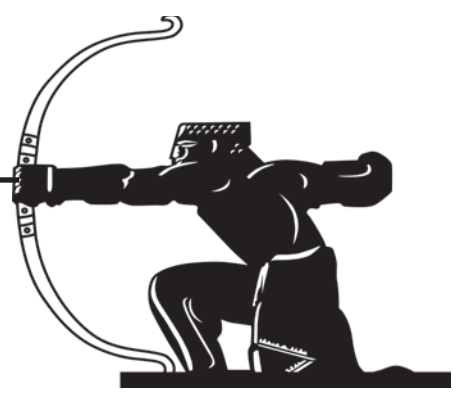


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Festival gets everybody dancing



And the beat goes on: left to right, two girls jump about in front of the festival's main stage; two performers from the Madhuriya Indian classical dance group; and a father teaches his young son some dad dancing. Photos Mike Coles

It seemed like the whole of East Finchley turned out to soak up the fun, and a dash of sunshine, at the 2022 East Finchley Festival in Cherry Tree Wood on Sunday 19 June. Crowds of visitors arrived early and stayed throughout the afternoon to enjoy the line-up of live entertainment, a feast of fine food and scores of stalls and attractions.

Congratulations to the volunteer team of organisers from the East Finchley Festival CIC for working throughout the year to create another knock-out event that brought everyone together. And thanks also to the volunteers on the day, who stepped in to act as stewards, raffle ticket sellers and litter pickers, making sure everything ran smoothly and the park was left in pristine condition afterwards.

Opening the festival from the main stage, Alison Moore, Barnet's new mayor and East Finchley councillor, said it was the hard work of everyone involved and the community spirit of people in N2 that made it a unique occasion in the borough, one that has now been running for nearly 50 years.

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 Event managers Mike Hughes and Alison Roberts thanked the festival's spon-

sors: Rogers Removals, Martyn Gerrard Estate Agents, The Archer, 224 North London Air Scouts, The Muswell Hill Club, Tax Assist and all the advertisers and Friends of the Festival whose ongoing support means the festival remains a free event for everyone to enjoy. They also extended their thanks to the hosts, performers and local businesses and organisations who gave up their time to entertain the

community. Planning for next year's event will start in September. If you'd like to get involved you can find out more at www.eastfinchleyfestival.org/get-involved. The festival team is specifically on the lookout for a bookkeeper and a scheduler/coordinator for volunteers. Turn to pages 6 and 7 to see more festival photos from photographers Mike Coles and Tetiana Shedko.

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