



Quiz answers

1) c. East Finchley Underground station opened on 3 July 1939; 2) c. The Phoenix was first known as The Picturedrome; 3) b. Our Gracie lived on The Bishops Avenue; 4) d. Eric Aumonier sculpted Archie; 5) a. The first block of The Grange was completed by the then Borough of Finchley in 1938; 6) b. The familiar name of the A504 is Fortis Green; 7) d. John Marshall, a Hampstead Garden Suburb councillor on Barnet Council, has never represented East Finchley as its MP; 8) a. Bejam was taken over by Iceland; 9) b. Holy Trinity Church in Church Lane was built in 1845-46 by A. Salvin, who also designed the former Holy Trinity school buildings on East End Road, now occupied by the Bobath Centre; 10) c. The Archer was first printed in 1993.
Scores: 1-4 N2 Novice; 5-7 Local Learner; 8-10 East Finchley Expert.

Global Village 2006

By Francis Atkinson and Paul Bailey (Year 10 pupils at Fortismere School and Christ's College)
From 29 July to 9 August, Kent County Showground became the community for 5,000 people of many exciting countries and cultures. They were thrown together by Global Village, which takes place every four years. The aim was to help accomplish the eight Millennium Development Goals and to have the time of their lives. The goals are:

1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger.
2. Achieve universal primary education.
3. Promote gender equality and empower women.
4. Reduce child mortality.
5. Improve maternal health.
6. Combat HIV/Aids, malaria and other diseases.
7. Ensure environmental sustainability.

8. Develop a global partnership for development.

Every day we would head into the centre where there were many activities to help raise awareness of what young people can do to change the world for the better. Many youth groups such as the Woodcraft Folk and the Red Falcon Movement united in more than 40 camps. Our camp had an Austrian delegation and we learned lots about Austrian culture including *Tie Me Kangaroo Down Sport* in Austrian.

There was a coffee house and a fair-trade café for relaxation and many bands performed in the evenings. There was even a radio station, newspaper and, in addition, a television show for half an hour in the evening about what's been happening at Global Village, entitled *The Fear Brigade*, which was about getting rid of people's fears. It was very enjoyable for all involved.

So now people across the world are ready: ready to combat the problems facing the world. So look out, the youth of today are prepared.

There is a local branch of East Finchley Woodcraft for ages 7-15 years. To join Woodcraft and take part in events like Global Village please visit www.woodcraft.co.uk

I don't like cricket, I love it

By Diana Cormack
Not only does Robert Moore of RTM Garden Services East Finchley cultivate growing plants, he is also a cricket coach helping young cricketers to develop their potential. At present he is taking national courses which will eventually enable him to coach anywhere in the world. Locally Bobby is mainly involved with the Barnet Cricket Club for Ladies, where one of his daughters is an up and coming player.

Ten-year-old Daisy has been playing cricket since she was eight. Another daughter, twelve-year-old Molly, also plays and both girls are coached by their dad. Last year's Ashes series so inspired Daisy that she took part in a course at the Middlesex Cricket Academy on East End Road. This led to her being selected for further training. She now plays for both Middlesex County and Barnet's Underhill Girls, where she has played for the under elevens, under thirteens and trained with the under fifteens squad. This season she achieved a batting average of double figures, which is unusual for a girl of her age.



Daisy Moore representing Middlesex.
Photo by Diana Cormack

England, here comes Daisy!

Daisy is an all-rounder who shows a mature and intelligent attitude to the game, encouraging and guiding fellow players both on and off the pitch. This was evident at the end of the season when The Archer attended a cricket tournament for youngsters from six counties hosted by Middlesex at Lyttleton Playing Fields. Daisy told The Archer that she has to do a lot of training but enjoys it (the club uses Fortismere School's sports hall in winter). Her favourite England players are Kevin Pietersen and bowler Beth Morgan, whose father is the under elevens team manager. Who knows, one day Robert could be the proud father of an England player!

Did you know that East Finchley has its own cricket club, The North Two Cricket Club, established in 1982? If you're interested in playing or itching to get involved in winter training visit www.n2cc.co.uk for details or contact Bobby, a stalwart of this club too, on bmoore@hotmail.co.uk or on 07956 884 362.

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By Ricky Savage, the voice of social irresponsibility

Ding dong

Welcome to the world of the weird, welcome to the land where cyclo-loonies in lycra ride the wide open spaces of the city. This is a place where it's two wheels good, four wheels bad and two legs worse. Yes folks, to a true cyclo-loony, pollution is not only a car, it's a pedestrian as well.

From the warped end of insanity occupied by cyclo-loonies it's cool to ride on pavements and cool to run red lights. It's even cooler to claim that you are saving the planet by dressing up in man-made fibres, climbing onto your non-recyclable carbon fibre road rocket and racing buses down to Archway. Hell, why shouldn't the self-righteous inherit the pavements, they know it makes sense in a warped kind of way. And when the going gets that weird, it's time for the weird to turn pro.

I've nothing against cyclists, they're fine pedaling safely and sedately along the highways, remembering the Highway Code and saving a small bit of the planet. Cyclists are fine going up the side of some mountain on the Tour de France. But cyclo-loonies slaloming through commuters on a Monday morning or treating traffic lights as an insult to their way of life is as 'caring sharing' as bubonic plague and gives every other cyclist a seriously bad name. The cyclo-loonies don't own the place, Ken the Newt owns London and he reckons he's got the answers. He wants number plates, he wants the return of the bell, he wants congestion charges for all, but why go for half measures when full ones are weirder?

So that you can see them coming, why not make all cyclists dress up in fluorescent pink and wear a flashing red light? Your basic bell's no use so why not insist on a two-tone siren? You can bet your life you'll see and hear them and, seeing as they will look like something out of children's TV, they won't look cool either. But even with the lights, the dayglo and the siren, cyclo-loonies will still need protection, so in the interests of madness and insanity, a man with a red flag should walk in front of them at a steady four miles an hour. It won't worry the average plodder, but the nutters won't like it, hell, they might even take the bus instead, which is exactly what the Newt wants them to do.



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