

IN BRIEF

Warning after man assaulted by pair of burglars

TIPTREE: Detectives have urged members of the public not to try to tackle burglars after a man was assaulted by would-be thieves. The incident happened at the man's home off Newbridge Road, Tiptree, at about 3am on Saturday. He was woken by the sound of his front door handle being turned and when he went to investigate he was confronted by two men trying to open a rear gate. He shouted at them and tried to block their escape but he was punched twice in the face. Detective Constable Claire Jennings said members of the public should never be tempted to go out to confront burglars but call 999 instead.

Old comrades set to commemorate V-J Day

LEISTON: The Suffolk Regiment Leiston and District Old Comrades Association is hosting a small ceremony to mark Victory Over Japan Day. On Thursday members will gather at Leiston Long Shop to mark the occasion at 11am. Last week, members joined regimental colleagues at Old Gibraltar Barracks in Bury St Edmunds to mark Minden Day.

Sports scholarships to support future stars

ESSEX: Talented volleyball and basketball players can now benefit from new scholarship programmes being established by the University of Essex. The university has confirmed they will be "focus sports" from this year with students looking to start at Essex this autumn able to apply for an extensive support package.

Fire crews tackle out-of-control bonfire

UFFORD: Firefighters have dealt with the aftermath of a two-acre bonfire blaze which took more than an hour to extinguish. Six fire engines were called to douse the flames which spread to a nearby crop field in East Lane, Ufford, near Woodbridge, at around 1.20pm yesterday. The fire was under control by 2.35pm. A spokesman for Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service said crews remained at the scene to ensure the bonfire did not reignite.

Town fans cheer on Super Blues to first win of the new season



■ Young Ipswich Town fans cheer on their side with EADT-sponsored clap-banners which were given out free before the game.

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Super Blues fans got behind the #MakeSomeNoise campaign and cheered on Town to their first win of the season at Portman Road at the weekend. Saturday was "Sir Bobby

Robson National Football Day", with the FA using the late, great manager's name to promote a series of events across the country. And, fittingly, all three of

Town's second half goals to defeat Millwall 3-0 came in front of the Sir Bobby Robson Stand as the Blues overcame defeats at Reading and Stevenage to kick-start their

campaign at their first home clash. Fans were given 10,000 free clap-banners by the EADT, Ipswich Star, Ipswich Town Football Club and William H. Brown estate agents.

Town players past and present unite to do Sir Bobby proud

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Mick McCarthy felt Sir Bobby Robson would have been pleased with the three points – rather than the performance – as Ipswich got their first Championship win of the season on the day the football world united in support of the former manager.

The Sir Bobby Robson National Football Day saw former Ipswich players paraded around Portman Road before a comfortable 3-0 win over a Millwall side still searching for their first league points.

When asked what Sir Bobby would have thought of the result, McCarthy said: "I think Sir Bobby might have liked a bit more silky football to be honest. I still think he would have taken a 3-0 win, however it came. "As a manager, you can't always win playing free-flowing football. I think he would have been happy enough with that."

Many Ipswich Town players who worked with Sir Bobby turned out for



■ Ipswich Town legends, from left, Mick Lambert, Bryan Hamilton, Allan Hunter, Kieron Dyer and Mick Stockwell on the Portman Road pitch before Saturday's game against Millwall paid tribute to the late Sir Bobby Robson, right.



Saturday's celebration to pay tribute to their former mentor.

The likes of Allan Hunter, Bryan Hamilton, Mick Stockwell and Mick Lambert were at the stadium along with fellow ex-Blue Kieron Dyer, who played for Newcastle United during Sir Bobby's five-year spell in charge of the north east club.

But it was not just in Ipswich that

Suffolk's football family paid tribute to Sir Bobby.

In Lowestoft, Kirkley and Pakefield held a fun day at their Walmer Road Ground. It included the chance to see the home side face FC Clacton on the opening day of the Thurlo Nunn League Premier Division season.

The afternoon saw a host of activities, including tug-of-war, face paint-

ing, football competitions, live music and an Ipswich Town v Norwich City supporters' game

At Cornard Dynamos FC ground, in Blackhouse Lane, the Suffolk FA showcased its Ability Counts League. Suffolk FA also hosted the first Disability Player Development Centre trials on Saturday afternoon for the 2013-14 PDC, at Portman Road.