



YOUNG ARCHER



Up stumps: North Middlesex Under-11s celebrate their victory

Wicked wickets

North Middlesex Cricket Club entered teams in the Girls Under 11 and Girls Under 13 leagues over the summer and both had a very successful season.

The Under 11s won all their league matches and qualified for County Finals Day as undefeated champions of their division. On County Finals Day they won their semi-final

with Ealing, and then won the final against Bushy Park Girls with the last ball of the match. The Under 13s won half of their matches and so finished third in their division.

This is a good result for a first year in a new league. North Midd's ground is at the bottom of Muswell Hill, and a number of East Finchley girls play in their girls' teams. If you would like to join email: nmcc.colts@gmail.com

Runners and ramblers on the move

EFAB's Mums Who Run group, a friendly jogging group for women, and Talkie Walkies walking group, have both moved their sessions to a different day, and look forward to welcoming newcomers to the groups.

Mums Who Run are now meeting on Friday mornings at 9.30am in Cherry Tree Wood, and encourage women of any age (not necessarily mums) to join them for a friendly, supportive jog together. All fitness levels are catered for. Contact sarahglennon7@gmail.com for more details or to attend.

Talkie Walkies have decided

to change their weekly meet-up to a Monday, and now meet at 12.30pm outside the Clissold Arms pub, 105 Fortis Green, before setting off on a 45-minute stroll and chat together. If attendees wish they can then enjoy a cuppa or lunch together afterwards. Please contact Esther on samsonel@btinternet.com or call Tony on 07958 334665.

Found in the roof

By Daphne Chamberlain
Found anything interesting in your attic lately? Restorers working on Codebreaking Hut 6 at Bletchley Park were amazed by what they found stuffed into cracks between roof beams.

Keeping out draughts were the only known examples of Banbury sheets, devised by Alan Turing to help break the Enigma code, together with notes and calculations. (We never saw Benedict Cumberbatch up to any of this in the very moving Imitation Game.) The finds are on display in an exhibition currently running in Hut 12.

If you missed The Imitation Game when it was on at the Phoenix, it is available on DVD. You can also find out more about some of the 8,000 plus women who worked at what was called "Station X" during World War 2. A new book by Michael Smith called The Debs of Bletchley Park is available now. It's a rather misleading title, as they came from many different backgrounds.

Published by Aurum Press, ISBN 978 1 78131 3879 (suffix 389 3 in e-form), I'm sure it could also be borrowed from the library!

Laptop support

Local minicab and courier company GLH has continued its support for the Archer Academy by providing 12 bespoke laptops for use by students with dyslexia. They are being used as part of the school's learning support programme, which is run in conjunction with the Hampstead Dyslexia Clinic.

As Delia Gascoigne, a director of the clinic, explains: "Access to a laptop for essays and note-taking in class and in exams can be an absolute life saver to a young person who has difficulty getting their thoughts down on paper, or poor penmanship or organisational skills."

The laptops have been fitted with dyslexia-friendly spelling programmes and other specialist software, designed to increase the students' fluency,

confidence and independent learning skills. And the students are feeling really positive about the impact it is having on their learning. Sam, a Year 9 student, explained: "Having a personal laptop has enabled me to feel more confident in my lessons. I know that I can concentrate on the topic we are studying, instead of being distracted by my spelling and presentation, and make better progress. I am enjoying my lessons more!"



Young vision: Monique Narh

Ambitious for Africa

Monique Narh is working hard towards four A-levels while at the same time hoping she'll come away wearing the crown in the Miss Teen Africa competition.

Monique, 17, is studying biology, chemistry, politics and psychology at Christ's College Finchley. On 14 November she'll take a night off to enter the beauty pageant at Stratford town hall.

As a contestant she has already been involved in a string of public appearances including Africa Fashion Week, the Kenya in the Park event and a press conference for Dance Afrique.

Monique says: "I love empowering youth and I believe becoming Miss Teen Africa will provide me with the platform to target and inspire British African youth to have higher aspirations and tackle the issues

which stop us from achieving. This way we help and build ourselves and then we can help people living in Africa."

PARENT & BABY/CHILD ACTIVITIES

- EF National Childbirth Trust contact Naomi at eastfinchleynct@haringey-nct.org
- MusicalTots: Wednesdays 11am at the Old White Lion and Fridays 11am at The Five Bells N2. [katemusicaltots](https://www.facebook.com/katemusicaltots) on facebook.
- Phoenix Cinema activities, Bringing up baby screenings, Weds, 11am; Kids Club, Sat, 12pm; Toddler Time, Tues, 11am. Full details from box office on 020 8444 6789.
- Stepping Stones, music and play for 0-3s. Tues 10am, East Finchley Baptist Church. Liz 07836 284538.
- Teddy Bears' Music, singing for 0-3s in Holy Trinity Church, N2, Thurs 9.45am & 10.45am. Camilla 07900 988149.

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