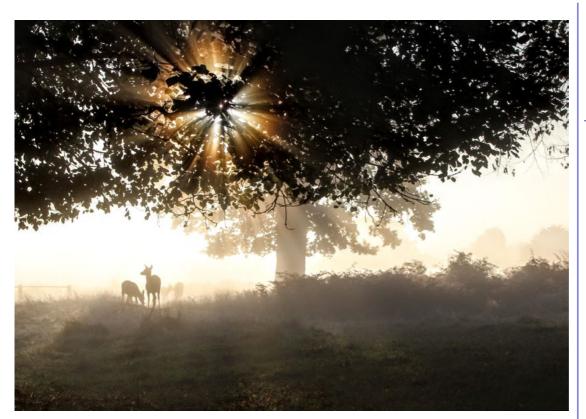
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The winner of the Strawberry Hill Golf Club competition this week is John Royle from Twickenham. The photograph was taken in Bushy Park.

Bushy Park is a Royal Park near Hampton Court. "Villages" bordering the park are Hampton, Hampton Hill, Teddington and Hampton Wick.

The park is home to herds of Red and Fallow Deer and is a favourite place for photographers. Last month's winning photograph was of the Diana Fountain (Edition 13), also in Bushy Park.

Like Stags? Like Bushy Park? Then you will love this short video by Rhodri Williams, entered in the 2016 Twickenham Alive Film Festival.

www.twickenhamfilmfestival.com





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THE LOCAL POSTCARD PAGE PART 12 – TWICKENHAM ON THAMES ANYONE?

It seems that the recent name change by our neighbours in Staines is not as original as they think. Staines-on Thames was preceded over 110 years ago by Twickenham as this postcard that is postmarked July 1905 shows. Postcards of the Edwardian age were either photographic or artist drawn and this example is by a well known postcard artist of the day R.F.McIntyre.

I assume that the recent name change by Staines is to add some charm to the town name when looking for it on a map. The town needed to improve its 15 year image as Staines "Massive" which was brought into the world by local comedian and actor Ali G. I guess it does no harm to the house prices either.

Not to be outdone, St Margarets on Thames also got into the act. This real photographic multi-view postcard was sent from Twickenham to Bournemouth as recently as 1963. Nice to see the whole of St Margarets Road between Broadway Avenue and



the Bank next to the station was owned by Phelps the Antique Furniture showroom in those days. Postcards are an excellent resource to keep track of ever changing retail sites in town centres and parades of shops as well as many other elements of social history.

I am still a bit peeved that my home town of Twickenham was merged with our neighbours Richmond



If you have any postcards to dispose of, any questions on this subject, or ideas for future articles, please drop me a line at alanwinter192@hotmail.com

to become the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames back in the 1960's. For goodness sake. Richmond is even in a completely different county! How about reclaiming our identity by title as Twickenham on Thames? Local government can stay as it is I suppose but let's at least formally refer to our lovely town as it should be. Twickenham on Thames in the county of Middlesex has a nice sound to it doesn't it? As our postcards this week show – It isn't new is it?

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A VILLAGE TOO FAR

The most important change affecting our towns, or "villages", since the formation of the London Borough of Richmond in 1965 is the shared staffing arrangements with Wandsworth London Borough Council.

At no time in the Council's various types of consultations, the Barefoot Consultation, the All-In-One and the Village Plans, was Wandsworth mentioned. No mention of a proposal to enter into any type of merger with Wandsworth was made in the Election Manifesto of the majority party in the 2014 election.

If given the choice of a "joint staffing" arrangement with Wandsworth or Kingston the vote may have gone with Kingston but our elected representatives did not give us the opportunity to vote on this extremely important issue.

At the moment, Council reports seem to focus on Joint Staffing Structure which includes formalising pensions and pay policy. Of course, this is initially important with many changes affecting where work is carried out and by whom. As well as the joint staff committee other joint committees with Wandsworth and "Richmond" representatives have worked out the procedure for speaking and voting at decision-making meetings.

Relatively recently, emails from officers in the Civic Centre in Twickenham state that the sender is "Serving Richmond and Wandsworth Councils"; sometimes when writing to an officer at LBRuT a reply arrives from an officer at wandsworth.gov. The Chief Executive Officer of the London Borough of Richmond and Wandsworth Council is based in Wandsworth. http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk

When the idea for a joint staffing arrangement with Wandsworth was made known, just ten months after the last Council election, Cllr Stephen Knight, the leader of the Liberal Democrats at the time, said that the proposal for the London Borough of Richmond to amalgamate with Wandsworth should trigger a referendum but his words fell on deaf ears. The decision to go ahead with the proposal was agreed at the Council meeting on 4 March 2015.

The Councils (Richmond and Wandsworth) stated that savings of around ten million pounds each would be made by this Joint Staffing arrangement.

It remains to be seen how this "arranged marriage" between Wandsworth (covering Balham, Clapham Junction and Battersea, Putney, Tooting and Wandsworth Town) and the "villages" of the London Borough of Richmond will work out.

How will it affect those of us who need to contact our Council, especially when action may be taken by officers in Wandsworth? Now we are in this all encompassing contractual agreement how easy would it be to get a divorce if residents are unhappy?

It is interesting to note that a presentation on Richmond and Wandsworth Councils' Shared Staffing Agreement was given to the Putney Society on 24 January 2017.

What information has been given to residents in Richmond and Twickenham and all the towns on both sides of the river?

View details of senior officers HERE



Click image to view Putney presentation by Paul Chadwick

View cabinet paper on proposals to develop a shared staffing arrangement with Wandsworth HERE

View detailed report to council on shared staffing arrangement with Wandsworth HERE

View cabinet paper on operational Budget Protocol for the Shared Staffing Arrangements and Exit Plan for the merger with Wandsworth HERE

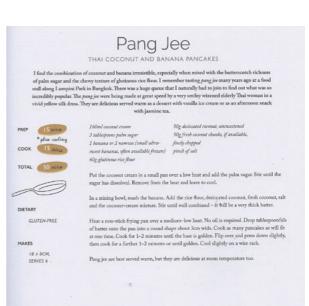
View details of merger of Wandsworth and Richmond Upon Thames pension funds: government response to consultation HERE

TWICKERS FOODIE

A Flipping Good Read! by Alison Jee

I am the lucky recipient of a new book - aptly called 'Flipping Good!' -about pancakes, launched this week. Timed perfectly for Shrove Tuesday of course, it embraces pancakes in all their forms across the globe.

Author Sudi Pigott has taken inspiration from her travels, and the book comprises an enticing collec-





tion of savoury and sweet varieties

from 25 different countries. There are also many gluten-free recipes. With lovely photography and simple to follow recipes (each with a brief introduction about the origin and in many cases a biographical note from Sudi as to where she first encountered it) it is one of those rare cookbooks that you actually want to sit down and read, cover-to-cover! It's a paperback and reasonably priced at £12.99. It would make a lovely Mother's Day present, maybe presented with breakfast in bed - pancakes?

I spotted a recipe in the book for Thai pancakes called Pang Jee and because of its name, just couldn't resist offering you this recipe to try at home!

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Offers and Competitions

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Entrants must be over 18. The prize is as stated and no cash alternativeis available. Entry deems permission to name the winner in the paper and take a photo of the prize presentation if appropriate for publication.





Winner of a £50 voucher for Le Salon Privé!

The lucky winner is from TW11 and will be announced in the next edition.

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Win an 18 hole round of golf for 4 at Strawberry Hill Golf Club Enter our monthly photographic competition. Email your photo to win@TwickenhamTribune.com

(include your name and postcode) All 4 players must play the same round.

Photos of pets or wildlife, or any scenes taken within the local villages, ie Twickenham, St Margaret's, East Twickenham, Strawberry Hill, Teddington, Hampton Wick, Hampton, Hampton Hill and Whitton/Heathfield

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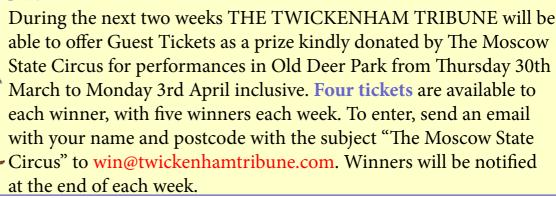
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This is an offer from The Moscow State Circus and The Twickenham Tribune is running the promotion in good faith. We cannot accept any liability in connection with this offer of these tickets as a competition prize. Entry to the competition deems acceptance of this.

Arts and Entertainment by Erica White

REMINDER: RICHDANCE: This annual dance festival, showcasing a variety of performances from young artists, schools and youth companies and choreographers throughout the borough, takes place on Friday, 3 March at 7.30pm and Saturday, 4 March at 2.30pm at THE HAMMOND THEATRE, HAMPTON SCHOOL, Hanworth Road. Tickets £8.50/£4.50. info: richmond.gov.uk/richdance or tel: 020 8831 6000.

CONCORDIA VOICES give a concert of SACRED MUSIC IN A SECULAR AGE at ST MARY'S CHURCH, Twickenham on Sunday, 5 March at 7.30pm. Music includes Britten, Dove, Gjeilo, Leighton, MacMillan, Part, and Taverner. Conducted, Jack Apperley. Tickets £10 in advance from choir members, or from ticketsource.co.uk/concordiavoices or £12 on door.

ANOTHER REMINDER FOR THIS WEEKEND: LONDON POTTERS LOCAL are showing their wares ON March 4-5 from 11am-5pm at NORMANSFIELD THEATRE, The Langdown Centre, Langdon Park, Teddington. This offers a unique opportunity to see original, hand-crafted ceramics to buy and enjoy at home.

Looking ahead: on 17 March, 9.30am-4.30pm POPES GROTTO PRESERVATION TRUST, Twickenham are holding a symposium entitled THE LEGACY AND GHOST OF POPE (i.e., Alexander Pope). Distinguished academics, architectural and landscape historians, and curators will be among the speakers. Tickets: £35 (includes refreshments, lunch, auction and viewing of the house, with optional candlelit visit to Pope's grotto at end of day). Restricted numbers. Info: www.popesgrotto.org.uk



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On Saturday, 18 March, 7.00 for 7.30 ASPECT PRODUCTIONS in Association with PATCHWORK PRODUCTIONS present A NIGHT AT THE MUSICALS. Straight from the West End Stage featuring Mario Frendo sings through the Broadway and West End song book. 2 course dinner and show, £25. Tickets: cabbagepatch@fullers.co.uk

On the same night CANTANTI CAMERATI present SPRING SERENADE: NOT STRICTLY JUST A SONG on Saturday, 18 March, at 2.30 pm and 7.30 pm NORMANS-FIELD THEATRE, Langdon Park, Teddington. Concert will include choral music, solos, audience participation and Special Guests: The Guards' Saxophone Quartet from the Corps of Army Music. Tickets: £15 (under 16s free) from Normansfield on 03331212300 or Cantanti Camerati on 020 8898 8020 or on door.

On the drama side we can look forward to TEDDINGTON THEATRE CLUB'S production of THE CAT'S MEOW by Steven Peros at HAMPTON HILL THEATRE from Sunday, 12-Saturday, 18 March. Hollywood 1924 and media mogul Randolph Hearst is hosting a lavish party on his luxury yacht, attended by no less than Charlie Chaplin, his secret lover, Marion Davies and other Hollywood luminaries. Comedy, hot jazz, seduction, intrigue and murder. Based on real life events. You couldn't make it up! Tickets: £12 members, £14 non members. Please note opening performance on Sunday 12 is at 4.00pm, rest of week at 7.45pm. info: ttc-boxoffice.org.uk, tel: 0845 838 7529.

THE SCRIPT ROOM, an exciting new initiative based in Whitton, offers a try-out space for new theatre script writers. On Thursday, 23 March at 7.00pm at Whitton Library, OPTIK THEATRE presents a selection of original scripts, performed by a professional theatre company and directed by Barry Edwards. You are invited to have a drink, meet the writers and enjoy some fresh, new writing.

Many of the above entertainments form part of the borough-wide council MUSIC AND DRAMA FESTIVAL, detailed in diary form in the booklet sent to every household.

Info: richmond.gov.uk/musicanddrama

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Shakesmarleton Lives!

UK Premiere of Shakespeare Comes to Twickenham Review by Mark Aspen

Who was this chap Shakespeare? And who were his mates? Was one of them Spanish? And what's all this to do with one of Twickenham's most ardent Shakespeare experts? Modern scholarly research (that is serious work, not those of us who just dip our toes in these ever flowing waters) shows that Elizabethan and Jacobean playwriting was much more of a team sport than we had hitherto thought.



Credit IUPUI

Shakespeare's inkpot, it seems, was a bit more communal than we had believed. But then again we should have suspected. How otherwise could he have found time for all that acting, and moving bits of theatres from one side of the Thames to the other, and wooing Anne Hathaway, and having Lost Years in Italy or somewhere?

After all, we have known for some time (actually since 1634 when the First Quarto was published) that Two Noble Kinsmen was written by two kindred souls, William Shakespeare and John Fletcher.

However, our Will seems to have been drawn to mates called Tom: Thomas Dekker, Thomas Heywood, and Thomas Kyd on various works, but especially with Thomas Middleton. For a long time Middleton has been credited with writing chunks of Timon of Athens, and probably revised Macbeth and Measure for Measure after Shakespeare's death. But now some scholars are confidently declaring that Middleton wrote large bits of All's Well that Ends Well too.

All this probably shows that Elizabethan and Jacobean playwrights were not lone figures scratching their quills in garrets and alehouses, but had more of an all-hands-to-deck approach when the pressures of influential patrons demanded drama by deadline.

So what about Shakespeare's Spanish workmate? Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra died the very same day as Shakespeare, 23rd April 1616. So they were in every sense contemporaries. A sub-plot of Don Quixote about Cardenio, a recluse spurned in love, formed the basis of a Shakespeare play, The History of Cardenio, written in collaboration with John Fletcher. So, did Shakespeare in his Lost Years go to Spain and share a porron or two with Cervantes?

Visit www.markaspen.wordpress.com/2017/03/02/shakesmarleton-lives-uk-premiere-of-shakespeare-comes-to-twickenham to learn more about The History of Cardenio.

Editor's Note: Twickenham's Gerald Baker, in conjunction with Cutpurse and the Richmond Shakespeare Society, will present the UK premiere of The History of Cardenio at the Mary Wallace Theatre in Twickenham this month.



Mark Aspen

www.markaspen.wordpress.com

Expressing the art of the theatre critic

Unveiling of Bronze Age Barrow in Sandy Lane

Research by local Historian Ken Howe

Ken Howe writes: One of the most amazing features of Teddington's history is that we have or should say, had a Bronze Age barrow in the town. One of only three in the Greater London area, out of about 40,000 in the country.

Teddington's barrow stood at Sandy Lane, about 350 yards from the Teddington gate to Bushy Park. At its peak, it was 12'3" high and 96' in diameter; it must have been an imposing landmark for miles around. The earliest record I have discovered of this is in Charles Bridgeman's map of the Bushy Park estate of 1730. It is shown as a tumulus at the side of the main road to Kingston. It was known as Barrow Hill and was in Barrow Field. Various local rumours arose about it and some claimed it to be a mass grave for victims of the Great Plague. This so disconcerted William IV, then Duke of Clarence and living in Bushy Park, that he blocked all attempts to investigate it.



The barrow withstood the enclosure of Bushy Park in Wolsey's day, although it may have lost its southern tip in



road widening, and also the Teddington Enclosure Act of 1800 when all of the common land was apportioned amongst the existing landowners. Fifty-eight acres of copyhold land granted to Thomas Davis Esq included the barrow. It was suggested that Field Lane which turns south from the High Street, was the pathway to the barrow from the old town centre.

It is not clear what resurrected interest in the barrow; maybe rumours that the new railway was to cut through it, or perhaps the new national pastime of archaeology found its way to Teddington. The Surrey Archaeological Society

was formed in 1853 and they sought permission from the landowner to excavate the barrow. On their first anniversary – 30th June 1854 – 150 members and visitors held their first AGM, lunched at the Griffin in the marketplace and then set off across Kingston Bridge for their first ever 'dig' at the site.

They quickly found evidence of treasure hunters and other signs that the barrow had been disturbed but they pressed on to the very centre of the mound and were rewarded to find a pile of burnt bones on which had been placed a fine bronze dagger. On the floor of the grave were several fragments of charcoal and pieces of worked flint. A second day's digging revealed a second cremation only four feet below the apex and later, the bones of a third burial, an adult buried superficially were found.

As archaeology was in its infancy at that time, there was no plan or sketch of the site ever made and the interesting finds seem to have been dispersed amongst the members nearest to the diggers. The following year the London and Middlesex Archaeological Society was formed and all finds were handed over to them. At their second AGM, their President Rev Thomas Hugo exhibited the dagger and a flint from the barrow. In 1860 it was reported that the dagger had 'suffered considerably from incautious handling' and would not be shown again. Indeed there is no record of it ever being seen again! The barrow itself has come to a sorry end. As housing and road widening



have moved in, an electricity sub-station has been installed on what remains of this once impressive site.

I have spent many years following clues to the whereabouts of the finds from the barrow but have only succeeded in tracing some of the flints that were discovered. An array of very interesting people have come to light in the course of my enquiries and these would provide the basis for a Victorian mystery drama themselves.

THE BRONZE AGE BARROW AT TEDDINGTON: by Ken Howe available from Waterstones in Teddington, priced £3.00.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

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Development of Civic Centre

Currently waiting for a response from Richmond upon Thames Borough Council regarding the following FOI request, they must respond promptly, no later than by13 March 2017 (details).

www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/development_of_civic_centre#outgoing-624120

Dear Richmond upon Thames Borough Council

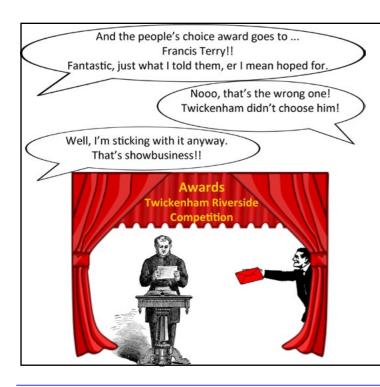
It has been rumoured that the Civic Centre at 44 York Street will be developed and council officers moved to Wandsworth. Can the council confirm if the Civic Centre will continue as council offices with front of house services or is any form of new use being considered

Letter COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

Dear Editor

So now I have the answer to my question of a few weeks ago. The building opposite Twickenham station is not an ocean liner destined never to arrive at its port, it's not a beached whale, it's debatable whether it's a white elephant, it's not a community arts centre. It is an annexe to St Mary's university college campus. And at a peppercorn rent, to boot.

Puzzled, Twickenham resident.



Awards Fiasco!!

Twickenham residents were surprised when the design contract for Twickenham Riverside was awarded to Francis Terry.

Many think there has been a mistake, as all recent consultations have clearly shown that Twickenham does not want the designs as put forward.

St Mary's University, Twickenham Update

Dining with War Criminals and On-the-Runs: 'Dirty Hands' in Diplomacy Don't miss Former British diplomat and current President of Trinity College, Sir Ivor Roberts, will deliver his lecture entitled 'Dining with War Criminals and On-the-Runs: 'Dirty Hands' in Diplomacy'.

This free public lecture focuses more narrowly on the extent to which diplomats (as opposed to princes or politicians) should, in the interests of peace, be willing to bypass ordinary morality and treat with those who have carried out major crimes including ethnic cleansing or terrorism.

To register to attend please complete the online booking form www.ticketsource.co.uk/event/171125

About the Speaker

Sir Ivor Roberts is a former British diplomat who has held a number of senior and ambassadorial posts in the Foreign Office over his career. He is currently President of Trinity College, University of Oxford.

St Mary's Research finds that Protein Helps Quicker Recovery from Exercise

New research from the Sport & Exercise Physiology Research Group at St Marys University,



Twickenham has found that supplementation with branched chain amino acids (BCAAs), the building blocks of protein, can help speed up and improve recovery from resistance exercise.

The study, led by Dr Mark Waldron, is the first to assess acute supplementation with BCAAs immediately following resistance exercise. Previous research has focussed on supplementation over a

number of weeks prior to an exercise bout or following severe muscle damage. This is the first study of its kind to assess recovery following conventional strength training in individuals with a training background.

The participants were split into two groups, one receiving either BCAA supplement, the other a placebo matched supplement. Following a bout of resistance training the athletes in the BCAAs group found that their strength and power recovered quicker to pre exercise levels and soreness was reduced, 24 hours following the exercise.

Senior Lecturer in Strength & Conditioning Dr Mark Waldron said, "Before our research was published, it was known that BCAAs could be used for recovery purposes by athletes but it was not known how little supplementation was needed and over what period of time. Our findings indicate that a 100 kg athlete could supplement BCAAs twice daily, using as little as 17.2 g/day and need only begin supplementation on the day of training."

The study, entitled "The effects of acute branched-chain amino acid supplementation on recovery from a single bout of hypertrophy exercise in resistance-trained athletes" was published in Applied Physiology, Nutrition & Metabolism.



TWICKENHAM ALIVE FILM FESTIVAL 2017



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The first Twickenham Alive Film Festival, was launched in

2012, and the awards ceremony took place in 2013. The original theme "Where We Live" has been widened to allow a more varied entry criteria, although films are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes.

Entries come from all over the borough and this week we are showing:

Hampton and Richmond Borough Football Club - The Beavers Filmmaker: Nina Gerstenberger

Hampton and Richmond Borough FC is the only senior football club in the Borough of Richmond. Situated in the picturesque village of Hampton, the club it is the heart of the local community. HRBFC, or the Beavers as the supporters lovingly call the historic club, distinguishes itself through its warm and friendly family atmosphere, the vital role it is playing in Hampton on and off the pitch, a committed Supporters Trust and its dedicated

support of the development of Youth football in the Borough.

Running time: 4:47 mins Aspect Ratio: 16:9

Festival is now open for entries. To make an entry contact film@twickenhamalive.com www.twickenhamfilmfestival.com



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RICHMOND FILM SOCIETY COMPETITION



March 14 Still Walking (Japan)

Grown-up son and daughter visit elderly parents to commemorate the death of eldest son who drowned while saving the life of a stranger 12 years ago. Younger son Ryota still feels his parents resent that he wasn't the one who died.

March 28 The Lesson (Bulgaria)

The powerful portrayal of a teacher's life as she goes to desperate lengths to in order to preserve a roof over her family's head thwarted at every turn. You end up rooting for her all the way.

April 11 Marguerite (France)

In 1920s Paris, Marguerite Dumont, a wealthy woman, and lover of music and opera, loves to sing for her friends although she's not a good singer. The problem begins when she decides to perform in front of a real audience. The original remade by Hollywood as Florence Foster Jenkins.

April 25 Sing Street (UK-Ireland)

A schoolboy forms a band to try and impress a girl. Set in 1985 Dublin, this uplifting musical comedy from the director of 'Once' is an homage to the music and fashion of the '80s.

Films are in the original version and will be subtitled. Location St Mary's University, Room G5 with the screening starting at 8:00. www.richmondfilmsoc.org.uk





WORLD CINEMA

VEHICLE PARKING AND CONGESTION AROUND SCHOOLS

Parking around schools at drop-off and pick-up times is becoming increasing more dangerous in some of our local towns.

Just one example is in Cross Deep in Twickenham which has two schools opposite one another on a busy main road. Popes Grove which leads off Cross Deep is also heavily congested at these times with cars parked either side of the road and parents and other road users, including large vehicles, trying to negotiate their way in both directions. There are also a number of school events



where vehicles have been seen parked on a paved pedestrian corner.

Some local councils in London have taken action against illegal parking around schools issuing fines with criminal prosecution after three warnings. The London Borough of Havering use Public Space Protection Orders around a number of primary schools. Perhaps this is an issue which school heads should be discussing with local council officers and the Cabinet Member for Highways in order to prevent accidents that could happen with so many vehicles in the vicinity of schools at peak times.

MEETING OF COUNCIL: 28 FEBRUARY 7pm WEBCAST AVAILABLE

On the Agenda: Revenue Budget and Council Tax and Joint Staffing Committee

Public Document Pack

https://cabnet.richmond.gov.uk/documents/g4049/Public%20reports%20pack%20Tuesday%2028-Feb-2017%2019.00%20Council.pdf?T=10

STRAWBERRY HILL VILLAGE PLANS

Residents had the opportunity to look at an exhibition of the council's plans for Twickenham and Strawberry Hill. St Mary's University also had an exhibition of their plans, for expanding the university on show.



ILLEGAL MOORINGS AT TEDDINGTON LOCK

Photos: Brian Holder

Environment Agency moorings – Teddington Lock

We are pleased to tell you that the Environment Agency has removed the three large 'slum boats' and four smaller boats from land adjacent to Teddington Lock. The EA were supported by High Court Sherriffs, Richmond and Kingston Councils, the Port of London Authority and the police.



As you will know, nearly four months after the court decision in November 2016 to award a possession order, the requirement to leave had not been complied with by the owner and the boats at the Lock remained and continued to trade.

The EA took further legal action and today High Court Sheriffs enforced the possession order. The occupants were evicted and the boats towed away. The boats have

been taken to moorings elsewhere and will be destroyed unless the owner pays a considerable sum of money to reclaim them.

We are grateful to the officers of the EA who have been persistent and determined in pursuing this difficult case against a boat owner who has blighted our special stretch of river for some eight years. Many supporters of Reclaim our Riverbank have already ex-

pressed their pleasure and appreciation.

This owner continues to moor a similar 'slum boat' at Hampton Court Bridge to land belonging to Surrey County Council.

Richmond mooring byelaw

The appeal to the High Court by a boat owner against a fine imposed under the byelaw was heard on 19 January. The formal judgement was issued by the Court on 27 January in which it dismissed the appeal.



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Twick Fest 2017

The inaugural Tug of War "Eel Pie & Cabbage Patch Challenge" outside the Eel Pie Pub Church Street on Friday the 9th of June kicks off the Twick Fest 2017 which will end on the 25th of June with the Crown Road St Margaret's Summer Fete. There will be BUSINESS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION ASSOCIATION

regattas, School, community & Church Fetes, as well as Church Street's Craft Fair on the 10th, Al Fresco throughout June, & Go Green event on the 17th and 18th of June, & many other fantastic local events! We keep updating the online calendar on the twickenhamthetown.org.uk web site with events as they come in and we will also be producing 30,000 A5 Festival Guides which will be distributed to Twickenham



residents and businesses in TW1 and TW2 postcodes by the end of May.

Would you like to take part in Twickfest 2017? We are still in the planning phase. Here is how you can get involved. Deadline is 20 March.

Are you a local business and you would like to ADVERTISE in the essential Festival 2017 guide? We produce 30,000 Free Guides to be distributed to TW1 & TW2 postcodes and businesses?

Would you be interested in being a SPON-SOR of the Festival? It is £250 to be included on the welcome page of the Free and essential festival guide with your logo under the sponsors. £800 to be included on the welcome page of the Twickenham Festival

Guide, all publicity material and also on the Twick Fest banner which will be across Church Street for 4 weeks from 26 May until 25 June.

Do you have AN EVENT that you would like to include in the events calendar both online and in the actual Twick Fest Guide? It is free to submit an event. It needs to be a Summer Twickenham "Festival" event that falls between the 9th and the 25th of June. It is a great way to get free publicity for your event in a well-read what's on section in a guide that goes out to 30,000 households and businesses.

Would you like A STALL at the Craft market in Church Street on the 10th of June or for "Church Street Goes Green" on the 17th and 18th of June? The craft market is a celebration of the many fabulous craftspeople and artists in the borough, who are usually holed up in their studios and spend months preparing for this event. The Go Green event is when we "grass" the street and ideally we like the stalls to have a horticultural, "green" holistic, eco-friendly theme, and if you have that kind of business you will have preference but we will also accept other stalls. You should be aware that we only have room for approximately 33 stalls in Church Street.

Would you like to take part in THE TUG OF WAR we are looking for teams of 8 people. It is free to enter The Eel Pie & Cabbage Patch Challenge?

Just email shona@crusadertravel.com or call 0208744 0474 if you answer is yes to any of these questions.

www.twickenhamthetown.org.uk



Heritage Lottery Fund awards £8000 to the Richmond and Twickenham Belgian Refugee Project to mark First World War Centenary

East Twickenham Centennial Group has received £8,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) to tell the exciting story of the "Belgian Village on the Thames" formed by 6000 Belgian refugees in Richmond and Twickenham in the First World War. Thanks to National Lottery players and supported also by the Richmond Civic Pride and Civic Trust funds, the project will to revive this forgotten story for today's residents of Richmond upon Thames. It begins on Saturday 1st April with an event for local residents, London Belgians and refugee descendants. Later that day visitors can see the new memorial and an exhibition.

Richmond Environmental Information Centre have contributed information from their own HLFfunded "Most Famous Ice Rink in the World" project. Supported by Twickenham Alive, this shows what happened when the famous Belgian munitions factory in East Twickenham became the equally famous Richmond Ice Rink.

Over the following two years ETCG will continue its research via The National Archives in Kew and take the Belgian refugee story around and about the Borough through talks, walks and children's workshops.



To mark the Centenary of the First World War, the project will bring refugee descendants from across UK and Belgium to share their family memories with local residents. Volunteers will collect old photos, newspaper clippings, documents, photographs and family keepsakes. More volunteers will trawl individual Belgian record cards held at The Na-

tional Archives to create an online database of individual refugees with their local addresses. The aim is to re-create a picture of what the functioning "Belgian Village " was like. Trained by experts, volunteers themselves will learn a range of new skills from archive research through event management to museum work.

The Richmond and Twickenham Belgian community was unique. Like many other Belgian communities, it was created by a munitions factory offering employment. But less than a handful of towns in the UK had so many Belgians, and none of these were created by independent Belgian businesses. The Twickenham-Richmond set-up created a genuine community where Belgians from all walks of life lived together as they might in Belgium.

With help from professionals, the information gathered will be digitally recorded and an on-line interactive archive will be created where everyone can access and contribute information. The archive will allow the public to discuss, contribute, share and research information about the Home Front.



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Helen Baker, East Twickenham Centennial Chair, said "We are so thrilled to receive the Heritage Lottery Fund support. We have been so excited to re-discover the story of our First World War Belgian refugees, and this will help us share it with everyone across the Borough to make sure it is never forgotten again."

HAVE YOUR SAY HEATHROW/CAA /DfT SAY: 'THIRD RUNWAY. GIMME GIMME GIMME NOW!!!

<u>THEY SAY: "Tens of Thousands of Jobs".</u> WE SAY Jobs are far more needed in the Midlands and in the North of England than they are in West London. Putting more jobs in West London will simply inflate the already over inflated house and flat prices in London, putting properties yet further out of reach of young people.

<u>THEY SAY: "£61 billion of economic benefits"</u>; WE SAY totally untrue. The Airports Commission (AC) originally put this figure at £131 to £147 billion but this was a Gross Domestic Product figure of complete speculation and over 60 years. The Government brought it down to £59.2 to £61.1 billion over 60 years but again



that is a gross figure. The Government's net figure as shown in its "Further review and Sensitivities Report" is a mere £0.2 to 6.1 billion "Net Present Value" over 60 years!!! The AC and Government figures are just wild speculation without any proper costing and should not be put forward as forecasts.

<u>THEY SAY: "£114 billion of freight"</u>; WE SAY that could go from anywhere and does not have to go from Heathrow.

<u>THEY SAY: "5000 new apprenticeships"</u>; WE SAY they could be better applied in the regions where there is high youth unemployment – even if the figure is correct and due exclusively to the expansion of the airport which is doubtful.

<u>THEY SAY: "£2.6 billion compensation for property destruction"</u>; WE SAY this does not scratch the surface for the damage caused. The true cost to people within a wider area could be 50 times as much.

<u>THEY SAY: 6 hours 30 minutes scheduled flight ban;</u> WE SAY we will not get that because of over-runs and how many medical experts are going to certify that 6.5 hours is an adequate night's sleep for all?

<u>THEY SAY: "Compulsory purchase at 125% value of the property"</u>; WE SAY this will not be money in people's pocket after redecoration/renovation costs of a new property, arguments in the Upper Property Tribunal over the market value of the property and any disadvantageous tax consequences over a forced sale. There is no offer to pay legal and valuation costs should people want the Tribunal to rule on the market value of their property compulsorily purchased.

CAMPAIGNERS SAY: SPARE US YOUR FAKE 'CONSULTATIONS' WHICH ARE NO MORE THAN A DECLARATION OF INTENT.

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Strawberry Hill Plan Consultation Walkabout by Mark Wing

One of our supporters (Ben Makins of Strawberry Hill) attended the "Strawberry Hill plan consultation walkabout" last weekend. He shared with us in an email that there is a marked increase in interest in the subject of Radnor Bridge. This was mainly evidenced in the types of conversations he had with Councillors and people from the area.

Its always good to get this sort of feedback. Please keep it coming.

Ben walked with Cllr David Marlow (South Twickenham and Cabinet Member, lead for Adult Services) and discussed the bridge as they went. He also chatted with one of the planning officers accompanying them who was well briefed on Radnor Bridge as a proposal and how it might sit with various Ham and Twickenham plans and Thames strategies.

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One of the barriers to the bridge discussed during this walkabout was funding. But surely this is a small hurdle to jump when compared with the benefits our area will gain on so many levels.

Perhaps, it was muted, possible Heritage Lottery Funding might be worth exploring, especially as the Fund has already invested in Orleans and Strawberry Hill Houses and will hopefully approve the Marble Hill bid. It would make sense for the Heritage Lottery Fund to leverage the benefits of their current investment, by encouraging the link-up Radnor Bridge will bring to our four famous heritage houses (Ham, Strawberry Hill, York and Marble Hill houses). Ideal for encouraging tourism.

In addition to tourism, Ben also found the walking party discussed other development issues, which need to be to carefully considered - for which Radnor Bridge can make an important contribution. These included;

- Growth of St Mary's University (from 5000-9000 students).
- Associated parking and traffic problems in and around Strawberry Hill village centre.
- The obvious need to increasing and improve cycle ways in the area.
- Plans to improve accessibility to, and therefore usage of, Strawberry Hill station (e.g.; the inclusion of a cycle store in the station yard).
- Enhanced bus services to support the better connectivity made possible with the bridge (especially important given the number of people needing to travel daily between Ham and Strawberry Hill).

Finally, the walkers agreed that there is a growing concern the riverside site in Twickenham remains a scheme which lacks a purpose. What this site needs is a positive and constructive approach to ensuring 'joined-up-thinking' through surrounding areas along the river. This must therefore include plans for the Radnor Bridge if we are to address the essential issues needed to ensure the Twickenham Riverside development is to be made right.

If this can happen then some obvious synergies will be gained for all.