JUNE 2003

Regular Events Sport & Fitness

Badminton on Wednesdays. Call 020 8349 0170

* Body Control Pilates classes. Call Deanna Wisbey 020 8883 7029 Counselling and psychotherapy service at the Green Man Centre.

For details phone 8440 4174 ❖ London Cycling Campaign (Barnet), has monthly meetings & rides. Call 020 8440 9080.

❖Muswell Hill Bowling Club open daily from 2pm. The Green, Kings Avenue, N10. Tel: 8883 1178.

Step/Aerobics classes, Sundays at Bar XL. Phone 0789 0033 968. ❖ Tae Kwon Do at The Green Man Thursdays 7-9pm 07949 612 706 ❖Tai Chi at the Green Man on Mondays 1.30-3pm

* Tennis Club off Southern Road. Call 020 8440 6953

* Yoga & Meditation classes at Holy Trinity Church, 020 8444 7217

Dance, Drama, Art & Music

* Adult Line Dancing. Call Footloose 020 8440 8530/8216 5633. * Art Classes. For info call Henry on 020 8888 5133.

Ballroom dancing classes, beginners and improvers. Phone 01707 642 378

❖ Barnet Schools Music Centre call 020 8359 3111 for details

Broadway & West end Musical Singing Workshop call Idit Gold 020 8449 0011

Club Dramatika drama club for kids. Call Vicky 020 8883 1554 Country & Barn Dancing, at Oakleigh Park, 020 8349 0754 Columbian party dancing classes,

Call Nelsy 020 8444 2012 Incognito Theatre workshops, Colney Hatch Lane, 020 8883 0911 Finchley Jazz Club, Monday 16 & 30 June at Wilf Slack Cricket

Pavilion, East End Rd, N3. ❖ Over 60s come dancing at Ann Owens Centre 020 8346 8736

Private drum tuition, beginners welcome. Contact Eddie 8444 8376 Pottery Class at The Green Man, Call Celia Holmes 020 8349 9315 ❖ Learn to sing at Finchley Methodist Church 020 8455 2403

❖ Symphonic Wind Orchestra of North London, Contact Stephen Kelsey, 020 8883 3365

Clubs & Social

❖ All Saints Beer and Wine Circle Call Richard Baldwin 020 8883 7081 . Bingo, Green Man Community Centre, 020 8883 4916

Contact Lunch Club at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book a place. Every Thursday. 12.30-2pm East Finchley National Childbirth Trust, Contact Ann Sullivan, 020 8442 1941

East Finchley Writers meet weekly at the Old White Lion. Contact Lillian on 020 8444 1793.

* Fairacres Monday Club for Jewish people, Rene & Reuby Hyams, 020 8883 0448 or Sylvia Lee 8958 7878 Finchley Philatelic Society, Contact

Brian Merryweather 8444 3251 Friendly Rubber Bridge at The Old Barn, 020 8349 4613

Hampstead Social Group, membership late 30's-late 40's Call David Morris, 020 8455 0477

❖ North London Bridge Club. Muswell Hill, 020 8348 3495

* Muswell Hill and Highgate Pensioners' Action Group Call Bob Cottingham on 8444 7635.

Muswell Hill Synagogue, Tetherdown, 020 8883 5925 Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge, 020 8883 4390

❖ Old Barn pre-school club, 020 8349 4613/1961

Parent & Toddler Group, Green Man Centre, Julia 8444 2276

* Probus Lunch Club for retired professional and business people, Details Eric Dalton 8340 0822

Proms at St Judes

By Femke van Iperen

The Proms concerts will begin, as usual, in the idyllic church of St. Jude-on-the-Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb. The St Judes Proms, which provides a range of concerts by internationally renowned and local artists and the cream of the younger generation, donates money to the North London Hospice, which cares for terminally ill patients, and Toynbee Hall, which provides opportunities to disadvantaged families and young people in the area of East End London.

The festival programme which begins with jazz singer and broadcaster Stacey Kent and her band, includes John Lill (piano), Christopher Maltman, (baritone) and the London Community Gospel Choir. Robert Max will conduct Beethoven's 9th Symphony. Sarah Williamson, runner-up in 2002 Young Musician of the Year, will be soloist in Mozart's Clarinet Concerto with the Barnet Youth Orchestra. At the same concert, Classic FM's Henry Kelly, a patron of The Proms at St. Jude's, will narrate Peter and the Wolf. The Prom's concluding Last Night of the Proms includes Poulenc's organ concerto and the usual flag-waving.

Lunchtime concerts, which provide a platform for talented young musicians, are free.

Art for all

The Proms supports a range of in-house and commissioned art. Local artist Shizue Takahashi will have her work shown as postcards. Another local artist, Ellen Gilbert, whose line drawings show the musicians in rehearsal, appear in the 2003 souvenir Proms programme. The work of both these artists is available at Garden Suburb Gallery, Hampstead Way.

The Proms is involved in a joint project with *Monart*, a local art school, and paintings will be on display in the local branches of Starbucks. Monart will hold a workshop for youngsters in the Proms marquee on the afternoon of 21 June. Space will be limited - so book early.

The Proms has launched a competition for an illustration for the front cover of next year's programme and leaflet. A prize will be awarded to the winner and the work of the short-listed finalists will be on display at the Garden Suburb Gallery. Any artists, please take note and phone 020 8455 8687 for further information on the competition. Phone the same number for information on the concerts and events and to receive a Proms brochure.

Celebrating its 10th Anniversary, concerts are from 13–22 June. For programme details or tickets phone 020 8458 4166 or book online at www.stjudes.org

Home is where the Art is?

2.4 Project is a unique home art installation to challenge or confirm notions of the middle-class family and domestic space; it is set in the home of the Wade family.

Both are visual artists and academics, married for ten years and with two young sons. For the past two years their work has concentrated on and around the family space, exploring issues of domesticity. 2.4 Project forms a natural progression for their work.

Their house, situated in East Finchley, will be defined as an art object and be open to the public once a week for a period of six months to observe them as they go about their normal family activities.

Some of the weekly openings will be supplemented with performance, displays of visual art

(moving and still) and constructed soundscapes designed to question issues within the contemporary middle-class home.

The audience is invited to be passive observers or to participate in the goings-on.

The official start for the 2.4 Project is September 2003, but as part of the East Finchley Arts Festival the public are invited to a one-off preview on Sunday, 22 June 11 am till 6 pm.

For further information please contact Eti and Daniel Wade on 020 8444 0695 or email twopoin tfour.project@btopenworld.com Supported by Arts Council UK.

Film Club The Phoenix has been running its Bull/Phoenix Film Club

Phoenix Summer

Compiled by Femke van Iperen

summer term since 8 May, so, film-fans – get ready for some action if you haven't gone along to any film meetings yet!

This year's 10 weeks of informal evening classes will have screenings, discussions and workshops plus outings, guest speakers and visits to cinemas. The meetings are open to anyone interested in exploring film that bit further. The Term's themes include:

- Three Continents, three directors: Visconto, Ang Lee and Souleyman Cisse.
- One Era, three Genres: 1950s melodrama, epic and b-
- Other Cinemas: documentary and animation.

The Film Club meets Thursdays 7.15–9.30 pm at the Bull Arts Centre, High Barnet. Session: £6.50; term: £60. No need to prebook. Check website or call Ruth Mulandi at the Phoenix.

Phoenix Films

The film line-up for June is available on-line at www.phoenixcinema.co.uk and includes:

Etre et Avoir – A documentary by Nicolas Philibert exploring the world and lives of young children in contemporary France. *Nicholas Nickleby* – a new, adaptation of the Dickens classic. Whale Rider – see Bringing up Baby for details

Blind Spot – Hitler's Secretary – A documentary about Hitler's long-standing secretary by Austrian film-maker Andre Heller. Good Bye Lenin - A German comedy which explores the breakup of the GDR and its impact on East Germans.

- Early bird matinees run every Wednesday at 12.30 pm. Screenings end at 3pm. Tickets are £4 for all with a free tea or coffee.
- For Friends benefits visit www.phoenixcinema.co.uk/members or email us at friends@phoenixcinema.co.uk
- Box Office 8444 6789

Bringing up Baby

Introducing special screenings for cinema-starved parents with young babies, offering the chance to socialise with other parents, catch up with the film-world without the need to find a babysitter and maybe chat about something other than babies - fascinating and miraculous as they are!

These screenings will run once a month at 11 am. Babies up to one year old can be brought along, admission is reserved to parents with babies only. There will be easy storage of prams and buggies, a baby-changing unit and bottle-warming facilities as well as the opportunity to enjoy a leisurely tea or coffee, homemade cake and chat.

Next, on Tuesday 17 June, is Mrs Dalloway, starring Vanessa Redgrave, an opportunity for all those who enjoyed *The Hours* to get to know its inspiration.

Centenary Celebrations

Fortismere Secondary School Muswell Hill will hold its annual summer fair on 5 July, noon to 4:00pm. The fair will be opened by Steve Pemberton, better known to TV comedy fans, as "Tubbs" from the BBC's League of Gentlemen.

Fortismere School celebrates 100 years of education on its site, Formerly home to Tollington, William Grimshaw and Creighton schools.

Under cover

The main objective this year is to raise funds for a centenary covered walkway between the North and South wings of the campus, which will provide shelter to students and staff moving between the two sites.

Activities taking place on the fields of Fortismere's campus include bungee run, beat the goalie, rodeo bucking bronco ride, scuba diving sessions in the pool, tennis coaching and games for younger children. The fair features numerous stalls for bargain hunters with tombolas, new and used books, CDs and videos, plants; sports equipment, toys and second-hand jewellery. There will also be a wide variety of food and music on offer.

Access is from Twyford Avenue and Tetherdown Road.

East Finchley Baptist Church

just off the High Road in Creighton Avenue N2 Sundays at 11.00 am and 6.30 pm for more information contact 8446 3571

Visitors always welcome

All Saints' Church, **Durham Road, East Finchlev Church of England**

Sunday masses at 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. Weekday masses at 10.00 a.m. Prayer requests are gladly accepted.

The Parish has a flourishing social life and a riotous Youth Club for church members. Contact the Vicar, Fr Christopher Hardy, on 020 8883 9315.

All Saints' also has a strong musical tradition and an enthusiastic choir of both adults and children. Experienced singers are always welcome. Contact Geoffrey Hanson on 020 8444 9214.

http://www.allsaints-eastfinchley.org.uk

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