



Regular Events

Sport & Fitness

- **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group**
Call Vivien 8883 8190
- **Glebelands Indoor Bowls Club**, Summers Lane N12. New and experienced bowlers welcome.
- **1-2-1 boxing and Pilates** training with Martin Carroll at home or private studio, call 07809 593952
- **Pilates** Classes Tue 9.30, Fri 9.15 & Sun 11am. www.pilatesineastfinchley.co.uk. Michelle 07767 804 564
- **Tai Chi & Qigong** in N2, Weds 12pm, 1pm, 6pm & 7pm. James 8883 3308/07836 710281 or james@taiji.co.uk
- **Tennis club** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8883 7723.
- **Tennis group lessons** for adult beginners and intermediates, weekends, Park Road, N8. Contact Maz on tennisgift@gmail.com.
- **This Mum Runs**: Free social runs in East Finchley and Muswell Hill, Sunday 8am and Wednesday 7.30pm. Contact trishy.dixon@gmail.com.
- **Yoga, breathing & relaxation**. Weekly drop-in classes - N3, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 07956 375607.
- **Yoga beginners' course** at Yogalogy, High Road, N2. Contact 020 70187377 or info@yogalogy.co.uk
- **Yoga**, pregnancy yoga, meditation classes. Call Sunnah 07941 321 772 www.stretchingpeople.co.uk.
- **Women's kick boxing**, Thursdays 9.30am, East Finchley Combat Academy, Church Lane, N2. Contact 07956 340540.

Music, Dance & Creative Arts

- **The Archer Community Choir**, Tuesdays 7-9pm, The Archer Academy, Eagans Close, N2. Email: archercommunitychoir1@gmail.com.
- **Art Classes**. Call Henry on 8888 5133.
- **A-Chord**, friendly choir, all genres, open to all. Thursdays 8pm at NNLS, East End Rd. Laura 07732 120464. www.a-chord.uk
- **Ballroom & Latin American Dance Classes** - beginners & improvers. Wed & Fri eve, Bishop Douglass Sch. 8207 2323.
- **'Calm & Sing' workshops**. Contact Angie on missangiea@yahoo.co.uk
- **Creative writing classes** in informal, friendly atmosphere. Tel Sallie Rose 020 8444 7217.
- **Creative Writing** at Friern Barnet Community Library. Every Saturday, 12pm, 07488 230580.
- **Dance conditioning classes**. New body in 10 lessons. Diana: 07580 041270. www.boldbodies.co.uk.
- **East Finchley Writers Group**, Weds at the Old White Lion. Contact Ralph 8444 5903.
- **East Finchley Poetry Writing Workshops**. Monthly on Saturdays. Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- **Jazz Club** at the Bohemia, North Finchley. Call 020 7998 6217 or 07957 347411 for more information
- **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards La. Call 8888 4412.
- **Muswell Hill after school ukulele club**, Wednesdays 4.15-5.15pm, ages 6-10. Contact Margie 07909 439513.
- **Rock 'n Roll dance lessons**, 8pm every Weds at the Constitutional Club, The Walks. Drop-in. Call Kav 07721 489489.
- **Traditional tunes @ TOC Highgate Hill**, join in playing by ear - 1st & 3rd Tues monthly from 8.30pm. Free. 07958 282898.

Clubs & Social

- **Bingo evening**, 8pm Sundays, at the Constitutional Club, The Walks, N2.
- **Bingo Club** Mondays 7-9 pm, Green Man Centre, Contact: Jan 8815 5452
- **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.
- **Muslim Ladies Lunch Club** 1st & 3rd Weds, Ann Owen Ctr., Oak La. Call 8432 1415 to book.
- **Bridge Club**, Thursday & Saturday afternoons, Age UK, Oak Lane, N2 8LT. Contact Ray Tiano 07944 562180.

An awfully big adventure

This February half-term, Garden Suburb Theatre is bringing a cross-generation production of Peter Pan to the King Alfred Phoenix Theatre in Golders Green.

A kids' ensemble will tread the boards with adult actors, taking the audience into the magical world of Neverland to tell J.M Barrie's classic tale of lost boys, pirates, mermaids, braves and fairies.

Performances take place at

King Alfred Phoenix Theatre, NW11, from Wednesday 20 to Saturday 23 February at 7.30pm and two matinees on Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 February at 3pm. Tickets £13/£11 can be booked at www.ticketsource.co.uk/gardensuburbtheatre.



Forever young: The cast of Peter Pan in rehearsal

And now something completely absurd...

East Finchley's very own A&B Drama Club are putting on their next Evening of Conceptual Absurdity at the Finchley Youth Theatre later this month and into early March.



Connect four: From left to right, Claire Tregellas, Martin Szalla, Alfie Positano, Charlotte Jennings performing at the Finchley Youth Theatre last October.

The group, which was founded last summer (*The Archer*, July 2018), comprises friends of strange and absurd theatre from N2 and surrounding areas, as well as some artists from the famous Actors and Writers Club London (AWL).

Their short plays, written by Martin Szalla and other people in the group, are a blend of either strange and Kafkaesque stories set in a nowhere world of Beckettian style or absurdist comedy plots reminiscent of Monty Python. Additionally, the show will be seasoned by some music, written by Alfie

Positano, an actor and musician from Highgate.

"The audience liked our first Evenings of Conceptual Absurdity last October," says Steven Dark, actor and stage manager, "but we also experienced a bit too much of backstage drama. This time we are aiming for absurdity only on stage."

The shows at the theatre in the High Road, N2, can be watched on Sunday 24 February, Saturday 2 March and Sunday 10 March. Tickets are available from www.abdrama.com, at the Black Gull Bookshop, 121 High Road, N2, or at the door on the night.



Winners: Holly Ketchell and dad Nick with their Archer medallion prize.

Christmas card competition winners

Thank you to everyone who entered our competition to identify the East Finchley signs used in our 2018 Christmas card.

It wasn't an easy challenge, but your detective skills were impressive. And who can be surprised when there was an Archer 25th anniversary medallion to play for as the prize? No one named all 27 signs

but three entries managed to find 25. After pulling a name from a hat, we are delighted to announce that the winners are Holly Ketchell and her dad Nick, from Hertford Road. Congratulations!



And for all those who were stumped, here are the correct answers: H, Phoenix Cinema; A, Fairlawn Avenue road sign (although there are many similar); P, David Hillel opticians; P, Poseidon; Y, Tony's Continental; C, Chorak; H, Haven estate agents; R, Alan's Records; I, William Hill; S, Costa Coffee; T, The Exchange; M, Maddens; A, Cootes Pharmacy; S, Prickett & Ellis; E, Meze & Shish; A, Black Gull Bookshop; S, Ladbrokes; T, Sorbet beauty shop; F, KFC; I, Iceland; N, Pristine Dry Cleaners; C, Coffee Bank; H, William Hill; L, Black Gull Bookshop; E, Caffe Nero; Y, Subway.

What's On...

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

Sunday 10 February

• **Free concert at East Finchley Methodist Church**, High Road, N2, opposite Creighton Avenue, 7.30pm; Helen Cooper, cello, Junko Ishigaki, violin, and Caroline Soresby, piano, play piano trios by Martinu, Josef Suk and Dvorack, and Hungarian Folk melodies by Bartok; free admission, collection in aid of Action for M.E. Fully accessible venue.

Sunday 17 February

• **Jazz at the Bohemia**, North Finchley, with Eriko Ishihara, vocals, piano, Julie Walkington, bass, Ailsa Gudgeon and Lisa Feldman, guest vocals; 7.30pm; £10 entrance. Tel: 020 7998 6217 or 07957 347411 for more details.

Wednesday 20 to Sunday 24 February

• **Garden Suburb Theatre** brings a

cross-generation production of *Peter Pan* to the King Alfred Phoenix Theatre in Golders Green, NW11; 20-23 February at 7.30pm and two matinees on 23 and 24 February at 3pm. Book tickets priced £13/£11 at www.ticketsource.co.uk/gardensuburbtheatre.

Saturday 23 February

• **Muswell Hill Indoor car boot sale**, 10am-1pm at Hornsey Parish Church Hall, Cranley Gardens, N10 3AH; info: 020 8368 8180 or 07708 152354; admission 50p; refreshments available.

Sunday 24 February, 2 and 10 March

• **A&B Drama** present *An Evening of Conceptual Absurdity series 2* at Finchley Youth Theatre, 142 High Road, N2 9ED. Tickets from Black Gull Books or www.abdrama.com

East Finchley Baptist Church

Just off the High Road in Creighton Avenue N2

Sunday Mornings at 10.30 am

Crèche and Sunday School during service

Wheelchair access

For more information please contact the Church Office

Tel: 8883 1544 (Minister: John Lowrie)

www.eastfinchleybc.org.uk

Visitors always welcome