

## Pub re-opens after getting rid of rats

A DOVER pub has re-opened after dealing with a problem caused by rats.

An emergency prohibition order was granted under the Food Hygiene Regulations 2006 at Dover Magistrates Court on Friday in respect of the Ellie Café Bar in Dover's Market Square.

The district council said the order was because of evidence of a rat infestation in all food areas of the premises.

The pub re-opened on Monday. Landlord Gavin Hughes told the Mercury there had been problems with rats right along Gaol Lane next to his premises.

"They came into our back yard, went up on to the roof, nibbled through and came in through a cavity," he said. "They then nibbled their way into the bar area."

"People are aware that it is a problem in the whole area."

"We have now dealt with it and re-opened."

## Hourly high-speed trains to London

HIGH-speed trains will operate from Dover to St Pancras every hour when the full service is introduced on December 13.

Trains will leave Dover Priory at 44 minutes past, arriving at St Pancras one hour seven minutes later.

Return trains will leave mainly at 12 minutes past the hour.

Off-peak fares will be £29.30 single and £29.60 return. An anytime day single ticket is £32.70, and £55.10 return.

MAN IS BANNED FROM GOING INTO TOWN CENTRE AT NIGHT

# Three strikes... and station job is given an Asbo

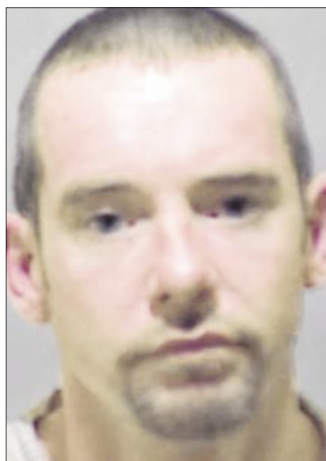
A 32-YEAR-OLD man from Deal has become the third person in a year to be issued with an anti-Social Behaviour Order (Asbo) as part of Dover district's three-strikes scheme.

Folkestone magistrates issued James Fraser Reid, of Stockdale Gardens, with the Asbo after he was found guilty of common assault and being drunk and disorderly at Dover Priory station in March.

The Asbo is effective for two years and prevents him from being in Dover town centre between 7pm and 7am or being drunk and disorderly in any public place within the district.

The application for an Asbo was made by Dover Community Safety Unit as part of the three strikes scheme, which aims to cut alcohol-related crimes and anti-social behaviour.

When a person commits an offence while under the influence of alcohol they are issued a 'yellow card' warning them of their behaviour and also offering



James Reid

advice regarding alcohol abuse.

If they commit a further relevant offence in a rolling 12-month period, the offender receives a 'red card' and their details are passed to Dover Partnership Against Crime, who then excludes that person on behalf of the licensees from all members of

**'This Asbo sends a clear message that those who commit offences while under the influence of alcohol will face serious consequences'**

DPAC. If an offender commits a further offence within the rolling 12 months the person is at risk of an anti-social behaviour order.

Sgt Guy Thompson, of Dover district community safety unit, said: "This Asbo sends a clear message that those who commit offences while under the influence of alcohol will face serious consequences. Mr Reid has now lost his right to come into Dover town centre in the evening."

Regular news updates - [www.eastkentmercury.co.uk](http://www.eastkentmercury.co.uk)



Valerie Measey with her instructor Richard Parrott. Below, the pair back on the ground

Pictures: Simon Hughes/AirAffair

## It was amazing, says skydiving Valerie, 74

A PENSIONER from Whitfield has scaled new heights by completing her first skydive at the age of 74 in aid of cancer research.

Valerie Measey jumped from 12,000 feet to raise funds for the Association for International Cancer Research.

"It's been a lifelong ambition, and I decided to take the plunge before my 75th birthday at the end of this month," said Valerie. "I've given money to AICR for years and I thought this challenge was a good opportunity to ask others to do the same."

"I wasn't scared at all and it was an amazing experience."

Valerie has generated more than £1,000 for AICR, the leading charity funding cancer research across the world.



People can still make a donation in support of Valerie's efforts by calling the AICR office on 01334 477910.

### STEEL FOR BUILDERS EXPRESS SERVICE

STRUCTURAL STEEL CUT & DELIVERED  
SPlicing • DRILLING • WELDING • ERECTION  
CUT & BENT BAR • REINFORCING MESH

### DAILY DELIVERIES

BRANDON STEEL ☎ 01708 864028  
FAX: 01708 866638 E-mail sales@brandonsteel.co.uk

### DEAL MARKET EVERY SATURDAY

8.30AM - 3.00PM

AT UNION ROAD CAR PARK, HIGH STREET, DEAL

Enquiries to Market Officer  
Tel: 07877 806870

Everything you'd expect from a market & more!

### BUCKMASTER HOUSE RESIDENTIAL HOME, BROADSTAIRS

Founded in 1895, this spacious and elegant house set in extensive grounds overlooks the sea and is close to the town centre, shops and beaches.

Single en-suite rooms with TV and call system.

Lift and ample parking.

Long-term or short stays, - ideal for convalescence or holidays.

"...a real home from home!"

7 Western Esplanade  
BROADSTAIRS CT10 1TG

01843 861893

[www.buckmaster.org.uk](http://www.buckmaster.org.uk)

Buckmaster is a non-profit making charitable trust



### Range Cookers of Canterbury



at Fireplace Warehouse

01227 764454

Roper Close, Canterbury CT2 7EP

### The Natural Heat Company

[www.thenaturalheatco.co.uk](http://www.thenaturalheatco.co.uk)



- Woodburning & multi fuel stoves
- Fireplaces
- Wood burning & pellet boilers
- Rayburn Cookers
- HETAS & GAS SAFE registered installers



The **Barn**  
Stoves & Fireplaces  
01303 813999

Open: Mon - Sat 9am-5pm

Otterpool Lane - Sellindge - TN25 6DB

500 yards from Port Lympne (ample free parking)