



## Artist Susan turns her hand to decorating a dragon



■ Artist Susan Gunn with the blank GoGoDragon she will be painting, pictured with Norwich BID executive director Stefan Gurney.

Picture: STEVE ADAMS

She's a footballer's wife and an esteemed artist – and now Susan Gunn is turning her hand to dragons.

The GoGoDragons! art trail – organised by charity Break and Wild in Art – is bringing 80

sculptures to Norwich this summer.

And Mrs Gunn, who is married to former Norwich City goalkeeper Bryan Gunn, is decorating Norwich BID's entry.

The Norwich University of the Arts graduate, 50, painted an elephant for the 2008 trail and says she is excited to help good causes again in this year's project.

Michael Rooney, Break's

fundraising manager, said: "Susan's involvement will add to the overall profile of the project therefore helping Break's work with local vulnerable children, young people and families."

### IN BRIEF

#### Bus users warned to expect delays

**NORWICH:** Norfolk County Council is advising bus passengers in Norwich to allow more time for evening journeys because of overnight roadworks on Norwich Bus Station's Surrey Street entrance.

The work, by Norwich City Council, will take place between 7pm and 6am on February 24 and 25, and the entrance will have to be closed to buses.

The bus station will remain open, and buses will leave from their usual stands, entering and exiting via Queens Road. Pedestrian access is not affected. Call the council's Customer Service Centre on 0344 800 8020, from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday for further updates.

#### Volunteers for village speed watch needed

**HETHERSETT:** Volunteers are being sought to sign up for a speed watch campaign in Hethersett.

Anyone interested in helping out and making sure drivers abide by speed limits in the village should contact parish council chairman John Nightingale on 01603 811513.

#### Fire crews help children locked in a bedroom

**GORLESTON:** A fire crew was called to a Gorleston home after two children became locked in a bedroom. One appliance attended following the call made at 6.35am yesterday. The crew used small gear to release the door.

## Victory in group's campaign to make crossing busy road safer

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Families in Thorpe St Andrew are celebrating victory in a campaign to make it safer to cross a busy road.

The Plumstead Road East Pedestrian Safety Campaign was formed in November 2012 by families living in the Armstrong Road area.

Many felt visibility was poor and it was too dangerous for pedestrians to be able to cross to South Hill Road, to access Thorpe's amenities and schools.

**“My son told me he was too frightened to cross and said it was too dangerous**

Campaigner Rachael Breed

Among those who lobbied for a crossing or refuge, was mum-of-two Rachael Breed.

Mrs Breed said her children Matty, seven, and Tom, five, felt unsafe when crossing the road.

She said: "Something that really resonated with me was when we tried to cross the road to go that way, as it's the shortest way to school, and my son told me he was too frightened to cross and said it was too dangerous."

The plan to make the road safer was backed by Thorpe St Andrew Town Council, which put forward funding of £5,000, and also submitted a proposal to Norfolk County Council's Parish Partnerships Scheme for funding.

While some campaigners

wanted a zebra crossing, a pedestrian refuge was chosen as a more suitable option because of concerns about the location and the speed of traffic.

Mrs Breed said: "This is a compromise but I feel it's a well thought through compromise."

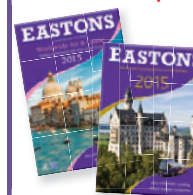
The £30,000 project, by the county council's highways department, is expected to be completed by March 8.

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