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NEWS IN BRIEF

Video take

Finchley Youth Theatre on the High Road have been commissioned by Barnet Youth Service/Barnet Health Authority to produce a video on HIV/AIDS for use with young people in youth clubs and schools. The video is due to be released in October.

Fringe leave

Best wishes to Indent Theatre Company, currently resident at Finchley Youth Theatre on the High Road, who will be taking a new show, *Dakota*, to this year's Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

Youth award

The London Arts Board have awarded Finchley Youth Theatre on the High Road £1,000 for work in National Youth Work Week (23-29 October). Barnet Youth Service intend to hold an Arts Festival throughout that week, with many activities based at the Youth Theatre.

CLASSICAL REVIEWS

'A King's Delight'

by David Hobbs

Founded in 1988 by David Douglass, *The King's Noyse* is rapidly becoming one of America's most popular early music groups and has been acclaimed by *The New York Times* and *The Boston Globe* for superb playing.

Unusually, they are a Renaissance violin band and due to the fact that the skills were passed on from generation to generation, rather than written down; they have had to heavily research the music.

Due to David Douglass's research and the musical talents of the rest of the group, the result is enthralling and unique music. In addition to Douglass, the group also features the soprano, Ellen Hargis whose voice perfectly suits their style.

Paul O'Dette's virtuosity on the lute, theorbo and cittern are central to the overall sound. He has paid considerable attention to the authentic techniques of 16th century virtuosi and his brilliance shines through on all the group's recordings.

Their first two recordings are: *The King's Delight* - 17th Century ballads for voice and violin band (Harmonia Mundi HMU907101) and *Canzonetta* - 16th Century canzonni and instrumental dances.

Walk to School Week

Parents and school-children in Barnet recently took part in Barnet's "Walk to School Week" to encourage parents and children to leave their cars at home and walk or use public transport.

Such an event is hoped to make people more aware of traffic problems caused by our high level of unnecessary traffic.

On a typical day, one in four of our children are taken to school by car adding to our already high level of pollution, a major factor in the rise in the number of young people suffering from asthma and other respiratory problems.

Wheel danger

The danger is not from exhaust fumes alone; the risk of injury or even death increases as youngsters run the daily gauntlet of traffic and cars blocking school gates and jamming surrounding streets.

Leaving the car at home and walking has a positive impact on safety and on the health of our children with the exercise that walking gives.

Traffic congestion is greatly reduced when the schools are on holiday, making it easier for commuting and business traffic.

What's happening in East Finchley

- to 3 September **The Home Front** - an exhibition on daily life in Barnet, 1939-45. Church Farmhouse Museum, Greyhound Hill, NW4 (0181 203 0130 for times)
- 23 August **Jolly Roger** presents stories and crafts for 3 to 7 year olds. East Finchley Library, High Road; 2.30 to 3.30 pm. Free.
- 24 August **Amazing acts** with balls and rings for 2 to 10 year olds at Cherry Tree Woods, 3 pm.
- 2 September **Dance** with Finn Barr and the Glensiders. St Mary's Church Social Club, High Road; 8.30 pm £2.50.
- 9 September **Dance** with Larry McKeivitt. St Mary's Church Social Club, High Road; 8.30 pm £2.50.
- 10 September **Concert** by Carl Murray (baritone) and Gordon Kirkwood (piano). East Finchley Methodist Church, High Road; 8 pm. Free (collection).
- 20 September **Family History**. History of St Giles and Bloomsbury. London and N. Middx Family History Soc., Ewen Hall, Wood Street, Barnet; 7.30 to 10 pm.

Regular activities in East Finchley

- Badminton** (moderate standard). Shree Aden Centre (next to Holy Trinity), Church Lane - Fridays 8 to 11pm (0181-444 7163)
- Bingo**. St. Mary's RC Church Social Club, High Road - Sundays 8:00pm.
- Bridge**. Northside Bridge Club. East Finchley Methodist Church, High Road - Thursdays 7:30-11:00pm (Partnerships only - 0181 445 7788).
- Tetherdown Bridge Club**, Tetherdown Hall, Tetherdown, N10 - Fridays 2:00-5:00pm (0181-883 1327)
- Councillors' Surgery**. Neighbourhood Centre, Church Lane - Saturdays - 10:00-11:30am
- Drama Classes**. (under 25's). Finchley Youth Theatre, 142 High Road - (0181-883 9957)
- Employment Counselling**. Neighbourhood Centre, Church Lane - Tuesdays 2:00-4:00pm
- General Advice**. Neighbourhood Centre, Church Lane - Monday to Friday - 10:00am to 12:00pm and 2:00-4:00pm
- Immigration Advice**. Neighbourhood Centre, Church Lane (by appointment only) (0181-444 6265)
- Karate** (6-15yrs.) Old Barn Community Centre, Fallows Close, off Tarling Road - Saturdays 2:00-3:00pm (0181-445 1863)
- Legal Advice**. Neighbourhood Centre, Church Lane - Tuesdays 7:00-8:00pm.
- Musical Memories**. Memory Lane Singing Club (over-50's), Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards Lane, N3 - Tuesdays 10:30am to 12:30pm (0181-458 5659)
- Over-60's Club**. Finchley Community Gospel Church, Hertford Road - Fridays 2:30-4:00pm.
- Parent and Toddlers Club**. Finchley Community Gospel Church, Hertford Road - Tuesdays 10:30am to 12:00pm (in term time) 80p
- Vegetarian Lunches**. (Gujarati). Shree Aden Centre (next to Holy Trinity), Church Lane - Wednesdays and Thursdays (0181-444 2054)
- Women's Self-defence**. Herbert Wilmot Centre, Market Place - Wednesdays 7:15-8:15pm. £2.00 per session (payable termly) (0181-444 8422)
- Youth Clubs**. Herbert Wilmot Centre, Market Place (0181 444-8422). Old Barn Community Centre, Fallows Close (off Tarling Road) (0181-349 4613)

To have your non-commercial event listed here (space permitting) send details to *The Archer*, PO Box 3699, London N2 8JA by the middle of the month for publication in the following month's edition.

Local orchestra helps UN celebrate 50th anniversary

Barnet's own symphony orchestra, the *Tudor Symphony* held a concert recently in conjunction with the Finchley branch of the United Nations Association. This was to celebrate the founding of the United Nations 50 years ago. A guest appearance was made by David Trafford who performed the Mozart piano concerto No.23 with the orchestra.

The orchestra has been part of the Barnet scene for over 20 years and although it is still actively looking for new members, it now has a very strong brass and wind section.

Join in on three!

Membership is open to all adult musicians and presents a wonderful opportunity to participate in the performance of

the symphonic repertoire. The orchestra also has a strong social side.

If you would like to know more about the orchestra, telephone 0181-954 7302 for a free prospectus. The new term starts on September 25th at Trinity Church Centre, 15 Nether Street, N12. Fees are only £30 a term.

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