



Party in the park

East Finchley's Community Festival has always been a belter of a day out, but this year's event was bigger, busier and better than ever. Congratulations to the festival's organising committee and to all the volunteers who made the day such a success.

Thousands of people spent the afternoon of Sunday 19 June enjoying the live entertainment, fun activities and dozens of stalls on the field in Cherry Tree Wood.

The day began with young people from Martin and Holy Trinity primary schools and the Newstead Children's Centre taking part in a fancy-dress parade down the High Road dressed as their favourite book characters and led in style by the band of the 393 (Finchley) Squadron Air Training Corps.

On the field, the crowds were entertained all afternoon by local bands and performance groups on the main stage and the Helen O'Toole community stage. Campaign groups got a chance to sign up new supporters too; there were stalls for the secondary school campaign group Local Schools for Local Children, the Stanley Field



393 Finchley Squadron Air Training Corps Band lead the parade

campaigners Sport EF, Barnet CPZ Action and the Old Barn Action Group.

Councillor Alison Moore opened the festival at midday and declared: "This festival is Barnet's longest-running free community event thanks to the enthusiasm and commitment of

the volunteers who organise it and to the thousands of local people who come along to enjoy the spirit of the day and to spend their money, which means next year's event can be free too."

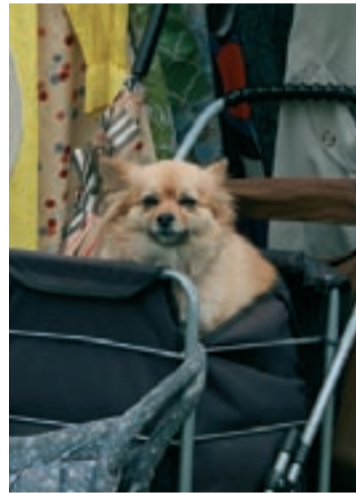
We hope you enjoy our festival photos taken by our snappers Toni Morgan, John Lawrence and Alison Roberts.



Above: Story-telling with Sophie Thompson



Above: The Campaign against Barnet's CPZ charges



Above: Painted faces



Above: Spring Park Motel on the main stage



Above: Teepees were amongst the more unusual goods for sale
Below: Sara Mitra leads the Institute's 'Sing Out Voices'

A friendly welcome awaits you

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