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PEACE MILE IS OPENED

JOGGERS will be able to run a peaceful mile in Oxford whenever they want from tomorrow.

Caretaker Lord Mayor Bill Fagg opens a "Peace Mile" at Cutteslowe Park in the morning in the presence of Sri Chinmoy — the man who founded the first peace mile in Battersea Park just over a year ago.

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The idea is that the course will remind runners who use it about efforts being made for peace world wide.

"Sri Chinmoy will travel for the occasion from New York where he works for peace in many different ways at the United Nations," explained Anita Morris of the Sri Chinmoy Athletics Club.

Oxford's Peace Mile is a joint project between the club and the city council.

Fox hunting debate call

A COUNTRY sports organisation refuses to be foxed into accepting a ban on hunting in the county.

A week before the county council is to debate a ban on all hunting across council owned land, they have called a public meeting to explain their sport.

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"People have enjoyed hunting for many centuries," said Mr Robert Mackenzie of the Oxfordshire Committee of the Council for Country Sports.

"There is a deep feeling of resentment felt by a great many people that this interference in individual liberty is being proposed," he said.

The public and all county councillors are invited to join the debate, which will be held at Exeter Hall in Kidlington on Monday, June 1 at 8 pm.

"Many people fear that any ban on hunting would soon be followed by a similar ban on shooting and fishing," Mr Mackenzie said.

Festival of India

A FOLK festival of India is being staged in Oxford Town Hall next Friday.

The festival features 25 artists from India and it has been organised by the Punjab Arts of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The festival, on Friday, June 5 at 7 pm, will be a rare opportunity for people to enjoy Indian folk dancing, said Amrick Dhillon, Oxford's Asian community development officer who was heavily involved in bringing it to Oxford.

Tickets are £7 a couple, £4 for adults and £2.50 for jobless, pensioners, students or people with disabilities.