

# Bulletin

Feb 2012



## ST GEORGE'S DAY LUNCH 12.00pm Friday 20th April 2012

at *Sopwell House Hotel,  
Cottonmill Lane,  
St Albans,  
Herts AL1 2HQ*

Event Kindly Sponsored by:



Followed by Guest Speaker, 1988 Winter Olympian  
**Eddie 'The Eagle' Edwards**

Born Michael Edwards on December 5<sup>th</sup> 1963 (still a public holiday for casualty departments all over the world) in Cheltenham, Eddie was destined to carry on the family business and become a plasterer. But at the age of 13 after a school skiing trip all that changed. He got the skiing bug and as soon as he was old enough travelled to Europe to teach skiing in many of the winter resorts. He competed internationally in Alpine Skiing then decided to have a go at ski jumping and in just 2 years he was jumping off 90 metre and 120 metre jumps that seasoned ski jumpers take 10 years to work up to!

Then in 1988 he travelled to Calgary and represented Britain in the Winter Olympics. He became Britain's 1<sup>st</sup> and only Olympic ski jumper and was fondly re-christened "Eddie the Eagle".

As the guy who came 58<sup>th</sup> he got more publicity than the Gold Medal winner and Eddie's heroic Olympic efforts thrust him into the limelight. He had a top 50 chart hit with "Fly Eddie Fly" and a number 2 hit in Finland with "Mum Nienmi En Eitu". He travelled the world appearing on many TV shows and became (and still is) a popular addition to the after dinner speaking circuit. He is also busy with public relations, advertising work and until recently presented a popular Sunday radio show on BBC Radio Gloucestershire. He is often found at the Snowdome in Tamworth where he teaches skiing to nervous beginners and more seasoned skiers. Eddie's story is going to be made into a film this year.

In addition to all this Eddie gained a Law degree in the summer of 2003 after studying at Demontfort University in Leicester. Eddie still holds the British Olympic record for ski jumping at 71 metres; his personal best is currently 119.5 metres. He holds the world record for stunt jumping (10 cars/6 buses) and was ranked world number 9 at amateur speed skiing (106.8mph).

Although he is remembered for coming last Eddie always says that just getting to the Olympics was his Gold Medal which epitomises the true Olympic Spirit. Come along with your clients and enjoy a superb lunch with us.

**We are delighted to announce that an Olympic Torch will be at our event on the day!!**

Sponsors can be photographed with it and also with Eddie!

After Lunch a Charity Auction will take place in support of our nominated charity

**TICKETS £59.50 + VAT**  
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## HERTS BUSINESS ALLIANCE BUSINESS BREAKFAST

In conjunction with Watford & West Herts Chamber  
And Watford Football Club



Wednesday 28th March  
7.15am at Watford Football Club

**GUEST SPEAKER : Ross Wilson  
FOOTBALL BUSINESS DIRECTOR**

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This is to give notice that the  
**Annual General Meeting** of the  
**St Albans District Chamber of Commerce**  
will take place on  
Thursday, 8th March 2012 at 6.00pm at  
The Old Town Hall, Market Place  
St Albans, Herts AL1 3XB

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

*Followed by a Networking Dinner at*

# **Jamie's**

## **ITALIAN**

- 6.00pm Registration at St Albans Town Hall
- 6.20pm **AGM begins promptly**  
(Attendance at the AGM is free of charge for those leaving as soon as the meeting closes)
- 7.00pm Delegates invited to the newly opened Jamie's Italian for a 2 course dinner with Prosecco on arrival followed by informal networking (*exclusive to attendees of the AGM only*)

Places are limited will be offered on a first come first served basis

To avoid disappointment book now online

<http://www.stalbans-chamber.co.uk/buy-online/events/>

**Members £32.50 Non Members £40.00**

Please note Graham Lane will hand over the Chamber Presidency at our  
AGM, this year.

Please do come along and show your appreciation to Graham for his 3 years of fantastic service to the Chamber and the entire business Community and also to wish Peter all the very best of luck. We hope to see many of you there.



# BIZ QUIZ

Raising money for Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care

**quiz masters:  
Richard Crook & Daniel Seeby  
of Co-op Bank**

**When?**

Thursday 15th March  
7.00pm for 7.30pm

**Where?**

St Albans City FC

**What?**

£15 a ticket, includes curry  
& a pint!  
Ideally tables of 6

Tickets are limited so book early!

**How?**

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on 01442 820721 or email  
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### New Members

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AL5 4US

Tel: 0845 1301554

Web: www.lbca.co.uk

Contact: Elizabeth Hart

Position: Director

Email: bethhart@lbca.co.uk

#### Feel Hot Yoga

*Yoga Centre*

*Unit 10, Verulam Business Estate*

*224 London Road*

St Albans

Herts

AL1 1JB

Tel: 01727 856003

Contact: Nina Sebastiane

Position: Owner

Email nina@feelhotyoga.co.uk

#### Principal Security Consultants

*Security Services*

The Old Electricity Works

Campfield Road

St Albans

AL1 5HT

Tel: 01727 701038

Contact: Sid Khan

Position: Co Director

Email : sid@principalsecurityconsultants.com

#### Jamie's Italian Restaurant

*Restaurant*

22 Chequer Street

St Albans

Herts

AL1 3YD

Tel: 01727 221 266

Contact: Karen Elliot

Position: Office Manager



The St Albans Chamber of Commerce, in association with Radio Verulam, invites you to a free networking event and recording of a special edition of the "Your Questions" programme on Tuesday 28th February at the Maltings Arts Theatre. This month's programme will focus on local business and the forum is a chance to put your questions and feedback to a group of panellists including local businesspeople, councillors and decision makers

#### RADIO VERULAM 'YOUR QUESTIONS' BUSINESS SPECIAL

Radio Verulam is to hold a special recording of Your Questions focused on local area business issues in collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce

#### DATE & TIME

Tuesday 28th February 2012 The Maltings Art Theatre  
6 pm - Business Networking & Nibbles  
7.15 pm - Show Recording

#### PANEL (to be confirmed)

Julian Daly—St Albans District Council  
Steve Campbell—AECOM  
Robert Gordon—Herts County Council  
Mel Hilbrow— St Albans Chamber of Commerce  
Mark Prisk MP—Minister Minister of State  
Department of Business, Innovation & Skills

#### REGISTER

Admission is free  
Please confirm your attendance by email to:

[http://www.radioverulam.com/yourquestions/question\\_form.html](http://www.radioverulam.com/yourquestions/question_form.html)