



Regular Events SPORT & FITNESS

- ❖ **Badminton** Weds eves 8-10pm all abilities, contact George 8349 0170 or John 8444 7163.
- ❖ **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** on Wednesdays, Christ Church N12. Call Bridie 8883 5269
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Bowling Club**, Kings Ave, N10. New & experienced bowlers welcome. Tel: 8883 0433.
- ❖ **Pilates** in East Finchley, qualified teacher. Contact Dee on 8883 7029
- ❖ **Pilates class** Weds 3.30 & 7pm at Ann Owens Ctr, N2. Call Penny 8444 2882.
- ❖ **Tae Kwon Do** for children & adults at Finchley Lido Mon & Fri 7-9pm 07949 612 706. www.taekwondo-uktd.co.uk
- ❖ **Tai Chi class** at EF Methodist Ch, Weds at 1pm. Call James Drewe 8883 3308 or james@taiji.co.uk
- ❖ **Tennis club** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8883 7723.
- ❖ **Yoga, breathing & relaxation.** Weekly drop-in classes - N3, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 07956 375607.
- ❖ **Yoga, pregnancy yoga, meditation** classes. Call Sunnah 07941 321 772 or see www.stretchingpeople.co.uk.

MUSIC, DANCE & CREATIVE ARTS

- ❖ **Art Classes.** For info call Henry on 8888 5133.
- ❖ **Ballroom Dance Classes**, Wednesday eves for beginners & improvers. St Mary's Church Hall, N3. 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Ballroom & Latin American Dance Classes**-beginners & improvers. Wed & Fri eve, Bishop Douglass Sch. 8207 2323.
- ❖ **Creative writing classes** in informal, friendly atmosphere. Tel Sallie Rose 020 8444 7217.
- ❖ **Drama Classes** for 11-15 year olds. Mondays 6.30-8pm. Contact Dominic Conway 0777 284 3958
- ❖ **East Finchley Writers Group**, Weds at the Old White Lion. Contact Carola 8883 5808 or Lilian 8444 1793.
- ❖ **East Finchley Poetry Writing Workshops.** Monthly on Saturdays. Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- ❖ **Finchley Jazz Club: Live jazz** on Mon 10 & 24 Oct at 8.15pm, Wilf Slack Cricket Pavilion, East End Rd, N3.
- ❖ **Memory Lane Singing Club** - friendly singing club meets every Friday in Finchley. Call Valerie 8458 4508.
- ❖ **Over 50s Tea Dance** at Christ Church, North Finchley. Every Weds, 1pm. 020 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards La. Call 8888 4412.
- ❖ **Symphonic Wind Orchestra** Contact Caroline Egan 8340 2706
- ❖ **Traditional music** at TOC, Highgate Hill on 1st & 3rd Tue each month from 8.30 pm. Free. All musicians welcome. Info 07958 282898.

CLUBS & SOCIAL

(See p8 for Parent & Toddler Clubs)

- ❖ **Bingo evening, 8pm Sundays**, at the Constitutional Club, The Walks, N2.
- ❖ **Bingo Club** Mondays 7-9pm, Green Man Centre, Contact: Jan 8815 5452
- ❖ **Contact Lunch Club** Tuesdays at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book.
- ❖ **Finchley & District Philatelic Society**, Contact Brian 8444 3251
- ❖ **French conversation** in small friendly group with native speaker. 8444 9395.
- ❖ **Friends of Cherry Tree Wood** www.cherrytreewood.co.uk or 8883 7544.
- ❖ **Haringey Recorded Music Society** informal meetings locally. Call David Moldon on 8361 1696.
- ❖ **LGBT?** 1st Weds every month in a local pub. Welcoming atmosphere. Email efinchleylgbt@hotmail.com
- ❖ **Muslim Lunch Club** 1st & 3rd Weds, Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book.
- ❖ **North London Bridge Club**, Muswell Hill. Contact 8348 3495
- ❖ **Northside Bridge Club**, EF Methodist Church, Thurs 7.30-11pm. 8346 8145.
- ❖ **Jewish Friendship Club** for over 60s, Tues 1-3 pm at Muswell Hill Synagogue, Tetherdown. Call Anita 8886 6140.
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge**, contact 8883 4390
- ❖ **Probus Lunch Club** for retired professionals. Call John 8883 8114.

New poetry magazine

Local poet, teacher and publisher Dennis Evans has founded a new poetry magazine based in East Finchley. The launch of N2 Poetry magazine's first issue was attended by over 50 people from all over the borough, during which there were readings of some of the published poems.

The magazine contains 36 pages full of interesting and thought-provoking poetry from well-established poets. Dennis is joined on the editorial board by local poets Shereen Abdallah and Jean Wallis, whilst production is handled by Anne Ballard who is also a published poet.

For more information or to purchase a copy of N2 Poetry, contact Dennis Evans on 020 8346 9528.



Lost by Derek Coombes is one of the photos on show at the Viewfinders exhibition

Through the viewfinder

An exhibition of striking photographic images by members of the Viewfinders group is on display in Chorak, High Road, until the end of October. Out There In Here is the group's second exhibition and incorporates a diverse range of photographic matter from London and around the world.

Viewfinders is a small social group based on a shared enthusiasm for the art and technical skill of photography, formed at the end of 2006. The group says it seeks to complement the work of traditional photographic clubs, but by mutual encouragement and constructive criticism rather than through competition between members. There is no membership fee, no club rules and no hierarchy.

Viewfinders encourages members to experiment and develop their own individual style. To do this, it organises social events in central London and in members' homes, plus occasional outings with a photographic theme. For more details about Viewfinders, contact David Lewis on 07816 590744 or Bob MacDowall on 07858 079813.

Have you been affected by a stroke?

Have you, or anyone you know, been affected by a stroke? If so, you might like to go along to the Cresset Stroke Club which has been running for eight years, and meets at the Union Church Cresset Centre, Northiam,

Woodside Park, N12 7ET, every Wednesday from 2pm-4pm. The cost is £1 per session.

The club is run by a dedicated team, many of whom are volunteers with the Stroke Association. It offers a choice of table games in small groups,

with a tea break. Some transport is provided by the volunteers for people living within a mile of the Union Church Cresset Centre.

For more information, or to join the club, contact Yvonne Ruge on 020 8445 4967 or email yvonneruge@live.co.uk.

What's On...

Wednesday 5 October

- **Tumbleweed Comedy Club** at the Old White Lion pub, High Road, N2, 7.30pm. Musical comedy from Horse & Louis, stand-up from regular Tumbleweeder Luke Toulson and a headline set from one third of sketch legends Pappy's, Matthew Crosby.

Thursday 6 October and Sunday 9 October

- Two special fundraising concerts by Souvenir D'Anne Frank at The Red Hedgehog, 255 Archway Road, N6. Colin Decio's haunting *Piano Trio for Anne Frank*, in six movements, interwoven with newly composed songs and the stories of Anne Frank, her father Otto Frank and the Souvenir d'Anne Frank rose in Japan. The concerts are raising funds for theatre and music, outreach workshops and exhibitions to tell the story of Otto, of Anne and the rose, celebrating the courage of all who stand against injustice, bullying and racism. Thursday at 7.30pm and Sunday at 4pm; seats at £18 and £12 (under 18s). Box Office: 020 8348 5050 or boxoffice@theredhedgehog.co.uk

Friday 7 October to Sunday 16 October

- East Finchley Arts Festival at All Saint's Church, Durham Road, N2. Full programme of music, poetry, art and literature. Details at www.eastfinchleyartsfestival.org.uk

Friday 7 October to Friday 4 November

- The Noble Sage Art Gallery, 2 Fortis Green, N29EL: free exhibition of Figuration from India, Sri Lanka and Pakistan. Tel: 020 8883 7303 or visit www.thenoblesage.com

Saturday 8 October

- Holy Trinity Church, Church Lane, 6.30 pm: free concert by jazz vocalist Tina May in aid of Brainstorm, the charity for children suffering from brain tumours. Details: Peter

Mathews, 8 492 7347

Sunday 9 October

- **Friends of Alexandra Park** invite you to *The Autumn Walk*, looking at tree health, at 2pm. For more information, ring Lucy Roots on 020 8883 8875, or visit www.fqw.org.uk/events

- **Free concert at East Finchley Methodist Church**, High Road, 7.30pm; *Vesuvio Wind Quintet* plays classical and contemporary pieces including works by Mozart, Ravel, Tomasi and Grainger. Free admission with collection in aid of Pick's Disease Support Group. Venue fully accessible to people with disabilities.

Friday 14 October

- **Give Blood** between 9.40am and 12.20pm and 2pm to 4.40pm in the NCP car park at East Finchley tube station. For an appointment call 0300 123 23 23 or visit www.blood.co.uk

- **Citizen Advice Bureau free Budgeting workshop** for those interested in learning how to use their income more effectively and to be in control of their finances. Open to anyone; Hendon venue. For details contact financialcapability@barnetcab.org.uk or call Ikeoluwa on 020 8349 0584 (Tuesdays or Fridays).

Saturday 15 October

- **David Lindo** (a.k.a. 'The Urban Birder', www.theurbanbirder.com, as seen on BBC1's 'The One Show') is giving a talk on urban birdwatching billed on his website as 'Wildlife Expo' at Alexandra Palace, 3pm.

- **The Confections** in concert at St Mary's Church Hall, High Road, N2, 7.45pm. Tickets £8 and £7 (concessions) from 020 8440 2817 or available on the door. All proceeds to St Mary's Church Hall refurbishment.

Sunday 16 October

- **A walk along Church Path** and other back streets of North Finchley

and Whetstone, going as far as Swan Lane Open Space. Either catch a bus back, or walk along Woodside Avenue. The whole journey will be less than two miles. Meet 2pm at entrance to Lodge Lane car park, North Finchley. More information from Derek Warren of The Finchley Society on 020 8346 5258.

- **The Battle of Barnet: guided walk** with City of London guide Paul Baker. Meet at junction of Great North Road and Hadley Green Road at 2.30pm. Phone Paul on 020 8440 6805.

Saturday 22 October

- **Parent and child Mandarin taster class** at East Finchley Library, 3-4pm. Call the library on 020 8359 3815 for further information.

Sunday 23 October

- **Vale Farm Allotment's first Apple Day**, 2pm-5pm; apple games for children, along with jams and chutneys for sale and drinks, barbecue, tea and cakes to enjoy; Vale Farm Allotments, Tarling Road, N2.

Thursday 27 October

- David Smith talks about the first 40 years of The Finchley Society, 8pm, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Everyone welcome. Admission fee £2 for non-members.

Thursday 27 October to Saturday 29 October

- **Theatre in the Square** present *Armchair Radio Theatre*: three new radio plays from the 1940s in our specially designed radio theatre. An affectionate look back at the golden age of radio drama and comedy, with live sound effects. Audience encouraged to join in. Performances on 27, 28 and 29 October at 8pm at United Reformed Church, Pond Square, Highgate, N6. Tickets available at www.theatreinthesquare.org or from Box Office at 07522 791618. Tickets £10, concessions £9. Early bird concessions available. Further

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

information from info@theatreinthesquare.org

Friday 28 October to Monday 31 October

- **Hallowe'en Ghost Walk** with City of London guide Paul Baker. Meet 7.30 pm at High Barnet tube station. Please bring a torch if possible. Prize for spookiest costume. Phone Paul on 020 8440 6805.

Sunday 30 October

- Join a **Tree Walk** to examine and identify a few of the wide range of native and exotic trees in Alexandra Park. Visit www.friendsofalexandrapark.org for details. Keep checking, as details will be added nearer the time.

Wednesday 2 November

- **Tumbleweed Comedy Club** at Old White Lion pub, High Road, N2, 7.30pm. Stand-up from Tom Goodliffe, Liam Williams and Rob the Zombie; comedy songs from Rachel Parris.

Saturday 12 November

- **Muswell Hill Craft Fair** in aid of North London Hospice, Tetherdown Hall, Tetherdown, Muswell Hill N10; 10am-4pm. Adults £1, children free; refreshments available. Fifty stalls offer a wide range of handmade items for sale, including jewellery, pottery, knitwear, greetings cards and stained glass.

What's on at artsdepot

Thursday 13 October, 8pm, **Frisky 8 Mannish** (comedy); Friday 14 + Saturday 15 Oct, 7.30pm, **Champagne Breakfast** (theatre); Saturday 15 Oct, 7.30pm + Sunday 16 Oct, 2.30pm, **Friend or Foe** (theatre); Saturday 22 Oct, 7pm, **Clive: Halloween Party** (music); Friday 28 Oct, 8.30pm, **Folk in the Foyer** (free music); Saturday 29 Oct, 7.30pm, **The Love of the Nightingale** (theatre); Thursday 3 November, 7.30pm, **Reka** (music).