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... for a series of special activities

CHRISTMAS BREAK

WORK on the new extension at the Tesco superstore in Cheshunt is to be suspended over Christmas.

The decision has been taken in an attempt to minimise disruption to shoppers during the busiest period of the year.

However, construction of the adjacent Marks and Spencer store will continue.

Work on the Tesco building will resume in January and should be finished by February 23 when a grand reopening is planned.

"We have scheduled the work to cause the minimum of disruption to our customers, with a great deal of the major alterations taking place when the store is closed," said general manager Mr David Woodfield.

"There has inevitably been some inconvenience with a project of this size and we are grateful for the patience and understanding of our customers."

The major part of the complex's new enlarged car park was in use for the first time this week, and when finished will provide more than 1,900 spaces.

The Brookfield Centre is unique in that it is the first joint enterprise by Tesco and Marks and Spencer.

Highway rampage

A WALTHAM Abbey woman and her two daughters all dressed as highwaymen went on a rampage at the weekend holding police, firemen and ambulancemen to ransom — but it was all in the name of charity.

Mrs Carol Smith and her daughters Maria and Petra, of Chequers Walk, decided to dress as highwaymen to collect money for the Children in Need Appeal.

On Monday, after a final raid on Loughton police station, the Smith's banked a total of £646.77 for the appeal.

They "held up" numerous police, fire and ambulance stations as well as pubs and restaurants over the weekend.

Armed with replica pistols from the Queens Arms Public House, Waltham Abbey, the family had obviously planned their lightning raids to perfection.

Mrs Smith, leader of the ruthless gang, said they were received well and people gave generously.

ONE of the cars to compete in the 1988 Paris-Dakar Rally has been designed and built by Nick Mason Engineering in a workshop in Cheshunt — in just 14 weeks!

The vehicle — for the Lohr/Shell team — started life as a Metro 6R4, and was sliced down the middle and lengthened by nearly 10 inches.

The engine position was moved forward by two inches, and it now has a 3.9 V8 Rover engine producing 30 bhp, Bosch electronic fuel injection and four-wheel drive.

Less than one-third of the vehicles leaving Paris on January 1 are expected to last the 8,000 miles to Dakar, over some of the worst territory known to man.

Workshop

Temperatures in the cockpit of a vehicle can range from -5 degrees C to 50 degrees C, and this year over 700 drivers, competitors and entrepreneurs will be attempting the journey.

Mr Nick Mason, of Nick Mason Engineering of Waltham Abbey and Laser Motor Company of Waltham Cross, is a design engineer, and he set up the workshop in The Fairways, New River Trading Estate, Cheshunt, especially for the project.

A team of four — with as many helpers as possible —

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was put together, and the car was designed and built in 14 weeks. "We were working 20 hours a day to get it finished," said Mr Mason, "and it is now ready."

This is the first time the company has been involved in the Paris-Dakar Rally, and Mr Mason will be going over to see his car off.

The drivers are Ted Tolman and Barry Lee, and sponsors include Quaipe, Silva, Corbeau and Michelin.

● PICTURED with the TG88 Metro Raider are design engineer Nick Mason (right), and Mark Arnold, track co-driver and mechanic.

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Gunpowder plot on display

TWO hundred years of activity at the Royal Armament Research and Development Establishment in Waltham Abbey is being celebrated in an exhibition at the town's museum next week.

The exhibition, entitled A Gunpowder Plot, is on loan to the museum in Sun Street and has been created by RARDE to mark the bicentenary of the purchase of the powder mills by the Crown.

It includes historical items as well as up-to-the-minute videos on RARDE's experimental work for the Government.

The display can be seen at the museum from Tuesday December 8 until Sunday January 31. The museum is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday 2 pm to 5 pm and Tuesday 12 noon to 5 pm.

Rats' disease: Two die

TWO "fairly young" men have died from the killer Weils Disease, which is carried by rats. The disease was contracted from waterways in the area.

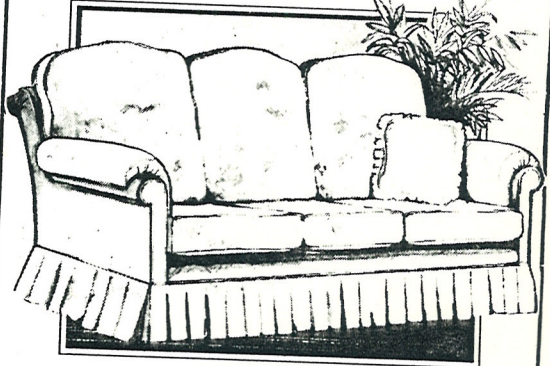
The men's identity are not being revealed.

East Herts Health Authority this week put out a warning to local people to be extra careful when they come into contact with river water — and not to mess about or paddle in it.

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