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HOWZAT! WIN ENGLAND TEAM AUTOGRAPHED CRICKET BAT AT NEWBURY FIRE STATION OPEN DAY

Newbury fire station's Open Day on 18 July promises a feast of family fun, with an action-packed day full of exciting activities. Visitors will be able to see fire engines, an aerial ladder platform, the hi-tech incident support multi-role vehicle, the water rescue unit and fire boat, the new rescue support vehicle and the 'Thunderbirds' style six-wheeler.

Amongst the displays will be a dramatic chip pan fire, a snatch rescue from a 'flat fire' and the cutting out of a 'casualty' from a wrecked car. Also taking part will be South Central Ambulance Service, the Tactical Support, Search and Rescue and Road Policing team experts from Thames Valley Police, Army recruitment, Help for Heroes, the Firefighters Charity and the Fire Service Preservation Society, showing off their wonderful vintage fire appliances of yesteryear.

If that's not enough, the young at heart can get their faces painted and there will be a raffle draw with lots of great prizes to raise money for Help for Heroes and the Fire Fighters Charity. One of the prizes is a cricket bat signed by the England team and this is also being featured in an e-Bay auction.

Newbury Fire Station commander, Station Manager Matt Frayne, a former Royal Marine, said: "We have been planning this for months and we're really looking forward to the day. Every firefighter on the station has been getting involved and we are aiming for a really brilliant day out for anyone of any age. It is a big occasion and a great chance for us to show not only what we do here but how we work with the other vital emergency services.

"The money we raise will go to two fantastic charities. The Fire Fighters Charity supports injured firefighters and their families and Help for Heroes continues to do amazing work in supporting service men and women injured in Afghanistan. We hope to see you there!"

Newbury Fire Station Open Day 18 July 2010

Event timings:

10.30 - Open Day begins

11.00 - First display Chip Pan Fire (Red Watch)

12.00 - second display Snatch Rescue from Flat Fire involving two fire appliances (Blue Watch)

1.00 - Casualty cut out of wrecked car (Green Watch)

2.00 – chip pan fire display

3.00 – rescue from flat fire

3.30 - Raffle Draw

Other displays and activities will be taking place throughout the day.

Car parking in Shaw Road playing field.

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Notes for Editors:

Photo of cricket bat and some of the appliances attached.

If you require any additional information, please contact Nicole Targett on 0118 932 2283 or at targettn@rbfrs.co.uk