

SESAW NEWS

At last, Spring is around the corner and it can't come too soon! At the time of writing everyone at SESA W is fed up with the biting cold wind and squelchy, sticky mud. Mum can't wait for the weather to improve so work can begin on new paths and lots of other jobs.

We always have cats and dogs awaiting new homes, just now we have rabbits too. They range from 8 months to 4 years, some in pairs, some singles looking for a companion. Leave a message on the answerphone or call in during open hours for more information.

Our talented crafters send a big thank you for all the materials and wool you have donated. These have been used to make Mothers' Day and Easter items for our Gift and Craft Fair on Saturday 10th March at Whatfield Village Hall, Rectory Road, IP7 7QU. Doors open at 11am.

Our Bargain Book Sale at the Community Centre, Timperleys, Hintlesham, IP8 3PS, from 11am on Saturday 24th March. There will also be pictures, DVDs, CDs and some furniture, just to make it more interesting. If you have some quality items to sell, phone 01206 263269 to book a table at our Spring Fair at Long Melford on Sunday 22nd April.

Right now the kitchen Rayburn is much more inviting than the view of the garden so I'm off to snuggle up in a woolley blanket that was knitted for me, Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua.

Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare, Reg. Charity No. 1124029, Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP, tel: 01787 210888 www.sesaw.co.uk Open 10-1pm Thurs-Sunday



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Start your engines for Essex & Herts Air Ambulance's Motorcycle Run

Join the pack and cruise from Welwyn to North Weald this spring!

Following the success of last year's event, Essex & Herts Air Ambulance's spring Motorcycle Run is back. Starting at Police HQ in Welwyn Garden and ending at the North Weald Family Fun Day on North Weald Airfield, the event will take place on Sunday 20th May.

This year will introduce a **new route** and welcome **learner riders** to the Run for the first time. Learner riders can gain tips on safe riding and riding as part of pack on the Charity's website, or can be set up with a more experienced "biker buddy" on the day for advice and tips.

Bikers will be led by professional Police outriders from their HQ in Welwyn to North Weald Airfield, home of the Charity's new helicopter, the AgustaWestland 169. There the fun continues for families and riders alike. Formerly the Essex Motorcycle Show, North Weald Family Fun Day will run with a suggested donation of £5 to assist with covering the event's costs, and will host trade stands, entertainment from stunt team On the Edge, live music, Kids Zone, as well as an all-important Safety Zone. It's also the prime spot to see thousands of bikes descend onto the Airfield.

Registration for the event is **£10** for a single rider and **£15** for a rider and pillion. Essex & Herts Air Ambulance always encourages riders to collect sponsorship for this Charity ride, but understands that it can be hard to find the time to raise that all-important sponsorship. This year, they have introduced a sponsorship ticket at £40 for a rider or £45 for a rider and pillion, which includes the £10 registration fee and £30 in sponsorship.

Book your bike a place now on www.ehaat.org/events-calendar or call the Essex & Herts Air Ambulance Events Team on 0345 5040 055.

Throughout the Motorcycle Run and Family Fun Day, Essex & Herts Air Ambulance will be using the hashtags #RideSafe and #MotorcycleRun to raise awareness of their safety message and to promote the event.

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