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LET'S ALL BUILD A BRIGHTER BARNET

Get ready for Environment Week July 8-16

THAT'S the challenge, now let's make the change! Environment Week - Barnet's fourth - offers no better opportunity to get involved in creating a cleaner, greener and better borough.

There are lots of exciting events planned from July 8 to 16. And this year, its appeal is even broader as we want to raise social and economic concerns as well as environmental worries.

Events include an Environment Fair at The Spires Shopping Centre, Barnet, on Saturday, July 8 featuring sand sculpture, clown stilt walkers, face painting, youth bands and stalls.

On Tuesday, July 11 a Schools Environmental Action Day will include many exciting activities and continuing the youth theme the following day there is a Young Citizen's Environment Conference.

There will also be competitions, walks, carnivals and a bike day and dance event at The Bull Theatre.

Allan Turner, Barnet's street based services lead member, said: 'This is about broadening the already good work done by our Local Agenda 21 groups. But equally important, it's about having fun.'

Find out more about Environment Week on pages 8 and 9.



Maria Orthodoxou, aged 4, enjoys the beautiful blooms in Friary Park. The borough has invested an extra £80,000 on flowers this year.

Bloomin' 'eck - it's that time of year again!

THAT'S RIGHT! Barnet in Bloom is back and this year it promises to be bigger and better than ever.

The competition is in its tenth year and as always the local finalists go through to the London In Bloom competition.

Entry form on page 9

Last year Barnet won the Most Improved Borough Category and with an extra special effort we could go all the way in 2000 and become the Best Borough in London.

Barnet Council is already doing its bit by putting an extra £80,000 into this year's budget for better horticultural displays.

The categories in the Barnet in Bloom competition include: Best Front Garden, Best Bloomin' Pub, Best Balcony Display.

But hurry, because the closing date for entries is June 23.

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Flood victims helped by Barnet school



**Mozambique Appeal
fundraisers (left to right):
Keshia Evans, Eugene Tuit
and Buddy Finnerty.**

YOUNGSTERS from
Ravenscroft School helped
relieve the suffering caused
by the recent flooding in
Mozambique.

Members of the Barnet
Lane school's Christian
club, ICTHUS, organised a
collection and a biscuit and
cake sale to raise much-
needed cash for the disaster
appeal, raising £120.

Year Nine students
Louise Hill and Carrie-Ann
Lawrence stayed awake for
24 hours to raise money
calling it Keep Your Eyes
Open For Mozambique.
Their efforts raised £150,
making a total of £270 for
the appeal.

Barnet Mayor Jack
Cohen met with the 14
members of the Ravenscroft
School Council to explain
his work as mayor.

Afterwards, the students
presented Cllr Cohen with a
cheque for £250 to the
Mayor of Barnet's Charity
Appeal in aid of Barnet
Cancer Care/ Young
Families Appeal.

One small leaflet, one giant leap into the future for Barnet

MOVING FORWARD - a consul-
tation leaflet which sets out how
the council, local organisations
and community groups plan to
build a better Barnet has been sent
to every household and business in
the borough.

Residents views on how to
tackle drugs, crime, housing,
transport, education and health
were sought to help make Barnet a
safer, healthier and more thriving
place to live, work and visit.

Under government regulations,
all local councils must carry out
community planning, to make
improvements to their local areas
based on everyone's views.

Moving Forward is the name
given to Barnet's Community Plan
- a five year strategy produced by
Barnet Council on behalf of the
Barnet Civic Forum which
includes representatives from local
community groups, faiths and
organisations committed to
improving Barnet.



**Moving Forward was sent to every home
in the borough**

Leader of Barnet Council,
Councillor Alan Williams said:
"The council's role has always
been to tackle the needs of local
people. But the problems of today
cannot be solved by the council
alone.

"The Community Plan looks at
key concerns in the borough such

as crime, drugs, housing and
health.

It sets out the ways in which
different organisations and com-
munity groups in Barnet need to
work closely together to find
solutions and make sure they
happen - and that the effects are
long-lasting."

The Community Plan will also
help use public money more
efficiently, target resources more
effectively, combine resources,
knowledge and expertise and
deliver services based on people's
priorities.

Residents had until June 8 to
prioritise areas for action under
the plan's eight themes set out in
the leaflet.

A final version of the plan will
be produced later this year,
incorporating residents' views from
the survey, Area Forums, Barnet
Council's website and a Citizen's
Panel of 1,000 residents.

Become a junior road safety officer

THE wheels are in motion for a new
project geared towards educating
school children about the
importance of road safety.

Pupils are being sought by
Barnet Council's Road Safety Team
to become Junior Road Safety
Officers to raise awareness of road
safety and promote national
campaigns to classmates, teachers
and parents.

So far, more than 30 schools

have signed up to the new project
which has proved an effective way
of getting across road safety
messages in other parts of the
country. Each school nominates two
Year Six pupils to become Junior
Road Safety Officers responsible for
promoting road safety to the whole
school.

Once appointed, they receive a
starter pack from Barnet Council,
plus newsletters updating them on

road safety issues and a job list for
each term. They are expected to
update notice boards with
promotional material, co-ordinate
the distribution of leaflets and meet
with other Junior Road Safety
Officers in Barnet.

Schools interested in taking part
in the project or companies wishing
to sponsor the scheme should
contact Erin Cooper at the Accident
Prevention Unit on (020) 8906 8028.

Best Foot Forward for Walk To School Week

CHILDREN in Barnet
took steps to cut down
traffic congestion and
pollution by taking part in
National Walk to School
Week recently.

To mark the event,
coordinated by Barnet
Council's Accident Preven-
tion Centre, 75 schools in
Barnet organised activities
including 'walking buses' - a
long line of pupils walking
the bus route, poster
competitions, poetry
readings and special
assemblies.

Mayor of Barnet, Cllr
Gill Sargeant also got into
the swing of things on
Monday morning, by
helping pupils cross the

road safely to Barnet
Council's Multimedia
Centre in Hendon for a
lesson on road safety.

Currently in Barnet, up
to 20% of all car journeys
during rush hour are part
of the school run. The
annual event promotes
walking as a healthy,
economical and
environmentally friendly
alternative to travelling to
school by bus or car.

Three teachers from
Edgware Junior School set
a shining example by
walking six miles to school
on the first day of Walk To
School Week.

Headteacher, Chris
Skinner and teachers, Mike

Kemp and Paul Reisman
walked from their homes in
Barnet to the school based
in Heming Road, Edgware
in one hour 40 minutes.

Children throughout the
borough also produced
Walk to School Week
diaries. Cycle helmets,
McDonalds vouchers and
back-protecting rucksacks
were awarded to children
who came up with the most
interesting diaries.

(Photo, right) Mayor Gill
Sargeant helps youngsters
from Bell Lane Primary
School, Bell Lane, Hendon,
cross the road during Walk
To School Week.



TV Star urges: 'Say NO to domestic violence.'

OXO mum Lynda
Bellingham delivered a
keynote speech to
professionals from various
fields at a conference on
domestic violence hosted
by Barnet Council.

The conference,
organised with the
Metropolitan Police and
Barnet Health Authority,
focused on domestic
violence from an ethnic
perspective.

The event was held at
the Town Hall, Hendon.
Over 100 delegates from
the fields of housing,
social services, healthcare,
education, legal, advice
work and other voluntary
organisations heard
experts from various
ethnic groups speak on
domestic violence.
Delegates also took part
in workshops on a variety
of issues, including
housing, health and
forced marriage.

Musical youth play in national festival

THIRTY-FIVE young
musicians from East Barnet
Music Centre took part in a
regional round of the
National Festival of the
30th Anniversary Festival
of Music for Youth.

The musicians aged
eight to 12 played trumpets,
clarinets and flutes to an
audience of parents and
other performers at Morley
College in Westminster.



Outgoing mayor Jack Cohen helps Cllr Gill Sargeant don the chain of office

New Mayor to help the young

YOUNG people will be the main beneficiaries of Gill Sargeant's tenure as new Mayor of Barnet.

She has nominated the Safe Start charity which aims to raise funds to run a foyer project to be run by the council in Cricklewood later this year. A foyer project provides housing, employment and health needs under one roof.

Cllr Sargeant said: 'This will be the first foyer project in Barnet. It is especially unique because it has been set up by local people to provide a local facility.'

Out-going Mayor Jack Cohen raised more than £50,000 for his charity, Barnet Cancer Care Young Family Appeal.

Cllr Sargeant has been a Barnet councillor since 1994 representing Colindale ward and is well known because she was deputy mayor in 1998/9.

She was born in Manchester and now lives in the south of the borough with her husband Malcolm, who is a senior lecturer



Deputy Mayor, Ansuya Sodha

at Middlesex University, and will be her escort for the year. Cllr Sargeant also has two grown up children, Helen and David. She is daughter of MP Robert Sheldon.

Her job is as a management consultant and policy specialist working for the Industrial Society, a charity

which aims to improve people's working lives.

Cllr Sargeant has actively been involved in community groups in Colindale and Grahame Park for a number of years, especially in education, training, business and childminding.

Her deputy for the year will be Cllr Ansuya Sodha, who represents West Hendon on the council.

Cllr Sargeant said: 'This is an important time for the mayoralty. I am particularly concerned that one is able to recognise local groups to show how much the borough values the work they are doing.'

Tally Ho plans fine tuned, while market finds a new home

DETAILS of the multi-million pound Tally Ho Corner redevelopment have been refined following consultation with the intended occupiers, including the Arts Centre Trust.

In tweaking the plans, Barnet Council and Chiltern Investment Properties, its development partner have

ensured that the space within the development is used to the best effect.

Council leader Alan Williams said: 'These changes have been done without in any way compromising our commitment to the arts centre which is central to the whole development.'

'They have improved the internal and external design of the scheme by making better use of space. While there is a small increase in height of 2.5 ft to improve the layout of the health and fitness suite, the overall bulk has not altered.

'We are using what void space there is for offices. Any ugly plant and equipment which was outside has now been placed in the basement.

'Like any scheme of this size you go through a value engineering phase and it never stays the same.

'We have responded to potential occupiers and their requirements and we will be keeping their needs under review.

The key changes are:

- The bulk of the arts centre roof has been reduced



The Tally Ho site, North Finchley, as it is now.

- The layout of the health and fitness centre has been adjusted to meet the needs of the potential occupier

- The layout of the retail unit has been altered to include an extra small unit

- Some office space has been provided on the first floor

THERE was also good news for traders and shoppers who use the Tally Ho market currently on site.

A section of the Lodge Lane car park has been earmarked as the proposed new home for the open-air market.

The improved Friday market would occupy the High Road end of the Lodge Lane car park retaining easy access to the central area for motorists. A pedestrian walkway into the centre of the car park will make it easier and safer to use.

The site will house 35 to 40 market stalls.

Alan Bloxham, the market operator, is enthusiastic, saying: 'I and the traders I have spoken to agree the Lodge Lane site is the best logical site and will help keep the High Street vibrant.'

Where there's muck, there's class in Barnet

BARNET Council is keeping its pledge to improve street cleaning and refuse collection.

A Best Value review included an extensive consultation with residents and the refuse collection contractor. This has led to:

- The introduction of two smaller sized refuse vehicles to the fleet to undertake collections from locations that are regularly obstructed by parked vehicles.

- Doubling the frequency of in-depth cleansing. Barnet Council introduced this targeted street cleansing last year. Each road in the borough is now scheduled

for block cleansing twice a year.

- Extra evening sweeping of Barnet's town centres. Additional resources are also being deployed to areas surrounding town centres where long and short-term parking generates higher litter levels.

Rubbish was collected for the first time on Easter and May Bank Holidays this year and a special collection took place on the Jewish Passover festival.

These improvements have been made possible by a budget increase of £1.8 million for street cleansing and bin services.

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Snow joke: Y2K cash available



Channel Four presenter Jon Snow

CHANNEL Four broadcaster Jon Snow wants young people from Barnet to apply for cash awards of up to £10,000 to fund projects with an international focus for the millennium and beyond.

The On The Line Millennium Awards are supported by leading charities and funded by the National Lottery. Cash is available for people aged 18 to 35 for sports, arts, leisure, cultural, education and community projects that make connections with other countries along the Meridian line.

The closing date for the current round of applications is July 14. Application forms are available by calling 0845 123 424.

Generous Barnet Council staff

KIND-HEARTED town hall staff are amongst the most generous givers to charity through their pay packet.

Analysis by the Charities Aid Foundation of the Give As You Earn scheme places Barnet employees tenth out of 300 councils when comparing the amount of money donated to charities. Some 220 Barnet council staff donated a total of £14,000 direct to various charities through the Give As You Earn Scheme last year.

Give As You Earn is one of a number of payroll giving schemes through which employees can donate tax free to charities of their choice.

Safety at work wins award

BARNET Council's personnel department has won a top award for its excellent accident prevention record in the workplace last year.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) Merit Award for Occupational Safety was presented to the borough's personnel department at Britain's premier health and safety at work exhibition, Expo 2000, in Birmingham.

It acknowledges not only their accident prevention record but also their excellent health and safety management systems.

Trading Standards warn of first aid kits

BARNET Trading Standards is issuing advice to residents who may have received unwanted first aid kits.

The kits worth £23.70 plus charges, are being sent out of the blue or following a phone call from someone claiming to be from a charity or research company, to Barnet households from the Netherlands.

Anyone who has received one of the kits is being advised by trading standards to either:

- write to the company asking them to collect the goods - in this case if it is not collected within 30 days it can be kept.
- or do nothing - in this case if

the kits are not collected after six months it can be kept free of charge.

In either case residents are not obliged to pay for the goods.

The Office of Fair Trading is also investigating claims that the company says it is donating money from the sales of the first aid kits to charities.

If you are worried about this or any other consumer problem please contact Trading Standards on (020) 8359 2606. You can also visit Trading Standards on line at www.barnet.gov.uk/trading.standards.

Alan Williams



Leader's View

TWO of the biggest events in the Barnet diary are taking place in June and July, Environment Week and ArtsWeek. And this year the connecting theme is, of course, our millennium celebrations.

As I've said before in this column, the millennium gives us the chance to take stock and look to the future.

The same should be said for both Environment Week and ArtsWeek. Barnet is currently broadening the appeal of Local Agenda 21 to take in more social concerns as well as environmental.

But the environment is not a sideshow, it is central to everything we do. It is as much about tackling poverty and social exclusion as about recycling and responsible car ownership.

Environment Week is the centrepiece of LA21 and we aim to get more people than ever involved this year to build on the wonderful work already carried out by the borough's pioneering LA21 groups.

Let us also not forget that events such as Barnet In Bloom are also about building a brighter Barnet.

The council has committed an extra £80,000 towards better horticultural displays this year to create a more pleasant environment. Now do your bit by filling in the entry form on page nine.

Meanwhile, ArtsWeek is our chance to boost the arts in the borough.

We are at an exciting stage with the Tally Ho arts centre and redevelopment of North Finchley.

That will be a major and permanent boost to the arts in the borough. You can find out more on page three of this edition of Community News.

All this is taking place at a time when the council is also looking at what it does and to the future in many other ways.

That includes our new Unitary Development Plan - a blueprint for how the borough could look over the next decade or more. Barnet's community plan, drawn up by the council and community, shows us a shared way forward in terms of policy.

And our Housing Strategy Conference on June 6 will fundamentally look at how people are housed across the borough, not just by us, but the private and housing association sector as well.

All in all it means Barnet is very much looking to the future - and we want you to be part of it.

Unitary Development Plan goes on deposit



How should Barnet look in 2016?

MAKING sure resources are available for future generations is the theme behind the latest draft of Barnet's Unitary Development Plan (UDP).

The plan, which goes on deposit for public consultation in July, forms a blueprint for how the council sees the use of land and development in the borough to 2016.

Since the last plan was drawn up to cover 1991-2001 people's lifestyles have changed. The composition and size of households, types and nature of employment, shopping, leisure and travel patterns have changed.

Trying to define the typical family now has become more difficult because society has become so diverse. They could be single parents, or from an ethnic minority, elderly or homeless.

And that means the environment around them must reflect their needs and be balanced between competing needs, including those of future generations.

One way, the plan says, to ensure sustainable development is to make sure new homes, businesses and amenities are

close to good transport links to reduce the need for travel.

It also says that so-called 'brownfield sites', which means previously developed land, should be used for development. That would spare open land, protecting plants and animals, and minimise pollution which will help sustainable development.

The council will want to see that developers have looked at brownfield sites before considering greenfield ones.

Barnet Council wants to promote a mixture of uses for land in any particular area, such as housing, shops, schools, GP surgeries and business. This would help create attractive places for people to live, work and relax. New development should be designed to respect local character.

The council is also committed to saving energy by reducing waste through recycling and cutting pollution in the air, land and water. Nuisance from light and noise should also be kept to a minimum.

The UDP says that Barnet will resist inappropriate development in its green belt, Metropolitan Open Land, conservation areas,

woodlands and other areas of distinctive character and appearance.

Leisure and tourism should be improved and sports facilities protected or new ones encouraged where there is demand, and in appropriate locations.

The council wants to reduce reliance on the car and promote sustainable alternatives, such as cycling, walking and public transport.

It believes everyone should have a place to live and any poor housing should be improved as a key priority.

The council proposes that 14,780 extra homes should be built in Barnet between 1997 and 2016.

Economic prosperity requires land to be available for many different types of employment. To ensure land is available, the council aims to safeguard Barnet's main industrial sites and business parks. It also aims help small and starter businesses by finding sites for storage and distribution for the projected growth in e-businesses.

The Government has identified Cricklewood with its huge brownfield sites as one of

London's major regeneration opportunities. The council wants this to happen before 2016. To do this, better access, including public transport and recycling needs to be provided.

Copies can be seen at Barnet House, 1255 High Road, Whetstone; Hendon Town Hall, the Burroughs; public libraries and Barnet's Mobile Action Point. Alternatively, contact the forward planning team in 0208 359 4990.

Comments on the plan can be sent to:

Forward Planning & Projects,
Barnet House,
1255 High Road,
Whetstone, N20 0EJ.

FACT FILE

Barnet has a reputation for being a pleasant, leafy borough. It has 17 conservation areas, 1,300 listed buildings and 2,466 hectares of green belt and 690 hectares of Metropolitan Open Land. The last two would fill the equivalent of about 3,000 football pitches.

ArtsWeek – it's bigger and better than ever



THE first arts event at the site of the old Gaumont Cinema since it was pulled down a decade ago marks the start of Barnet's Millennium ArtsWeek on June 24.

It also heralds the development of an arts centre on the site which the council is proudly backing (see page 3).

Tally Ho will be transformed into a hive of arts activity. Everyone will be able to soak up the atmosphere, browse around the arts market, roll up their sleeves and join in these free mega workshops.

They include: A Performance Zone with commedia and stage combat; a Dance Zone with salsa and African dance; A Music Zone with percussion, MC and DJ workshops; and a Visual Arts Zone with lantern making, cast making, public art and painting. There will also be photography, film and animation, plus street theatre.

It's a great way to get Millennium ArtsWeek off to a fabulous start. The whole event is free and takes place from 12 to 6pm.

ArtsWeek takes place until July 2 with other highlights of this key millennium celebration for the borough including street theatre and the East Barnet Festival with funfair, arts tent, sports fair and dance stage.

The comedy and spoken word includes poets Sarah Maguire and Lemn Sissay at The Bull on June 29 and The Funjabis with their outlandish story of a punk-mad lager lout transformed into a good little Indian boy.

Music and dance includes jazz at The Bothy with the Theo Travis Quartet on June 28 and contemporary music from Sounds Positive at The Bothy on June 30.

Theatre performances feature Philip Stafford and Company - The Art of the Fencing Master with swashbuckling act at The Bothy on June 26.

There is kids theatre with Tock Tick and film with A Lens on the Past featuring cinema classics at The Phoenix on June 25.

Exhibitions include one by The Aphorp Fund for Young Artists from June 24 to July 2 at The Bull and a Multi-cultural resources Exhibition on June 28 and 29 at the Professional Development Centre, High Road, North Finchley.

For a full list of events see our What's On Guide on pages 15 and 16.



Barnet 'doing a good job' survey says

AN independent opinion survey reveals that over two-thirds of residents believe that Barnet Council is 'doing a good job' in delivering services.

The results of the survey, commissioned by Barnet Council was based on interviews with 500 residents in January this year. It measures areas of personal concern, attitudes to the council and ratings on individual services.

Barnet council also scores well on:

- 'Having friendly and polite staff' (73%)
- 'Keeping residents informed about what we are doing' (60%)
- 'Being efficient and well run' (58%)
- 'Making the local area a better place to live' (54%).

Barnet residents also give Barnet Council a better rating than London as a whole on a number of key measures. These include:

- Doing a good job (9% more than London)
- Keeping residents informed about what the council is doing (9% more)
- Listening to the concerns of local residents (9% more)
- Being efficient and well run (8% more)
- Doing a better job than one year ago (8% more)
- Making the local area a better place for people to live (8% more).

The top three areas of concern remain the same as last year:

- Quality of health services (36%)
- Traffic congestion (35%)
- Rising crime (31%)

Compared with London as a whole, Barnet residents are less concerned about rising crime, the standard of education, services for elderly people, increasing numbers of homeless people and lack of jobs.

On individual services, residents gave a high approval rating to refuse collection, street lighting and libraries. The poorly regarded services are social services, council housing and housing benefit. But in each of these cases the users rate the service much higher than non-users.

The delivery of one service, refuse collection, was rated significantly better (up 8% to 74%) in 2000 than 1999.

Cllr. Helen Gordon, who chairs Barnet's Policy and Implementation Committee, said: 'Year on year residents say we are doing a good job and that cannot be denied. People have a high regard for this council.'

'However, we are not complacent and members have asked that chief officers come up with ways of addressing concerns raised in the survey so that we can continue to improve.'

PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE

We aim to make London a safer city. Our target is to reduce fires, deaths and injuries caused by fire and false fire alarms by 20 per cent over the next five years. You can help make London safer by fitting a smoke alarm.

To find out more about what we're doing see our Best Value Performance Plan, *Prevention is Better than Cure*, which sets out all our plans for the next year. You can get a summary at your local library or by calling us on 020 7587 6389, emailing us at bvpp@london-fire.gov.uk or visiting our web site at www.london-fire.gov.uk.

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The London Fire Brigade is run by the London Fire & Civil Defence Authority



Tree of hope planted at Orion School

COUNCIL leader Alan Williams marked the new millennium by planting a 'Tree of Hope' at Barnet's newest school. Cllr Williams planted a tree in the grounds of the Orion Primary School, Grahame Park.

The 'Tree of Hope' was presented to the primary school, in Lanacre Avenue, at Barnet's Civic Ceremony in January - one of the council's first millennium events to mark the Year 2000. At the ceremony children placed their wishes for a bright future on the tree.

The Orion Primary School was formed in January by the amalgamation of Grahame Park Junior and Infants schools. The school emblem is an Orion star. This symbolises the bright new hope for the school and emphasises the new ethos that there is a star in every pupil.

Representatives from Barnet local education authority joined Cllr Williams, staff, pupils and governors at this important event for the school community.

Headteacher of The Orion Primary School, Mr Chris Flathers, said: 'The planting of the Tree of Hope is a fitting occasion for the school. The tree symbolises the hope for a bright future for the people of Barnet. And there is a bright future for the children of Grahame Park at the Orion School whose logo is a star.'

Barnet Council leader Alan Williams said: 'I am delighted to plant the Tree of Hope. Pupils from the Orion School attended the Civic Ceremony in January to pin Barnet's hopes for the future on the tree. I hope it will serve as a reminder of their wishes and inspire them to make them a reality.'



Cllr Williams plants the Tree of Hope watched by children and staff at Orion School.

£4 million cash bonanza for Barnet schools through New Deal

BARNET schools are to benefit from over £4 million in grants, the highest award in London, from the Government's New Deal for Schools programme.

The extra funding, announced by the Education Secretary David Blunkett, includes cash to build a new school in Whetstone and for replacement buildings.

The award has been given to three borough schools:

- Pupils at Queenswell Infants and Nursery School, Sweets Way, Whetstone will benefit from a complete rebuild of their school on the existing site at a cost of £2,935,285.
- Northside JMI School, Albert Street, North Finchley will have a major refurbishment of existing accommodation, which means that nursery pupils will now be taught on one site. The cost of this project will be £1,135,535.
- Monkfrith JMI School,

Knoll Drive, Southgate will benefit from a new purpose-built classroom block, to replace a temporary classroom, together with a new information technology suite costing £179,487.

The total value of the projects is £4,250,307.

Chris Brook, Headteacher at Northside JMI School, said:

'The children gasped when I made the announcement in assembly. The whole school community is really thrilled.'

'Northside has been serving North Finchley since 1883 in a substantial Victorian building. It has a great deal of charm but needs major remodelling to meet the requirements of a 21st century primary school.'

'We are looking forward to having an integrated nursery with enhanced early years provision. The plans also include a computer room, new classrooms and a

whole school library as well as new toilet facilities and much needed landscaping to our playgrounds.'

It is great that central and local government have worked together to turn our dreams into reality.

We are looking forward to our children having the school facilities they so richly deserve.'

Cllr. Alison Moore, Barnet's education lead member, said: 'This is wonderful news for the schools who have benefited from the biggest Government funding award to any borough in London.'

'The very generous allocation is a big boost in our determination to improve the quality of school buildings and drive to raise standards.'

'All the projects will help improve the learning environment for staff and pupils, in circumstances where the schools are striving to improve performance in challenging circumstances.'



Children from Queenswell School celebrate the news

Credit Union opens for business in Finchley

LOW-COST financial services have arrived in Finchley with the official opening of the local credit union.

Eighty five local residents signed up as members of Finchley Credit Union at the launch at East Finchley Library. Local volunteers have set up the credit union, with support from Barnet Council.

It is based at the Neighbourhood Centre, 42 Church Lane, East Finchley. The office is open from 7.00pm-8.30pm on Wednesday evenings and Saturday between 10.00am and 12 noon.

Community credit unions provide an opportunity for local people who have difficulty accessing traditional financial services or lack credit-worthiness to save and borrow. But they also benefit the whole community since they offer borrowing at lower interest rates than those normally charged by

high street banks.

Membership of the Finchley Credit Union is open to residents living in East, North and Central Finchley - the qualifying area that marks the boundaries of the credit union.

As part of Barnet's economic development strategy, the council is keen to encourage the setting up of local credit unions as a means of tackling disadvantage.

The council has already helped set up the Watling and Grahame Park Credit Union, which was launched in May 1998. Its qualifying area is Burnt Oak, Colindale, and parts of Edgware and Hale. The council also launched a credit union for its employees in 1996.

Barnet Council Leader Alan Williams said: 'We are determined to reduce disadvantage within the borough. This includes working with local communities so that they are able to

develop 'self-help' initiatives such as credit unions.

'Finchley Credit Union will offer low-cost, efficient financial services to local people, and will make an important contribution to offset the problem of financial exclusion.'

Chairman of Finchley Credit Union, Kim George, said: 'The launch of Finchley Credit Union has created a low cost financial service for the people of Finchley. This would not have been possible without the many hours of hard work contributed by volunteers during the past 18 months or the continuing financial support of Barnet Council.'

'The launch on Saturday was a great success and I would like to thank all those who attended. To those who became members we can all look forward to the benefits of 'Smarter Saving and Better Borrowing' in Finchley.'

Star gets on her bike to support multicultural day

ACTRESS Lynda Bellingham test drove Barnet Council's environmentally friendly Powabyke at Barnet's third Multicultural Community Day held recently.

The event, sponsored by the council, attracted almost 1,000 people who took part in a number of activities at the Multicultural Centre, Algernon Road, West Hendon.

The aim was to raise awareness of local activities, promote access to health and social services and improve knowledge and understanding of the different cultures in Barnet.



Lynda Bellingham with event organiser Nila Patel

Attractions on the day included a bouncy castle, hand massage, Indian head massage, henna painting and reflexology.

There were also performances from Ravenscroft School's jazz band, movement to music by Barnet Asian Old People's Association, Tai Chi, Somali dancing, aerobics, yoga and a walk led by The Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Jack Cohen.

Barnet Council's offering was a trial ride on the latest electric 'Powabyke', which is economical, environmentally friendly, travels up to 15mph and can do 20 miles on just one charge.

Staff from Barnet Council's Fitness for Life scheme, Community Care team and Equality team were also on hand to talk to visitors, along with representatives from the Aids Advocacy Unit, Barnet Asian Old People's Association, Citizens Advice Bureau, British Red Cross and the Metropolitan Police.

Bin there, done that, got the certificate



Council leader Alan Williams presents the City and Guilds certificate to Martin Baker, of Team Barnet

THEY used to be the butt of music hall songs and jokes, but now that's all got to change...

For binmen in Barnet can now get a qualification in picking up your rubbish.

That's thanks to a new nationally recognised qualification devised by Barnet Council called the Environmental Services City and Guilds 6033 award.

Martin Baker, 20, of Hendon, was one of eleven 'refuse operatives' to pick up the award from Barnet Council leader Alan Williams recently at the Mill Hill Depot, Bittacy Hill.

They were some of the first in the country to get the qualification which is being offered to other councils, with more than 30 interested so far.

To get the qualification, our

'refuse operatives' had to pass tests on health and safety and loading and unloading bin lorries.

Cllr Williams said: 'Barnet Council is determined to continue to improve its refuse service and in a recent survey residents told us that it is one of the most improved services the council provides.

'This will make it even better by ensuring our refuse collectors have the necessary training for the job.'

Cllr Williams added: 'Once again Barnet Council is

leading the way for other councils across the country to improve their services.'

The award, valid for five years, is the first ever qualification to recognise the skills and training of street cleaning workers.

It is a vocational qualification which ensures there is a standard assessment for new employees coming into this area of work as well as providing the opportunity for existing employees to gain a qualification in their chosen area of work.

New look at housing

RESIDENTS' views are being sought to help shape Barnet's Housing Strategy for 2001/2002.

Homeowners, council tenants and leaseholders will take part in a housing conference in Finchley, set up to consult local people on housing issues in Barnet.

The conference will include workshops on the Government's Housing Green Paper, 'Quality and Choice: a decent home for all', private sector housing and the council's Capital Budget.

The conference has been set up as part of a review of the council's annual housing strategy being carried out by Barnet Council's Social Affairs Policy Development Committee. The Committee wants to seek views of residents from all kinds of housing - private, public and housing associations.

The move follows a government report of the council's last Housing Strategy which gave top marks for housing management but below average on other aspects including consulting with residents and tenants and spending on the capital programme.

Councillor Beverly Pearce who has cabinet responsibility for housing said: "The review will look at all aspects of housing and the results will

provide the framework for the housing strategy for 2001/2002 which will set out housing projects for the year ahead and how the service will be run and developed."

The new Housing Strategy will focus on modernising council housing stock, building new housing stock and investment in the private sector.

It will tackle housing problems currently facing Barnet including:

- The demand for social rented housing exceeding the number of homes available, and the consequent increase in Bed and Breakfast use.
- A backlog of repairs and improvements to housing stock.
- Decrease in council housing since the Right to Buy was introduced.
- House prices - the average house price in Barnet is now £137,000 with an average household income of over 30,000 for first time buyers.

Barnet's Housing Strategy will be submitted to the Government Office for London in July to support its bid for funding from the Housing Investment Programme.



MORE THAN 650 young gymnasts from around 30 schools and centres in the borough took part in Barnet's Festival of Gymnastics recently at Hendon Youth Sports Centre.

The event which included teams and individuals aged five to 18, was part of Barnet Council's Millennium Celebrations.

Children from Mapledown school, Claremont Road NW2, opened the festival by performing gymnastics and trampolining which they were taught during classes at Hendon Youth Sports Centre.

Five hundred young people competed for individual and team titles on the floor and vault. Some of the gymnasts will be selected to represent Barnet in the London Youth Games held at the Crystal Palace Sports Centre in July.

Gymnasts, who attend the centre in Marble Drive, also performed on a range of apparatus and the Childs Hill Gym Club staged a choreographed routine, featuring synchronised gymnastics and dance.

Barry Martin, Head of Gymnastics at Hendon Youth Sports Centre said: "The festival was a fitting display of the excellent work carried out by the teachers and coaches who work towards providing opportunities for young people and raising achievements. It also illustrated the hard work and dedication required to become a competitive gymnast."

Making Barnet greener during E



The programme for Environment Week will be available in libraries, council offices or from the LA21 team on (020) 8359 4664

KICK off the new century with a **new start** by getting involved in **Environment Week** this year. You can find out how to help the planet, help Barnet and have fun too.

THERE's plenty to do and see during this year's event from July 8 to 16! It kicks off with an Environment Fair at the Spires Shopping Centre, Barnet, from 10am to 4pm

So, put down your shopping and have a go at environmental sculpture made from sand, or be amazed by the clowning stilt walkers.

You could get a bit of peace and quiet from the kids for a while by getting them to have their faces painted as endangered species or enjoy the youth bands in the

bandstand as a family.

There will be plenty of advice and information on stalls and displays about local environmental and social groups, national bodies and from the council on everything from energy efficiency to our bigger and better neighbourhood management service.

Schools Environmental Action Day takes place at Watling Park on July 11 from 10am to 3pm.

Children from local schools will work their way around activities in four zones, each with a different theme.

They will include a Nature Zone where children can make an environmental promise with the Environment Agency or go back to

The pictures above are from last year's environment week

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June 30: Friday Night Fever

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Environment Week



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What is LA 21?

- Local Agenda 21, or LA21, brings the council and the wider community together.
- It involves taking active steps to improve the quality of life for everyone who lives in, works in, or visits Barnet, while protecting and improving the environment.
- LA21 is about healthy safe neighbourhoods, employment and economy, social equality and inclusion, local environmental quality, global sustainability and building communities.
- It recognises that only through working together can we ensure a better quality of life for everyone now and in the future.

nature with Countryside Services. A Recycling Zone will feature Beat The Binmen, a frantic game to reduce waste going to landfill and making your own works of art with recycled materials.

There will be a Travel Zone where children can learn the bus trade with Arriva buses and experiment on many different types of whacky bicycle with the Recumbants.

Finally, the Work and Leisure Zone where children can exercise their minds with Nortel Networks' world of communications or work their bodies to the grooves of fitness for life.

A Young Citizens' Environmental Conference takes place at Christ Church Secondary School on July 12 which gives secondary pupils a chance to investigate the environment across the world using the internet.

On July 13, an Environment Week Public

Meeting will take place at Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, to take forward the council's Local Agenda 21 strategy. The Pentland Finchley Carnival at Victoria Park is a great day out for the family on July 15 where they can enjoy the beautiful park land as well as the events.

Other events for July 15 include a Millennium Walk at the edge of the borough, an Indian Dance Festival around an environmental theme at The Bull Theatre and a Bike Day at Courtlands School, Mill Hill, for pupils from the school.

The week will be rounded off by the Cricklewood Festival, at the Clitterhouse Playing Fields on July 16.

Local Agenda 21 involvement includes a wind-generated PA system and other displays of alternative energy and Dr Bike from 2pm to 5pm.



Nick takes the Mick out of science

BLOOD, bones and body bits came up for discussion at Brunswick Park Primary School when children's author and science boffin, Nick Arnold (above right) visited recently.

He performed his 'Suffering Scientists' show and talk to infant and junior pupils at the Osidge Lane school about his famous 'Horrible Science' book series. Nick also hosted a science-based question and answer session for junior pupils and autographed books for children.

Nick Arnold's famous Horrible Science series, published by Scholastic, teaches children the gruesome bits about science. Titles in the series include 'Bulging Brains', 'Disgusting Digestion' and 'Blood,

Bones and Body Bits'.

Nick has been writing books and stories since he was at school. He began science writing when he worked at the University of North London on a project teaching children about nature. This led on to magazine and newspaper articles and then books.

His biggest hobby apart from writing is reading. His favourite authors are Terry Deary and R.L. Stine. According to Nick, "The great thing about reading is that you can do it at any time or place."

Nick is pictured with students James Auburn, 9, Chelsea Mason, 9, Tim Barrett, 8, and Sarah Page, 8.

Barnet in Bloom Entry Form

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For more information on Barnet in Bloom turn to page 1.

Our men (and woman) about town

MEET the town centre managers, David, Samantha and Alan. They want to help you whether you are a shopper or a trader. Their job is to breathe new life into Barnet's 20 town centres. Our reporter went out onto the streets with them to find out how they intend to do that.

ALAN Everitt, Barnet's town centre co-ordinator, said: 'Barnet has more shopping areas than any other London borough. No other borough comes close.

'Some are small such as Friern Barnet and Market Place. Others are much larger and London's only regional shopping centre in Brent Cross is in the borough.

'That poses interesting challenges for us. Not least because we don't each have our own patch. We are unable to split the borough up like that. Nevertheless, traders are getting to know us and that is beginning to pay dividends.'

Alan Everitt and his colleagues David Sklair and Samantha Edwards were appointed last year following a request from traders for someone to champion their case and to act as a link between them and the council.

Alan had worked for the council for 22 years, most recently as a business consultant. David was an economic development officer and Samantha was recruited from Enfield where she was a business centre manager.

Alan, Samantha and David are funded through private sector sponsorship and



They're bloomin' marvellous, (left to right) David, Samantha and Alan.

the council. The eventual intention is to secure enough private funding for an extra manager.

Cllr. Monroe Palmer, lead member for regeneration and Chair of Barnet Town Centre Partnership said: 'We want to get more large organisations into the partnership which would help boost funding to carry out and implement crucial projects.'

Alan Everitt said their main job is to co-ordinate things that happen in town centres. That might include road or footway repairs or dealing with parking or business rate complaints.

They also try to market the 20 town centres which is also challenging because they are so different. Alan said: 'Barnet does not have one main town centre which is unusual. That means we cannot focus on a particular town

centre as others can.'

Nevertheless, they all have their unique qualities. That is why action plans are being drawn up for West Hendon, Burnt Oak and Golders Green with surveys being carried out to find out what exactly traders and residents need.

Alan said: 'They are based on research looking at the strengths and weaknesses of each centre. We also want to develop an identity for each centre and create a brand for each.'

The town centre managers are also in the frontline of economic development. They try to assist small businesses.

An example is the Upbeat Project in Edgware and Hendon Lane where free computer training is given to traders. The town centre managers' job is all about building partnerships.

They are talking to traders to secure funding towards festival lights in December. Alan said: 'They help brighten up the shopping centres, putting people in the festive spirit and creating a pleasant shopping experience.'

There are plans for a free shopping guide to be made available in libraries, action points, public buildings and stores. The guide would list shops, giving a brief description, with a borough map so shoppers can find them easily and details of public transport. They may also launch an electronic version on the worldwide web.

Alan said: 'It's about promoting each town centre. It's about promoting quality and value for money.'

A newsletter is to be released, probably quarterly, to traders sometime over the next year to keep them informed of events and what the town centre management team is doing. Alan said they would also set up a borough traders' group.

Last, but not least, the town centre managers also have an important community safety role. Alan chairs a Town Centre Action Plans group. It plans and seeks funding for CCTV cameras - a major deterrent for criminals.

Alan summed up his and David and Samantha's role as: 'Quite simply, we are there to help.'

If you would like to contact Barnet's town centre managers please telephone Alan Everitt on 0208 359 2631.



Kids presenter puts spring into step of Orion School

RADIO and television presenter, Pat Sharp (left) joined children and staff at Orion Primary School for a 'Spring Celebration Day'.

The Heart 106 FM DJ and Children's ITV presenter, kicked off the day's events with The Great Balloon Launch which involved pupils and staff releasing over 400 biodegradable balloons.

Each balloon carried a special message from pupils and a return card so they could trace where the balloons ended up.

The Spring Celebration Day also included a sponsored bounce, Easter raffle and five-a-side football match

between staff and pupils. In addition, parents were invited to hear the school choir perform and watch children take part in classroom activities.

The Orion Primary School, Lanacre Avenue, Grahame Park, first opened in January following the amalgamation of Grahame Park Junior and Infants schools.

Chris Flathers, Headteacher of the school said: 'We arranged the Spring Celebration Day to say a special thank you to pupils, staff and teachers who helped launch the school and made sure that it got off to a good start.'

news IN BRIEF

Drop in for a cup

A NEW coffee lounge has opened at Mill Hill Library, Hartley Avenue. The new facility which hopes to draw more people into the library, was officially opened by Barnet Mayor Jack Cohen.

Coffee lounges were first introduced to Barnet's Libraries in 1995 to create a relaxed and informal atmosphere for customers. This is Barnet's eighth coffee lounge.

Home From Hospital Service

A NEW Home From Hospital Service at the Royal Free, Hampstead, is helping Barnet residents adjust to home life after a stay in hospital.

Fully trained Red Cross volunteers assist in boosting the confidence of patients who may be anxious about returning home. They also provide companionship, emotional support and practical assistance.

Namibian visit



BARNET Mayor Councillor Jack Cohen recently welcomed the Namibian High Commissioner, Mrs Monica Nashandi, to Barnet.

Mrs Nashandi, a resident in the borough, visited Hendon Town Hall as part of Namibia's efforts to forge closer links with this country.

She was joined by the chair of Barnet African Community Forum Mr David Sandhi and the Namibian High Commission First Secretary Mr Michael Jones.

Holly Park praised

PUPILS' skills in creative and performing arts are higher than those seen in other schools nationally and speaking and listening skills are above average", reveals Holly Park Primary School's latest OFSTED report.

Following a five-day inspection in February, Holly Park School, Bellevue Road, Friern Barnet, has been praised by inspectors for providing good standards of education, value for money and making good progress since its inspection in 1997.



A dual camera being fitted to a bus to deter motorists parking in bus lanes

Camera to catch bus lane cheats

BEWARE! Video cameras to catch bus lane cheats are now operating in Barnet.

They are among 180 cameras across London, 151 of which are mobile fitted on buses and 29 are static roadside cameras.

They have been operating on Barnet's red routes since March.

Top priority is to make sure that bus passengers benefit from quicker more reliable bus journeys. The cameras help achieve this by deterring drivers who delay buses through their illegal use of bus lanes.

Traffic Director for London Derek Turner said: 'Extending the scheme to cover all bus lanes is a big step towards cracking down on the selfish drivers who block bus lanes delaying millions of bus passengers.'

'The video footage really brings home how disruptive just one illegally parked car can be.'

The Traffic Director for London's bus lane camera team, working with the police, can process up to 100,000 infringements each year with drivers facing either a fixed penalty or attending magistrates court with a maximum fine of £1,000.

Consumer watchdog warns about sales

BARNET trading standards officers are warning residents of the dangers of attending one-day sales.

Trading standards have several recent examples where these so-called sales degenerate into illegal 'mock auctions' at which shoddy, overpriced and sometimes unsafe goods are sold.

Each year Barnet trading standards officers contact over 250 likely venues - including pubs, clubs, church halls and schools - in an effort to prevent these types of sales taking place.

There are many genuine one-day sales taking place around the borough and trading standards operate an alert system to identify these.

Residents with concerns about any sale should contact Barnet trading standards by telephone on 0208 359 2606 and officers will help identify the more legitimate sales.

It's getting better all the time

BARNET Council's services are going from strength to strength, according to the latest figures produced by a local government watchdog.

The Audit Commission's performance indicators measure how well councils across the country are doing in everything from emptying bins to collecting council tax.

The figures for 1998/9 show Barnet is performing better than average against other London boroughs in areas which include:

- Percentage of primary classes with more than 30 pupils (4.6 per cent in 1998/9 compared to 6.8 per cent the previous year and 14.1 per cent in London as a whole)
- Percentage of four years olds in nursery places (90.45 per cent, London 76 per cent)
- Percentage of pupils getting five or more A-C grades at GCSE (48.4 per cent, London 36 per cent)
- Cost of collecting council tax per chargeable dwelling (£13.82p compared to the London average of £21.88p which is down to efficient management)
- Percentage of highways which reach an acceptable standard of cleanliness (67.36 per cent compared to London 58.3 per cent)

- Housing repairs completed within Government time limits (93 per cent, London 83 per cent)

- Percentage of current tenants owing more than 13 weeks' rent (2.98 per cent, London 10 per cent)

- The cost of a swim or visit to a council pool (£1.47p at Copthall Pools and Finchley Lido representing excellent value for money against the London average of £1.70p)

- Expenditure per head on libraries (£18.47p, London £17.71p)

Barnet Council leader, Alan Williams said: 'I'm delighted by another year of improving performance. We are determined to make sure we get it right and we are getting it right as the figures prove.'

'This is down to efficient management. But there is no room for complacency. We will set ever more demanding targets which we will achieve. In a few areas there is room for improvement and we are already addressing these.'

'We are using Best Value to not only ensure that residents get value for money, but that they also get top quality services.'

CHILDREN'S DANCE FESTIVAL

MORE than 800 children from nursery, primary, secondary and special schools came together for Barnet's tenth annual Dance Festival recently.

The event, involving some 40 Barnet schools was staged at The Hippodrome, North End Road in Golders Green.

Each school was under the spotlight for three minutes while they performed dances of Indian, African, Greek, classical and contemporary origin.

Acts also included music composed, played or sung by the dancers or other children, and

hand-made masks, costumes and art work used as part of the acts or set.

Barnet Schools' annual Dance Festival, now in its tenth year has grown from a small sharing of work to an event involving over 800 children. This year it formed part of the borough's extensive millennium celebrations.

It gave children of all ages the chance to perform to a large audience in a theatre and to see others perform a diverse range of dance work. It also demonstrated the excellent and varied work happening in Barnet's schools.

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MEETINGS OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEES etc

13 June - 30 August 2000

Normally, meetings will commence at 7pm and will be held at The Town Hall, Hendon, unless otherwise arranged.

Other arrangements operate for Area Forums and Area Sub-Committees.

To find out details for one near you ring (020) 8359 2018. Meetings not included will be arranged as and when required.

JUNE

13 (Tues)	Environment Policy Development Committee
20 (Tues)	Golders Green Area Forum
	Whetstone Area Forum
	Edgware and Mill Hill Area Forum
21 (Wed)	Recreation Leisure and Arts Scrutiny Commission
22 (Thurs)	Social Affairs Policy Development Committee
26 (Mon)	Street Based Scrutiny Commission
	Scrutiny Commission - Social Services (Adults and Old People)
	Education and Children Scrutiny Committee
27 (Tues)	Chipping Barnet Area Environment Sub-Committee
	(Barnet House, 1255 High Road, N20)
28 (Wed)	Policy and Implementation Committee

JULY

4 (Tues)	Hendon Area Planning Sub-Committee
	Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(The Old Town Hall, 1 Friern Barnet Lane, N11)
	Finchley & Golders Green Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(Avenue House, East End Road, N3)
10 (Mon)	Education and Children Scrutiny Committee
11 (Tues)	Council
12 (Wed)	Environment Policy Development Committee

17 (Mon)	Finchley Area Forum
	Barnet Area Forum
	Hendon Area Forum
19 (Mon)	Resources Executive Committee
20 (Thurs)	Education And Children Scrutiny Committee
25 (Tues)	Hendon Area Environment Sub-Committee
	Finchley and Golders Green Area Environment Sub-Committee
	(Avenue House, East End Road, N3)
26 (Wed)	Policy and Implementation Committee

AUGUST

1 (Tues)	Hendon Area Planning Sub-Committee
	Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(The Old Town Hall, 1 Friern Barnet Lane, N11)
	Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(Avenue House, East End Road, N3)
8 (Tues)	Environment Policy Development Committee
14 (Mon)	Education and Children Scrutiny Committee
29 (Tues)	Hendon Area Planning Sub-Committee
	Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(The Old Town Hall, 1 Friern Barnet Lane, N11)
	Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Sub-Committee
	(Avenue House, East End Road, N3)
30 (Wed)	Reserved for Policy Development Committees

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Barnet Council

Local sports clubs?

Barnet Council's Sports Development Team is updating a sports club database to:

- encourage new members into sports clubs
- provide a point of contact for local clubs
- eventually produce a directory of clubs in Barnet, accessible to all.

Name/address of club

Contact name

Telephone (Day)

Evening

Correspondence address

Brief details

If you do not want your correspondence address included in the Barnet borough guide of sports clubs tick this box ☐

If you do not want your club details included on our web site tick this box ☐



Please use the tear off slip to send your details to:

Leisure Services Section
FREEPOST ND1237
The Old Town Hall
1 Friern Barnet Lane
London, N11 3DL

Or contact Chris Walker on

T (020) 8359 3317

F (020) 8359 3011

E leisure@barnet.gov.uk



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times but ultimately a cautionary tale. £8, £6 conc.

1-11 August, 10.30am-5pm. **Bull Youth Theatre Summer School.**

A two week project for young actors aged 11-19 led by Iris Walton and Deborah Newbold, learning new theatre, movement, circus and acrobatic skills. The group will work towards a performance of the Dean Kootz book 'Oddkins'. Book early as places are limited. £70/£55 children of conc.

COMEDY AND POETRY

16 June, 8pm. **John Hegley**

'Dog'. Exploring the world of dogs, this show will delight Hegley and canine lovers alike. £10, £8.

21 June, 8pm. **Craig Charles**, star of Red Dwarf and Robot Wars - his new show. £12.50, £10.50 conc.

22 June, 8pm. **George Melly**.

Lecture on Bessie Smith, The Empress of The Blues. George Melly's favourite singer since he was 16. George brings his talents as a raconteur to relate her life and times. £8, £6 conc.

29 June, 8pm. **Sarah Maguire and Lemn Sissay** 'Leap the Page'. Sarah Maguire whose work is lucid, compelling and sensually textured and Lemn Sissay, poet and

recording artist who combines upbeat humour with seriousness.

Part of Barnet ArtsWeek. £7, £5 conc.

1 July, 8pm. **The Funjabis** This is Your Life Mr Funjabi! The comical story of Charlie Funjabi and his transformation from a punk-mad

lager lout to a 'good little Indian boy'. Meet the Trainee Terrorist, the Punjabi Drunks and an Indian

super-hero. *Part of Barnet ArtsWeek.* £8, £6 conc.

21 July, 8pm. **Omid Djalili & Jeff Innoent.** Omid looks even further into his Iranian roots with his brand new stand up show. Jeff Innoent

takes a look at crime over the last 50 years and the criminals who became superstars by breaking the law. £8, £6 conc.

22 July, 8pm. **One Nation 'One Nation...Innit!'** Asian comedy producers bring a fresh dose of cabaret featuring stand-up, sketches and dance. £8, £6 conc.

MUSIC
18 June, 8.30pm. Shir Music.

Maurice Chemick with his jazz orientated **Klezmer** group taking its repertoire from the songs of Jewish people from Eastern and Western Europe and modern Israel. £8, £6 conc.

25 June, 8pm. **Chris Guy's October Consort.** 15 piece band play freshly composed music, contemporary in style and with a nod to current film and cartoon scores. *Part of Barnet ArtsWeek.* £6, £4 conc.

2 July, 12noon onwards, public performance 8pm **'Spirit of Asia 2000'**. An opportunity to take part in a UK wide roadshow that offers participatory workshops for children and adults in Indian and Chinese musical traditions. The day concludes with a concert by Sanju Sahai, Manickam Yogeswaran, Thanuja Shankar and Beijing opera singer, Ione Meyer. *Part of Barnet ArtsWeek.* £7, £5 conc. (For details and prices of workshops, please contact the Education Dept. on 020 8275 5373).

DANCE
10 & 11 June, 10am-5pm. Arts Worldwide **'Feet First Weekend'**. A 'faster' weekend when participants can experience a range of different dance workshops. Each day there will be different workshops in Merengue, Irish and

Lindy Hop (Saturday) and Flamenco. Film and Ballroom (Sunday). Cost for the weekend, £40, £35 conc. Day ticket subject to availability £30, £25 conc. Bookings on 020 7354 4141. 15 June, 8pm. **'The Coat'**.

Asavari Pawar performs her poignant story of a village girl on the eve of her journey to Britain to a husband she has not seen for many years. Expressed through the intricate and complex footwork and rhythms of Kathak, the many patterns of love, youth, and the joy of life. £8, £6 conc.

LITTLE BULL

(All shows £3.50 in advance, £4 on the day, unless otherwise stated)

The Little Bull Club. Thanks to the generous support of Sainsbury's.

The Bull is delighted to offer children the chance to earn free tickets for Little Bull shows and events. Simply pick up a free membership card and wallet at the box office.

18 June, 3pm. Zannie Fraser/Rip Stop Productions **'The Far Sky Country, A New Re-Telling of Jack and The Beanstalk'** (99p show). Ages 5-9; 25 June, 3pm.

Lantern Theatre **'Oliver Twist'**. The Charles Dickens novel brought to life. An exciting introduction to a classic tale. Ages 4+

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL AT THE BULL

8 & 9 July, 3pm & 7pm **Full Circle Children's Theatre Club**

A vibrant and joyous adaptation of Lionel Bart's **'Oliver'**. A show to be enjoyed by all the family. £5 adults, £4 children; 11 July, 7.30pm.

Creative Connections Project 'Café Daydream' Daydreams explored through movement, object and mask. An evening of physical theatre and dance by people with and without learning disabilities. For information on this and courses contact Claire Turner on 0202 8457 5129; 14 July, 8pm. **'Poetry in Motion'**. A classical guitar recital by **David Cannings**, rhythms of Latin America with works by Lauro, Brouwer and Ponce and impressionist works by Debussy, Walton and Tansman. £8, £6; 18-20 July, 8pm. **The Apex Company** - A Noah's Ark Event **'See Me, Feel Me!'**. A musical showcase of the talent of Pete Townshend, in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust. £10.

GALLERY AT THE BULL
13 June - 2 July. **The Apthorp Fund for Young Artists.** Award winning young artists in North London exhibit new work (and in Foyer). *Part of Barnet ArtsWeek;* 5 - 30 July. **Carol Stevens 'Inside Elements'**.

THE BULL FOYER
5 - 30 July. 'Egg-Stra Special'. Photographically based images from the School of Temperaprint.

SHOWS
18 June, **East Finchley Community Festival.** Cherry Tree Woods. For details contact 020 8444 8461.

30 June, 1, 5-7 & 8 July, 7.30pm (also 1 & 8 July 3pm). **Garden Suburb Theatre Pageant.** 'The Stars/In Good King Charles' Golden Days: a revival of a pageant written by Garden Suburb residents Cynd and Enid Kelsen, first performed in 1933 plus a Shaw play about a visit by Charles II to Isaac Newton. More details, 020

8455 0682

1 & 2 July East Barnet Festival.

Oak Hill Park. (Funfair 30 June-2 July) Theme: Myths and Legends. Full music and dance programme. Marquee, arts and crafts stalls, charity stalls. Further details 07071 781745

7-9 July, Grahame Park Festival.

Details 020 8205 9865

12-15 July, Pentland Finchley Carnival

at Victoria Park, Ballards Lane, N3. Plus Funfair. Includes children's day, baby show, senior citizens events, disco, dog show, charity stalls, craft and commercial stalls, procession. Further details, 01707 662588.

16 July, 12noon-10pm.

Cricklewood Community Festival

at Clitterhouse Playing Fields, Clarendon Road, NW2. Music, arena displays, community stalls, world food, funfair, fireworks display. Contact: 020 8359 3153.

19 (12noon-10pm) & 20 August (12noon-6pm).

Friern Barnet Summer Show

at Friary Park, Friern Barnet Lane. (Funfair 17-20 August) Auction, baby show, dog show, arts & crafts, children's art, horticultural show, domestic show, arena attractions, firework display, floral art show, hobbies & handicraft show, many children's activities, five-a-side football. *Organisers wanted for arts & crafts sections.* Further details, 020 8368 6923.

MUSIC
1 July, 7.45pm, **Finchley Choral Society** conducted by George Vass perform works by Holst, Britten, Rutter, Chilcott and Newton accompanied by Richard Harvey (piano) and Julia Thornton (harp). The Institute Hall, Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11. Tickets £8, £6 conc. Details, 020 8445 9666.

Friday 7 July to Sunday 9 July Mill Hill Millennium Jazz Weekend

Programmes available from Mill Hill Library or call Paul Amsterdam on 020 8958 4834

8 July, 7.45pm, **Finchley Chamber Choir and Finchley Chamber Orchestra** Concert. Works by Schumann: Symphony No. 3 (Rhenish) and Brahms: A German Requiem. Trinity Church, Nether Street, North Finchley, N12. Admission £7.50/£5 conc.

MUSEUMS
Until 18 June, exhibition **'Barnet's Twin Towns'** a celebration of Barnet's links with towns in France, Germany, Israel, Cyprus and the USA, in paintings, photographs and commemorative objects; 8 July - 2 Sept, exhibition **'Salt & Pepper Pots'** hundreds of examples in different designs and materials, demonstrating how even these humble, everyday objects reflect the fashions and interests of their times (& 8 July-2 Sept, **'Mazawattee'**: the story of the famous brand of tea) **Church Farmhouse Museum**, Greyhound Hill, Hendon, NW4. Tel 020 8203 0130.

Royal Air Force Museum. Grahame Park Way, NW9. 31 July - 6 August, Air Sea Rescue. Save or be saved, take part in an Air Sea Rescue game and learn more about the RAF's role in search and rescue;

7-13 August, Build & Fly Workshop: construct and fly your own model aircraft, 14-20 August, Birds of Prey: meet the birds of prey and watch them fly, 21-28 August, Space Week: Experience the astrodome, star gaze and learn about space flight and astronomy. Phone 020 8205 2266 for more information on these and other events. *Please check beforehand, dates and schedules may vary unavoidably without notice.*

Barnet Museum. 31 Wood Street, Barnet. Open 2.30-4.30pm Tues, Weds, Thurs and Saturdays 10.30am-12.30pm & 2-4pm. Tel 020 8440 8066.

Jewish Museum Until 29 Oct.

'Taxi!' An exhibition on Jewish taxi-drivers and the London cab trade. Exhibition 'Jewish Life in London and Leon Greenbaum, British survivor of Auschwitz, Mondays - Thursdays 10.30am-5pm, Sundays, 10.30am-4.30pm at 80 East End Road, N3. Tel. 020 8349 1143.

GARDENS

13 July, 8pm. Mrs Christine Schwick, 'Scentsations' **New Barnet Amateur Gardeners' and Floral Art Society.** Meetings at Lyonsdown Hall, Lyonsdown Road, New Barnet. Members £1.50, visitors £2. Also 10 August, Members' evening.

WALKS
11 June, 10am-12pm. Birds at the Welsh Harp. Guided walk to discover the Welsh Harp Reservoir. Meet in the small car park off Cool Oak Lane. Welsh Harp Conservation Group. Ring Roy Beddard on (020) 8447 1810; 11 June, 2-4pm. Totteridge Fields Open Day. Meet at the Reserve, Hendon Wood Lane. Totteridge Barnet Group London Wildlife Trust. Contact Ann Brown 020 8343 0831; 16 June, 9-10.30pm. Bats in the Park. Discover the nightlife in Oak Hill Woods. Meet at the Old Bandstand in Oak Hill Park. Barnet Group London Wildlife Trust. Contact Ann Brown 020 8343 0831; 25 June, all day event. North London Arrowhead Ride. Cycle ride from Barnet to Shenley. £1 donation. For further details contact Southern Area Countryside Management Service 01707 650041; 25 June, 2-4pm. Mill Hill Old Railway Open Day. London Wildlife Trust (LWT). Self guided trails down this disused railway line. Meet at Deans Lane entrance to the reserve or via Lyndhurst Park. Contact Ann Brown (Barnet Group LWT) 020 8343 0831; 2 July, 10am-4pm. Work Day at Darlands Lake. Join Barnet Conservation Volunteers (BCV) as they continue with clearance of vegetation along the main path - a chance to help out on this beautiful site. Meet at 10am on path leading to the lake just off The Close, next to Orange Tree Public House. Phone Jim Rea (BCV) on 020 8200 7309; 16 July, 10am - 12pm. Butterflies at the Welsh Harp. Meet at Woodfield Park car park off Cool Oak Lane. Ring Roy Beddard Welsh Harp Conservation Group on 020 8447 1810; 30 July, 2-4pm. Mill Hill Old Railway Open Day. (*see 25 June for details*); 2 August, 2-4pm. Barfield Avenue Nature Reserve Open Day. Free fun for all the family - explore this wildlife haven just off Russell Lane and Oakleigh Road North. Phone Mel Lloyd, Parks & Countryside



George Melly
8pm on Thursday 22 June
at The Bull

Development Officer on 020 8359 4322 for information;

6 August, 10am - 4pm. Totteridge Fields Work Day. Join Barnet Conservation Volunteers (BCV) to help with thistle pulling and surveying old hedgerows in Totteridge Fields. Meet at the Hendon Wood Lane field gate at 10am. Phone Jim Rea (BCV) 020 8200 7309; 26 August, 2-4pm. Barfield Avenue Nature Reserve Open Day. Free fun for all the family - explore this wildlife haven just off Russell Lane and Oakleigh Road North. Phone Mel Lloyd, Parks & Countryside Development Officer on 020 8359 4322 for information;

27 August, 2-4pm. Mill Hill Old Railway Open Day. (*see 25 June for details*).

Barnet YHA (The North London Outdoor Group) Summer Evening Walks. 7.30pm. 6 July, Walk to Hadley Wood and Common. Meet at York Road Car Park, New Barnet Station; 17 August, Walk to track down the ghosts of Pymmes Brook! Meet by St Mary's Church, Church Hill Road, East Barnet. Phone Jane, 020 8449 1553.

Do you live in or near Friern Barnet? Are you interested in its local history? If so, the **FRIERN BARNET AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY** would like to hear from you. For further information, please ring John Donovan on 01707 642 886.

BARNET CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
27 June, 'Unleash the Power Within You'. Seminar Speaker Nigel Risner. Dumayne House, Fox Lane, Palmers Green, N13. Members £45 + VAT, non-members £65 + VAT. For more details on this and future events contact Deidre Cavanagh on 020 8343 3833.

22 July, 2 - 4pm. **Barnet Borough Confederation of Tenants' and Residents' Associations Surgery** at Burnt Oak Library. This is a service for London Borough of Barnet Tenant, Resident and Leasehold Associations representatives to bring along issues that have proved difficult to resolve. Perhaps we can mediate on your behalf. Also surgery 2-4pm 23

September at Childs Hill Library.

16 June. **Organisers LaunchPad** hope that more than 500,000 children will borrow a book on this day in an attempt to set a record for the most children's books borrowed from libraries in a single day to kick-start an Olympic-themed library promotion this summer 'The Reading Relay'. For details phone Valerie Ross on 020 8359 2867

LIBRARY BOOK SALES

15-17 June, **Mill Hill Library**, Hartley Avenue, NW7; 22-24 & 26 & 27 June, **Church End Library**, 24 Hendon Lane, N3; 30 June & 1 July, **Osidge Library**, Brunswick Park Road, N11; 7 & 8 July, **Friern Barnet Library**, Friern Barnet Road, N11; 11-15 July, **South Friern Library**, Colney Hatch Lane, N10; 13-15 July, **Edgware Library**, Hale Lane, Edgware; 18-22 July, **North Finchley Library**, Ravensdale Avenue, N12; 3-5 August, **Burnt Oak Library**, Watling Avenue, Edgware. 8 & 9 August, **Friern Barnet Library**, Friern Barnet Road, N11; 10-12 August, **Childs Hill Library**, 320 Cricklewood Lane, NW2; 14-19 August, **Hendon Library**, The Burroughs, NW4; 22-26 August, **East Finchley Library**, 226 High Road, N2; 22-26 August, **Chipping Barnet Library**, 3 Staplyton Road, Barnet; 31 August & 1 & 2 September, **East Barnet Library**, 85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet; 5 & 6 September, **Totteridge Library**, 109 Totteridge Lane, N20; 7-9 September, **Grahame Park Library**, The Concourse, Colindale, NW9; 7-10 September, **Golders Green Library**, 156 Golders Green Road, NW11; 14-16 September, **Mill Hill Library**, Hartley Avenue, NW7; 21-23 & 25 & 26 September, **Church End Library**, 24 Hendon Lane, N3; 29 & 30 September, **Osidge Library**, Brunswick Park Road, N11

WHAT'S ON

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Barnet Millennium Celebrations

ArtsWeek For full details of all the events around the borough phone the Barnet Arts Office on 020 8359 3152.

22-25 June, 8pm, 'On the Spot' New plays by Phil Evans and Natalie Chyba performed by the youth theatre. Incognito Theatre, Holly Park Road, N11. Tickets members £5; temporary associate £5.50. Phone 020 8441 2979.

24 June

12noon-6pm. ArtsZone. Tally Ho Corner, N12, Barnet; Edgware. At Tally Ho Corner - street events, an arts market, mega workshops in many art forms and Phoenix Freddie's Kids Club; elsewhere street theatre including bishops chasing the mischievous Lincoln Imp. Ring 020 8359 3152; **8pm.**

Jazz - The K Groove. Salsa flavoured jazz versions of Greek and Yiddish folk songs from Stewart Curtis. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets seated £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

24 June-2 July
Aphorp Fund for Young Artists. The finalists exhibition (see *The Bull* details below).

'Making The Image Move' An exhibition of historical cinema projection equipment. Cinema opening hours, Phoenix Cinema foyer, 52 High Road, East Finchley, N2. Details in June edition of *Phoenicular*, published 29 May.

25 June

ArtsZone (see above) at Galders Green, 8pm. **'The October Consort'** (see *The Bull* details below).

25 June & 1 July

3pm. Kazzum and the Ex Libris Theatre **'Tock Tick'**. The upside down and back-to-front show for children. Nothing is as it seems - rain goes up! Friary Park, Friary Road, N12 (25 June) and Mill Hill Park, Daws Lane, NW7 (1 July). Ring 020 8359 3152.

'A Lens On the Past'. Films from the British & Colonial Kinematograph Company - 1909-1916; 'A Night At The Opera - The Marx Brothers, 1935'. Silent shorts shot in North London with a lively piano accompaniment coupled with one of the funniest of films. Each will be introduced by one of the Phoenix film experts. Afternoons, Phoenix Cinema, 52 High Road, East Finchley, N2. Details in June edition of *Phoenicular*, published 29 May or phone (020) 8444 6789.

25 June & 2 July, 4pm & 8pm. **The Original Shakespeare Company 'Hamlet'**. Working from the first folio text, the cast never reads the whole play. Refreshing insight into Shakespeare. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets seated £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £4.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

26 June, 8pm. 'The Art of the Fencing Master'. Philip Stafford

and a company of young fencers from London drama schools show how sword play became almost as important as Shakespeare's plays to Elizabethan theatre audiences. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets seated £7, £5.50; on ground £6, £4.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

26-30 June, 'The Jerusalem Windows'

Lithographs by Chagall, Picasso, Matisse and Schneuer presented by the Manor House Society. 10am-5pm (Mon to Thurs); 10am-4pm Friday. The Sternberg Centre, 80 East End Road, Finchley, N3. Ring 020 8359 3152.

27 June

12.30pm. Sonatas 1 & 2. Johannes Brahms. Performed by **Katrin Gilbert (viola) and Stephen Baron (piano)**. Chipping Barnet Library, Stapylton Road, EN5. Ring 020 8359 3152; **8pm. 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'**. Theatre Set-Up's strenuous version of the Shakespeare play. The perfect wake-up call for a new millennium. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets, £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

28 June

8pm. 'Jazz at The Bothy'. Theo Travis has been nominated for the past two years in the Rising Star Category of the British Jazz Awards. His quartet will produce a high energy evening. The Bothy, Avenue

House, East End Road, N3. Tickets seated £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834. **8pm. The Red Room 'The Bogus Woman'** (see *The Bull* details below).

28 & 29 June, 10am-6pm

Barnet's 14th Multicultural Resources Exhibition. The key national landmark for those interested in resourcing anti-racist policy and practice in schools. Professional Development Centre, 457 High Road, N12. Tickets £2.50. Ring 020 8359 3880.

29 June

1.15pm. Jamie Walton (cello) & Daniel Grimwood (piano) Works by Beethoven, Bloch, Bruch, Martinu and de Falla. The Sternberg Centre, 80 East End Road, Finchley, N3. Tickets £2. Ring 020 8343 0901 or see www.refsyn.org.uk. Lunch is available beforehand.

'Celebrating the Independent Spirit - A Bout de Souffle, 1959'. Directed by Jean-Luc Godard, this last French road movie was a style setter in its time. A panel discussion of the Independent Spirit follows the screening. Evening, Phoenix Cinema, 52 High Road, East Finchley, N2. Programme details ring 020 8444 6789 or June edition of *Phoenicular*, published 29 May.

8pm. 'The Dutch Courtesan' by John Marston - Troupe Theatre Co. & Comyns Carr. In this play, wide boys, whores and cheats populate London in 1605. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets, £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

8pm. Comedy & Spoken Word 'Leap the Page' (see *The Bull* details below).

30 June

12.30pm. Lorna Twycross-Hills (flute and early woodwind) and Mihnea Racoveanu (piano) A repertoire of classical and baroque music including early works for woodwind. Chipping Barnet Library, Stapylton Road, EN5. Ring 020 8359 3152.

7.30pm. Dannie Abse leads a creative writing discussion The Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet, EN5. Tickets, £5, £3. Ring 020 8449 0048; **8pm. 'Sounds Positive'** - new British music. This quintet performs at St John's, Smith Square. Music for oboe, trumpet, clarinet, flute and piano. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834.

30 June 7.30pm & 1 July, 3pm & 7.30pm. 'In Good King Charles' Golden Days' George Bernard Shaw. A special open air Millennium production. Little Wood, Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11. Tickets £6 & £4.50. Ring 020 7723 6609.

1 July

1pm & 6.30pm. Rock & Pop Talent Fair - Teenfest 3 at Queen Elizabeth's Girls School and Barnet High Street, EN5. A music and media fair attended by the record industry followed by a talent show. Watch the Middelrow Crew and win cash, air tickets or a record production deal. Book your audition with Akhom at Grange Park Youth Centre. Tickets £3. Ring 020 8205 2060; **7.30pm. Robert Cohen (cello) & Elizabeth Burley (piano)** playing pieces by Beethoven, Bloch, Chopin and Rachmaninov. All Saints Church,

Durham Road, N2. Tickets £10, £8, £7. Ring 020 8883 5631. **8pm.**

'Love's The Thing' by Nigel Fairs. A comedy based on the private theatricals of Jane Austen's time performed by the first class Classic Reaction Theatre Co. The Bothy, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. Tickets £8, £6.50; on ground £7, £5.50. Ring 0870 906 3834; **8pm. The Funjabis 'This is Your Life Mr Funjab'** (see *The Bull* details below).

1-2 July, 1pm. East Barnet Festival. Arena events, two music stages, carnival events and an arts tent. Oakhill Park. Ring 07071 781745.

2 July

3pm. 'The Big Catch'. This is an action-packed adaptation of *The Fisherman and His Wife* by the Brothers Grimm. Hendon Park, Queens Road, NW4. Ring 020 8359 3152; **7.30pm. Finchley Children's Music Group.** Internationally renowned for their beautiful voices. All Saints Church, Durham Road, N2. Tickets £6, £5. Ring 020 8883 5631. **8pm. Spirit of Asia 2000** - Indian and Chinese Musical Workshops (see *The Bull* details below).

MILLENNIUM EVENTS.

Barnet's Twin Towns. Special millennium exhibition at Church Farmhouse Museum (see *Museums* section below).

Tesco SchoolNet 2000. Allows Barnet schools to participate in a national project to publish their work on the Internet. It records information about communities in which children live to make an electronic Domesday Book. Follow links for SchoolNet 2000 at www.tesco.co.uk. **Babies Bookstart Pack.** For babies born in 2000. Packs for babies born at the start of the Millennium. Contact Valerie Ross on 020 8359 2867.

18 June, 2.30-4.30pm. Lecture series: Anna Pavlova. A talk and guided tour round the house of Anna Pavlova, the ballet dancer. Ivy House, North End Road, NW11.

9 July, 2-4pm. Sir Stamford Raffles. A service of remembrance followed by a talk about the founder of Singapore and a tour of the graveyard where he is buried. St Mary's Church, NW4.

29 July, 2.30-3.30pm: William Wilberforce. Talk and tour about William Wilberforce who campaigned against slavery. Includes an exhibition. St Paul's Church, The Ridgeway, NW7.

18 June, East Finchley Community Festival (see *Shows* Section below).

20 June, Keynote Address Talk by **Dr Margie Walley** on early years issues in education. Professional Development Centre, 457 High Road, N12. Contact 020 8359 3870.

1 July, Children's Pan-London Millennium Programme at East Barnet Community Festival, Oak Hill Park. Project hoping to involve all 33 London boroughs. Barnet and Enfield are working on a carnival event involving children from both boroughs experiencing carnival art. Involves art, dance and music-making workshops led by artists and celebrities. Ring 020 8359 3904 for more information. Also **1-2 July, Barnet Sports Fayre** at East Barnet Community Festival. A showcase for sports organisations

combined with a family day out. Contact 020 8457 9910. For more details on East Barnet Community Festival see *Shows* Section below.

3 July, 1pm, Primary Schools Athletic Event at Coptall Stadium. Includes relay events. For schools in the north of the borough. Ring 020 8883 1824.

7-9 July, Grahame Park Festival (see *Shows* Section below).

8-16 July, ENVIRONMENT WEEK. A fun-filled week of events, activities, fairs, competitions and lots more. Something for everyone. Events throughout the borough. This is about helping to improve the local environment. Contact the Local Agenda 21 team on 020 8359 4664.

8 July, 10am-4pm, Environment Fair, Stapylton Road (rear of Spire Shopping Centre); **11 July, 10am-3pm, Schools Environmental Action Day.** Schools within Watling Park area; **12 July, Young Citizen's Environment Conference,** an opportunity for school pupils to investigate the environment across the world using the internet; **16 July, Cricklewood Community Festival** an exhibition stand with a pedal powered public address system! Clitterhouse Playing Fields, contact 020 8359 3153.

12-15 July, Pentland Finchley Carnival; **16 July, Cricklewood Community Festival;** **19-20 August, Friern Barnet Summer Show** (see *Shows* Section below).

THE BULL

68 High Street, Barnet EN5 5SJ. Tel. 020 8449 0048. Contact *The Bull* for more information about their events, courses and classes.

THEATRE

14 June, 11am & 2pm. Tara Arts 'Adventures of Dum'. For schools and young people (7-11yrs). Based on the stories of young Asians born in Britain, a modern parable. Part of The Bull's A4E programme. Tickets free, call Education Dept. 020 8275 5375. **28 June, 8pm. The Red Room 'The Bogus Woman'**. A monologue of poetic intensity. Noma Dumezweni tells the story of a young African journalist and poet seeking asylum in Britain. Part of *Barnet ArtsWeek*. £8, £6 conc.

Guy Masterson presents his fifth annual Edinburgh Preview Season (see all 3 shows for £15).

27 July, 8pm. 'I kissed Dash Riprock' Cyndi Freeman studies in a starlet's romantic travelogue with the stars - no gossip just secrets! £8, £6 conc; **28 July, 8pm. 'The 2'** From New Zealand Madeleine Sami - star of 99 Best Actress Award. Best Newcomer (NZ Theatre Awards) in Toa Fraser's moving, hilarious celebration of life down under. £8, £6 conc; **29 & 30 July, 8pm. 'Marijuana Time'**, follow on from 'A Soldier's Song'. The enterprising squaddie's alternative adventures continue in Belize. Howard Marks in combats. Crazy

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