



# Police seek man injured in 'shooting'

Armed police sealed off an area close to the Newstead Children's Centre and the Old Barn Community Centre following an alleged shooting.

Officers were called at about 4.30pm on Monday 9 November to Simms Gardens, N2, when residents reported hearing gunshots.

They were unable to find a victim but a member of the public did report seeing a man with a shoulder injury. He was described as black and wearing a dark blue or black puffer jacket and jeans. Police appealed for further information.

One resident, who had arrived home with his one-

year-old son shortly before it happened, told the Ham & High newspaper: "I was cleaning the bathroom when I heard the shootout. At first I thought it was fireworks. I heard one shot first and then two or three quickly afterwards. It was all over in 10 seconds. Before that I'd heard someone screaming."

The Trident and Area Crime Command is investigating and anyone with information is asked to call 101.



Sealed off: Police cordon off Simms Gardens after reports of a shooting. Photo by Kieran Heffernan.

## Close to a catastrophe

By Diana Cormack

When black cat Merlin disappeared over the balcony, his owner hoped he would soon return home. However, despite searching the King Street and Red Lion Hill area, it was to be six weeks before they were reunited. Sadly, by then the jet black cat had a damaged jaw which has been wired up by the PDSA. The vet believes that Merlin had been badly beaten or kicked.

The cat's owner Danielle wishes to thank the lady who found Merlin and returned him. This was helped by the fact that he had been microchipped

(though his owner doesn't want herself to be identified more fully). She is delighted to have him back and told THE ARCHER how grateful she is to the finder and to neighbours who are bringing in tasty things for Merlin to enjoy while he recovers.



At your service: Annalie works with Michel Roux Jr. Photo courtesy of Channel 4.

## Nothing's impossible in the kitchen for Annalie

The pressure of cooking the perfect meal for guests can be tough in the privacy of your own kitchen but it's even more intense when television cameras are following your every move.

Annalie Huberman got a taste for this close-up scrutiny when she starred in Channel 4's recent series *Kitchen Impossible* alongside super chef Michel Roux Jr.

The 23-year-old, who lives in Creighton Avenue, was filmed for eight weeks over the summer as she learned to work in the heat of a professional kitchen, coming to terms with the demands of the hospitality business and then going out for job interviews.

### A star with shakshuka

Michel Roux put eight young people with disabilities or different conditions through their paces. Annalie, who has Down's Syndrome, already volunteers as a part-time receptionist at Barnet Mencap and does admin work for the Action 4 Kids charity in Crouch End.

She's a self-confessed diva who would love to become an actress, which could be why she won a place on the programme from more than 500 people who were considered.

When she cooked shakshuka, her speciality Middle

Eastern dish, in front of the cameras she managed to burn it a little because she was using an electric hob rather than the gas she's used to at home but she was still one of the stars of the series.

really improved her housekeeping skills. She's much better at all the chores around the house now."

And the really good news is that as a result of her experience of being in the programme, Annalie has now got her first paid job, working at the Yo Sushi Japanese restaurant in the O2 Centre on Finchley Road.



Kitchen star: Annalie Huberman. Photo courtesy of Channel 4

### New friends, new job

"I loved it," Annalie told THE ARCHER. "The best part was all the new friends I made and getting to do so much cooking."

Her mother Michelle said: "Being on TV didn't faze her. She's always enjoyed going to drama groups. What I noticed was that the whole experience



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