half term play scheme for 5 – 11 year olds

**Monday 28 October, 10am - 11.55am at the community centre. £1 per child.** Arts, crafts and games. No need to book a place – just turn up to join in.

## Christmas arts and crafts

**Saturday 7 December, 10am – noon at the community centre.** Adults and accompanied children welcome to join in a craft session. £1 per person. Please book a place with Sharon.

## Sentinel Housing Association resident drop in sessions

**7 November, 5 December, 2 – 4pm at the Augusta Park Community Centre.**

Call in to speak with Peter Trafford, Sentinel Neighbourhood Co-ordinator

## Explorer toddlers

**Every Monday 9 -10am in the Tardis Room at Endeavour School (term time only).** The group is aimed at parents living in East Anton and parents of children attending Endeavour School and Adventure Pre- School. It is an informal group welcoming parents with small children to come and meet new people. £1 per adult for refreshments

## Toddler walk accompanied by parent/carer

**Tuesday 22 October, 5 and 19 November, 3 and 17 December (and Christmas party), 10.30am – 11.30am.** Leaving from the temporary community centre. All welcome to help fitness, encourage toddlers to enjoy walking and meet new people. Wear suitable shoes and bring a waterproof coat.

## Come along and you can...

- Meet your friends and make new ones
- Play games and try new activities
- Get help with your homework



# Augusta Park School's Out Club

**Wednesday 6 November 4 - 5.30pm**  
**Wednesday 4 December 4 - 5.30pm**

Sessions are **FREE** and take place at **Augusta Park Community Centre**. All **8 - 14 year olds** welcome.

For details, or if you'd like to volunteer to help run the sessions, please call **Sharon Goodridge** on **01264 310921** or **Sarah Jane Partner** on **01264 368069**.

In partnership with



Augusta Park  
Community Association



**Sentinel**



Est. in 2005 by Sentinel Housing

**Test Valley**  
Borough Council



**10.30am – 12 noon**  
22 October  
26 November  
10 December

## Bumps and Babes at Augusta Park

Expectant and new mums with babies under 1 year old are invited to a 'Bumps and Babes' coffee group at the Community Centre. Join us for a chat and to meet other mums.

## Love where you live

### Community litter pick

As local residents, please spare a few moments of your time to help keep the development and parkland litter free. Meet Sharon at the Augusta Park community centre at 10.30am on Saturday 23 November. Children are welcome to help.



To become a Community Litter Picker email the Environmental Service at [environmentalservice@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:environmentalservice@testvalley.gov.uk) or contact Customer Services on **01264 368000**

### Disposing of rubbish

If you would like to report any litter or environmental issues please text 'love' to **60060** explaining what you've seen and where. Or go online at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/love](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/love)

For information on waste and recycling in East Anton visit [www.testvalley.gov.uk/eastanton](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/eastanton)

The Council collect kerbside rubbish from Augusta Park properties on Thursdays, alternating between household waste (black bin) and recycling (brown bin). Please leave your bin at the edge of your property by 7am and bring back onto your property as soon as possible once emptied to help keep the neighbourhood looking tidy.

### Clean up after your dog

Please help keep Augusta Park clean and tidy by cleaning up after your dog and reduce the potential health risk especially for children. Thank you.

## Carton recycling

Food and drink cartons can be recycled at:

- George Yard Car Park, Andover Town Centre
- Tesco Express, Cricketers Way, Andover

Recycle your household batteries at the Augusta Park Community Centre.

## Join In. Recycle.

### Be a Recycling Star!



In July, Test Valley Borough Council launched its innovative new Recycling Stars campaign at the Andover and Romsey carnivals. Staff from the local authority were joined by special guest, the Recycling Star, to help raise awareness of the importance of recycling and show just how simple it can be. The Council's recycling rate currently stands at 34 per cent and they are keen to work with residents to improve this. A rise in recycling rates can help increase the council's income enabling them to maintain and develop services.

To find out more visit [www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars) and, for a chance of winning great prizes, residents can "like" Recycling Stars on Facebook.



The Recycling Star at the Andover carnival

Message from a local resident:

## Have you got maggots?

We are not talking about maggots for fishing, but a number of residents appear to be breeding maggots using their wheelie bin as a hotel and fine dining area.

Every maggot allowed to live will evolve into a fly, and that fly will very quickly lay more eggs, probably between 500 and 1000 during its ONE month lifetime, therefore producing at least 500 more maggots...and so on...and on ....and on!

Maggots only exist if flies have access to food and/or faeces on which to lay their eggs.

In wheelie bins, flies are attracted to unwrapped food waste and inadequately wrapped nappies and dog and cat poo! We know you love your pet but your neighbours do not enjoy smelling its waste.

So, how do we reduce this problem?

- Please ensure that all waste food is double-wrapped.
- Nappies are contained in nappy bags or similar AND sealed.
- Dog poo is contained in a sealed bag.
- Cat litter is also in a sealed bag.
- Ensure bin lids are properly closed. If one bin is inadequate for your family you can apply for extra bin capacity from the Council. Please see the following website for further information [www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/ebc](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/ebc)
- Wash bins out regularly with hot water and detergent or Jeyes Fluid.
- Spray in and around bin with fly repellent, especially in hot weather.

## Mums in the know - Andover

Created by mums to help parents in Andover and the surrounding area to keep in touch with local events and activities for them and their children. The group are keen to become the first point of contact for parents looking for daily inspiration for entertainment for their children, The group enables busy parents to receive regular updates about what's on and where, as well as lots of fun, advice and discussions!

'Mums in the know' would like to know of any future family events or activities that are planned so that they can add them to their website so followers can be in the know about them. They also sell advertising space to local businesses. Please contact [mitkandover@hotmail](mailto:mitkandover@hotmail)

See their website, visit their Facebook page or follow them on Twitter for more information:

[www.mumsintheknow.co.uk/andover](http://www.mumsintheknow.co.uk/andover)

## Seedy Saturday

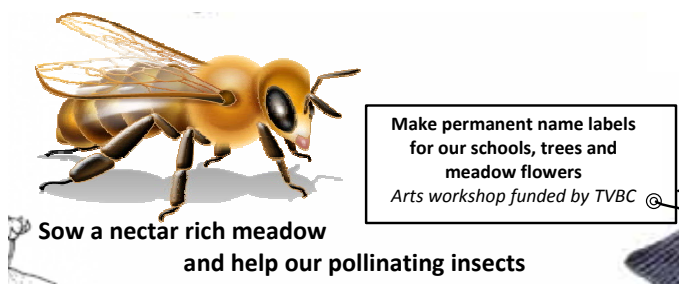
**Saturday 26 October, 10am – 1pm**

**Andover Trees United Woodland**

Arts workshop and wild flower seed sowing.

Refreshments provided.

*Funded by TVBC and North Wessex Downs.*



Register by email:

[andovertreesunited@gmail.com](mailto:andovertreesunited@gmail.com)

or on Facebook: **Andover Trees United**

Neighbourhood Watch activity morning  
Saturday 14 September



## Neighbourhood Watch (NW)



A Neighbourhood Watch activity morning was held on Saturday 14 September, at the community centre. Over 40 local residents attended to find out about NW schemes

at Augusta Park. Residents who already volunteer as NW coordinators were on hand to explain how the schemes work. Andover Fire Service and our local PCSO, Hayley Notley, came along giving an opportunity for children to sit in a fire engine and police car, have their finger prints taken and our Community Warden, Kat Slawska, was on hand to code cycles and scooters for security. There was an art activity for children and refreshments were served by local residents. We were joined by local councillors, Phil North and Alex Brooke, as well as the Mayor of Test Valley, Janet Whitely.

For any information about NW please contact Sharon.

## Reporting crimes and incidents

Unfortunately the gates to the play park at Hedgerow Walk have been damaged again by people swinging on them. The Council's play park maintenance team have been out to fix them.

If you see anyone damaging equipment at the play park, or any other incidents of anti-social behaviour, please report it on the **101** non emergency telephone number.

For any safety matters residents can contact:

PCSO Hayley Notley  
**hayley.notley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk**

Or TVBC Community Wardens  
**wardens@testvalley.gov.uk**

Crime Stoppers **0800 555 111**

MOD Police Control Room (24 hours)  
**01371 854000**



## Message from Taylor Wimpey

The road going north from the Endeavour School is still a live construction site with machines in operation daily. Access to this road is not allowed for health and safety reasons.

A Community Travel Plan meeting was held in June. This was an opportunity for residents to find out about our local infrastructure and plans for the area. Residents discussed the new bus route and the possibility of a community transport trip.

## Next resident travel meeting

The next meeting will be held at the community centre on 7 November at 11.30am. All welcome.

## October is international walk to school month

Each year, primary school pupils across the UK join forces with children in over 40 countries to celebrate the benefits of walking to school.

Living Streets is the national charity that stands up for pedestrians. This campaign encourages parents to walk with their children to school. Ninety per cent of parents that take part say how important this is for spending quality time with their children and over a third say that this time is where they find out the most about their child.

## Why walk to school?



**It'll save you money.** Walking to school instead of driving saves, on average, £400 per year.

**It's educational.** Walking to school can help your child build independence, road safety and social skills. In a study by Living Streets, 84 per cent of the children who walked to school often meet up with classmates on the way to school.

**It's healthy.** Children need at least 60 minutes (1 hour) of physical activity every day. The journey to and from school is an ideal time for children to be active.

**It's better for the environment.** One person switching five journeys of less than 2km a week from the car to walking would reduce their carbon footprint by 86kg a year.

If you live a long distance away from your children's school or you need to drive as you have an onward journey, you could consider 'park and stride' by parking away from school and walking the remainder of the journey.



## Planning your cycle trip

The My Journey web site provides information and links for a choice of quick, medium and quiet cycle routes. It also provides up-to-date information about the development of new routes and facilities in Hampshire.

[www.myjourneyhampshire.com](http://www.myjourneyhampshire.com)

## Health walks

All residents are welcome for an hour long walk to help fitness and meet new people. Please wear suitable footwear and bring a waterproof coat (if necessary) and a drink.

We leave from outside the community centre at 10am on alternate Thursday mornings. Dates for walks are 10 and 24 October, 7 and 21 November, 5 and 19 December.

## 10th anniversary celebrations

We will be celebrating 10 years of the Andover Health Walk Scheme on Tuesday 14 January 2014. Please come along to this walk leaving from The Lights theatre at 10.30am. There will be complimentary tea and cake before the walk to help us celebrate!

## Car sharing

Save money by sharing your car journey rather than driving alone, as well as reducing stress levels and cutting carbon footprints. You can register your journey and search for someone going your way on the following website:

[www.hantscarshare.com](http://www.hantscarshare.com)

## Reminders...

### East Anton subsidised bus pass scheme

Developers at East Anton have funded 'Andover Area Mega Rider' subsidised bus passes for new households, which cover the Andover town area.

Contact Sharon for details about the scheme and an application form.



### Cycle vouchers

New homeowners are eligible for a **£50 cycle voucher** from the developers to spend on cycling accessories at Halfords (one voucher available per home). For details contact Sharon.

## Parking

**Please, please, please** use your allocated parking spaces to park your vehicles. Cars parked on a pavement and road side make it difficult for pedestrians to walk and cross the road safely. This can be especially dangerous for children.

Emergency services such as fire engines could also find it difficult to access some roads/houses where residents have parked inconsiderately. Vehicles parked on pavements which are causing an obstruction should be reported to the police using the 101 number.

For more information regarding the Community Travel Plan please contact Sharon.

## Education

**Endeavour School** has a capacity of 300 places from September 2013 and 420 places from September 2015.

**Adventure Pre School** opens five mornings a week and also for afternoon sessions. Adventure, which operates from Endeavour School, offers Early Education funded places for children of families in the community, from the term after they are 3 years old.

If you would like more details please contact Dom or Fiona on **07557 903954** or email [preschool@adventurechildcare.co.uk](mailto:preschool@adventurechildcare.co.uk)

## Childcare and family information

For information about childcare please see [www3.hants.gov.uk/childcare/cis](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/childcare/cis)

Or search for childcare, parenting courses etc by looking on the Family Information Directory [www.fid.hants.gov.uk](http://www.fid.hants.gov.uk)

## Information for residents

### Community Notice Board

Information about local activities and events is displayed in the notice board situated at the children's play park at Hedgerow Walk.

### Resident newsletters

Residents are reminded that they can view the bi-monthly resident newsletters and access local information on the East Anton page of the Council's website by accessing [www.testvalley.gov.uk](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk)

Sharon can email or post you a newsletter on request or they can be collected from the community centre.



## How to get in contact

Residents can contact the Planning Policy Team with any planning queries regarding the new neighbourhoods in Andover.

**01264 368000 / [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)**

Please continue to contact Sharon (Community Development Worker) for local information and queries about any community activities or for local information

**01264 368622 / 01264 310921 / [sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk)**