

COUNTY LIFE

Actor Robert Hardy at RAF College Cranwell



Actor Robert Hardy is pictured with the Commandant of RAF College Cranwell, Air Cdre David Stubbs on the occasion of the Station's annual Battle of Britain dinner. The actor, who served with the RAF during the Second World War, was guest of honour at the dinner at College Hall.

"To have Robert Hardy, in his critically acclaimed guise of Winston Churchill, providing a voice to the wartime speeches of the Prime Minister on the Battle of Britain, gave the evening a genuine sense of history and gravitas," said Wg Cdr Sandy Sandilands, Officer in Charge of Support Wing. "To close your eyes, as many did, and hear his astonishingly accurate portrayal of the great wartime leader uttering his immortal lines about 'the few' put you right back at September 1940 and added to an already outstanding occasion."

Large funding boost helps improve sports facilities

Nearly £145,000 has been awarded to three sports clubs in Lincolnshire to help improve their facilities, thanks to Sport England's Inspired Facilities Fund.

Alford Sports Hall Association, Sleaford Tennis Club and Horncastle Community Members' Squash Club were all successful in securing funding through the fourth round of Sport England's Inspired Facility Fund, which aims to improve sports clubs and facilities up and down the country.

Alford Sports Hall Association was awarded £49,500 from the fund to replace its old and deteriorated sports hall floor. Sleaford Tennis Club was awarded £50,000 to help towards the cost of constructing a pavilion on the same site as its new floodlit courts and Horncastle Community Members' Squash Club was awarded £45,000 to install efficient heating and lighting for its existing premises, as well as refurbish the bar and kitchen area.

Redhill Farm Free Range Pork features in TV chef James Martin's new BBC series

Jane and Terry Tomlinson and their staff were delighted to host popular TV chef, James Martin and his BBC film crew for five days this summer at Redhill Farm Free Range Pork to film his new BBC2 series, James Martin's Food Map Of Britain.

The filming included James helping Terry and Jane out on the farm and then cooking their national award-winning free range pork in the barn where the feed for the pigs is milled, using corn grown on the family's RSPCA Freedom Food accredited farm near Gainsborough. The extensive filming included some amazing aerial photography and scenes shot in the smokehouse and the butchery as the team prepared for a farmers' market before then moving on to location filming at Lincoln High Street Farmers' Market itself.

James Martin was so impressed with how Jane and Terry farm and the quality of their pork that he has asked Redhill Farm to supply his new restaurant, James Martin Manchester. He told his thousands of followers on Twitter "Redhill Farm Free Range Pork Lincolnshire for the best tasting pork yet! Just had some, you have to try it."

The Lincolnshire episode will be broadcast on Thursday, 26th September at 6.30pm on BBC2 and covers pea harvesting on the fens as well as Redhill Farm.



James Martin filming with Jane and Terry Tomlinson