

Westcombe NEWS

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Peninsula war ends



A computer-generated model of how the peninsula development might look

The Mayor of London, Ken Livingstone, has given the green light for development on the Greenwich Peninsula, the former site of the Millennium Dome.

A total of 10,010 homes will be built, with more than 4,100 of these (41 per cent) affordable or specialist low cost homes. His decision follows negotiations that have secured an increase of 19.5 per cent in the original number of affordable and low cost homes for the site.

"I am delighted to give the go-ahead to this major, impressive development in one of London's vital regeneration areas," said Mr Livingstone.

"Many people believed that increasing the proportion of affordable homes above 35 per cent would not be possible. These new plans show their concerns were unfounded. Holding out for more affordable homes means that we will give east London just the vibrant new communities it is crying out for." (continued on page 7.)

Teens to the rescue!

A team of teenage volunteers are to help clear up vandalised Maze Hill railway station.

They are pupils from Eaglesfield secondary School at Shooters Hill and will be working at the station on July 17th, along with Connex staff and teachers.

The initiative came from the school after pupils read about the state of the station, and follows stories published in the *Westcombe News*.

Connex has pledged to take action to try to prevent further damage at the distinctive all-glass building, which has had many of its windows boarded up.

Meanwhile, British Transport Police are meeting with local residents to discuss the problem on June 30th.

Said a Connex official: "We're so pleased that the pupils have offered to help. We will have a skip on the site and they will be wearing their oldest clothes to help our people tidy up the site."

Regarding the state of the station, the official added: "We're working with the



What is Connex doing to maintain its property?

local community, Network Rail and the British Transport Police to look at measures that can be taken to make sure that vandalism doesn't just re-occur once the windows have been mended."

Blackheath Westcombe Cllr. Alex Grant commented: "It's good that Connex finally seems to be taking the state of Maze Hill station seriously.

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Raids in the Standard Geoff Garvey

Local traders are demanding that CCTV cameras be erected at the Standard shopping centre after a vicious assault on a local newsagent and a meticulously planned burglary at another. Westcombe Hill newsagent Kris Chaturvedi was attacked and robbed in his shop on the morning of Tuesday June 3rd.

Seven stitches

Mr Chaturvedi, who is 68, and used to run a post office at the premises, was hit on the head and needed seven stitches following the raid, in which he was knocked unconscious.

He had been asked for cigarettes and was then attacked; £45 cash stolen. This is the third time that he has been the victim of a robbery.

Later two youths aged 18 and 19 were arrested and have been charged with robbery.

On May 21st thieves broke through three security doors at the rear of Nicky's Newsagents in Old Dover Road during the night.

They then proceeded to steal all the cigarettes, travel cards, lottery money, postage stamps and scratch cards - a haul worth at least £15,000.

Shop-owner Ghanshyam Patel said: "They cut through the alarm system as well. It was a very professional job."

In another raid, thieves stole cakes being stored at the back of the cafe next to Nicky's and now the petition has been placed in a number of shops for signatures.

CCTV: "Too expensive"

Said Mr Patel: "We tried to get camera coverage six months ago, but the council turned the suggestion down, saying it would cost £25,000 to install and was too expensive.

In recent years there have been a number of such incidents in Old Dover Road and around the Batley Park area. There have been repeated calls for a greater police presence in the area.

"The only time I've seen a policeman in the street is in the afternoon sometimes, when the school kids come out," said one shop-keeper. Another said he closes earlier in the evening than he used to.

"How many more crimes must we suffer before something is done?"

War against crime: see page 3, column 3.

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Society

The early years of the Westcombe Society

Alan Mills continues his account of the early years of the Westcombe Society. Part 1 of his account appeared in May's WN.

Anyone who delves into the Westcombe News box at Woodlands will be struck by the enthusiasm and energy and, dare I say it, idealism, of the first Westcombe Society Committee. The breadth of its self imposed remit is quite breathtaking.

The committee was made up of a number of people with specialist roles which could be described as planning and environment, leisure, youth and 'social services' (ie looking suspiciously like a local authority structure).

The emphasis was on consultation and finding community solutions. When the society spoke on planning and environment issues it was not as a self appointed watchdog but as a voice for the community based on surveying views of local people. Rather than deciding to mount events for young people the society called meetings of local youth and asked what they wanted.

The pre-Thatcher days

All in all, my re-reading of these fascinating documents takes me back to those pre-Thatcher days before the retreat from community began and no one seriously suggested that 'society' did not exist.

A wide range of events took place. In its' first months the Society held a cheese and wine party, a reminiscence event, a party for people newly arrived in the area, a general meeting to question the committee, a consultation meeting for teenagers, a halloween party, a cookery evening for older people, crime and the community with the local police, a home brewing evening, bring a dish evenings, nearly new childrens' clothes

sale, a Christmas carol evening and a New Year Dance (with a live band - tickets £1).

There was discussion about the effects of heavy lorries and the need for pinch points - and a public consultation to determine local views. There was also an appeal for a local family who had lost everything in a fire, and a register of car owners willing to assist elderly and disabled people with lifts was set up.

The Westcombe News was not in its present professional form but was one sheet of A4, and sometimes there were time gaps due to lack of money.

Where are they now?

Those who attended the Society's recent AGM received a copy of the first edition of the News which listed all of the members of the first committee. Some of these people have moved, and some have died, but a number still live in the area, including Hilary Patrinos (the first secretary), Anna Townend, Pat Dodson and myself. Tom Crowe, first Chair, lives in France; among many others, Margaret Smith is in Yorkshire, and John Ayling lives in Cambridgeshire. Arthur Rolfe, a conservation organiser and former councillor, lives in Bexley, I believe, but is sometimes to be seen around Greenwich.

Derek Freeman still lives in the area, Anthony Renouf (first editor of the WN) is in East Greenwich, Brenda LePavoux, lives in Beckenham. Arthur Mellish and Eric Wills are, sadly, no longer with us.

Apologies to any I have missed - and many thanks to Pat Dodson for her help with the 'where are they now' list.
Any more personal memories welcomed.

Thanks to the Westcombe Society

Families in two continents will soon be receiving a pair of pigs and a collection of chickens, thanks to the volunteers of the Westcombe Society.

The pigs will be delivered by the international aid agency World Vision to two families in South East Asia; in addition, a family in Honduras can look forward to ten chickens from the international charity. All after £84 was raised at the Society's AGM.

The money, raised at the plant stall, means that the families, living in some of the poorest countries will have produce to eat, sell and even share with friends and neighbours.

World Vision's Jan Butter said he was delighted at the amount raised:

"It's wonderful to think that money raised by selling plants can help families abroad work their way out of poverty.

Making a difference

"This shows that you should never underestimate what a difference your donations can make. Just £17 can buy ten chickens, a school kit for a child in Asia or fruit trees for a Vietnamese family, all from the World Vision gift catalogue.

"Because of the Society's generous gift, parents once struggling to earn a living will now be able to bring home the eggs and bacon! Thank you."

From: World Vision UK, 599 Avebury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, MK9 3PG Tel. 01908

WANTED!

The Westcombe Society needs donations of cakes for the cake stall at the Summer Picnic on July 12th. Please ring Liz Court on 8293 0242 if you can help out - or if you would like to help in any other way on the day.

The Society also needs fruit or vegetables for chutney, jam and marmalade to be sold at our fund raising events. If you have produce to donate or can help in any way please ring Caroline on 8853 0948.

New to the area? A few hours to spare either daytime or evening? Plans are taking shape for the next Dickensian Christmas Bazaar on 22nd November.

To make this the best yet we need some new blood to join our team. Don't be shy, ring 8853 0948 to find out more!

The Westcombe News depends on volunteers to help to distribute it. If you would like to help out - on a regular basis or just occasionally - please ring Myles Dove on 8853 3740.

Greenwich Steiner School: A Labour of Love

In 1996, three local parents had a vision for their children - for them to enjoy the benefits of a Steiner education in South-East London - an alternative, education which would protect their right to childhood; give them a love of learning; the courage to question; to express their individuality; and to make a responsible contribution to society.



A mother and toddler group was set up - and the Acorn Project was born. Three years later it had grown to be the Oak Tree Project situated St. George's Church, Kirkside Road.

Twelve children from 3 1/2 to 5 years old entered a warm, natural environment. The 'toys' were everyday or natural object - wooden tables, logs, fir cones, buttons, conkers, hand made puppets, and wool for finger knitting.

Bread-making

Among the creative activities was bread-making! Other children made wooden boats or trains; others made houses, or dressed up as imaginary characters.

The children remain in kindergarten until they are between 6 and 7 years old. There is no head work until they have their second teeth. The education, right up to 'A' Level, is firmly child-centred.

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NEWS & FEATURES

MP praises local company for training opportunities

Carol Green

Last month, local MP Nick Raynsford visited Blackheath's Capital Roofing's splendid new Training Centre. He was given a conducted tour of the Company's premises, met directors Gary and Terry Peck and the staff, and saw the new Training Centre in full flow. The MP commented on the Centre itself and more importantly on the enthusiasm of the trainees, including Chris Mitchell (pictured right.) Capital Roofing is keen to meet with, and indenture, young men seeking apprenticeships within the industry.



CITB's Training Officer Bob Boyce stated that the industry as a whole would benefit from Capital Roofing's contribution. Anyone wishing to apply should take note that Capital Roofing only take on the very best and to bear testament to this statement they currently have the 2001 and 2002 Craftsman of the Year for the industry on their payroll.

Tragedy in park

Natural Perspectives return for their fourth year to the idyllic setting of the Old Royal Observatory Garden in Greenwich Park with a new production of HAMLET.

The play runs in the Garden from 26 July to 10 August (See *WHAT'S ON*) *Natural Perspectives* was founded in 2000 by five young theatre practitioners while they were training together at LAMDA. They have now successfully produced three of Shakespeare's comedies in Greenwich Park - over 2,000 people saw *As You Like It* last year.

Hamlet, this year's production, is daringly being staged in the round - but instead of the audience sitting around the acting area, the actors circumnavigate the audience! This pacy production seeks to revitalise the play for audiences in a thrilling new way. See *WHAT'S ON* for details. Picture p 6.

Carmen in the Garden

Sponsored by Friends of Greenwich Park, Garden Opera are giving their second performance of Carmen in Greenwich on the afternoon of Saturday 30 August, this time in the delightful setting of Greenwich Park's Observatory Gardens.

Garden Opera specialise in outdoor performances. Ian Jervis appears this year as Zuniga, the officer who has to arrest Carmen. Both he and Yvonne Fontane, who sings the part of Carmen, live locally.

As a bonus, Friends of Greenwich Park have arranged for Theatre of Wine to offer a free tasting of Spanish sherries on 30th August at their premises, 75 Trafalgar Road, just near the Park Vista entrance to Greenwich Park. See *What's On* for details.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Westcombe News

I have just received a copy of the 1973 edition courtesy of Doreen Grandon.

As the founding chairman of the society, I would like to send my congratulations on reaching your thirtieth anniversary, and wish you all my best wishes for the next thirty years.

Pauline and I would also like to send our best regards to all our friends in the Westcombe Park area of which we have such fond memories.

Currently I am in the Honfleur Society. Last Saturday we were treated to a trip to William the Conqueror's castle in Falaise.

Yours sincerely

Tom Crowe, Cote de la Croix Rouge, Honfleur

Dear Westcombe News

I am delighted to hear that the Westcombe Society still flourishes, and that the Westcombe News is still being published - I get it by sending prepaid envelopes.

Please pass on my regards to committee members past and present. I am sorry I couldn't make the 30th AGM! Maybe I might get to the Dickensian Christmas Fair? Best regards

Tony Whitehead Tavistock, Devon
Former Soc Chairman

Dear Editor

Well, it seems the traffic calming measures at the Westcombe Hill end of Humber Road have made a big difference to the speed of the traffic. All we now need is a pit lane and a few mechanics.

Yours sincerely

Lewis Squires, Humber Road

Another letter on page 6.

Healthy day

Blackheath Complementary Health Centre is holding an open day at the clinic at 184-6 Westcombe Hill, on Sunday 6th July from 11am to 4pm. For a nominal price of £5 each, visitors will be able to try out an extraordinary variety of treatments - which include Chinese tongue and pulse diagnosis, Iridology, Kinesiology, Reflexology, Massage, Chiropractic and Reiki treatments, Acupuncture, Nutritional medicine, and a Qi Gung demonstration class from 12.30 to 1pm.

You will have the chance to meet the team of expertly trained practitioners, and to find out about a wide range of therapies which could give you fresh insight into a condition you might be suffering from, and to obtain advice. For anyone curious about or contemplating alternative therapies, it sounds like a fascinating and informative day!

Sneak thief in Westcombe Park

Geoff Russell

On the evening of Tuesday 27th May, Mike McCormack was unloading his car as he moved into a flat at 1, Mycenae Road. He put down his blue holdall in the entrance to the flats, whilst he took other luggage upstairs.

On his return a couple of minutes later, the bag had gone. Mike says it contained nothing of value except to himself - his course study notes - and wonders if anyone might have found it, for instance, thrown into a garden.

If you have any knowledge of Mike's blue holdall, please phone him on 0132 391 295 (daytime) or 078 8547 9300.

Police commended Geoff Garvey reports

Two police officers and a civilian have been officially commended for their work in securing the arrest of a gang of four men who robbed a teenager.

At 11 pm on March 4th, the seventeen-year-old was walking home along Trafalgar Road when he was attacked and brutally assaulted and robbed by the group, causing extensive injuries.

During the attack, one of the men stole gold chains from the victim's neck. They also stole an expensive designer baseball cap that the youth was wearing.

CCTV

The whole attack was captured on CCTV thanks to the alert vigilance of Kevin Ward, a civilian operator at the Woolwich CCTV Control Centre.

Mr Ward had been monitoring the men, thinking they looked suspicious, and when the attack occurred, he alerted the police control room at Plumstead.

Constables Heather Ansell and James Dommert were first to arrive, and pre-

vented the suspects from leaving until other officers arrived. Three suspects have now been arrested and charged.

At an awards ceremony at Charlton House, Constables Ansell and Dommert, and Kevin Ward, all received commendations for their part in the operation.

Crime hotspot

Also at the ceremony, guests were told how Greenwich town centre was a hotspot for street crime and robberies.

At 9pm on the 23rd of February 2003, Constable Mark Diamond was on duty in Maze Hill. He was approached by three teenagers who alleged that a man and a woman had stolen his mobile phone.

The suspects were spotted in Park Row, and Con. Diamond detained them until other units arrived. A search of the female suspect produced the mobile phone; both suspects were arrested.

Constable Diamond was commended for his diligence and commitment to duty.

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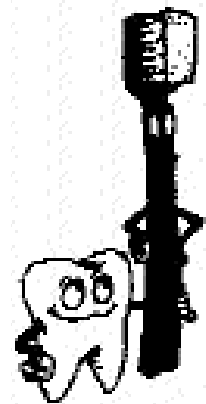
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FEATURES

The future of transport in Greenwich The first of a series of exclusive articles by Alan Franck.

A conference on transport in March this year heard proposals for transport improvements throughout the London Borough of Greenwich, principally related to new developments on the Peninsula and at Woolwich Arsenal which could bring an additional 25,000 new jobs to the area.

Government plans to regenerate the wider Thames Gateway area should also have a positive impact on transport links in the borough.

This article on Docklands Light Railway and Crossrail, by Alan Franck is the first of a series in The Westcombe News. Alan Franck looks critically at details of the proposed improvements, and raises serious questions about the future of transport in and around Greenwich.

DLR Developments

From its beginnings in 1987, the DLR has expanded rapidly. Between 1987 and 1995 there were an average of 8 million passenger journeys per annum. Today the extended network carries some 45 million passengers a year and the figure is expected to rise to 60 million by 2005/06, with over 12 million on the Lewisham extension alone.

Construction has started on a new extension to London City Airport and North Woolwich, with the first services scheduled for mid-2005. The 4.5 km route, incorporating 4 new stations, will cut journey times between Bank station and the Airport to just 22 minutes.

A further extension to Woolwich has also been proposed, with a 2.5km spur leaving the planned London City Airport line east of King George V station in North Woolwich, descending into a tunnel under the Thames and surfacing again in Woolwich with the new platforms adjacent to the National Rail station at Woolwich Arsenal.

The new DLR station would be constructed partly under Woolwich New Road with a new station entrance onto Greens End and Powis Street giving excellent access to the town centre, and new developments along the riverside and the Royal Arsenal site.

The existing station on Woolwich New Road would be expanded to accommodate a second DLR station entrance which would allow interchange with buses on Woolwich New Road and General Gordon Place, serving Greenwich, Blackheath, Charlton, Thamesmead,

Plumstead, Abbey Wood and Bexleyheath. A footbridge connection would be built from the DLR to allow interchange with Connex rail services on the North Kent line platforms.

Construction should start in mid-2004 with completion scheduled for late-2007.

CrossRail

The CrossRail proposal is for a major new east/west rail link across London. The original idea was to form a link between Heathrow Airport and Ebbsfleet on the Channel Tunnel rail link, east of Dartford. Additional or alternative routes have also been suggested, going as far as Reading in the west, Norbiton in the south, Shenfield in the north-east and Watford Junction, Chesham and even Aylesbury in the north-west.

Two alternative routes have been put forward for the link between Liverpool Street and Ebbsfleet, running along sections of the existing North Kent line. The first would run north of the river from the Isle of Dogs through stations at the Royal Docks and Silvertown, crossing the river via a new tunnel to Woolwich Arsenal. The second route would come south from the Isle of Dogs through Charlton and

Woolwich Dockyard.

CrossRail is consulting with Local Authorities and other stakeholders on the content of a Hybrid Bill which it proposes to submit to Parliament in November 2003. If the proposals are agreed in 2005, work would begin on the new sections in 2006 and open in 2012.

CrossRail would provide a direct link to possible Olympic sites if London wins the 2012 games, but Culture Secretary Tessa Jowell has said "Even if Crossrail got the go-ahead tomorrow, it would not be ready in time for 2012."

According to local MP Nick Raynsford, "It is unlikely that Crossrail will be built in time - and in any case, it is not essential for London's Olympic bid."

But a spokesman for the Department of Transport said, "We believe that getting it built by 2012 will be challenging, but we have not ruled any timetable in or out."

The Treasury's ban on any mention of Crossrail in the official Olympic bid demonstrates that many battles remain to be fought before Government funding is made available for this much-delayed but indispensable transport project.

In September: Connex.

Readers' views welcome!

Grant us a new site for Saw eyes ...

Next month the solicitors Grant Saw & Sons leave East Greenwich after 100 years in the area.

Partner Gill Jordan says they are leaving Trafalgar Road "incredibly reluctantly" and adds: "We are a firm involved in the community and many of our clients have become friends."

Three years ago the firm outgrew the office. The building has polished-oak stair rails, Edwardian fireplaces, original windows and porcelain wash basins and, though charming, is impractical in 2003. In 2000, a new office was found in Greenwich South Street for half of the staff. But operating two offices and two phone numbers has been less than ideal.

Comprehensive legal service

The firm's new premises are on the corner of Greenwich High Road and Norman Road. All fourteen lawyers and their supporting staff will provide a comprehensive legal service from the one-floor office which has disabled access, a large, safe children's play area and space for further expansion.

The firm is returning to its roots, for Samuel Saw, the firm's founder, started

acting as an Attorney of the Courts of the Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer in 1851 at his home at 2 Bexley Place, subsequently incorporated into Greenwich High Road.

In 1852 Samuel, aged 21, was appointed Superintendent Registrar for births, marriages and deaths for the Parish of Woolwich. At the end of the 19th century he was living with his family, including some of his eight children, at 17 Glenluce Road, Westcombe Park.

His son Samuel joined him in the practice, and in 1903 they moved to their current office over the London and County Bank. The bank later became the Nat West. Grant Saw have always acted as the bank's solicitors until it left in 1995 and sold the building to Coral.

Lifting a burden

In 1912, Sam Snr retired and his son ran the firm until he retired in the 1930s. After the war, the firm, which had operated under the name Saw & Sons, was taken over by Geoffrey Grant, who was to build the firm into the successful enterprise that it is today.

Geoffrey Grant says of those early

days: "I reasoned that if I did my best to satisfy five clients, they would tell five more, who would tell another five about me and before too long I would have gained 250 clients."

Grant explains his own approach to business by saying: "I like to think that when people entered my office they left their problems on my desk. Clients came in to my office frowning and left smiling. I lifted a burden from their shoulders."

The Swinging Sixties

He always wanted to be a doctor like his father but was not good at science. It seems the caring side of his character found an outlet after all.

East Greenwich was a thriving high street in the 1950s, with many different shops. These small businesses were the mainstay of Grant Saw's business. In the early 1960s we were told by Harold Macmillan that we had "never had it so good" and a new breed of entrepreneur emerged. London was swinging.

One of Geoffrey's clients was Stewart Morgan-Jones, who owned half of Carnaby Street. He invented postcards featuring the Carnaby Street sign and souvenir newspaper front pages with a person's name in the headline.

A dangerous place

But swingin' London could be a dangerous place! One of his clients' rivals plagiarised this idea, and a young clerk from Grant Saw was despatched to serve a writ on the man at his booth in 'Cockney Land' near Aldgate Station. He had to run for his life as two minders came chasing after him all the way to Aldgate station.

In 1971 there were seven or eight members of staff, including secretaries, with one big room for the typists' manual typewriters. If you made a mistake typing a will, you had type it all out again. The partners debated long and hard whether, since they had copy typists, they needed to buy a photocopier machine.

The Thatcher era began after the general election of 1979 and Grant Saw did more commercial work, drawing up partnership agreements and the like. Some local companies hired flashy London law firms but later returned to Grant Saw when they could receive an efficient service at a fraction of the price.

Geoffrey Grant retired in 1998 after 42 years. He did not acquire a knighthood like his brother Clifford who left Eltham to go Down Under, where he became Chief Magistrate of Western Australia, but Geoffrey deserves an accolade for his unsung service to the local community.



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(Maze Hill station: from page 1)
He added: "The promise of refurbishment from them is encouraging. But the problem is that for months if not years Connex seems to have abandoned any maintenance of the station, such as reglazing glass panels or painting out graffiti, which only happens occasionally, if at all. Connex need to refurbish and then better maintain the station rather than just rely on one-off clear-ups like this."

Editor's note:
A new council/Greenwich Society working party, chaired by Councillor Mary Mills (Peninsula Ward), has been set up to consider the refurbishment process, and to tackle root causes of crime and vandalism on the station.

WHAT'S ON

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Every Sunday at 7 p.m., 'Sundays at Seven': a mixture of discussion, music, prayer, etc.. (but again, not during August).
Next jumble sale: Saturday 13th September.

COMMUNITY

12 July 3.00 - 6.30 pm Westcombe Society's annual **Summer Picnic.** Bring a picnic, and join in the fun! Barbecue, bar, events, stalls, Riverside Jazz band. Free to members, £1.00 for others, children free. Prizes.

7th July 12.00 - 2.00 pm. Greenwich Steiner School Open Day. St George's Church, Kirside Road. All welcome to find out more about this different approach to education. Ring Kendall Noyes for more information on 0207 358 0177.

MYCENAE HOUSE
Westcombe Writers' Circle
Come and join us on the first Thursday of each month 2.30 - 4.30 at Mycenae House. For information, ring Joan Paice on 8305 1652, or Rosemary Gill 8858 5088.

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Blackheath Bridge Club welcomes all players to its duplicate sessions held in Mycenae House on Monday and Thurs at 7.15 pm and on Wednesday at 1.30 - 4pm. Tel. 8851 2609

Charlton and Blackheath Horticultural Society 3rd Monday each month 7.45pm Charlton House Guests: 20p. Tel: 8850 0636.

Blackheath and Greenwich United Nations Association Shared lunch Saturday 5th July at 13 Glenluce Road 12.30 - 3.00 pm

Age Exchange Reminiscence Centre 11 Blackheath Village, London SE3 9LA
Blackheath Remembers Exhibition. Free entry - Monday-Saturday 10am to 5pm; groups by arrangement for a small charge. Tel: 020 8318 9105

FESTIVAL

Greenwich + Docklands International Festival: 4th - 26th July. For a list of events and/or programmes, ring 020 8305 1818.

4, 5, & 6 July, 9.00 pm, Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich. **Encounters:** Giant imagery, massed choirs, aerial circus open this year's International Festival.

9 July 7.30pm, Old Royal Naval College Chapel, Greenwich: **Tallis Scholars** perform the world premier of a major new musical work by local composer Errollyn Wallen. Plus music believed to have been written for the 40th birthday of Elizabeth 1st.

12 July, 1.00 - 5.00pm Canary Wharf - **Dancing City**, an international programme of outdoor dance. This free afternoon event includes choreographed skateboarding!

18 July, 8.30pm, Mile End Park: **Giraffes:** A night-time procession of life-sized giraffe puppets with music and pyrotechnics.

19 July, 8.30pm, University of East London, Docklands Campus. **Fanfire:** waterfront extravaganza features giant drums, dramatic lighting, special effects and fireworks.

26 July, 9.30pm, Royal Arsenal, Woolwich IOU Theatre presents **Tattoo** - a surreal army of insects, elaborate costumes, giant mechanical structures and new music.

27 July, 8.00pm, Three Mills Green: **Raastay:** The stunning finale to this year's GDIF will combine theatre, pyrotechnics and South Asian music.

MUSIC

Blackheath Halls 23 Lee Road, London SE3 9RQ Tel: (020) 8463-0100

Tues. 1st July 7:30pm: CONTEMPORARY JAZZ Trinity College of Music play big band jazz. Great soloists and staggering ensemble playing. Tickets £8 (£6).

Fri. 4th July 7.30pm: JUDAS MACCABEUS (Handel) by THE MUSICAL COMPASS Crispin Lewis (Conductor) Handel's oratorio includes the hugely popular "See, the conqu'ring hero". Tickets £12.50 (£10).

Saturday, 5th July 8pm: ISSIE BARRETT BIG BAND Issie Barrett forges links between the orchestral and jazz worlds. Tickets £12 (£10).

Sunday, 6th July 11:30am: CHAMBER DOMAINE Works by Purcell and Part. Tickets £12.50 (£10).

Sun. 6th July 8pm WATERSON : CARTHY The folk world's most famous family: Martin Carthy, Norma Waterson and daughter Eliza Carthy, with Young Tradition folk award winner Tim Van Eyken. Tickets £12 (£10)

Friday, 11th July 7pm - 9pm: DrumJam

presents HEARTSONG: a drumming and percussion circle. Friends Meeting House, Lawn Terrace, Blackheath SE3 9LL Tel: 07976-606704 Absolute beginners & all age groups welcome! Cost £7 (add £3 for drum hire).

20th July. 7.30 pm. Piano Recital at St Margaret's Church by Guy Middlemiss. Works by Brahms, Schubert, Debussy and Shostakovich. Collection in aid of Amnesty.

THEATRE AND OPERA

GREENWICH THEATRE
Golden Boy
Thursday 19 June - Saturday 12 July
Greenwich Theatre's revival of a musical not seen in London since 1968. Ring 8858 7755 for bookings. Concessions.

26th July - 10th August. **Natural Perspectives** present **HAMLET** by Wm. Shakespeare in Greenwich Park's Old Royal Observatory Garden. Tickets: £6 (Conc.£4) 8858 7755.

London Bubble Summer Parks Tour 22 July - 24 July 7.30pm **Punchkin, Enchanter.** Old Royal Naval College Grounds, Greenwich, SE10. Also on 1 August - 3 August at Oxleas Woods, Shooters Hill, SE9 Box Office: 020 7237 1663 Tickets: £11 (£7 concessions)

The Alexandra Players in 'Stepping Out' a comedy by Richard Harris. Postponed from May, now July 3-5. At the Alexandra Hall, Bramshot Avenue, Charlton 8.00 pm. Tickets £5. Box Office: 020 8858 2769

OTHER EVENTS

Elizabeth at the National Maritime Museum. To commemorate the 400th Anniversary of the death of Queen Elizabeth 1. Open daily in July and August 10.00 am - 6.00 pm. until 16th September. Book tickets on 8312 6565. £9, concs £6, child £4. www.nmm.ac

Saturday 5th July **Fun day, London City Airport,** Royal Docks, E16. 2.00 - 6.00 pm. Air displays, funfair, army, tug of war and more. 020 7646 0011

Friday 11th July 12 noon. See the arrival of **HM Royal Bark Endeavour**, Royal Arsenal Pier, Woolwich. Trumpets, cannons and flags! Saturday 12th - Sunday 20th July, visit this replica of Captain Cook's historic ship at Royal Arsenal Pier, Woolwich. Volunteer crew members needed. Phone. 8921 4341.

Monday 14th - Saturday 19th July. **Musical Nights Extravaganza**, Woolwich. 700 musicians, dancers and singers, fireworks, fun. Theme: London and NY. Ring 83178687.

30th August 3.00 pm. Garden Opera perform **Carmen**, org. by Friends of Greenwich Park, in Greenwich Park's Observatory Gardens. Gardens open 1.00 pm. Bring a picnic! Chairs provided. Free Spanish sherry tasting at **Theatre of Wine** 75 Trafalgar Road on the day. (Tel: 8858 6363). If wet, show takes place in the old Greenwich Town Hall. Tickets: £18 each from Friends of Greenwich Park Tel: 020 8463 0275 or from Greenwich Theatre Tel: 020 8858 7755.

Fri 11th July, 6.30 - 9.00 pm. **Open Garden: The Pagoda, Pagoda Gardens,** Blackheath, under National Gardens Scheme. Entrance £3.50 with free glass of wine. Raising funds for Cystic Fibrosis.

COUNCILLORS' SURGERIES

Conservative: Rhodri Harris can be contacted on 8858 9676.

Labour: First Friday of each month, 7 - 8 pm, Mycenae House. Second Tuesday of each month, 6.30 - 7.30 Committee Rooms, Fulthorpe Road, SE3 (opposite 47-59 Fulthorpe Road) Third Saturday of each month 3.30 - 4.30 pm. St James Church Hall Kidbrook Park Road. Annie Keys: 8333 7244; Alex Grant: 8853 0367.

"When the wet wing sings..."

On Wednesday 9 July at 7.30pm, the Greenwich+Docklands International Festival presents an extraordinary musical occasion marking the 400th anniversary of the death of Elizabeth 1.

The concert will premiere a major new work entitled *When the Wet Wind Sings*, written by Greenwich composer Errollyn Wallen for forty voices. This exciting work was specially commissioned for the 400th anniversary of the Tudor Queen's reign.

Errollyn Wallen's new composition explores Greenwich's colonial history and the power of the sea. It is an emotionally, intellectually and musically extraordinary undertaking.

Errollyn describes her artistic and personal intention as follows: "The longer we and the world live, the greater the imperative to confront our past with full emotional engagement so that our present may be seen through a more vivid and compassionate lens - and so that our future be shaped with wisdom and maturity".

In a London exclusive appearance at the Royal Naval College Chapel, internationally acclaimed early music ensemble The Tallis Scholars will also perform 16th century music by Byrd and Tallis (who lived and is buried in Greenwich) including the majestic *Spem in Alium* which was possibly written for Elizabeth's 40th birthday.

Full details of this year's festival appear on www.festival.org, or ring: 0208305 1818.

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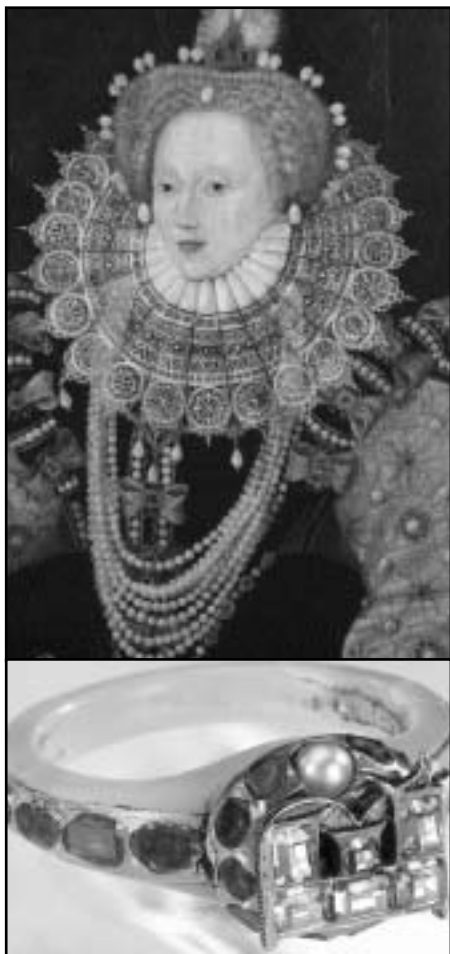
Queen Elizabeth I was born at Greenwich and spent her first months at Greenwich Palace, which was also the birthplace of her much-married father, King Henry VIII.

The palace where they were born was built next to the river. It has long since gone - the land it once occupied is now the Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site.

Elizabeth was the daughter of Henry VIII and his second wife, Anne Boleyn. Henry was bitterly disappointed when she gave birth to a daughter - he wanted a son to secure the succession to the throne. After a tournament in Greenwich in 1536, Anne was arrested on trumped up charges, and beheaded.

The First Elizabeth exhibition, which opened at the National Maritime Museum in May this year, is on until September. It is open in July and August every day between 10.00 am and 6.00 pm. Booking is advisable.

The exhibition brings together the greatest collection of personal items, paintings and Elizabeth-related exhibits ever assembled. Among the exhibits is the priceless ring (on the right) which Elizabeth used to wear.



At a loose end? Check this out!

This summer, 13 - 17 year olds living in Greenwich and Lewisham have a great chance to develop their creative talents or learn something completely new for FREE (after registration fee of £10).

The Art of Regeneration is proud to present Year Three of its Summer Arts College in partnership with The Albany, Goldsmiths College (University of London), and Lewisham College. Summer Arts College runs from 28th July - 15th August.

Courses at the "Summer Arts College" are run by local DJ's, artists, arts professionals and organization like the Royal National Theatre and Two's Company.

The programme is based at the Albany in Deptford, but there are other courses at Lewisham College and Goldsmiths College. Sign up, and you will have the chance to meet and work with profession-

als in a fun and relaxed environment. Summer Arts College aims to help young people develop their creative skills along with self-confidence, learn skills that may help their future careers, make new friends and have fun.

There are a lot of different workshops to choose from, including Natural Henna Art; Fizzical Theatre!; Digital Imaging; Art, Sounding it Out (Sound Design); TV 4 Beginners; Chatting on TV, Skills, Street Dance - you name it!. With such a diverse program, everyone will find something they enjoy.

Summer Arts College is specially for young people from North Lewisham and West Greenwich. Go for it, on your own, or with a pal - you're certain to have fun!

Want to find out more? For a brochure and application form or more information, call the HOTLINE Tel: 020 8692 0231 ext 276.

Is this a mugger that I see?

Nay, 'tis Laertes, Prince Hamlet's sworn enemy, aka local actor Alex Bartram, rehearsing a new production of Shakespeare's play *Hamlet* in the Park.

"I call the play a thriller, rather than a tragedy," says Alex. "But it's a thriller with a difference: not so much a 'Who dunnit?' as a 'Will he do it?' as Hamlet ponders whether to kill his step-father Claudius, whom he suspects murdered his father.

This play is a "Must see if you can"! See the article **Tragedy in the park** on page 3 for full story.



You don't have to be a donkey to work here - but it helps!



Outside the gates of Greenwich Park you can usually see up to twenty donkeys touting for custom - and twenty or more children, queuing up for rides!

Our picture above shows Maddie Shutt enjoying a ride on Ringo. And Ringo and his friends Mildred and Barney Rubble will be happy to take you for a ride for just one pound!

The donkeys have been an institution here for over 50 years, and now Baby Bethany (pictured below, left - only six weeks old) is the newest recruit - although she comes along to play, not to work!

Other donkeys have names like Apache, Toby, Charlie, Ozzie, and Francis, but the donkey man calls all the babies after his grandchildren.

Trade these days is a bit slow because of parking problems, but the donkey man hopes to keep going, indefinitely!

[Story and photographs: Kathy Shutt]

Send your favourite animal snaps to us at: Westcombe animals, 13 Glenluce Road, Blackheath SE3 7SD or email as jpeg to: westcombe-



The Endeavour returns

The Endeavour, an exact copy of Capt Cook's ship, returns to Royal Arsenal Pier, Woolwich from 11th - 24th July. She berths at midday on the 11th when there'll be a welcome event open to all.

She's on public exhibition from 12th - 20th July between 9 am- 6 pm. Call Greenwich Tourist Information on 0870 6082000 for details and ticket prices.

There are also places available for volunteer guides and shipkeepers. If you're interested in this rare chance to sample the finer points of 18th century life at sea, please contact Steph Butcher on 020 8921 2101.

Ever thought of being a DJ?

Have you ever thought of being a DJ? Perhaps working in a youth club, or a party setting?

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ENVIRONMENT

Environment Committee Update

11-15 Station Crescent

A Council Officer has reported that the application for a garage on this site (in addition to the flats) has been refused. Unfortunately, the structure has already been built, although the application was not retrospective. At present it is not known whether the applicant will appeal, but as the application was actually dated Jan. 2003, this could be grounds for 'non-determination'. Enforcement action to get the structure demolished could not be put in hand if an appeal was pending though, meanwhile, use of the structure by the applicant would be stopped. (Planning Ref: 03/0109/F)

Obscene...

Graffiti in the passageway by Safeway's car park has been reported to Greenwich Council with an urgent request for its removal. Policy is that such daubings should be removed within 24 hours.

Tree concerns

Serious concern has been expressed by residents regarding the state of a number of trees especially Prunus spp (Cherry) and London Plane in Westcombe Park Road, the southern section of Mycenae Road, Batley Green and the Council flat gardens in Vanbrugh Park Road by the bus stop and elsewhere (Old Dover Road, etc.). The Council's tree officer has been asked to investigate. Some cherry trees in Westcombe Park Road have already been already felled, but the London Planes on Batley Green may be recovering.

Westcombe Park Station Crescent

At long last plans are in hand for the upgrading of lighting in Station Crescent, including improved 'bulkhead' lights on the station building itself. This will be by means of a combination of two 8 metre poles outside the side gate to the platform, and 6 metre poles along the length of the road down to Westcombe Hill.

Clean Up!

The Society will be trying to organise a Westcombe 'Clean-Up Day' some time in September. This would aim to target the Blackheath Standard area and to obtain permission from shopkeeper's to paint the solid shutters on those premises that had bad daubings. As has been noted before, slatted shuttering is preferred as it offers a more limited surface area. Anyone interested in helping is asked to contact the News editor.

A102 Woolwich Road Flyover

Following numerous complaints, plans have finally been drawn up for a new pedestrian crossing on the northern side of the roundabout leading to Sainsbury's. TfL and Meridian Delta (developers of the Dome site) have agreed to fund this as part of a Section 106 agreement, though the time-scale is still uncertain.

The plans also show a revival of the idea of re-working the northern end of Westcombe Hill to include a bus 'filter lane' into the A102 exit slip and thence to the roundabout. This will be achieved by reversing the one-way system at the bottom of the hill: southbound vehicles would continue on past the Police Station and then turn left in to Westerdale Road, whereas north-

bound vehicles would go 'the wrong way' round the present system. This will allow at least one of the buses using Westcombe Hill to reach N. Greenwich Station via the Sainsburys/FilmWorks complex.

Westcombe Hill Hole!

Do we now have our own underground cavern? A hole recently appeared in Westcombe Hill outside Harry's the barbers. The area has been coned off.

Thames Gateway Bridge

Consultation leaflets have been circulated locally, exhibitions are being held and a larger brochure is also available on proposals for the proposed new river crossing between Beckton and Thamesmead. Intended as a 'local' link road it is planned to include a tolled dual carriage-way for cars/commercial vehicles, one lane in each direction for public transport and a lane for cyclists/pedestrians next to the public transport lanes. Further details from www.tfl.gov.uk/thamesgatewaybridge or e-Mail tgbridge@streetmanagement.org.uk

East Greenwich Waterfront

More feasibility studies have been commissioned on a number of environmental projects along the footpath between the Cutty Sark and the Dome. These focus on Trinity Hospital River Walk Garden, Dead Dog Bay (by Lovell's Wharf), the Bendish Sluice (original Peninsula drainage), Primrose Wharf reed beds, Bay Wharf Ecological Garden, the path through Hansons/Victoria Deep Water Terminal, archaeological surveys, education/information projects and a River Warden for the area.

Raising the Standard - a reader replies:

Dear Editor,

In the June issue you asked for comments on the Westcombe Society's Environment Committee's suggestions for 'improving' Batley Park. (See *WN June*, page 5.)

My view is that implementation of suggestions 1 to 3 would be double-plus-ungood:

(1) the right filter allows some traffic to avoid most of the congestion of the main roundabout.

(2) the railings protect pedestrians from traffic and traffic from jay-walking pedestrians.

(3) plantings would provide cover for muggers.

On point (4), I am against the removal/closure of the public lavatories - such amenities are too few. The surface lavatory is suitable for disabled people and as such needs adequate access.

As a driver, I see the high wall at the Old Dover Road/Charlton Way junction as the worst hazard in the immediate area: it restricts the view of drivers entering the roundabout so much that they may have to wait until the traffic lights on the pedestrian crossing stop the Charlton Way traffic. I realise that this wall is privately-owned but surely Greenwich Council has some powers!

Best regards,
J. Sweet

More views on this subject welcome - Ed.

Planning Applications July 2003

The planning applications listed below are being considered by Greenwich Council. The plans can be seen at the Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, or at Strategic Planning, Peggy Middleton House, 50 Woolwich New Road, Woolwich SE18 6HQ. In any correspondence please quote the appropriate reference numbers.

11-15 Station Crescent 03/0109 /F
Erection of double garage with roof terrace

29 Glenluce Road 03/0804 /TC
Reduce and reshape 2 sycamore trees in rear garden by 30-35%

31 Glenluce Road 03/0805 /TC
Reduce/thin silver birch in rear garden by 20-25%

31 Glenluce Road 03/0806 /TC
Fell Silver birch in rear garden
Westcombe Park Station South side,

Station Crescent 03/0790 /F
Upgrading of lighting to access road at Station Crescent

47 Dinsdale Road 03/0760 /F
Erection of ground floor rear extension

57 Foyle Road 03/0842 /F
Erection of a dormer in the rear roof

83 Maze Hill 03/0911 /TC
Tree in rear garden to be pruned

102 Westcombe Park Road 03/0918 /TC
Work to Horse Chestnut, Prunus and Acacia trees.

100 Westcombe Park Road 03/0922 /TC
Work to Beech and Acacia trees

53 Westcombe Park Road 03/0674 /F
Erection of satellite dish to the front of building

107 Humber Road 03/1097 /F
Erection of an upper ground floor rear extension

(Peninsula war ends - cont. from p. 1.)

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