



Regular Events

SPORT & FITNESS

- ❖ **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group** Call Vivien 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 8883 5269
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Bowling Club**, Kings Ave, N10. New & experienced bowlers welcome. Tel: 8883 1178.
- ❖ **Pilates** in East Finchley, qualified teacher. Contact Dee on 8883 7029
- ❖ **Pilates class** Wednesdays, 2.15-3.15pm at Youth Theatre, N2. Ring Penny Hill 8444 2882.
- ❖ **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** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8440 6953.
- ❖ **Wood Walk**, meet 10am at Cherry Tree Wood cafe on 1st & 2nd Mon of month for 1 hr walk. Call 8883 8750.
- ❖ **Yoga, breathing & relaxation**. Weekly drop-in classes - N2, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 8444 7783.
- ❖ **Yoga classes** Tuesdays 8-9:30pm at EF Methodist Church. Experienced teacher. Call Rosalind 8444 8134.

DANCE, DRAMA, ART & MUSIC

- ❖ **Art Classes**. For info call Henry on 020 8888 5133.
- ❖ **Ballroom dancing classes**, beginners and improvers. Phone 01707 642 378
- ❖ **Club Dramatika** drama club for kids. Call 8883 7110.
- ❖ **East Finchley Writing Workshops**. Creative writing, poetry and prose Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- ❖ **Finchley Jazz Club** - 17 & 31 Oct at 8pm, Wilf Slack Cricket Pavilion, East End Rd, N3. New members welcome
- ❖ **Line dancing** Tuesdays from 8.30pm at The Constitutional Club. Call Maureen 8440 8530.
- ❖ **Memory Lane Singing Club** - a communal singing club. Call Idit Gold 8458 4508.
- ❖ **Over 60s come dancing** at Ann Owens Centre 8346 8736
- ❖ **Pottery Class** at The Green Man, Call Celia Holmes 8349 9315
- ❖ **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church. Call 8883 4070 for info.
- ❖ **Street Dance** every Tuesday at Old Barn for children of various ages Contact Lorna 07976 203669.
- ❖ **SwampRock** events: Call Carole 8810 7454 or Neil 01727 830280 www.swamprock.org.uk
- ❖ **Symphonic Wind Orchestra** of North London, Contact Caroline Egan 8340 2706
- ❖ **Tap Dance** for children beginning at Old Barn every Monday, Contact Sharon 8349 4613

CLUBS & SOCIAL

- ❖ **Contact Lunch Club** Tuesdays at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book.
- ❖ **East Finchley National Childbirth Trust**, Contact Sophie on 8444 1890
- ❖ **East Finchley Writers** meet weekly at The Old White Lion. Call Lilian 8444 1793
- ❖ **Fairacres Monday Club** for Jewish people. Contact Rene & Reuby 8883 0448 or Sylvia 8958 7878
- ❖ **Finchley & District Philatelic Society**, Contact Brian 8444 3251
- ❖ **Friendly Rubber Bridge** at The Old Barn. Contact 8349 4613
- ❖ **Haringey Recorded Music Society** informal meetings locally. Call David Mouldon on 8361 1696.
- ❖ **North London Bridge Club**, Muswell Hill. Contact 8348 3495
- ❖ **Muswell Hill and Highgate Pensioners' Action Group** Call Bob Cottingham on 8444 7635.
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge**, contact 8883 4390
- ❖ **Old Barn pre-school club**, contact 8349 4613/1961
- ❖ **Parent & Toddler Group**, Green Man Centre, Julia 8444 2276
- ❖ **Probus Lunch Club** for retired professionals. Call Eric 8340 0822.
- ❖ **Stepping Stones**, interactive play session for under 3's. Karen 07957 278860.

Sweet Confections

Review and photo by
Toni Morgan

An evening of music, nostalgia and laughter was greatly enjoyed by an East Finchley audience at St Mary's Church Hall on the High Road on Saturday 10 September when The Confections staged their latest production.

The evening started with a medley of Old Time Music Hall songs; the performers were dressed in authentic costumes and audience participation added to the fun.

Following an interval when tasty refreshments were available, the company presented a selection of songs from the 20s and 30s onwards. The finale was a Cole Porter selection, which had many of the audience humming along to the very well-known tunes.



Apart from their two productions each year, The Confections are also involved with a large number of small concerts in day centres, residential homes and many other venues

throughout the area.

They would also like to recruit new members to their group, so if you enjoy singing and would be interested in joining the company, find

out more by contacting Ruby Sasin. Anyone wanting more information should call Ruby on 020 8440 2817 or e-mail music.confections@newvision.co.uk.

Louisiana fundraising event

By Betti Blatman



L'Ill Jim

SwampRock musicians and members have many close links with Louisiana, the American state battered by Hurricane Katrina. Many love its people, music, dancing, food and culture and feel they would like to give something back and show some solidarity with the Louisiana people who have lost their homes, possessions and livelihoods.

A special benefit night was held on Saturday 10 September at All Saints Arts Centre in Whetstone, with all profits and donations going to the American Red Cross Hurricane Appeal Fund.

SwampRock's next gig is on Saturday 22 October, with the electrifying Zydeco, plus a dance workshop for zydeco dancing at 8pm at All Saints Arts Centre, 122 Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone.

For further information contact Carole Lateman on 020 8810 7454 or Neil Papworth 01727 830280 or go to www.swamprock.org.uk

Come to the cabaret

By Sheila Armstrong

In a special one-off event the artsdepot will open up its café and bar to host the cabaret *Spice*, which features the latest in comedy and music. On Friday 11th November Ria Parry will present the very best of new work from a variety of new and established artists.

Ria set up *Spice* in 2001 and its home was for some while The Pleasance Theatre in N7. *Spice* now plays from a variety of venues offering its usual mix of comedy, music and new writing to audiences across London.

Tickets are £8.00 for the show. Food will be served from 6-8pm and the bar will be open throughout. Book a table with a group of friends and enjoy this exclusive show but book early, as places are limited. For more information or to book, contact the box office 020 8369 5454 or e-mail the website www.artsdepot.co.uk.

What's On...

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

Fridays 14th, 21st, 28th October, 8pm:
Meditation for Life and Death, Avenue House, East End Road. A series of three talks on the deeper significance of meditation and other spiritual practices, by Lucy Oliver. Entry £5.00.

Sunday 16 October:
Garden Suburb Ward Liberal Democrats' coach outing to Bletchley Park, home of ENIGMA code-breaking. Leave Golders Green Station 10am. Price: £22 (coach only, and part of the cost will go towards party funds). For application forms contact 020 8455 6507 or mail@marjorieharris.fsnet.co.uk. Non-members/non Liberal Democrats welcome.

Monday 24 October, 8pm:
Friends of Cherry Tree Wood AGM, Fellowship room of East Finchley Methodist Church, High Road.

Saturday 29 October:
Lupus UK - Halloween fun day, Budgens, High Road, starts 10am. Raffle and lucky dip with fantastic prizes and tasty bites to eat in aid of Lupus UK.

Saturday 29 October:
Finchley Cinevideo Society - Festival of Award-winning film. Contact Trevor Williams on 020 8446 3797 for details.

Thursday 3 November:
Fireworks Display - for the third year running, Martin Schools' PTA, The Green Man Community Centre and the East Finchley Festival Committee will stage a spectacular fireworks display (weather permitting) on the Martin School field, Plane Tree Walk, High Road, at 7pm (doors open at 6pm). Food and drinks will be on sale. Tickets available on the door.

Saturday 5 November, 10am-4pm:
Finchley Christian Fellowship Women of Faith Meeting. Hear the testimony of special guest Angie Taylor, former drug addict and alcoholic. East Finchley Baptist Church, Creighton Avenue. For details contact Marcia Andrew on 07950 522 004

Remembering Spike

Comedian Spike Milligan's connections with conservation are the subject of a talk by Bill Tyler, president of the Finchley Society.

Spike had a keen commitment to conservation nationally and especially in the Finchley area. In 1971, he helped to found the Finchley Society when he lived in North Finchley. He was the society's first president and then its patron until his death. Bill Tyler will recall some of the events, meetings and battles that lay behind the mask of comedy.

The talk takes place at Avenue House, East End Road, on Thursday 27 October at 8pm and entry is free. Non-members are welcome, but places are limited.

New meeting-place for MHFGA

The Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association starts its autumn programme in its new venue - Muswell Hill Bowling Club, Kings Avenue, N10.

The first meeting will be on Wednesday 26 October, when the speaker will be Libby Adams, archivist at Bruce Castle, Tottenham.

The Archer needs volunteer distributors for Strawberry Vale and The Grange.

Distribution takes place once a month.

A typical round takes 30-45 mins to deliver.

We also require drivers to drop to our distributors (average 8 drops each). Please contact 020 8883 0433 or distribution@the-archer.co.uk for details