

Brides' bulletin

All the latest from around the region

On the cover

We love a winter wedding! Our front cover stars Natalie and Lee Harris showed how to pile on the style for their December nuptials at Crockwell Farm, Northamptonshire. Photographer Aaron Collett captured the pair in all their glory. He says, "This image was all about showing off the bride and groom's sense of style and sophistication. I loved Natalie's jacket, particularly with the added detail of the brooch which had significant meaning to her and her family."



Visit www.aaroncollettphotography.co.uk and check out page 75 for our pick of fabulous cover-ups for winter brides.

BRIDAL GALLERIA

Brodgate Brides has undergone a major refurbishment bringing its bridal salon and designer discount outlet together under one roof.

The Leicester-based business has moved its popular outlet store into the ground floor of its luxurious salon in Cropston Road, Anstey. With chandeliers, spacious changing rooms and fully trained stylists, brides-to-be can shop in style from a range of more than 200 designer gowns at discount prices. The first floor is dedicated to curvier brides of size 16-plus, while those looking to try on new season gowns can have a one-to-one appointment in the chic second floor boutique, complete with vintage teacups and all the latest accessories. Not forgetting the bridesmaids either – the new third-floor penthouse suite offers more than 250 different styles of dresses, spacious changing room with plenty of large mirrors and seating to keep everyone happy. For details call 01162 363 388 or visit www.brodgatebrides.com



PARTY WHILE YOU PLAN

Recently engaged and not sure where to start with the to-do list? Don't worry help is at hand. Nottingham-based Benessamy Wedding & Events is offering personalised wedding planning parties to help lighten the load. Invite your mum, best friends, or anyone with a key role on your big day, to not only get to grips with the nitty gritty, but have fun too! The party can take place in the comfort of your own home or venue of choice.

Wedding planner and owner of the business Val Mattinson explains, "With so many decisions to make and things to arrange, getting started can seem quite daunting. With our new service couples can embark on the process with the help of a professional wedding planner to point them in the right direction." For details call 01158 708 179 or visit www.benessamy.co.uk



Spring launch

A new extension at Lincolnshire wedding venue Washingborough Hall will be available for weddings from April, 2015.

The Winston Room, a single-storey, orangery-style annexe, is being built to complement the historic elegance of the Grade II listed house. The new space will not only allow for larger weddings at the pretty Georgian country house, but will provide increased flexibility for weddings of all sizes.

Connecting to the hotel's kitchen and existing reception room, the new space has its own dedicated bar and can host up to 120 guests for a drinks reception, or combined with the hotel's current facilities, 150 for drinks and 120 seated diners. For details telephone 01522 790 340 or visit the website www.washingboroughhall.com