



Regular Events Sport & Fitness

- ❖ **Counselling & psychotherapy** at the Green Man Centre. Call 8440 4174
- ❖ **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group** Call Vivien 020 8883 8190
- ❖ **Glebelands Indoor Bowls Club**, Summers Lane N12. New and experienced bowlers welcome.
- ❖ **Keep fit for the Retired** Wednesdays Christ Church N12. Ring Bridie. 020 8883 5269
- ❖ **Pilates** in East Finchley, qualified teacher. Contact Dee Wisbey 020 8883 7029
- ❖ **Tae Kwon Do** at The Green Man Thursdays 7-9pm 07949 612 706
- ❖ **Tai Chi** at the Green Man on Mondays 1.30-3pm. An "ageing well" class for older people.
- ❖ **Tennis Club** off Southern Road. Call 020 8440 6953
- ❖ **Yoga & Meditation** classes at Holy Trinity Church, 020 8444 7217
- ❖ **Yoga, breathing & relaxation.** Weekly drop-in classes-N2, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 020 8444 7783.

Dance, Drama, Art & Music

- ❖ **Adult Line Dancing.** Call Footloose 020 8440 8530/8216 5633.
- ❖ **Art Classes.** For info call Henry on 020 8888 5133.
- ❖ **Ballroom dancing classes**, beginners and improvers. Phone 01707 642 378
- ❖ **Broadway & West End Musical Singing Workshop** call Idit Gold 020 8449 0011.
- ❖ **Club Dramatika** drama club for kids. Call Vicky 020 8883 1554
- ❖ **Columbian party dancing** classes, Call Nelsy 020 8444 2012
- ❖ **East Finchley Writing Workshops.** Creative writing, poetry and prose Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- ❖ **Finchley Jazz Club**, Monday 15 & 29 November at Wilf Slack Cricket Pavilion, East End Rd, N3.
- ❖ **Over 60s come dancing** at Ann Owens Centre 020 8346 8736
- ❖ **Pottery Class** at The Green Man, Call Celia Holmes 020 8349 9315
- ❖ **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church. Call 020 8883 4070 for info.
- ❖ **Street Dance** every Tuesday at Old Barn for children of various ages Contact Lorna 07976203669.
- ❖ **Symphonic Wind Orchestra** of North London, Contact Caroline Egan 020 8340 2706
- ❖ **Tap Dance** for children beginning at Old Barn every Monday, Contact Sharon 020-8349-4613

Clubs & Social

- ❖ **Bingo**, Green Man Community Centre, 020 8883 4916
- ❖ **Contact Lunch Club** at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book a place. Every Thursday. 12.30-2pm
- ❖ **East Finchley National Childbirth Trust**, Contact Sophie Spence 020 8444 1890
- ❖ **East Finchley Writers** meet weekly at Clissold Arms. (A temporary venue - see more on page 7.) Contact Lillian on 020 8444 1793.
- ❖ **Fairacres Monday Club** for Jewish people, Rene & Reuby Hyams, 020 8883 0448 or Sylvia Lee 8958 7878
- ❖ **Finchley & District Philatelic Society**, Contact Brian 8444 3251
- ❖ **Friendly Rubber Bridge** at The Old Barn, 020 8349 4613
- ❖ **Haringey Recorded Music Society**, informal meetings locally. Call David Mouldon on 020 83611696.
- ❖ **North London Bridge Club**, Muswell Hill, 020 8348 3495
- ❖ **Muswell Hill and Highgate Pensioners' Action Group** Call Bob Cottingham on 8444 7635.
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Synagogue**, Tetherdown, 020 8883 5925
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge**, 020 8883 4390
- ❖ **Old Barn pre-school club**, 020 8349 4613/1961
- ❖ **Parent & Toddler Group**, Green Man Centre, Julia 8444 2276
- ❖ **Probus Lunch Club** for retired professionals. Call Eric 8340 0822.

Christ's College Cadet Force celebrate centenary

Over 60 Christ's College cadets marched from their original school site in Hendon Lane to their present one in East End Road last month despite steady drizzle and the threat of storms. The march, led by the band of the Parachute Regiment and escorted by local police, completed a march of 25 years ago from Bisley to Finchley.

On that occasion the cadets carried by relay commemorative postal covers to mark their 75th Anniversary. This year, they carried a limited number of the original covers over-stamped to mark the centenary of their formation as a Rifle Club in 1904.

On arrival at school the cadets marched past their headquarters, where Commanding Officer LtCol Jon Walden and Headmaster Gary Tucker took the salute.

A large crowd of parents, friends and ex-cadets enjoyed displays, a continuity drill, and a miniature version of the Royal Tournament Field Gun Race, and a programme of music from the band of the Parachute Regiment.

Parents and friends provided

refreshments, and the Stockdale Trust organised a display of the Unit's history.

All officers and adult staff of the CCF are ex-cadets, and eleven holders of the Cadet Forces Medal, awarded for long service in the cadet forces, were present at the parade, seven of them still currently serving.

The parade and event was organised by the Second-in-Command, Captain Brian Fuller, currently celebrating his 53rd year of continuous service in the Cadet Unit since joining as a cadet in 1951.

All official photographs taken during the afternoon are displayed on the website of the Centarian Regimental Association, the association of ex-cadets of Christ's College, www.c-r-a.org.uk.

St Mary's international evening

By Paul Willcocks

The international reporter and BBC news presenter, George Alagiah, spoke eloquently at St. Mary's Church International Evening in East Finchley last month.

This evening, offering food from 14 different countries and a whole range of cultural musical events, was St Mary's first international event, and was a great success.

Aid for Dafur

Organised to raise money for the current Sudan crisis, the event was introduced by George Alagiah, who movingly described the torment of a continent continuously ravaged by war for nearly 50 years. As patron of Fair Trade, George praised the determination of Santana and Karen Luis - who organised the event - and condemned the inequality of food distribution in the world today.

He also confided to the local parishioners how glad he was to be back on home soil: George's family moved from Sri Lanka to East Finchley in 1973, and George himself lived in Summerlee Avenue for a number of years.

Food for the world

Amongst the locals raising money for Sudan were Jessica

Bacarese-Hamilton, enjoying a spicy Jamaican chicken, and James McCormack - who chose his favourite Indian curry. The range of food available included Kenyan caipati, provided by Margaret Gichonjo, Polish Bigos and Tortes (Polish cake) from Debbie and Jerzy Dissowski, and Nigerian Jallt rice and plantain from the Ogbechie family. May Brennan and Mary King were on hand with glasses of Irish coffee, whilst Piya and Tony Martin of Church Lane - serving Thailand dishes - taxed the minds of punters with their 'guess the cake weight' competition. The winner (in case the cake hasn't been claimed yet!) was Larry White.

Providing aid

Amidst all the exotic food tasting, the aim of the evening was not forgotten, and St Mary's first international evening should go a long way in providing urgently needed aid for Dafur in Sudan.

The evening raised almost £6,300.

FILMS & CINEMA

The kids stay in the picture house

By David Howes

Calling all parents! Just when you thought it wasn't safe to go back in the cinema, fear not, for the Phoenix has re-opened its Saturday morning kids' club!

Yes, the time has come to welcome the miniature masses to take their seats - legroom not a problem - and indulge in a popcorn and pop brunch whilst East Finchley's adult population nurse last night's hangover with a Bloody Mary and a 90% grease breakfast...

The Phoenix will be offering the newest kids' movies, special guests, food and drink, goody bags, raffles and much more.

So what are you waiting for?

The day - **Saturday**

The time - **11am**

The place - **The Phoenix**

Think of it this way. Giving up your Saturday morning is a bargaining chip towards a peaceful Sunday, and when was the last time you had your view of the screen obscured by the five year old seated in front of you? Exactly.

What's On...

E-mail your listings to the-archer@lineone.net

Sunday 7 - Saturday 13 November:

Incognito Theatre presents *The Miser* by Moliere - Famous comedy in which an eponymous skinflint decides his children are costing too much and must be married off. Convinced they are plotting to rob him blind, he eventually discovers that the fortune he buried in his garden has been stolen. Performances start at 8pm at Incognito Theatre, Holly Park Road, N11. Tickets £6-£8 (concs available) Box Office: 020 8361 8310 Info: Gary Jones on 01992 427401

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Fridays 12, 19, and 26 November:

Free singing club sessions with The Memory Lane singing club

Enjoy singing but need to rediscover the singing technique you once had? Open sessions for new members take place 11.30am-1.30pm at St. Mary's Hall, Hendon Lane, N3. To enrol call 020 8444 8511.

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Sunday 14 November:

Jacquin Ensemble plays pieces by Mozart and Brahms at 8pm at East Finchley Methodist Church. A collection will be made on behalf of Digis-mart, a charity for disadvantaged children.

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Wednesday 17 November:

Finchley & District Philatelic Society members compete for the Alan Drake one sheet competition. All visitors and prospective new members welcome. 8pm at Trinity Church Hall, Nether St, N Finchley. Enquiries to Brian Merryweather 020-8444-3251 or visit www.stampdomain.com/finchley and www.ukphilately.org.uk

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Saturday 27 November:

All Saints Winter Fair, 11am-2pm at All Saints Church Durham Road N2. Gifts, Cakes, Toys etc, etc, Refreshments.

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Saturday 27 November:

The North London Chorus performs Haydn's Creation at St James Church, Muswell Hill, 7.30pm.

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Sunday 28 November:

A service of advent carols at 6.30pm, All Saints Church Durham Road N2. All denominations are invited to take part

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Tuesday 30 November - Saturday 4 December:

Southgate College Opera presents **Gilbert and Sullivan's *Mikado*** at 7.30pm, Sat matinee 2.30pm, Gladys Child Theatre, High Street, Southgate, N14. Box office 020 8351 2621. Tickets also from Scott's Travel, 020 8882 0141.

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Friday 3 December:

East Finchley Development Trust AGM and review of East Finchley Festival at 7pm at The Green Man Centre. Refreshments provided. All welcome. Call Nick on 020 8883 4916 for details.

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Saturday 4 December:

East Finchley Arts Festival winter event at All Saints Church, Durham Road. The first in a series of **buffet supper concerts** is a **Victorian evening** - nostalgia and audience participation. Includes artists Ann Mann, Maureen Keetch and Anthony Sales. Concert starts at 7.30pm. Details and bookings: 020 8444 9214. (Jan 29: Thamyse String Quartet)

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Wednesday 8 December:

Age Concern Christmas Bazaar & BBQ at Ann Owens Centre, Oak Lane, N2. BBQ opens 12 noon and the Bazaar 1pm. Stalls by Age Concern Barnet and Leaside Day Centre plus Barnet PCT and Ageing Well Project, Barnet Community Care Team and the Multi-cultural Centre. The aim is to raise the profile of the valuable work Age Concern Barnet carries out in Barnet and to raise funds for the centre.

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Saturday 11 December:

Christmas cracker at 7.30pm, St Mary-at-Finchley, Hendon Lane, N3. Carols and Christmas music for all the family from the **Finchley Choral Society** and **South Hampstead High School Chorale**, who have recently performed in Switzerland and at the National Eisteddfod, Llangollen. Tickets £8 for adults, £1 for children.